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SPORTS

The Eagles do it again!

In one of their final games in the Southern Conference, the Eagles stomp Eastern Tennessee State 55-6.

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Memorial scholarship started

Friends of a former student designate a GSU scholarship in her memory.

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The Regent's test: everything you need to know

By Justin Johnson
Staff Writer

The deadline to have completed the state-mandated Regent's Test is fast approaching for many GSU students, yet these students have little understanding of the test's purpose or time restraints imposed by the Board of Regents. All students under the University System of Georgia are required to take it, but what is the Regent's Test and why is it so important?

The Regents' Test is a two-part, two-hour test. It consists of a one hour reading comprehension section and a one hour essay section, and it is offered to GSU students during one week of every semester. In 1972, the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia instituted the Regents' Testing Program as a way to make sure that all students receiving degrees from Georgia institutions possessed certain minimum skills of reading and writing.

"The Regents' Test came about in the early 1970s because Georgia college and universities were issuing diplomas to people that could not read or write," George Lynch, assistant dean and director of testing, said. "By mandating the Regents' Test, we can say that at least one time in a student's career, they had mastered those skills."

Every student at GSU must take the Regent's Test by the semester after completing 30 semester hours.

Students who have earned 45 semester credit hours and have not passed BOTH parts of the test must enroll in remedial courses until they pass both parts. If a student fails to take the Regents' Test before the 45th hour, he or she will automatically be placed in review classes.

Lynch said he recommends that students take the test between zero and 45 hours.

"If a student does not take the test by their 45th hour, they will be placed into review classes," Lynch said. "We also recommend that students complete both English 1101

whose papers are graded.

Each essay is graded three times by three different raters. Raters use a four-point scale to grade the essays. A score of "4" indicates superior performance, a "3" shows a clearly passing performance, a "2" is the minimal passing performance, and a "1" is a substandard or failing performance.

"We adhere to the policies issued to us by the the Board of Regents, and do what is mandated while administering the exam," Lynch said.

Any student wanting to practice for the Regents' Test can do so at the GSU web site. (<http://www.gasou.edu>) Students wanting to practice specifically for the reading portion of the test may take the online practice

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— GEORGE LYNCH, DIRECTOR OF TESTING

and English 1102 before taking the Regents' Test."

The essay portions of the Regents' Test are distributed by the Regent's Testing Office to regional testing centers around the state and scored by representatives from each institution in the University System of Georgia. The reading portion of the Regents' Test is graded on machine-readable answer sheets and scored by computer. Each student's test is identified only by the student's social security number, so the graders do not know the identity or the institution of the students

test with an instructional evaluation at http://www.gasou.edu/wwwrtp/f23fra_1.htm, and those students interested in practicing for the essay portion of the test may do so at <http://www.gasou.edu/wwwrtp/essamp.htm>.

If you did not sign up for the Regents' Test and you know that you are getting close to your 45th hour, contact the Testing Office at (912) 681-5415 to inquire about future test dates.

The Regents' Test started this semester on October 30 and will finish on November 2.



CANDY, CANDY, CANDY: Halloween came a little earlier for some Statesboro children last Wednesday as Greek Row held its annual 'Greek Street Trick-or-Treat.'



Photos by Becky Smith

'Greek Street Trick-or-Treat' gives back to the community

By Ellen Rogers
Staff Writer

The second Annual "Greek Street Trick-or-Treat" brought out everything from big, scary monsters to sweet little cowboys, all on a great mission for one thing: candy!

GSU sororities and fraternities paired up on Greek Row last Wednesday, dressed up in the spirit of Halloween and provided treats for all of their visitors. Invitations were extended to all elementary school and

younger children in the Statesboro area, including those of GSU faculty and staff.

"This was our way of giving back to the community and just saying 'thanks'," Jane Campaigne, GSU Greek advisor, said.

At each Greek house, there were plenty of "tricks" for the kids to participate in, as well as treats. Musical chairs, a cake walk, "go fish," bobbing for apples and a bean bag toss were all part of the fun.

The event, which was from 6-8

p.m., proved to be a great success.

"It was a really good turn-out," Sarah Redding, a member of Alpha Delta Pi, said. "There was a lot more participation this year than last year."

Greek members also seemed to have just as much fun as the younger crowd.

"It was a crazy, fun time," Christopher Wright, a Sigma Chi pledge, said. "One guy scared some little kids—he didn't mean to, though. We even got to be on TV!"

Harvard officials say online notes could lead to trouble for students

U-WIRE

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—Psychology Professor Richard J. McNally was surprised to learn that the lectures for his introductory psychology course share a Web site with an advertisement for the Discover card.

Someone, apparently one of his students, had paraphrased McNally's lectures and sold them to Versity.com, an online "knowledge center" that collects lecture notes from colleges across the country, then publishes them on the World Wide Web.

"It's news to me," McNally says. McNally says he had heard of services like Versity, but didn't know his own course, Psychology 1, "Introduction to Psychology," was online. "I'm not pleased."

Versity pays students for their notes on 24 Harvard classes, in spite of a long-standing Harvard ban on the sale of lecture notes. For their risk, the note-takers receive about \$8 per lecture.

According to Freshman Dean Elizabeth Studley Nathans, selling notes is a serious offense and could mean disciplinary action and a meeting with the Administrative Board.

"Any Harvard student who is employed by or who uses the services of Versity.com or any similar organization, is in violation of college rules regarding the integrity of academic work," Nathans says.

