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# THE GEORGE-ANNE

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AGIODAI Warning

GSU alumnus to present message on global warming

By Jenny Miller News editor

Georgia Southern alumnus and Pennsylvania government official Lance Simmens will present a multimedia slideshow about global warmings impact and dangers at 7

p.m. in the College of Information Technology room 1004.

Simmens worked with former Vice-President and 2000 presidential nominee Al Gore on the Academy Award winning documentary "An Inconvenient Truth."

Richard Pacelle, head of the department of political science was an instrumental part of scheduling Simmens as a speaker on campus.

"He [Simmens] has been intimately involved with the issue of global warming for years," said Pacelle.

Simmens' visit is part of a national tour and campaign he is working with to spread the message about global warming dangers to students and other groups. He is a part of the Climate Project.

According to the Climate Project's webpage, the project's goal is to educate and challenge citizens into action against global warming. The group brings its message to communities across countries. The first planned initiative is to train 1000 lecturers to deliver the multimedia message.

The global warming message Simmens will present is an important message for students to hear, according to Pacelle.

We are living in a global village and the world is getting smaller and smaller. Global warming is one of the major social and economic issues of our time," he said.

"An Inconvenient Truth" is a documentary that came out in 2006 and features Gore's lifelong commitment to reversing the effects of global warming. It has become Paramount

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# Special Photos

# A natural exhibition at the Botanical Garden

Graduate students host nature photo exhibit to raise awareness of outdoor world



Free and open to the publc

# By Keisha Byars

Staff writer

GSU Biology graduate students, Sarah Mock and Anthony Zukoff, are hosting a Nature Photography Exhibit at the Botanical Garden thru Saturday,

"We want to raise awareness of the beautiful world found outdoors, especially in the Southeast," said Zukoff.

Long-time residents of southeastern Georgia, Mock and Zukoffwere inspired to pick up cameras and capture images of the outdoors; but what began as a hobby quickly turned into a passion.

In 2006, the two formed Macrocosm's Image Nature Photography in hopes of sharing their work with others.

"We hope our photos inspire people to look a little more closely at the world around us," said Mock.

The exhibit, which began on March 29, is free to the public and features original work by Mock and Zukoff. Some of their work will be available for purchase at the exhibit including various matted and framed prints, greeting cards, and post cards.

It will be held in the Bland Cottage

Visitor Center on the Garden grounds. The Botanical Garden is open from 9 a.m. to dusk and is located a few blocks from Georgia Southern campus on 1505 Bland Ave.

"We are happy to have the exhibit at the Garden," said Botanical Garden Public Relations Coordinator, Stephanie Tames. "In many ways, it advocates our mission of promoting the knowledge and appreciation of the native plants and animals of the southeastern coastal

Although the exhibit will attract nature lovers, Mock and Zukoff hope all students and local residents take advantage of the opportunity to experience nature as they do.

"Whether under the bark of an old fallen tree or reflected upon the calm surface of a pond at sunset, nature's beauty can be found anywhere," said

For more information about the Nature Photography Exhibit or to get directions to the Bland Cottage, contact the Botanical Garden at 912-871-1149.

To learn more about Mock and Zukoff call (912)674-9192 or e-mail at macrocosmsimage@gmail.com

# Bump, set and serve at the RAC

Sand volleyball joins intramural activities

By Cate Drury Staff writer

> The Recreation Activity Center (RAC) and Campus Recreation and Intramurals (CRI) have been revamped from top to bottom, offering new studios, new pools and a new climbing area in the new building.

So what is new with Intramural Sports? Sand Volleyball!

Intramurals is one of the most popular activities on campus offering 10 sports. The RAC expansion and renovations have continued inside and outside of the RAC.

The newest outdoor additions include two sand volleyball courts, an outdoor leisure and whirl pool a band shell.

The courts are located outside, in front of the RAC. According to Facilities Coordinator Carter Walton, the sand volleyball courts will be used for Intramural Sports, CRI sponsored events and general use.

"Top quality sand has been put on the courts to enable better movement during a game," said Walton. "Regular sandbox sand can bog players down. This particular sand has been spherically cut to be more smooth and comfortable to barefooted athletes."

To kick-off this new Intramural Sport CRI will be holding a tournament this weekend, April 13 - 15.

According to Intramural Sports Director Sarah Fain, teams can signup in one of 3 leagues: Women's, Men's, and Co-Rec.

All undergraduate and graduate students are eligible to play in the tournament if they are taking at least 4 hours. Full-time Faculty and Staffare also able to play in the tournament.

The tournament will be four-on four-and double elimination.

"I'm from the beach and grew up playing in the sand," said graduate student Chris Butler. "I can't wait to showcase my skills in the sand."

"I've never played sand volleyball, but my sorority sisters and I are putting a team together," said undergraduate student Kristin Wyatt. "Even if I can't spike the ball, at least I'll get some sun."

Forms and fees must be turned into the CRI main office by 8 p.m. April 10. Rosters are unlimited but must have at least four players. Schedules will be posted online by April 12. The tournament will last through Sunday.

For more information on the rules of Sand Volleyball or about the cournament in general check the CRI Web site: georgiasouthern. edu/services/cri.



# Dittmer named Professor of the Year

**GSU News Service** 

Jason Dittmer was presented with the Wells/Warren Professor of the Year Award at the Georgia Southern 2007 Honors Day Convocation held at the Performing Arts Center on Wednesday, April 4.

Dittmer is an assistant professor of geography in the Department of Geology and Geography. He joined the University's faculty in 2003.

"This award means a lot to me because I know how many outstanding professors there are here at Georgia Southern," Dittmer said. "In particular, I appreciate that this comes from the students, and it's nice to know that they feel the same way about me that I feel about them."

Dittmer has experience in teaching world regional geography, human geography, geography of Europe, urban geography, cultural geography, introduction to research methods, and political geography.

Dittmer is also very active in the University's Study Abroad program. He has taught in France and Rus-

sia, and he is scheduled to visit Italy , from Florida State University. this summer.

remember that the social connections that I teach in my geography classes are just as important at the scale of the classroom," Dittmer said.

material means opening yourself up as an instructor to the students, their concerns and their ideas. "It's very gratifying to know that they feel that E. Paulson College of Science and connection, too."

