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THE GEORGE-ANNE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2006

Christian band to play here

Shane and Shane to headline PAC show Wednesday

Special to the G-A

Shane and Shane, a Christian folk-rock duo, will play a concert at the Performing Arts Center on Wednesday, Sept. 6 at 7 p.m. Shane and Shane are currently on The Bluegrass Tour with the Peasall Sisters, Grammy award winners best known for their role in "O Brother, Where Art Thou?" Tickets cost \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door and are currently on sale at the PAC Box Office.

The concert is sponsored by a collaborative effort of Georgia Southern ministries on campus. According to Stewart Moody, college minister for First Baptist Church of Statesboro, the purpose of the event is not solely to entertain, but to "fuel the faith of Christians with love for the campus." The impact of the concert's message is hopeful to some students on campus.



Shane Barnard



Shane Everett

"I think a lot of people will come," said Ansley Caldwell, senior psychology major. "I think it's a great way for Christians to reach out to others without preaching at them."

The Bluegrass Tour began on August 20 and will continue through September 10 covering 22 cities. Shane Barnard and Shane Everett grew up in Texas and met in college at Texas A&M University. Since then, they have been singing, writing and growing rapidly in the music industry for the past nine years with Barnard on lead vocals and acoustic guitar and Everett on backing vocals and electric guitar.

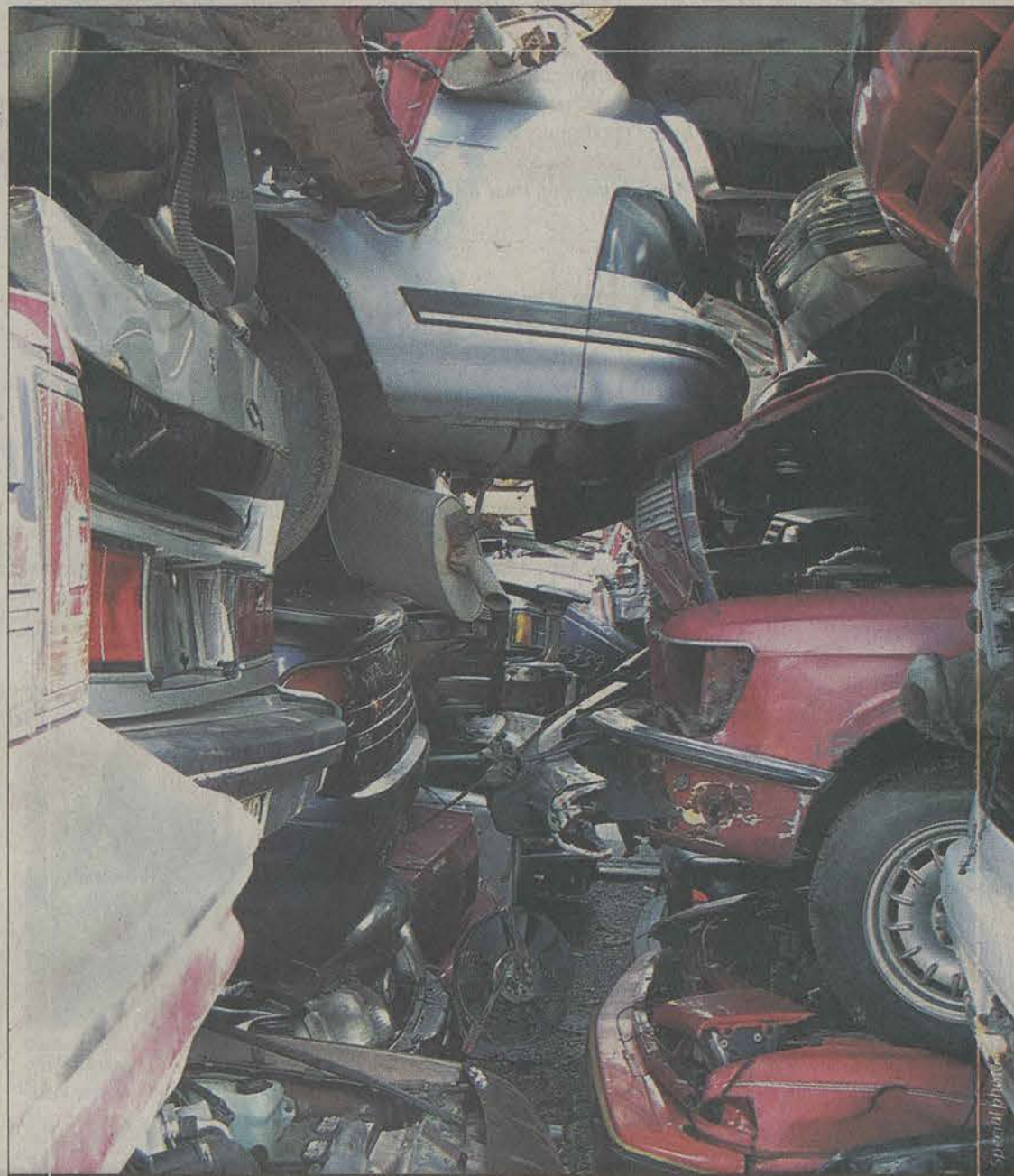
"It's a showcase of talent with a positive message," said Robert Wigginton, president of Baptist Collegiate Ministries.

Shane and Shane's style is an acoustic folk-rock sound. According to Jon Irvin, Outreach Intern for the Wesley Foundation, Shane and Shane's performances are laid-back and relaxing.

They enjoy impromptu jokes and anecdotes between songs while interacting with the audience. Another part of the performance for Shane and Shane is to share the inspiration and motivation behind the lyrics with their listeners.

"There's good solid music out there," said Irvin. "Music unifies people and allows us to connect with each other."

To purchase tickets or obtain additional information, call the PAC Box Office at (912) 486-7999 or visit Shane and Shane's website, www.shaneandshane.com.



Drunk driving crackdown

Ad. campaign, increased patrols to target DUIs

By Ely Portillo

McClatchy Newspapers

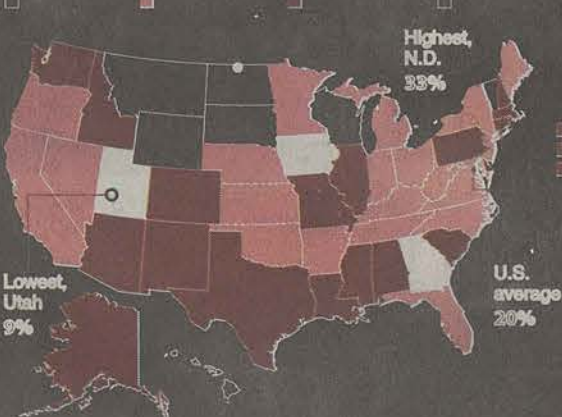
If you're used to having a few beers and getting behind the wheel, the next three weeks will be especially dangerous for you.

Automobile safety leaders announced Wednesday that they're starting a double-barreled police and advertising campaign between now and Labor Day to combat drunk driving.

The move follows new numbers that show almost no decline in the number of highway deaths involving alcohol last year — in fact, almost none in a decade — despite a toughening of the legal definition of intoxication and some increased policing.

Nicole Nason, administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, said she thinks that's because drunk driving still is seen as "a social crime" rather than "a deadly crime."

This new campaign will



emphasize that drinking and driving can get you arrested, said Nason. That's in contrast to previous campaigns that focused on responsible drinking and designated drivers.

Over 11,000 state and local police forces across the country have agreed to increase patrols and sobriety checkpoints between now and Labor Day, said Nason. In addition, NHTSA will air \$11 million in television and radio ads targeting males ages 21 to 34, the likeliest to drink and drive.

The combination of a big ad campaign and increased

see **DRUNK**, page 3

SAFE RIDES

ShuttleGus, a SafeRides program, will be running this Friday and Saturday night from 9 p.m. until 2 a.m. This is a no-questions asked free service. If you find yourself in need of a designated driver, call (912) 681-3709 and ShuttleGus will take you home. Volunteers are needed! If you're interested in volunteering, join the "I Support SafeRides" facebook group.

LABOR DAY

Georgia officials are predicting 2,335 traffic crashes, 990 injuries and 19 fatalities for the 78-hour holiday period. Last year, 15 people died in Georgia over the Labor Day weekend.

Expo connects students, jobs, organizations

By Renada Thomas

Staff writer

Looking for a part time position? Are you interested in joining organizations such as the Finance Association or Greek student groups like Alpha Phi Alpha. Well, have no fear, Georgia Southern's Expo was here to the rescue!

Georgia Southern's 14th Annual Business Expo and Student Organizational Fair organized by the Office of Student Affairs took place on Wednesday, August 23rd from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Information tables were located along the Pedestrium by the Russell Union.

Office of Student Affairs Director Bill Pickett said that the purpose of the Expo was to "expose the students to what's going on."

More than 150 local businesses, organizations and non-profit groups set up tables and provided students with information about their business or organization, and encouraged students to get involved.

In addition to providing information, local businesses and those looking to hire student workers gave students the opportunity to apply for part-time positions. There were no on site interviews, but for those who were interested in part-time positions, Career Services was on hand to help with applications. Lymistic



Grayson Hoffman/STAFF

Debbie Gleason, who represented Stirrup Some Fun at Wednesday's Expo, was looking for volunteers to work with disabled youngsters and horses.

