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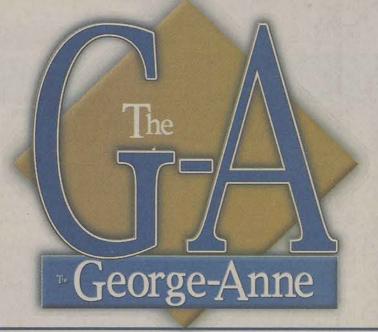
# honored in parade

The GSU National Champion Eagle football team will be honored with a downtown parade tomorrow at 5 p.m. The parade will start at Kentucky Fried Chicken and end at City Hall.

The procession of seniors, coaches, cheerleaders and Southern Pride will be led by Gus and GSU's ROTC color guard. Community representatives and government officials will wind up the caraan of vehicles by riding on a traditional parade float.

Commerative footballs will be given out and other attractions will be downtown for the celebration.

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### RECEIVED Museum HENDERSON LIBRARY GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY recognizes the history of African **Americans**

On display in the Union Monday, this museum on wheels displayed many items to give a better look



MAR 0 1 2000

Wednesday, March 1, 2000

# Dismissals were 'proper action to take'

By Kelley McGonnell Editor in Chief

The four dismissed baseball players were released based on their level of involvement in the Nov. 5 hazing incident, Athletic Director Sam Baker said.

He said that after interviewing all the team members individually that he was decided that Jody Pollock, Ryan Petersen, Rhett Roberts and Scott Burks were involved

in the hazing ritual. "After interviewing individuals it was decided these individuals were involved," Baker said. "There were levels of involvement and decisions were made based on that knowledge, and we decided that this was the proper. action to take."

Baker said that he must believe that the information gathered in the investigation was truthful.

"When you conduct an investigation you ask questions and people give you answers," Baker said. "Truthful answers are what you base your decision on. You have to go on the belief that people are telling the truth.'

Baker said that the issue was dealt with as a team matter, because the coaches set the tone for

"We decided this would be handled as a team matter," he said. "In athletics you have coaches that are superiors and are in control of athletic programs. They provide that leadership and a level of discipline and set the 1998 for similar offenses should have been a

tone for the program."

Pollock, who has admitted to not supporting the decision to appoint Rodney Hennon as head coach, said he thought that opposition might have caused him to be singled out by the coach for

Baker said that he had never heard of Pollock opposing Hennon or his appointment.

> "WE ASSUME ... THAT PEOPLE KNEW WHAT WAS RIGHT AND WRONG AND PEOPLE WOULD MAKE THEIR DECISIONS BASED ON THAT."

-- SAM BAKER, GSU DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

"I'd never heard Jody say anything negative about Coach Hennon," Baker said. "I was kind of stunned when it was alleged that he was boisterous against Coach Hennon."

Baker also said that he does not believe the seniors received mixed messages about hazing. Pollock, Petersen and former player Jimmy Alexander have stated that Hennon knew that hazing would occur and asked only that the freshmen not be forced to drink and that no one cross

Baker said that the punishment doled out in

warning that hazing would not be tolerated.

"I think the message they received from the athletic administration previously should have set the tone that they shouldn't have had to have any kind of mixed message," he said.

In the future, the athletic department will have speakers address the student-athletes and discuss hazing issues. Baker said that hazing will become

> an important part of discussions with players at the beginning of the school

> Baker also said that GSU needs to realized that they are not immune to issues facing the rest of the country.

> "We are going to have to realize that we are not protected from what is going on on a national basis in regards to the issues involved," he said. "We may have to become much more proactive perhaps. We assume, and

assume is a very dangerous word, that people knew what was right and wrong and people would make their decisions based on

Baker also said that this year's incident should not affect the future of Eagle baseball.

"We've signed 8 players in the winter," he said. "We'll have a strong baseball team here, as we will all our teams. Georgia Southern is an outstanding university. We're going to make tough decisions when we have to. But our overriding goal is to provide an atmosphere for our athletes to compete in a positive and gain their academic goals and their athletic goals."

### **Further charges unlikely** in hazing incident

By Kelley McGonnell Editor in Chief

into the history of African

Americans.

Despite the hazing incident with the GSU baseball team, the university will not face sanctions from the NCAA, according to Hank Schomber, compliance coordinator.

"It is a campus matter," Schomber said. "According to the rules, they [the NCAA] do not need to be notified.'

In addition, it is likely that the four players dismissed from the baseball team for their involvement will not face charges from judicial affairs, Schomber said.

"[The situation] was taken to student affairs who agreed to allow athletics to handle it," he said.

It is against the student code of conduct to haze, which is defined as: "any action taken or situation created, intentionally, whether on or off campus to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment, ridicule, or the breaking of school rules."

He said that the athletic department had the means to punish the offenders beyond the normal bounds of student affairs.

"We have the means to handle it that go beyond what student affairs would normally have," Schomber said. "They could have developed penalties, but we had team penalties that we could utilize in this case."

He said that the decision to allow the coaches to deal with the problem was not unilateral.

"Because of the previous hazing incident [in 1998], we knew we had an obligation to the university to address the matter," he said.

Schomber also said that they dealt with the investigation and punishments the best way they knew how.

"I feel we did what was right," he said. "I'm comfortable with has happened. All four [dismissed players] can transfer and will be eligible to play.'

Jody Pollock, Ryan Petersen, Rhett Roberts and Scott Burks were dismissed from the baseball team in January after an investigation into an alleged hazing incident on Nov. 5. Twelve other players were given four game suspensions to be served during the season.

### Ryan Jorden named Miss. African **American GSU**

By Kathy Bourassa Staff Writer

Bob Barker isn't the only thing that separates the Miss America pageant from the Miss African American pageant. At GSU, the Miss African American Scholarship competition relies more on natural ability than it does on expensive dresses, fad diets and charm school. Last Wednesday, Ryan Jorden walked away with the title of Miss African American GSU.

Seven young women competed for the title. Unlike their television counterparts, they did not spend a year or more preparing. They did not wear swimsuits and they proved that there is more to womanhood than slim waists and long eyelashes. The event, which is sponsored by the local chapter of the NAACP, is not as polished as the famed Miss America competition, but that is precisely its appeal. It's about real people rather than idealistic images.

Each woman had a platform for her appearance. Nicole Sheats promoted AIDS awareness and abstinence. Tameyer Evans urged health education for youth. Genitha Butler spoke out against domestic violence.

They selected their own acts for the talent portion of the competition. April Dorsey's fervent rendition of "Miracles and Blessings' was consistent with her platform on youth Christian fellowship. Two poems and a monologue celebrated black womanhood. Ryan Jorden danced with precise, fluid movement as she recited an original poem. Angel Brayboy's sultry rendition of Vanessa Williams' "How Can I Tell My Heart" was stun-

ning, even mesmerizing. The judges had a tough job selecting just one winner. After a tiebreaker question the issue was settled. Tameyer Evans was crowned Miss Congeniality, followed by recognition for Nicole Sheats, who received two titles: Miss Entrepreneur and Miss Scholar. Second runner-up Angel Brayboy and first runner-up April Dorsey could have won the title of Miss African-American, but that honor was bestowed upon



Special Photo

**RYAN JORDEN** was recently named Miss. African American GSU, which is sponsored by the NAACP.

"Her stage presence suggested confidence. She was bold and gave a strong interview," judge Melissa Shivers said. "It was a difficult decision."

Shivers, a GSU alumnus, is the minority advisement program coordinator. Also on the panel were Art King, director of the multicultural center; Georgine Betts, a professor in the writing and linguistics department; Aaron Nicely, the student body president; and Natasha Clements, the president of the GSU chapter of the NAACP.

Clements praised the women's beauty, grace, and poise. "It's very difficult to get up in front of everyone. They did very well, and we appreciate the audience support."

Kenyatta McCarden, who works for the GSU NAACP as business coordinator, agreed. "This was a great success," she said.

Audience members noticed some flaws, but were generally happy with the program. Freshman Karen Mitchell said, "Overall, it was a good show. It needed some work." She felt Jorden was a good choice by the judges.

And what did the Ryan Jorden have to say as the ballroom emptied? "The pageant is not just a pageant for African-American women, but also to promote African-American awareness and self-pride for everyone."

Gus is a popular bird these days. In ESPN.com's Battle of the Mascots, sixteen mascots from around the country have been picked to fight it out to find out who will lead the cheers in 2000 as champion.

Gus is one of the lucky 16.

The official mascot tournament bracket was unveiled today and voting has begun. The results of ESPN user votes will determine which mascots advance and which ones hang their furry heads in shame. And every time you vote, you get another chance to win cool prizes from ESPN.

Simply go to espn.go.com and look on the left for the link to the battle of the mascots or go to promotions.go.com/espn/mascots/ challenge.html

Vote often and help Gus become a

Gus battles it out in ESPN mascot tournament

He is up against mascots from the University of Oklahoma, University of Cincinnati, Northwestern University, Syracuse University, University of Washington, Arizona State University, Stanford University, Brigham Young University, University of Tennessee, University of Arkansas, University of Wisconsin, University of Minnesota, University of Connecticut, University of Kentucky, and Penn State University.

For the inside scoop on GSU's Eagle mascot, pick up Friday's edition of the G-A.



LEADER: Gus, GSU's much-loved mascot, is up against 15 other college mascots around the U.S. in the Battle of the Mascots,

sponsored

by ESPN.

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FEARLESS

## 'Sing for Your Supper'



A MUSICAL TRIBUTE: "Sing for Your Supper" was performed Tuesday evening as a tribute to the Bill of Rights. GSU students joined forces with Carol Thompson, director of the Federal Theatre Project, and Michael Paul Smith, a wellknown musician, to perform this presentation.