Charles Berman, chief executive officer of Versity, says college administrators have misconstrued the company's mission.

"I think that Versity is dramatically misunderstood. We are focused on being a learning center," not a path-of-least-resistance for students too lazy to wake up for lectures, Berman says. "But if it's used properly, we can create a great product. And that's clearly what we're trying to do."

As of Wednesday, Versity had set up Web sites for two dozen Harvard classes — mostly Core classes and popular large lectures—but only 14 of the sites include synopses of lectures. Versity is recruiting note-takers for another 70 or so more.

According to their Website, Versity covers 3,500 classes on 88 campuses. They do not charge money to view the notes, but they do require that users register for a username and password.

The sites boast vibrant colors and flashy layout, plus a synopsis of 500 words or so for each lecture. The Web site does carry advertisements for credit cards, Internet companies and other businesses that target college students.

Versity was established in 1998 by Jeff Lawson and three other enterprising undergraduates at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Last year the founders dropped out of the university and moved to Menlo Park, Calif., to work full-time on their business.

TAKE NOTES AT YOUR OWN RISK

Charles Berman says the company warns all its note-takers that their colleges' administrations may not agree with all of Versity's activities, and that they may suffer penalties or discipline.

"Specifically, we absolutely tell people that some campuses find this controversial. We do not happen to agree with agree the policy" of the deans at Harvard, he says.

The penalties note-takers face may be grave indeed.

Harvard administrators point to page 302 of the Handbook for Students: "Students who sell lecture or reading notes, papers, or translations or who are employed by a tutoring school or term paper company [...] may be required to withdraw."

Dean of Harvard College Harry R. Lewis '68 says Harvard's rules have been on the books for decades, possibly since the 1930s.

"Selling lecture notes actually is not a new concept," Lewis says. "As is often the case, the World Wide Web is just an enabling technology for an old practice."

At the beginning of the year, when Versity was recruiting students to take notes for its pages, the Freshman Dean's Office issued a memo warning first-years about companies selling notes, says Nathans.

"The reasons behind [the rule], I suspect, have to do with wanting students to take full responsibility for their own work, and to become engaged as fully in each course as possible," says Senior Associate Registrar Thurston Smith. "It is not difficult for me to imagine that students who go to every class and take their own notes will be more involved in the courses they take."

Students help raise \$700 for homeless

By Sarah Brickhouse
Staff Writer

Despite many events held last week, more needs to be done to help the homeless, Victoria Futch, director of volunteer services, said.

In order to commemorate Homelessness and Hunger Week, Volunteer Services held events across campus to raise money and consciousness for those in need.

One such fund raiser, "The Tent Event," was held on Landrum lawn last Wednesday night and was a "very big success," Victoria Futch, director of Volunteer Services, said.

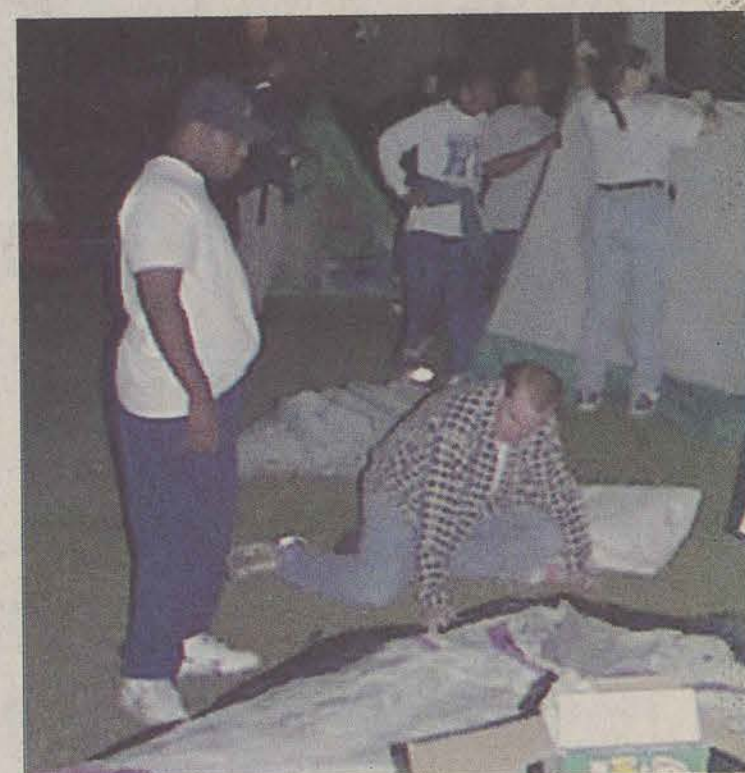
Approximately 60 people, mainly faculty and students, were seen scattered across the Landrum lawn with their tents, spending a night outdoors to raise money for the cause.

"We're not pretending that spending one night outdoors in any way equates to what it would be like to be homeless," Futch said. "It is simply a symbolic attempt to draw attention to those in need."

Another fund raiser, "The Hunger Banquet" was held last Thursday in the Williams Center Dining Hall.

This was a unique kind of banquet with an experiential component which enabled the guests to gain a better appreciation for the world's gross inequities, Futch said.

Faculty, students and members of the community were entertained by



A GOOD CAUSE: Students get ready for a night outdoors to help those who are less fortunate. An estimated 60 people spent the night on the lawn Wednesday. Hal Fulmer, master of ceremonies, and GSU's own "Voices of Ministry" gospel choir.

