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# THE GEORGE-ANNE DAILY

TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2006

## File for federal aid now

*Financial aid advisers encourage early filing to ensure payments*

By Patrick Sauer  
Staff writer

It is now the time in the semester when these last remaining weeks breeze right by. While most students survived midterms, then immediately afterwards went completely wild during spring break, they tend to lose focus with the summer approaching closer each day.

However, there is one very important item that should be left on your semester to do list and it isn't sitting by the pool all day or worrying about finals. It is the process of applying or renewing your FAFSA applications.

The priority deadline for FAFSA, short for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, is the 31 of this month. As a student, if you do not fill this out you will not be able to claim loans and grants, including the HOPE scholarship or apply for workstudy programs. Much of this can be very overwhelming for students, especially freshmen who may have never actually done this without help from their guardians.

Kimberly Payne, the assistant director of the Financial Aid Department states "One of the most common problems students have is they think they are eligible for one thing when they aren't. This is why students need to be a part of the application process along with their parents."

However, it is easy to distinguish between the types of money a student can receive. A grant is any specified amount of money based exclusively on financial need and does not have to be repaid. Loans, on the other hand, are a requested amount of money that is borrowed from the government and has to be completely repaid with interest.

When it comes to loans the most common type of loan received by students are Stafford Loans. Payne says, "There are two types of this loan: subsidized, which doesn't accrue see **FAFSA**, page 7



### DEADLINE TO FILE

The first deadline to file for federal aid is March 31. Visit [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) to file the renewal forms.

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### Preacher's wife makes court appearance

The minister's wife accused of killing her husband shuffled into court Monday wearing an orange jail uniform and shackles. | **NEWS, page 5**

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## Candidates talk on communication

SGA presidential candidates say it's the key

By Darren Jones  
Staff writer



SGA presidential candidates Sean Bethune and Chris Ford squared off in a debate last Thursday, responding to questions from moderators and students.

Each candidate had a chance to emphasize the main points of their platforms as well as point out some inconsistencies in their opponent.

The program started with a three minute opening speech from both Bethune and Ford. Bethune made mention of his political science major

while Ford stressed that he has been involved in SGA since freshman year three years ago.

Both candidates chose the theme of improving communication between the student body and the administration, but neither elaborated on how they would do so.

After the opening speeches were given the program shifted to the ques-

tion and answer portion where each candidate would have two minutes to respond and the opposition would have one minute to rebut.

The first question asked of the candidates was what would be the first issue they'd discuss with Georgia Southern President Bruce Grube. Bethune said he would focus on getting students more involved by encouraging more interaction and discourse with faculty.

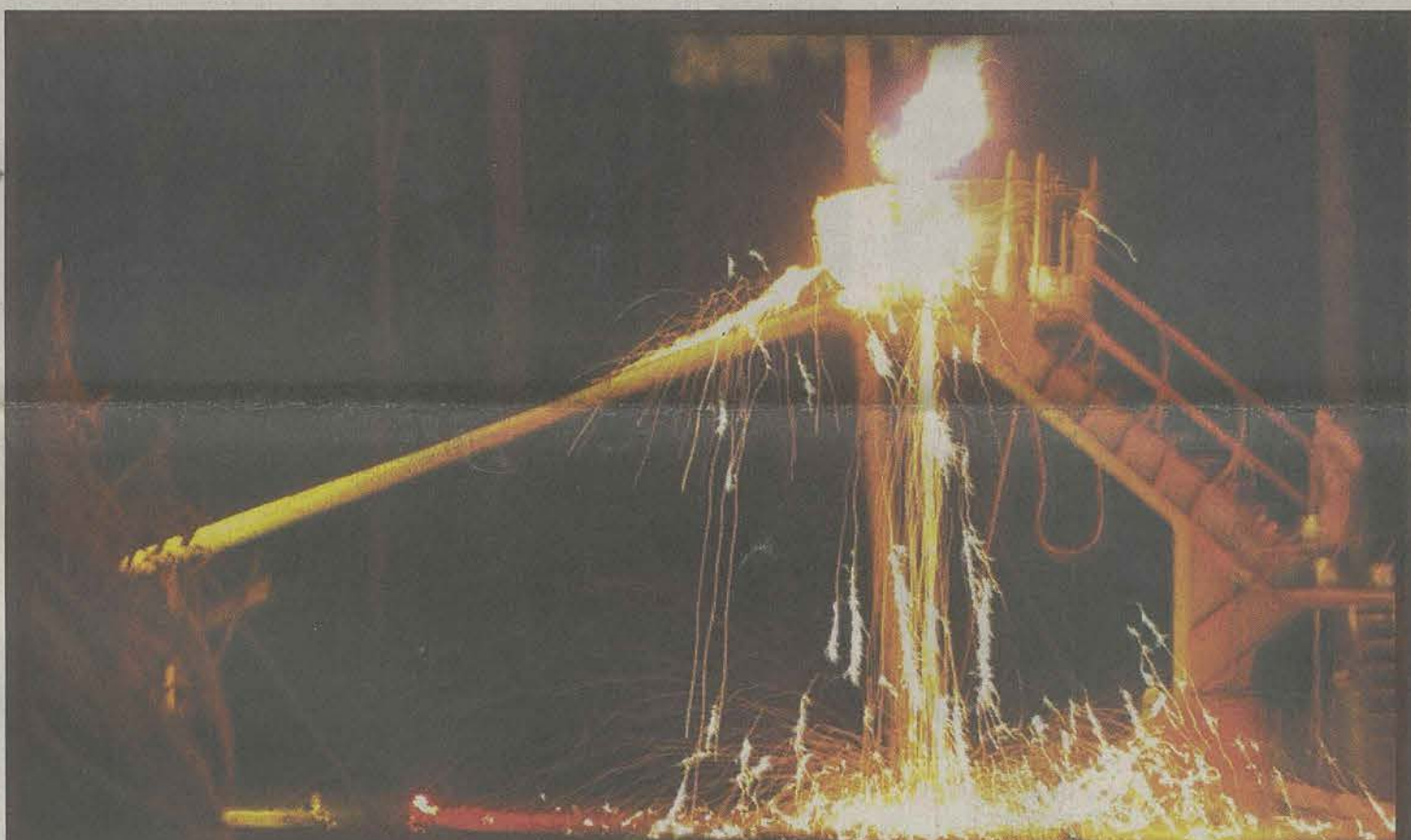
"Opening up the lines of communication is pivotal," said Bethune.

Ford took a similar stance in his see **DEBATE**, page 7



James Hall/STAFF

Jubilant supporters of Sean Bethune and his All-American Team ticket cheer during Thursday's debate in the Russell Union ballroom. Chris Ford and Bethune met for a town hall debate.



Jared Siri/STAFF

A fire sculpture near the ceramics studio went a little less than according to plan, but was still a success, said organizers.

## Fire...just for fun

'Fire Sculpture' still a success, says artist, despite mishaps

By Marcy Thornton  
Hiatus editor

Students, faculty and Statesboro community members were given the chance to see art in action on Friday, and they did — well, sort of.

Artist Matt Toole, an assistant professor of sculpture at Georgia Southern, was attempting to create an abstract metal sculpture by pouring molten iron into a wooden mold from a 20-foot high tower erected by volunteers and students. Before a huge crowd, Toole and his crew melted down iron scrap and performed a test pour before filling the large wooden mold that stood in the grassy area facing the parking lot of the GSU Ceramics and Sculpture Studio.

Unfortunately, before the actual pour could be performed, the wooden chute used to transport the molten material caught fire when the metal used in the test pour cooled too quickly and got stuck in the chute. The artist was forced

"It burned up before it was supposed to, that's the essence of what went wrong. But we meant to do that!"

to dump the remaining molten metal onto the ground below the tower, sending up showers of fire-cracker-like sparks, to the delight of the crowd.

"We burned through the furnace and the iron started cooling on the way down the trough," said Page Burch, a student that worked with Toole on the fire sculpture. "It just didn't get all the way down the trough."

Toole said the mishap didn't stop the performance art pouring from being a success.

"It burned up before it was supposed to, that's the essence of what went wrong. But we meant to do that! Really, we were going to burn it up, but not that soon," said Toole, "But it really worked,

and no one got hurt, that's the important thing."

There was one casualty, actually. Brian Prusa, an off-duty, nonetheless over-zealous Georgia Southern photographer got a little too close to the action during one of the pours.

"I got burned a little bit. I've got a nice little hole in my jacket actually," Prusa said. "I was just trying to get closer pictures because it was amazing."

Over 700 pounds of scrap iron were melted down to make the display, according to Toole and his team.

"The city donated some old cast iron radiators to us, and we took those and broke them down to use as charges," Burch said. The team

kept the furnace going by pouring charges of scrap iron and coke, or refined charcoal, onto the flames, and by using forced air to keep it heated, according to Burch.

The soundtrack to the evening was provided by Ryan Kelly and Brian Gooding, friends of Toole's that played the bass and the drums throughout the performance.

"We know Matt, and he asked us to play music for this thing to try to react to it. I told Matt, I can't write two hours of music with just bass and drums, what if we just improvise? We wanted a kind of tribal feel," Kelly said. "It was a real challenge. It was all about elements, like fire and the basic elements of music, the bass and the drums, like a heartbeat. This was fun, just to get primal like we did in high school, just to make a lot of racket."

Gooding summed up the feelings of the crowd, the crew and the musicians when he said, "It was really awesome. It was like being inside a firework when it exploded."

## Gandhi draws big crowds

*Grandson of famed philosopher earns big turnout for talk on non-violence*

By Casey Altman  
Assistant news editor

Nearly 400 people filled the Russell Union Theater last Thursday night to hear the philosophies of the late peace activist and spiritual leader Mahatma Gandhi as told through the lips of his grandson Arun Gandhi.