The University's students select the Committee. winner of the Wells/Warren Professor of the Year Award annually. Members and Geography Scholarship Comof the Gamma Beta Phi honor society interview the department heads of the finalists and look at student evaluations of the professors.

interview of the finalists before selecting the winner of the award, which



Professor Jason Dittmer

is endowed by former Gamma Beta Phi advisors I. Norman and Rosalyn

The award is named in honor of their parents, Nolan and Audrey Wells and Hartwell and Lucile Warren.

A native of Jacksonville, Fla., Dittmer graduated from Jacksonville University with a B.A. in political science and international studies.

Helater earned an M.A. in international affairs and a Ph.D. in geography

Dittmer's main area of research "When preparing to teach, I try to is political geography, especially the fields of popular geopolitics and regional identity construction.

He has given invited lectures at the University of Georgia's Department of "Getting students to connect to the Geography, the Florida State University World Affairs Program, and the Claude Pepper Institute for Aging.

Dittmer is a member of the Allen Technology Excellence in Research

He has served on the Geology mittee, the departmental curriculum committee, and a faculty search committee.

In addition, Dittmer is a member The group then conducts a blind of the Association of American Geographers and the National Council for Geographic Education.



All photos by Jared Siri/STAFF

Above: Jimmy Heikkila, James Harbour and Carla Seldon perform in "A Long day's Journey Into Night," Friday, April 6, 2007 in the Black Box Theater.

Right: Carla Seldon and Chrs Rushing act together in Friday's performance. It was the first of eight performances of the play.



# 'Long Days' in Black Box

Compiled by staff

The Theater and Performance and Communication Arts Department began it's run of "A Long Day's Journey Into Night," written by famed playwright Eugene O'Neill on Friday, April

It is being performed in the

April 14 at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$4 for students with Eagle ID, \$8 for faculty/staff and senior citizens and \$12 for professor in the communication general admission.

You can also call the Com-

Black Box Theater throughout munication Arts department at the week amd through Saturday, 912-681-5379 to reserve tickets.

Students Jimmy Heikkila, There will be no performance Carla Sledon, Chris Rushing and Rachel Rabinovitz star in

> James Harbour, an associate arts department is also featured in the play.

# CALENDAR

Monday, April 9

8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Mu Kappa and GNA Nessmith Lane Assembly Hall

3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. Eagle Leadership Edge Russell Union 2052

5 p.m. - 10 p.m. RHA meeting Russell Union 2084

5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Leadership 101 workshop Russell Union 2048

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Leadership 101 recognition Russell Union 2041

6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Philosophical Society meeting Newton Building 2209

7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Lance Simmens The Climate Project IT Auditorium 1004

7 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. GSU Circle K meeting Russell Union 2042

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Southern Georgia Symphony

Tuesday, April 10

7 a.m. - 8 a.m. Campus staff prayer Russel Union 2043

5 p.m. - 10 p.m. RHJB hearing Russell Union 2054

5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. ShuttleGus meeting Russell Union 2071

6 p.m. - 7 p.m. How to find a Summer Internship Russell Union 2084

6 p.m. - 10 p.m. The Plug IT Auditorium 1004

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Habitat for Humanity Russell Union 2052

7 p.m. - 10 p.m. Deen Day Smith Awards Russell Union Ballroom

7:30 p.m. Long Day's Journey Into Night Black Box Theater

8 p.m. - 10 p.m. DIMES model practice Russell Union 2048

8 p.m. - 11 p.m. S.I.F.E. Russell Union 2052

9 p.m. - 11 p.m. Swing Cats meeting Williams Center Dining Hall

## POLICE BEAT

## 04-05-2007

- · A case of harassment was reported at Johnson Hall.
- · A laptop computer was taken from Watson Hall.

## 04-04-2007

- · Joseph Chandler Brown, 19, of Winburn Hall, was charged with minor in possession of alcohol
- Phillip Thomas Hardigree, 19, of Kennedy Hall, was charged with violation of Georgia Controlled Substances Act and minor in possession of alcohol
- · A case of financial identity theft was reported.
- · A fight was reported at Eagle Village.
- · A window on a vehicle parked on Olympic Boulevard was

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#### **NATIONAL NEWS**

# Experts accuse Bush of exaggerating threat

McClatchy Newspapers

It's become President Bush's mantra, his main explanation for why he won't withdraw U.S. forces from Iraq anytime soon.

In speech after speech, in statement after statement, Bush insists that "this is a war in which, if we were to leave before the job is done, the enemy would follow us here."

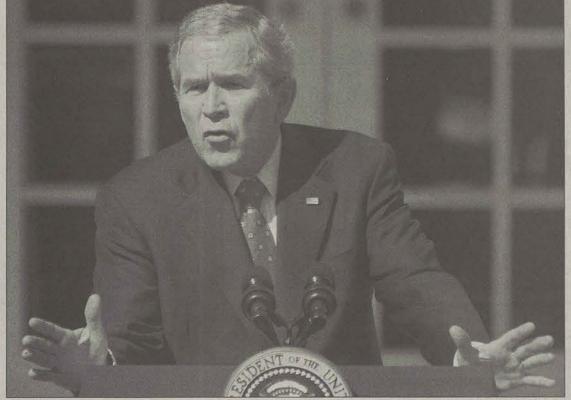
The line, which Bush repeated Wednesday in a speech to troops at California's Fort Irwin, suggests a chilling picture of warfare on American streets.

But is it true?

Military and diplomatic analysts say it isn't. They accuse Bush of exaggerating the threat that enemy forces in Iraq pose to the U.S. mainland.

"The president is using a primitive, inarticulate argument that leaves him open to criticism and caricature," said James Jay Carafano, a homeland security and counterterrorism expert for the Heritage Foundation, a conservative policy organization. "It's a poor choice of words that doesn't convey the essence of the problem, that walking away from a problem doesn't solve anything."

U.S. military, intelligence and diplomatic experts in Bush's own government say the violence in Iraq is primarily a struggle for power between Shiite and Sunni Muslim Iraqis seeking to dominate their society, not a crusade by radical Sunni jihadists bent on carrying the battle to the



President Bush speaks about the congressional debate on Iraq war spending. Experts on homeland security and counterterrorism are accusing Bush of exaggerating the threats of exiting Iraq.

United States.

Foreign-born jihadists are present in Iraq, but they're believed to number only between 4 percent and 10 percent of the estimated 30,000 insurgent fighters, according to the Defense Intelligence Agency and a recent study by the Center for Strategic and International Studies, a center-right research center.