Hightower, an accounting major, dropped in at the Accounting Association table and found ways to get in contact with other business majors, and received information on accounting internships. He said that the Expo was beneficial to him because he left it being better informed.

Students also had the opportunity to become aware of the many student see **EXPO**, page 3

Students gain exposure with Hispanic Heritage Month

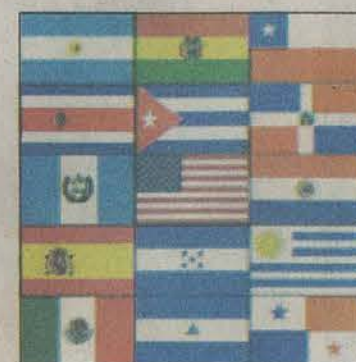
By Maria Folsom

Staff writer

With the phenomenal surge of Spanish-speaking citizens within American society, the Latino community at Georgia Southern is taking steps to expand knowledge and appreciation for their culture by celebrating National Hispanic Heritage Month.

The Multicultural Student Center, the Hispanic Student Association and professors from the Department of Foreign Language are sponsors of the event. The national observance is comprised of several activities to increase awareness of Hispanic culture and the presence of Hispanic students on campus. Events include two fiestas, panel discussions, a two-day clothing drive, free salsa dance lessons, a movie night at the Russell Union Theater and a First Wednesday's performance by Hispanic musician Javier Mendoza.

Beginning in 1968 as a weeklong holiday, Hispanic Heritage Month was expanded in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on Sept. 15 and ending on Oct. 15. Sept. 15 was chosen as the starting point for the celebration because it is the anniversary of independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and



Special Photo

Nicaragua. Although the holiday begins September 15, activities for the GSU community will begin September 19 with a fiesta being held under the Russell Union rotunda.

Amy Anderson, a coordinator with the Multicultural Center, has prepared upcoming events with the assistance of a program planning committee for the past six months. Anderson hopes that students attend to not only partake in food, fun and games, but to break cultural stereotypes by learning about the diversity with the Latino community.

"It's important for everyone to know that not all Hispanics are Puerto Rican or Mexican—there are diverse groups of people within that one culture," said Anderson.

Anderson also stresses how the influx of Hispanics has impacted see **HISPANIC**, page 3

TODAY

High: 95 | Low: 75
Thunderstorms

FRIDAY

High: 95 | Low: 74
Scattered storms

SATURDAY

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Scattered storms

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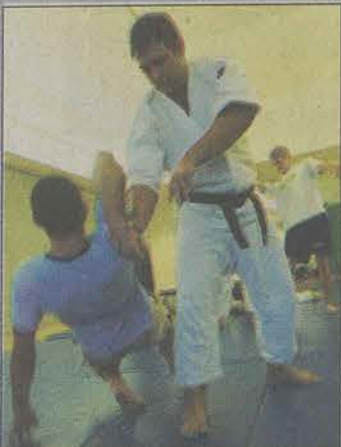
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REFLECTOR MONDAY

The George-Anne Daily won't print Monday. Instead, look for the latest edition of the Southern Reflector Magazine.

CORRECTION

Editor's Note: This is a correction from "Jiu-jitsu takes GSU by force," a story that ran Tuesday on page one.



Daniel Flanders/STAFF

AIKIDO—Charles Harper, junior electrical engineering major and Aikido instructor (right), teaches a throw called shihonage.

According to Harper, Aikido focuses on defense and has some meditative aspects. It teaches ways to use the opponents own movements against him.

The Aikido club meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the RAC.



Grayson Hoffman/STAFF

JIUJITSU—Junior, civil engineering major, Jose Parra (left) is put in a hold by Chace Hawk, instructor (right) during a Brazilian jiu-jitsu club meeting Monday night at the RAC.

According to Hawk, the class teaches strategies of self-defense. The Brazilian jiu-jitsu and grappling club meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the RAC.

Book club broadens horizons

By Amy McIntyre
Staff writer

Students at Georgia Southern spend a lot of their free time with their noses buried in textbooks.

Those who do like to read outside of the classroom are more likely to turn to Harry Potter, than books dealing with issues such as race, gender and sexuality. Yet, many hold passionate opinions towards these issues.

This semester the Multicultural Center will be holding cultural book discussions dealing with issues across the social spectrum.

The discussions are open to all students, allowing them to inquire and converse about diversity issues away from the formal classroom setting.

"It is important for the multicultural center to involve members of academia to open up a world to students where intellectual thought

can be entertaining," said Pender.

She said that she believes it's important for students and faculty alike to share views on various cultural topics in order to learn and grow as individuals, leading to appreciation of cultural diversity on and off the campus.

One author who sought to educate society on a host of cultural issues was Dr. Audre Lorde. Lorde's book, "Sister Outsider: Essays and Speeches," will be the focus of the first book discussion to be held September 8.

Dr. Nancy Malcom, Assistant Professor of the Sociology Department, has been teaching from a few of Lorde's essays in her Women and Gender Studies class.

"I am genuinely excited about Lorde's work," said Malcom. "I jumped at the opportunity to mediate book club discussion. She had a way of turning issues on their head, which

could leave people in awe."

Malcom said that those who would like to attend choose a favorite passage or essay that they found particularly inspirational to break the ice.

There will be two more book club meetings later in the semester. "Brotherhood: Gay life in College Fraternities" will be presented on October 24 by author Shane L. Windmeyer.

On November 15 Joseph Barjis, of the Department of Information Technology, will be mediating discussion on Khaled Hosseini's *The Kite Runner*.

What to read:

"Sister Outsider: Essays and Speeches" by Audre Lorde

When: September 8 at noon

Where: Russell Union room 2044

Let's talk about sex, baby

By Brittany Hall

Assistant news editor

Battle of the sexes was the theme at last night's performance of the counseling center's annual program, Sex Signals.

Sex Signals is a nationally known two-person improv-show that provocatively puts humor in to the good, the bad, and the ugly of the dating world, while educating students about sexual assault.

For some students this presentation was mandatory for their freshman orientation classes, but for others the buzz around campus about the college-toured show got students interested.

Students filed in the Russell Union ballroom at 6:45 p.m. to view one of the five packed performances of Sex Signals, not knowing what to expect. Some people thought the school sponsored program would be a seminar with a middle-aged monotone man talking about the importance

of safe sex. Those students were in for a shock.

"I expect a waste of time, to be honest," said freshman Nick Basel who went to Sex Signals because it was mandatory. "I was told that it was funny, I just hope it isn't cheesy."

The night started off with actors from Catharsis Productions, Ben Murrie and Courtney Abbott taking the stage at full force.

After a few minutes passed, students began to get into the program by naming the perfect guy or girl, listing good pick up lines, and yelling out what was wrong with the situation. In response Ben and Courtney comically acted out these extreme situations by putting serious matters such as rape and sexual assault in a student's perspective.

Students attending last night's performance were surprised at the candidness of the program saying that it was not like anything they had seen in high school.

"I didn't know what to expect really," said freshman Janee Sellers. "I came to see a good show and get a different perspective on what guys and girls think about sex. It was so funny and on point with dating."

Sex Signals will be performed Thursday at 12:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. in the Russell Union ballroom.



Special Photo

"Sex Signals" puts a different spin on interpersonal communication.

CALENDAR

Thursday, August 24

6p.m.-7:30p.m.

African Student Association meets
Russell Union 2048

Friday, August 25

5p.m.-11p.m.

Video Gamers Alliance Kickoff
Russell Union Ballroom

6:13 p.m.

Delta Sigma Theta Yard Show
Rotunda

POLICE BEAT

8-18-2006

• Terrance Adams, 21, was charged with carrying a weapon in a school zone and carrying a weapon at a public gathering at Apex Nightclub. Apex employees were removing disorderly customers when Adams allegedly drove his Explorer into the parking lot and discharged a semi automatic pistol several times. No injuries were reported. The semiautomatic pistol, a loaded magazine of ammunition and the fired shell casings were collected as evidence from the scene.

• Johnathan Easley, 18, Campus Courtyard Apartments, was charged with burglary of approximately \$3500 worth of items, including some electronic components. The victim will be receiving all taken items back.

• Loreal Becton, 22, was charged with entering the auto of Charles McDaniels, 22, at Campus Club Apartments. Police were in the complex responding to a physical altercation when they became aware of the entering auto incident.

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• A chain saw was taken from the Physical Plant.

08-22-2006

• Kevin James Lee, 18, of Brannen Hall, was charged with DUI, failure to maintain lane and failure to stop at a stop sign.

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News briefs by MCT Campus

NATIONAL POLITICS

Violent crime increasing as law enforcement fights budget cuts

With murder and other violent crimes on the rise in many American cities, local law enforcement agencies and elected officials are battling to stave off \$1.1 billion in federal funding cuts proposed by President Bush.

There's no question that violent crime is up sharply. Murders and non-negligent manslaughter increased 4.8 percent nationwide in 2005, the largest jump in 15 years, according to a preliminary FBI report in June.

