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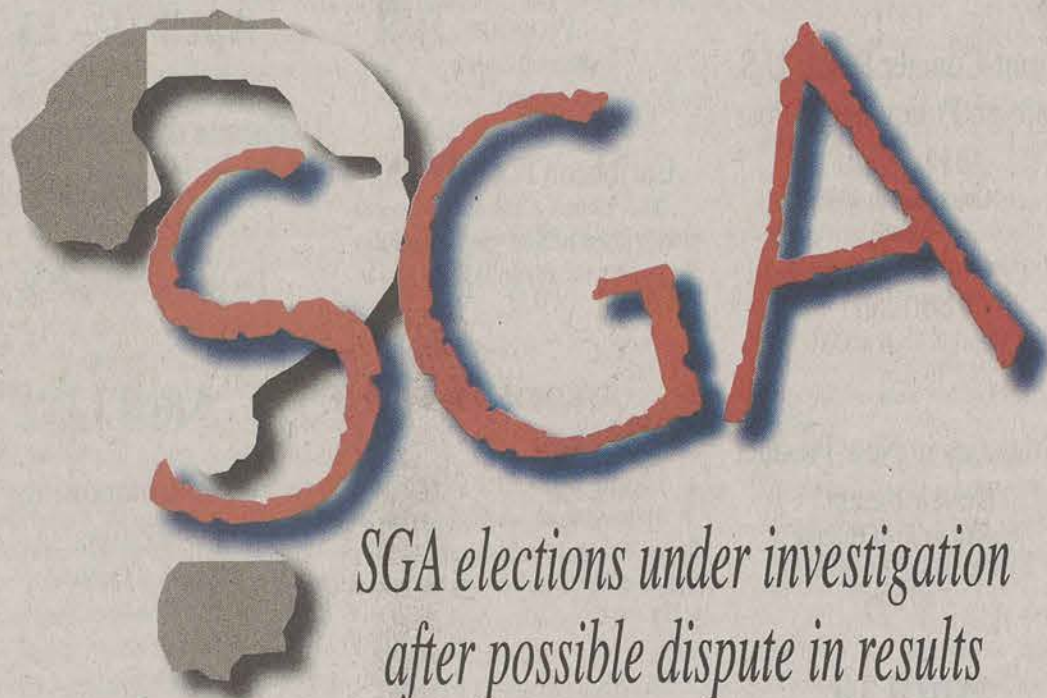
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DISCUSSION

• Student Panel Discussion, "Cross-Cultural Perspectives on War"
April 9, 9:30 a.m.
Union Room 2048

PRESENTATION

• "The Current Crisis in Venezuela"
Union Room 2048
April 10, 9:30 a.m.



By Andrea Mitchell
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Possible judicial charges have been made in connection with the 2003-2004 SGA elections. The election results are currently being investigated.

According to Dr. Baynes, office of Judicial Affairs, a written complaint was submitted to the Office of Judicial Affairs on April 7 contesting the election results.

"The candidate alleges that several things went wrong with the elections. We are currently investigating," said Baynes.

The Campaign Regulations of 2003 state the procedures which candidates must perform in order to contest election results.

The regulations are as follows:

If a candidate wishes to contest the election, he/she must do so in writing, within 48 hours of the election, stating the reasons for contesting

the election to the Chairperson of the University Judicial Board.

The University Judicial Board will hold a hearing, if necessary, within 1 week after the election is contested to consider any candidate's case. Only a recognized candidate can contest the SGA election. The decision rendered by the University Judicial Board will be considered final.

There are several allegations being made in reference to several candidates and members of the elections committee. One known accusation was made against Judith Grant.

According to the document, which listed complaints against the election results and the elections committee, Grant was providing Reggie Brown with information, which was not provided to all of the

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GSU Sexual Assault Response Team launches Sexual Assault Awareness Week



Jessica Langley/STAFF

The Clothesline Project sponsored by GSU's Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) kicked off Sexual Assault Awareness Week with a chance for students to express their feelings about sexual violence.

'Sex Signals' educates student audience

By Keisha Byars
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"Sex Signals," an all around no holds barred, fun-packed, compelling show, came to the Education Building Auditorium Monday night.

The two starring performers/actors used skits, improvisations, and crowd interaction to address issues surrounding the major concerns of the world of dating, gender stereotypes,

and rape.

Sexual assault has plagued college campuses for decades yet it was only addressed in traditional, ineffective manners. What was most intriguing about Sex Signals was that audience members were given the first hand chance to witness and understand the controversy that evolves around rape. Many

By Nicole Curry
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Georgia Southern's Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) has been working in conjunction with the national "Take Back the Night Campaign" as well as the University Counseling center to sponsor the 2003 Sexual Assault Awareness Week.

SART was started in 1997 to ensure that sexual assault cases were responded to correctly.

The SART team raises awareness about sexual assault by providing preventative programs and risk reduction education to many different organizations on campus. SART will also be sponsoring the Clothesline Project.

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students were able to walk away with a better definition of rape and what better time to witness and perhaps begin to understand this, than during Sexual Assault Awareness Week.

In "Sex Signals," the audience became the director.

With knowledge of the subjects

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PARKING AT GSU: Working within the white lines

• Part II in a two-part series

By Angela Jones
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Coming soon to a parking lot near you: brand new, just out of the wrapper commuter parking spaces.

Seven-hundred and twenty of them, to be exact, and soon could be as early as the 2003 Fall semester according to Bob Chambers, Director of Parking and Transportation Auxiliary Services.

"We anticipate needing these additional spaces by fall semester," he said. "We hope to have the majority of them done by the time classes begin in August."

Dorman Hall, an all male residential community located over near Landrum Center, is scheduled for demolition sometime this summer, and will be replaced with 120 commuter parking spaces.

Over by the auxiliary services warehouse/storage facility, just off of Old Register Rd, around 300 commuter spaces are scheduled to be added, and, if the new IT building opens on schedule in August, 2003, commuter students will gain back about 300 spaces that were lost during the construction.

So, how do students feel about the prospect of new and convenient parking once the construction is finished?

"I think it's great, I mean, new buildings are great and all, but if the students have to walk three miles to get to them, then I think most students would rather stay home," said junior journalism major Jason Halcombe.

Of course, nothing in life is free, and our much-needed parking is no exception, so get ready to part with a few more bucks at the parking hut. That's right, the parking permit is going up again, but not too much. A year's pass is barely scooting up in price, from \$54 to \$56, and a half year pass inches up from \$27 to \$29.

"We receive no funds from the

state for the maintenance and expansion of our parking," Chambers explained. "The state doesn't want to use educational funds to support what they see as an auxiliary service, so we have to raise all of the money ourselves."

Along with the money from selling parking permits, which is actually the right to park on

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-Bob Chambers, Director of Parking and Transportation Auxiliary Services

campus, and the service of a safe patrolled parking lot, about 85 percent of all the money from parking tickets, somewhere in the neighborhood of around \$350,000, goes towards parking lot upkeep and expansion.

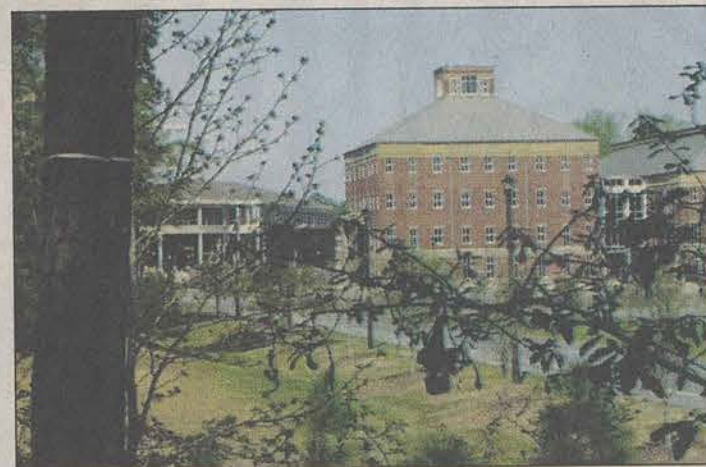
The additional 420 spaces will cost about \$300,000. That's about \$12,000 for each space being added.

By 2006, Parking services hopes to add an additional 100 new parking spaces, both commuter, resident and visitor near the baseball field.

Of course, all this much needed parking expansion means possibly parting with quite a bit of green stuff and we're not talking dollars here. We're talking trees, shrubs, bushes and other "green spaces".

Dr. Ray Chandler is the President of Georgia Southern's Environmental Network (GSEN), a faculty and staff organization that works to publicize environmental issues on campus and

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Parking and Transportation plans to create 750 new commuter parking spaces during the coming year, but the new convenience is not without a cost.



Photos by J. Wright/STAFF

Hillel, Multicultural Student Center sponsor Holocaust Remembrance Day



Jessica Langley/STAFF

GSU student Isaac Hammer, winner of honorable mention in the Holocaust Writing Contest, reads his poem during Holocaust Remembrance Day.

By Angela Jones
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Dr. Leon Bass, a former history teacher and World War II veteran who visited the German concentration camp Buchenwald days after the camp's liberation by U.S. and Allied forces, spoke to more than 100 faculty, staff and students last night at the Russell Union theater about his personal experiences, and the evils of racism and hatred that still exist today.

"Racism, anti-semitism, prejudice, the evil is still there, it is still among us even today," he said. "Those evils whisper in our ear each and every day, telling us that we should not like this person or that person, that we should have nothing to do with him or her because that

person is black, or Muslim, or a Jew or gay, or whatever the situation is. We should hate them, or avoid them because they are different from us. They are not like us."

Dr. Bass knows about racism and prejudice all too well.

After finishing high school in 1943, he joined the Army, like many other young men in those days. But the Army he joined, in fact, the whole military, was divided, by color.

"America, my country, our country, practiced and promoted institutional racism, and in doing that, they were saying to me 'Leon, you're not good enough. You're not good enough to be in the mainstream of things, like everyone else,'" Dr. Bass explained. "What a damnable experience to have

when you're 18 years old and you've volunteered to serve your country."

He and 600 other black soldiers were sent to the deep South for training, and it was then that he was confronted with the full intensity of racial division in the U.S.: separate drinking fountains for blacks and whites, being told to go to the back door of a restaurant to be served and being forced to stand for 100 miles on a bus ride because all of the seats in the "colored" section of the bus were filled.

"In Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Georgia, in all of these places, the people who lived there showed me every day, in all kinds of ways, that

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Police Beat

04-04-2003

• William Marcello Perez, 19, of 431 Fair Road, Statesboro, was charged with criminal trespass, theft by taking, and obstruction of an officer.

• A case of battery was reported at Winburn Hall.

• A case of harassment was reported at the Landrum Center parking lot.