The George-Ann (912) 681-5246 Williams Center room 2023 P.O. Box 8001 Statesboro, Ga. 30460

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Things To Do at GSU Ongoing

•Donations are being accepted from any GSU organization for the United States Student Fund. Call the SGA office at 681-0655 for more

•Free Tutoring in several subjects: English, history, sociology and psychology, all maths, chemistry, biology, and college reading/study skills. Each subject has different hours of operation. Call 681-0321 for more information.

•The Christian Faculty/Staff meets every Monday at noon in the Russell Union Room 2044. . The NAACP meets every Monday at 6 p.m.

in the Russell Union Room 2047. •BSU meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at 401 Chandler Rd. across from Johnson Hall. BSU also has lunch every Wednesday from 12 to 1 p.m.

\*GSU Chapter of Habitat for Humanity meets every Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Russell Union Room 2044. Today

•The Department of Foreign Languages invites you to the First International Film Festival: "Lorca" (Spain 1997) from 2 to 4 p.m.; "I the Worst of Alf" (Mexico 1990) from 4:15 to 6:45 p.m.; and "Of Love and Shadows" (Chile 1994) from 7 to 9:30 p.m. in the COBA Building Room

•Pi Sigma Epsilon is having its first annual

benefits auction: Dress to Impress at 7 p.m. in the William Center, Tickets are \$2 at the door and \$1 with a canned good. A portion of the profit will be donated to the United Negro College Fund (UNCF). March 1 & 2

•Mr. Esquire Information Session at 7:30 p.m. in the Russell Union Room 2042. March 2

•Eagle Cinema presents "The World is Not Enough" at 8 p.m. in the Russell Union

•Pete Moon will be working in the Children's Vegetable Garden. from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Georgia Southern Botanical Garden. Everyone who is interested in vegetable gardening is welcome to come. This will continue every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

•The Department of Foreign Languages invites you to the First International Film Festival: "Sugar Cane Alley" (France 1985) from 2 to 4 p.m.; "Beyond Silence" (Germany 1998) from 4:15 to 6:45 p.m.; and "The Time of the Star" (Brazil 1985) from 7 to 9:30 p.m. in the COBA Building Room 1124.

\*The Department of Foreign Languages invites you to the First International Film Festival: "Angry Harvest (Poland 1985) from 4to 6:30 n.m. and "Strawberry and Chocolate"

Are you prepared

Spring Break

Drop by

The University Store

Before March 9th

Register to Win

Spring Break Survival Kits

(Cuba 1993) from 7 to 9:30 p.m. in the COBA Building Room 1124

•Eagle Cinema presents "The World is Not Enough" at 7 and 9:30 p.m. in the Russell

•Theater & Performances presents "An Evening of Student Performances" at 8 p.m. n the Comm. Arts Building Room 1001. March 4

\*Georgia Southern Botanical Garden will sponsor a field trip to Harrold Preserve in Candler County led by Dr. George Rogers. Meet at the Garden, 1505 Bland Avenue at 10 a.m. to carpool. Cost for the program is \$4 for members and \$6 for nonmembers. Call 871-1114 for more information.

•The Jazz Composers Project will perform at 6 p.m. on River Street.

•The GSU Jazz Band will perform at 7 p.m. on River Street.

•Eagle Cinema presents "The World is Not Enough" at 5:30 and 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater. March 5

. Concert - "Pianists at Work IV" with Gregory Harwood at 3 p.m. in the Carter Recital

·Paul Johnson, GSU's football coach, will be a guest speaker at the BSU meeting at 7 p.m.

### POLICE BEAT

#### Statesboro Police Department February 28

•A Park Place resident reported harassment. February 27

\*Jamil Fuller, 23, of 321 East Main St., was charged with disorderly conduct and

•A Bermuda Run resident reported

receiving harassing phone calls, •A University Point resident reported an injured person

February 25 \*Anna Addison, 19, of 112 Hidden Lakes Dr., Albany, Ga., was charged with sales of alcohol to an underage person and failure to check identification

\*Tadesne Roberson, 28, of 25213, N. Highway 301 Lot 7, was charged with possession of marijuana.

•Paul Green, 26, of 2636 Brooklet Leefield Highway, Brooklet, Ga., was charged with

#### possession of marijuana. **GSU Department of Public Safety** February 26

\*Eric Douglass, 19, of the Kennedy Complex, was charged with minor in the possession of alcohol

·Latisha Baker reported her cellular phone was taken from the Russell Union.

\*A Residence Life employee reported some graffiti at Dorman Hall. February 25

\*Amanda Smith reported her keys were

taken from the RAC.

\*Dionne Stevenson reported someone scratched the right side of her vehicle in the Sanford Hall parking lot.

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.

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

### IFC wins regional recognition



CREAM OF THE CROP: The Interfraternity Council of GSU was awarded the Fraternal Excellence Award at the annual Southeastern Interfraternity Council Conference, February 17-20 in Atlanta. Only 10 of the 65 participating universities received this honor, and GSU was the only university in Georgia to be recognized with the award. Pictured are (from left to right): Front: Frank Shoemaker, Jane Campaigne, Freeman Tharp. Back: Justin Barnette, Matt Tolbert, Seth Blocker

### This Week's Weather



### Today

Partly cloudy with a high of 82 and a low of 50.

### Thursday

Partly cloudy with a high of 80 and a low of 48.



Friday Partly cloudy with a high of 76 and a low of 49.

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Ham, Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, & Mild Pepper.	
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Pizza Sauce, Pepperoni & Cheese.	
PIZZA SUB SPECIAL	5.49
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Pepper & Pizza Sauce.	
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Sliced Turkey Breast, Cheese, Lettuce, Tomato & Mild	
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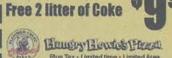
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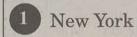
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### Conscience apparently kicks in for carjacker

The Associated Press

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NEWYORK - When a carjacker noticed a 4-year-old in the back seat of the vehicle he had just stolen, his conscience apparently kicked in. He stopped in front of a Brooklyn police station and told the boy to go inside.

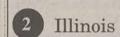
The child's mother, who was not identified by police, was pumping gas in Crown Heights when a man jumped into her 1995 Nissan Pathfinder and drove off.

When the carjacker realized that he had a passenger, he pulled up to the 81st Precinct stationhouse in Bedford-Stuyvesant, handed the boy the car's registration and insurance card, and told him to go

"The thief man brought me here," the child told police.

Officers put out a radio bulletin of the car's description, and it was soon spotted. The suspect tried to flee, racing the wrong way up a one-way street, and crashed into a parked van. He then fled on foot but was quickly apprehended. A BB-type pistol was found in the said Friday.

The suspect, identified as Shakim Baker, 29, was charged with robbery, kidnapping, weapon possession and endangering the welfare of a child.



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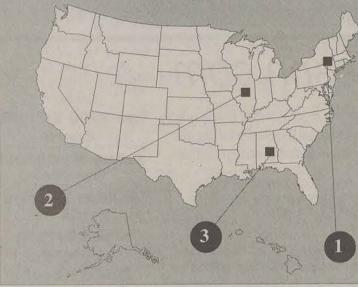
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### City official plans to reward nice people

The Associated Press

OAKBROOK TERRACE-Random acts of kindness in the Chicago suburb of Oakbrook Ter-



race really could pay off.

The village administrator plans to give away \$100 savings bonds to the nicest people he can find. Jerry Elsner said he will pick one person each month during his rounds of the village's stores, restaurants and mo-

"They don't have to rescue a child from the path of a speeding car," Elsner said. "If I see someone helping a lady with her groceries, that could be our \$100 winner."

Elsner has another motive, too. He hopes the publicity from his monthly awards will improve Oakbrook Terrace's bruised image, which has been tarnished by a former mayor's prison sentence for tax evacar, Detective John Giammarino sion. City employees also have sued the city recently, and two aldermen nearly came to fisticuffs at a town council meeting.



Alabama

#### Jesus a vegetarian? **PETA** signs too much for Alabama

The Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM — Animal-cruelty opponents' suggestion that Jesus was a vegetarian—and Christians should follow suit -proved a bit too much to swallow for some Alabama billboard companies.

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals had inquired about buying billboard space this spring in Montgomery and Mobile. Their message: "Jesus Was a Vegetar-

But no billboard company in either city would accept PETA's business, said Bruce Friedrich, vegetarian campaign coordinator for the Norfolk, Va.-based group.

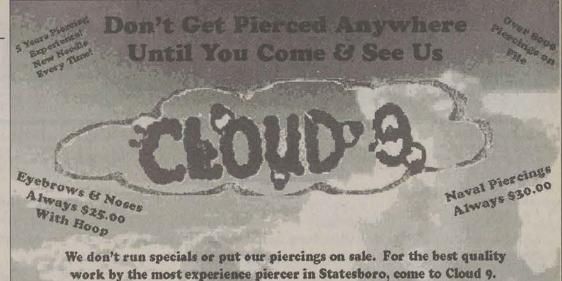
"I think it's something people have a right to hear and know about," Friedrich told The Birmingham News in a story Saturday. "Christians should be vegetarians."

The group bases the claim on some scholars' belief that Jesus was a member of a Jewish sect called the Essenes, who rejected animal sacrifices and were veg-

The billboard asks viewers to "show respect for God's creatures" by refraining from eating them. Those wanting to debate the issue are told to visit the group's Internet site, www.JesusVeg.com.

The PETA billboards are to be erected in Memphis, Tenn.; Little Rock; Baton Rouge, La.; Cheyenne, Wyo.; and Sioux Falls, S.D. Those cities were targeted because they are near agricultural regions and have large Christian populations.

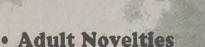
But the message apparently was too controversial for Alabama, Friedrich said.