"Attacks by terrorist groups ac-

count for only a fraction of insurgent violence," said a February DIA

While acknowledging that terrorists could commit a catastrophic act on U.S. soil at any time, whether U.S. forces are in Iraq or not, the likelihood that enemy combatants from Iraq might follow departing U.S. forces back to the United States is remote at best, experts say.

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James Lewis, a U.S. foreign policy analyst at CSIS, called Bush's assertion oversimplistic, but added that there's a slight chance a few enemy combatants could make their way to the United States after a U.S. troop withdrawal.

"There's a grain of truth in Bush saying it's better to fight them there rather than here, but it's also overstated," Lewis said. "It's not like there's going to be gun battles in the United States."

# NEWS OF THE WEIRD

## Unintended consequences

• The Tel Aviv newspaper Yedioth Ahronoth reported in October that the much tighter border security that resulted from the recent war with Hezbollah guerrillas had caused marijuana prices in Israel to jump as much as 800

• Though general tensions between Arabs and Jews remain high inside Israel, prominent ultra-Orthodox Jews joined militant Palestinian Muslims in fierce opposition to the November gay-pride parade in Jerusalem, according to a Boston Globe dispatch. (Said activist Rabbi Yehuda Levin, "Only this onslaught of homosexual radicalism could bring together such disparate voices.")

#### Inexplicable

• Two men in a Dodge Neon were seriously injured in a rollover accident on Interstate 75 near Toledo, Ohio, in October after a red bra flew from the radio antenna of another car, startling the Neon driver and causing him to swerve and lose control. The Ohio Highway Patrol later learned that the owner of the bra had hung it from the aerial after she realized that it had broken due to her dog's having chewed on it earlier that day. A prosecutor said a misdemeanor littering charge would be filed against the

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McClatchy Newspapers

# Pet food rules under scrutiny

than three weeks ago for food, made at a plant in Emporia, Kan., has since widened to six other U.S. manufacturers.

Even as the recall expanded to include some dry food and pet treats, pet owners still don't know what has sickened and killed perhaps thousands

A pet food recall that began more of animals, and the process has left many wondering who is ensuring the safety of pet food and how.

U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin, a Democrat from Illinois, says the system needs fixing, and this week the Senate is set to begin hearings that will include testimony from the FDA.

# Women in Guard ready for war

On the firing range, Lt. Leslie Ma- when I signed up," she said. dron waited to shoot.

Just like her male comrades, Madron is expected to be ready to fight when her S.C. Army National Guard unit reaches Afghanistan in a few weeks.

in combat. "I knew what I was doing

The role that Madron and about 100 women from the S.C. National Guard will play in Afghanistan would have been unthinkable less than a generation ago. But the wars in Afghanistan To Madron, a medic from Florence, and Iraq forever have changed what it isn't a big deal that she could wind up the military and the public think about women in combat.

## Hormonal chemicals imperiling fish

As they swim deep beneath Seattle's Elliott Bay, male English sole carry something in their bodies that's not supposed to be there: a protein usually found only in female fish with develop-

These so-called "feminized" fish, first found in the late 1990s, are thought to be victims of human hormones and hormone-mimicking chemicals, flushed into the water from sewage-

treatment plants, factories, storm-water drains and runoff from roads, that had made their reproductive systems go haywire.

Now a King County, Wash., study has found that those chemicals, which come from sources as varied as birthcontrol pills and plastic bottles, detergent and makeup, are more widespread in the region's water than previously

## The new American rebel: low-techies

David Shank and Marjorie Harmon.

The couple greet it without ever logging on to a computer, text-messaging a soul or rearranging a Netflix queue.

Instead, 79-year-old Shank and 74-year-old Harmon rise to read their printed newspaper, talk with friends

A brave, old world dawns daily for on their land line and occasionally stroll over to the video store to pick

> Their old-fangled ways make them spunky American rebels, techno holdouts unwilling to plunge like lemmings into the 24-7 Internet abyss - or cesspool, as some see it.

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# Giuliani winning the war over McCain It is one of the emerging mysteries

of the 2008 race for the White House, voters punishing Sen. John McCain for his support of the Iraq war, while seeming to give a pass to the equally hawkish Rudy Giuliani.

Yes, McCain is viewed in some ways as an unofficial architect of President

Bush's latest troop "surge" into Iraq, an idea the Arizona Republican has championed for years as a way to hasten progress in the war-torn nation.

But anyone who watched Giuliani stump through the nation last week saw a candidate who was all for the "surge,"

# Centrist party looking for win in France

Union for French Democracy, a small centrist party. If he can make it into the second round of France's presidential elections, and the polls show him to Segolene Royal.

Francois Bayrou, 55, heads the be within striking distance; it is almost certain that he would be able to beat either of the two leading candidates, the right's Nicolas Sarkozy or the left's

## Disney to allow gay commitment ceremonies

Gays can now exchange vows in one of the world's most popular wed-Cinderella's carriage.

Walt Disney Parks & Resorts said Friday it has "updated" its policies to allow gay and lesbian couples to buy wedding packages at Walt Disney World or Disneyland, and use all the same wedding spots that previously were reserved

for heterosexual couples.

Ceremonies also will be allowed ding spots, then get whisked away in on Disney Cruise Line ships and other Disney facilities.

> The "updated" policy stops short of declaring that gays can get married at Disney, because they can't. Samesex marriages are not legal in either Florida or California. But "commitment ceremonies" are welcome.

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"Success in life has nothing to do with what you gain in life or accomplish for yourself. It's what you do for others."

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**OUR VIEW** 

# Global warming heats up

AT ISSUE: Gore's documentary "An Inconvenient Truth" heats up debate on global warming

It seems like half the world doesn't believe that global warming exists, and the other half doesn't know or care what to do to prevent it. One Georgia Southern alumnus is attempting to educate people about their impact on the earth, and show them ways to be less damaging.

Lance Simmens graduated with a political science degree from GSU, and recently worked with Al Gore on his documentary, "An Inconvenient building on ways to reduce global warming, how others about the climate change.

Simmens is part of Climate Project, which works to inform communities across the world of the impact of global warming.

and graphics from the movie with a multi-media dynamic. Climate Project hopes to train 1,000 con-

Simmens will be speaking tonight in the IT cerned citizens to share the message with others.

For students who don't know about or believe the earth is being affected, and how to inform the world is being changed by pollution and inflated energy use, this event is the perfect opportunity to find out about how every person is affecting the world we live on.