At the same time, the Bush administration is cutting grants for state and local crime-fighting programs on the

grounds that they've outlived their usefulness or under-performed. One such program is COPS, a Clinton-era initiative originally designed to hire 100,000 police officers nationwide.

Like many local law enforcers and crime analysts, Greenville, S.C., Police Chief W.L. Williams disagrees with the Bush administration's reasoning. His department received a \$4.47 million COPS grant in May to improve radio communications so that police, fire and other emergency agencies in four counties can speak to one another. That fixes a glaring weakness exposed by the Sept. 11,

2001, terrorist attacks.

"COPS is working," Williams said of his department's grant. "This is a huge step for law enforcement in the state of South Carolina and something that could not be done on our own."

Some experts said that declining federal grants for crime-fighting could be contributing to the rise in crime. But they note that other factors are probably involved as well, including a generation of criminals incarcerated in the 1980s and '90s that is now returning to the streets.

SCIENCE

Space station getting back on track

One of the most complex construction jobs in human history is about to get tougher.

Derailed for three years by a shuttle disaster and still scrambling for money, the \$100 billion international space station's assembly is poised to get back on track with the planned liftoff next Sunday of shuttle Atlantis.

The 4:29 p.m. launch from Kennedy Space Center is scheduled to begin a demanding 11-day construction mission that will add a pair of solar

arrays to the orbital outpost.

NASA is billing the flight as one of the most difficult in the program's history.

The mission also will kick off a final push of at least 15 shuttle flights and more than 80 spacewalks needed to complete the station during the next four years.

There is little margin for error. The construction tasks ahead grow increasingly complicated and build on previous missions.

A serious problem or misstep

could have a huge ripple effect throughout the project.

"The assembly of ISS (the station) has been described as one of the most difficult tasks ever attempted by humans," said Mike Suffredini, NASA's space-station program manager. "The creation of a spacecraft in space has never been done before, and that's what we're doing."

Long-standing questions remain about the benefits and goals of station research.

Is 'meowing' considered harrassment?

1 JEANNETTE, Pa. — Meow. A Pennsylvania judge is being asked to decide whether that word is a harmless taunt or grounds for misdemeanor harassment.

Police have charged a 14-year-old boy with that crime. He's accused of meowing whenever he sees his 78-year-old neighbor.

The boy's family got rid of their cat after the woman complained that it was using her flower garden as a litter box. She said the boy makes meowing sounds every time he sees her.

He said he's only meowed at her twice.

The judge heard from both parties Tuesday. He decided to wait 90 days before ruling, saying he'll decide what to do after seeing how the boy and his neighbor get along in the meantime.

DUI offender arrives at court drunk

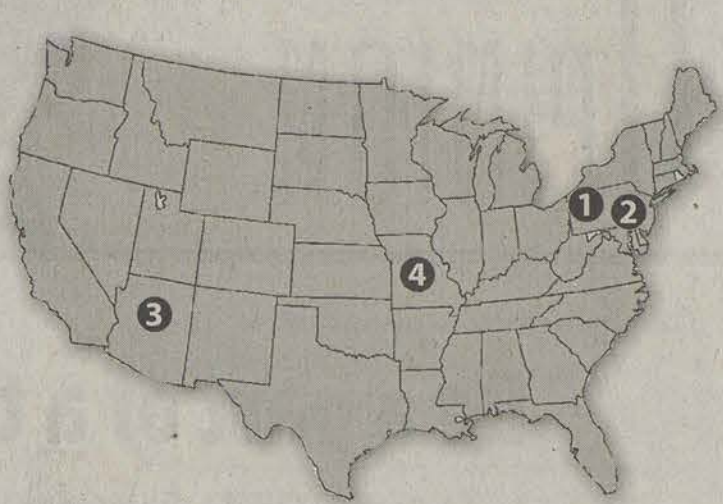
2 JIM THORPE, Pa. — A Pennsylvania man has been sentenced to one to six months in jail for DUI after reportedly showing up in court drunk.

Joshua Beury is quoted as telling the judge in the community of Jim Thorpe he routinely drinks 12 beers a day, "and then some."

The 25-year-old man told the judge he's on medication for mental health problems including bipolar disorder.

The Morning Call newspaper of Allentown reports he showed up in court with a blood alcohol level of point-two-zero, well above the legal limit.

ONLY IN AMERICA



Snakes in a cinema

3 PHOENIX, Ariz. — Two filmgoers watching new smash Snakes On A Plane decided that life should imitate art - and released two snakes in the cinema.

Cinema chain AMC Entertainment said pranksters at one of its theatres released two live diamondback rattlesnakes.

AMC spokeswoman Melanie Bell said, "One was found in the parking lot during the show, and the other in the movie theatre."

"They were both removed, and no one was harmed."

The snakes were later released into the desert. It was not immediately clear whether the pranksters themselves had been caught.

Russ Johnson, president of the Phoenix Herpetological Society, said: "There were kids at the show, and it was actually very reckless."

"The snakes' bite carries a powerful venom that could have seriously injured someone."

Couple guilty of sextuplet hoax

4 INDEPENDENCE, Mo. — A Missouri couple pleaded guilty Wednesday to stealing from their community by faking the birth of sextuplets in order to tap their neighbors' generosity.

Sarah and Kris Everson were sentenced to four years on probation after their pleas to charges of stealing by deceit. They also must repay about \$3,700 to their victims and perform 40 hours of community service.

Assistant Jackson County prosecutor Tammy Dickinson said she was satisfied with a plea agreement that let the couple avoid prison time.

The Eversons, of the Kansas City suburb of Grain Valley, could have faced up to seven years in prison if convicted. They refused to comment after the hearing.

"We already made our apologies," Sarah Everson said.

Hispanic

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not only this campus, but also the world.

"The increase of Latinos in America is an important issue for us all. We have concerns of immigration and a rise in employment for Latinos at the forefront. We have a tendency to look at issues from a black-and-white perspective. In the process, we ignore other cultures unfortunately," she said.

According to a 2004 statistic from U.S. Census Bureau, Georgia is one of 13 states with a Hispanic population of half a million. However, even with staggering numbers representing the Hispanic community across the state, there is a clear contrast to the numbers represented on the GSU campus. As of Fall 2005, Hispanic students represented only 1.6 percent of the total number of students at GSU.

Jessica Claudio, a senior majoring in early childhood education, serves as president of the Hispanic Student

Association. Claudio views the mission of the month-long celebration as a simply.

"The mission is to let everyone know that we're here," she said. "By our organization participating in Hispanic Heritage Month, people can get exposed to our group and our heritage, regardless of differences in race or culture."

Gerardo Escutia, a junior business administration major, recently transferred to GSU. Escutia credits joining Hispanic Student Association and the university's involvement in the upcoming holiday with easing the transition. "Joining the organization and participating in the events coming up next month have allowed me to meet new people. With such a small Latino population here, I can feel more comfortable with other Latinos. It also gives me the chance to introduce others to the history of our culture. We have a huge influence on this world."

For more information, contact the Multicultural Student Center at (912) 681-5409.

Drunk

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enforcement makes this "the largest ever national crackdown on drunk driving," Nason said.

Alcohol-caused car crash deaths were down in 23 states and up in 27 states last year, according to statistics released Wednesday. The biggest successes were in Utah (down 50 percent), Maryland (down 34 percent), Rhode Island (down 24 percent), Massachusetts (down 21 percent) and Oregon (down 19 percent).

Drunk-driving deaths increased most in Hawaii (up 21 percent), the District of Columbia (up 31 percent), North Dakota (up 33 percent), Delaware (up 36 percent) and Vermont (up 40 percent).

"It's time for this country to stop just saying, 'Oh, that's old Joe down at the bar, he had one too many

gins,'" said Lt. Col. Jim Champagne, Chairman of the Governors Highway Safety Association, a nonprofit group focused on promoting safety programs.

Champagne, a lieutenant colonel in the Louisiana State Police, promised that the upcoming crackdown would involve the "highest concentration of law enforcement officers focused on this problem ever."

The ad campaign will help, too, said Pennsylvania State Trooper Dave Andruscik, who was on hand for Nason's announcement at a police training facility in suburban Washington, D.C. "It's kind of like a rejuvenation, not just for the police officers, but for the community," he said. "There gets to be a complacency" when the public hears old messages.

Nason said that her agency will decide whether to continue the campaign once the first results are in. "We'll see how successful we were and take it from there," she said.

Expo

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organizations that are located here on campus, and to get information on how to become a member of these organizations. Some of the clubs and organizations that set up tables were Habitat for Humanity, Eagle Entertainment, Alpha Delta Pi, and Voices of Ministry. According to Pickett, this event is the only time that businesses and organizations are brought together to offer students information free of charge, so students were encouraged to attend. Free

food and giveaways were available for those who dropped in.

Director of Career Services Warren Riles said that the original intent of the Expo was to expose the students to the many different student organizations that are offered on campus, and to also provide them with the opportunity to join. With the addition of inviting businesses to share their information, as well as a chance to apply for part-time positions, Riles believes that the Expo gave students the wonderful opportunity of learning more about student organizations, business opportunities, and the chance to become an active participant in the community.