Arun gave the audience insight into the life of Mahatma Gandhi and his philosophy of non-violence. He said his grandfather was influenced by three women, his mother, his nanny and his wife. According to Arun, his great-grandmother was a spiritual woman interested in learning about other religions.

She exposed his grandfather to different beliefs and she impressed him with the way she dealt with her vows. "She had a smiling face all the time," he said, "and she continued to do all of her chores without complaining."

Arun said that his grandfather's nanny was a second great influence in his life; he said she noticed that Mahatma Gandhi was a fearful boy. She told him "You should never be afraid because God is always there to protect you and whenever you feel fear of any kind just chant the name of God and the Lord will protect you." He said his grandfather found this lessened his fear and was sort of hypnotic.

Mahatma Gandhi was married to his wife when he was 13 years old. She taught him how to use his anger in a positive and productive manner.

Arun Gandhi said that as an Indian youth in South Africa, he experienced racism from both the black and white communities. "I was too black to be white and too white to be black," he

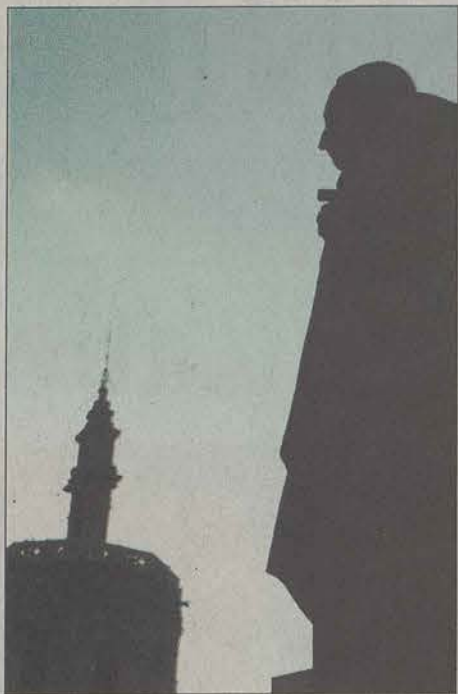
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Arun Gandhi



# Spring BREAK SHOTS



Victor Martinez/STAFF  
A statue in Fallas Valencia, Spain. Martinez went to Spain for a weeklong festival.



Daniel Flanders/STAFF  
A frothy ocean current rushes toward a mountainous coastline in Big Sur, Calif.



Victor Martinez/STAFF  
A woman in native clothing in Fallas Valencia, Spain.



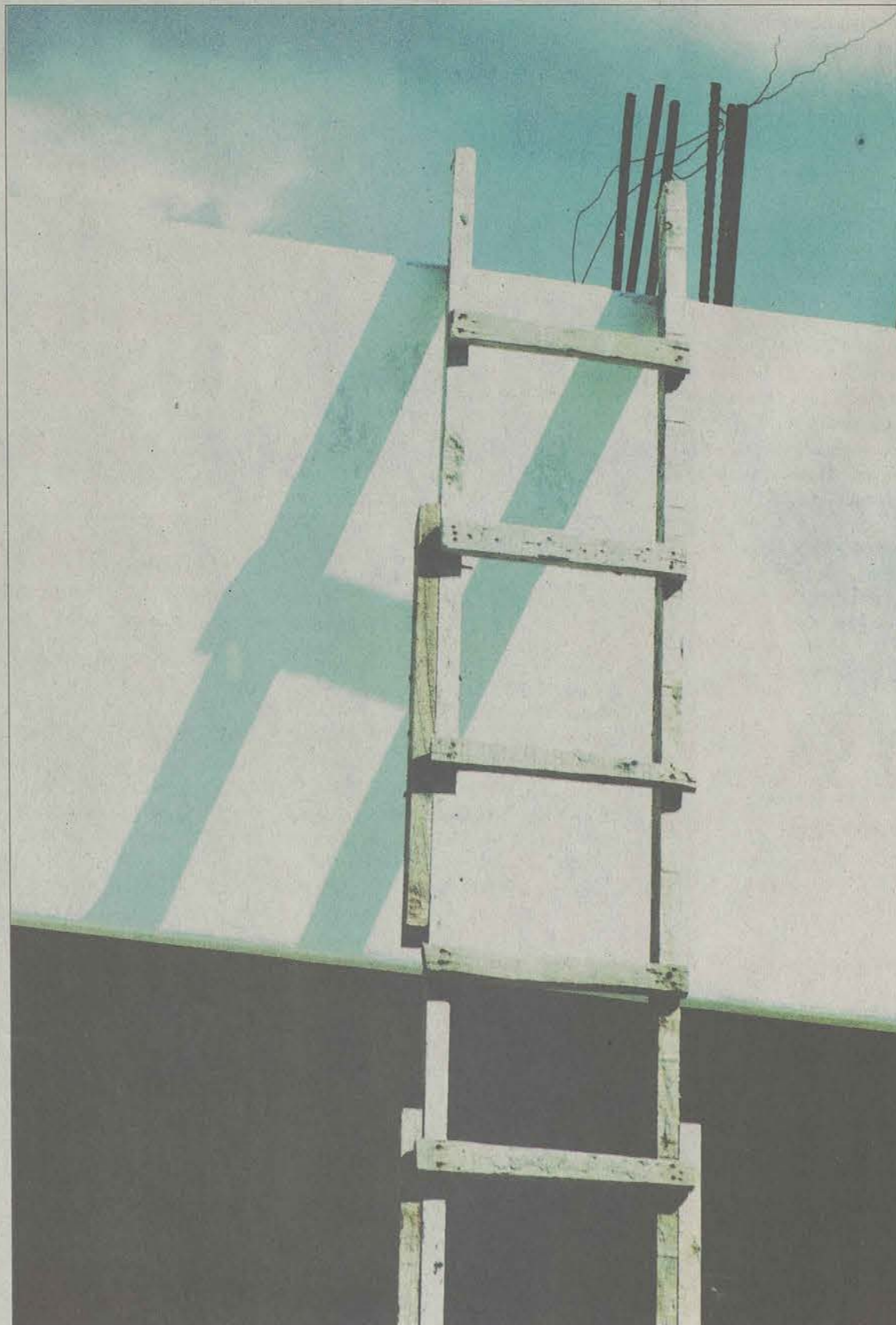
Grayson Hoffman/STAFF  
A woman rides a Vespa through the busy streets of Cozumel, Mexico.



Daniel Flanders/STAFF  
Purple daisies in the foreground near Big Sur, Calif.



Brian Pursa/STAFF  
GSU Ultimate Frisbee participated in a several tournaments around the state during spring break. This photo was captured at home as the team finished their competition.



Grayson Hoffman/STAFF  
Hoffman found beauty in the simple things. This ladder, which leads to a Cozumel rooftop, shows the devastation after a summer hurricane ravaged the city.



## THE BIG STORY

# Georgia Aquarium's million visitors spurs Atlanta travel boom

By Daniel Yee  
Associated Press

ATLANTA — When the Georgia Aquarium opened four months ago, supporters hoped for a haul of 2 million visitors in the first year.

But they landed an even larger catch, more than 1 million people in its first 98 days. The planners now say 3 million visitors for the year is no longer fishy thinking.

Like a whirlpool, the aquarium that claims to be the world's largest has been drawing visitors to downtown Atlanta from all over. Packaged with nearby attractions, including the newly renovated High Museum of Art, which will display works from the Louvre in Paris later this year, and the 2007 opening of the new World of Coca-Cola, Atlanta officials say the city is experiencing its largest tourism boom since the 1996 Olympics.

"The product is unbelievable. It's drawing many people downtown," said Spurgeon Richardson, president and CEO of the Atlanta Convention and Visitors Bureau, of the aquarium. "When those people come downtown, they see the CNN Center and take that tour, they have dinner downtown, they walk around Centennial Olympic Park and see the Children's Museum. All the numbers



Zack Sweat, 11, of Atlanta, takes a photo at the new Georgia Aquarium in this Nov. 23, 2005, file photo. The Georgia Aquarium is considered the world's largest.

are up as it relates to downtown."

Atlanta also received a boost in conventioners and sports fans after Hurricane Katrina forced the Sugar Bowl and more than a dozen major meetings to move here from New Orleans. But the aquarium, which opened Nov. 23, has played the largest role in bringing tourists to Atlanta lately, Richardson said.

The travel booking Web site Expedia.com reported an increase in Atlanta hotel bookings between December and February, higher than for the same time period in years past.

City tourism industries have always relied on large attractions such as the aquarium to bring visitors, said Daniel Connolly, an assistant

professor at the University of Denver's Daniels College of Business.

"For Atlanta, it is a large city but in some cases has lacked the cultural amenities," Connolly said. "Having this new aquarium, that's been a huge boost to the cultural richness for the community, not only for people coming from out of state but also for locals."

AP Photo/John Bazemore

## ONLY IN AMERICA

Stories by The Associated Press

## Alligator knocks on lady's front door

**1** BONITA SPRINGS, Fla. — So now the alligators are going door to door. When Lori Pachelli heard someone knocking at the door of her home in a gated community in this southwest Florida community earlier this week, she looked out to see an unwelcome visitor on her front stoop: an 8-foot alligator.

The bull gator, which had wandered up from the pond behind the house, had a bloody lip from banging its head against the door. "He was pretty big, pretty aggressive," Pachelli said, adding that the gator may have followed her home from walking her cocker spaniel, Trooper.

Pachelli's husband, Mike, said he sped home after his wife called him in hysterics. The animal remained at the Pachellis' door for about an hour before going back into the lake, where trapper John French captured it later.

French said it's not unusual to find male alligators in some pretty interesting places this time of year.

"You're starting into what's called the crawl season, the breeding season," he said. "We get them out of front porches, out of garages, out of swimming pools."