Michael Elliott, director of Union Missions in Savannah, was the guest speaker for the event. He enlightened and inspired the guests with his personal experiences in the field with the homeless. He told of how he started a homeless shelter with only meager resources.

"This was a night to be remem-

bered," one banquet guest said. Everyone in the dining hall was also given a one-of-a-kind ceramic bowl made by Jane Pleak's art students in order to commemorate the evening.

Both events combined raised nearly \$700 for the Statesboro Food Bank and the GSU Habitat House.

"We are extremely pleased," Futch said, "but more needs to be done."

Update:

• The childcare forum reported in last Wednesday's edition has been postponed until a later date.

POLICE BEAT

Statesboro Police Department
October 30

•Melissa Dixon, 22, of 635 Kemp Circle, Sardis, Ga., was charged with shoplifting.
•Tara Schuster, of Harvey Dr., reported criminal trespass.

October 29

•Shakendra Green, 19, of 66 Packinghouse Rd. Apt. # C6, was charged with disorderly conduct and obstruction of an officer.
•Edwaughn Hobley, 24, of 543 Cameron Rd., Sylvania, Ga., was charged with shoplifting and simple battery.
•Jessie Dunnaway, 26, of 309 Institute St., was charged with disorderly conduct.
•Brandon Hodges, 23, of 212 Broad St. Apt. #1, was charged with battery.
•Brain Martin, of Willow Bend Apts., reported theft of an automobile.

October 28

•Dustin Hannel, 20, of 345 Spindle Ct., Dunwoody, Ga., was charged with DUI, tag light required, and no proof of insurance.

October 27

•Antonio Mobley, 21, of #8 West Forest

Estates, was charged with driving on suspended license and defective equipment.

•Holly Brown, of Wildwood Villas, reported battery.

October 26

•Javarus Walker, 18, of 5890 Riverdale Rd. Apt. #L-2, College Park, Ga., was charged with reckless driving.

•James Wilson, 21, of 337 Johnson St., was charged with driving on suspended license, failure to dim highbeams, expired tag, reckless driving, and loitering.

•Nashunda Troutman, of East Apts., reported criminal trespass.

October 23

•Erica Jones, 20, of 803 Burnt Pottery

--All Police Beat information is compiled by Shawntineal Hughes, assistant news editor.

Ln., was charged with driving on suspended license.

GSU Department of Public Safety
October 28

•Rebecca Floyd reported her class ring was missing from the Union Theater restroom.
•James Abraham reported his cellular phone was missing from the Russell Union.

•Deidre Phelps reported a leather jacket was missing from her room in Watson Hall.

•An employee of the Russell Union Game Room reported a counterfeit \$20 bill turned up in their cash register.

October 24

•Charles Green, of 225 Lodge Apts., was charged with theft by receiving stolen property.

Editor's Note: Police Beat appears in every issue of The George-Anne in an effort to inform the GSU community of the amount, nature and location of crime. All reports are public information and can be obtained from the GSU Division of Public Safety or at the Statesboro Police Department.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Things To Do at GSU
Ongoing

•Free tutoring in the Tutorial Center in the Henderson Library Room 1001. For more information call 681-0321.

•All Resident Halls are sponsoring "Caring for Kosovo Project" in which students donate school supplies to needed children. Deadline is November 5. Call 688-3336 for more information.

•All Tuition Remission Reimbursement Program participants must turn applications in no later than Dec. 10. Return them to P.O. Box 8104 if you are staff and P.O. Box 8022 if you are faculty. Call 681-5940 to request an application.

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•BSU meets every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at 401 Chandler Rd.

November 1

•GSU Holiday Helpers project at 10 a.m. at Lakeside Cafe.

•"Fear of Feminism" from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Russell Union room 2047.

November 2

•Math 1111 R5 Review by Bobby Sparks at 5 p.m. in the North room 1004.

•English CPE Review by Betsy Freeman at 1 p.m. in the Library room 1040.

November 3

•East Timor and The Price of Freedom

with Lynn Fredrikson at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Ballroom.

•English CPE Review by Betsy Freeman at 3 p.m. in the Library room 1040.

November 4

•"The Globalization of Education" from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Carter Center One Copenhill Atlanta, Ga. Call 404-420-3804 for more information.

•Southern Exercise Science Club Meeting at 6 p.m. in the Hollis Building room 2102.

November 5

•Chicken BBQ at the BSU from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. \$5 per plate. Call 681-2241 for more information.

November 8

•The Black Student Alliance and Dyerzation Dance Team will co-sponsor Blaqshion '99: "Mystique of the Millenium" at 7 p.m. The fashion show will include live entertainment and special door prizes. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$6 the night of the show.

November 12

•What to expect from the Cassini Mission to Saturn presented by Dr. Grant Denn at 7:30 p.m. at the GSU Planetarium.

November 20

•Usabba ballroom dance at 7 p.m. at 8412 Whitfield Ave., Savannah, Ga.

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Read By Them All.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEF

Buchanan says matchup doesn't offer choice

The Associated Press

BISMARCK, N.D.--Presidential candidate Pat Buchanan said Saturday he left the Republican Party because its front-runner, Texas Gov. George W. Bush, does not offer voters an alternative on trade questions, foreign policy or opposition to abortion.

Buchanan, who left the Republican Party last week to campaign for the Reform Party nomination for president, said Bush agrees too often with Democratic Vice President Al Gore on issues Republican supporters care about.