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- Stephen Leacock

OUR VIEW

Be a part of a team, get involved in campus events

AT ISSUE: The George-Anne Daily starts a dodgeball team to build stronger relationships

People make the decision to come to college for a number of different reasons. These might include professional goals, spreading your wings after high school, a stepping-stone to graduate school, personal development and simply a place to get away after staying at home for so many years.

No matter which of these situations applies to you personally, there are clubs, organizations, sports, political parties and other activities that will help you achieve your objective here at Georgia Southern while having fun and meeting new people.

Participation in extracurricular activities offers

students new opportunities, a chance to make good friends and, in many cases, chances to develop into campus leaders.

Take intramural sports, for example. Something as simple as an office, dorm or fraternity team will strengthen interpersonal relationships and help solidify even a motley crew into a workable tandem.

The George-Anne Daily dodge ball team, The Typos, embodies these ideals of team building. After countless hours working together, relationships at the office were productive and fun, but lacked depth.

As part of the team, co-workers were able to come out of their shells, and we learned some things about each other. For example, we learned that our typically mild-mannered photo editor, Grayson Hoffman, was a fierce animal on the dodgeball court. He gripped the ball like the beating heart of a dying opponent on the field of mortal combat.

We narrowly escaped defeat during our first match. We had to work together to keep from being eliminated by talking to each other on the court and offering encouragement or advice.

Tensions ran high after we went to "sudden death" twice. We were so pumped that the excitement

came back to the office and helped us get our work done.

Taking part in sports events can really help students blow off steam through intense physical exercise. It's also an entertaining way to get a good work out without walking on a machine in a loud room of people.

Not only does participation in extracurricular activities strengthen an individual's character and health, it also helps to foster a feeling of teamwork and unity on campus. In effect, through our involvement in various campus activities, we are constantly producing a new and better GSU.

William Whitaker NEW COLUMNIST

How much more can we take Bush?

During the 2000 election, I felt that if George W. Bush won the election, it would have been solely based on the fact that his father was a former president. Thus far he has proven to go above and beyond the call of stupidity to outdo his father. Granted, he hasn't vomited on any premiers from foreign countries, but he has collectively defecated on the American people.

At first W seemed as if he was a worthy candidate for president. He had a very good plan for not leaving a child behind in the educational system. I believed in his plan to offer school vouchers to parents who wanted to send their children to better schools in spite of their current location and financial status. This plan, if it had been implemented, would have allowed parents to bring their children into better equipped schools if their current educational facilities were not adequate.

Unfortunately, this would be the first of many lies that Bush would tell us as we moved toward the decline of this nation. After his failure to provide the American people with better education for their children, he sat silently in a classroom full of children as our nation came under attack.

The events of September 11 were devastating to the entire nation, not just New York City. The American people collectively gathered together against the terrorists that had planned this horrible attack, and waited to be led by their president into battle.

At first Bush was heading in the right direction. He immediately identified Osama Bin Laden as the man who orchestrated the horrible attack. He immediately deployed troops to Afghanistan in a manhunt for the elusive killer that took the lives of innocent American people.

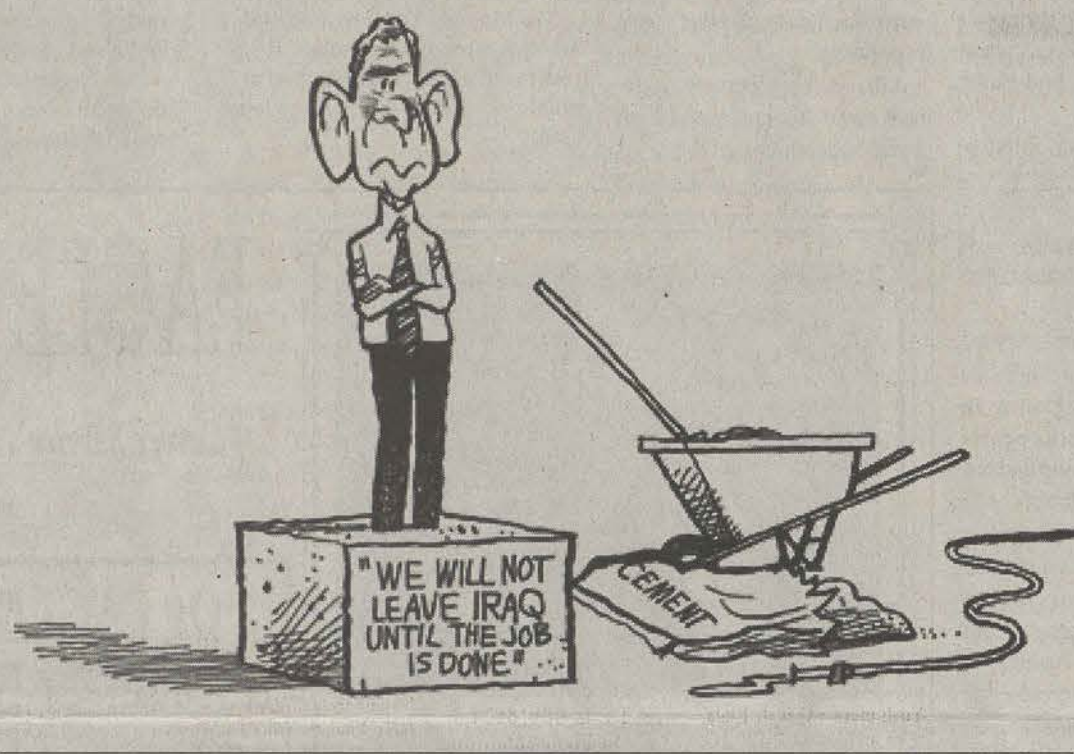
We rallied behind him in his hunt for this terrorist and believed that our troops would find this murderer and make him pay for the atrocities that he had committed. Unfortunately during the manhunt, "evidence" suggested that Sadaam Hussein had been supplying Al Qaeda with weapons of mass destruction. With this new evidence we switched our focus to an old enemy and began to chase after him. During this time, no one questioned how someone who was orchestrating attacks on Americans because of their religious beliefs could team up with someone who had no religious basis for his tyranny.

I was lucky enough to have my best friend get out of the Army after six years of service. During her six-year service she helped to sift through the rubble of the World Trade Center and recover fellow Americans from the ruins. She also spent three years in Iraq avoiding IED attacks and snipers in the streets as she followed the orders of her commander in chief. I applaud her valor and her patriotism in spite of the fact that she did not agree with the conflict. But, she along with only a handful of American men and women of the United States military have made it back home without serious injury while thousands have sacrificed their lives in the name of a lie.

No weapons of mass destruction were found, and will never be found. But, when someone threatens your father over 10 years ago there's only one battle cry from our president, "Bring it on."

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NOT BUDGING...



Thoughts from the World Wide Web:

Bummer beaches and other ocean woes

Ocean pollution seems so far away until a good summer vacation is ruined by a beach closure. The number of such closures only keeps rising in the U.S. These fouled beaches are the surest sign of a need for better action to protect the world's oceans.

In a just-released study, the National Resource Defense Council found 8 percent of American beaches had shore waters that violated health standards. This surf slime, however, is only the froth on deeper sea trends.

From rising toxins in whales to vanishing coral reefs to missing fish stocks, almost every corner of the watery globe has problems that need a change in the human use of oceans. Even if these waters seem like a vast sponge able to absorb whatever humans put into them, they have a way of throwing back the pollution or the damage done - most evident in the foul

smell of an algae bloom off a beach with a "no swimming" sign on it.

This eco-payback arrives in many other ways. A rapid rise in the level of carbon dioxide entering the oceans has caused them to become more acidic, altering aquatic life forms, especially fish larvae. More marine mammals are beaching themselves. Mariners report an increase in the amount of trash floating in the seas, notably non-biodegradable plastics. And all too often, invasive species are causing environmental harm.

No one really knows the tipping point for this ocean damage to become catastrophic and irreversible. That's why there is a growing sense of urgency in Washington and elsewhere to take a comprehensive look at all human interaction with the seas and improve the system of coastal and ocean governance.

In 2004, President Bush set up the Committee on Ocean Policy to provide better collaboration between the more than 20 federal agencies that administer more than 140 laws dealing with the oceans and that oversee the competing demands for using the oceans and keeping them clean.

That body has made limited progress. Better tracking of oceans is badly needed to solve the problems. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is setting up an "integrated ocean observing system" as part of a global effort. Congress must provide more direction to coordinate federal and state policies toward the oceans. Slowly, the oceans can be restored and human beachgoers might someday find more, not fewer, beaches open for clean swimming.

From http://news.yahoo.com/s/csm/20060823/cm_csm/oceans

Hurricane Katrina, one year after the storm

Next week will mark one year since Hurricane Katrina slammed into the Gulf Coast and cut a swath of destruction that was truly of biblical proportions.

Together, our nation watched in helpless horror as the winds and the waters surged, killing more than 1,000 loved ones and wiping away once-vibrant communities. The devastation and despair it randomly cast throughout the Gulf Coast was painfully evocative of what we saw during the Indian Ocean tsunami.

It was typical of the American spirit that, after the skies opened up, so did the hearts of our people. Indeed, the compassion shown by citizens offered the first ray of hope after those dark skies cleared.