## Film shoot mistaken for hostage situation

**2** FERNANDINA BEACH, Fla. — A movie set at the downtown post office turned all too real for a group of high school filmmakers. Members of the high school Spanish club were shooting a movie Thursday night when the police showed up believing a hostage crisis was going on inside the post office.

But apparently, someone saw the teens carrying toy guns into the building on Centre Street, which is the heart of the town's historical district. When they couldn't get an answer to calls placed inside the building, they assumed the worst.

Police cordoned off the block, cleared nearby buildings and surrounded the post office ready for a hostage crisis. When a group of students left the post office, they were ordered to get on the ground, face down.

Postmaster Ron Steedley had given permission for the school group to use the post office after hours to make a movie, "Rolling Thunder." Steedley said he didn't think the student's movie would frighten anyone.

Devon Menendez, the film's director, said his film career is over. "I'm not accepting any more offers to direct a movie," he said.



## Dummy sells for \$15,000

**3** DENVER — A makeshift mannequin that failed to fool police monitoring the high-occupancy vehicle lane on a highway has fetched \$15,000 in an auction on eBay, with proceeds going to charity, the buyer announced.

A company called Video Professor bought the Styrofoam head, coat hanger, and clothing stuffed with newspapers from carpool-lane scofflaw Greg Pringle, 53, said Brian Olson, a spokesman for the company.

Olson said the computer tutoring company will take Tillie to various events and later auction her off again for charity in June.

As part of his sentence handed down earlier this month, Pringle agreed to donate any profits from a Web site, launched to free "Tillie" after she was impounded by police, and the auction to a driver safety awareness program.

"We've rescued Tillie from a life of crime and we hope to rehabilitate her so she can be a contributing dummy to our society," Olson said Thursday. The Denver Post and Rocky Mountain News reported.

Pringle also was fined \$115 and ordered to hold a sign alongside the highway for four hours reading: "HOV lane not for dummies." He was pulled over and ticketed Jan. 26 for driving in the lane reserved for car pools, motorcycles, buses, and hybrid vehicles.

Pringle has said it cost him \$10 to create Tillie.

## Thief stuck in bank chimney rescued

**4** GRANGER, Wash. — A man found stuck in a Washington bank chimney didn't try to cover up his intent. "We asked him what he was doing down there and he said, 'What do you think? I'm trying to rob the bank,'" said Police Chief Robert Perales.

Firefighters threw down a rope and pulled out a soot-covered 26-year-old man, who was arrested on the spot. He was booked into the municipal jail in nearby Wapato.

Police in this lower Yakima Valley town had been summoned Thursday morning to the U.S. Bank because of an apparent break-in attempt. They discovered the stuck suspect after finding the top had been removed from the ventilation shaft for the furnace.

Wednesday, March 29

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☐ Session B:

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11am-11:50am

☐ Session A:

*Financial Planning for your Future, Dr. Chris Paul, College of Business Administration, RU 2080*

☐ Session B:

*Federal Job Search, Thomas Harris, US Army Corps of Engineers, RU 2084*

12pm-12:50pm

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*Business Etiquette, Amy Rowell, Career Services, RU 2084*

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*Nonprofit Jobs, Jason Norton, The American Cancer Society, RU 2080*

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*Summary of the Benefits Process, Angela Tremble, Briggs & Stratton, RU 2084*

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☐ Session A:

*Graduate School Planning, Amy Rowell, Career Services, RU 2080*

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*Dress for Success, Randy Kroner, Dillards, RU 2084*

**You must register in advance to attend by March 24, 2006!**

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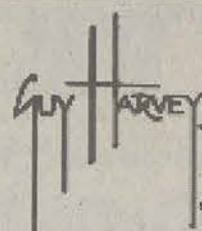


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- (1) they must not have a disciplinary record for the last two semesters of university attendance;
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If you know students who would be excellent UJB members, please submit their nomination by Friday March 31, 2006. All nominations should include the nominee's full name, last four digits of the Eagle ID, current phone number, current Georgia Southern University P.O. Box number, current e-mail address, and a paragraph stating why you think the nominee would be an effective UJB member. Feel free to nominate as many students as you like. All nominations must be signed by the person making the nomination and must be submitted by Friday, March 31, 2006, to:

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Thank you for your help in selecting student UJB members. A complete description of the procedures for appointing UJB members may be found in the Student Guide, Appendix C, <http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/sta/guide/05GuideWeb.pdf>

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D.I.M.E.S. brings fashion to GSU

By Monique McKenzie  
Staff writer

Designs Inspired Magnificently Exhibited in Style, Georgia Southern's only fashion organization, is excited to sponsor Fashion Week 2006, from Mar. 27 through Mar. 30. Fashion Week is an annual event dedicated to exposing the students and surrounding community to the different aspects of the fashion industry.

Fashion Week will continue with a clothing drive on Tuesday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Russell Union Rotunda. D.I.M.E.S. will collect various clothing items and accessories that will be donated to the Salvation Army. Students and faculty are encouraged to donate any clothes and accessories in good condition that they no longer wear.

On Tuesday night, D.I.M.E.S. will take time to listen to the mellow tune of jazz and poetry at the French Quarter Cafe. D.I.M.E.S. invites others to come experience "A Night with D.I.M.E.S." at 7 p.m.

"We will have various spoken word artists at the French Quarter Cafe," said Sheena Woods, D.I.M.E.S. president. "There will also be an opportunity for an open mic. We look forward to

everyone coming out."

In preparation for the spring fashion show, D.I.M.E.S. makeup artists will conduct makeovers for the GSU community under the Union Rotunda on Wednesday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Following the makeover session, interested participants can also partake in a photo shoot with D.I.M.E.S. multimedia specialists.

D.I.M.E.S. will present The Collection, Wednesday night at the RAC Pavilion. D.I.M.E.S. will take the stage at 7 p.m. with The Collection, an array of new spring fashions and swimsuits. The Collection will also feature various performances from Tetris, the United Caribbean Association and Boomsquad.

Fashion Week 2006 will conclude Thursday at 7 p.m. with a basket auction in Russell Union. D.I.M.E.S. will present various baskets filled with different goodies and surprises.

"You'll have to come out and see what we have," says Woods.

D.I.M.E.S. is very excited about Fashion Week 2006. The organization has worked nonstop for the last two months, organizing programs, soliciting sponsors and practicing for the show.



Special Photo  
Nicole Christian poses in a spring fashion outfit from The Collection.

"We have worked really hard to put together a great week for the students and the community," said Jared Speaks, D.I.M.E.S. model trainer. "The community has also really supported our efforts. I hope everyone who can comes out."

Fashion Week events are all free and open to the public. For more information, contact Monique at [mmcken23@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:mmcken23@georgiasouthern.edu).

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- Pre-diabetes is a condition that raises the risk of developing type 2 diabetes, heart disease, and stroke.
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- Studies have shown that people with pre-diabetes who lose weight and increase their physical activity can prevent or delay diabetes and even return their blood glucose levels to normal.

National Diabetes alert

Special to the G-A

The American Diabetes Association will observe the annual National Diabetes Alert day this Tuesday, March 28. The one-day call-to-action is a day committed to helping people understand more about diabetes, the warning signs and if they are at risk for developing it.

The disease is currently "an American epidemic," declared the New York Times in a Jan. 9 article. Affecting over 20 million Americans, diabetes is a concern that has now risen to the forefront of health issues and cannot be ignored any longer.

Georgia Southern will sponsor a risk-factor test in the Russell Union on Tuesday and volunteers will be handing out more information about diabetes as well as cure bracelets.

The test is available to the public

as well as students, faculty and staff. Stop by the Russell Union to find out more information, or log on to [www.diabetes.org](http://www.diabetes.org).

Diabetes is a disease in which the body does not produce or properly use insulin. Insulin is a hormone that is needed to convert sugar, starches and other food into energy needed for daily life.

There are 20.8 million children and adults in the U.S. who have diabetes, and an estimated 14.6 million have been diagnosed with diabetes, but 6.2 million people are unaware they have the disease.

Killing more each year than AIDS and Breast Cancer combined, diabetes is a disease that is mostly preventable. Only 5 percent of cases are Type One, the other 95 percent of people diagnosed are Type Two, which can be prevented and controlled.



Special Photo  
Students from Savannah Christian Preparatory School use LEGO Mindstorms RCX microcontrollers in GSU's robotics laboratory.

Savannah high school students visit GSU lab

GSU News Service

Thirty high school students from Savannah Christian Preparatory School's Advanced Placement Physics and Advanced Placement Calculus classes recently visited the Georgia Southern campus.

"The students participated in the university's math tournament held earlier this month," Robert Cook, professor of computer sciences said.

"We discussed at the teachers' meeting during the tournament the possibility of the students visiting the university, something I call 'Destination: GSU.' They were excited and called almost immediately to set something up."

While on campus the students visited the Planetarium and viewed a program on the Hubble space telescope while learning about constellations.

From there the students went to Cook's robotics class. "The students used LEGO Mindstorms RCX microcontrollers from the Department of Computer Sciences robotics laboratory to learn how to program touch sensors, light sensors and motors," Cook said. "The goal was to better educate the students about the challenges in programming NASA's robotic Mars rovers."

GSU is a member of the Georgia Space Grant Consortium, which includes 12 other institutions. GSU recently received a \$6,000 grant from the consortium to upgrade the sound system in its Planetarium.

"We thoroughly enjoyed our visit to the university," Jackie Wetmore, advanced mathematics teacher at Savannah Christian Preparatory School, said. "I'm glad that my advanced placement students were able to see the academic side of GSU."

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# Bail decision delayed for Tenn. minister's wife

By Woody Baird  
Associated Press

SELMER, Tenn. — The minister's wife accused of killing her husband shuffled into court Monday wearing an orange jail uniform and shackles and clutching her attorney's hand.