Buchanan said he switched parties so he could continue to emphasize his opposition to abortion and skepticism about U.S. trade agreements and foreign policy decisions that have sent troops where the United States has no national interest.

"That is what this is about," Buchanan told an enthusiastic crowd of more than 250 people at a North Dakota Christian Coalition meeting here. "It is about ... offering the American people a real, genuine, authentic choice of destinies for this country, and I just

don't think we're getting that."

He said he is optimistic about getting the Reform Party nomination, "despite what the big fella in Minnesota thinks," a reference to Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura, a former professional wrestler who is the nation's only Reform Party governor. Ventura has said he prefers someone else as the party's presidential candidate.

"We're going to win that. We may have to body-slam (Ventura) once or twice, but we're going to win it," Buchanan said.

Buchanan on Saturday repeated his promise to appoint U.S. Supreme Court justices who favor overturning Roe v. Wade, the high court's 1973 decision that made abortion legal nationwide. His statements on the subject drew a standing ovation from the crowd.

Gore and Bush also support the North American Free Trade Agreement, which is meant to create a free-trade area with Canada and Mexico, and the establishment of the World Trade Organization, Buchanan said. The WTO is an international body that judges trade disputes.

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-PAT BUCHANAN, PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

This Week's Weather



Today
Scattered
showers with a
high of 72 and
a low of 61.



Tuesday
Partly cloudy
with a high of
64 and a low
of 50.

GEORGIA NEWS BRIEF

Teacher accused of sexual assault
released from jail on bond

The Associated Press

HEPHZIBAH, Ga.-- A Hephzibah High School math teacher and former boys' track coach accused of sexually assaulting a 17-year-old female student has been released from jail.

Alphonza Griffin, 35, was released from Richmond County jail Friday after a judge set his bond at \$40,000 and told the teacher he was not allowed to have any contact with the alleged victim or any school-aged chil-

dren.

Superior Court Judge Albert M. Pickett also told Griffin he must give up any attempts to regain his teaching and coaching job until the criminal case against him is concluded.

The 11-year veteran coach and teacher was indicted Tuesday for sexual assault on a person in school, punishable by up to three years in prison.

The charge is based on the female student's allegation that

Griffin assaulted her last winter while giving her a ride home in his car, according to the indictment returned Tuesday by a Richmond County grand jury. The student graduated in June.

Griffin has been on paid leave since April 2 pending an investigation of the allegations.

An administrative hearing is set for Monday. Unless Griffin resigns before then, Superintendent Charles Larke said that he plans to request his termination.

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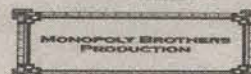
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Our Opinion

Aaron Nicely has nothing on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

There have been many things said about Aaron Nicely while he has been running for city council. Some of them have been on target, and some have been a little exaggerated.

But the idea that Aaron Nicely is reminiscent of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is ridiculous and, frankly, an insult to the memory of Dr. King.

Everyone has their own opinion of the significance of Dr. King. Some believe he was the reason that the civil rights movement was started, others simply think he was an important figure in the struggle. And still others believe he was not aggressive enough in his battles.

But almost everyone believes that King laid down his life for what he believed in. And almost everyone believes that he was fighting for the good of the nation, not just one race. The man was assassinated for helping to lead the civil rights movement. He was imprisoned for his beliefs.

Not to mention that he was a wonderful speaker and an inspirational motivator. He earned his place in history even before his assassination.

Nicely may be a nice guy. Jack Williamson is free to think whatever he wants about our SGA president. But Aaron Nicely is not risking his life to be elected to city council. He is not getting crosses burned in his yard. He is not leading a revolution. Even if Nicely was the first student to run for city council in Statesboro, he would hardly be revolutionary.

Why is his bid for the seat not a revolution? Why is he safe to run for city council? Because of the efforts of King. He paved the way for Nicely's run.

There is no comparison between Nicely and King. The only thing they have in common is they are both African-American and they are both leaders. That is the end of the comparison, although the contrast could go on for pages.

Nicely is not going to be imprisoned for trying to run for city council. He is not risking anything except for the \$500 he contributed to his own campaign. And since we have yet to see any ads, posters, pins or stickers for Nicely, he probably hasn't lost anything.

To compare the two is an insult to the memory and legacy of King. Williamson should have known better.

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Monday, November 1, 1999

Just when you thought it was safe to go out at night...



JUSTIN MILLER

COLUMNIST

I hate to do this, but sometimes I have to climb up on the old soap box and get preachy. It's inevitable, I suppose, as sooner or later certain things just rub me the wrong way until I'm raw.

It's sorta like that forever-scary fingernails on the chalkboard thing when your teeth grind against your inner ankle bone.

But there is something abrew on this campus that I can't overlook, and I can't keep quiet about. It is the stuff of storied nightmares. And I bet I'm not alone in my misery.

Obviously I speak of karaoke.

Like many of you I find myself looking for something to do in the evening, and homework just doesn't cut it. Karaoke offers a respite from all that is, well, sane. It is supposed to be crazy, goofy, drunk to your elbows fun. And it beats the heck out of the usual, "is she staring at me? Wait, am I staring at her? Hmm, does she like me, or does she think I'm a stalker . . . Waitress! We could use another bucket here!"

At the very least karaoke gives you something to do, a way to interact with others, and an honest reason

to say, "honey, bring me another!" But we gotta start laying down some ground rules, because what passes for "karaoke" around here is way off the mark.