• A side mirror was torn off the driver's side of a vehicle in the Kennedy Complex parking lot.

• A wine case and several CDs were reported missing from Johnson Hall.

• Officers issued five traffic warnings, investigated one traffic accident, assisted one motorist and one injured person, and responded to two fire alarms.

04-05-2003

• Deonta M. Huntley, 22, of 1461 Avon Ave., Atlanta, was charged with carrying a weapon on campus.

• Jordan W. Wakefield, 19, of Dorman Hall, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

• Officers issued one traffic citation and five traffic warnings, inves-

tigated one traffic accident, assisted two motorists, and responded to two fire alarms.

04-06-2003

• Antonio Aguilar, 24, of 131 Lanier Drive, Statesboro, was charged with DUI, driving without a license, and failure to maintain lane.

• Officers issued one traffic citation and three traffic warnings, assisted one motorist, and responded to three fire alarms.

04-07-2003

• Shirley Ann Valdez, 49, of 431 Fair Road, Statesboro, was charged with theft by receiving stolen property.

• A fight was reported at the Recreation Activity Center.

• Officers issued one traffic warning, investigated one traffic accident, assisted one motorist, and responded to one fire alarm.

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.

Campus Calendar

April 9

'Cross-Cultural Perspectives on War'
Union Room 2048
9:30 a.m.

'Point-Counter Point: U.S. Foreign Policy in the Post 9/11 World'
Union Room 2048
2 p.m.

Softball
Georgia Tech at GSU
3 p.m.

'Statistics in New Product Development'
Hosted by Fred Hulting
Biology Bldg. Room 1119
7:30 p.m.

April 10

'The Current Crisis in Venezuela'
Union Room 2048
9:30 a.m.

Graduate Scholarship Day
Multi-Purpose Room of the Nes-smith-Lane Continuing Education Building
4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

International Student Food Tasting
Union Ballroom Pre-Function Area
Noon

'U.S. Policy in North Korea'
Union Room 2048
2 p.m.

Concert Band
Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.

SART presents a
Consciousness Raising
Program
Russell Union
7 p.m.

Caribbean Food Tasting
The United Caribbean Association will be selling patties and dinners under the Rotunda from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

April 11

Take Back the Night
March begins at Hanner Field-house and ends at Landrum. A rally will commence following the march at 6 p.m.

'Afghanistan in Focus: Operation Anaconda from a Local News Perspective'
Union Room 2048
9 a.m.

'Gandhian Ideal of Peace and Humanity'
Union Room 2048
11 a.m.

Graduation Recital
Carol A. Carter Recital Hall
6 p.m.

Symphonic Wind Ensemble
Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.

Romanian Folk Dance Group
Union Ballroom
8 p.m.
Free Admission

April 11 - 13

Theatre & Performance presents 'Blood Wedding'
Black Box Theatre
8 p.m.
For tickets, call ext. 0532.

April 12

Worm Composting workshop
Botanical Garden
10 a.m.

Bee Day
Raptor Center
10 a.m.

Softball
UNC Greensboro at GSU
1 p.m.

Baseball
Wofford at GSU
1:30 p.m.

Lonesome River Band
Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.
For tickets, call ext. 7999.

April 13

Softball
UNC Greensboro at GSU
1 p.m.

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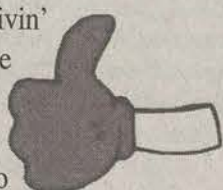
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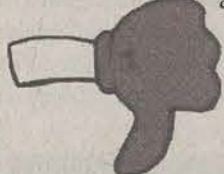


•THUMBS DOWN to all deaths in Iraq – coalition, journalist, civilian, and enemy.

•THUMBS UP to a close NCAA national championship basketball game Monday night.

•THUMBS DOWN to a slow start for the Braves.

•THUMBS UP to a new White Stripes album.



•THUMBS DOWN to the small percentage of students who voted for SGA.

Thoughts of the day

• Civilization is the art of living in towns of such size the everyone does not know everyone else.

– Julian Jaynes

• My favorite animal is steak.

– Fran Lebowitz

LETTER AND SUBMISSION POLICY

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OPINIONS

Look at all you're missing

If ignorance is bliss and one-track minds are full of folly, our nation is currently a fool's paradise.

This just in: Crime and newsworthy events in our country have not kindly come to a grinding halt at the request of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Let's take a look at the headlines for Tuesday, April 7. When I logged into my Hotmail account, the first news link on the side of the web page read, "How is Gulf War II playing in Africa?" As it has every day, news on the war occupied at least 75 percent of the main page at CNN.com. Upon scrolling down in an attempt to find news in other categories, one could find, "Air Force launches military satellite" in the Technology category. What were CNN's only recommended links to *The New York Times* yesterday? "Public seems to tolerate war's death toll," "U.S. hears Hussein son calling shots," and "Risk of being killed by own side increases." The recommended headlines for *Time Magazine* echoed the same topic, albeit with a little less mirth in the syntax.

Because the war coverage depicts such intense tragedy, the few unrelated stories that do manage to rise through the cracks are light-hearted features. I've found even in my own experience that there seems to be an unwritten law in media about balancing the tone of the news. Along those lines, reports from the front lines in yesterday's edition of *The Savannah Morning News* shared the top of the front page with a piece about the rules of walking tours changing in Savannah. The second U.S. news story on CNN.com was "West Hollywood bans cat declawing." The first technology story on the site appeared to come straight from *The George-Anne's* occasional Only In America section: "Calif-

AMANDA PERMENTER



ornia town fails to sell on eBay." In order to be fair, I scrutinized Fox News as well. The only immediately recognizable difference was hardly soothing—they have a stock ticker above their preponderant war coverage. The site contained an absolutely nauseating lack of human-interest stories, for what wasn't about the war was financial. Every story but

one on the main page had to do with either war or money. Between the terrible economic plights of politicians and big business and the U.S. Postal Service holding off on a stamp rate hike, there was one lonely unrelated story about the murder of a retarded man.

The fact is, with the exception of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome, many important issues are not getting the coverage warranted in peacetime. And the majority of the American public isn't thinking twice about it.

For instance, there was a school shooting in Louisiana

Monday that killed one student and wounded another. In the belittled list of links under the war coverage, one of yesterday's main national news stories *should've* been a follow-up report on that shooting, not the current status of cat declawing practices in West Hollywood.

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Those are only a few examples of highly important news stories that have been buried in war coverage just since the end of last week. Imagine how much information has escaped public knowledge since the war began last month.

The war is definitely foremost in our nation's eye right now, but it is hardly necessary for coverage of it to be so constant that it completely overshadows other momentous events. Those still concerned about what is happening inside our own country after scanning the headlines and watching the hour or so of war coverage necessary per day to stay up on the conflict should take care to dig deeper in their daily papers. There are still things happening within our borders that affect every American.

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YOUR OPINION

Arguments against the war should at least be well-formed

This letter is in response to Adam Brady's "I reluctantly take my turn..." that ran in *The George-Anne* on Monday, April 6.

I personally think that all arguments, for or against the war in Iraq, or any other political situation should be highly valued. At least, well formed arguments. I have endured reading the same senseless arguments coming from this paper long enough. To begin with, why is your column titled "I reluctantly take my turn", when you have been one of the foremost people speaking out against it?

Secondly, why would any involved American who is concerned with any issue at hand not want something like this staring at them directly in the face? For or against the war it is a reminder of the decisions that were made, and how much or little that you or I had to do with them. Protesting now against the war, much like the people in Oakland and New York have been the past weekend, will do nothing for the current situation. We are at war. Deal with that fact. If you don't like it, what can you do next time? That's the important issue.

Next, I completely disagree with your statement of "as we take action now... we only chip away at a foundation to the future that must be established in order to promote the ideals of humanitarianism and universal understanding." Instead of chipping away at an already rotting foundation, we are trying to build a new one. A foundation where leaders who murder families because of where they live, who kill women and children because of what a husband or father said, where fear is not a tolerable way to rule, is not allowed.

We are a country who supplies the most financial and humanitarian aid in the world. No one called the first Gulf War unjust when we liberated the people of Kuwait from the exact same oppressive regime that we are now liberating the Iraqi people from. Have you heard the cries of "We love America" from the Kuwaitis? Or perhaps the Afghans? Maybe the Muslim population in Kosovo hasn't called many people here in America directly, but these people are grateful. We do not have to be the world's benefactor. How about turning a blind eye to people like Saddam or Kim Jong Il? It would be really easy; I bet we could even fix our economy real quick if we stopped trying to help innocent people live a free a decent life. This is the foundation we need to try to build.

Next, why would we go to war just to liberate a group of people? On that pretext, we could go to war anywhere

we wanted. We could liberate the Aborigines from the Australians on that simple idea alone.

Do we have other motives? That is a silly question. Number one on everyone's list is oil. Are we at war for oil? Partly I believe so, and rightly so. Since you know so much on the UN workings, you know that their prediction for how long oil will last is about 60 years, give or take a decade. That's it. Just about everything our economy is based on right now is energy, and oil is where we get our energy 90% of the time. So, who do you want controlling your economy for the next 45-55 years? Someone who despises you for who you are and where you live, who supports the killing of innocent people? Who would you rather get rich off of your money? By that I mean look at what a lot of those countries do, living in huge gold palaces while their population starves.

Personally, I would rather fight a war now, save people from a violent and oppressive regime, and help ensure that their will be a government their that can make wise choices when it comes to the financial income that will come from exporting oil. Also, you are correct that prosperity usually follows a war. Prosperity is not a good pre-text for war, but it is a good by-product. If it isn't, then all Americans should shun the lower gas prices, reduced inflations, and improved well-being of the economy entirely on the principle of its cause. What I am saying is that the notion that prosperity following war is perhaps the wrong analogy to say that Americans are hungry for. If a victorious war is all it takes to improve the economy, please tell Wall Street, because they haven't gotten it yet. And why not, in the past when things were down, have we not gone to war for the same thing? Finally, the statement that reads, "Presidents who lead military efforts also have a better chance of being reelected" is a pretty baseless answer. Even a look back one decade can show the fallacy of this argument.

To say that our government has other intentions in Iraq I believe is absolutely true. Understanding these other intentions is the key.

Next, you argue that we lack the solid proof that Iraq has failed to disarm. The solid proof is that he failed to meet the resolution itself! He kicked the UN out in 1998. That right there is failure to comply. More proof? The al-Samoud 2 missiles that were discovered during the inspections are banned weapons. Solid. Solid and even fired at Kuwait at the start of this war.

Again, another argument baffles me. The idea that a majority ruling party has the power to abuse the minorities is everywhere. Look anywhere in the world and it is a constant problem. However, you say that it is possible for the Kurds to do the same were they in power. That is totally irrelevant on the idea that Saddam is in power and has used them. It is an idiotic idea to say we should not

do something because it might have the same outcome as before. Shall we sit on our hands and say, "well it might happen anyway no matter who is there"? The important issue is the Kurds have not done anything like that, are not in power, and to say that we should not do anything on the idea that they may be preposterous.