**Novelties, Gifts** & Body Piercing by Rick

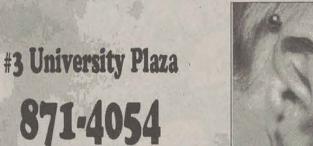






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# Remember to vote for Gus at espn.com

Go to espn.com and support your Eagle. Everyone has time to

do it. When you stop by the library to check your email, go online and vote for Gus.

When you are finishing up an English paper, go and vote for Gus.

When you are supposed to be doing research, vote for Gus.

It would be nice if we could come together and support our fine, feathered friend. He has given us so much to laugh at through the years.

And hopefully, with his new

found fame, someone will spring the money to buy him a new costume. The poor bird is losing his tail. And his shirt is falling off. But none the less, we have a national championship football

### **Our Opinion**

team. Let's give the mascot the same respect.

It isn't hard to vote, just go to the site and follow the directions. This should be fun and a nice way to amuse ourselves when we are surfing the net.

So, bookmark this address:

promotions.go.com/espn/mascots/challenge.html Then use it.

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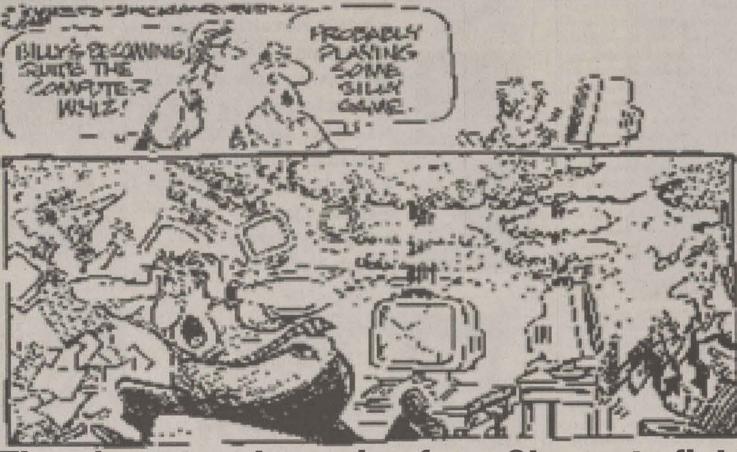
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## stench coming from Clements field

This has gotten ridiculous. The any coach who says it doesn't, or that the coach. Why exactly were these hill. Catch my meaning? cloud hanging over the GSU base- he or she is unaware of it is, simply

ball program, if not the entire university, is filled with something a bit more malodorous than the acid rain falling along the Appalachian Trail in Western Carolina. And it appears it could have blown in with the most unsuspecting of breezes.

RANDY DOBSON By now you are all aware of the "initiation/

hazing" scandal that rocked the baseball team earlier this season, resulting in four players being kicked off the team, one assistant coach and yet another player resigning, and suspensions of varying degrees being levied upon several other players.

OK, before I go any further, let me first say that hazing, or initiating of any sort is a misdemeanor, punishable by law - just ask several people involved with the hockey program at the University of Vermont.

Players and coaches alike are all well aware of situations across the country resulting in serious injury and, unfortunately, death to fraternity pledges and players of different sports organizations. That being said, however, it happens all the time...and

out, lying. The players involved in the incident here at GSU acted, to say the least, a bit irresponsibly, true enough. But kicking them off the team was the epitome of irrational behavior and thoughtless consideration. period.

It has been said the expulsions were resultant of repeat violations. But a source within the administration department

has informed mr that it had to do with, "the level of active involvement and participation in" the initiating rites being carried out that night. Really? Well, let's look a bit closer at the issue. Shall we?

Additionally, having played ball all my life, including on the collegiate level, I can tell you this type of thing (hazing) happened on every baseball team I ever played on. Furthermore, I have met the players who were axed, all of whom are all-in-all good guys. If they say Coach Rodney Hennon knew about it, then he did. Period. no questions asked about their truthfulness. None. They have nothing to hide anymore.

My biggest concerns about this entire fiasco, though, revolve around

players dismissed from the team, coach? We already know that it damage our university and quite poscouldn't have been for being repeat violators because others were as well. Yet they are still playing last time I

It couldn't have been because they were "initiating" freshmen players because we already know that certain other types of initiation proceedings were carried out during the football season, but these were not addressed at all. Why? Are certain types of initiations acceptable or condoned,

Then there is the issue that at least one or more of these players were vocally against Hennon's appointment as head baseball coach. Could that have anything to do with it?

but not others? Seems a bit hypocriti-

Yet another player and an assistant coach quit because of the way the "investigation" was handled. Make no mistake. These two quit solely because of how Hennon handled this matter.

It is said that our actions define our character and, thereby, our credibility. If this is true, then the GSU baseball program has become a black eye on the face of Georgia Southern University. When "stuff" rolls downhill, it usually starts at the top of the redobson@bulloch.net.

This issue has done nothing but sibly, future recruiting classes for the baseball program. believe that. I would never allow my son to play for a team whose leadership appears to be in the throws of squeaking out of a very serious matter. if nothing else, there is the appearance of dishonesty.

Hennon is in his first year at the helm of the GSU baseball program and already there have been more problems than during most of former coach, Jack Stallings', tenure here. And what is worse is the rumor that even more players are considering leaving the team.

The problems continue to mount for Hennon but, more importantly, for GSU as an institution. Dishonesty, slandering of peoples' names, dishonor: never in my wildest dreams did I ever envision these to be associated with our school. Never. yet the reality is they are.

Solution? In my honest opinion? Asking Hennon to resign his position as head baseball coach would be a good start. Something stinks around the diamond these days and a shot of Febreze will not cover it.

Randy Dobson is a senior at GSU and can be reached at

### Baseball scandal is result of mixed signals I think, because the coaches!

My fellow columnist, Randy, has written a scathing column on the evils of the GSU baseball pro-

gram, and he has asked that head coach Rodney Hennon resign. I do not

agree with his thoughts. While I agree with many of the problems he has with the hazing McGONNELL incident and

the subsequent investigation, I do not think, at this point anyway, that the problem is Rodney Hennon.

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The baseball team did something wrong. Hazing is a misdemeanor in Georgia, and this school could have forced the players to go through judicial affairs proceedings which may have resulted in them being kicked out of school and their futures ruined.

Their punishment, in comparison, was slight and generous.

I do not think that it is fair that four players were dismissed while others are simply suspended for four games during the season. This seems a bit harsh.

When the players were called into individual meetings, these four allege that they did not "rat" on their teammates and only told the coaches what their individual involvement was.

It appears that other players "ratted" out Jody Pollock, Ryan Petersen, Rhett Roberts and Scott Burks. But how do we know if those players were telling the

Maybe they had personal problems with the four players. We don't know.

It seems a little unfair to dismiss four players when they don't know who their accusers are. The fair thing would have been to look into the matter and find out if the accusers had ulterior motives.

But, quite honestly, the futures of these four players are not ruined. They still have their scholarships for the rest of the year; they are all eligible to transfer and play ball at another school.

While they may not want to do that, which is perfectly understandable, the option is there.

These four, and the twelve on suspension, are lucky to still be in school. All sixteen are lucky to not have been brought up on charges.

can never be sure what happened. that no one should have been dismissed. I think they should have; all been given suspensions.

And I do not think that Rodney Hennon is telling the complete, truth. He said that he told the players not to force anything on the freshmen, and he claims he told the seniors to not force anyone to drink or to appear nude. He said to the paper, more precisely to me, that he had no problem with shaving heads.

That is still hazing. It doesn't matter. You cannot allow any form of hazing on this campus.

But it is not just the fault of Rodney Hennon. The administration in general seems to think that some forms of hazing are acceptable and others are not. Of course, this attitude must have trickled down to coaches and to players.

And the NCAA does not require that hazing incidents be reported. It allows the school the opportunity to deal with the situation itself.

So, maybe Pollock, Petersen, Roberts and Burks are right. Maybe they are scape goats.

Maybe they were singled out because of reasons they will never know. How can they if they don's know who singled them out?

The investigation was unfair. The administration has not sent a clear message on hazing from the beginning. But the punishments could have been so much worse.

Coach Hennon screwed up. He never should have condoned any type of hazing in the first place.

But the players should not have needed the warning to start with. They should have known better.

I think the baseball team is going to continue to go through growing pains. It happens whenever a new coach takes over.

But the blame falls all over the athletic department on this one. It is not just the fault of the team, these four players or simply the

The athletic department will probably take a pretty strong stand on hazing and will look into ways to prevent it in the future. Hopefully they will be very careful in

Everyone here has messed up, from the top to the bottom, unfor; tunately four talented young men are paying the price.

America has to be the most "weightobsessed" place in the world. A visit to the book store will tell you just how

much. There must be thirty "best-sellers" on how to take the weight off and keep it off. There's the "Weigh Down Diet" which PROFESSOR X claims

that "God can set you free from your weight problems forever." (I guess spiritual hunger overrules physical hunger, but if that's true, why are so many preachers overweight?)

You could go for the systematic approach, like "The Power Protein Lifeplan," 'The Fat Blocker Diet," or the anti-carbohydrate "Zone," "the dietary road map" to success in weight loss. Or maybe all this sounds like eating yucky food, like that awful Slim-Fast crapyou know, the chocolate shake from hell that always has little gritty bits of protein floating around in it. (At least you hope that's what it is.)

All these books claim to have sold millions of copies, so America should be filled with skinny people, yet as a country we have more overweight people than ever before.

Either people are buying these books for bathroom reading only, or these diets simply don't work. Maybe they do work-in a laboratory. They just don't work in the real world for average people under normal conditions. (Watch those info-commercials on weight-loss and see if you see any normal people in the midst of all the models!)

