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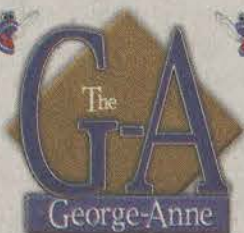
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Today's Weather



Partly cloudy
with a high of
60° F and a low
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Only in America

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FILM FESTIVAL

- An international film festival to be held in COBA on Mar. 5-7.

SOFTBALL

- GSU to host a doubleheader against Mercer and Jacksonville St. today at 3 and 5 p.m.

HIDDEN PROTEST: Georgene Bess sheds 'unconventional' light on Zora Neale Hurston's 'Their Eyes Were Watching God'

By Todd Jewell
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Sometimes criticism only emphasizes the protest of what is being criticized.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. hosted a presentation on Zora Neale Hurston last Tuesday evening. The speaker was Georgene Bess from Spelman College in Atlanta. Bess is also an assistant professor here at Georgia Southern in the Writing and Linguistics department.

The topic of Bess's speech was about Hurston's "Their Eyes Were Watching God." Bess wanted to show her "unconventional" viewpoint of the novel being that of protest.

When Hurston's novel first came out it was met with harsh criticism because it confirmed some of the stereotypes of black life. The novel showed "the black side of black life" according to Bess.

In Bess's eyes people failed to see the novel as a protest novel and instead just took it as a novel portraying a women's struggle for freedom.

"Their Eyes Were Watching God" is about a black woman named Janie who sees herself in the mirror and asks, "Where is me?" All Janie saw was a little black girl, she did not recognize that little black girl as being who she was. Janie goes through her life searching for her voice, her identity. Janie is forced into mar-

riage, beaten, and not allowed to speak back to her husbands.

Bess feels that the protest is manifested in criticism. The criticisms are of "racism, sexism, and silenceism." The racism can be seen from the town being all black and from the laughs of people when a black man decides he wants to own land. When the hurricane hits the area all the dead white men get put in coffins while the dead black men just get quicklime thrown on them.

The sexism of Janie is shown from her being continuously put down by her husbands. Janie gets beat repeatedly by her husbands and the husband is regarded highly among the other black males because they can see the marks he made on Janie. "She's a woman and her place is in the home." Janie is a prized possession, but not a wife.

Hurston silences Janie in the courtroom and whenever else she might be shown as being intelligent. The narrator tells of reactions by people to what Janie says and that Janie talks, but Janie herself isn't actually speaking in these instances.

After her speech, Bess opened up the forum to questions and comments followed by chips, drinks, and donuts in the lobby.

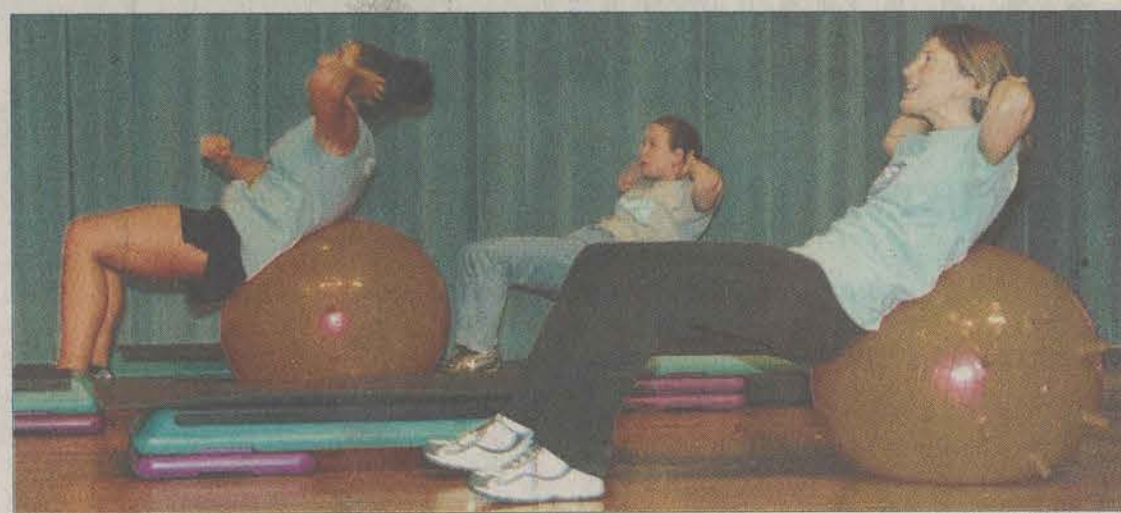
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. would like to thank Georgene Bess, the Multicultural Student Center, Georg Lewis, and the Russell Union for helping make this event possible.



Internet Photos

'TEA FOR Z': Zora Neale Hurston's 'Their Eyes Were Watching God' is often criticized for stereotyping blacks, but Georgene Bess says otherwise.

Nearly 1,000 people attend 2002 Wellness Event



LaVene Bell/STAFF

DO YOU REALLY WANT TO KNOW?: Students and faculty packed the Russell Union Ballroom Tuesday to find out what kind of shape they are in. Various workouts and tests were used to determine people's health.

By Angela Jones
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"It's always good to visit wellness fairs," said nursing student Aquintha Chapple. "I think it's a good idea, because it lets you know where you stand on the health continuum."

Nearly 1,000 faculty, students and staff came to the Russell Union Ballroom on Feb. 26 between 9 a.m. and

4 p.m. to find out where they were on the health continuum, and to win various door prizes and pick up goodie bags at the 2002 Wellness Event.

The annual event was sponsored by the University Wellness Council. Next year's event is scheduled for November.

"The focus of this year's event is

to highlight the agencies and offices on the campus of Georgia

Southern," said Wellness Chairperson Frieda Brown. "These services offer to faculty, staff and students some dimension of wellness."

The seven dimensions of wellness are: physical wellness, social

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Author Lawrence C. Ross Jr. speaks on the history and practices of African American Greek Life

By Erik Howard
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Five years ago, Lawrence C. Ross Jr. realized there had never been a complete anthology of the history of African-American fraternities and sororities.

The month-long GSU Black Awareness month came to a climax with one of the most anticipated events of the celebration of the history and culture of African Americans.

On Wednesday, February 21, Lawrence C. Ross Jr., author of the national best seller "The Divine Nine", which takes a look at the history, practices of African-American fraternities and sororities, presented an energetic lecture at the College of Education Auditorium.

Ross began the night speaking about the origins of the book. The fact that —that there had never been

a complete anthology of the history of African-American fraternities and sororities bothered him since these organizations are some of the oldest institutions in the African-American community. These organizations are "right behind the church and Masonic organization," says Ross.

Ross, who is a graduate of The University of California-Berkeley and grew up in



Chris Walker/STAFF

BLACK HISTORY FINALE: Dr. Lawrence Ross wrapped up Black Awareness Month with a speech about the history of African American fraternities and sororities.

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Continuing Education to extend learning beyond the classroom

By John Hardy
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The newest division of GSU plans to reshape what is often thought of as a typical education.

The Division of Continuing Education and Public Service is focusing on extending learning beyond the classroom for local students and providing an opportunity for education to other areas around the state.