This final argument is probably the most absurd I have heard since the march to war began. To compare the war on terrorism to software and music piracy is a disgusting and insulting analogy to the brave men and women fighting and dying to keep us safe. President Bush never said this would be easy. It will be long and hard and people will die. Just like thousands died on 9/11. How many people have died from Napster and Kazaa? How do you equate a program to pirate music and a ruthless dictator that murders his own people? Perhaps this war has no end, but I believe it is one worth fighting, to my end if that's what it takes.

In closing, I would like to thank everyone who has well formed opinions and can express them intelligently. It is with discourse that we, as a nation, have moved so far through history, and part of what makes us great. For those protestors who believe that gagging yourself in the streets in order to show that you are sick of war, grow up and get a reality check. For those who are for or against, please understand what you are arguing about.

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This war is about Iraq's oil

In the April 2 issue of this publication, Mr. James Rhine wrote, "No War for Oil" is the battle cry of the ignorant."

As a pacifist, I oppose war in general, and this one in particular. My conscience, directed by Judeo-Christian rules against killing, prevents me from supporting military conflict. I suspect that oil is the main reason for this war.

The freedom of expression is one of the greatest aspects of this nation. Accordingly, I support Mr. Rhine's right to express his opinion. Nevertheless, I abhor the strategy (employed by Mr. Rhine and others) of accusing those of my persuasion of being stupid or ignorant.

I do not know Mr. Rhine. I assume that he is intelligent, for I have no reason to believe otherwise. He should extend the same courtesy to those of us who oppose this war.

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PARKING, FROM PAGE 1

supports environmentally sound development of the campus.

In a position paper regarding the parking situation at GSU, GSEN suggests that, while adding new parking spaces will temporarily ease the parking crunch, it is only delaying the inevitable creation of a more comprehensive parking plan, which could possibly include some form of mass transit.

"The current parking plan is a stop-gap measure," the paper states. "It

will not significantly alter the parking equation in the long run...this plan will spend scarce money and destroy valuable green space..."

Alternative proposed by GSEN include using the stadium as one of the primary commuter parking lot, consider the move towards some form of mass transit system now, before it is sorely needed, and assign parking lots based on class standing, with seniors given preference and working down from there.

"The parking situation is a complex one, it's not simply an issue of cars vs. trees to us," said Dr. Chandler.

Currently, the parking proposal has been presented to the faculty senate, President Grube and his cabinet and the Campus Physical Planning community. It is now making its way through the various student organizations on campus.

"We're hoping to get as much of the campus community's input on it as we possibly can," said Chambers.

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is a chance for the campus to express their feelings about sexual violence. Participants will decorate t-shirts to show how they feel about sexual assault.

Those t-shirts may be seen all week inside of the Rotunda.

Sexual Assault Prevention Advocates (SAPA) is another organization that works in conjunction with SART to provide awareness, and improve communication between men and women about sexual issues.

Chuck Zanone of the University Counseling Center has been with the SAPA program for three years and is a major proponent of sexual assault awareness. He became involved with the program because he realized that sexual assault affects many women.

His concern for the impact that it has on their lives made him want to increase preventative measures and awareness about sexual assault.

The Clothesline Project will be displayed from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at the Union Rotunda all week, and during these times information and purple ribbons will be handed out.

This Thursday, April 10 marks the second annual "Take Back the Night" march here at Georgia Southern. The march begins at Hanner Field House at 6:00 p.m. and proceeds through campus to end at Landrum. T-shirts will be provided for participants.

A "Take Back the Night" rally will begin at 6:30 p.m. in front of Landrum with a formal program and key chains for participants.

Alarming Statistics about Sexual Assault:

- 1 in 4 women in the U.S. will be raped.
- A woman in the U.S. is raped every 2 minutes.
- 42 percent of college women who are raped tell no one.
- 33 to 54 percent of female college students revealed some form of sexual victimization.
- 84 percent of college men who committed rape said that what they did was not rape.

REMEMBRANCE, FROM PAGE 1

they too felt I wasn't good enough," he said. These were people that I was going to protect and defend, to lay down my life for, if necessary, and yet I wasn't good enough."

Dr. Bass and his unit, the 183 Engineers Combat Battalion, were attached to General Patton's Third Army during the Battle of the Bulge. In April, 1945, Bass and several members of his unit visited the newly liberated Buchenwald. He was only 19 years old.

When he arrived at the camp gates, Dr. Bass was shocked and horrified at the sight of hundreds of starving skeletal inmates, which he called the "walking dead", awaiting the soldiers.

"I remember thinking 'my God, what is this insanity I have come to? Why are these people here, what have they done, what was their crime that would cause people to treat them like this?'" he recalled.

Stunned, but needing to try an understand what he was seeing, Dr. Bass spent four hours walking through the camp with a young Polish man who explained what happened in the camp, visiting the inmate barracks, the examination room, where he found dozens of jars of human organs floating in formaldehyde, the interrogation chamber where prisoners were tortured, and finally the crematoria, where he saw piles of

emaciated corpses piled four feet high and ovens filled with charred human remains and ashes.

"Those four hours were the most traumatic experience of my life, and it forced me to grow up in a hurry," he said. "It changed my life forever, those images will stay with me for the rest of my life."

After the war, Dr. Bass went to college and became an elementary school teacher in Philadelphia for a few years before becoming a principal at Benjamin Franklin High School, then considered one of the toughest schools in Pennsylvania, in 1968. He made a number of contributions and improvements, including programs to expand the students' educational and cultural horizons and introducing female students to the school.

In 1970, an Auschwitz survivor visited a class to share her experiences in the camp. When the students were rude and inattentive to her, Dr. Bass stepped in, encouraging them to listen to her accounts, as he too had witnessed the atrocities she talked about.

That was the first time in more than 20 years that he shared accounts of what he saw at Buchenwald with an audience. Since that day, Dr. Bass has spoken to adults and young people all over the country, recounting the details of what he experienced visiting the camp, and talking about the repercussions

sions of racism, discrimination, hatred and dehumanizing policies.

"There comes a time when each of us must look into the mirror and ask ourselves 'Is the price of doing the right thing too high?'" he said. "There is no greater feeling in this world than to do the right thing, and to do it to the best of your ability."

Two GSU students, writing to the best of their abilities, were announced as the winners of the Holocaust writing contest just before Dr. Bass spoke. Roweena Vandermaast West won first place with her poem entitled "Swirling", and freshamn Isaac Hammer won Honorable Mention for his poem "Yizkor", named after a Jewish mourning service. When viewed vertically on paper, the first letters in each line spell out the names of three concentration camps: Auschwitz, Dachau and Buchenwald.

"This has been going around in my head since I was in about third grade, when we had several Holocaust survivors come and speak at our school," Hammer explained. "When I heard about the writing contest, I knew this was my opportunity to share this with people."

Dr. Bass's visit was sponsored by the Campus Life Enrichment Committee, Hilel, the Jewish student organization, the Multicultural Student Center and the GSU branch of the NAACP.

ELECTION, FROM PAGE 1

other candidates. The accusations made in the document are:

"February 28 - around 5p.m. Reggie Brown receives a copy of the students who turned in applications from Executive VP Judie Grant, and is able to form a ticket before anyone else had a chance to get in touch with those individuals."

According to Grant this accusation is completely false and lacks verification.

"I advise any candidate who is contesting the election results to have a valid reason for contesting and credible sources to confirm accusations," said Grant.

"On the day and time in question I was attending a conference in Atlanta," said Grant.

Reggie Brown, new SGA president is not fully aware of any allegations made or who may have made them.

"I heard that someone contested the election or either that the elections are under investigation, but I'm not sure on what grounds," said Brown.

Brown is not the only one who is unaware of any allegations. Neither Jonathan Boyd nor Christopher Haseltine have any knowledge of anyone contesting the election results.

Thomas Miller, another presidential candidate, was unavailable for comment.

According to the campaign regulations, grounds for contesting the election results are:

Irregularities by the election committee or violation of campaign rules by a candidate or anyone involved in the election procedures shall be grounds for contesting the election.

Any irregularity is defined as a violation whose penalty is not covered by the campaign

regulation packet or whose ramifications drastically alter the official results of the election. The right to contest may extend to incidents where the campaign committee may have voluntarily or involuntarily taken actions that may have altered the outcome of the elections.

Other grounds for contesting the elections include violations of campaign rules by a candidate or other instances seen as irregular and or disruptive by the Election Committee.

According to Dr. Baynes, if the alleged irregularities rise to the level where the judicial board will have to meet, they will either overturn or dismiss the allegations.

"We haven't come to any conclusions. I talked to a number of people and hopefully by the end of this week we will find a solution," said Baynes.

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and curiosity of the outcome, audience members had the opportunity to enhance scenes. With periodical pauses during the scenes, students would discuss the previous happenings. The great improvisational skills of the two actors and the interesting audience communi-

cation can both be credited for allowing the show to reach higher grounds.

This show should be highly anticipated for years to come. A desire of many who came and participated in the show was to see "Sex Signals" on the Georgia Southern campus again.

The chemistry that "Sex Signals" created goes beyond far beyond the classrooms. And with shows like it that utilize such humor, improvisation, and crowd interaction, some of the more difficult issues of society can be openly debated.



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Eagles finish 15th at Invitational

G-A News Service

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Georgia Southern stands in 14th place after Saturday's first two rounds of competition at the Cleveland Golf/Augusta State Invitational being held at Forest Hills Golf Club.

The Eagles followed a first round 289 (+1) with a 291 (+3) in the second round to stand at +4 (580) in the tournament. Clemson currently stands as the tournament leader at -24 (552).

Senior Travis Mobley currently leads the Eagles, standing tied for 25th place at -2 (142) while freshman Jon David Kennedy is one shot back tied for 32nd at 143/-1. Sophomore Chase Jones carded a two-round total of 146 (+2) to tie for 55th while fellow sophomore Aron Price is tied for 75th with a five-over-par 150. Toshi Hirata rounded out the Georgia Southern group with a 14-over-par 158 and is in 89th place.

The Augusta State duo of James Heath and Oliver Wilson are tied for the lead at nine-under-par (135).

The competition concluded with a single round on Sunday, which teed off at 8 a.m.

Georgia Southern carded a final round 290 (+2) to finish in 15th

place at the Cleveland Golf/Augusta State Invitational at Forest Hill Golf Club Sunday.