So, if you have spent money on one of these books or any other weight-loss gimmick and diet plan, or are thinking about doing so, then you need to listen to what I have to tell you. I have a plan that will save you loads of money, time, frustration, and failure, and it is incredibly simple. (If you are standing you may want to sit down for this.) DON'T EAT SO MUCH!!

Seems hard to believe, doesn't it, but that's it. People aren't overweight because they don't pray enough, eat too many carbohydrates or fried foods, or even exercise too little. They just eat too much for their bodily metabolism to burn off, and hence the calories build up and eventually they gain weight and weight turns to fat and so on.

Unlike many gurus, though, I am not going to leave you without a concrete solution to your weight problem. For years I too have suffered from being overweight. I finally said "Enough" and in late November decided I would do something about it, so I began systematically cutting down on my intake.

I eat most foods that I enjoy; I just make it a point to EAT LESS at each meal. I do try to avoid fried foods in general, I eat grilled chicken salads often, and I exercise regularly, but I have been doing that for years without losing any weight. Once I started cutting back on food, though, I started losing weight.

I also discovered that in the grocery store is the best weight loss program you can buy-Healthy Choice dinners, or if you prefer, Smart Ones or Lean Cuisine. These are dinners specially designed to keep your caloric and fat intake extremely low, yet they are great tasting dinners.

I know, the portions are not very "hearty," and if you eat two or three of them at meal time you will obviously defeat the purpose, but once you get used to them, you will find them very satisfying. Now you have to like chicken to do this.

OK, I realize there's a problem with variety here, but at 2 grams of fat and 180 calories (Chicken Mirabella), you can't lose. Well, you can lose, but only weight, which is the whole purpose. I lost twentyfive pounds in eight weeks.

I have five more pounds to go to reach my goal. I could keep on I guess, but by September I might weigh 46 pounds, which is a but thin, so I think I will stop at 175.

I could have done this at anytime in the last ten years; it was incredibly easy to do and it won't be hard to continue. I never eat till I am stuffed, and if I eat out and get too much food, I simply take the rest home. I will not let someone else dictate to me the portion I should have. All restaurants are in a conspiracy to make people overweight, so be careful. If you can learn to eat less, then you can lose weight. You don't need a book or any expensive program to do that-just a little self-discipline and a few TV din-

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### **Your Opinion**

### Student says she knows why city council decided to raise the age qualification is clear when examining Discity council expressed that for eral levels might just suggest THE GSU STUDENTS NOT gia Southern students contrib-

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to war. Once one reaches 21, alcoholic beverages can be purchased. However, to qualify as a candidate for the Statesboro City Council, one must be 25-years-old. Our city council recently proposed to amend the Statesboro City Charter to impose this age restriction on the eligibility to serve on the council.

The motive of the council

living in Districts Three and

At the age of 18, one can go tricts 3 and 4, which are com- the "overall betterment" of that the maturation of a perprised chiefly of Georgia Statesboro, they wanted to son does not necessarily im-Southern students. The aver- ensure that more mature hold prove with age. age age of a student is less elected positions. DOES THIS

The council has seemingly than 25. Therefore, this pro- IMPLY THAT THE BEHAV- forgotten that the election of posal excludes not only most IOR OF THESE OLDER, candidates is the responsibilof Georgia Southern students, PRESENT AND PAST, ity of the voting public. Votbut also the majority of those COUNCILMEN HAS AL- ers of Statesboro, not council-WAYS BEEN MATURE? The men, decide which candidate Four. To exclude this large facts undermine such a lofty has reached a level of maturaportion of the population is assumption. The antics of our tion acceptable for election. unjust and undemocratic. In more "mature" elected breth- IS IT THE FEAR OF THE justifying their actions, the ren at the local, state, and fed- VOTING STRENGTH OF

THE LACK OF MATURA- ute VATED THIS COUNCIL?

The social obligation of the public is crucial in all levels DENTS THE RIGHT TO of government. Elected officials should not balefully take ERNMENT OF A CITY away such a critical step in the democratic process. In adding this age stipulation, the council has stripped a large group of its fundamental right to participate in government. Geor-

immeasurably TION THAT HAS MOTI- Statesboro and should not be snubbed. HOW CAN THE COUNCIL DENY STU-PARTICIPATE IN THE GOV-THAT RELIES HEAVILY ON THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THEIR UNIVERSITY? **Julie Jones** 

**GSU Student** 

### Reader disagrees with graduation decisions

commencement ceremonies for the first graduates of the year 2000. So, why are GSU administrators making a mess out of such a special event?

As of Friday, February 11, a and press release was sent to all facbo ulty and staff detailing com--zib mencement ceremonies for the May and August graduates. It formerly stated that there would be you one big stadium ceremony (replot placing the usual three traditionally held in Hanner).

This ceremony is expected to of walk at least 1,500 students within var approximately three hours. AusII gust graduates are now being told that they will have a "choice" to walk in either the May ceremony (without a degree) or to come t'a back for the December ceremony Type (approximately five months after receiving their degree).

Like fellow students, I don't

This May will bring about choice in this decision, especially with such an abrupt change in plans and without being properly notified as of yet.

> My biggest concern is not really what the administration has chosen to do about graduation, but how they chose to execute it.

> For example: Why is there such a hurry to enact these recent proposals concerning graduation? Why not wait until Fall 2000 to make such drastic changes in commencement ceremonies? Why are secretaries in the registrar's office turning away students with questions or concerns about graduation? And finally, if this decision has been in the making for a while, then why are graduation counselors still telling students that the summer graduation ceremony is scheduled for August 6, 2000?

Having a "single, 'more im-

feel like there was ever much of a pressive,' ceremony" sounds like a noble idea, but if this administration wants to compare itself to larger institutions of academia, then why don't they start with academics, professionalism and a more diplomatic process?

It's been said that this new plan is being used to accommodate the "growing number or graduates and their families," but in actuality, it seems to have been activated in order to cut down the cost, time, and energy that it takes to pull off the traditional graduation ceremonies.

As for the decisions that have been made for the graduating class of 2000, we may not have much of choice in this particular situation, but as future alumni, we will surely have a choice as to where our invest-

ments are made. **Latawsha Little GSU Senior** 

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### **Sinn Fein calls for restoration** of Northern Ireland government

The Associated Press

BELFAST, Northern Ireland -Britain has no reason to continue the four-party coalition alongside Sinn suspension of Northern Ireland's 5d) power-sharing administration, Sinn the IRA would start to disarm in -o: Fein leader Gerry Adams said Monday, as political leaders renewed their search for a way out of the impasse.

At a meeting with the British government's senior official in the province, Northern Ireland Secretary 10V Peter Mandelson, Adams urged Britain to immediately restore powers to the 12-member Cabinet, which in- about what has happened and I think cludes two members of the Irish Re- it created quite a shock to suspend publican Army-allied Sinn Fein the institutions, especially when

The Sinn Fein leader said the context in which Mandelson had reimposed so-called direct rule on Feb. v. 11 - a threatened walkout by the Cabinet's Protestant leader, David Trimble, and his Ulster Unionist col-.it .leagues - no longer existed.

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But after 1 1/2 hours with Mandelson, Adams and his col-Agadeagues came away empty-handed.

"I have to say ... we still have no indication whatsoever that he is going to restore those institutions or Marwhen that would happen," said Bairbre de Brun, Sinn Fein's minisand ter for health in the suspended administration.

Addressing a Sinn Fein conferburence Sunday, Adams said 1998's an independent disarmament commis-Good Friday peace accord appears sion said the IRA had failed to make -or to be "in tatters" following Britain's sufficient progress toward doing away til decision to withdraw powers from with its weaponry.

the administration.

Protestants agreed to form that Fein in December in expectation response, but that didn't happen.

Faced with a threat from the Ulster Unionists to resign their Cabinet posts, Mandelson decided the only way to save the 2-monthold government was to suspend its

"I know there is disappointment they were going so well," Mandelson told Ulster Television.

"But I think that what people are now agreed on is that the standing and shouting has got to end and people have got to concentrate on the reality of the situation rather than the rhetoric."

After meeting with Mandelson later Monday, Trimble said the suspension "can only be ended on the basis of the republican movement implementing the agreement."

The Good Friday agreement called for all paramilitary groups linked to parties to the accord to completely disarm by May 22, 2000, but set no timetable for the process.

The latest crisis arose Jan. 31 after

an idea whose time has come



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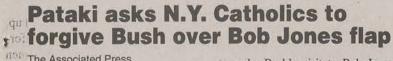
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The Associated Press

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Gov. George Pataki said Monday that George W. Bush's appearance at Bob Jones University was a mistake, but that the Texas governor had made amends with his letter to Cardinal John O'Connor.

A top New York Democrat, Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, agreed with Republican Pataki.

"Governor Bush did the right thing," Pataki, head of Bush's New York campaign, said. "I think that should be the end of it."

Moynihan, who held a brief news conference with Pataki in the senator's Capitol office, agreed that Bush's letter should put the matter to

"I thought it was a handsome letter," Moynihan, who is himself Roman as he sought to appeal to South Catholic, said.

New York backers of Sen. McCain, including Staten Island Borough President Guy Molinari, have said they plan

to make Bush's visit to Bob Jones University an issue with New York's Catholic voters who make up 46 percent of the GOP enrollment in the state.

Bob Jones, a conservative Christian school in South Carolina, has come under fire for banning interracial dating and spreading anti-Catholic views. Leaders at the school have criticized the Pope and labeled the Catholic church a "Satanic cult."

In his letter to O'Connor, made public Sunday, Bush wrote that he deeply regretted "causing needless offense" by not clearly "disassociating myself from anti-Catholic sentiments and racial prejudice."

The 80-year-old O'Connor wields considerable power as leader of New York's 1.4 million Catholics.

Bush made the visit to Bob Jones Carolina's conservative Republican voters. Until Sunday's letter to the cardinal, Bush had said he had nothing to apologize for.