Mary Winkler, 32, didn't enter a plea during her first court appearance. Her only words were "no sir" in a strong, clear voice when the judge asked if she had any questions after he read the complaint against her and explained her rights.

Winkler is charged with first-degree murder in the shooting death of her husband, Matthew Winkler, the minister at Fourth Street Church of Christ in this small town 80 miles east of Memphis.

General Sessions Court Judge Bob Gray delayed a decision on bail until a preliminary hearing, set for Thursday.

Authorities have said Mary Winkler confessed to killing her husband on Wednesday and then leaving town with their three young daughters, though officials haven't disclosed what motive she gave for the attack. The minister was found dead that night in the church parsonage.

Defense attorney Steve Farese said

investigators also haven't disclosed to him what motive she might have given authorities.

Asked if the couple had marital problems, Farese said, "Have you ever been in a relationship? They all have some problems."

Another defense attorney, Leslie Ballin, said he may request a psychological exam for Winkler but declined to answer questions about her state of mind.

Farese declined to comment about a motive for the killing.

"We're not going to be talking about that because that infers that something wrong was done on her part," he said. "I'm not going to say anything about Matthew Winkler or his family or anything else. The man has yet to be buried."

One front row in the small courtroom down the hall from the McNairy County Jail where the defendant is being held was filled with members of the Winklers' church, all women.

When Winkler shuffled through a side door in chains, several church members sobbed and dabbed at their eyes with tissues.

Winkler did not look at them but kept her head down. During the brief hearing she sat with her back to the

courtroom audience, made up mostly of reporters and photographers.

After the hearing, Clark Freeman, Mary Winkler's father, was escorted from the courtroom by a sheriff's deputy and taken to a private office.

He refused comment except to say "as well as she can be" when asked how his daughter was doing.

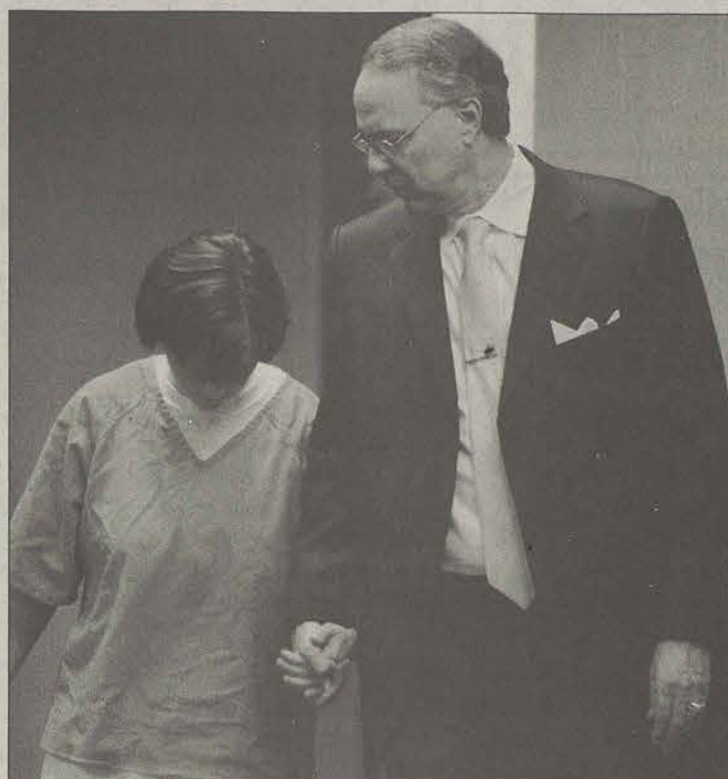
Church member Anita Whirley said seeing Winkler in a prison uniform was hard to take. "It hurts us very much, but we're going to stand behind her 100 percent," Whirley said. "I just told a sheriff's deputy, anything she needs, we'll get for her."

Church members describe the Winklers as a loving couple and say they don't understand what could have led to the killing.

"We love her," said church member Dorothy Weatherford. "This is just such a shock."

Services for Matthew Winkler are set for Tuesday.

Mary Winkler was apprehended late Thursday in Orange Beach, Ala., after authorities issued an Amber alert for the children, who are now in the custody of their grandparents. She was returned to Selmer on Saturday and is being held in the McNairy County Jail.



Mary Winkler is led into a McNairy County courtroom in Selmer, Tenn., by her attorney Steve Farese, Monday, March 27, 2006, where she was arraigned in the killing of her husband, Matthew Winkler, the pastor of Fourth Street Church of Christ in Selmer.

AP Photo/Rogelio Solis

## Evening lecture teaches basics of personal finance to women

GSU News Service

As part of Women's Awareness Month at Georgia Southern, the department of finance and quantitative analysis in the College of Business Administration presents "Balancing in High Heels — Taking the Steps to Personal Finance" on today at 7 p.m. The one-hour session will be held in the College of Information Technology Auditorium, room 1004.

Presented by professor Chris Paul, the program will explain the basic guidelines for creating a budget, protecting credit ratings and approaching large purchases. The program can potentially keep women from making common money mistakes and help them take control of their financial future. After the program, Paul will field questions from the audience. Participants may also enter a raffle to win "financially themed" prizes.

"There is no such thing as a free lunch — you can pay now or pay later, but later is going to cost you more," said Paul. "It's so important nowadays to be financially literate or risk being ripped off."

This free event is open to campus and the community. For more information, contact the Multicultural Student Center at 912-681-5409 or the department of finance and quantitative analysis at 912-681-5161.



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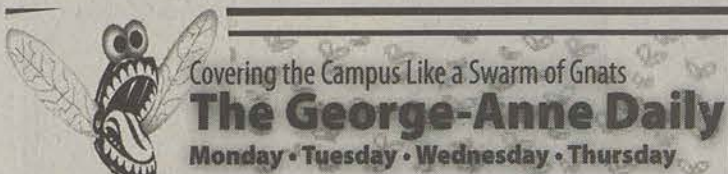
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13. Stead  
14. Witty one  
15. Baker's necessity  
16. Forerunner  
17. Who you?  
18. Lea  
20. Grass trimmer  
22. Soil with mud  
25. Hardy  
29. Cannon report  
33. One obliged to pay  
34. Crusty dessert  
35. Plan  
36. Laughter  
37. Satellites  
39. At the rear

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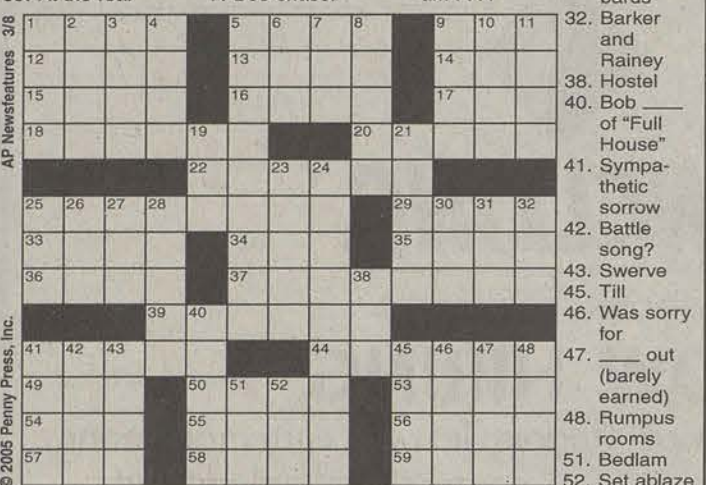
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**55. Blue-pencil text**  
**56. Bobbysoxer**  
**57. Deviation**  
**58. Schlep**  
**59. Bookie's quote**



### Yesterday's Solution

8. TV knob  
9. Loat  
10. Crop  
11. Ripening agent  
19. Sash for a kimono  
21. Deficit  
23. Watered silk  
24. "of Air am I..."

25. Gear tooth  
26. Hole piercer  
27. Meet the bet  
28. Doctor product  
30. Pindar  
31. Above, to bards  
32. Barker and Rainey  
38. Hostel  
40. Bob of "Full House"  
41. Sympathetic sorrow  
42. Battle song?  
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45. Till  
46. Was sorry for  
47. out (barely earned)  
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51. Bedlam  
52. Set ablaze



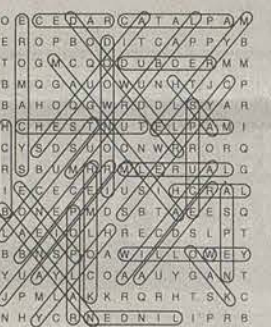
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## Mystic Arts Horoscope

Today's Birthday (03-28-06). Postpone travel. The more questions you ask this year, the more questions you'll raise. Be inquisitive and bold, and keep an open mind. By pushing, you'll advance in status as well as knowledge. You'll also run into difficulties. Take precautions, and watch where you're going.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is an 8 - Consider all the possibilities, options and consequences. Do more sleuthing but do not reveal your position yet.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 6 - Your friends want to help, but they're only making matters worse. Look at the situation again tomorrow, and you'll see what you must do.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 7 - The problem is not insurmountable, but you will need help. Luckily, your friends will be eager to provide what you lack.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 - Postpone travel, if you

can. Breakdowns on the job require all your attention. Save the vacation until next month.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 7 - Resist the temptation to splurge on toys, games or lottery tickets. Stick to your budget diligently, and you'll be a happier person.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 5 - All you have to do is wait. The argument will be resolved to everybody's satisfaction tomorrow.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 7 - Don't tear out your hair, get on the phone. Delegate your woes. Let the person who can do the job better than you can, do it.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 7 - If you're getting pestered about something you're not going to change, offer an alternative. Suggest the kid get a job.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 7 - Clear a path around the mess. Find a comfortable place to snuggle with somebody you love. If you don't have a mate, get a pet. It's time for a love