Dr. Kathleen Burke, the dean of the newly formed division, believes that students should take advantage of the educational opportunities outside of the classroom. "Students will be learning throughout their lives,"

said Burke. "They need to figure out how to take advantage of places and ways to learn that are different than just going to class."

The on-campus section of this department consists of the GSU Museum, Botanical Garden, Wildlife Education Center, Distance

Learning Center and the new Performing Arts Center. The range of outreach facilities that GSU has on its campus is not found at any other institution in the state.

The division is hoping to increase distributed learning strategies. These

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Relay For Life to be held tonight

By Rachel Sugrue
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Teams of fundraisers and cancer survivors will walk from 7 p.m. until 7 a.m. tonight at the

Kiwanis-Ogeechee Fairgrounds to take up the fight against cancer. Relay For Life is the American Cancer Society's nationwide fundraising event dedicated to eliminating cancer through research, education, advocacy and service.

Opening the ceremony is the Survivor lap, walked in every relay by cancer survivors themselves. Throughout the night, there will be team activities including a children's carnival, volleyball, a pickle eating contest and a Reverse-male beauty contest.

After dark, a Luminary Ceremony is going to be held, where candles will be lit around the track in remembrance of those who have lost their battle to cancer and in honor of survivors. At this time, participants are asked to return to their campsites.

One in every four Americans will be touched by cancer in their lifetime. Everyone is personally affected by cancer sooner or later through family, friends or co-workers. Today, almost 60% of cancer patients survive. The survival rate is increased through more research and greater community awareness of cancer prevention and early detection.

Please attend tonight's event, fight back and make a difference in the battle against cancer.

Statesboro managers and supervisors invited to attend leadership program

By Angela Jones
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Managers and supervisors in the Statesboro area that are looking to gain practical hands on leadership experience are invited to attend "Leadership Skills for the Front-Line Manager," an eight week course being offered by Georgia Southern's Division of Continuing Education and Public Service.

The program will run from Feb-

ruary 26 through April 16, every Tuesday morning from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Nessmith-Lane Continuing Education Building at GSU. The cost to attend is \$449 for employees of the Statesboro-Ogeechee District Employers Committee, and is higher for non members.

The cost covers 32 hours of training, a framed certificate of comple-

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Police Beat

Statesboro Police Department

February 25

• Andrew Lee Prescott, 18, was arrested for underage possession of alcohol.

February 26

• Christopher Adam Kuchta, 19, was arrested for possession of a fake ID to obtain alcohol.

• Marquis Wright, 22, was arrested for wanted person/parole violation.

• Harold Zaron Wright, 18, was arrested for wanted person.

• Freddie Mitchell Johnson Jr., 22, was arrested for simple battery.

• Ramon Daniell Lanier, 19, was

arrested for probation violation.

February 27

• Lily Brook Sheehan, 21, was arrested for DUI and vehicular homicide.

• Carol Thompson reported a CD player and a cellular phone were missing from the Nessmith-Lane Continuing Education Building.

GSU Public Safety

February 26

• Philcher Grant reported her book bag was taken from the Henderson Library.

• Maurice Pollock, 20, of Powder Springs, was charged with theft by

receiving stolen property.

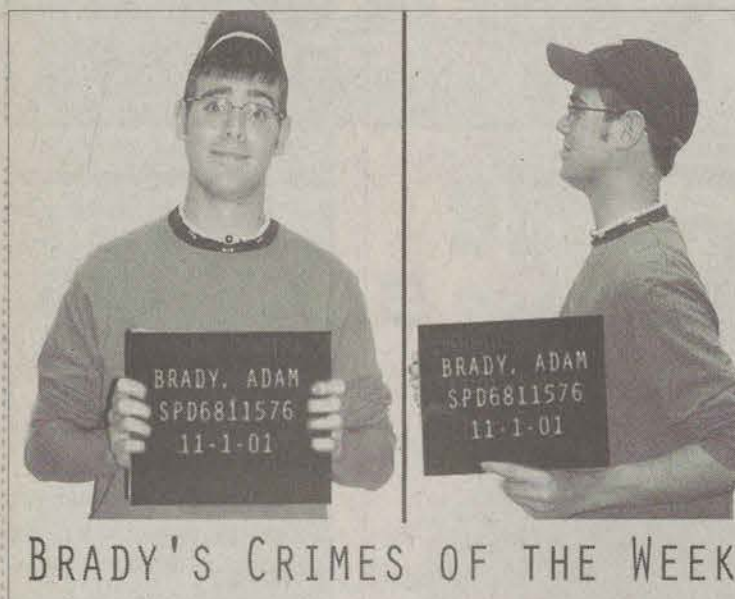
• Thomas Clifton Davis Jr., 19, of 28 Greenbriar Apartments, was charged with driving with suspended license.

• James C. Maronie, 20, of Savannah, was charged with having a weapon on school property.

—All Police Beat information is compiled by Megan Mulcahy, staff writer.

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

Brady's crimes of the week



Found: one bag of contraband

A large ziplock bag full of a white substance identified to be cocaine was found this past weekend by two Statesboro police officers on patrol in Foxridge. If this lost bag is yours, you may pick it up at the Statesboro Police Department Headquarters any time.

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Arguing over pot

Roommates argue over many things, sometimes destroying their relationships forever. It just breaks my heart to hear about any relationship broken up by pot.

In this case, a pot of cheese.

Two roommates reported a case of domestic dispute to the Statesboro Police after a verbal altercation over a pot full of cheese left on the stove

lasted for more than two days. The roommates have agreed to disagree, and decided to part ways. The pot full of cheese has decided to remain in its comfortable position on the stove until further notice.

When reached for comment, the pot merely remained silent. No report was filed by the pot in this incident.

Local News Brief

Fair Road Food Lion gets robbed

Special to G-A

On Feb. 22, 2002 at approximately 12:27 p.m., Officers of the Statesboro Police Department responded to Food Lion on Fair Road in reference to a Robbery. Management of Food Lion stated that a Black Male Suspect reached over the counter and grabbed money from the opened register drawer. Personnel of Food Lion were

able to give a description of the suspect and the vehicle that the suspect fled in.

The responding Officers and Deputies of the Bulloch County Sheriff's Department began looking for the suspect and the vehicle.

Deputy Tim Miller spotted the suspect vehicle in the area of Stillwell Street and Zetterower Avenue.

Deputy Miller and Sgt. Scott Hutchens of the Statesboro Police Department stopped the suspect vehicle.

As a result of this stop and subsequent investigation, Edward H. Ferebee was arrested and charged with Robbery by Sudden Snatch. Ferebee is currently being held in the Bulloch County Jail, pending further court action.

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involve learning that takes place outside of a classroom or that is accomplished using technology, such as WebCT or GSAMS distance learning.

While the facilities are used by faculty in various departments for their own teaching purposes, there are plans to offer more opportunities to students. Burke hopes that the division can create an undergraduate research program. Some centers will also provide internships for students in a variety of areas. Student workers are already involved in some of the outreach units.

Through its adult education and eventual adult degree programs, the division wants to help families connect through education. Programs will be geared toward nontraditional learners.