### **Eagles ready for SoCon Tourney**

**By Doug Kidd** 

It's the beginning of March and rarely has a conference tournament been as eagerly awaited by a GSU basketball program than this weekend's SoCon tourney. After going six consecutive years without a winning season, head coach Jeff Price has stepped in to lead the Eagle basketball program to a 16-11 record and a second-place finish in the SoCon's South Division. GSU secured a first-round bye in this weekend's tournament by beating Wofford 80-77 two weeks ago.

"[The bye] was crucial because it's tough to win four games in four days," Price said. "We get to rest an extra day plus we get to scout the team who we're going to play. There are a lot of advantages of sitting [out the first round].'

After not advancing past the second round of a conference tournament since the last time GSU made the NCAA's in 1992, getting the first-round bye was the first step in the Eagles goal of making the field of 64. "We're playing well right now and that's what important," Price said. "We proved that with [the road win at Davidson]. We've shown people we're capable of winning the tournament."

If GSU is to make the NCAA's, five things must happen this weekend in Greenville. If everything goes as follows GSU will be assured of making its fourth overall appearance in the NCAA tournament.

1.) Bench production is a key. Every team making a run to the NCAA's needs quality minutes from their bench and GSU will be no exception. Thoroughly outplayed at the start of the year, GSU has come on strong the last month of the season, particularly in their last game at Davidson when the bench contributed with a season-high 43 points.

"I think [the bench's play] is huge going into the tournament," said Price. "I think our bench has more confidence right now and I have more confidence in my bench." The bench's resurgence started with the insertion of senior Quentin Martin into the starting lineup for Todd Shipley. The switch of the defensive-minded Martin for the three-point gunner Shipley has bolstered the team's scoring punch off the bench, with Shipley's perimeter play being the key. The surprise of the season's final month has been the play of sophomore Wayne Wooley. After being buried deep on Price's bench for much of the year, Wooley has responded to his recent playing time enthusiastically, adding scoring to his repertoire that once only included a highenergy hustle game.

2.) The team's leaders must step up. With all good teams, there must be a strong leadership figure on the court. For GSU, it's without a doubt senior forward Hamp Jones. With no other upper-classmen as go-to-guys for GSU, Jones' productivity in the post and leadership on the floor are certain to be a key for GSU this

3.) A little outside luck wouldn't hurt at all. With GSU 0-3 against the team's seeded higher than they are, College of Charleston and Appalachian State, an unexpected upset would certainly ease the load for the Eagles advancement through the tournament. For C of C, recent slip-ups against UTC and Western Carolina build hope for possible second-round opponents East Tennessee State and The Citadel. And Appalachian State might have had the most embarrassing defeat in the SoCon this season when they became VMI's only victim in conference play.

4.) Consistency from the team, particularly its starters, will be a major factor for GSU. A problem GSU has had throughout the season has been the absence of putting together a complete game. If the Eagles can get Jenkins, Jones and Latham to score around their averages and have Slocum, Humphries, Shipley and Wooley play their roles to perfection, GSU will have no problem winning the SoCon tournament. But this assumption is the biggest if of all because GSU has yet to play a game where everyone played to their capability. Inconsistency, both offensively and defensively, have led to most of GSU's defeats

5.) Jeff Price must control the game for GSU. This final point is the most important for the men's basketball program. If Price can continue to do what he has done for GSU most of the season, GSU will find itself on ESPN Sunday afternoon in the championship game. By recognizing who has the hot hand, playing the mismatches on the other team and by stemming the momentum of the other squad by calling timely time-outs, Price will have GSU basketball fans forgetting about all the hopeless Marches of the past.

# Eagles seeded second in the southern bracket

Senior forward Hamp Jones and the rest of the GSU squad ready to prove their talent

By Doug Kidd Sports Writer

GSU head coach Jeff Price couldn't ask for a better situation heading into this weekend's SoCon tournament. Coming off a close win against a tough Davidson squad on the road and after a tight overtime win against Wofford to sew up a first-round bye in the tourney, Price couldn't be happier. "I thought it was good for us to get into a couple of close games before the tournament. We had to work on some things, but for the most part we made things happen down the stretch."

Snorts

GSU's first game Friday will come against the winner of the UNC-Greensboro-Furman contest. GSU split its two-game series with Furman while beating UNC-Greensboro earlier this season. UNC-Greensboro is led by senior Demetrius Cherry who is tenth in the SoCon in scoring at 14.1 ppg and first in rebounding at 9.5 per game. Cherry is helped out on the scoring end by James Maye who contributes 13.4 points per contest. Sophomore point guard Courtney Eldridge directs the offense capably while dishing out 5.2 assists per game, good for third in the conference.

Furman, who struggled this season at 12-17 overall, finished last in the SoCon's South division with a 5-10 conference record. Despite the disappointing year, the future looks bright for the Paladins as they are led by two freshmen: Karim Souchu and Guilherme Da Luz. Souchu, an all-freshman squad selection, finished in the top ten in three major categories with 16 points, 7.5 boards and 1.65 steals per game. Da Luz is sixth in the SoCon with nearly five assists per

outing.

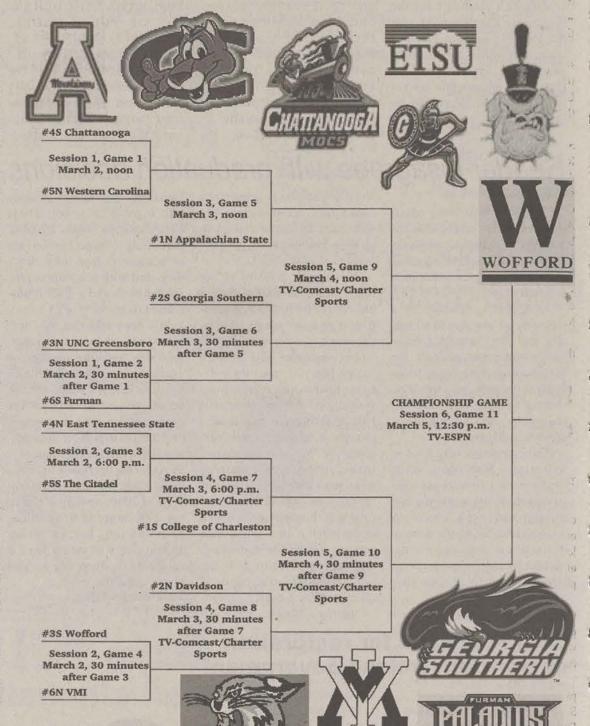
A GSU win Friday would set up a noon-time contest against the Appalachian State-UTC/Western Carolina winner. The Mountaineer squad is heavily favored, as they should be, with a 20-8 overall record and the number one seed out of the North Division. Led by Buzz Peterson, who won his second SoCon coach of the year award in the past three seasons, plus the SoCon's MVP in point guard Tyson Patterson. Patterson led the league in assists and steals with 7.2 and 2.8 respectively, while also adding 13.5 ppg. Patterson is assisted by junior Rufus Leach who finished third in the league with 16.8 ppg. Leach is also a threat from the outside, as he led the SoCon with a 44 percent three-point percentage.

The favorites from the other side of the bracket would have to be the College of Charleston and Davidson. Charleston, the overall favorite to win the SoCon tournament and advance to the NCAA's, beat GSU soundly in two meetings

C of C is led by junior center Jody Lumpkin at 15.1 points, 9.1 rebounds, 1.7 steals and a SoConbest 3.1 blocks per outing. Sophomore guard Jeff Bolton leads the Cougars with 16.5 ppg. Freshman point guard AJ Harris dishes out four assists per game.

Davidson, the other squad receiving a first-round bye in the SoCon Tournament, is led by seniors Stephan Marshall and Landry Kosmalski with a respectable 16 and 14 points per game.

"We're playing really well going into the tournament and that's good," said senior forward Hamp Jones. "I think we're ready to show what we



#### #4 UNC Greensboro Game 3 March 3, 11:00 a.m. #5 Appalachian State Game 7 March 4, 6:00 p.m. TV-Comcast/Charter #1 Chattanooga Sports Game 4 March 3, 30 minutes #8 Western Carolina after Game 3 Game 1 March 2, 5:00 p.m. #9 Wofford CHAMPIONSHIP GAME Game 9 March 5, 3:30 p.m. #7 Davidson TV-FOX Sports Net South Game 2 March 2, 30 minutes after Game 1 #10 College of Charleston Game 5 March 3, 5:00 p.m. #2 Furman Game 8 March 4, 30 minutes after Game 7 #3 East Tennessee State TV-Comcast/Charter Sports Game 6 March 3, 30 minutes after Game 5 #6 Georgia Southern The

# **Lady Eagles** seeded sixth bracket

G-A News Services

GREENVILLE, S.C - All ten seeds for the Women's Championship have been determined with Furman defeating GSU in the final game of the regular season. The loss dropped GSU to the sixth seed and left Appalachian State as the #5 seed.

The Women's Championship starts on Thursday at 5 p.m. at Timmons Arena with #8 Western Carolina facing #9 Wofford. The second game will feature #7 Davidson against #10 College of Charleston.

Greensboro will face the #5 seed, Appalachian State at 11 a.m. Following that game, #1 Chattanooga will face the winner of Western Carolina and Wofford.

The evening session begins at 5:00 with #2 Furman meeting the Davidson-College of Charleston victor. The night cap has #3 East Tennessee State facing the #6 seed GSU.

The women's tournament moves to the BI-LO Center on Friday with the semifinals at 6 p.m. on Saturday and the title game slated for 3:30 on On Friday at Timmons, #4 UNC Sunday, March 5.