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### 140 Other Announcements

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## A brassy event

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## Gandhi

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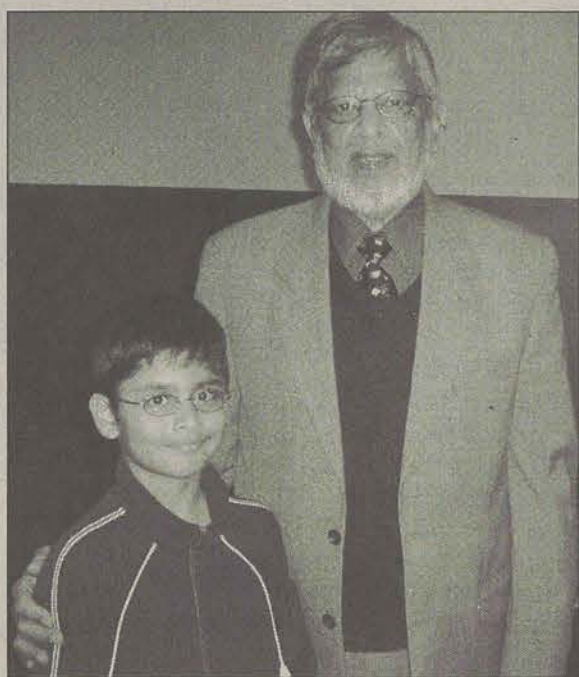
said. He said that he started working out so that he would be strong enough to fight back. His parents noticed the problem and sent him to stay with his grandfather in India.

During his stay his grandfather taught him about his philosophy of nonviolence. He told the story of how he wanted a new pencil so he threw his old one out and asked his grandfather for a new one. But instead of giving him a new one he had his grandson go out to find the old one.

"This was the first time I realized how deep and how wide my grandfather's philosophy of nonviolence was," he said. According to Arun his grandfather said that making a pencil requires a lot of the world's natural resources and to waste one is considered violence against nature. He also said that because we overconsume many things we are depriving people elsewhere of these resources and they have to live in poverty. That is violence against humanity.

Arun said that the two most important lessons in the philosophy of nonviolence are anger management and building relationships.

"Just as we channel electrical energy and bring it to our lives and use it for the good of humanity, we must learn



Grecia Serrano/STAFF

Arun Gandhi, son of famed philosopher Mahatma Gandhi, is pictured with Astiwa Adhikari, the son of GSU journalism professor Dharma Adhikari.

to channel anger the same way so we can use that energy intelligently for the good of humanity rather than abuse the energy and cause destruction," he said.

According to Arun being unselfish in our relationships we will learn to respect ourselves, each other, and our relationship with all of creation.

Arun Gandhi received a standing ovation after his message was delivered.

"The inspiration I got from hearing him speak makes me want to make every decision, even the tiniest decision, count. The reality of passive violence

existing through everyday actions that may not seem to be causes of violence at all, like wasting, encourages me to be a better person, to keep my eyes and ears open and directed towards kindness and goodness and generosity; so that my thoughts and all my behaviors might follow," said senior writing and linguistics major Katie McLeod.

Senior broadcasting student Reine Jack said, "I feel different. I always had doubts about capitol punishment and things of that nature, but after hearing him speak I started to get a clear view about how we should treat each other and solve our problems."

## Debate

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rebuttal, saying, "Communication is key. Without dialogue between students, SGA and the administration there would be no progress."

The next question centered on Greek organizations and student activity fees. Currently, the SGA constitution forbids Greek groups from receiving funding from the SGA Activities Budget Committee because of the organizations' selective membership practices.

Ford said he thought Greeks should receive money from student activity fees, which drew criticism with follow-up questions from audience members later in the evening.

Bethune started his rebuttal by stating that Greek programs are a selective process but was not able to complete his thought within the minute and cut himself short.

Support for Greek interests became a hot topic at the debate and the main point of attack for Ford, who questioned

Bethune's motives.

"I didn't choose my ticket members just cause they're Greek, unlike my counterpart," Ford said.

Bethune denied the charge and replied that even though it was true that some of his ticket is Greek, he chose the members because they are diverse.

"The All-American ticket is one that embodies the average. It is diverse."

Another issue was the value of Ford's three-year experience with the SGA.

"Although you've been with the SGA for three years, you yourself have stated that communication has been on a steady decline. What have you been doing these past three years?" an audience member asked through the moderator.

Unshaken by the question, Ford simply said that he'd been working on improving the issue steadily and stressed again the importance of experience.

"It's not about how long you've been here, but what you've done," Bethune responded.

Bethune also stated that while he didn't have much "office experience," he'd been among the students so he

knows their frustrations.

Ford was admonished by the debate moderator after he took a final dig at his opponent.

"My candidate is running on the All-American Ticket, but what about the international students at GSU who represent 80 countries," he said to audible crowd reaction.

The debate rules said candidates could not directly address one another, instead they were instructed to focus on issues rather than each other personally.

Other executive board candidates fielded questions from the audience. The subjects ranged from broad questions about leadership styles to specifics about their job duties. The entire debate, including the audience Q&A lasted about an hour.

Acting as moderators were The George-Anne Daily managing editor Adam Crisp, and members of the debate team Jessica Short and Alex Taylor, whose job responsibilities included asking the questions and making sure each candidate's response didn't go over the time limit.

percent when paying back the loan.

Upon graduation, leaving school, or dropping below half-time status; the student will have a grace period of six months before payments will have to start being made.

There are other types of loans, however, where the interest and grace period may differ from the Stafford Loan.

With the deadline approaching it is crucial for students to not waste any time with their applications. "We don't have any paper applications in the financial aid department, so

we are stressing to fill it out online," mentions Payne. For students renewing online they must request a PIN number to access past information.

If any student still has questions they should speak with their financial aid advisers who are now located in the Rosenwald Building.

"Speaking with them in person is the best way to go, then by phone and then e-mail," Payne says. Students may also visit The Student Guide at [www.studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/student\\_guide/index.html](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/student_guide/index.html) for general information.

## Weekly Eagle Buzz



## Today

The Multicultural Student Center is holding a Women and Mental Health at 12:30PM in Russell Union 2080. Contact Terri Mann at 681-5409 with any questions. Participants will learn preventive measures for mental and emotional health issues related to women. Discussion will be facilitated by Dr. Jodi Caldwell.

The Multicultural Student Center will provide Feminist Self-Defense at 5PM in RU 2041. Learn strategies that can empower women and help prevent attacks through role-playing, dialogue and physical demonstrations. Sponsored by the Women's Awareness Month Committee: Women and Gender Studies, Career Services, Sociology Department, ReVision, JEDI, College of Education, Center for International Studies, Counseling Center, Office for Institutional Compliance, Theater and Performance Art Club, Communication Arts Department, Sexual Assault Response Team and the Multicultural Student Center. Free and open to the public.

The Multicultural Student Center is sponsoring, "Balancing in High Heels: Taking the Steps to Personal Finance" at 7pm in the College of Information and Technology Room 1004. Contact Terri Mann at 681-5409 regarding any questions. Dr. Mike Barth will present guidelines for managing your money, guarding your credit rating and approaching large purchases, and saving and making the most of your savings. Sponsored by the Women's Awareness Month Committee: Women and Gender Studies, Career Services, Sociology Department, ReVision, JEDI, College of Education, Center for International Studies, Counseling Center, Office for Institutional Compliance, Theater and Performance Art Club, Communication Arts Department, Sexual Assault Response Team and the Multicultural Student Center. Free and open to the public.

7pm in Russell Union- Room 2054- Committee Meeting-SOUNDSTAGE-Eagle Entertainment

"Fun with Dick and Jane"- 8pm in Russell Union Theatre- \$2.00 Admission- REEL CINEMA-Eagle Entertainment

## Wednesday, March 29th

"Fun with Dick and Jane"- 8pm in Russell Union Theatre- \$2.00 Admission- REEL CINEMA-Eagle Entertainment

Career Services is sponsoring a, "Life Planning Conference" on 3/29/06 from 10am-4pm in Russell Union 2080/2084. Contact Amy Rowell at 912-681-5197 with any questions. WIN UP TO \$200 by attending the Life Planning Conference on March 29! Attend sessions targeted to assist students with their job search process. Must register in advance by FRIDAY, MARCH 24th, 2006. Go to <http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/career> for registration information or call 681-5197. This event is FREE!

## Ongoing events:

Campus Recreation and Intramurals provides Personal Training sessions. You decide the date and time. Contact Michele Martin at 681-5436 for more information. 1 session \$15, 3 sessions \$45, 5 sessions \$55. Check out our website at <http://services.georgiasouthern.edu>

University Housing is sponsoring, "MARCH MADNESS" until 3/31/06 from 9am - 3pm and 7pm-10pm in the Housing Office/Hall Offices. Contact Twyla Gibson or any Hall Director with questions at 681-5406. Need a Room for Fall 2006? Now thru the 31st, participate in March Madness. Simply go to housing or to the hall you want to live in, pick a room, sign a contract, and that's it!! Rooms available in ALL halls\* (including Eagle Village) \*except Olliff - Not participating could cost you your future!!

Be a part of the Georgia State-Wide LeaderShape Institute!

The Georgia State-Wide LeaderShape Institute is an extensive, six-day leadership development experience introducing student participants to various aspects and issues relating to personal and group leadership, leading with integrity, and creating personal goals for the future. LeaderShape will be held July 23-July 28, 2006. In order to be considered to participate in this year's LeaderShape Institute, applicants must turn in a completed application by 5:00 PM on Friday, March 31, 2006 to the Office of Student Leadership (Russell Union, Room 2022). Applications are available in the office or at <http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/leadership/>. If selected, a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit will be required in order to hold your place at the Institute.