First of all, and I can't stress this

pretend so originally!!"

Second, if you are a guy and you enlist to sing the duet, "Summer Lovin'," there can only be four reasons why: either you are (1) the karaoke DJ, and the girl who wants

THERE IS SOMETHING ABREW ON THIS CAMPUS THAT I CAN'T OVERLOOK, AND I CAN'T KEEP QUIET ABOUT. IT IS THE STUFF OF STORIED NIGHTMARES.

enough, repeat after me: "you suck, I suck, we all suck at singing." That said, singing on karaoke night is in no way supposed to resemble an audition. There is not any chance at all, none, nada, zilch, of Mr. Bigshot Record Producer hearing you sing, and muttering to himself, "Boy, have I got to put them on my label!! I don't think I've ever heard Tone Loc inter-

to sing it is ready for some "lovin'" of her own, (2) you have lost a bet, (3) you are going through some sort of initiation process, or (4) you are subtly trying to come out of the closet.

Third, presentation is everything. Don't look at the screen the entire time, and be animated—over-exaggerate every movement. The point is to act like an idiot (actually,

"karaoke" means "act like an idiot" in Japanese). You are not Jim Morrison, Axl Rose, or T.L.C. Resist the urge to imitate them (or anyone else for that matter) in any concert/video of their's you have previously seen.

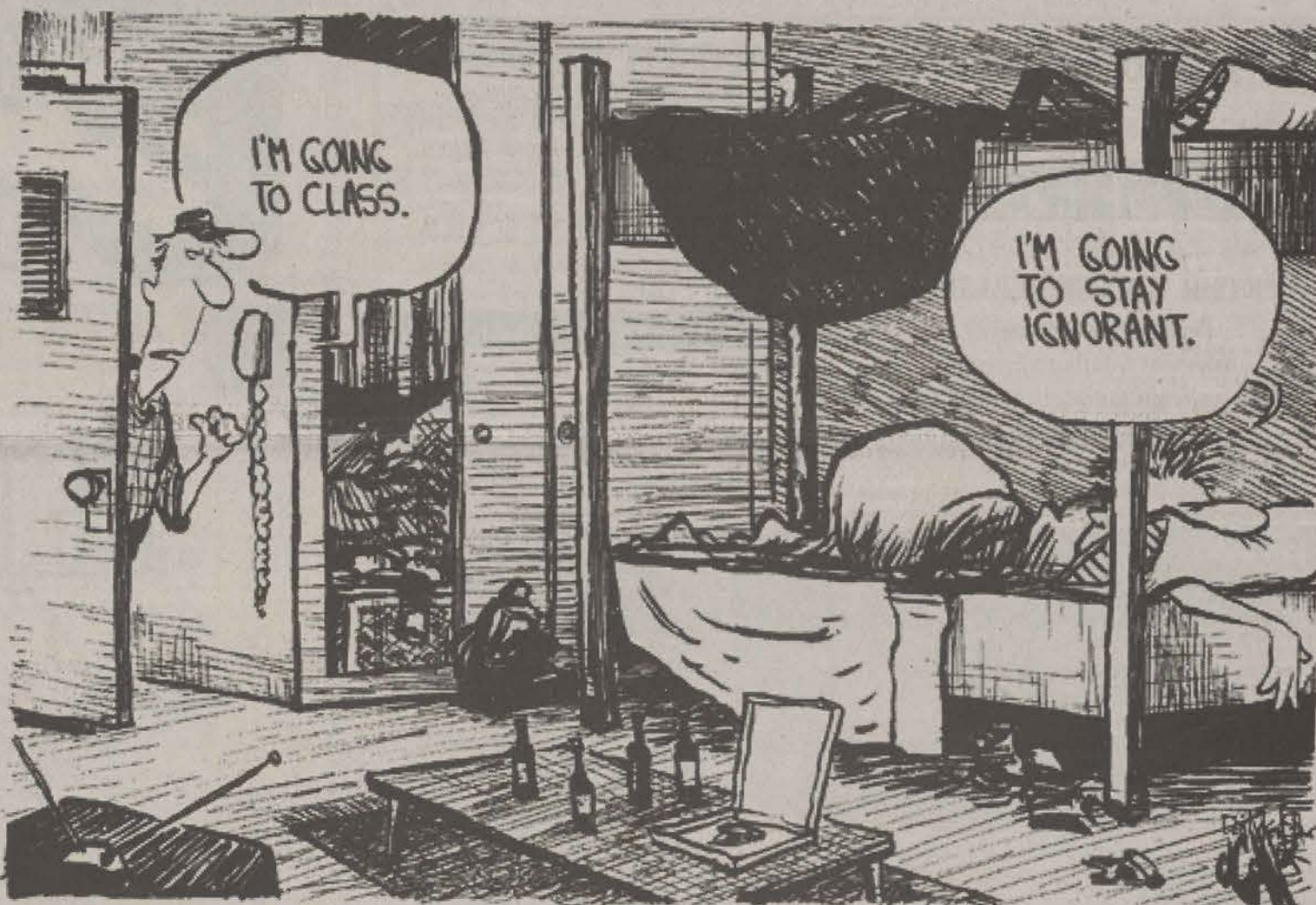
Fourth, never, under any circumstances, mumble or skip a word. When in doubt, shout a clever word or saying, but don't giggle.

Fifth, the group thing is okay. It builds confidence, and gives you a feeling of security, but don't be the one in the group that whispers.