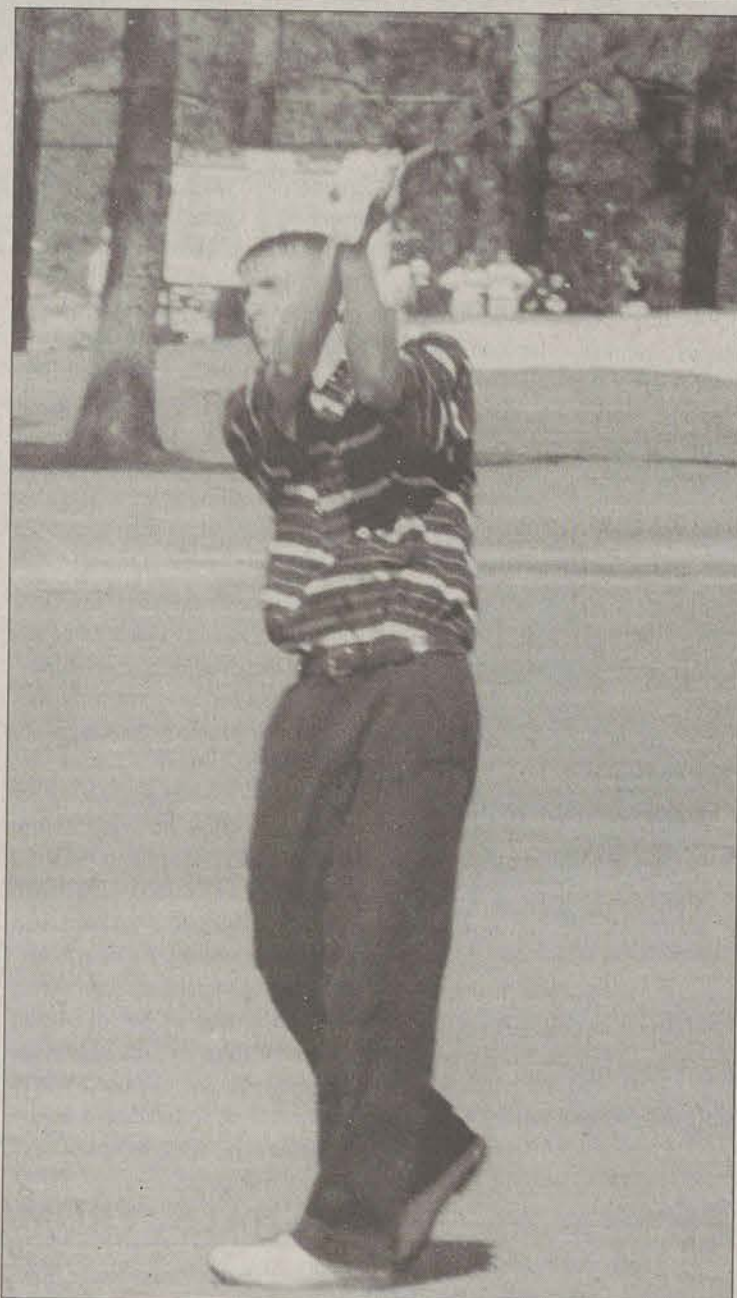
Overall, Georgia Southern finished the three-round tournament with an 870 (+6) to tie with Fresno State for 15th in the 17 team field.

Freshman Jon David Kennedy led the charge for the Eagles on the final day, carding his second straight two-under-par 70 to finish the tournament with a 213 (-3). Senior Travis Mobley also compiled a 213 for the three round event as the Georgia Southern duo finished tied for 28th.

Sophomore Aron Price tied for 67th with a three round total of 221 (+5) while fellow sophomore Chase Jones compiled an 11-over-par 227 to finish tied for 83rd. Freshman Toshi Hirata rounded out the Georgia Southern contingent, tallying a 236 (+20) to finish in 90th place.

Augusta State's Oliver Wilson finished at 17-under-par (199) to claim medalist's honors while the Jaguars claimed the team title at 44-under-par (820), edging Clemson by two strokes.

Georgia Southern returns to action Saturday, April 12 when it travels to Raleigh, N.C. to compete in The Intercollegiate at Finlay.



File Photo

The Eagles traveled to Augusta to compete in the Cleveland Golf/Augusta State Invitational and finished 15th in the event.

Jayhawks go cold, finish one step short of goal

KRT Campus

NEW ORLEANS — Kansas' improbable ride to the season's last dance fell one step short.

It officially ended Monday night in the midst of a sea of long Syracuse arms flailing away at the Jayhawks' attempts at a pair of three-pointers.

But KU doomed itself with some horrific free-throw shooting in the second half of the national championship game, leaving the Jayhawks just short of a record comeback in an 81-78 loss to Syracuse.

"If we had just played a little better ...," KU senior Kirk Hinrich said.

Instead, KU's Roy Williams once again came up short of finally winning his first national title while Syracuse's Jim Boeheim at last unloaded that burden. After the two winningest active Division I coaches hugged briefly and shook hands.

"I told Roy the same thing Bob Knight told me in 1987 — 'You'll be back someday,'" Boeheim said, referring to Indiana's victory over Syracuse in the national title game.

But will that be with KU or North Carolina? Speculation continued to dog Williams even on this night that he was headed home to Carolina to coach the Tar Heels.

Williams, however, was having none of such talk on a night already painful enough because he was coaching seniors Nick Collison and Hinrich for the last time and the agony of coming so close in the title game.

With eyes red from tears, Williams said, "I've had people make fun of ol' Roy crying at the end of the year, but I never had one of those suckers say it to my face. I guess I'm just weird."

And yet in a season when the Jayhawks opened with their worst start in 21 years and lost forward Wayne Simien to injury, KU came unexpectedly close to winning it all.

KU did it by nearly pulling off a record comeback. No team had rallied from more than a 10-point halftime deficit to win the title, and the Jayhawks were down by 11 at halftime.

They came as close as two points numerous times, but poor free-throw shooting pushed them back. They hit only 4 of 17 from the line in the second half, including one stretch of 0 for 9.

"You either hit them or you don't," said Collison, who was 3 of 10 from the line while scoring 19 points and pulling down 21 rebounds.

The Jayhawks also made only 4 of 20 three-pointers, including two misses in the final seconds.

Trailing 81-78 with less than 10 seconds left, Hinrich found himself covered by two defenders a good 22 feet from the basket. So he passed off to a wide-open Michael Lee in the corner for a three-pointer.

"I didn't think I had a good shot," Hinrich said, "but I knew Michael was open."

But Hakim Warrick, a long-armed 6-foot-8 sophomore, came flying out of nowhere to block Lee's shot out of bounds with 1.5 seconds left. Hinrich took an inbound pass and quickly

found three Orangemen flying at him as he dribbled once and fired a three-pointer that missed.

KU was largely able to fight back because it shut down Gerry McNamara in the second half. The Syracuse guard had hit 6 of 8 three-pointers in the first half, but he was 0 for 2 from beyond the arc in the second half.

As expected, Syracuse's length and athleticism made its zone defense difficult for the Jayhawks to get anything inside. Much of what Collison and Jeff Graves were able to produce came out of sheer effort and hustle for loose balls.

KU kept the surge it began to close the first half to open the second with a 10-0 run. That combined for a 23-6 spurt between the two halves as the Jayhawks cut Syracuse's lead to three points.

The Jayhawks, however, began to lose some key bodies for at least a spell. Keith Langford went out with his fourth foul with 18:10 remaining, then Hinrich left with an injured left ankle with 12:33 left and KU trailing 66-58.

Hinrich wasn't about to let a bum ankle knock him out for long of his last college game, so he returned with a re-taped ankle a little more than a minute later. Langford missed just under 10 minutes before returning with 8:48 and Syracuse leading 70-60.

But Langford lasted only a little more than three minutes before fouling out with 5:56. The sophomore guard had been few Jayhawks who found a way to penetrate Syracuse's zone on the way to scoring 19 points.

Scoring the most ever in the first half of a championship game, Syracuse lived well beyond the arc to lead 53-42 at intermission.

That also was the most points KU had given up in a half this season, surpassing the 52 allowed in the second half of its loss at home to Arizona in January.

The Orangemen punched all sorts of holes in KU's defensive plans by hitting 10-of-13 three-pointers in the first half, including McNamara's 6-of-8 shooting.

Leading 15-12, Syracuse went on a 17-5 run behind back-to-back three-pointers from McNamara. Trailing by as much as 18 points, 47-29, the Jayhawks were on the verge of being run out of the Superdome if they had closed the half with 13-6 surge.

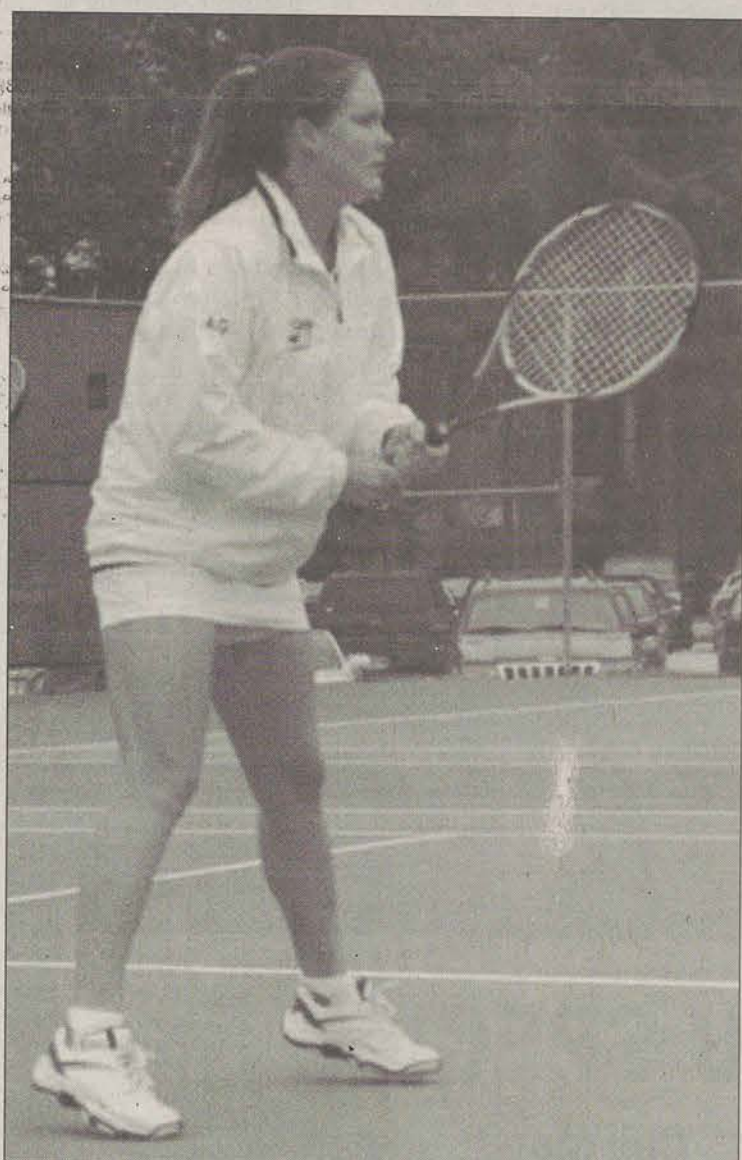
KU spent so much time early trying to control Carmelo Anthony that the talented freshman had five assists in the first eight minutes. Anthony finished the half with 13 points and seven assists.