The advantage of having this expanded division goes beyond the GSU campus itself.

"We are able to create a partnership between the university and community," said Dr. Brent Sharp, the director of the GSU museum.

"The public is encouraged to visit the campus and the university can get its research out to the community."

Burke has been encouraging each of the centers' directors to develop certificate programs that would be offered to build skills for the local population. "Part of our mission is to reach out and create programs that

are relevant and work to educate the community," she said.

"These centers are bridge builders to the community."

Examples of such programs include forestry, landscaping and water policies.

Plans for expanding the current facilities on GSU's campus are underway.

The museum, which is one of the 11 museums in Georgia accredited by the American Association of Museums, plans to become a much larger, \$5 million Museum of the Coastal Plain by 2006, according to the museum's proposal. The Phase II plans for the Wildlife Education Center is in the process of funding a 10-acre, \$2 million expansion of its own. The additions would include a Hydrology pavilion and layouts of many ecosystems found within the state.

The university's botanical garden will be expanding its native plantings from southeast Georgia and adding onto its gateway building.

Most recently, the creation of the new Nessmith-Lane Building was a massive increase from the university's previous Continuing Education building.

Members within the division have praised the combining of the outreach centers. The coordination is expected to allow for interrelated activities between centers and unity in operation.

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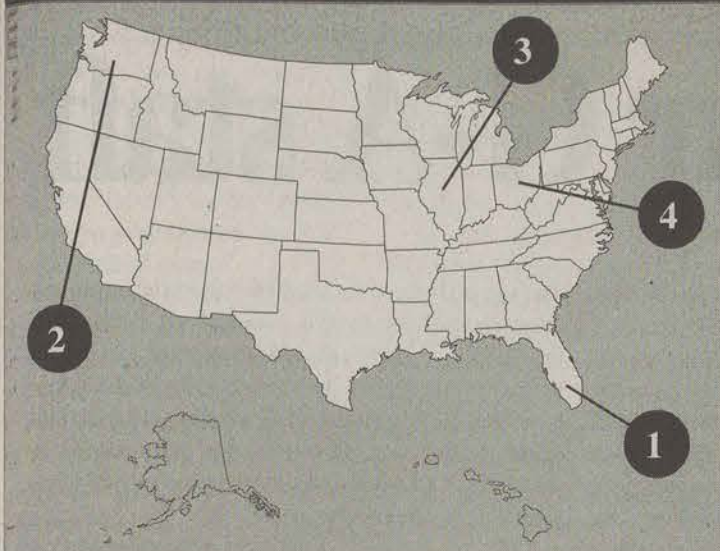
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And then there's the counterculture tradition at Cal. How many students? "Seventy-six. One student to change it, 50 to protest the light bulb's right to choose and 25 to counter-protest."

1 Florida

Divorcing Floridians can point, click and get unhitched

MIAMI- A new Web site launched this month is offering Florida's unhappy couples the chance to get unhitched online.

For \$249, breaking up is no longer hard to do.

"The idea really came from the huge number of calls I get from people who can't afford legal fees but want to get a divorce," said Randy Finney, a Seattle-based attorney who founded the site in Washington and California last year before bringing it to Florida this month.

A simple uncontested case usually costs \$3,000 to \$4,000 when you hire an attorney, Finney said.

"It's really hard to figure out the process by yourself. We fill out the forms for you over the Internet. It's that easy."

The process can take less than half an hour, said Finney, who has been practicing law for 11 years.

For a divorce, petitioners must answer on line a host of questions related to their salary, property and children.

The documents produced by CompleteCase.com are Florida Supreme Court-approved, he said.

Online divorces are not for everyone. It works only for those couples who are parting amicably and filing for an uncontested divorce.

In many Florida counties, including Miami-Dade and Broward, the petitioner by law still must make an appearance at the final divorce hearing.

2 Washington

Mattawa gets straw-bale library

MATTAWA- No one huffed or puffed and tried to blow the new library down- even though it's built out of straw.

This little farm town got a 1,500-square-foot library on Saturday with the help of volunteers and directions from IronStraw, a nonprofit group based in Cashmere.

The building was constructed with posts and beams and 330 bales of straw that will be covered with wire mesh and stucco.

"The people who like to read, we need a chance," said Aurora Hebdon, who lives in Mattawa. "If you show children reading is fun when they're

little, they will grow up reading."

The library will stock Spanish periodicals and bilingual materials for many of the Spanish-speaking people who call this Columbia River town home or stay here during the summer fruit harvest.

The library cost \$150,000 to build, with money from the state Office of Community Development and the Community Foundation of North Central Washington.

The library project served as a workshop for members of such groups as Habitat for Humanity, which builds homes for low-income people.

Spring and Michael Thomas started IronStraw in 1994 after reading about the straw-bale homes being built in the Southwest.

"They're a dream to keep warm in the winter and cool in the summer," Spring Thomas said.

3 Illinois

U. of Chicago students answer light bulb joke

CHICAGO- For years, students at Harvard University have boasted one. So have students at the University of California at Berkeley. Even economists at the University of Chicago have had one.

But when asked how many of them it takes to change a light bulb, your run-of-the-mill student on the campus in the city's Hyde Park neighborhood didn't have an answer.

Until now, that is. The reason is that Mary Ruth Yoe, the editor of the school's alumni magazine, decided students there had gone long enough with this very glaring hole in their resumes.

Apparently others felt the same way because when she asked for suggestions in University of Chicago Magazine, she got scores of responses.

"Change it to what?" answered Michael P. Richard. "We were taught to define terms."

And this being a place of deep thinking, Jane Chapman Martin argued the answer depends on whether the students are undergrads or graduate students.

Her answer for undergrads? "Four. One to change it and three to complain about how hard it was."

For graduate students, though, her answer was, "Just one. But it takes seven years."

The winning suggestion came from alumnus Paul L. Sandberg,

4 Ohio

Cow that fled meatpacker caught after 10 days of freedom

CINCINNATI- A cow that eluded police for a 10 days after escaping from a meatpacking plant was captured early Tuesday when an SPCA officer shot it with a tranquilizer dart.

There was no immediate word from the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals on what will be done with the 1,200-pound animal, but there have been many offers of sanctuary from slaughter.

Animal-rights activists and former Cincinnati Reds majority owner Marge Schott offered it a farm home.

The cow escaped from Ken Meyer Meats on Feb. 15 by jumping a 6-foot fence.

Police said the 7-year-old cow was captured in the heavily wooded Mount Storm Park where the search had been concentrated from the start.

Police closed the park Friday and brought in horses, other cows and feed in hopes of luring the animal out.

Finally, it was spotted late Monday night and tranquilized shortly after midnight.

The longer the runaway cow remained on the loose, the greater a stir it created in the city.

In addition to the offers of sanctuary from slaughter, Fifth Third Bank offered to pay for transporting the cow as part of a "holy cow" loan advertising campaign.