George-Anne staff wishes the Lady Eagles best of luck in Greenville,

### **Tondra Warren selected** to All-Conference Team



Luke Renfroe

G-A News Service

ASHEVILLE, N.C.- The Southern Conference announced the 2000 Women's Basketball All-Conference Team, voted on

by a panel of conference coaches. There are four repeat members on the squad, highlighted by forward Jackie Smith of Furman, guard Jennifer O'Brien of Davidson and guard Angie Fickes of East Tennessee State, all of who have been members of the team in each of the last two years. Guard ChoRhonda Gwaltney of UNC Greenboro is a repeat member from the 1999 team.

Making their first appearances on the team are center Erica Babb from East Tennessee State, forward Natasha Lettsome from Appalachian State, guard Damita Bullock of Chattanooga, forward Tondra Warren of Georgia Southern, forward Laura Echols of Western Carolina and center Willow Russell, also of WCU.

East Tennessee State and Western Carolina were represented by two players each. ETSU placed Fickes and center Erica Babb on the squad while the Lady

Catamounts landed Echols and Russell on the team.

Two-time Player of the Year 1 1 Smith, who leads the league in both scoring (18.7 ppg) and rebounding (11.0 rpg), is joined on 1 the squad by this year's Player of the Year, Bullock. Bullock is second in the SoCon in scoring, averaging 18.4 ppg, and second on her team in rebounding with 6.7

Babb, a two-time conference Player of the Week, is fifth in the league in scoring with 14.7 ppg and second in the SoCon in rebounding, pulling down 8.3 per game. Her ETSU teammate Fickes has been a sparkplug for the Lady Bucs, ranking first in assist/turnover ratio with 1.79, second in the conference in steals with 2.76 per game and fifth in the league in assists with 4.16 per

WCU's Echols is fourth in the league in scoring and sixth in rebounding, averaging 16.4 points and 7.4 boards per game. Her teammate Russell has similar statistics, coming in sixth and fourth in those same categories with 14. 3 points and 8.0 rebounds a contest. Appalachian State's Lettsome also ranks high in \$ SoCon scoring and rebounding ranks, coming in seventh in scoring with 13.8 ppg and fifth in 1 rebounding with 7.8 per game.

Davidson's O'Brien may be the most complete player in the league, ranking third in the SoCon in scoring with 17.7 ppg, first in assists with 5.4 per game and first in steals with 4.1 per game.

UNCG's Gwaltney is also a solid all-around performer, ranking among the conference's elite in scoring, assists, steals and free throw percentage.

GSU's Warren in tenth in the \$ conference in rebounding with 7.1 per game and averages 11.3 points per game.



# In other GSU sports

**MEN'S TENNIS** 

G-A News Service

BIRNINGHAM, Ala. - Senior Kendall Swartz won a close three-set match at number one singles to give GSU a 4-3 win over Memphis. It was the third win in the last four matches for the Eagles (4-6).

After losing 6-3 in the first set, Swartz came back to win the next two sets, 7-6, 7-5, over UM's Richard Magney, sealing the win for GSU.

In setting the stage for Swartz's clinching victory, Ryan O'Keefe and Jesper Andersson won their respective singles matches in two sets. O'Keefe defeated the Tigers' Alistair Todd 6-3, 6-3 at number two singles for his third consecutive win. Andersson, bumped up to the number five singles slot for this match, won a tight 7-6, 6-4 match against 1 Memphis's Jack Hu.

GSU earned the first point of the contest in doubles, getting

9-8 victories from the team of Florian Scheidat and Darren Clark at number two, and the tandem of Wojciech Nowak and Jesper Andersson at third doubles. Swartz and O'Keefe rounded out the doubles point for Georgia Southern with their 8-4 victory.

The Eagles will be back in action on March 1 at 2:45 p.m., against Charleston Southern, at Hanner Courts.

#### TRACK AND FIELD

G-A News Service

JOHNSON CITY, Tenn. -Jacquelyn Allen wrapped up her freshman indoor track and field season in record-breaking fashion, leading GSU to a fourthplace in its initial Southern Conference Track and Field Championships. Western Carolina won the eight team meet with

145.5 points.

After shattering the school's long jump record in Friday's competition, Allen earned a third-place finish in the 55meter dash on Saturday, with a time of 7.19, edging out the previous school record by .01 seconds. Allen also placed sixth in the 200 meters, giving her 13 of GSU's 30 points in the meet, placing Allen 15th in overall points earned by an individual.

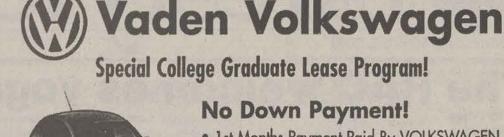
Freshman Jennifer McCalla gave the Eagles their second top-three (fourth overall) finish of the day, taking third in the 55 meter high hurdles. McCalla's time of 8.49 beat her previous best and school record by .31 seconds.

Other individuals earning points for GSU were Keyonia Allen, placing fifth in the 55 meter dash, and Monica Lockett with a sixth-place finish in the triple jump.

Additionally, the GSU 4X400 relay team earned a sixth place finish in a time of 4:10.69. GSU is scheduled to begin its outdoor season March 4 at the Jacksonville University Relays.

Look for Southern Conference Tournament coverage the Monday's edition of The George-

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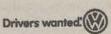
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### Strawberry suspended one year for cocaine use

The Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. - A third strike for cocaine landed Darryl Strawberry a one-year suspension Monday, and left the New York Yankees and most of baseball wondering: Will he ever play again?

Commissioner Bud Selig imposed the penalty and did not make any provision for the troubled slugger, who turns 38 next month, to return early for good behavior.

"This was a very difficult and painful decision for me to make," Selig said. "The meeting I had with Darryl and his wife, Charisse, last Tuesday was an emotional experience for all of us. I had no doubt that his remorse and sorrow were genuine, and I worried about the effect my decision would have on his health and the welfare of his family.

"In the end, I could not ignore Darryl's past infractions and concluded that each of us must be held

accountable for his or her actions. I am hopeful that he will use this time away from the game productively and will care for himself and his family."

Strawberry has not been at Legends Field since baseball ordered him out of the spring training complex last Wednesday, a day after his latest failed drug test became public.

> His pinstriped uniform still hangs in his clubhouse locker, along with a batting helmet and spikes. There's also a stack of mail, though there's no telling when he'll ever get to pick

Strawberry, an eight-time All-Star, had been expected to be the prime designated hitter for the twotime World Series champions this season. Instead, his third cocaine-Y related suspension from baseball in five years left his future in doubt.

"Bud just told me," Yankees 1 owner George Steinbrenner said when he left the ballpark after an intrasquad game. "We will abide by the decision. I feel badly for Darryl. My hopes and prayers are that he can do the things he needs to do to get his life in order."

Said manager Joe Torre, shortly before the penalty was made public: "You don't have to condone what he's done to have a feeling for him. He's not a bad person.

"I think you're always concerned. f Obviously, it's a tough thing he's going through. He's fallen off here a couple of times," he said.

"Sure, it's easy to say he's suspended. But what happens to him

during this time?" Strawberry is a career .259 hitter with 335 home runs and 1,000 RBIs, and a legacy of tape-measure shots. The NL Rookie of the Year with the New York Mets in 1983, his power seemed to have him headed to the

Hall of Fame early in his career before multiple setbacks.

Legal trouble slowed him while drug and alcohol problems almost derailed him. He had stays in the Smithers Center and the Betty Ford Center and then, during the 1998 playoffs, he was diagnosed with colon cancer.

Strawberry returned last season and hit .327 with three homers and six RBIs in 24 games. He hit .333 (5for-15) with two home runs in the postseason, showing the easy swing that made him so dangerous.

The Yankees now must decide how to fill the left-handed DH spot Strawberry was supposed to occupy. Chili Davis, the team's top designated hitter last season, has retired.

Yankees DHs hit a combined .275 with 23 home runs and 84 RBIs last

"I'm not in a reactionary mode because of Darryl's suspension," general manager Brian Cashman said.

"Do I think we have the bats on our roster to at least duplicate that? Yes, I do."

Torre has talked about using Tino Martinez, Bernie Williams, Paul O'Neill and Jorge Posada in the slot during their off-days, and Tim Raines is back in camp as a non-roster player.

There's also the chance the Yankees might make a deal. In fact, the front office began discussing trade possibilities once Strawberry's problem became

Anaheim's Darin Erstad and Jim Edmonds and Cincinnati's Dmitri Young are among the players rumored to move.

"There's always going to be speculation," Cashman said. "If something presents itself that would help improve the team, we'll look at

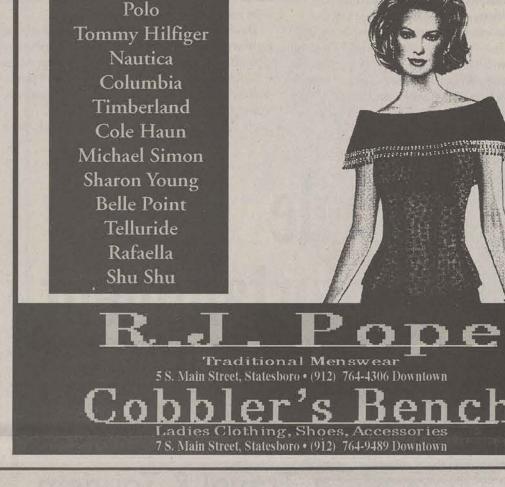
Strawberry's options, however, are more limited. He could perhaps return to the independent Northern League, where he played for two months in the summer of 1996.

Strawberry was suspended in 1995 for 60 days following a positive test for cocaine use. In 1999, Selig banned him again from April 24 to Aug. 4 after Strawberry was arrested for cocaine possession and soliciting a prostitute.

Strawberry later pleased no contest to the charges and was undergoing regular drug tests as part of his legal punishment. His Jan. 19 test came back positive and led to the latest penalty.