Pledges of help and money poured in from far and wide - corporate boardrooms and classrooms, celebrities and school children, large cities and small towns and the churches and synagogues that literally threw open their doors to shelter the homeless from every faith and strata of society.

Many received generous donations from such high-profile groups, companies and people as diverse as Wal-Mart, the PGA Tour, the country of Kuwait and U2.

Today, 12 months on, we can report that the broad diversity of those who contributed to this effort mirrors the many ways we have, in turn, put your generosity to work.

Donated funds have helped

shrimpers in Alabama get their boats back in the water and repair the sewer system in Waveland, Miss. Habitat for Humanity's helps low-income families rebuild their homes. With your help, Operation Hope is providing economic services and financial counseling to victims.

Even today, mere words and pictures simply cannot capture the enormity of the suffering. If you have driven through New Orleans' Lower 9th Ward, if you have flown over Pass Christian, Miss., your mind numbs with disbelief. There are still plenty of people without homes and plenty of ways to donate to help make their lives a little less traumatic.

From http://news.yahoo.com/s/usatoday/20060823/cm_usatoday/

Eric Swanson HERE AND THERE

When it's sink or swim, paddle hard

Welcome to the breaking point. Welcome to the beginning. Welcome to the world you never thought you'd end everything at. There are certain things that we all do as a whole, but our individual actions manipulate the very essence we live in during our daily routines.

Why have we all achieved so much to reach this point in our lives? I can tell you that more than half of you won't make it past this year, but this country needs workers without degrees.

This country needs more people without goals. I see so many freshmen this year, and I remember exactly how cocky I felt as my first year approached me. This is a mistake that many make their first year in college, and they continue on to grow in the ways that they should have done in high school.

Undoubtedly, the end of adolescence will hit many of you this year or soon after, and to some the realization that you have not been in control of your lives for the last 18 years will result in a disheartening feeling. There is never a reason to be discouraged, because with the end of one thing always results in the beginning of another.

So, to those of you who find yourselves up the creek later this year, look back and realize that you have been given an extraordinary chance to achieve what many others around the world cannot: acquisition of knowledge. Embrace this knowledge, for these years will be the most changing and important years of your lives.

There are a million things out there in the world to keep you busy for the rest of your life, but look to your future and how you wish to spend it. Sometimes, we can't always get what we've trained for and dreamed of, but the paths we take in order to get anywhere will always lead us somewhere.

Where would we be today if people always gave up when an obstacle presented itself? Never give up your dreams, and never give up the pursuit of intellectual

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freedom, which should be a reason most of us are in college in the first place.

We are here to make a change for the better, so accept the changes that will challenge you throughout the next few years, and you will see great things in your future. With almost 17,000 students this year, we can make a change for the lives we will live fairly soon.

With knowledge, we will continue where generations before us left off. It is up to us to lead the world in the direction that we all agree upon. That very idea is what our country was founded on, and we are now approaching the point where the country will be ours.

With knowledge, and the accomplishment of goals without giving up, we will all make this country a greater place to live.

So good luck to all of you in the coming year, and may nothing discourage you from the very reason why you all are here.

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SPORTS

This weekend in sports:

Friday,

Women's Soccer GSU at Mercer 8 p.m.
Women's Volleyball GSU Invitational 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta Braves vs. Washington Nationals 7:35 p.m.

Saturday,

Men's Soccer GSU vs. Mercer 1 p.m.
Atlanta Falcons at Tennessee Titans 8 p.m.
Atlanta Braves vs. Washington Nationals 1 p.m.



Falcons trade Duckett, acquire Lelie, Jackson

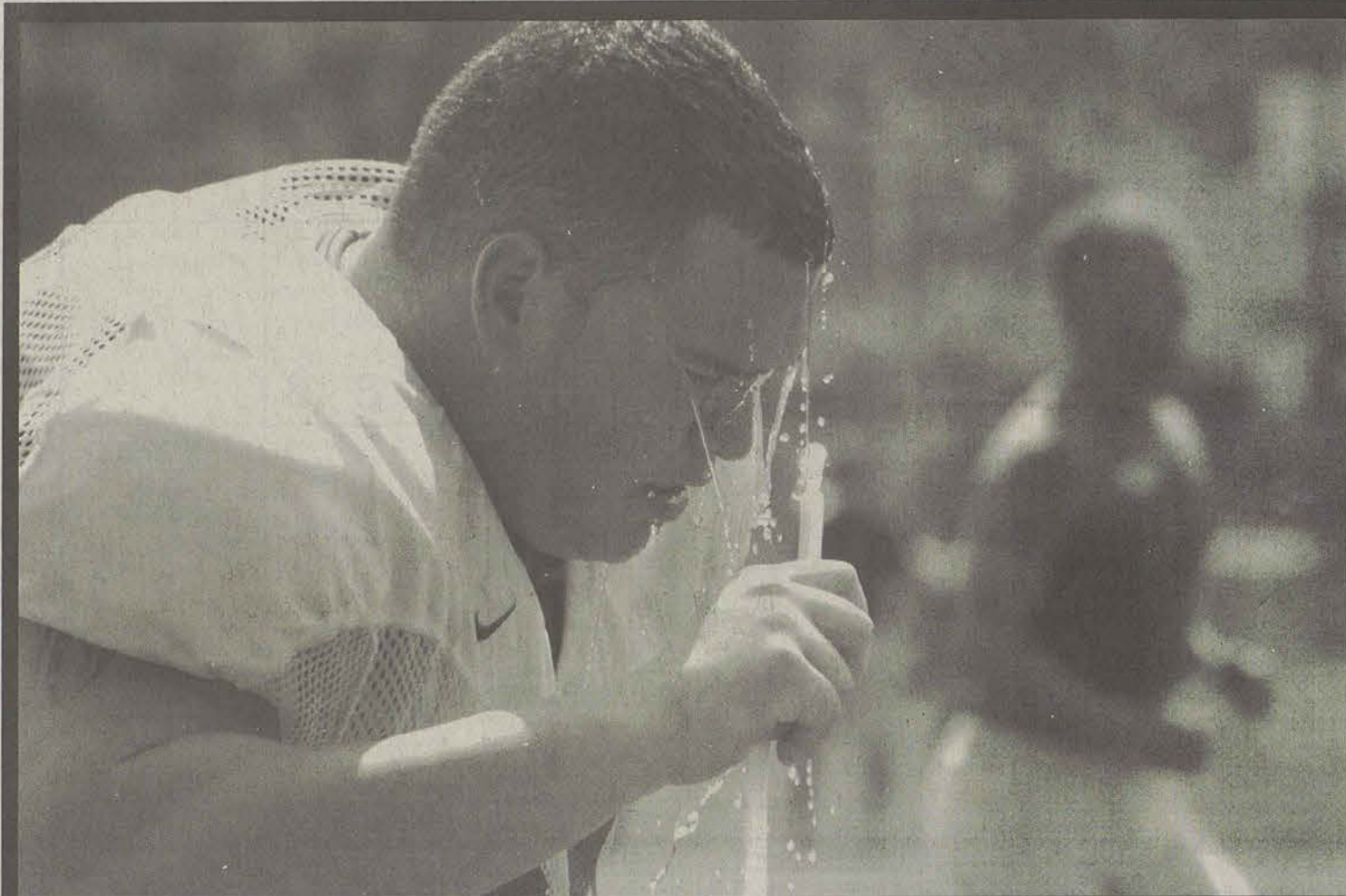
The Atlanta Falcons traded running back T.J. Duckett to the Washington Redskins in a 3-team deal that sent receiver Ashley Lelie to the Falcons from the Denver Broncos.

The Falcons needed a veteran receiver, while the Redskins needed some experience in the backfield after Clinton Portis' injury.

Veteran defensive tackle Grady Jackson also signed a three-year deal with the Falcons, hoping to shore up the run defense. The Falcons are hoping Jackson will bring some strength into an undersized defensive line.

Scorching heat puts players in danger

What are the GSU football coaches doing to keep athletes from overheating?



Eagle offensive lineman Dio Herrera drinks from a water hose after football practice. During the hot summer months, the GSU coaching staff is making sure the players receive plenty of rest and hydration during practice.

Grayson Hoffman/STAFF

Signs of Heat Exhaustion:

- Dizziness
- Fatigue, weakness, fainting
- Nausea and vomiting
- Headaches and muscle cramps
- Dehydration

What to do:

- Rest
- Drink cool, non-alcoholic beverages
- Remove heavy clothing
- Get out of direct sunlight
- Cool shower, bath, or sponge bath

Signs of Heat Stroke:

- High body temperature
- Absence of sweating
- Rapid pulse, difficulty breathing
- Hallucinations
- Seizures

What to do:

- Notify authorities
- Apply cool or tepid water to the skin
- Place ice packs under armpits or groin
- Get victim to a shady area

medicinenet.com

By Eric Robinson

Assistant sports editor

The unnerving heat of Georgia summers is enough to make even the simplest outdoor tasks unbearable.

Simply walking across campus in 90 degree weather can leave students sweaty and tired. The heat can become dangerous for athletes, and grueling practices and inadequate preparation can lead to injury and sometimes death.

The problem is not at all uncommon.