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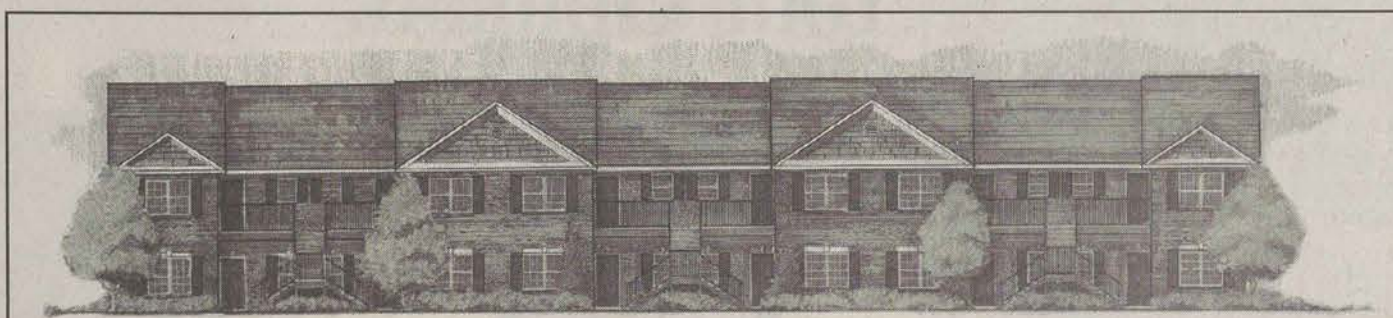
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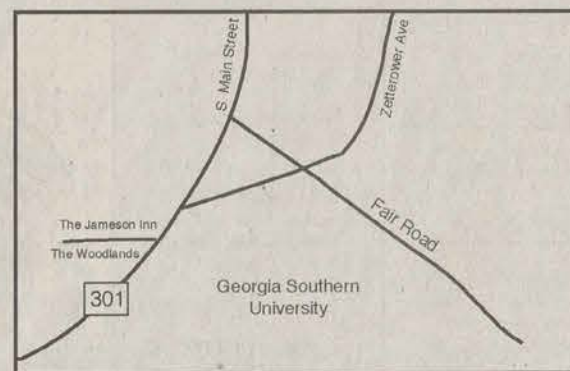
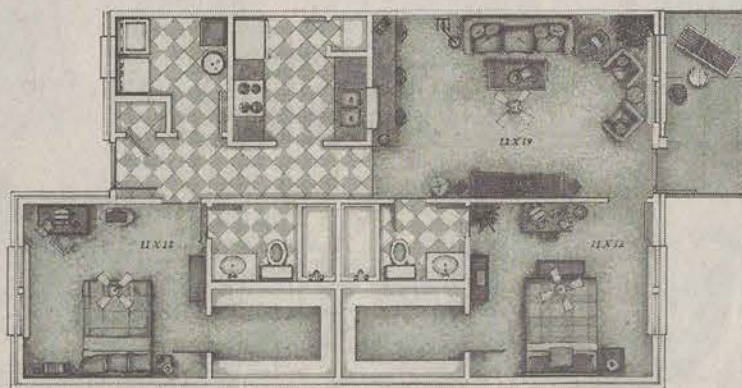
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Inglewood, California, is also a brother of Alpha Phi Alpha, Inc. and has been "as long as you can be a brother of Alpha Phi Alpha, Inc." His work has been seen in over 200 hundred African-American publications and currently has been touring the nation speaking about his book at over a hundred colleges.

He also gave insight into the history of these organizations. Starting with the first black fraternal organization of Alpha Phi Alpha, which was founded on the campus of Cornell University in 1906, to the newest member of the NPHC, Iota Phi Theta that was founded in 1963 on campus of Morgan State University.

Ross says that the goal of his tour is to make undergraduate members understand their importance to fraternal organizations and to also have them understand that they are the only ones who can change the behavior of their organizations—A behavior in which Ross believes will cause the demise of one of the nine National Pan Hellenic Council organizations due to pledging and hazing. The NPHC is the umbrella organization for the Divine nine as Ross puts it.

Ross is a big believer in the undergraduate process. But he said that undergraduates need to understand when they pledge or haze perspective members of these organizations, they violate the premises that these institutions were built on.

He also referenced to the events of October 31, 2001 on the campus of Auburn University where members of a white fraternity dressed in black face and wore the letters of a black organization Ross said that by hazing you were only providing a bad look at organizations that have been looked down upon since their inception.

As the night drew on, Ross spoke about his own experiences as a pledge and also told some stories about pledging people into his organization. He recalled one story in which a pledge brother was asked to climb ten feet up a tree and swim dive into the hands of fellow brothers to demonstrate trust for his fellow brothers. The same pledge was then made to climb twenty feet up and once again dive into the hands of his brothers. But unlike the first time his brothers didn't catch him and he broke his neck. Ross said, looking back at the

situation, there is no difference between pledging and hazing. "It's smoke and fire."

Although the pledging process was process was banned in 1990 by the NPHC, pledging, hazing and underground lines (which Ross says he hates the most), still happens. Ross also says that although he talks about his experiences with pledging and hazing in his organization, which is historically black, he also notes that IFC and NPC organization, which are predominately white institutions, have been pledging and hazing since the 1890s.

Ross also makes a plea to the undergrad members of these organizations saying that, a way that they may better themselves is to show love for other fraternal organizations and not just love amongst black organizations but whites organizations as well.

Ross then fielded questions from members of the audience that provided for lively discussion. All and all, the night was very energetic and open. After the event Ross signed copies of his national bestseller, which are now available at the University Store on campus.

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wellness, occupational wellness, environmental wellness, emotional wellness, intellectual wellness and spiritual wellness.

"Wellness is more than just being not sick," Brown explained.

In addition to goodie bags filled with water bottles, note pads and magnets, more than 150 people won shirts at the day long event.

"You have to earn the T-shirts," Brown said. "If you completed a visit to a variety of testing and assessment stations, you got a T-shirt."

Exhibits on safety in the sun, melanoma, breast and testicular cancer, respiratory testing and blood pressure screening were among the many participants.

"120/80 is about normal for blood pressure," Chapple said. "It's good to have yourself tested, just to keep a check on it. There are a lot of other factors also, like family history of high blood pressure."

According to the American Cancer Society, more than 1 million Americans are diagnosed with skin cancer each year. Melanoma is the most common form of skin cancer, and the most serious.

Also new this year was an exhibit and information on testicular cancer. "Most people don't realize it, but

guys need to do a monthly self-exam on their testicles, just the same way women do on their breasts," explained nursing student Cameron Durden.

"The number of guys that actually

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— BRENDA TALLEY, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF NURSING

stopped by to learn about the self test were few, but many paused long enough to become more aware of testicular cancer and the need for the self test," said Brenda Talley, assistant professor of nursing.

Talley said that many of the males who did stop by the exhibit, did so with an attitude of amusement and some slight discomfort.

"This is a health issue, it's not a joke or something sexual," she said. "This is a part of the body that just happens to be related to sexual functions, so it seems to increase our discomfort talking about it."