The Jayhawks tried a variety of defenses to slow down Syracuse's offense and get their own running game going. They even went to a zone for a couple of possessions and tried covering Anthony with Collison instead of Langford.

Meanwhile, Hinrich struggled to get started. He missed his first four shots, including a trio of three-pointers, before dropping in consecutive shots beyond the arc midway through the half.

Davidson drowns Lady Eagles 6-1

Lady Eagles to compete in final regular match Friday at home



Mariana Vieira/STAFF

The Lady Eagles competed in their final away game match, only to come home with a loss. The lone point was scored by Marion Leuillier.

G-A News Service

DAVIDSON, N.C. — Davidson claimed five of the six singles points as well as the doubles point en route to claiming a 6-1 victory over Georgia Southern in Southern Conference women's tennis action Sunday afternoon. With the win Davidson improves to 9-5 overall and 3-3 in conference play while Georgia Southern falls to 9-7 and 5-3.

Sisters Kelly and Meghan Fillnow opened the competition by claiming an 8-6 win over Georgia Southern's Stephanie Tyrell and Amy Bartlett in the No. 1 doubles spot while Meggie Patterson and Lindsey Powel wrapped up the point by also winning 8-6 over GSU's Marion Leuillier and Callie Ward at the No. 2 spot. Eagles Karen Somm and Charlotte Bruneteaux defeated the duo of Katherine Hatch and Sarah Borkowski in the final match.

In singles competition, Kelly Fillnow defeated Tyrell 6-2, 3-6, 7-5 at the No. 1 spot while Patterson downed Bruneteaux 6-0, 7-5 at No. 2. Bartlett was forced to retire due to injury, giving Meghan Fillnow the win at No. 3 while Powel defeated Kimberly Wollett 6-2, 6-0 at the No. 4 spot. Leuillier claimed GSU's lone point in the No. 5 hole as she defeated Hatch 6-1, 6-2 while Borkowski downed Ward 6-2, 6-4 at No. 6 to close out the match.

Georgia Southern returns to action Friday, April 11 when it hosts Furman in its final regular season match of the regular season. Action is scheduled to begin at 2 p.m.

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No. 1 - Kelly Fillnow (DAV) def. Stephanie Tyrell (GSU) 6-2, 3-6, 7-5.
No. 2 - Meggie Patterson (DAV) def. Charlotte Bruneteaux (GSU) 6-0, 7-5.
No. 3 - Meghan Fillnow (DAV) def. Amy Bartlett (GSU) 6-7, 2-3 (retired)

No. 4 - Lindsay Powell (DAV) def. Kimberly Wollett (GSU) 6-2, 6-0
No. 5 - Marion Leuillier (GSU) def. Katherine Hatch (DAV) 6-1, 6-2
No. 6 - Sarah Borkowski (DAV) def. Callie Ward (GSU) 6-2, 6-4

Doubles Play

No. 1 - Fillnow/Fillnow (DAV) def. Tyrell/Bartlett (GSU) 8-6
No. 2 - Patterson/Powel (DAV) def. Leuillier/Ward (GSU) 8-6
No. 3 - Karen Somm/Bruneteaux (GSU) def. Hatch/Borkowski (DAV) 9-8 (3)

Earnhardt wins record fourth straight Talladega race

Associated Press

TALLADEGA, Ala. — The record book will only show that Dale Earnhardt Jr. won four straight races at Talladega Superspeedway.

Some of his rivals wonder if the feat deserves an asterisk.

Earnhardt used a controversial pass to take the lead in the Aaron's 499 on Sunday, driving below the yellow line at Talladega with four laps to go as his Chevrolet went ahead of Matt Kenseth.

NASCAR didn't penalize him, as it has done with several other drivers since implementing the rule in July 2001, and Earnhardt went on to his record fourth consecutive win at Talladega.

"He was clearly below the yellow line," said Jimmie Johnson, who was behind Earnhardt and Kenseth. "Anybody else who dances down there gets in trouble. From my

vantage point, I didn't think it was a legal pass."

With a huge grin on his face and still wearing his beer-soaked firesuit, Earnhardt dismissed any suggestion of preferential treatment while savoring his latest taming of Talladega.

"This is definitely the sweetest, regardless of the controversy of going below the line or whatever," he said.

There's no doubt Earnhardt had to work for this win, his first of the year and eighth of his career.

Crew members overslept after forgetting to reset their clocks. His engine had to be replaced before the start of the race, forcing him to go to the rear of the 43-car field at the start.

And he had to avoid the 27-car accident three laps into the race, driving through the infield to miss it while collecting slight damage to

his Chevrolet.

But all that was forgotten across the garage as drivers and crew chiefs wondered why Earnhardt Jr. was not penalized for driving below the line. Crossing onto the apron to improve track position is strictly prohibited at Talladega and Daytona, and the sanctioning body warned all drivers before the race it would be watching closely for such moves.

NASCAR even enforced it on Sunday, penalizing Steve Park, Earnhardt's teammate, for crossing the line to make a pass earlier in the race.

So when Earnhardt did it, the cars running behind him all waited to see the black-flag. When it never came, runner-up Kevin Harvick's team had radioed NASCAR and demanded a review of the call.

NASCAR watched the tape and spokesman Jim Hunter said officials

stood by the call.

"There is not a shadow of a doubt he was below the yellow line," Hunter said. "However, in our judgment, he had already improved his position and was past (Kenseth) when he went down there."

Earnhardt acknowledged going below the line, but he agreed with NASCAR that he had already passed Kenseth.

"I can honestly say if I did anything wrong, I would be the first driver to admit it," he said. "I know in my heart of hearts I did not go below the line to improve position."

Elliott Sadler, who was right behind Earnhardt, believed Earnhardt had to go below the yellow line to avoid hitting Kenseth.

"I was the one pushing him and they ran him down," Sadler said. "He had to do that or cause a big wreck, so it was a smart move."

The rest of the garage saw it differently, and numerous crew chiefs were lined up outside the NASCAR hauler looking for an explanation on the rule.

"I guarantee you if my driver went an inch below the line, he would have been black-flagged," said Todd Berrier, Harvick's crew chief. "The rule is below the yellow line, it doesn't matter if it's two tires or four tires."

"An inch below the line is illegal, and he was way more than an inch under it, and a lot more than (Park) was earlier in the race when he got called for it."

But the wind will stand, moving Earnhardt past Buddy Baker's record of three straight Talladega wins. Baker won twice in 1975 and once in 1976.

"There ain't too many (drivers) ever won four races here, period,"

Earnhardt said. "I'm stepping into some awful big shoes."

His father, the late Dale Earnhardt, is the career leader at Talladega with 10 Winston Cup victories and 13 overall in three series. Junior has five, he also won the Busch Series event Saturday. But the Winston Cup win meant the most, and pulled him into second in the overall standings, 129 points behind Kenseth.

Harvick finished second in a Chevrolet, Sadler was third in a Ford and Ricky Craven was fourth in a Pontiac.

Terry Labonte was fifth and was followed by Sterling Marlin, Ward Burton and Jeff Gordon. Kenseth was kicked back to ninth on the final lap, and Johnson, who led a race-high 65 laps, wound up 15th after spinning into the infield grass coming off the fourth turn on lap 187.

"If you are not criticized,
you may not be doing
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—Donald H. Rumsfeld

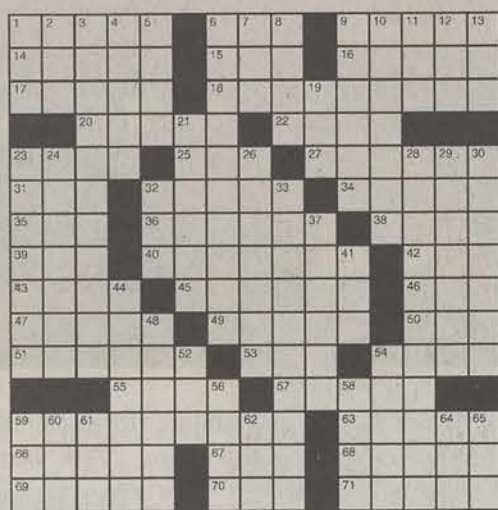
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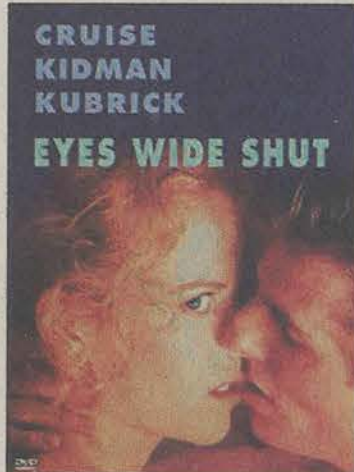
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Cinema Arts Program Presents: 'Eyes Wide Shut'

By Brittany Gates
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If you missed the presentation of "Eyes Wide Shut" by the Cinema Arts Program on Monday, then you missed the last film directed



Special Photo

'Eyes Wide Shut' played at the Union Theatre on April 7.

by Stanley Kubrick and you missed Nicole Kidman's boobs.

The movie, starring ex-couple Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman, had a somewhat confusing plot: Cruise's character becomes jealous after learning that his wife (Kidman) lusts after another man. To get revenge, Cruise goes on a journey filled with eroticism and danger.

I liked the movie even though there were parts that were pretty boring, as they included long periods of people talking, or scenes that moved too slow. However, I did enjoy the performance that Cruise and Kidman gave throughout the film.

It was weird seeing them pawing over each other because they were a married couple having sex on the screen, but they didn't show that they were nervous. Cruise gave a great performance playing the jeal-

ous husband out to get revenge, and Kidman also acted well, playing the lustful housewife.

As for the directing, I've only seen two other Kubrick movies ("The Shining" and "Full Metal Jacket") but I can't compare Eyes Wide Shut to the others because they dealt with different stories and time periods. However, I will say that I liked Kubrick's style of using different camera angles and light to express the changing moods of scenes.

In the end, I liked "Eyes Wide Shut." Even though many critics and audiences panned the movie as trite or boring, it had its good parts and is a worthy movie to rent.