On July 31, Tyler Davis, a junior at Rockdale County High School in the suburbs of Atlanta, was sent to the county hospital after he collapsed following football practice. The 15-year-old suffered from heat stroke and died the next day.

According to reports from the Associated Press, water was given to the players throughout the training session, and they were given frequent water breaks between 5 and 6:45 p.m.

Heat exhaustion can result if the body doesn't receive enough fluids, or if the body isn't acclimated to the heat. Symptoms can include dizziness, headaches, vomiting and muscle cramps, according to MedicineNet.com.

Heat stroke is much more serious.

Dr. Jim McMillan is an associate professor of exercise science at GSU. He has a doctorate degree in exercise physiology.

"Heat stroke is where your body stops sweating, you can go into

shock," he said. "The idea is to cool the person. Put them in the shade, out of direct sunlight. Remove as much clothing as possible. Then, if they're conscious, try and get fluids down them."

According to the Gatorade Sports Science Institute, athletes should drink at least 5-10 ounces of fluid every 15 minutes while active.

It is also important for athletes to re-hydrate after exercising. The GSSI says that at least 20-24 ounces of fluid should be consumed for every pound of body weight lost.

McMillan said one reason athletes are in danger is that their bodies might not be in good enough shape to perform.

"The best advice you can give to a high school athlete when they

leave in the spring is to find a job in construction working outside, so they maintain fitness and so they maintain acclimation to the heat," he said.

Being on a hot, humid practice field in full gear also makes things extra difficult for scrimmaging athletes. Sweat doesn't evaporate well in high humidity. The body then sweats more, contributing to dehydration.

"What should occur is that body weight should be taken before practice and after practice, and then the next day, you weigh the person again. If they're not within the certain percentage of their regular body weight, they don't practice," McMillan said.

Georgia Southern coaches are taking careful precautions to ensure that this doesn't happen to their

players in the scorching Statesboro summer.

Head Coach Brian VanGorder said he initially had his players run walkthroughs in the morning and practice in the afternoon.

Because of the heat, he switched it around, having practice in the morning to take advantage of the 10-15 degree difference in the heat index.

"We were [IV] bagging four guys a day," he said.

VanGorder stressed the importance of hydration during practice and making sure water is always available.

"You have to educate [the players] in terms of nutritionally doing what's right, which is basically eating right and making sure you hydrate

yourself," he said.

As a precautionary measure, any player who is given fluids has to sit out the next day, said Defensive Line Coach Parker Wildeman.

Players are allowed time under shaded tents and given ice towels to prevent getting overheated.

"We build in water breaks every half hour," he said.

McMillan said the one thing college and high school teams can do is to cancel practice if the heat index gets too high.

"But it's kind of hard not to practice because you may be playing in those same conditions," he said. "But what they're doing is really all they can do, get them lots of fluid, taking them out of direct sunlight and knowing what to look for in the athletes."



Victor Martinez/STAFF

The Lady Eagles soccer team practices for the weekend match against Mercer. The first home game for GSU will be September 10 against South Carolina State.

Lady Eagles ready to start the season

By Will Adams and Thomas Akins

The George-Anne

Georgia Southern Women's Soccer begins regular season play this weekend with a match against Mercer in Macon.

Third year Head Coach Ashley Hart is looking forward to competing and is confident that the team will be able to turn it around after going 3-15-1 last season.

"We're young, but more talented than last year. We also have a lot more depth than last year's squad," Hart said. Assistant Coach Joe Neble is excited about the young freshman class this

season.

"We have eight freshman coming in this year that are really great players. We expect them to seriously contend for playing time this season," Neble said.

With 14 letter winners returning from last season, the team hopes to build on the experience from last year.

"I think we have matured a lot as a team. Although we are young, we will bring back 10 of our starters from last year," said Hart. Coach Hart has been focusing on team chemistry all summer long and hopes that it pays off.

"We are adding a good group of

freshmen so I think we have good things ahead of us," she said.

Junior defender Shea Hickey is excited about how the team is coming together and thinks that "we will be good this year, we have a lot of talent," said Hickey.

After taking on the Mercer Bears this weekend, the Lady Eagles travel to Jacksonville to take on the North Florida Ospreys and then head out west to Oklahoma to play against Oral Roberts and Tulsa.

The Lady Eagles first home game of the season won't be until September 10 when they take on South Carolina State.

Eagle volleyball to host invitational

By Mike Anthony

Staff writer

This weekend, the Georgia Southern volleyball team will get its 2006 season underway as it hosts three other schools in the GSU Invitational at Hanner Fieldhouse.

One of the question marks for the upcoming season will be the play of the team under its new head coach.

In February, Nicole McCray was hired to take over for Kerry Messersmith, who accepted the head coaching position at UAB. McCray was an All-American during her time at the University of Florida, and was named the SEC's most valuable player in 2000.

After graduating, she progressed into coaching, including a stint at UGA last year and a head coaching job at Berry College in 2004.

This year's team will also be without last season's star, all-SoCon performer, Iulia Porumbescu. Iulia, who lead the team in kills and who was one of the most feared outside hitters in the conference, will be sorely missed this season.

Stepping in to fill her shoes will likely be Bailey Coleman and Christy Dowd, each of whom showed great progress last year and figure to contribute heavily to this year's squad.

Coach McCray is very optimistic about the team's ability to bounce back and have a successful year.

"Of course Iulia leaving is a big loss, but we've handled it in stride. This year, we're looking for a real team effort. We don't want to place the pressure on any one person."

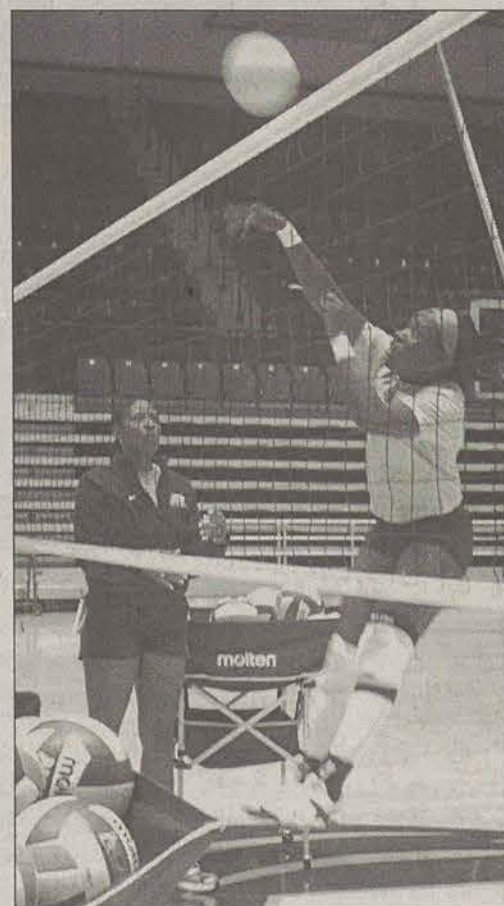
To achieve this, she emphasized that there must be leadership among the seasoned members of the team.

"We need to see leadership from our juniors and seniors. So far it has been good. Everyone, [including the new team members] have adjusted well to the changes in coaching philosophy and we feel that we're ready to get out and play," she said.

The Lady Eagles look to continue a run that has seen them near the top of the SoCon for the last five years. During that stretch, the team has made it to two NCAA tournaments in 2001 and 2003, and rattled off three consecutive conference titles from 2001 to 2003. Coach McCray is hopeful that this year will be no different.

"We want to get off to a good start. We're looking to do well in these preseason tournaments to set us up for success in conference play. Of course, our ultimate goal is to be competing in the NCAA tournament at the end of the season."

The first match of the season



Grayson Hoffman/STAFF

Eagle volleyball player, Jennifer Charles practice this week in preparation for the GSU Invitational at Hanner Fieldhouse on Friday.

will be at 7:30 Friday evening vs. Campbell. They will have two more matches on Saturday, playing at 12:30 vs. Savannah State and again at 7 p.m. vs. Charleston Southern.

Admission to all of the matches is free and all students are encouraged to come out to Hanner and cheer on the Lady Eagles as they begin their march towards another SoCon title.

OUR PICK

Cinema Arts=Good movies
Every other Tuesday starting Aug. 28, students can see films at the Russell Union for \$2. All this is thanks to the John Humma Cinema Arts Series, which is featuring such classic films such as "Jackie Brown" and "Out of the Past."