Given Strawberry's age, it's unclear if he ever will return to the game that made him famous.

"It's sad," Yankees outfielder Ricky Ledee said before the announcement. "Being older, if it's a one-year suspension, my guess is it would be tough."









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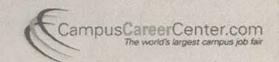
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# he RAC welcomes yoga

Classes, studying, tests, socials and parties. While some of these are more enjoyable than others, balancing them can be extremely successful. "Breathe into your ribcage... and then exhale it all out," yoga instructor Mia Blackwell repeats to her GSU yoga classes. As the world becomes a more stressful place to live, there is one certain way to release some of the unwanted strain: yoga.

Monday night, yoga began at the RAC for all people interested in loosening their minds and bodies. The combination of breathing exercises, physical postures and meditation make up the Indian developed psycho-physical practice. Nearly 5,000 years old, yoga tones the muscles, enhances blood flow, improves concentration, encourages healthful living (which in turn encourages weight loss), and even acts as a remedy to many minor aches and pains.

The classes are held on Monday and Tuesday nights at 7:30, and on Thursday nights at 5:30, CRI's yoga classes should become even more popular than they are right now. People of all ages attended the session and seemed to adjust to the stretches equally as well. Gaining more participants through the publicity it has received on television, radio, and in books, the natural healing mind and stretching exercises should continue to be a hit with GSU students, and will probably last for a long time.

"There has been a lot of demand for [yoga]" here at GSU, according to yoga coordinator Katie Simmons. People all over the world are grasping yoga for its physical and psychological benefits, and GSU students are no exception.

The word yoga means "unity" and the goal of yoga practitioners is to obtain unity of the physical self and the Eagle Entertainment Event Hotline - 681-5442 • Eagle Entertainment Connection"

Travel & Tourism Feed the Homeless in Savannah Saturday, Feb. 26 Signup in Rm# 2022 The word yoga means "unity" and the goal of yoga practitioners is to obtain unity of the physical self and the

psychological self, a state often referred to as nirvana or selfrealization. "Yoga used to be for men only and for some people it is a very spiritual practice," instructor Blackwell said. "Here in America, you have to gear it for fitness." Blackwell says that she is trying to balance the spiritual and fitness aspects properly.

Monday's class was composed of many stretches of the spine and neck that revolved around a central stretch Blackwell called the "Cat and Cow." Done on your hands and knees, the graceful "Cat and Cow" involves the stretching the spine and neck in opposite directions while inhaling and exhaling.

"It was very relaxing, but hard," yoga participant Natasha Peek said. "You don't realize how many muscles you have until you use them all." Male and female students are using yoga to stretch strengthen and relax their muscles. By enhancing the strength and flexibility of the spinal column, yoga ensures the nerves of the essential nutrients and oxygen, meanwhile increas-

After nearly an hour of muscle and breathing exercises, the students were told to lie on their backs and relax completely. "Feel all of your muscles dropping down, becoming heavy and soft, and releasing tension," Blackwell gently repeated as the participants lied with their eyes closed. The relaxation seemed to flow throughout the room, as the only sound was that of deep breathing.

Do you feel that you need a little stress relief and physical health in your life? Yoga seems to please everyone who tries it, regardless of age or gender. Try CRI's new yoga classes at the RAC. The hour-long classes only allow 19 participants each time, so it is necessary to arrive early to grab your

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Museums honor black history and contributions

The Sankofa African-American Museum on Wheels was on display in the Russell Union Ballroom Monday. From 11a.m. to 4 p.m. students, faculty, and guests viewed the exhibit that recognized the history of African Americans. The museum has been around for the past ten years. It was started by its curator, Angela W. Jennings, in order to make people more aware of the history and culture of

African-Americans. "My nephew was a straight A student in the 10th grade," Jennings said. "I gave him a black history test on the sixth grade level and he failed it. I knew that I had to do something to help him learn about African American history and culture."

What started out as a response to help her nephew has grown into a constant traveling exhibit all over the nation. Jennings, who is from South Carolina, is always on the road taking her many displays with her. She said that she has visited more than 20 schools in the month of February alone. She travels to all types of schools, whether they are high schools or colleges. This is the first time her museum has been on display at GSU.

Basically, it is a one-person show for Jennings, even though she has some help. She just said that she would rather handle her own displays because many of them are very authentic, such as actual "Col-

The Sankofa African-American Museum on Wheels was on display Monday. The exhibit recognized the history and culture of African Americans.

ored Only" signs from the segregated south of the 1930s or chains and shackles that were used on slaves back in the nineteenth century.

The museum has a little bit of everything. There were displays recognizing African American history as well as the cultures. Several tools, masks and games were on display. She also had displays honoring many prominent African Americans including Malcolm X and Martin Luther King Jr., to Satchel Paige, the oldest pro baseball player to be named Rookie of the Year and The Tuskeegee

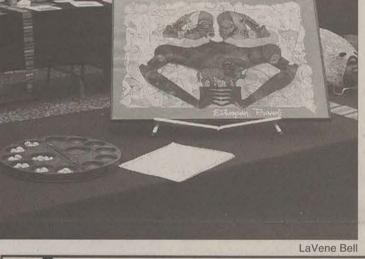
Airmen, a group of fighter pilots who assisted bombers on their missions. There is an interesting fact about the Airmen. Of all the missions they flew, they never lost a single bomber.

But perhaps the most interesting display the museum has is an exhibit that lists all the various types of inventions that are attributed to African Americans. Many of the daily possessions that people use such as the toilet, cell phone, fountain pen, doorknob, lawn mower, clothes dryer, soap, wrench and window cleaner were all invented by African Americans. The spoon and fork were invented by Africans back around 1,500,000 B.C. The stethoscope was also invented by Africans in Egypt, before it was modified to its present form.

"I try to make it eclectic," Jennings said. "You can just learn, learn, learn."

Jennings said that every year she adds something new to the exhibit. Sankofa means "Go back and fetch" and that sums up what Jennings has done. She has put 4 together a museum that is both amusing, interesting, and very educating.

"I think it's wonderful," Marita Dingus, a professor in the art department said. "She brings it to the people. I love it. It's perfect."



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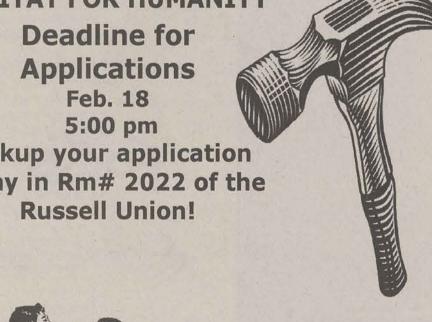
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"He has high energy and he

beats the opposing team's mascot. He knows how to

work with the crowd."

Cass Brannan

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"He's kind of mysterious; you don't know who he is."

Mandy Johnson

freshman, marketing major



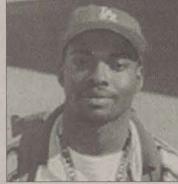
"He's always enthused. He has the tendency to go in the bleachers and dance with the crowd."

Anjulique Washington
senior, family and child
development



"He's so outgoing. He likes to play and have fun. He's entertaining."

Shionna Kornelson sophomore, broadcasting



"It's an American symbol.
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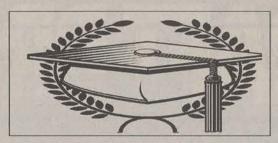
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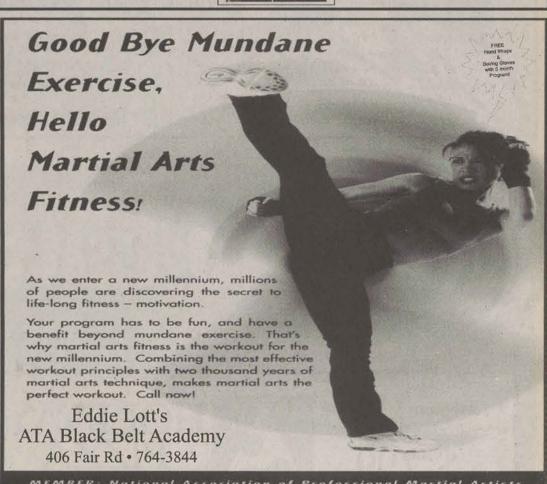
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## The "smart" wrestling fans were right!

**By Michael Russo** 

waiting to find out who will headline the biggest pay-per-view extravaganza of all time, Wrestle Mania 2000. Many believed that after the Royal Rumble, this question would be answered, while many "smart" wrestling fans knew that the WWF would drag this question out as long as they possibly could. Well, in this instance, the "smart" wrestling fans were right. But I think it's safe to say that they were wrong in predicting the outcomes of two of the biggest matches at No Way Out this past Sunday.

Who would have thought that The Rock would have lost his match to the seven foot two, 500-pound Big Show? Furthermore, who would have guessed that Shane McMahon would return, let alone align himself with the "true" winner of this year's Royal Rumble? And what about Cactus Jack? His loss to The Game at Hell in a Cell has left him out of the main event entirely, which means as of now, Triple H is scheduled to face the only man in WWF history not to get a rematch after losing the WWF Championship, the Big Show.

Is this it? Is this the main event we've all been waiting for for two months? The Big Show versus Triple H? Where does this leave the People's Champion? In a steel cage match with Shane McMahon?

It's an idea the World Wrestling Federation seems to be currently testing, and one For months, WWF fans have been I might add, that will disappoint the millions and millions of The Rock's fans.

Don't get me wrong. Not only would this match be highly entertaining, but the story leading up this confrontation would be entertaining as well. But in this case, a match like this set up at Wrestle Mania would only take away from the main event. Not because this match would be better than the Triple H/Big Show confrontation, but because it would exclude The Rock from the main event.