However, the movie probably would have been better if the American censors didn't force Kubrick to edit the naughty parts (especially an orgy scene featuring nude people) to attain an R rating.

Album Review: The White Stripes 'Elephant'

By Joshua King
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Unless you've been in prison for the last two years, or trapped on the island after filming the first season of *Survivor*, then you already know and listen to the White Stripes.

However, as familiar as the campus is with them I can't help but review their new, fourth album, "Elephant," as it showed up in my Landrum box Monday to save me from obsessively listening to Radiohead's "Hail to the Thief" demos for the millionth time this week.

The Stripes do not deviate far from the formula that brought them success: half garage rock, half blues with a pinch of gospel thrown in for extra flavoring. Yet "Elephant" is far less polished than the previous three albums, as here they tend to blur the distinction between garage and grunge.

In fact, if you've ever seen the Stripes live or watched a performance on television, then you know



Special Photo

The White Stripes new album, "Elephant," blurs the distinction between garage and grunge music. This, their fourth album, was released April 1.

that they sound like a completely different band than what's on the studio smoothed albums, until now.

"Elephant" is so raw that it's almost a live album, with as much distortion as one of their live shows and Jack White's voice sounding the way it does in real life. (Is it just me, or does anyone else think that his voice live is similar to the former singer of the Toadies? I for one would love to hear them cover "Heel" live.)

Another distinction between this and previous efforts is that drummer Meg White finally gets to sing, mainly on "In The Cold, Cold Night" but also doing some supporting vocals on the finale, "Well It's True That We Love One Another."

Her voice is absolutely incredible. She has a simple sound that would work well in duets with distinctive sounding singers such as Nick Cave or Tom Waits.

A few things here needed changing. The song "There's No Home For You Here" blatantly rips off their own song "Dead Leaves and the Dirty Ground," and while "Leaves" was a great song, it gets cheapened when you insert it into later works.

Also the last track, in which the

Whites and Holly Golightly (from listening to the lyrics, it's assumed that she is Jack's current significant other) has a musical discussion over whether or not Jack is really in love with Holly is just strange.

I realize it was the White's in-joke to try and convince the media earlier they were brother and sister when they were actually ex-husband and wife, but having Meg sing on a song where Jack's new girlfriend states that she loves him "like a little brother" is somehow disturbing.

Overall, I wouldn't go as far as to give the album five stars out of five like the cover of the unread *Rolling Stone* in my dorm room does. However, this is the first album put out by this new wave of "60s garage revivalists" that actually sounds like 1960s garage.

Also, I do ultimately think that - both in my opinion and in the public eye - this will go down as the highlight of their career. This is saying something, as for the entire first half of 2002, I spun "White Blood Cells" at least twice per day almost every day.

Do yourself a favor, and be a good candy cane child and pick up "Elephant" right now.

BANDS IN THE 'BORO

Thursday, April 10

Retrievers, 1 University Plaza, 681-2444: *Rollin' in the Hay*

Rollin' In the Hay is a three-piece band hailing from Birmingham, AL. This high-energy group's music has been described as everything from renegade bluegrass, groove grass to redneck speed-metal. Their level of talent and experience is evident in shows that take them from concert halls to college campuses. Playing on stage with everyone from Jesco White to Widespread Panic, the national spotlight is beginning to shine on this much-deserved trio. Rollin' In the Hay brings their act to Retrievers on Thursday.

Friday, April 11

Retrievers, 1 University Plaza, 681-2444: *Four Stories*

Four Stories has been playing gigs together for about four years. Playing great covers and awesome originals, this band is no doubt one of the 'Boros favorite locals.

Legends, 3787 Old Register Road, 871-5349: *Drivin' N Cryin'*

If you've ever wondered what would happen if the same Georgia music scene that spawned R.E.M., the B-52s and The Indigo Girls came up with a band that could rattle the serpent out of Whitesnake, look no further than Drivin n Cryin.



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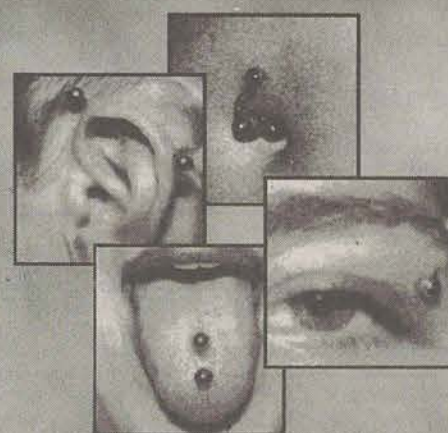
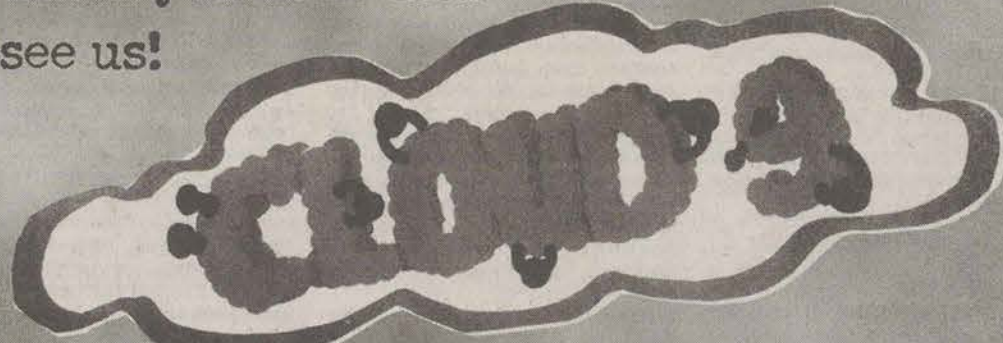
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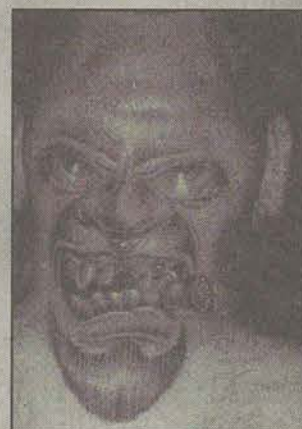
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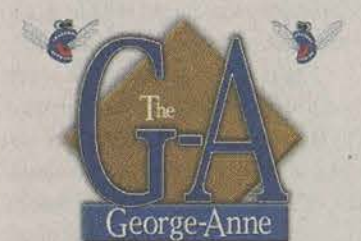
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Covering the campus like a swarm of gnats

Weekend Weather

Friday



Morning showers with a high of 69°F and a low of 43°F.

Saturday

Sunny with a high of 77°F and a low of 54°F.

Sunday

Sunny with a high of 76°F and a low of 47°F.

Only in America

- A husband in Texas is accused of keeping his wife on a chain.
- A National Guard commander is relieved of duty after streaking on base.
- Twenty bar patrons arrested in riot over last call affected by daylight savings time.

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RECITAL

• Graduation Recital
Carol A. Carter Recital Hall
April 11, 6 p.m.

CONCERT

• Lonesome River Band
Performing Arts Center
April 12, 8 p.m.
For tickets, call ext. 7999

GSU group supports locally-based soldiers in Iraq



KRT Campus

Looters leave a palace near Baghdad International Airport in Baghdad, Iraq Thursday, April 10 after soldiers with 1-30 Infantry, from Fort Benning, Georgia, attached to Task Force 3-7 Infantry, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 3rd ID, Fort Stewart Georgia, escorted them out.

By Teresa D. Southern
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With hundreds of students being deployed from Georgia Southern, students cannot help but feel the effects of war with Iraq.

Several GSU students have loved ones that are actively involved in war with Iraq.

The Third Infantry, which includes soldiers from Fort Stewart in Hinesville, and Hunter Airfield, only minutes away from us, makes the war feel even closer to home.

Brandice James, a freshman at GSU, father is a member of the 3rd Infantry. "I feel awful because I have not only friends, but my father is there also and it's hard to think of people dying."

When asked how she felt when news reports telling the number of American casualties were broadcast she replied that she has stopped listening to television and news reports and reading newspapers. "It's upsetting and I try to focus on other things," James said.

James's father was scheduled to retire in October and to go on leave in July until his retirement, but towards Thanksgiving, there was a possibility he would be deployed.

He left on January 20, 2002.

"What's more important your family or your country? The

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Celebrations in Baghdad; U.S., Kurdish forces battle Saddam loyalists in north

Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq - Jubilant crowds swarmed Baghdad's streets Wednesday, dancing, cheering and looting as U.S. commanders declared that President Saddam Hussein's rule over the ancient capital was over.

As Baghdadis toppled a massive Saddam statue with the help of an American tank, bystanders threw shoes and slippers at it - a gross insult in the Arab world. A crowd danced on the felled torso, tearing off the head and dragging

it through the streets.

"Saddam Hussein is now taking his rightful place alongside Hitler, Stalin, Lenin, Ceausescu in the pantheon of failed brutal dictators and the Iraqi people are well on their way to freedom," U.S. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said Wednesday in Washington.

At the United Nations, Iraq's ambassador, Mohammed Al-Douri, acknowledged the regime's demise Wednesday.

"My work now is peace," he said in New York in the first Iraqi

government admission of defeat. "The game is over and I hope the peace will prevail. I hope the Iraqi people will have a happy life."

Rumsfeld and Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, cautioned that hard fighting may lie ahead.

Pockets of Saddam loyalists continued to engage U.S. forces in Baghdad fighting, as well as in Saddam's hometown, Tikrit, said Capt. Frank Thorp, a U.S. Central

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KRT Campus

Two Iraqi men express their joy by pounding a statue of Saddam Hussein with their shoes after U.S. Special Forces and Kurdish peshmerga forces took control of Kirkuk, Iraq Thursday, April 10. The streets of Kirkuk were filled with looters and people celebrating Thursday afternoon.

'Take Back the Night'

March, rally ends Sexual Assault Awareness Week

By J. Wright
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Chants of "Georgia Southern Unite, Take Back the Night!" could be heard across campus on April 10, as GSU held the Second Annual 'Take Back the Night' march and rally.

This year's march was the second of its kind on campus at GSU and coordinators hope to continue the tradition for many years to come.

According to their website, Take Back the Night is an international rally and march that is organized in local communities with the purpose of unifying women, men, and children

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Photos by J. Wright

Students gathered to march on campus before a 'Take Back the Night' rally at the Russell Union. Dr. Jodi Caldwell (right), who coordinated many events for Sexual Assault Awareness Week, spoke at the rally on behalf of the GSU Sexual Assault Response Team.



GSU Theater and Performance presents play 'Blood Wedding'

By Christina Newman
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The Theater and Performance Program of the Communication Arts Department will entertain the students and faculty of Georgia Southern with its presentation of Federico Garcia Lorca's "Blood Wedding" beginning today.