Next to lastly, always cheer, clap, scream, shout, whistle, and sing along, no matter what the song is, who's singing it, or how they sound. Why? Because you're next pal, and we'll return the favor.

Lastly, the coolest guy in the bar is always, I repeat, always, the guy who sings Adam Sandler's car song. Buy him a beer.

Me, I couldn't carry a tune in a bucket, but you better believe I'll be at Buffalo's on Thursday and Woodin' Nickel on Friday, screamin' my lungs out till they bleed—tell me, does it get any more fun than that?



Be happy and confident with yourself

Have you ever looked in the mirror and said "No wonder I'm not dating anyone," or have you ever thought "If only I could lose those extra 15 pounds..."?

Why do you think that people constantly want to change themselves? Who are they trying to please? Are they trying to change for themselves, or are they trying to gain the approval of someone else?

Do you ever take into consideration the number of people that want to change who they are in order to become someone else, to become anyone else?

Everyday on campus, I see so many people who constantly belittle themselves or complain about the fact that they are too fat or too thin, too tall or too short, or too good for someone or not good enough for someone else.

Why do people constantly want to change their outward appearance? Is it not possible to be completely happy with yourself by not changing or conforming to meet another's standards?

Why must people subject themselves to the pains of anorexia, bulimia, or other horrors to make someone else happy? If



JUSTIN JOHNSON

GUEST COLUMNIST

someone really wants to change, let it be because they want to become a more health conscious person, and not because they think they will be asked out if only they would lose the weight or gain it.

other people out there just like you. Everyone wants to be noticed, to be cared for, and to be appreciated for the person that they are.

Maybe they don't wear a sign on their

DON'T LET YOURSELF THINK THAT YOU ARE NOT GOOD ENOUGH, OR THAT YOU ARE ALONE IN THIS WORLD, BECAUSE THERE ARE SO MANY OTHER PEOPLE OUT THERE JUST LIKE YOU.

"If only I..." is a quote that people should steer away from and start sentences with quotes like "When I..." or "I can." If a person is to change, let it be for themselves, and not for any other reason.

Don't let yourself think that you are not good enough, or that you are alone in this world, because there are so many

forehead expressing their feelings, but almost everyone has something that they want to change about themselves.

Be happy with who you are and have faith in who and what you are. You are a person, just like myself, just like the guy or girl sitting next to you. We all have a common goal — to find happiness. Ob-

tain your goal by starting with you first, and realize just how great of a person you are. Perhaps you won't ever get asked out by the haute in your 11 o'clock class, and maybe you will never be on the cover of "GQ" or "Cosmopolitan," but who cares? That person doesn't realize what you really had to offer, and between you and me, they don't know what they are missing the chance. Don't get discouraged!

If you are afraid to ask someone out on a date or to talk to the girl or guy you've had a crush on since your first semester, don't be. What's the worst that could happen? They say no? That doesn't mean that your life as you know it is over; it only means that someone was crazy enough to pass up a good thing when they had the chance. Don't get discouraged!

Just remember, great things come to those who wait! Believe that, and don't give up. So, turn your frown upside down, and recognize yourself for all that you have to offer by simply being you.

Take some advice from William Shakespeare and live by it. "To thine own self be true." Let that become your motto.

Your Opinion

Williamson compares Nicely to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Students of Georgia Southern, I have read many articles questioning the integrity and motives of Aaron Nicely. Although I do not know Aaron personally, I, like many of you, have to sit back and judge him by his actions. I have seen nothing more than leadership and excellence in this young man.

He has stepped out of his comfort zone and taken ridiculous press. He has done these things because he believes in something better, not only for the students of Georgia Southern, but for the community of Statesboro as well. His initiative and perseverance brings to mind Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., who in the 1960's saw some-

thing better than what people were willing to offer. Although Dr. King never saw his dream manifested, he made a difference in the lives of many people across the nation.

Aaron Nicely's impact on Georgia Southern University and the city of Statesboro has not been fully understood as of yet. However, I sup-

port any student who has the courage to stand firm and stand up for others. It is time for a change, and I look forward to bringing about this change with Aaron Nicely.

Sincerely,
Jack Williamson
City Councilman and Mayoral Candidate

GSU offense returns to normal in 55-6 blowout

By Doug Kidd
Assistant Sports Editor

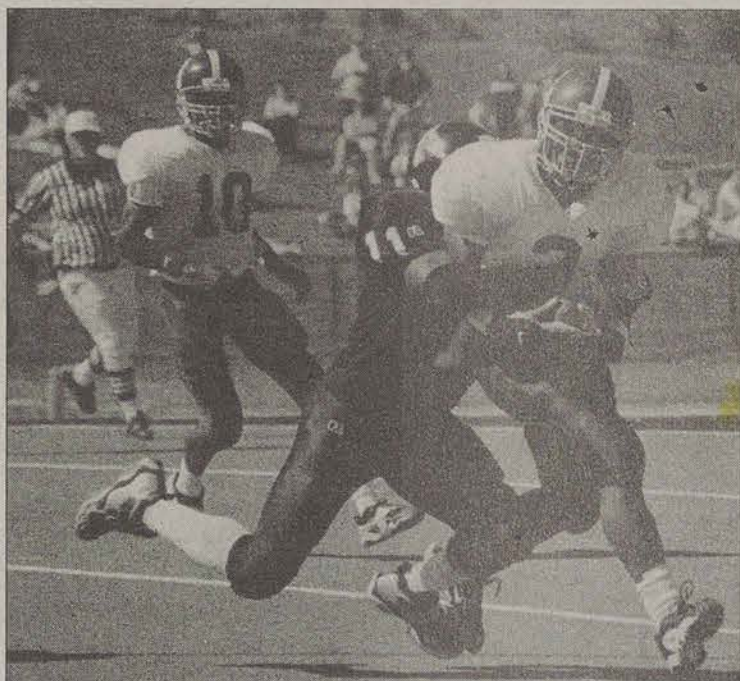
JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. - For the second time in the past three weeks, GSU was held scoreless in the first quarter, but still managed to get their offense going in Saturday's 55-6 beating of East Tennessee State. The win upped GSU's record to 7-2, 6-1 in the Southern Conference.