There are signs the world is changing, as new He is part of a team which shares information islands in the artic are uncovered as ice melts away, and coral reef in central America die as the temperature of the water rises every year.

Unfortunately, people are willing to ignore the symptoms of global warming and look the other way and continue to believe that their SUV isn't really making a difference to the world. Some citizens would rather leave the problem for future generations to deal with instead of taking responsibility and making lifestyle changes to prolong the life of the earth. Students should care for the earth that supports them, and going to this event is a great way to learn how.

Johnathan Clark 7th Year Senior

# Skeptical views on Obama's race

I just read a blog about Barack Obama called Barack Obama, Not 'Black enough?' by Warner Todd Huston on Feb. 22, which was a response to the L.A times editorial column from Louis Chude-Sokei called 'Redefining Black.' Sokei says that Barack African immigrant heritage is not relatable with black American culture. Huston response is that blacks negative distain for education, assimilation and cynicism of history are the reason that blacks do not

Johnathan Clark Hinesville, Ga. He is a guest George-Anne

approve of the successful black immigrants. Now I am putting my two cents in to explain fully the skeptical outlook on Obama and blacks optimism for people like the Clintons, Al Gore, and any white democrat.

One reason is the meaning of patronage, "the support or encouragement of a patron, as for an institution or cause," which comes out of slavery. We don't forget slavery because it explains the social relationships with black people towards each other and blacks toward whites. Black people

are incredulous towards blacks in power because black people in power often come off with selfish ambitions that do not help other blacks. This feeling of cynicism and self-centered ambition happens to conquered and repressed people. A person who is a descendant of the repressed people will look after their own survival and turn their backs from their upbringing and the people he or she came from. In other words, "a divided we fall" outlook occurs with black people's social and political relationships.

An even more political and social sense comes from Martin Luther's and Nicola Machiavelli's outlooks on freedom. Both Luther and Machiavelli consider freedom to be born out of faith and fear. Faith from Luther is the faith to have Gods' salvation. For Machiavelli, freedom is people having faith in their government to protect their rights. The draw back for both is fear, while Luther exclaims the fear of God keeps the people in line and Machiavelli believes that fear of the government of taking people's rights away keeps the people in line. When it comes to blacks in both parties the antagonism of "us versus them" is more profound because they perceive that blacks in both parties are looking out for their own survival instead of the African-American community. It concludes that the criticisms of blacks in both parties are a sign that blacks portray themselves as victims.

Our history of being slaves in this country is sad, but those were our ancestors, and now we are free and able, with hard work, to make a living for ourselves without racial issues.

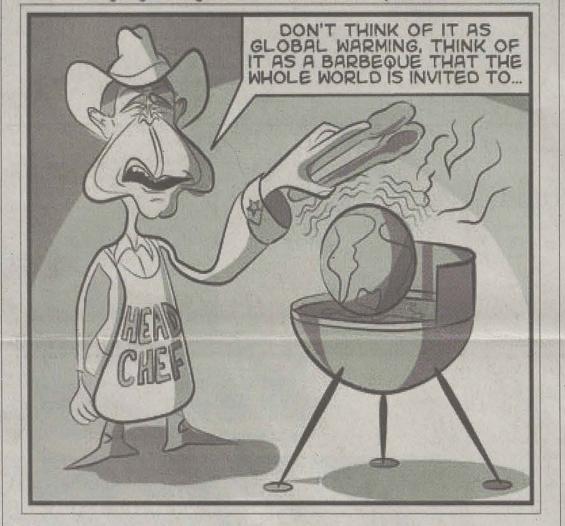
I call for blacks to support all Negro/Black people no matter if they are from Africa, Latin America, the Caribbean or New Orleans. This is not another self-hating black man cursing his own race, no this is a black nationalist crying out for united support for any positive black representative who is trying to do what is right for his country. This column does is not meant to caste down hatred for liberals or conservatives, but ask for reforms both politically and socially.

Blacks need to look at their history and be proud, because their story is a story of triumph, of a race of people who have been enslaved by most of western civilization and now are patrons in the world of politics and society for a new millennium.

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# FOOT in MoUTH

by Ross P. Kettle



Jenny Miller | YOUR TURN

# Not so easy in the 'Big Easy'

half since the levees broke in New Orleans and Hurricane Katrina nearly destroyed the city.

According to the Brookings Institute, about \$107 billion in

recovery money

has been donat-

ed to the Gulf

Coast, but New

Orleans contin-

ues to struggle.

There are

thousands of



Jenny Miller is a people in and senior journalism major from Statesboro, Ga. for The George-

around New Orleans that remain She is news editor displaced from their homes, and

many people around the nation wonder why. On the surface, it seems that

there has been ample time, resources and people to help the city of New Orleans rebuild itself. But once you delve deeper, it is quite clear that the Bush administration has bungled the Hurricane Katrina recovery efforts.

Over a million people were forced to flee from their homes when the storm hit, but only half of these people have been able to return, according to Jessica Yellen

It has been over a year and a of ABC News. In the days following the storm in 2005, President Bush promised to rebuild the city of New Orleans, but the United States has not been good to its word. It seems that the residents of the area have been virtually forgotten, overshadowed by the war in Iraq and the rebuilding process that is

also taking place there. It seems that the citizens of the United States have taken more time and energy to help rebuild and renew than the government has. Many people are spending vacation time and free time to help with the clean up effort.

But not until a year after the storm hit did the government begin to distribute grant money for home rebuilding. According to a recent CNN article, only seven percent of the public schools have reopened and 54 percent of the city's restaurants have been able to reopen.

The city seems to be divided between the thriving areas like the French Quarter, Bourbon Street and the Warehouse District, areas that attract the most tourists and money, and the outer edges of New Orleans, where most people lived.

It is suspicious that in some

areas there is higher priority for rebuilding, while residential building of homes and apartments are of lower priority.

Some question that rebuilding New Orleans was the best idea. After all, the city sits below sea-level, this kind of crisis was bound to happen and will most likely happen again without secure and reliable levees. There is a plan of redesign to make the city less flood-vulerable in the process, but according to ABC News, it is not even due out until Dec. 2007. That means many more hurricane seasons with virtually no protection for the damaged city.

While a few things have been done to help New Orleans, there is a very long way to go. It is the duty of American citizens to help and support the gulf coasts residents because this disaster could have just as easily happened to anyone in the United States.

The effects of Hurricane Katrina have snowballed into many complicated problems for the government and individuals.