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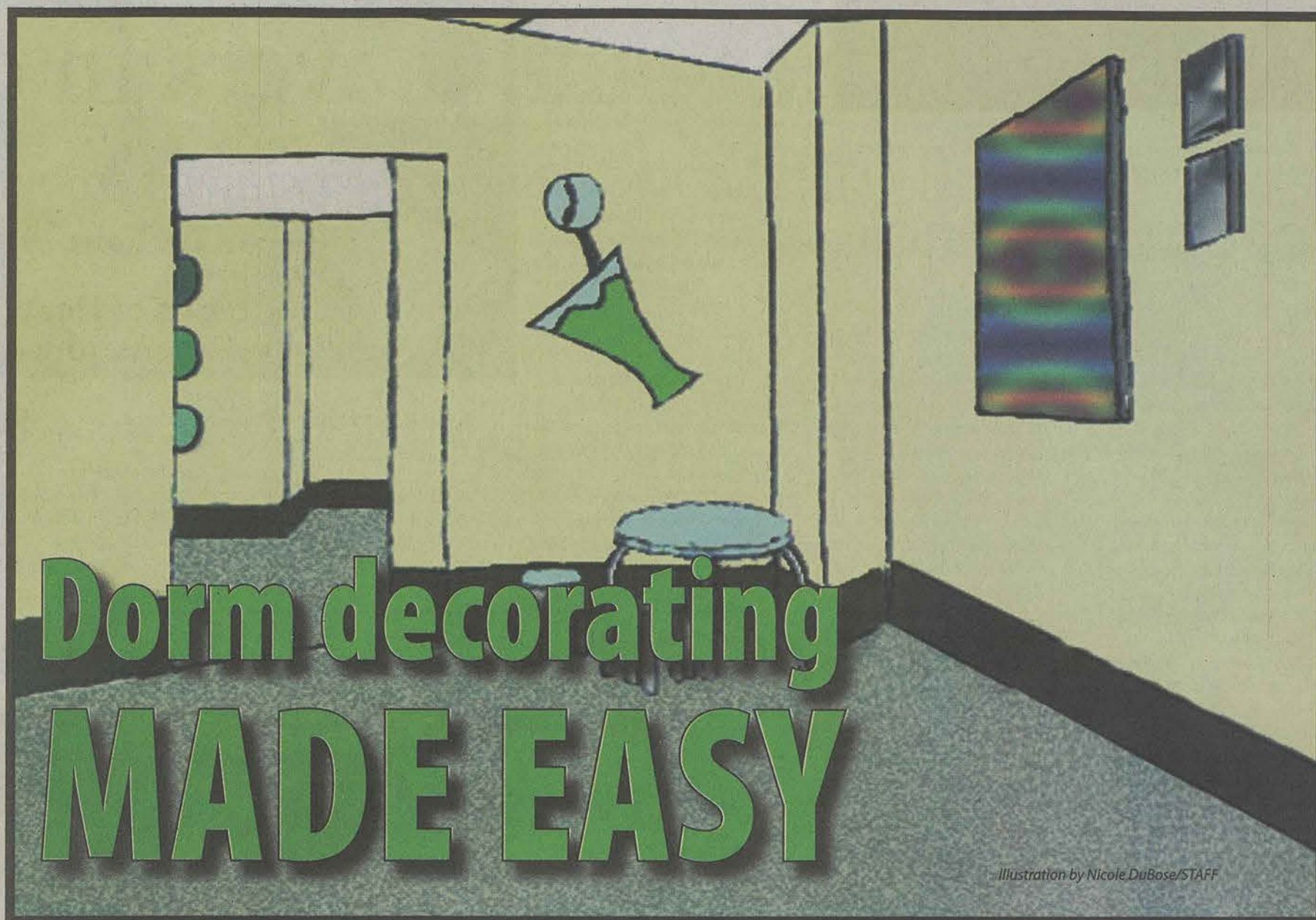
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- Talladega Nights
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- Zoom
5:20, 7:30, 9:40
- Pulse
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- Accepted
5:30, 7:45, 10:00
- Material Girls
5:20, 7:30, 9:45
- World Trade Center
(4:00), 7:00, 9:55
- John Tucker Must Die
5:20, 7:30, 9:40
- Step Up
(4:15), 7:10, 9:40

Parenthesis denotes matinee



Dorm decorating MADE EASY

Illustration by Nicole DuBose/STAFF

Dressing up your small space doesn't have to be expensive or difficult

By Lora Smiley
Staff writer

Decorating a new apartment or dorm room can seem daunting for the domestically challenged – especially when you consider the tightened purse strings that famously accompanies the life of a college student. However, there are ways you can give your home-away-from-home a fantastic, yet inexpensive makeover. But where should you start?

"Storage is the greatest need for most students," said Diane Phillips, Georgia Southern University Assistant Professor of Interior Design. According to Phillips, buying a new or used bookshelf is a great way to organize your apartment.

"If the piece of furniture is sturdy, then all it may need is that new coat of paint," Phillips said. "Instead of buying a gallon of paint, a small bookcase or cabinet may be covered with a couple of cans of spray paint (\$4 - \$6 per can) or a quart of paint."

If the room is very small, consider using baskets, fabric covered, plastic or under-the-bed boxes. Not to mention the shoe boxes.

"Shoeboxes can be covered with newspaper, wallpaper, contact paper, fabric and paint," Phillips said. "If you want to create your own paper design you might consider going to the Statesboro Herald and buying



HERE'S AN IDEA

Pillows can be used for floor cushions and extra seating in small rooms. If you are creative, just tie the ribbon in a knot or bow; you can also use buttons, snaps and Velcro to close off the end of the pillow case.

Sueded Toss Pillow - Beach House Tan
\$12.95 at www.target.com

their end rolls from the daily newspaper run. They cost about \$5."

Another option for shoebox storage is to use athletic shoeboxes. "If you love a sports theme, then do not cover the boxes – just collect all your friends' boxes and go for the look," she said. "One of the nice things about athletic shoeboxes is that they are really big and can hold a lot of odds and ends. It is especially great if you have friends with really big feet because the boxes are very roomy."

Other sources for small storage items are Crystal Light drink containers. Once you remove the paper on the outside, you have this great transparent container," Phillips said. "It is wonderful for all kinds of small items such as paperclips, pencils and pens, small batteries and most of your desktop accessories."

According to Phillips, there are other small projects you can do to, make your

desktop look great. "You can recover old ink blotters with paper or fabrics for an updated look," she said.

Memo boards can also be a great addition to the wall surrounding your desk.

"Memo boards can be made out of a lot of items; from cork board to padded fabric options," Phillips said. "I recently saw a way to take an old shutter, paint it and adhere it to the wall to make a memo organizer in Martha Stewart Living."

Also, for those living in dorm rooms or small apartments, seating for guests can be a problem.

"Pillows can be used for floor cushions and extra seating in small rooms," Phillips said. "Pillow cases can be used to create pillows by using ribbons sewn on the opening side of the case. Just tie the ribbon in a knot or bow. You can also use buttons, snaps and Velcro to

close off the end of the pillow case."

For those who wish to personalize their dorm or apartment but have a hectic schedule, simply painting your small room can be a fast – not to mention budget-conscious – way to enhance your space.

"Using a single color scheme can make a room seem larger and can make lots of elements in the room come together," Phillips said. "Basically, take one color and put it on the wall. Vary the saturation of that same color on room accents, furniture and window treatments."

Because painting a new color on a wall can be scary for some, Phillips said there is the option for making the color choice through paint companies online and in their stores.

"You can find a room (living room, bedroom, etc.) and then from the vendor's color palate you can select a wall color and trim color," she said. "The computer program will put it on the simulated room and you will be able to see the effect. This works for one wall or all walls."

Local stores that carry these programs are Benjamin Moore, Sherwin Williams, Lowe's and Home Depot.

Whatever your need, decorating your apartment or dorm can be a fun, easy and inexpensive way to make your space more inviting. So get painting, sewing as well as organizing and soon you'll find yourself calling Statesboro home.

Hypnotist Dale K. mesmerizes students

By Jessica Emery
Staff writer

Hypnosis is not what is used to be. This past Monday, Dale K., hypnotist and nominee for comedian of the year, performed for a large crowd of enthusiastic, if not apprehensive, students.

Dale K. is not your typical grey-haired man swinging a pocket watch in front of an eager face. In fact, he is young and his act is far from monotonous.

The event was thrown by Eagle Entertainment and was held at the Russell Union at 9 p.m. on August 21. Opening for the hypnotist's performance was Georgia Southern's very own BoomSquad, a male dance group.

Angela Byrd, Traditions and Spirit leader of Eagle Entertainment this school year, introduced the hypnotist.

"Dale K. has hypnotized 50,000 people in his career," said Byrd.

The act began with 12 student volunteers, seven of them girls, sitting eagerly on stage. Within five minutes, the eyes of a girl named Kendra began to flicker, while a boy four seats away seemingly fell into a deep sleep.

Throughout the act, the number of participants decreased to the ones most affected. There were many entertaining acts including Adrian, a boy who at one point was a werewolf, "Princess Adriana," as well as a "pregnant woman" who, after going through a painful birthing, named his newborn Mariah. There were others, such as a girl named Karen who was quite upset about a stuffed Barney who apparently told her to shut up.

The show itself was heavy-laden with sexual innuendos from Dale K., complete with the volunteers

imagining him naked, and in modest terms, somewhat well-endowed. This brought on various reactions from the students, as well as a very amused audience.

From riding in a hot air balloon, and getting their hands stuck together with superglue, to milking a cow in Wisconsin; it seems the volunteers went on a wild adventure.