For fun in the sun safety, the American Cancer Society recommends that you "slip, slop, slap and wrap" before enjoying the sun. Slip on a shirt, preferably one with sleeves and made of tightly woven fabrics. Slop on sun

screen with an Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of 15 or higher. Sun screen should be reapplied every two to four hours, or after swimming or excessive sweating. Slap on a hat that shades the face, ears and neck. Wrap

on a pair of sunglasses. In addition, East Georgia Medical Center provided testing for blood glucose, cholesterol screening and body composition testing, which measures the percent of body fat for a given height and weight.

Statesboro Imaging Center supplied a bone density scan and a carotid artery scan.

Bone density scanning can detect signs of osteoporosis, the decay of bone tissue, which leads to weak, easily broken bones. Osteoporosis can occur in both men and women, though women are more prone to the disease.

A carotid artery scan can detect the buildup of cholesterol in the arteries, which can lead to arteriosclerosis, or hardening of the arteries. This can lead to heart disease and heart attacks.

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currently been sent to all GSU students concerning the latest incidents and the regulations concerning weapons on campus.

Students are already on a heightened alert following recent robberies in several apartment complexes near campus. The GSU Public Safety Department issued a "safety alert" on Feb. 12 concerning the series of armed robberies they said happened late at night and were of the "home invasion" type. A message on their web site encourages students to "exercise caution when walking at night" and be aware of unexpected late night visitors.

Bleicken stressed that her appearance and message was not meant to scare them but to alert them to the goings-on around the university.

Ironically, a luncheon was already planned to discuss safety issues with students for March 5. Due to space limitations, it is not open to the public but the students concerns can be addressed to Ginger Fauscett, the SGA representative who will attend. Fauscett

may be contacted by calling the SGA office at 681-0655.

Georgia law states that it is a felony to bring a weapon onto a college campus or within 1,000 feet of campus. If convicted, one could face fines up to \$10,000 and imprisonment of up to 10 years.

Students who possess weapons on campus will be subject to Judicial Affairs and can be suspended and/or expelled. According to a handout Bleicken provided, "The statute includes all weapons, whether they're being carried, kept in a car, or stored in a room."

Weapons are defined as knives, guns, blackjacks, clubs, brass knuckles, and martial arts weapons such as throwing stars and nunchucks and stun guns.

"If you see, suspect or know about weapons on campus, don't wait until someone gets hurt - tell the police," another poster states. "Your identity will be protected."

"We take this kind of thing very serious," Bleicken said. "We want to protect you."

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Eagles pound Panthers in doubleheader with combined score of 40-10

By Eli Boorstein
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After losing their first five games, the Georgia Southern baseball team has bounced back to win six straight, including two convincing wins over intrastate rival Georgia State in a pair of contests at Clements Stadium. The Eagles are 26-7 against the Panthers since Georgia State revived their program in 1992. The sweep was only part of the good news the team received as third baseman Rocky Baker and pitcher Jared Comstock were named Player and Pitcher of the Week, respectively, in the Southern Conference. Baker, a junior from Cataula, batted .600 and drove in eight last week while guiding the Eagles to four wins against Bucknell and Winthrop. Comstock, a sophomore from Gainesville, Florida, was spotless last week in two starts, winning both and not allowing a single earned run. On the season, Comstock has a paltry 0.47 earned-run average.

On Tuesday evening, the Panthers never saw the lead on their way to a 19-4 drubbing. In the game, each starting position player for the Eagles collected at least a hit, run, and run batted in. In addition, Georgia Southern (6-5) scored in each of the first six innings.

In the bottom of the first inning, Matt Hammond started the offensive attack by driving a double into the outfield to score Chris Walker and Matt Herring. In the next at-bat, Grant Burruss drove in Hammond and himself after hitting a line drive over the centerfield wall for his first collegiate home run.

In the second, the Eagles added three more runs to take the 7-0 advantage. After J.R. Revere and Chad Hall reached base, Revere scored on a Walker sacrifice fly. Two batters later, Herring drove the ball deep over the rightfield fence that traveled over the nursing building just beyond the wall.

Georgia State (4-4) managed to break onto the scoreboard in the third, as they plated three runners off a two-

run double from Kevin Kawasaki and a Dustin Phillips single that scored one. However, the rally was short-lived as Georgia Southern rebounded by adding six more runs in the bottom half of the third inning to take the 13-3 edge. The Eagles started quickly, as the first three batters all singled to load the bases. Revere and Chad Hall then each chipped in with RBI singles. After Walker popped out, Jemel Spearman cleared the bases with a three-run double. Spearman unfortunately proceeded to be picked off soon after, just before Herring knocked a ball out for his second home run in as many innings.

Three more Eagle batters scored in the fourth, started by a Brendan Gilligan triple, which scored Burruss, who, had reached on a leadoff double. Revere added his second RBI of the night with a double that let Gilligan score. Two spots later, Walker finished the scoring with a single that plated Revere.

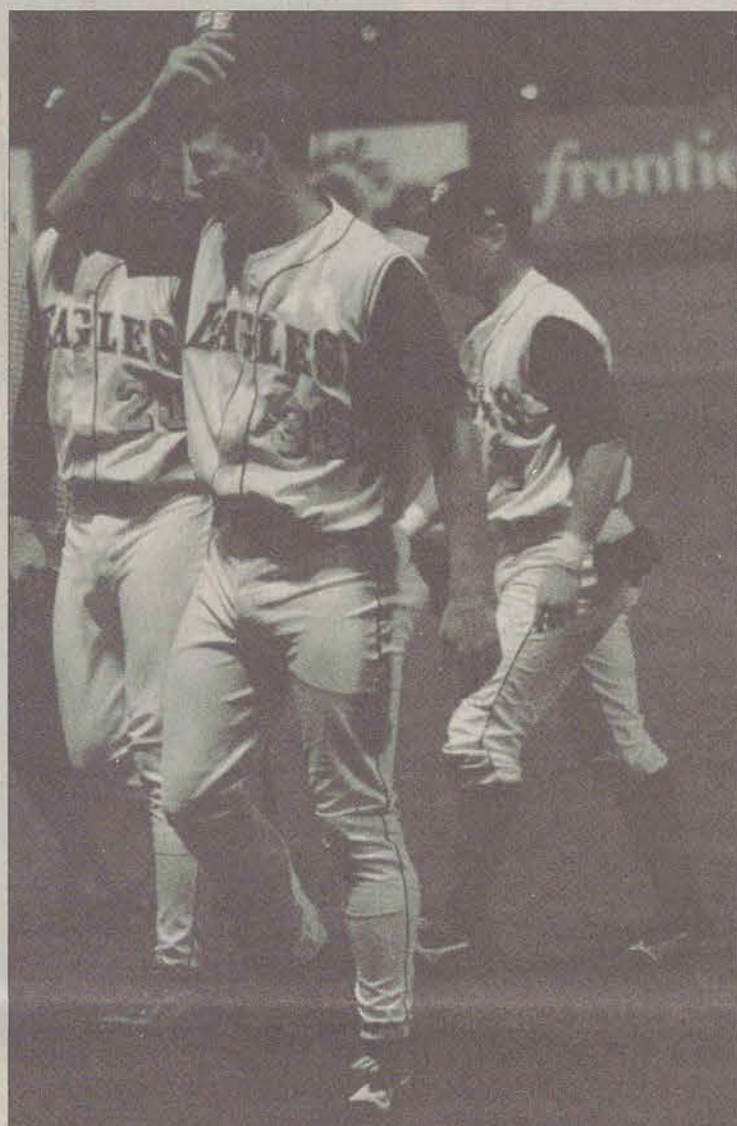
After a Stephen Burroughs double scored another run for Georgia State in the fifth, Georgia Southern added a run of their own on a Rocky Baker single that scored Hammond to take the 17-4 lead. The final two runs of the contest came around in the bottom of the sixth off a pinch-hit RBI double from Trey Hunter and a timely Panther error.