Unlike the Appalachian State game two weeks ago, the Eagles found their offensive rhythm in the final three quarters racking up 685 yards and thirty-five second half points. GSU didn't turn the ball over during the contest and had a banner day passing. Greg Hill finished 9 of 11 passing for 172 yards and a touchdown.

Although GSU put up 55 points Saturday, they found themselves down 6-0 after the first quarter. Senior ETSU tailback Brandon Walker broke free for a 32-yard touchdown that capped a six-play drive. Walker, the Buccaneers only offensive answer of the day, outplayed Adrian Peterson in the first half, gaining 104 of his 119 total rushing yards in the game's opening half.

After a Greg Hill one-yard touchdown run on a fourth down put GSU on the board early in the second quarter, Hill found freshman Anthony Williams up the left sideline for a 66-yard score that put GSU up for good, 14-6.

It then became the Adrian Peterson show, with the sophomore fullback rushing for touchdown runs of 1, 1, 26, and 2 yards respectively. Peterson started slowly in the first quarter but finished strongly, ending the game with his ninth career 200 yard rushing contest. Carrying the ball 33 times for 216 yards, Peterson allowed GSU to control the tempo of the game and help put away ETSU for the third year in a row. With his 216-yard, four-touchdown performance, Peterson moved to within one game of the I-AA record for career 200-yard rushing games,



Luke Renfroe

ALL SYSTEMS GO: After two weeks during which the GSU offense looked sloppy at times, the Big Blue Machine hit its stride Saturday with a 685-yard performance that saw Adrian Peterson and Greg Hill move up several of the school's all-time lists.

held by New Hampshire's Jerry Azumah.

Peterson also moved his way up the GSU record book, surpassing former quarterback Tracy Ham and fullback Roderick Russell for second on the all-time rushing list. He also moved ahead of kicker Tim Foley for second on the scoring list. To date, Peterson has rushed for 3,374 yards and scored 306 points during his 24 game career.

Adrian Peterson wasn't the only GSU player breaking records Saturday. Greg Hill made I-AA history with his 172 yards passing. The senior quarterback became the first I-AA player to surpass 3,000 yards in both rushing and passing in a career.

A week after being criticized by head coach Paul Johnson for not blocking well and for not holding on to the ball, the offense stepped up.

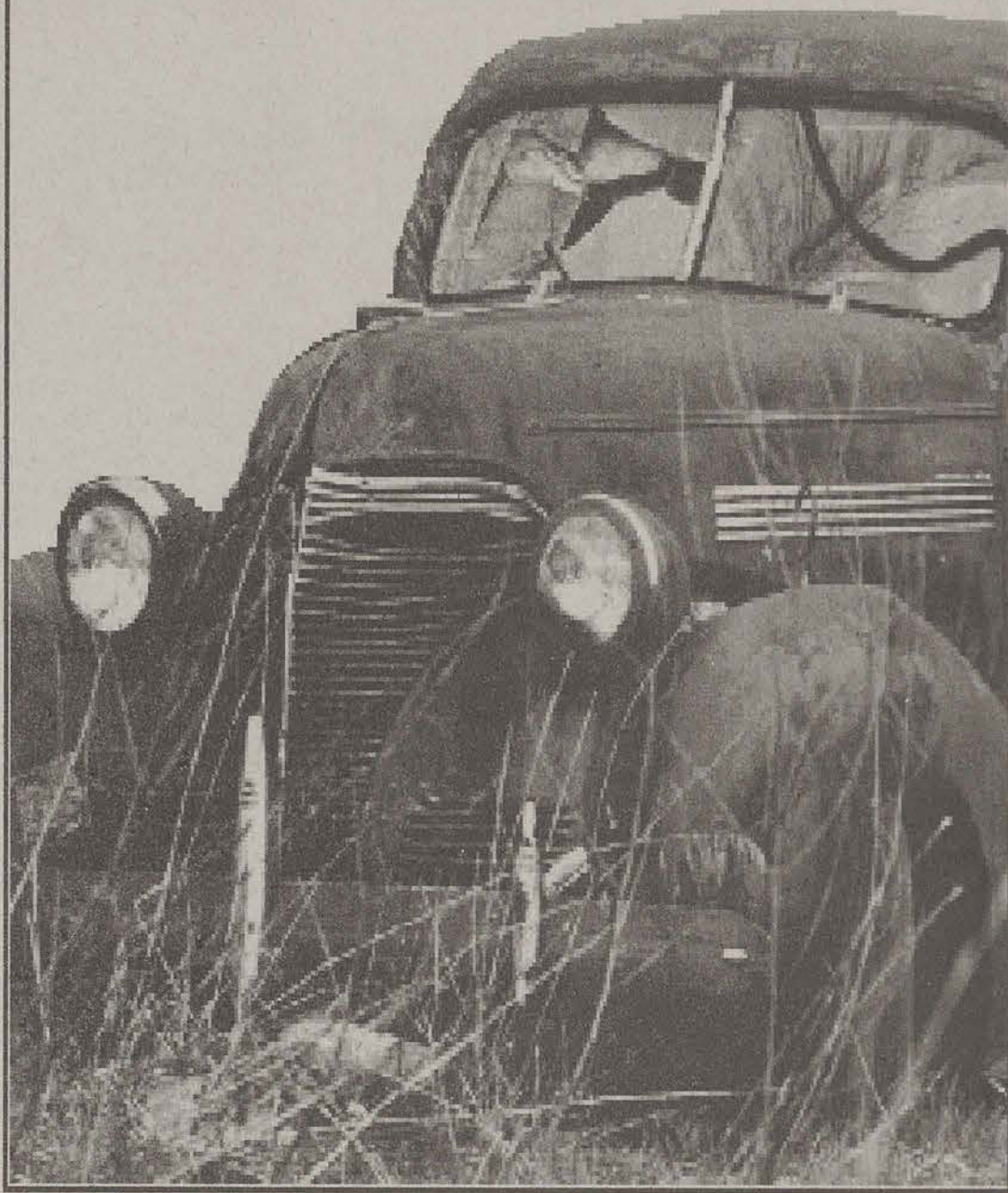
"I think [the offensive line] had a pretty good game," senior right guard Mark Williams said. "Maybe the last two weeks weren't where we wanted them, but I think, as a whole, the offense did well today."