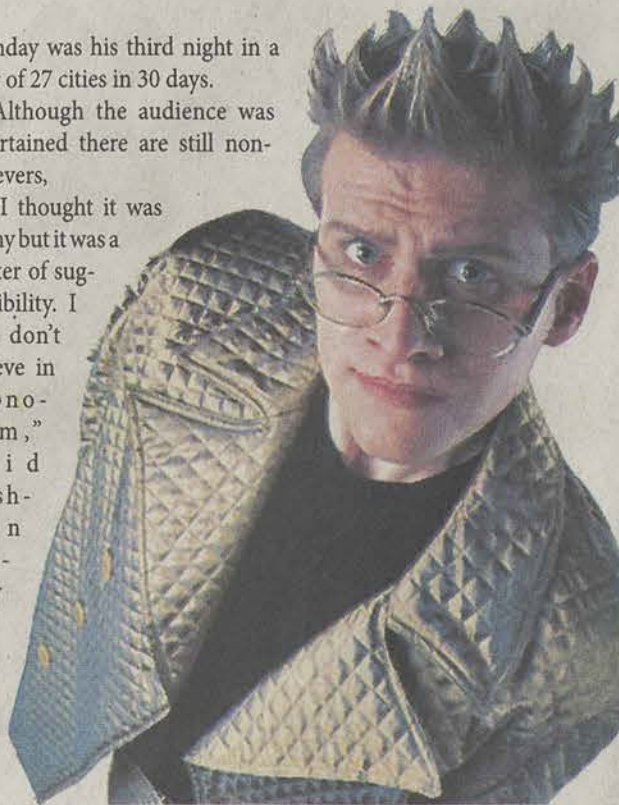
Dale K. is no stranger to the stage. "I have been doing it for 15 years," said Dale K. When asked how he got involved, Dale said, "My dad was a part-time clown, there were always clowns, jugglers and magicians around all the time. The first time I saw a hypnotist I felt I could make it a lot more fun, not some 75 year old man with a pocket watch."

Dale K. travels all around the country. Being a native to Orlando, he is not a stranger to the South.

Monday was his third night in a tour of 27 cities in 30 days.

Although the audience was entertained there are still non-believers.

"I thought it was funny but it was a matter of suggestibility. I still don't believe in hypnosis," said freshman Emily Stover.



Special photo

THE BOTTOM LINE

By NICK ABNEY

Music and more

The Turtle Island String Quartet will be coming to the Performing Arts Center this Saturday, Aug. 26. The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m. The group plays all kinds of music, including their

take on rap, rock, bluegrass, funk, be-bop and many other styles. The band even won a Grammy award this year for their collaborative work with the Ying Quartet.

Tickets went on sale Tues., Aug. 15, and cost \$30

plus tax per person. Faculty, staff and students get a 10 percent discount.

Students with a valid university ID can get tickets for \$10 if there are any left over ten minutes before the start of the show.

BOTTOM LINE Award-winning Turtle Island String Quartet to play at the PAC this Sat., Aug. 26.





Brian Prusa/Photo Illustration

Legends made its triumphant return last Saturday after being closed for five months.

Legends is back

By Rodney McGill
Staff writer

Before the reopening, standing outside of the famous Statesboro Club Legend, you would have thought it was a sleeping giant. On Saturday, August 19, 2006, the giant woke up. The club was filled to the walls with students from Georgia Southern as Makin' Moves and Confetti Entertainment revived one of the most memorable clubs near Georgia Southern University. After being closed for nearly five months due to losing its liquor license, it seemed that profits would suffer, but everyone always supports Legends.

It will always be a place to come and have a good time. "You know, after being in your dorm all day or the same classroom, it's nice to be able to

get out where there are a lot of people and space," said Yusuf Presberry, one of the front men of Makin' Moves and Confetti. For freshmen it was a meet and greet and for upperclassmen it was all about seeing the freshmen and their crazy new dances.

Instead of the 21 or older drinks, some have grown to love water, and a full supply of Red Bull was spread through the club. While it lost its liquor license, Legends hasn't lost the most important thing, it's initial feeling when you enter it; a feeling of fun and excitement. "Legends will never change, it's always been the spot, and to me it always will be," said Jonathon Simms, a student at Georgia Southern. The club seemed to meet its reputation. By the end of the night the legend was proven. Legends is back!

New Thrice album is good but different

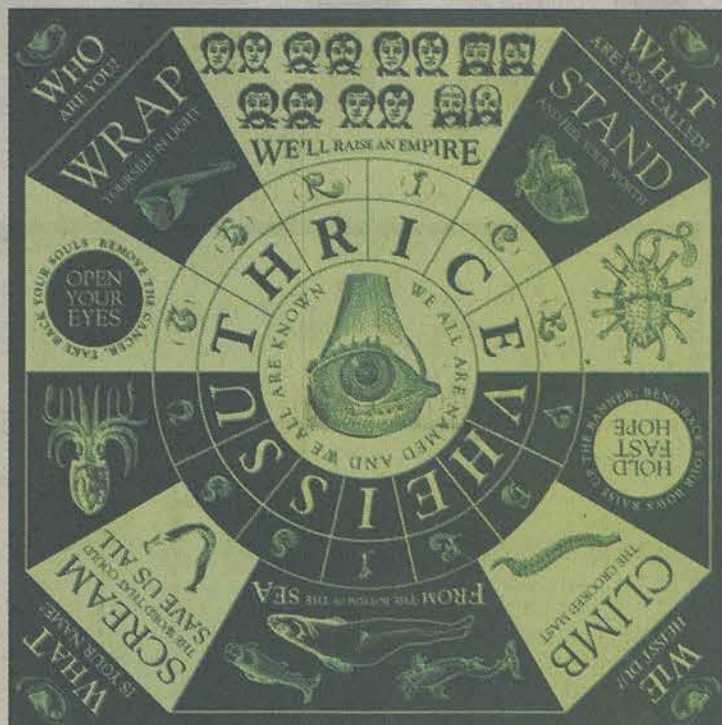
By Nick Abney
Hiatus editor

Right off the bat, the new Thrice record, *Vheissu*, is something completely different from their past work.

The album opens up with Morse code followed shortly after by fast paced drums and guitar. Even long time fans will notice the difference in the tone and attitude the band now emits.

The entire record is balanced, ranging from fast and hard to slow and melodic. Even though the CD has been out for almost a year, I still find it amazing. I catch something new every time I give it a listen. In fact, it's one of the only CDs that I can stand to listen to the whole way through.

The whole album sounds like a mystical journey transferred through the aural cavities of the human body. It picks you up and later drops you down. One song you're happy, the next deep in contemplation. It's fast, it's edgy, but it's musical and beautiful all at the same time.



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Thrice's new album *Vheissu* is a different sound for the usually hardcore punk band from Orange County, California.

Dustin Kensrue's voice seems angry on some songs and melancholy on others. He also seemed to break away from using what seemed like

"pop" lyrics and vocals to create a seemingly urgent and sometimes dark style that fits the background. Speaking of the background, the

rest of the band didn't slack off either. The intense guitar action pulled off by Teppei Teranishi is nothing short breath-taking. Teppei's solos are an awe-inspiring masterpiece. The amount of skill he manages to squeeze into so short a time frame is amazing. His work on this album should secure his place in the hallowed halls of the great axe wielders of the modern age.

Bassist Eddie Breckenridge compliments his band mates with the wide variety of sound he manages to pull out. At times low and grinding, other times light and melodic, he adds to the total package and helps the melodies of the album.

Eddie's brother and Thrice's drummer, Riley Breckenridge, throws outstanding rhythms onto his kit pushing the frantic pace of the fast songs to an almost insane level.

The whole band sounds like they have matured a lot on this album, pulling off more experimentation that comes together seamlessly. It's apparent that the band took their time in writing and producing the music for this album.

'Accepted' is a rough but enjoyable film

By Jeff Martin
Assistant Hiatus editor

Accepted is a fun story about a would be college student, played by Justin Long, who gets rejected from eight colleges and decides to fool his parents by inventing a fake college. In order to make the hoax work, the characters build a fake web site and hire a dean, played by Lewis Black. Unfortunately, the web site is actually set up to accept anyone who applies to the school. With a million dollars in tuition money and several hundred desperate students, Long's character Bartleby Gaines is looking at a one-way trip to prison.

So, Gaines does what any normal person would do: he decides to actually run the school. The story works and it makes sense. About a foot from the theater door, however, the unreality of the plot hits.

The end of the film comes about five minutes after the climax, which seems really short when compared with the resolutions of most films this summer. The viewer is left wanting more story, or to see what will happen one year from the conclusion. A sequel to this movie would probably be overkill, but another few minutes of finish would add a much-needed



Special photo

Justin Long stars as Bartleby Gaines who tries to fool his parents by creating a fake college, to fend off stereotypical fraternity snobs and to woo Blake Lively's character Monica.

ending.

The film is actually very funny and manages to stupidly deliver a lot of smart jokes. The movie is more episodic than it is a film, however; each scene actually fits into a bigger story that actually works.

Justin Long manages to prove that

he is more than able to be the star of a film rather than playing second banana to bigger names. Lewis Black does his act on the big screen and manages to maintain a great deal of his charm.

The movie is really tame for a summer college film. With no nudity

or visible alcohol abuse, the film manages to clock in at a tame PG-13. Plus, there's a message about individuality, and a poke at higher education. All in all, the film manages to have a great deal of character for the genre. It's not perfect, but *Accepted* is one of the better movies this summer.

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