The starting position players combined to collect 18 of 19 hits on the night before Eagle coach Rodney Hennon started to give the backup players a chance to play in the sixth inning. Herring, a senior, was 3-for-3 on the night with three RBI and two home runs, his first round-trippers of the season. Burruss, a sophomore first baseman, continues to impress after getting just five at-bats as a freshman last year. The Marietta native was 3-for-4 on Tuesday with two RBI, and missed hitting for the cycle with only missed a triple.

"It was a 2-0 count," said Burruss in connection with his first-inning home

run. "I was thinking fastball and I got it."

Freshman southpaw Kevin Culpepper grabbed the win in his first collegiate start for the Eagles as he tossed five innings allowing five hits and four runs while fanning six Panther batters. Sophomore Scott Tolbert got the save after pitching four perfect innings in relief. Tolbert went on a streak when he struck out seven consecutive batters at one stretch, before ending the game with his eighth and final strikeout.



6-5 OVERALL: After a five game losing streak to start the season, the Eagles have won their last six games and will try to continue their streak this weekend.

"Before, I was trying to spot the ball," remarked Tolbert. "Today, I just threw like normal."

Brett Strickland took the loss for Georgia State, lowering his record to 0-1. Strickland allowed seven runs off five hits and two home runs before being relieved by Isaac Haynes two outs into the second inning. Haynes was pounded in his bullpen work, allowing nine runs off of 11 hits. Jason Payne allowed two more runs in two innings of work, before Sam Jones came in to close out the game.

Wednesday's game wasn't much different, as Georgia Southern jumped on the Panthers early, scoring four in the first inning on their way to a 21-6 victory.

After Jemel Spearman scored the first run on a Matt Hammond ground out, Matt Herring was able to come in from third on a Rocky Baker single. Baker, who advanced to second on an error from Spartan centerfielder Kevin Kawasaki, then scored on an A.J. Zickgraf base hit. Zickgraf then closed out the first-inning scoring when he was plated on a Carlos Love single.

Georgia State was able to cut the lead in half as they scored one run each in the second and third innings to narrow their deficit to 4-2. Sean Fitzgerald drove in the first run on a ground out while Stephen Burroughs' one-out single scored the second run.

After another Love RBI in the fourth extended the Eagle lead to 5-2, the Panthers were once again able to nip away at the lead by scoring two in the top of the fifth inning to cut Georgia Southern's lead to one. Josh Vandiver scored the first run off a Mike Thompson wild pitch while Burroughs then scored soon after on a Thompson balk.

That was as close as Georgia State would see as the Eagles added five runs in the bottom half of the fifth, keyed by another two runs batted in from Love, a junior first baseman. Following a Herring single that scored Spearman, Zickgraf added his second RBI of the night on a sacrifice fly. Love then drove a double to score Baker and Brandon Burned. On the next at-bat J.R. Revere singled to score Love.

In the sixth, the Eagles sent 13 batters to the plate as they jumped out to the 18-4 edge. Chris Walker came up with two hits and two RBI in the inning while also scoring twice on two wild pitches. Other runs batted in came from a one-run Brendan Gilligan single, a two-run Chad Hall double, and yet another Panther error.

Gilligan added two more runs in

the seventh when he homered with Nick Poe on base. The final run came in the eighth when Brian Crawford, who reached base on a pinch-hit double scored on a Trey Hunter double play.

Love, who hails from Dunwoody, had been suffering through a hitting slump all season as he had seen his playing time decrease with the emergence of Grant Burruss. However, Love definitely made a case for himself as he hit 3-for-4 on the night with a career-high four RBI. Baker was 3-for-3 with four runs scored while Spearman also had a big night, batting 4-for-5. Gilligan, who had also been fighting a slump at the plate, was 2-for-2 with 3 RBI after pinch-hitting for Zickgraf in the sixth.

Brian Harrison started the game on the mound for the Eagles allowing four runs off eight hits in four innings of work, but did not figure into the decision as he was taken out before pitching the necessary five innings. Mike Thompson, a transfer from UNC-Charlotte, was credited with the win in relief as he tossed three shutout innings in relief. Jeff deRijke, Travis Spell, and Jason Cadenhead closed out the game for Georgia Southern.

David Hawkins took the loss for Georgia State as he allowed ten runs and eleven hits before being removed two outs into the fourth inning. Braden Staranchuk did not fare much better, allowing eight runs in just one inning of work. Clint Mize, the designated hitter in Tuesday's game, took a turn on the mound next allowing one run in just over one inning of work before Sam Jones pitched the final inning.

Georgia Southern will return to action this weekend as Canisius makes the long trek from Buffalo to play three games in Statesboro. The action starts with a 7:30 game Friday night, while the two teams play a doubleheader on Saturday starting at 1:30. Georgia State returns to Atlanta this weekend when they play a home-and-home series with Georgia Tech.

Eagles swept in softball doubleheader to Georgia State

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Georgia State recorded 15 runs and 10 hits over two games to earn a doubleheader sweep of Georgia Southern, 8-1 and 7-6 on a sub-40 degree night at Eagle Field.

Georgia State (8-8) posted four runs in the top of the second inning of the opener to jump out to quick lead. Katie Blue drove in two runs on a single to left, and Cheryl Bodziony followed with a double to left center that plated two.

Georgia Southern (4-12) scratched for their only run in the bottom of the third. Jana Fuzi drew a one-out walk, and stole second. After a flyout, Stacie Cooper doubled to center field to drive home Fuzi.

Cooper led the Eagles with a 2-3 showing at the plate, while Georgia State was paced by Cindy Gillies, who went 3-5 with two runs scored.

Corrie Roberts earned the win for the Panthers, while Tiffany Urena was saddled with the loss for Georgia Southern. Crystal Crews struck out seven in five innings of relief for the Eagles.

Georgia Southern jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the nightcap in the bottom of the second inning. Julie Peel earned an RBI on a sacrifice flyout to center that scored Kelly Blazi, and Cooper doubled off the centerfield wall to score Meghan Correia and Christi Aitken.

The Panthers answered with two in the top of the third when Gillies tripled to center and Roberts followed with a first-pitch home run to left. Georgia Southern added two in the bottom of the frame. Aimee Littlejohn led off the inning with a single, and Kim Griffin followed with a two-strike home run to left for her first career homer.

Georgia State exploded for four runs in the top of the fourth. The big blow of the inning came with two outs, when Blue's double drove in three.