"We played well today," Hill said. We had no turnovers, so that's a must. We feel that we're

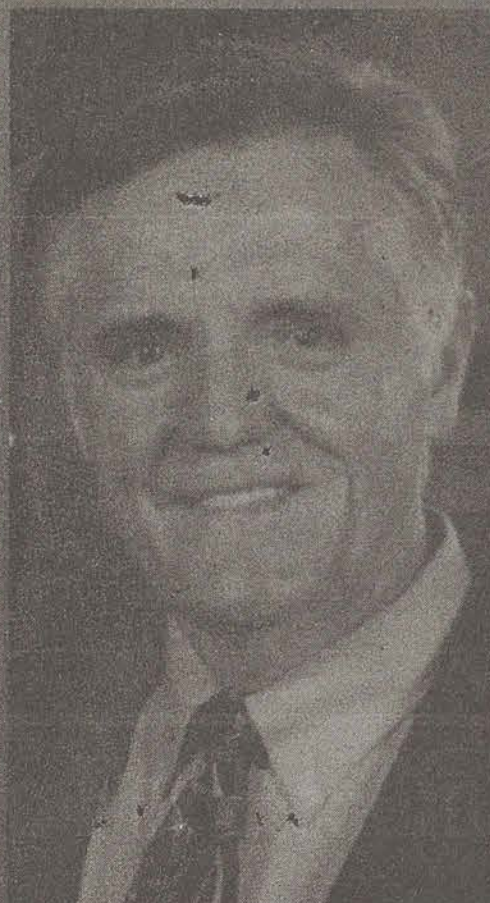
the only ones that can stop us. If we get our assignments right and don't turn the ball over, we can't be beat. As long as we take care of the ball and be where we're supposed to be, then we're pretty much unstoppable."

For Hill and the rest of the Eagles to win this week, they'll have to play by those words. Furman comes into Saturday's game at Paulson Stadium on top of the Southern Conference with a 6-0 conference record, 7-1 overall. The Paladins are flying high after this weekend's defeat of I-A North Carolina, 28-3.

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Men's soccer goes down to defeat, 3-1

• Furman clinches SoCon crown

G-A News Service

GREENVILLE, S.C. - The sixth-ranked Furman men's soccer team won its 14th Southern Conference championship with a 3-1 defeat of GSU Sunday at Eugene Stone Soccer Stadium.

With the win, the Paladins finish the regular season with a 15-1-1 record and a perfect 8-0 Southern Conference mark.

Freshman Anthony Esquivel scored the first goal of the match at the 11:06 mark off a double pass from Stephen Rodriguez and Daniel Alvarez. Alvarez then recorded his second assist of the night

as he fed sophomore Matt Goldsmith for the second goal of the afternoon. The assist was the 12th of the season for Alvarez, tying the Furman single season assist record. Earlier this season, Alvarez became Furman's all-time leader in assists. He now has 37 assists for his career.

Freshman Michael Waite scored an unassisted goal at the 42:56 mark to give the Paladins

the commanding 3-0 lead. The goal was Waite's first collegiate goal.

Several Paladins received playing time in the second half, but Furman was unable to add to its lead. GSU's Blake Bironas scored the Eagles' lone goal at the 67:57 mark off assists from Martin Cunningham and Jeff Russell.

"It is great to finish the regular season on a high note," said

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- DOUG ALLISON, FURMAN
COACH**

Furman head coach Doug Allison. "Hopefully we can continue this momentum into the playoffs."

Furman claims its ninth SoCon championship this decade and will enter the SoCon tournament as the top seed next weekend.

The win was the eight straight for the sixth-ranked Paladins. Furman is also ranked 7th in the NSCAA poll and 10th in *Soccer Times*.