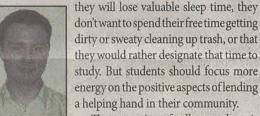
The solution is not going to come easily, but if people unite to volunteer and help revive New Orleans, anything is possible for the city.

**Christopher Short GUEST COLUMNIST** 

# Volunteering is good for students

Whenever I think about volunteering, one of the first images that comes to mind are United Way commercials, which tells how Peyton Manning works with his community to build homeless shelters. But he can't do it alone. These commercials reinterate the fact that participating in volunteer work is not only a team effort, but a winning effort as well.

So many of my peers at Georgia Southern focus on the things that they will lose by volunteering, instead of what they can gain. Many students will come up with the excuses that



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a helping hand in their community. The reputation of college students is bad enough around Bulloch county and the rest of the nation. College students are commonly viewed as party animals who drink excessively, start trouble,

destroy the local community then leave

to go back to their hometown where they

wouldn't dare display that same type of behavior in front of their own community and family. Getting involved in volunteer work can help to alleviate and possibly eliminate some of these negative stereotypes that local communities have toward college students.

Volunteering and working with local communities gives both parties the ability to understand each other by meeting people who share similar interests, and gives students possible connections for the future. I can't begin to tell you how many wonderful people I have gotten to know by interacting with the local community through working, volunteering and interning. Casual conversations turn into future contacts for employment, lifelong friendships, invitations, fellowshipping, bargains or free deals. Networking is a huge advantage for students when they choose to invest their time volunteering with the local community where they attend college.

Aside from the more obvious benefits of volunteering such as self-gratification, a healthy, safe, and beautiful community, free giveaways, free food, free clothes, and other knick-knacks, volunteering offers students a valuable resource to aid in future employment. Participating in volunteer work is a great way for college graduates to show that they did something other than going to school and then going home. Volunteering offers a student the chance to gain new skills and experiences. When a student volunteers it displays a sense of leadership, and difference making skills, and an overall general concern about the community that they live in.

The main reason individuals choose to attend college is to one day land a good paying job, but with the growing number of graduates competing for the same jobs, something else is needed to supplement a persons resume and distinguish themselves in order to increase their chances of being employed. If a college graduate finds themselves in an interview for a job, and they have volunteer work on their resume it will more than likely be a talking point for discussion in an interview which can give the college grad a floor to showcase just how much of an asset they can be.

On Saturday April 14, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Keep Bulloch Beautiful will be hosting the Great American cleanup. This will be a great opportunity for students to reap the benefits of volunteering, while simultaneously helping their community be a better, cleaner and safer place to live. Those who are interested can register online at www.keepbullochbeautiful. org, or they can contact Brooke at 912-764-6147.

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GSU mechanical engineering technology students will build cars similar

# Students build cars for competition

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a typical scene in this car-crazy country: A group of young people, gathered around a vehicle, tinkering with the engine, adjusting the suspension, customizing the body.

In this case they are mechanical engineering technology students at Georgia Southern and they are building from scratch two vehicles that will be entered in a pair of international competitions sponsored by the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE).

A group of students are producing a single-seat, four-wheel, off-road recreation vehicle for the Baja competition that will be hosted by the to communicate with each other to University of Central Florida.

Some of the same people are also among a second group of students that are building a single-seat, open-cockpit, open-wheel car for the Formula competition.

to validate what they have learned in the classroom," said Brian Vlcek, an associate professor and the faculty

At GSU, one of the projects typically serves as a capstone project for seniors who are enrolled in the mechanical engineering technology program.

"The Baja and Formula projects require our students to draw upon previously learned skills from across the curriculum," Vlcek said. "In addition to teamwork and design integration, the projects encourage technical communication abilities through written reports and live presentations.

There is a very specific set of rules and regulations for each competition. For example, the maximum budget for each Baja vehicle is \$5,000, but teams are allowed to exceed that figure and take a proportionate point deduction in the competition.

On the other hand, the Formula rules allow each team to spend a maximum of \$25,000 per car, although they, too, can exceed that amount and take a point deduction.

According to Vlcek, the Formula teams at some institutions are rumored to pour as much as \$60,000 into the project, a figure that includes spare parts, tools and travel.

Most of the money for the Baja and Formula projects at GSU usually comes from fund-raising projects and donations.

This year's projects received an additional boost from the COST College Office of Undergraduate Research (COUR), which provided \$3,800 in applied research grants.

Also each vehicle mustbe able to accommodate a driver who is 6foot-3 and 250 pounds, and be able to float and propel itself across a water obstacle.

Meanwhile, teams in the Formula competition are not required to utilize the same kind of motor, but they must use a motorcycle engine that does not exceed 600 cubic centimeters

According to Vlcek, the Baja and At first glance, it appears to be Formula projects at GSU are set up to run like a small business.

> "For each project, there are groups of students that are responsible for coming up with the design of specific components, such as the frame, the braking and steering systems, the suspension system, and so on," Vlcek said.

The process begins with the design phase. The students examine previous GSU vehicles, and they use the Internet to study successful and not so successful vehicles produced at other institutions.

"The various team members have ensure that the different systems will work together," said Dustin Gaddis, a senior and the president of Eagle

The analysis and modeling phase is next. Hoping to maximize strength "These projects allow our students while minimizing weight, students use hand calculations and computer programs to test their prototypes.

Next comes the redesign phase, mentor for the Baja and Formula where flaws in the original design are corrected.

> "If we discover the original design doesn't meet certain goals, if the frame isn't stiff enough, for example, or if the suspension geometry changes too much as the wheels move up and down - we change things until we get the desired results from the analysis software," Gaddis said.

Once the redesign is complete, the actual fabrication process begins in the shop of the Science and Technology Building. Significant parts of each vehicle are fabricated by the

"The vehicles must pass a grueling safety test, and I typically consider it a major accomplishment just to get through that phase," Vlcek said.

The Baja vehicles are tested for acceleration and traction, and they must negotiate a challenge course filled with obstacles such as rocks, sand and logs. The Formula cars are tested for acceleration and fuel economy, and they are driven on an autocross track that evaluates their maneuverability.

The competition is expected to attract 130 teams from a dozen countries, including Australia, Brazil, Japan and the United Kingdom.

#### Baja and Formula **Race Car Competitions**

When: The Baja Competition will take place in Florida from April 12-15. The Formula competition will be May 16-20 in Michigan.