## Upcoming events:

Hunger Banquet tickets on sale now!! 30,000 children die daily from hunger and preventable disease. Come eat with us and get a taste of reality. Tickets must be purchased prior to the event. Tickets are available in the Office of Student Leadership, Union 2022 for \$2 and 3 canned goods. Questions? 871-1435.

FYI: University offices moved! Over the next week Financial Aid is moving to the second floor of the Rosenwald Building. Their contact information is ext. 5413 or [fnaid@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:fnaid@georgiasouthern.edu). The Office of Marketing & Communications is moving to Anderson Hall. Their contact number is ext. 5549. The Vice President for Student Affairs & Enrollment Management is moving to the second floor of the Marvin Pittman Administration Building. Their contact number is ext. 1863.

Looking for a graduate assistantship in the Fall?? Check out the Office of Student Activities for opportunities. Email for more information at [wpickett@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:wpickett@georgiasouthern.edu).

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## FAFSA

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interest in school and unsubsidized, which does accrue interest" and "the information off FAFSA determines which loan students are eligible for."

These are loans that are only available to students who are at least enrolled at half-time status. The current interest rates on this type of loan are 4.7 percent while in school and 5.3



SPORTS

Bonds' life not as happy as it could be

Barry Bonds says his "life is in shambles" as he copes with the relentless steroids scrutiny surrounding him and everything else he's dealing with away from the baseball field. Seven home runs shy of passing Babe Ruth, this should be a time Bonds is at his happiest — about to celebrate another major milestone on his remarkable resume. "My life is in shambles. It is crazy," he said Monday in an interview with The Associated Press. "It couldn't get any crazier. I'm just trying to stay sane."

Reddick, Morrison lead All-American team

J.J. Redick of Duke and Adam Morrison of Gonzaga spent all season locked in a bicoastal scoring race. Fittingly, they ended it as the only unanimous selections for The Associated Press' All-America men's basketball team. Redick was a repeat choice. He and Morrison were joined on the first team Monday by Redick's teammate Shelden Williams, Randy Foye of Villanova and Brandon Roy, Washington's first All-America in 53 years.

Football spring practice opens with high intensity

By Mike Anthony  
Staff writer

With Georgia Southern's first football game still over five months away, many fans turned out to Beautiful Eagle Creek this past Saturday to celebrate GSU's second favorite sports season: spring football.

Eagle football players were out in full force this weekend and again Monday afternoon for the first official practices of spring football. The air was full of excitement, not only out of anticipation for a new season, but because of the new era in GSU football that is being ushered in.

Saturday marked the first practice of Coach Brian VanGorder's career here at GSU. He brings with him an entirely new coaching staff, replacing Mike Sewak, former head coach whose contract was not renewed at the end of last season.

The most talked-about change, however, is the style of football that will be on display this year.

Gone are the days of GSU's "flex-bone, tight formation, tight ends and huge running backs need not apply" offense. In its place is a new, spread out and—brace yourselves Eagle

football purists—mainly shotgun offense that will rely heavily on precision passing and precise route running.

This is a drastic change for the players and as VanGorder said, "The main focus of spring practice is going to be getting the players acclimated to the new styles."

He said the new coaching staff "is going to approach this from a teaching perspective."

Another point that has made itself very clear during the first two days is the amount of intensity and attention to detail that is being put into every aspect of practice. Not only are coaches demanding full effort and attention from players, but even the tiniest flaws, such as everybody not stretching in unison or a player not warming up in his exact designated spot, takes no time to draw the ire of the coaching staff.

Aside from the new offense, another prevailing issue is the quarterback position. Because of the heightened amount of passing this season, last year's quarterback, Jayson Foster, has now moved into a slot receiver position.

It is also speculated that he will

return to a kickoff and punt returning position that he was particularly lethal from in his freshman season. Foster has taken the position change in stride and was visibly determined to learn the new, more complex routes that will be required of wide receivers this year.

The quarterback spotlight now shines in the direction of two redshirt freshmen, Zach Stanford and Chris Griffin, who were listed as one and two respectively on the spring depth chart.

Stanford is a new arrival, transferring to GSU earlier in the year. In his four years as quarterback for Metter High School, Stanford became the all-time leading passer in Georgia high school football history, amassing over 9,000 yards in his career.

Griffin has some previous experience in the new offense, as he served as quarterback in a very similar scheme during his high school career. Both are getting lots of reps so far, competing for the job but learning all the while.

"It's still all about learning at this point," Griffin said. "A little competition is actually good because it helps us learn the system faster."

On the other side of the football there is also much learning to be done as a young defense, marked by just four senior spring starters, got into the swing of things.

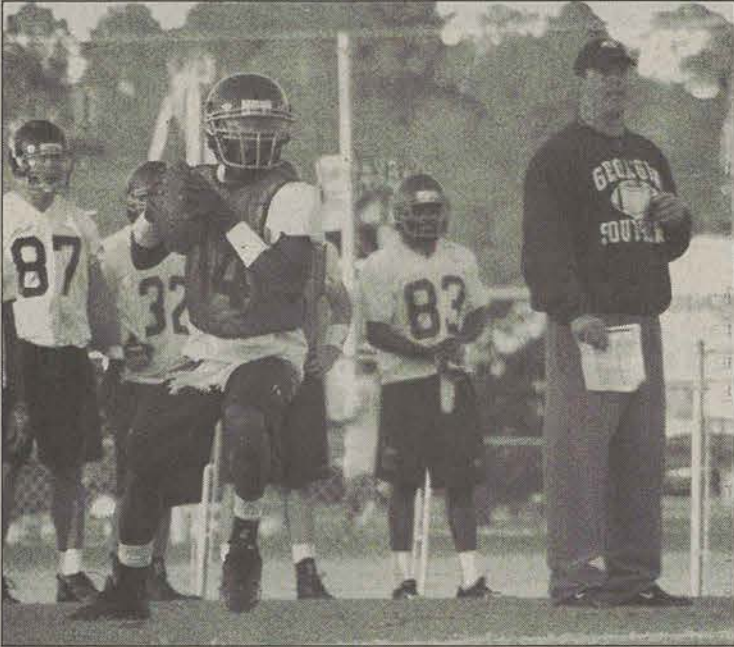
Though the defense has lost a wealth of talent, including three of four starters from last year's secondary, they have gained the intensity and experience that VanGorder, a former linebackers coach for the NFL's Jacksonville Jaguars and defensive coordinator for the University of Georgia, can offer.

"Right now, we're just knocking off the rust," said senior safety Rico Zachary, "but the coaches are already changing some things up. They're emphasizing a lot more communication on the field."

Perhaps the most intimidating presence on the Eagle defense also stands to gain the most from VanGorder's previous experience. Senior linebacker John Mohring is excited about his potential to learn under the new coaching staff.

"We're still learning a lot. Coach (VanGorder) definitely expects a lot out of us linebackers. He needs us to be leaders out there."

After the first two practices of the



Chase Lanier/STAFF

Eagle quarterback Chris Griffin, a redshirt freshman, participates in drills during spring practice Monday. Practice runs Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays until the Blue-White game April 22.

spring the Eagles certainly seem to be off on the right—if not yet totally steady—foot. Practices will continue throughout the spring every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 4-6:30 p.m. at the practice fields nestled alongside the banks of Beautiful

Eagle Creek.

Students are welcome to attend practices and are encouraged to attend the annual Blue-White game—the intrasquad scrimmage that concludes spring practice—at 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 22.

Tennis loses close one to Wofford, 4-3

GSU News Service

Spartanburg, S.C. – Wofford used a three set victory at No. 1 singles to clinch the match against Georgia Southern 4-3 Sunday, (Mar. 26) at the Reeves Tennis Center.

After taking the first set 6-3, senior Szilvia Zsakay (Szekesfehervar, Hungary/Bugat Pal) fell to Wofford's Ellen Rogers 6-2 in the second set, and in close battle, lost the third and match-deciding set, 7-6. The loss drops the Eagles to 4-11 overall and 1-4 in SoCon play.

Wofford seized the doubles point after taking flights one and three. Heather Reynolds (Fredericksburg, Va./Massaponax) and Zsakay were able to hold off Adriane Hodges and Ashley Page 8-6 in the No. 2 position.

The Eagles saw singles victories from flights four thru six, as Kimberly Wollett (Ocala, Fla./Bellevue), Reynolds, and Emma Knight (Duluth, Ga./Peachtree Ridge) all emerged with close victories. Wollett took down Wofford's Page 7-6, 7-5 at No. 4, Reynolds defeated Hodges at No. 5, 7-5, 6-4 and Knight recorded her first victory of the year with a three set win over Lauren Prickett, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3.

This is the second close decision for the Lady Eagles in a week. The team also fell 4-3 to UNC Greensboro last Sunday. The team will look to get back on the winning track next Saturday, (April 1) at Elon. Match time is 1 p.m.

Wofford 4, GSU 3

Singles

Rogers (WOF) def. Zsakay (GSU), 3-6, 6-2, 7-6  
Hartness (WOF) def. Maddox (GSU), 6-3, 6-4  
Wetzig (WOF) def. Wolken (GSU), 6-4, 6-2  
Wollett (GSU) def. Page (WOF), 7-6, 7-5  
Reynolds (GSU) def. Hodges (WOF), 7-5, 6-4  
Knight (GSU) def. Prickett (WOF), 7-5, 3-6, 6-3

Doubles

Hartness/Rogers (WOF) def. Maddox/Wolken (GSU), 8-5  
Reynolds/Zsakay (GSU) def. Hodges/Page (WOF), 8-6  
Prickett/Wetzig (WOF) def. Matlosz/Wollett (GSU), 8-4

Georgia Southern softball falls to App. State 3-2

GSU News Service

HICKORY, N.C. — A three-run first inning, keyed by a home run from Kasey Motsinger, was just enough for Appalachian State in a 3-2 Southern Conference win over Georgia Southern Sunday afternoon at Bears Field on the campus of Lenoir-Rhyne College.