The Eagles tied the game at 6-6 in the bottom of the fifth when Kelly Blazi doubled to right-center to score Griffin, but Blazi was thrown out trying to stretch into a triple.

Cooper and Griffin each went 1-4 for the Eagles with two RBI's in the second game, while Gillies posted a 4-4 ledger to finish the twinbill 7-9 at the plate. Roberts again picked up the win in the circle, while Littlejohn struck out ten in the loss.

Georgia Southern returns to action on Friday as it hosts the third-annual Eagle Classic. Pool play begins a 11:00 a.m., while GSU takes to the field at 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. against Coastal Carolina and Jacksonville State.

Hackers to host national qualifying tournament

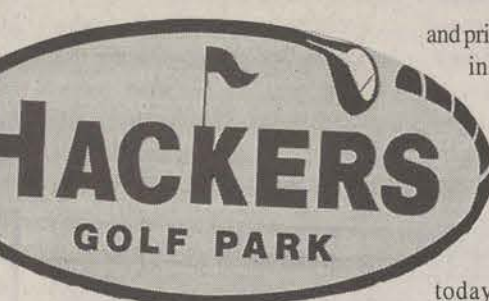
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Attention all miniature golfers: the time has finally come for you to find out if your short game has what it takes to stack up against the nation's very best.

This Saturday, March 2, 2002, Statesboro's own Hackers Golf Park is hosting the United States Professional Miniature Golf Association's (USPMGA) first annual Twin Falls Invitational Tournament.

The tournament will be held on Hacker's beautiful Twin Falls course beginning at 10:00 a.m., and contestants will have an opportunity to enter any time throughout the day until 9:00 p.m.

Registration is open to men, women, and children of all ages, and the two top finishers will automatically



and prizes to the top three finishers in the Men, Women, and Junior divisions.

This is the second national qualifying tournament that Hackers has hosted since the course opened exactly one year ago

today. The winner of that tournament, (the southern qualifier for the U.S. Harris Cup National Miniature Golf Tournament) Laney Nelms, went on to capture the U.S. Harris Cup title in Scranton, Pa, and came back to Statesboro with the trophy and a handsome \$1,000 purse.

For any questions or further information regarding Saturday's qualifying tournament, contact Hackers Golf Park at 912-871-GOLF, and for more info on the national ProMiniGolf tournaments go to www.hawaiianrumble.com.

advance to the U.S. Open ProMiniGolf Tournament in Myrtle Beach, S.C. on May 4 & 5, 2002, with a chance to qualify for the Masters U.S. ProMiniGolf Tournament on Sept. 19-22, 2002.

The cost for player entry is \$15 (which includes one round of mini-golf), and an optional re-entry fee of \$10 (which includes an additional round of golf, a free T-shirt, and food).

In addition to the two top finishers, Hackers will also be giving out awards

Men's basketball headed to SoCon championships

By Doug Kidd
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Looking for a lock to win the Southern Conference basketball tournament this weekend?

Don't expect to find one. Not with the record-setting six teams tying for a share of first place in the conference's two leagues.

Since the SoCon expanded to 12 teams and split into North and South divisions in 1994-95, there hasn't been as many teams with such a good shot at advancing to the field of 64.

"It's amazing to look around and

see how balanced our league is," said GSU head coach Jeff Price. "No matter who we play it's going to be a battle. We'll have our hands full."

GSU (16-11, 9-7) finished the regular season strong, winning its last three games, and wrapping up first place in the South Division. The top spot gives the Eagles a bye in this weekend's tournament in Charleston, meaning GSU will play the winner of Thursday's Western Carolina-Furman matchup at 6 p.m. Friday.

College of Charleston, Chattanooga, Davidson, East Tennessee State and

UNC-Greensboro are all expected to give the Eagles a run for the conference championship. All six teams tied for first place in their divisions.

"It's up for grabs," said sophomore guard Kordel Gibson. "But we still feel we're the best team. We expect to beat those teams."

Although GSU struggled at times with some of the bottom teams in the SoCon, Gibson said, the Eagles expect to win this weekend.

"We could've played better [in losses to Citadel, Wofford and Furman]," he said. "It's an upset when they beat us."

Notes

-Senior guard Sean Peterson was named to first-team all-conference by both the coaches and media. Peterson led GSU in scoring with over 17 points per game and in steals and assists. Last season the junior-college transfer was also named to the all-SoCon team.

-Guard Terry Williams was named to the all-freshmen squad, making him the third Eagle in a row to be so honored. Kenny Faulk and Julius Jenkins made the team the past two seasons.

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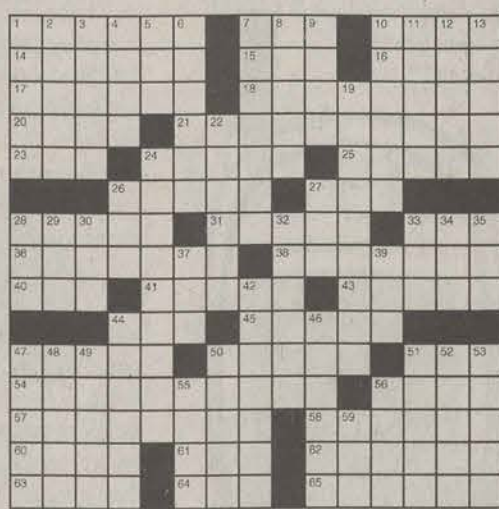
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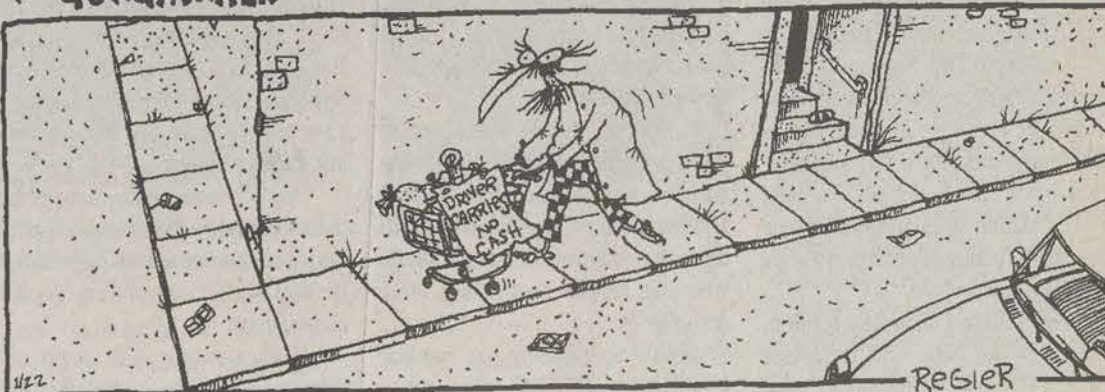
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20 Announcements

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SOUTHERN LIFE

Second season of 'Six Feet Under' premieres Sunday on HBO

KRT Campus

The second season of "Six Feet Under" hardly hits the ground running. Instead its first four episodes slowly but surely proceed at a pace not unlike a funeral procession.