• GSU spent only \$1,800 for last year's competition. Teams are allowed up to \$5000

• GSU's Formula car is 96 x 64. It weighs about 500 pounds, features a 600 cc Suzuki GSX-Rengine and to go from zero to 60 mph in 3.8 seconds.

# New study program in development

**GSU News Service** 

Georgia Southern and five other universities are developing a program in North American Studies that will result in new opportunities for students who want to study in Canada or Mexico.

Because the new program is supported by a grant from the U.S. Department of Education, funds are available to assist with the costs involved in a semester of study abroad

As with all study abroad, tuition for the North American Studies program is paid to GSU and academic credit is received from GSU

The universities involved in the program include GSU, Bowling Green State University in Ohio, the Universidad Veracruzana in Mexico and the Universidad de Sonora in, Mexico, Wilfrid Laurier University in Ontario and Mount Allison University in Canada.

"The consortium recently began developing the academic content of the North American Studies Program," said Nancy Shumaker, director of the Center for International Studies.

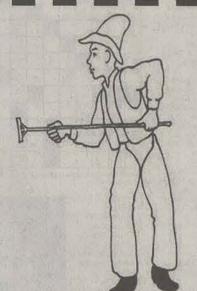
We are working together to develop a curriculum focused on six broad themes: culture, environmental issues, indigenous peoples, NAFTA and economics; nationalism and contested identities, and migration and

Shumaker pointed out that North American Studies are not extra classes; the courses taken will be courses that fit into each student's degree program.

The funding is designed to encourage students to move among the six institutions involved in the North American Studies program.

The department is accepting applications now through September 2007 from students who want to study in Canada or Mexico.

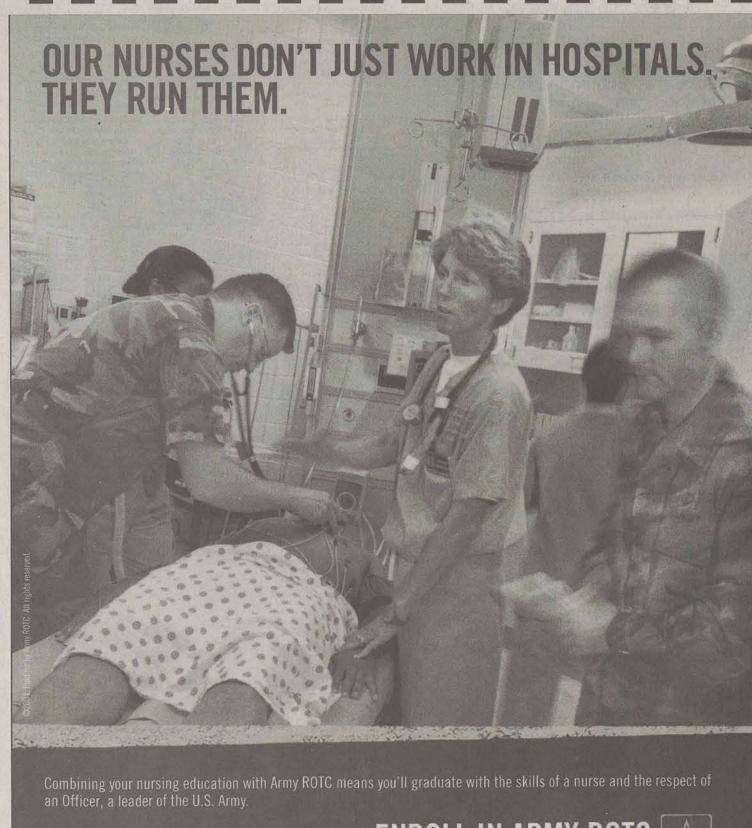
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- 3. The 50's song "Yakety Yak" was recorded by what group?
- 4. Was the "Magic Flute" composed by Puccini, Mozart or Weber?
- 5. Elvis Presley's first million-selling record was what?
- 6. "Rock Around the Clock" was first featured in what film?
- 7. "She'll be comin' 'round the mountain when she comes..." What will she be driving?
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**GSU Sports:** Easter weekend was not kind to the Eagles athletics this year. Softball was swept by Charleston, baseball won only one of three home games against Elon and men's tennis fell to Appalachian State.

# Johnson outshoots Woods to win Masters

By E. Ray Walker McClatchy Newspapers

News flash: Tiger Woods is human! Stop the

The cool air at sun-splashed Augusta National Golf Course on Sunday was charged with electricity in anticipation of the red-shirted golf wonder winning his fifth Masters title. Instead of Woods' coronation, little known Zach Johnson from Iowa donned the champion's green jacket and claimed a place in golf's history books.

Johnson, who played collegiate golf at Drake University, overtook Woods, third-round leader Stuart Appleby and Justin Rose to claim his first major tournament win, finishing 3-under 69 for the day and 1-over for the tournament. The winning score of 289 equaled the highest at the Masters set by Sam Snead in 1954 and Jack Burke Jr. in 1956.

"You know, today was a day of perseverance and patience," Johnson said. "I felt like my game was good coming in to today. I felt like I had a chance to really move up the board."

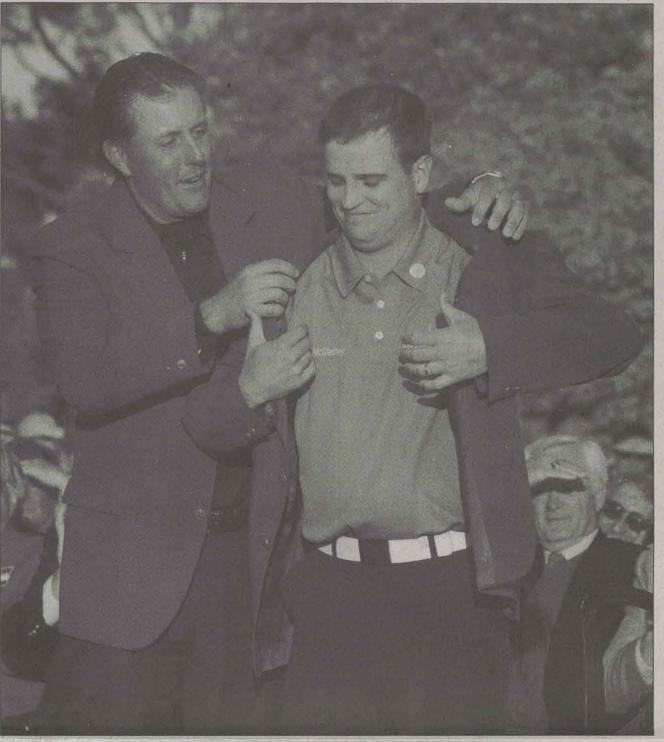
Speaking of Woods, Johnson said, "The next person to come along like him, who knows how long it's going to be? It makes it that much more gratifying knowing that I beat Tiger Woods, there's no question about it."