The Mountaineers even their league record at 3-3 and improve to 14-16 overall. The Eagles fall to 15-20 and 1-2.

GSU senior Shanita Black tallied a single in the seventh inning to extend her hitting streak to a school-record 18 games. She breaks Danelle Tool's mark of 17 set in 1998.

All the damage was done in the bottom of the first and was started with one out. Back-to-back doubles by Brittany Gaston and Lindsay Glover brought

home one run, and after a ground out, Motsinger notched her second homer of the season off starter A.J. Street.

GSU got on the board in the fourth. Senior Gina Sterchi and junior Aurora Johnson started the inning with singles to chase ASU starter Kayla Richardson. A hit batsman loaded the bases for senior Sam Steiner who singled home two. Keri Blackwelder escaped further damage with two strikeouts and a pop-up to end the threat.

The Eagles put a runner on base in each of the last three innings, all with one out, but no runners were able to advance. Blackwelder (6-6) earned the win in relief and allowed four hits and no runs. Street (3-8) was tagged for all three runs in two-thirds of an inning. Junior Logan Free struck out 10 and gave up just two hits in 5.1 innings out

of the bullpen.

Free pitched a complete game three-hitter in game two to salvage a softball split with Appalachian State Saturday afternoon.

The Mountaineers won game one 4-1 while the Eagles took game two 3-1. ASU now stands at 13-16 overall and 2-3 in the SoCon; GSU moves to 15-19 and 1-1 in the league.

Black went 1-for-4 in each game, extending her hitting streak to a school-record-tying 17 games.

ASU scored twice in the second on just one hit and stranded two runners. Motsinger led off with a single and a fielder's choice and a sacrifice put runners on second and third. Another fielder's choice scored the first run and Diana Cook's sacrifice bunt moved the second runner across.

An RBI groundout made the score 3-0 before GSU finally got on the board with a tally in the fourth. Johnson opened the inning with a double and senior Sam Steiner's single scored pinch runner Michelle Beasley.

The Eagles outthit Appalachian State 6-5, but ASU left nine runners on compared to six for GSU.

Blackwelder went four innings and allowed five hits and one earned run for the win. Teri Fister picked up the save with three innings of one-hit relief. Sophomore Melissa Laliberte took the loss. She gave up three earned runs, three hits and three walks in three innings.

The Mountaineers put a run on the board in the first inning without getting a ball out of the infield, putting together a leadoff walk, a stolen base, a

sacrifice and an infield single to score Kasey Willis.

A wild pitch tied the game at 1-1 through five innings and GSU took control with two runs in the sixth, thanks to a two-run home run by junior Heather Smith. Black started the rally with a two-out single and Smith followed with a shot down the right field line.

Free struck out four and walked four to improve to 6-5 on the season. In her last three outings, she has given up just 10 hits and one earned run with 23 strikeouts in 21 innings for a 0.33 earned run average.

The two teams wrap up the three-game set tomorrow with a single game starting at 1 p.m.

GSU returns home but turns right around and travels to Troy Tuesday for a doubleheader starting at 5 p.m.

Baseball goes two for three in SoCon opener

By Bert Noble  
Sports editor

Georgia Southern won two out of three of their SoCon opening series against the Citadel at J. J. Clements Stadium last weekend.

GSU nearly staged a late inning rally but eventually fell to The Citadel 10-3 in the series finale on Sunday. The game ended a four-game winning streak for the Eagles (13-13, 2-1).

Down 7-2, the Eagles' last chance at a rally came in the eighth; Matt Miller hit his first collegiate home run to lead things off.

The bases were loaded for Brett Pelfrey with one out. The senior second baseman hit a liner to shortstop who made a leaping grab and threw to second to make a double play and end the inning.

The Bulldogs loaded the bases during the fourth, chasing starter Mike Chiciak. A sacrifice fly by Zach Brown and a RBI single made it 5-0.

Citadel loaded the bases in the eighth with two outs and Brown lined a two-run single, extending their lead to 7-2. The Bulldogs scored three insurance runs in the ninth.

On Saturday, GSU held off a Citadel rally in the ninth to pull off the win, 5-4.

During the decisive seventh inning, Matt Miller hit a sacrifice fly

then later Jeremiah Parker drew a bases loaded walk to get a 5-3 lead. Those runs not only snapped a 3-3 tie, but also proved to be the game-winners.

In the ninth, GSU pitcher David Cogswell gave up a single to Citadel hitter Zach Brown. Pinch-hitter Conrad Kallahan hit a single to load the bases.

Cogswell missed a groundball to allow a run, making the game 5-4. Cogswell would make up for his mistake by striking out Matt Covington and getting Chris Swauger to ground out to short to end the game.

"We made some mistakes in the ninth inning but we kept our composure and held on to win," said head coach Rodney Hennon.

"These last two games could have gone either way but we've put ourselves in a good position. Hopefully we can carry this momentum heading into Sunday's game. We have 25 Southern Conference games left and every one is important."

A.J. Battisto pitched 1.2 innings of relief of Josh Lairsey to improve to 2-0. He gave up one hit and struck out one.

On Friday, GSU used a five run third inning and junior lefthander Everett Teaford's 12 strikeouts to beat the Bulldogs 5-4.

Teaford (3-2) pitched eight innings

in the win, allowing 10 hits, four earned runs and only walked one.

The third was led off with with back-to-back singles for Citadel. A sacrifice bunt was followed by two more singles, which scored both runners.

In the bottom of the third, Miller walked, Shehan singled, and Greg Dowling reached after being hit by a pitch.

This opened the door for freshman catcher Griffin Benedict, who hit a double to right field, scoring two. Parker followed with a double of his own, scoring two more.

Cogswell came on to pitch a perfect ninth inning to record his third save of the year.

GSU hosts Coastal Carolina, also on Wednesday with first pitch scheduled for 4 p.m.

Game 1

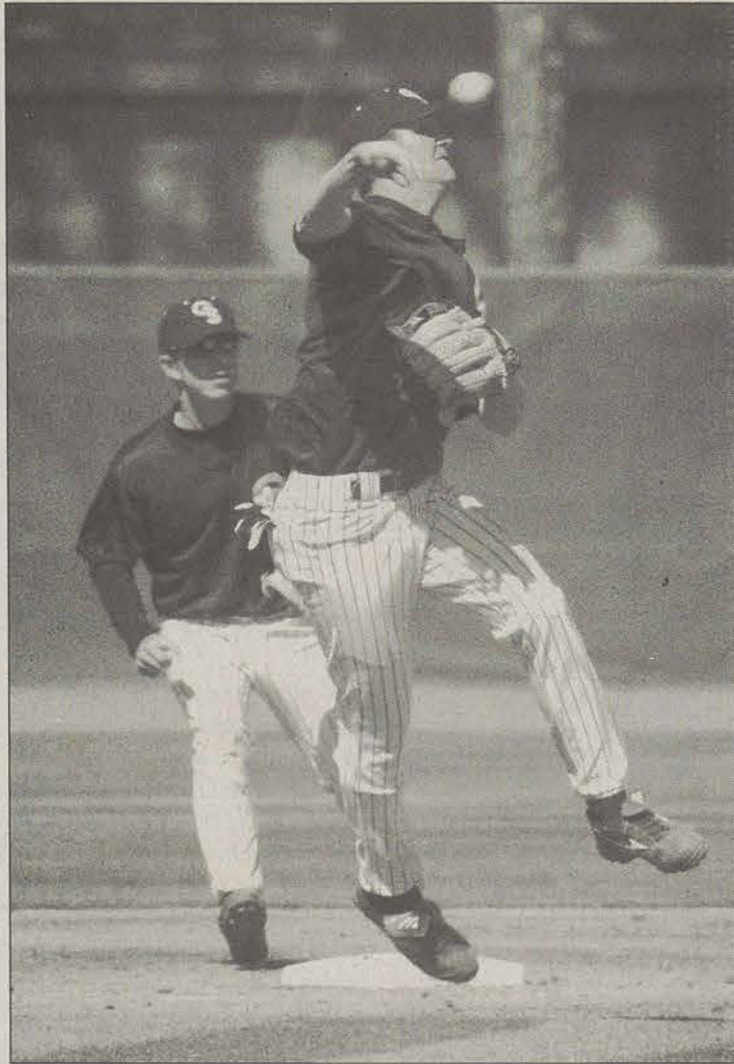
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Chase Lanier/STAFF

Eagle Second baseman Brett Pelfrey tries to turn a double play during the Eagles 10-3 loss to Citadel Sunday.



# Unlikely celebration: George Mason clinches spot in the Final Four

By David Ginsburg  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The nets were gone, the trophy was packed away, and virtually everyone wearing green and gold had already been hugged.

So, nearly an hour after George Mason guard Lamar Butler cradled the rebound of Connecticut's final errant shot Sunday, some two dozen jubilant Patriots fans finally decided it was time to leave the arena.

But not before they said those sweet-sounding words again, just for emphasis.

"Final Four! Final Four!"

That's right, as improbable as the following sounds, it's the absolute truth: George Mason is going to the Final Four of the NCAA tournament.

The 11th-seeded Patriots are headed to Indianapolis as the Washington Regional champions after shocking No. 1 seed Connecticut 86-84 in overtime.

"Yeah, we expected this," George Mason freshman Chris Fleming said, flashing a huge grin. "Honestly, we came in thinking, what do we have to lose? Everyone else thinks we're underdogs."