Lorca's most appealing drama will be guest directed by New York's own Dana Harrel.

Harrell was born in Lima, Peru and at the age of twelve moved to northern California where she would soon begin enticing her love for theatre. "I tried to not become involved in theatre, but theatre is the best combination of everything I am interested in," said Harrel.

Realizing that directors held all of the "creative power," Harrel was eager

to direct several Broadway and off-Broadway plays like "Hush," "King David," "Sounds of Music," and "Fiddler on the Roof" just to name a few. Now, Harrel is pleased to place her name as the director of GSU's production of "Blood Wedding."

Through her experience Harrel has encountered many ups and downs, identifying her greatest obstacle as "learning how to communicate with actors" who don't all have the same acting experience as the next. "In every single show, you have something to learn," said Harrel.

Harrel has long desired to direct Lorca's "Blood Wedding" insisting that it is the realism in the play that intrigues her. Harrel also believes that the message embedded is one of feel-

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'Irregularities' in SGA elections still under investigation

By Andrea Mitchell
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The investigation of the 2003-2004 election results has yet to be resolved and is still under scrutiny.

A few irregularities in the election procedures may be the cause of complaints.

The Student Conduct Code, Article IV, Option 2, in the SGA Constitution provides regulations and guidelines for how online elections are supposed to be conducted.

Option two in Article IV declares online elections will be held for 3 days and they will begin 12 a.m. on the first day and end at 12 p.m. on the third day.

However, this year's SGA elections began at 8 a.m. April 1, and ended at 1 a.m. on April 4 - 13 hours after

the 12 p.m. third day deadline.

According to Sheena Glover, the regulations indicate how many days the elections should run but there is no set date.

"The system does not allow for the elections to begin at 12 a.m. and be over at 12 p.m. this year nor last year," Glover said.

"This is a technicality which is being addressed in amending the Constitution. The verbiage was missed because the technicality of the issue was a problem last year. Last year's election began at 8 a.m. and was over at 11:59 p.m.," said Glover.

Glover also stated that, "this year's election was originally set to be over at 11 p.m. however, there was a technical glitch with the server so truly we delayed the ending process

to 1 a.m."

Dr. James Claiborne, who is in charge of the new server called Campus Vote, indicated the exact time of the glitch in the server.

"The Campus Vote server went down for 20 minutes on April 1 from 11:27 a.m. to 11:47 a.m. Closing time was moved back for two hours to account for the time lost," said Claiborne.

Claiborne also stated "the Campus Vote server is available to voters 24 hours a day. I believe the time problem comes in because the procedure is set-up so that students go through WINGS to get to their ballot. WINGS is not available for a few hours starting at 2 a.m. Thus, it wouldn't make sense

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The Annual Juried Student Art Show at Gallery 303 in the Foy Fine Arts Building that took place April 10 featured the artwork of senior Jonathan Milton. The piece below is titled 'Cornelius.'



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Police Beat

04-08-2003

• William Marcello Perez, 19, of 431 Fair Road, Statesboro, was charged with theft by taking.

• A wallet was reported missing from a purse on Sweetheart Circle.

• A wallet was reported missing from a vehicle in the Olliff Hall parking lot. The wallet was found, but \$160 was missing.

• Officers assisted seven motorists.

04-09-2003

• Carlette Elana Murray, 23, of Highway 67, Statesboro, was charged with driving with a suspended license.

• A camera, three books and a set of keys were missing from Watson Hall.

• A wallet was reporting missing from the Counseling Center.

• Officers assisted seven motorists and responded to two fire alarms.

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.

The George-Anne strives to keep the campus community up to date on local events. If you have an event you'd like to see on the Campus Calendar, email Lucrecia Johnson at ljohns45@gasou.edu GSU sanctioned or sponsored events only please.

—All Police Beat information is compiled by Lucrecia Johnson, assistant news editor.

Campus Calendar

April 11

Take Back the Night

March begins at Hanner Fieldhouse and ends at Landrum. A rally will commence following the march at 6 p.m.

'Afghanistan in Focus: Operation Anaconda from a Local News Perspective'

Union Room 2048
9 a.m.

'Gandhian Ideal of Peace and Humanity'

Union Room 2048
11 a.m.

Graduation Recital

Carol A. Carter Recital Hall
6 p.m.

Symphonic Wind Ensemble

Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.

Romanian Folk Dance Group

Union Ballroom
8 p.m.
Free Admission

April 11 – 13

Theatre & Performance presents 'Blood Wedding'

Black Box Theatre
8 p.m.
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dren in an awareness of violence against women, children, and families. The event is a collaboration of community and campus and other interested persons who are ready to take a stand against violence and make the night safe for everyone.

Take Back the Night rallies and marches began in England as a protest against the fear women encountered walking the streets at night. The first Take Back the Night in the United States occurred in San Francisco in 1978.

The March and Rally were a wrap up to a week of programming for Sexual Assault Awareness Week. All week long, events have taken place across campus to make the GSU community aware and better educated on the idea and effects of Sexual Assault.

According to Dr. Jodi Caldwell, counseling center psychologist and coordinator of many of the events, about 400 students attended the 'Sex Signals' program Monday, which kicked off the week of events. Also in conjunction with the Take Back the Night rally and march, a Clothesline Project was displayed all week at the Rotunda and the RAC for interested students to see what other students and in some cases, even victims of sexual assault themselves had to say about the idea of this type of assault as expressed artistically on a T-shirt. According to coordinators this year's Clothesline Project attracted a lot more attention than last year's. Also,

there were information tables set up at the Union Rotunda all week long, handing out purple ribbons, the color for sexual assault advocacy. Alarming facts and other useful information were as well handed out to passersby as well.

The march went from Hanner Fieldhouse, out onto Fair Road, then to Chandler Road, and back up Georgia Avenue to end at the Russell Union. Caldwell, when asked about the involvement in this year's march and rally compared numbers between this year and last. "About 150 students came out last year to the march and rally," Caldwell said. This year there was a lower turn out due to the rainy weather; there were about 25-30 students, faculty, and staff in attendance at the march. When the dedicated marches returned to the Union there was a crowd of about 50-75 students in the common areas of the Union, where the rally took place.

The rally consisted of a group of guest speakers, including Dr. Linda Bleicken, Vice-President of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, Ali Williams, Coordinator of Residential Education, Dr. Jodi Caldwell, Counseling Psychologist, Student Maren, Sprowls, Sexual Assault Prevention Advocates (SAPA), and Dr. Lori Amy, Director of Women and Gender Studies. Each of the speakers expressed their concern about the idea of Sexual Assault and Violence, not just on GSU's campus but also across the nation. After the speakers there

was a time of sharing where anyone who was a victim of any form of sexual assault could come and speak, and any one interested in speaking out could share also. A moment of silence was held this year instead of the customary candle lighting, this due to the fact that the rally was inside the Union Commons Area. Counselors from the Counseling Center were also on hand for anyone that might need to talk to someone after the march and rally.

"This year's Sexual Assault Awareness Week activities were even bigger and better than last year's, despite the miserable weather," Caldwell said. "Our goal with all the programming is to create a culture with men and women that support the end to sexual violence. Also none of this weeks events would have happened without the support of students, faculty, and administration."

The rally and march, as well as a number of the other events, were sponsored by Residents Hall Presidents' Council (RHPC), Department of University Housing, Sexual Assault Response Team (SART), Sexual Assault Prevention Team (SAPA), Women's and Gender Studies, and Student Affairs and Enrollment Management.

For more information about joining SART and SAPA or just for some general or specific information on Sexual Assault can contact Dr. Jodi Caldwell at the Counseling Center at 681-5541 or via e-mail at jodic@gasou.edu.

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begin the election at midnight and shut it off again just 2 hours later," said Claiborne.

The new system, which was created by Claiborne, uses a 128-bit encryption to secure the elections from being hacked.

Several of the executive candidates and elected executives were not aware of the challenge placed on the election results prior to Wednesday.

Charisse Perkins, Felicia Emanuel, Lauren Roberson, Me-

lissa Seeker, Rusty Williams, Mike Hardy and Jessica Crute all indicated their knowledge of the issue came from Wednesday's edition of The George-Anne.

D'Lee Pollock was the only candidate who indicated other resources about the issue.

"I was notified at the SGA meeting. They informed us the elections were being contested, and I also read the G-A," said Pollock.

Thomas Miller, a presidential candidate in this past election who

was previously unavailable for comment, thinks whoever contested the elections should proceed to do so.

"I feel that whoever contested the elections, if they have sufficient evidence, should go ahead and contest it," said Miller.

"I also feel the Judicial Affairs Committee should go ahead and handle the situation however they see fit. The decision they make should be the decision that should be abided by, because that's what they're there for."