While Johnson, 31, was celebrating his triumph, Woods was left to consider what might have been.

The world's No. 1-ranked player stumbled right out of the starting gate, bogeying the first hole. He got that stroke back with a birdie on No. 2, then bogeys on No. 6 and No. 10 seemed to put his hopes for a 13th major title to rest. But the two par 5s on the back nine seemed to fire him up again. An eagle on No. 13 brought back the famous Tiger uppercut, and another accented his par on No. 15 after hitting his second shot in the water.

"I hit a crappy shot and ended up in the water and still somehow was able to make 5," Woods said. "So I kept myself in the game."

Still, it wasn't to be. He finished par-72 for the day 3-over for the tournament, two strokes behind Johnson, and tied with Rory Sabbatini and Retief Goosen



Special Photo/MCT
see MASTERS, page 8 Two-time Masters champion Phil Mickelson helps Zach Johnson put on his first green jacket after his two stroke victory over Tiger Woods Sunday afternoon at the Masters at Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga.

# Eagles stage late rally in ninth

By Nick Burgess

Staff writer

Sunday afternoon's comeback was a fitting end to a hard fought, close series between Georgia Southern and conference rival Elon.

Chris Hollis' two-run single with one out in the ninth capped a rally as GSU pulled out an 8-7 win Sunday (April 8) at J.I. Clements Stadium. The Eagles (18-18 overall, 2-7 SoCon) snapped a five-game home losing streak.

Senior Chris Hollis hit a two-run walk-off single in the bottom of the ninth to cap the rally and gave GSU its second conference win of the season.

Elon started off the game by batting around in the first.

A passed ball by Murray scored Adam Weaver, followed up by an infield hit by Ryan Addison that scored Chris Vasami, and a two-run double by Phoenix shortstop Jordy Snyder stretched the lead to 4-0.

Murray settled down after a rough first inning pitching five scoreless innings and finishing up with a line of six innings pitched six earned runs and nine hits. This was Murray's first outing in two weeks.

see BASEBALL, page 8

# Track and field competes at Florida Relays

## GSU News Service

Three Georgia Southern track and field members competed in two events on Saturday (Apr. 7) in the final day of the Florida Relays at James G. Pressley Stadium at Percy Beard Track.

Over 3,000 collegiate and high school athletes had competed throughout the weekend, including more than 30 women's college teams.

On Friday (Apr. 6), senior Emily Greeson took the Shot Put title with a career best 46'2.5".

Also with a top finish, sophomore Jasmine Lightning posted a height of 5'2.25" in the High Jump, finishing in fourth place.

Senior Rashedah Arnold and sophomore Kristin Olson also competed for the Eagles, clocking in at 55.42 in the 400M and 1:03.64 in the 400M Hurdles, respectively.

Continuing that success into Saturday, junior Abby Bloom rewrote her own school record in the Steeplechase with a fifth place time of 11:35.24.

Her previous personal best and GSU record stood at 11:47.51, achieved on March 9 against Coastal Carolina.

Senior Jessica Kerzie also competed in the event, coming in at

seventh with a time of 12:35.78.

The final finish of the day was a top-ten posting from freshman Jessica Irizarry. With a distance of 46'2.5", Irizarry claimed sixth place in the Javelin.

The track team also had four team members compete at the 80th Clyde Littlefield Texas Relays.

On day one (Thurs.) of the Texas Relays, juniors Carla Ballard and Amber Wilson took the track for GSU, competing in the preliminary round of the 400M Hurdles.

Though neither of them qualified for finals, Wilson clocked in at 1:02.19 while Ballard was slightly faster, achieving a career best of 1:02.10, the third fastest time in school history.

Then on Friday, senior Nicole Brown competed in the Long Jump, advancing to finals and finishing sixth of 16 overall, with a distance of 18'6.5". In the 4x400M Relay, Ballard, Brown and Wilson were joined by newcomer Shauntel Jennings in achieving a 2006-07 best time of 3:50.86, just 0.17 seconds shy of entering GSU's record books.

GSU will be competing one more time before the Southern Conference Championships (Apr. 21-22) when they travel to Charleston, S.C. on April 14 for the Buccaneer Invitational.



Special Photo

A GSU long jumper competes in last year's SoCon championship.

# Softball falls on the road to Charleston

GSU News Service

Katie Pesature's single in the bottom of the seventh inning broke a 2-2 tie as the College of Charleston completed a three-game sweep of Georgia Southern Sunday afternoon

at Patriots Point.

CofC extends its winning streak to eight straight overall and six consecutive in the Southern Conference and moves to 23-17 and 6-3. GSU drops to 17-24 and 4-5.

"It just wasn't what we came out and expected today," said GSU head coach Natalie Poole. "We were in good spirits and we have the ability to beat them, we just had trouble finishing on top. Even though our expectations are high, we feel like we're capable of doing it, but it didn't go our way today."

The Eagles wasted little time in taking the lead. Freshman Lindsey Hopkins led off with a triple, and on the next pitch, scored on a sacrifice fly from senior Heather Smith.

Charleston responded immediately. A walk and a single put runners on first and second and Jennifer Golden doubled to right to score Amber Shifflett. A walk

loaded the bases and Terri Mesko painfully broke the tie when she was hit by a pitch.

A two-out double from senior Katie Smith in the fourth tied the game at 2-2.

In the final half inning, Katie Shifflett and Golden led off with singles. After a flyout, Pesature hit a ball off the fence in dead center to easily score Shifflett.

Mesko (11-7), who won game one of the series by the same 3-2 score, allowed just three hits and struck out seven. Junior Melissa Laliberte went 6.1 innings and walked six and fanned four (6-10).

GSU lost both games in Fridays' doubleheader, 3-2 and 4-1.

Charleston jumped on Melissa Laliberte early in game one of the doubleheader. Amber Shifflett drew a one-out walk and scored on an opposite-field home run by Katie Shifflett. A single and two walks loaded the bases, but Laliberte settled down and fanned the next two batters to escape further damage.