And they did. Using the same five players over the final 10 minutes of regulation and throughout overtime, George Mason (27-7) stunned the Big East regular-season champions and became the first No. 11 seed to reach the Final Four since LSU in 1986.

GMU plays Florida in the Final Four; UCLA plays LSU in the other game.

George Mason's win over a Connecticut squad that spent five weeks as the top-ranked team in the nation will be remembered as an upset. But given the fashion in which the Patriots have played over the past two weeks, combined with UConn's inexplicable failure to play up to its potential this month, the outcome wasn't outlandishly surprising.

The Huskies' late-season lapse began with a loss to Syracuse in the quarterfinals of the Big East tournament.

Nothing came easy for the Huskies in the NCAA tournament. They fell



George Mason's Lamar Butler (22) reacts after beating Connecticut 86-84 in overtime during the fourth round game of the NCAA basketball tournament in Washington, Sunday, March 26, 2006.

behind by 12 before beating Albany, then squeezed past Kentucky. On Friday, Connecticut beat Washington in overtime after Rashad Anderson nailed a game-tying 3-pointer with 1.8 seconds left in regulation.

Alas, the Huskies (30-4) had no comebacks left against George Mason after forcing overtime on a last-second layup by Denham Brown.

The Patriots fed off the enthusiasm of their quirky coach, Jim Larranaga, who told his players that UConn didn't know GMU played in the Colonial Athletic Association, but for the "Connecticut Assassians Association."

It sure did Sunday.

Add UConn to an impressive list

of George Mason victims that includes Michigan State and North Carolina. The Patriots may not have the size, speed, athleticism and depth of some elite programs, but results don't lie.

GMU may never have another run like this one, so the Pats and their fans are going to savor every minute of this.

"We were not supposed to get into the tournament, we got into it," said Skinn, one of five Patriots to score in double figures Sunday. "We were not supposed to beat Michigan State and we beat them. Weren't supposed to beat North Carolina and we beat them. We definitely weren't supposed to be UConn. I think we'll stick to the script. We don't mind being the Cinderella."

## Final Four seeds

For the first time in more than 20 years, a No. 1 seed is not in the men's Final Four.



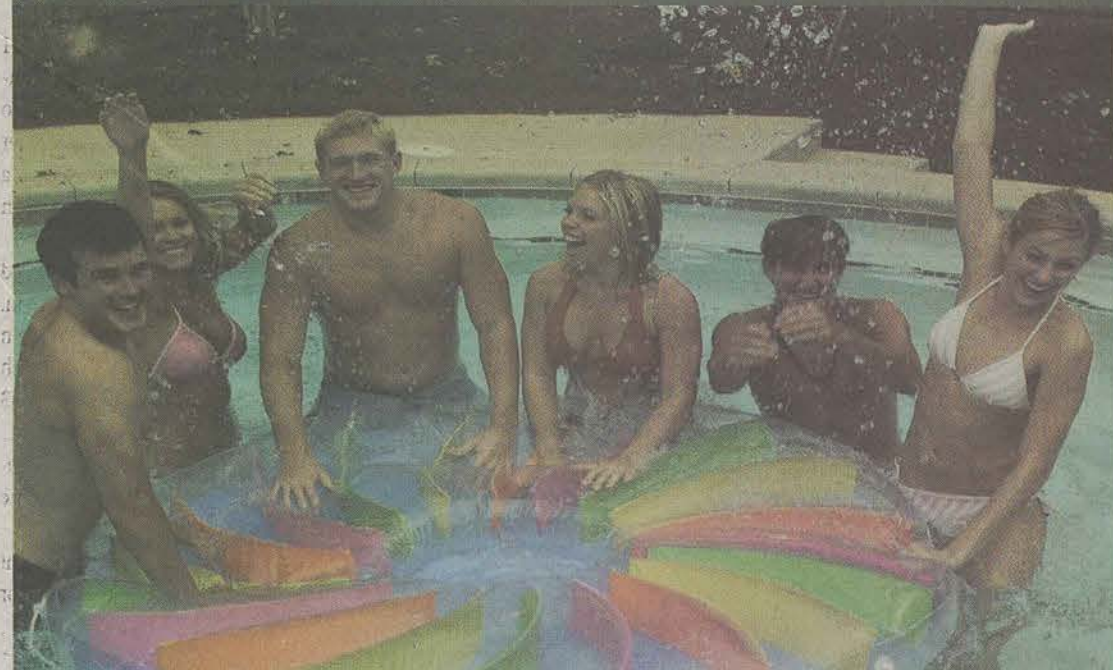
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1980	2, 5, 6, 8	Louisville, Iowa, Purdue, UCLA
1981	1, 1, 2, 3	Virginia, LSU, North Carolina, Indiana
1982	1, 1, 3, 6	UNC, Georgetown, Louisville, Houston
1983	1, 1, 4, 6	Houston, Louisville, Georgia, <b>N.C. State</b>
1984	1, 1, 2, 7	Kentucky, Georgetown, Houston, Virginia
1985	1, 1, 2, 8	St. John's, Georgetown, Memphis, Villanova
1986	1, 1, 2, 11	Duke, Kansas, Louisville, LSU
1987	1, 1, 2, 6	UNLV, Indiana, Syracuse, Providence
1988	1, 1, 2, 6	Arizona, Oklahoma, Duke, Kansas
1989	1, 2, 3, 3	Illinois, Duke, Seton Hall, Michigan
1990	1, 3, 4, 4	UNLV, Duke, Georgia Tech, Arkansas
1991	1, 1, 2, 3	UNLV, North Carolina, Duke, Kansas
1992	1, 2, 4, 6	Duke, Indiana, Cincinnati, Michigan
1993	1, 1, 1, 2	North Carolina, Kentucky, Michigan, Kansas
1994	1, 2, 2, 3	Arkansas, Arizona, Duke, Florida
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1996	1, 1, 4, 5	Kentucky, UMass, Syracuse, Miss. State
1997	1, 1, 1, 4	Kentucky, Minnesota, UNC, Arizona
1998	1, 2, 3, 3	UNC, Kentucky, Stanford, Utah
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## 'Little Big Town' hits the small stage at Retrievers

A crowd packed Retrievers Friday night to experience the bright lights and loud music of country newcomers "Little Big Town."

The band went on stage at 11:30 p.m. and continued playing until 1 a.m. They played music from their album "The Road to Here."

The group has picked up two nominations for the Academy of Country Music Awards, Top New Duo of Vocal Group and Top Vocal Group. It has also been nominated for Group/Duo Video of the Year for the upcoming CMT Music Awards.

After playing its hit "Boondocks" the crowd cheered the band into performing an encore.

## Venezuela willing to end U.S. airline ban

By Natalie Obiko Pearson  
Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela - Venezuela said Monday it was willing to temporarily back off a March 30 ban on Delta and other U.S. airlines as aviation officials discuss Caracas' demands that American authorities drop safety-based restrictions against its carriers.

A delegation from the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration arrived Sunday in the hopes of reaching an agreement with Venezuelan officials to avert a potential airline crisis if Venezuela follows through on its threat to block most flights by U.S. carriers.

"Our government has shown and maintains its disposition to temporarily suspend the measure depending on the climate of the talks," said Infrastructure Minister Ramon Carrizalez.

Carrizalez said the government had expressed its willingness to hold off on the ban in response to the FAA's "gesture of good faith" to come to Venezuela and discuss the matter.

The FAA delegation began talks with Venezuela's National Aviation Institute, or INAC, Monday afternoon, officials said.

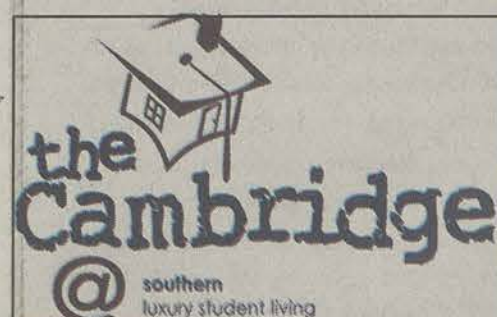
Venezuela is demanding the FAA lift safety restrictions in place since 1995 that prevent Venezuelan airlines from flying to the United States using their own planes or from starting new services.

The U.N. International Civil Aviation Organization recognized after a visit to Venezuela last year that the country has boosted supervision of aircraft operations, better trained personnel and upgraded the airworthiness of aircraft to improve the regulation of its aviation industry.

According to Carrizalez, a 2004 audit by the organization found that Venezuela met 88 percent of the body's recommended international aviation safety standards, up from 39 percent in 1999.

Venezuela is hoping those advances will be recognized and that the FAA will upgrade its own ranking of Venezuela from category 2 to category 1.

Venezuela's proposed ban would prohibit all flights by Houston-based Continental Airlines Inc. and Atlanta-based Delta Air Lines Inc., and restrict most flights by Fort Worth, Texas-based AMR Corp.'s American Airlines.



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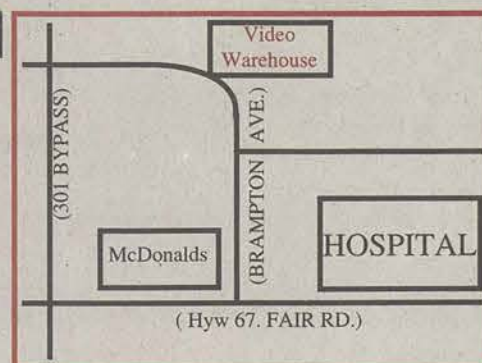
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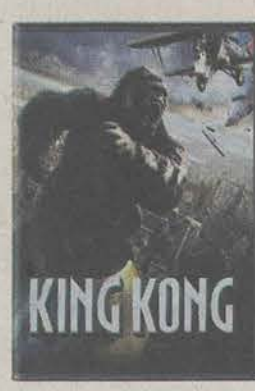
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