Creator Alan Ball ("American Beauty") is of a mind to look deeper into matters of life after death, particularly as they pertain to newly certified undertaker Nate Fisher (Peter Krause). His plot both thickens and maybe beckons. Might he already have one foot in the grave after being diagnosed at the end of last season with Arterio-Venous Malformation of the brain? It could be a Nate-mare scenario for him.

Fresh from a Golden Globe win as television's best drama series, "Six Feet Under" otherwise is returning with all due speed, particularly for those accustomed to waiting near-eternities for "The Sopranos."

"Six Feet Under's" second, 13-episode run, which begins Sunday, will be long gone before "The Sopranos" at long last starts Season four sometime this fall.

Lapping "The Sopranos" also means lapping up lots more attention as HBO's fave rave in residence. Its previously unexplored turf automatically made "Six Feet Under" a more jarring, daring venture the first time out. Now it's earned the right to settle in, at least for a while.

Last season's showcase relationship between Nate and byzantine Brenda Chenoweth (Rachel Griffiths) has become a particularly slow pull in this year's first four episodes. She's suddenly uninterested in sex, terming it "just the normal ebb" of things. Brenda's emotions and libido have

congealed following her decision to hospitalize psychotic brother Billy (Jeremy Sisto), who so far hasn't resurfaced. It takes until Episode 4 for Brenda to truly rouse herself in a socko scene with mommie dearest (Joanna Cassidy).

"Six Feet Under" still begins each episode with the death of a fresh client for the Fishers. In Sunday's season premiere, it's a 21-year-old slasher-film actress named Rebecca Leah Milford, who dies in a restroom stall

9-year-old daughter from becoming an irreversible punk.

Claire Fisher (Lauren Ambrose) is striving to salvage her messed-up boyfriend, Gabriel (Eric Balfour), who last season was caught on videotape robbing a convenience store. (Viewers of adventuresome TV also can see Balfour as a Counter Terrorist Unit computer whiz in Fox's "24" series.)

Matriarchal Ruth Fisher, wonderfully played by Frances Conroy, is still striving to make sense of herself and

her brood. In her first scene Sunday night, she's diligently reading "Now That You Know: A Parents' Guide to Understanding Their Gay and Lesbian Children." In future hours, she succumbs to "The Plan," a series of self-help seminars taught by a guru who orders her acolytes to tear down their restrictive innerhouses and "draft new blueprints."

Ruth continues to see earthy florist shop owner Nikolai (Ed

O'Ross), whom she invites to an ill-fated family dinner in Sunday's opener. But he's oddly absent from the next three episodes. Surely he'll eventually have something to say about Ruth's new interior design.

What's missing, if anything, is the thrill of discovery that no longer applies in a show's second season. Now comes the hard work of measuring up to great expectations.

While watching it all slowly unfold, savor the little nuggets that still make "Six Feet Under" stand 10 feet tall. Such as David's unbounded glee upon seeing a state-of-the-art casket showcase. Which is why we still come to praise "Six Feet Under," not bury it.



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"SIX FEET UNDER": The second season premieres this weekend after winning a Golden Globe Award for television's best drama series.

after snorting various drugs. Ball, who scripted this hour, turns her funeral service into a laughable exercise with a sick-pup punchline.

His bizarre side is further vented when an unintentionally high Nate envisions his deceased father (Richard Jenkins) playing Chinese checkers with human embodiments of Life and Death, who also happen to dig each other sexually.

Nate's now openly gay brother, David (Michael C. Hall), still hopes to rekindle his relationship with policeman Keith Charles (Matthew St. Patrick). Keith, fleshed out significantly in these four episodes, is struggling to keep his junkie sister straight, and her

Cell phones may cause cancer

By Jennifer Morecraft
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Did you know that using your cell phone more than 30 minutes a day might cause cancer? Cell phones produce radiation that is absorbed into your brain while you talk. The FCC measures this level of radiation by SAR (Specific Absorption Rate), which is based on the type of cell phone you have. Some studies show that using your cell phone for more than five minutes a day causes cancer, while other studies indicate your cell phone is completely safe.

Chris Andres, an Alltech Communication employee, said "There hasn't been enough research that can tell us whether cell phones do or do not cause health problems. The FCC said, 'There is no scientific evidence that proves wireless phones can lead to cancer or other adverse health effects, such as headaches, dizziness, elevated blood pressure, or memory loss.' Scientists around the world have been doing research, which has turned up conflicting evidence, for years on cellular phones and how they relate to cancer."

Roger Coghill, a specialist in bioelectromagnetics, told the BBC (British Broadcasting Company), "My laboratory has carried out research which shows that after a seven and a half hour exposure to a mobile phone on stand-by there was a serious degradation of white

blood cells, which fight disease."

Even though cell phones may not be safe, we still continue to use them. Rob Rettig, a former



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CELL PHONES: Many people use cell phones everyday, but their may be health consequences in the future.

GSU student and history teacher, said, "It doesn't bother me that using a cell phone may cause cancer because it seems like everything causes cancer." The FCC standard for exposure to SAR is between zero and 1.60 Watts/kilogram, which is the maximum SAR level allowed. The SAR level is a number that ranks your phone in terms of radiation absorbed by your body during a conversation.

Ed Mantiply, a scientist with the FCC's radio frequency safety program, who was interviewed by Wired News said, "We have a standard for exposure, which is essentially like a speed limit, there's no guarantee that you're safe below it or unsafe above it. The FCC claims there is no harm in using a cell phone, but one scientist's research proves differently." Dana Rasmussen, a former GSU student, said, "I do worry that one day scientists will learn that cell phones are harmful to our bodies, so I only use my cell phone during emergencies."

Coghill told the BBC that he, "didn't see that mobile phones used normally posed a health problem, but some people are using them for 20-30 minutes or more at a time, and there is overwhelming scientific evidence that there is a hazard to health from that kind of use." Researchers do recommend that cell phone users use their cell phones for emergencies, until they can prove cell phones do not cause health problems.

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tion from the Center for Management for the class. Currently, there are 9 people enrolled in the class.

"Even though the program has already started, if people are interested in enrolling late and attending selected sessions, that would be fine," said program specialist J. Marie Lutz. "They just need to call and register, and they will be able to attend at the reduced rate of \$449."

Lutz said that the program, which is a continuing education program for managers and supervisors from area companies, involves a lot of group discussions and calls inter-

actions, as well as lecture style sessions.

"It's not just four hours of lecture, and there's no homework. You just come and enjoy the class and learn from each other," she explained.

This is the second year the course has been offered, and it is run by the Division of Continuing Education and Public Service.

Lutz explained that the program was originally offered in response to the need for more leadership training in the industry.

"When people are promoted, it's because they were very good at their old job," she said. "However, super-

visors need new skills in running teams, coordinating projects and handling legal issues. This course gives them the chance to learn those new skills."

The course will run again in Savannah from March 19 through May 7 at the Coastal Georgia Center on Tuesday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the same cost.

The course is co-sponsored by the Statesboro-Ogeechee District Employers Committee, the Statesboro-Bulloch County Chamber of Commerce and the University's Small Business Development Center.

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