GSU rallied to tie the game in the fifth. A single and an error put

see **SOFTBALL**, page 8

# GSU SPORTS CALENDAR \* box denotes home game or match

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# Masters

from page 7

"This one's disappointing today," Woods said. "I threw this tournament away on two days when I had good rounds and I went bogey-bogey. So four bogeys in the last two holes basically cost me the tournament."

Goosen of South Africa made a charge up the leaderboard until a bogey at No. 12 knocked him down.

The winner of the U.S. Open in 2001 and 2004 acknowledged Johnson's role in his surviving Friday's cut. "Zach has been a good player for a long

Baseball

The Eagles came right back to

cut the lead in half in the second

inning when Mike Economos and

Jeremiah Parker hit back-to-back

scored Parker and pinch hitter Kyle

Blackburn singled in Brian Pierce tv-

ing the score up in the fourth inning,

forcing Elon to pull starter Jesse Lewter

RBI doubles.

time now, and it's probably thanks to Zach that I'm sitting here because he messed up on Friday for the last three holes (bogey-bogey-bogey) for me to make the cut. So in a way I'm happy to be here, but in a way I'm sad I didn't win it." The leader at the start of the day, Appleby got off to a bad start with a bogey at No. 1 and another at No. 12. The Aussie finished plus 5.

"It was a tough day," Appleby said, "but I enjoyed it. I think Zach was emotionally a lot sharper than everyone else. And I think there was 31-year-old Zachary Harris Johnson an element of luck involved."

Unlike the previous days, competitors Sunday had nice things to

say about the hard and fast course conditions caused by dry, cold, windy weather. "The pin locations were a little bit softer," Woods said.

"So they gave us a break, which was nice. And gave us a chance to go out there and score."

Adam Scott (plus 12) echoed Woods on the course conditions. "The greens were much softer. The course played good today, played like

Hardly a familiar household name, was a member of the 2006 U.S. Ryder Cup team and the winner of the 2004 BellSouth Classic.

Softball

ners on first and second, and

freshman Elizabeth Branan singled

up the middle to score freshman

Nina Iduate. After a strikeout, senior

Heather Smith singled home sopho-

more Michelle Beasley. The rally was

short-lived as the Cougars broke the

tie in their half of the fifth. Shannon

Howard's bases-loaded sacrifice fly

put CofC up for good. Two of GSU's five hits came from Branan, who went

2-for-3 with an RBI. Terri Mesko

allowed five hits and two runs (both

unearned) to improve to 10-7. She

struck out eight and walked none.

Laliberte fanned 11 but walked four

and allowed four hits and three runs

(two earned). Game two of the day

started scoreless through 3 1/2 innings,

until the Cougars took advantage of

Johnson was drawn to golf at age 10 when his parents joined a country club in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

"I started playing some tournaments around the area, junior tournaments and whatnot, and just really enjoyed the competitive nature of it, just the individual aspect and just accepting that the only competitor is the golf course," Johnson told Atlanta Business Chronicle in 2005.

For his victory, Johnson earned \$1.3 million and will have his name engraved on the permanent Masters Tournament Trophy, which remains at the club. Johnson will get a replica of the trophy along with a gold medal.

The lead doubled in the fifth on a sacrifice fly from Howard and again

An attempted GSU rally in the

in the sixth on RBI hits from Katie

seventh fell short. Senior Katie Smith

was gunned down at home for the first

out of the inning and Branan followed

with a run-scoring single to cut the

margin to 4-1. But the next two batters

for-3 at the plate, part of an eight-hit

and no earned runs to move to 6-3.

Senior Logan Free (Sandpoint, Idaho)

walked seven in 4.2 innings and gave

up three hits and two earned runs to fall to 5-10. GSU returns to the field

Wednesday, playing at Kennesaw State

for a doubleheader starting at 3 p.m.

Both Branan and Smith went 2-

Katie Sansouci allowed eight hits

were retired to end the threat.

effort by the team.

Shifflett and Jennifer Golden.

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Simmens is currently serving as a special assistant to the governor in Pennsylvania. He also served in senior positions in the Carter and Clinton administrations as well as six years on the U.S. Senate Budget Committee. He graduated from GSU with a degree in political sci-

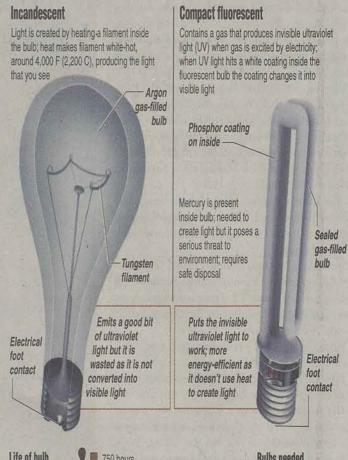
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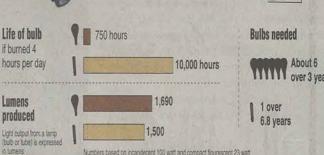
Simmens was recently quoted about his belief and involvement with the issue of global warming.

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# a walk and a hit batsman thanks to a RBI single from Brittany Small.





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A GSU softball player connects with a pitch during a recent home game. The Eagles out hit Charleston in their three game series

The Eagles gained the lead for a short time in the sixth inning off a RBI double by A.J. Wirnsberger, only to have the Phoenix take it back in the top of the 7th courtesy of a Weaver sacrifice fly and a bases loaded walk

in favor Zach Booker.

Elon added one more run in the top of the ninth making the score 7-5.

A sacrifice fly by Jeremy Beckham The rally then began when Parker singled to left to start out the inning this was followed by three straight walks by Elon relief that brought

home Parker. After a Wirnsberger force out at

the plate, Hollis knocked a liner just over the out stretched arm of Jordy Snyder scoring Miller and Beckham to win a thriller 8-7.

The Eagles improved to 18-18 overall and 2-7 in the SoCon.

But perhaps the win was overshadowed by the ejection of Eagle Head Coach Rodney Hennon and the subsequent bench clearing in the

You got to show your pride out

there," said starting pitcher Drew Murray about a play at the plate in the sixth that cleared both benches.

"It was a great feeling to have your teammates out there backing you up." This incident followed an epic confrontation between Hennon and home plate Umpire Ted Miller that ended up with Hennon having to be restrained by both first base and third base Umpires.

"He was just making some inconsistent calls," said Hollis, "But it definitely fired the team up."

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