As much as "smart" wrestling fans would like to refuse to believe, the main event at Wrestle Mania could very well be Triple H versus the Big Show. The event has all the makings of a great main event. (Other than the fact that many believe The Rock is more deserving of a title shot than the Big Show.)

Think about it. Now that Shane McMahon has returned, what we have here is a brother and sister rivalry. Stephanie will of course be pulling for her husband Hunter and Shane O' Mack will be pulling for the Big Show. That alone makes the main event more interesting than a simple confrontation between two Superstars. You don't think both McMahons will do anything and everything while standing at ringside to make sure their investment wins? Come on! They're McMahons!

Furthermore, what we have here are two tremendous athletes, who have come very far in their careers, and deserve to headline such an event as Wrestle Mania. I think few would argue that Triple H has earned his spot at this year's biggest payper-view, but many don't think the Big Show is quite worthy of being apart of the

main event quite yet. Why is this? Because he doesn't make the fans laugh by making fun of or imitating other Superstars? Is it because the largest athlete in the world moves a little slower than say a 275-pound Rock? I don't think that's the case. If it is, then you're certainly not being fair to Paul

Can the Big Show do this? Well, he certainly is getting more of a fan reaction than he was before his altercation with The Rock. But does this mean he has that ever so important element that every main "eventer" must have? Not really. But it does mean he has the potential. And potential is everything is this business.

So what does all this mean? It means the WWF can very well keep its fans watching and hoping every Monday or Thursday that The Rock is given an opportunity to face The Game at Wrestle Mania, all the while the WWF's ratings improve. It also means that after April 2, a man with a tremendous amount of potential may become the WWF's newest true main "eventer."

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#### 20 Announcements

TUTUORING AVAIL wide variety of subjects \$7 /hr minimum. Call Kathryn at 587-9518

KAPPA DELTA'S First Annual White Rose Pageant. Ages 1-12. For Application call 871-5193. Deadline is March st. Pageant is

ATTENTION SENIORS Remember to take your cap and gown pictures. For more information call 871-6735.

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### **40 Autos for Sale**

HONDA ACCORD '84 Hatchback runs well needs body work. \$400 obo call Mike at 681-

CUTLASS CALAIS, 2 door, auto trans, runs good, looks good, \$1000. Call Carey at 871-1954 daytime and 871-6843 after 6pm.

FODR ASPIRE 1996. Emerals green, 2 door, 5 speed, excellent condition. 89,000 miles. \$3,900 O.B.O. Call 912 852-5162. Ask for Wendy or Elizabeth.

MUST SELL 1992 Toyota Tercel White exterior, dark interior, two door, clutch, great condition. \$500 + take over payments or \$5,000. Cost is negotiable. Call 764-2628

1987 Pontiac Fiero- New black paint job! New computer chip. Runs well. No prob-lems. \$1,500 or best offer. Call Dan at 912 871-4810 MITSUBISHI ECLIPSE GST Like New!

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SCHWINN S-20 full suspension for sale. Brand new rode twice \$800 obo. Call 871-5893 ask for Jerry or leave a message

#### 80 Computers & Software

PENTIUM 125 Processor with monitor, key-board, mouse, and speakers. 72 RAM, 10GIG harddrive 33.6 modern. Need to sell.

FOR SALE like new Packard Bell Computer everything except printer and scanner. \$1500 OBO If no answer leave message.

### 90 Education

#### FUN & STUFF Visit our Web site for list of things to do that are educa-

tional and fun. On-line at http:// www.stp.gasou.edu/funstuff/

#### 120 Furniture & **Appliances**

SOFA, loveseat, chari and tables for sale! Must sell. No later than May 15th! Good condtion. Call 871-7948 today!

LAZY BOY Recliner x2 rust red color perfect color condition 4 yrs. old. It's a steal!! \$200 set. Call 764-9190

QUEEN-SIZED sleeper sofa, matching chair and ottoman; 6' bar and 2 bar stools. All good condition. 489-5253, leave mes-

### 130 Garage Sales

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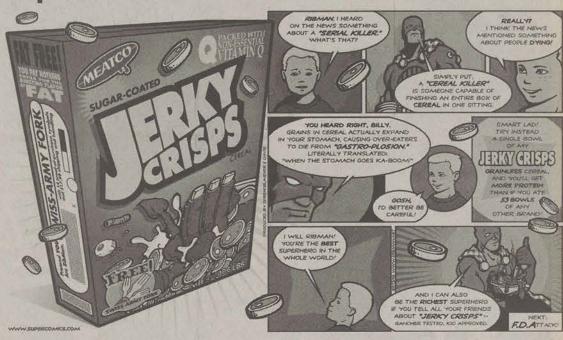
gy is having a yard sale! When: Sat., March 4th 8am-1pm Where: Sweetheart Circle (Please come!! or if you have anything to donate call Sarah 871-6619)

140 Help Wanted

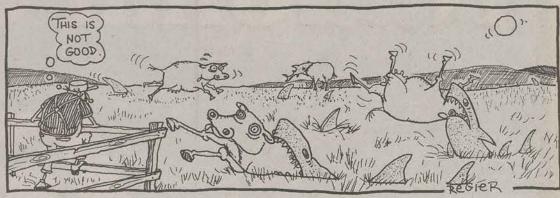
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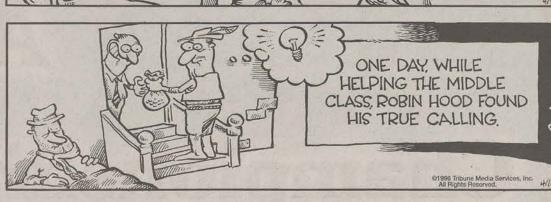


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filled.

THE STATESBORO- Bulloch County Parks and Recreation Department is now taking applications for a part-time Concessions Manager. This position calls for a minimum of 25 hours per week, and up to 40 hours per week during peak times. This applicant should be mature and highly motivated. Duties include inventory control, ordering concessions items, hiring staff, overseeing a staff of approximately 25 people, being in charge of all daily money operations, being able to cook short orders, keep all concession areas very clean, and assigning staff hours to work. Interested persons should apply in person at the Honey Bowen Building on Fair Road. Salary: \$6.00-\$7.50 per hour. Deadline: Open until position is filled.

LIFEGUARDS and beach vendors needed in North Myrtle Beach for the summer sea-son. Will train, no expereience necessary! Fill out application at www.nsbslife-guards.com EMAIL-dudes@nsbslifeguards.com or call 843-272-3259

RESIDENT MANAGER GSU Upward Bound seeks Resident Manager for summer. Experience, Bachelors. \$2000. Apply: Williams Center 1026 or 681-5458 by March

### 180 Musical

PUNK KID seeking other Punk Kids to form a Punk Band. I play bass. Call 489-2324 and ask for Mike. Save the whales.

### 200 Pets & Supplies

LOOKING FOR models for photography portfolio. Girls and guys for exchange of

Asking \$50 per bird. Call 842-2504. If there is no answer leave a message.

ANIMAL LOVERS Burmese Python and Savannah Monitor with cage for sale. If in-terested call Eric at 871-5303

210 Photography

### photos. Think you look good enough why not try? Call now 688-3049.

**Estate** WANTED ROOMMATE for 2 bed, 1 bath apart. in Eagle's Nest \$225/mo + 1/2 utl.

220 Rentals & Real

sublease, 681-6633 DO YOU need an apartment for the summer? Bedroom in 2 bed fully furnished apt. \$257.50/mo + 1/2 utl. For more information 871-7501 male or female & Rent is neg.

Seasons Apart.

PERFECT ONE bedroom apartment w/ca-ble available end of May. \$300/month and \$300 deposit. Pets welcome. Call 489-1083. ROOMMATE NEEDED to share two bedroom apartment in Players Club. Must be responsible and non smoking contact Crisresponsible a tin 681-9954

NEED SOMEONE to sublease large, fur-picked one bedroom apartment in Varsity nished one bedroom apartment in Varsity Lodge, \$360 per month. Avail mid May. For details call 871-3778. Dont wanna miss out.

APARTMENTS AND houses for rent. Available in August. No pets. James Hood, 764-6076, Visit Website http://www2.gasou.edu/facstaff/jhood/ for information on housing ordinance.

SUBLEASE APARTMENT Immediately. Fully furnished, spacious kitchen with new dishwasher. Great price, Must sublease now! Call 912 681-9986

SUBLEASE FOR summer Towne Club private room /bath \$250 1/4 utl, avail mid May 681-3155 females please.

SUBLEASE PRIVATE bedroom, private bathroom, private phone, for summer in Statesboro Place. Fully furnished \$285 +1/4 utl. Free May rent! Please call: 486-3355

### 230 Roommates

MALE ROOMMATE neede to sublease Players Club Apt. now through August own bedroom and bath 1/2 utl. call 871-3702 QUIET, RESPONSIBLE Roommate need-

ed for fall 2000. \$175 plus electric. Water included, Private bedroom and bath. Please call Allison at 541-0886 leave message. FEMALE ROOMMATE needed no deposit, \$225 per month + 1/3 utl. House on Herty Drive. Own room. W/D call 681-2092 or 754-3515 and leave message.

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SPRING BREAK 2000 Panama City Beach, Daytona Beach FL, Oceanfront hotels and condos. Hottest pool parties, lowest prices! 800-575-2026.

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### 310 Wanted

TUTOR-COUNSELORS (4) GSU Upward Bound seeks Counselors for summer: Experience, 2.3 GPA, Sophomore. \$1600+. No Summer School: Williams Cen-ter 1026 or 681-5458 by March 30th.

### RIDE NEEDED to Miami, Fort Laud., West Palm on March 10th. Will pay for all Gas! Please call me at 681-1015

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