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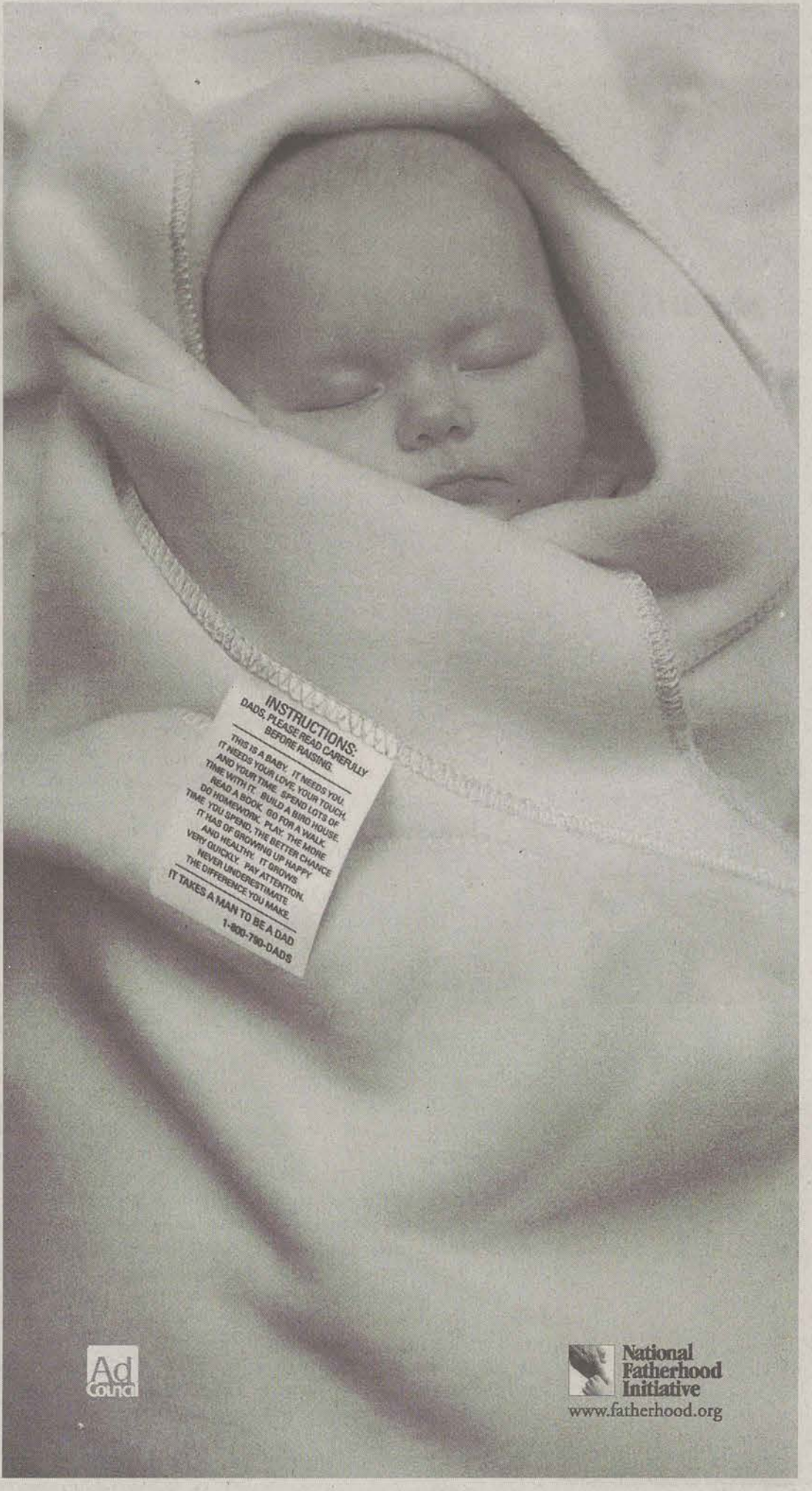
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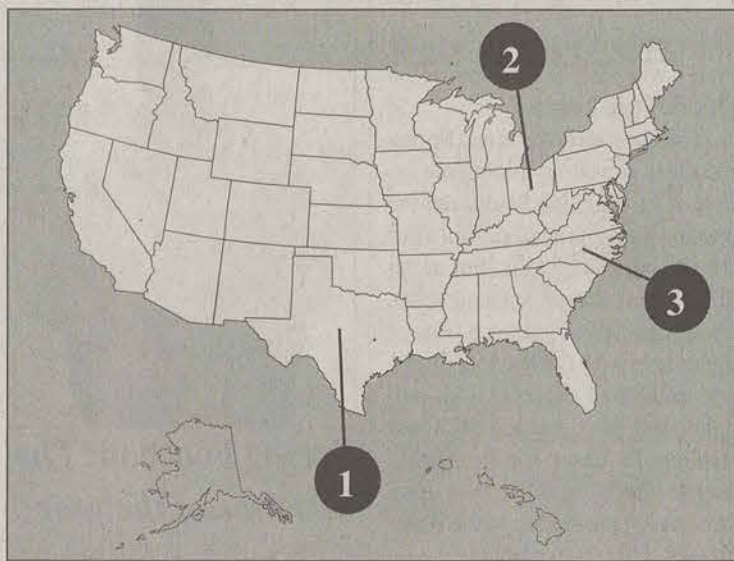
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Only in America

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1 Texas Husband in Texas accused of keeping wife on chain

SAN ANTONIO - A man was arrested after his wife was found with a 25-foot chain similar to those used for dogs padlocked around her neck, police said.

Jerry Wayne Thomason, 41, was arrested Thursday and in Bexar County Jail Friday morning. Bond was set at \$53,000.

A witness had contacted police, saying she noticed the chain around the woman's neck as the couple dropped off their two sons, ages 11 and 14, at school.

Police said the witness asked Thomason about the chain, and he jerked it and said that he used it so that his wife couldn't run off.

Officer Kenny Hagen said police went to the Thomason home and found the 45-year-old woman in her driveway, her face bruised and the chain still around her neck. Her husband was asleep in a car in the driveway, he said.

"She had a really tough time talking," Hagen said. "She was distraught, kind of like beat down, almost like you had accepted your fate in life." Her name was not released.

The chain was wrapped around her neck twice and held in place with a padlock, and she was holding the rest of it in her arms, police said. Firefighters used bolt cutters to get it off, and the woman was treated at a hospital and released.

Thomason, who had told police he loved his wife and wanted to take care of her, was charged with aggravated assault and unlawful restraint.

Police said it was unclear how long the woman had been wearing the chain or whether it was ever used to tie her to something. The couple's two children were with their maternal grandmother, police said.

2 Ohio

Twenty arrested in disturbance over time change

ATHENS - Police arrested at least 20 people early Sunday morning when a crowd spilled out of bars closing early because of the switch to daylight-saving time.

Charges included disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, rioting and assault of a police horse.

Police Chief Rick Mayer said

some of the people illegally blocked cars in the street after the bars near the Ohio University campus closed about 1 a.m. Four mounted police officers helped keep the street clear.

The crowd dispersed after about an hour-and-a-half.

Disturbances have happened in the town about 70 miles southeast of Columbus each year since 1997 at the start of daylight-saving time.

3 North Carolina

National Guard commander relieved of command for streaking on base

FORT BRAGG - A National Guard battalion commander is being relieved of his command for running naked outside the barracks at Fort Bragg.

Lt. Col. J.D. Webster was one of several soldiers seen streaking on Feb. 18, the military said.

Maj. Gen. Zannie O. Smith, acting commander of the 18th Airborne Corps and Fort Bragg, has told Webster he intends to take away his job as commander of the 1st Battalion of the 130th Aviation Regiment, an Apache attack helicopter unit.

Final action will be taken after the officers have been offered a chance to give a rebuttal.

Smith also issued written reprimands to Webster and another officer, said Maj. Gary Tallman, a Fort Bragg spokesman.

An acting commander has been appointed for the battalion, Tallman said.

Webster declined to comment through a spokesman.

Military officials wouldn't release any details on Webster. His National Guard unit battalion is based at Morrisville, at the Raleigh-Durham International Airport, and is now training at Fort Hood, Texas.

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Central Command spokesman.

And while Iraqis celebrated, the fate of Saddam and his sons remained unknown, two days after they were targeted by four 900-kilogram (one-ton) bombs dropped by the Americans.

In Baghdad, U.S. Marines traded small arms fire with holdout fighters in a building near the Interior Ministry. There was heavy fighting around Baghdad University, located in a loop of the Tigris River south of the city center.

In one neighborhood, hundreds of Iraqis cheering American troops came under heavy automatic weapons fire at sunset, apparently from Iraqi fighters. At least six people were killed in a car riddled by bullets.

Jim Wilkinson, a Central Command spokesman, said coalition forces had secured "significant parts" of Baghdad. "But there's much hard work left to do."

The American tanks rolled into the heart of the city Wednesday afternoon. Iraqis clapped, cheered, waved flags and flashed the V-for-victory sign.

U.S. Marine and Army units went through Baghdad seizing or destroying

buildings that once housed some of Saddam's most feared security forces.

At al-Firdos Square - "firdos" means "paradise" in Arabic - the scene of Iraqis toppling Saddam's statue was broadcast worldwide.

In acts unthinkable only weeks before, Iraqis defaced posters of Saddam. In the Kurdish autonomous north, boys in Irbil waved streamers and the yellow starburst flag of their Western-protected enclave, and shouted: "He's gone! He's gone!"

"This is a moment I was looking for all these years, it's like a dream coming true," Ridha Jawa Taki, an Iraqi dissident who fled his homeland in 1980, told the Associated Press from London.

An Iraqi opposition group in London smashed through a door at city's Iraqi diplomatic office Wednesday, police said. Twenty-four people were arrested.

"We are all just normal Iraqis, happy for the Iraqi people who were liberated today," said Ali Baraka, 23, a student from London who managed to avoid arrest. He said the break-in was a spontaneous action.

Some expressed disgust. "This is the destruction of Islam," said Qassim

al-Shamari, a 50-year-old laborer. "After all, Iraq is our country. And what about all the women and children who died in the bombing?"

Civilian casualties have increased sharply since the arrival of coalition forces in Baghdad. At Al-Kindi Hospital, doctors reported receiving more than 30 fatalities and 250 wounded.

"Why did he fall that way? Why so fast?" Umm Ahmed said in Yemen, tears streaming down her face. "He's a coward. Now I feel sorry for his people."

Meanwhile, Saddam's whereabouts remained uncertain early Thursday.

There was also no sign of Iraqi Information Minister Mohammed Saeed al-Sahhaf, whose daily briefings had constituted the main public face of the regime during the war.

But with a warning that the fighting wasn't over, U.S. commanders were turning their attention to Tikrit, about 145 kilometers (90 miles) to the north. Defended by well-trained troops and home to many of Saddam's most devoted followers, the city of 260,000 is considered one of the regime's few remaining strongholds.

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country is made up of families so [soldiers] should concentrate on family and their mission to come home sooner," James said.

James said she saw students in Landrum Center singing "War, What is it Good For". On seeing this she said, "People should be more conscience of their thoughts and be more aware. People open their mouths and don't know what they are talking about."

Katie Lamothe, who is a third year student at GSU, fiancée will be deployed in the near future. "He was told it would be within the month,

but the date he will actually leave is a mystery and will more than likely be last minute."

Lamothe said care packages, and writing letters and "letting the soldiers know we support them individually" will show support to the troops.

Dionne Brooks who is the Resident Director of Cone Hall has started a support group for people with loved ones in Iraq. Brooks's brother is actively involved in the war with Iraq. Brooks feels the media should be more responsible with facts and be responsible for what they say and print. "It's depress-

ing, and I wonder if it's my brother when I hear reports of American casualties, because news reports come before the family is notified."

The support group is for anyone who has a loved one serving in the Middle East or in the military. "The support group will be a place for people with loved ones can talk to each other about anything and also a way to let people know others are going thru the same thing they are," Brooks said.

The support group will meet Wednesday, April 16 in Russell Union at 6:00 p.m.

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feeling. "If you don't give in to your emotions, to your passions, catastrophe can and will occur," she says.

"Blood Wedding" will be presented in the Black Box Theatre located in the Communication Arts Building. Harel has suggested that "Blood Wedding" is not

suitable for children under the age of 13 due to its sexual nature.

"Blood Wedding" will open at 8 p.m. tonight and run through next Friday, April 19. However, there will be no show on Monday, April 14 due to the extended run of the play. A matinee showing will be

available this Sunday, April 13 at 2 p.m.

Admission is \$2 to GSU students with ID, \$5 for Georgia Southern faculty and staff, and \$8 for general admission. Contact James Harbour at (912)-681-0532 for further ticket information. Reservations are strongly recommended.

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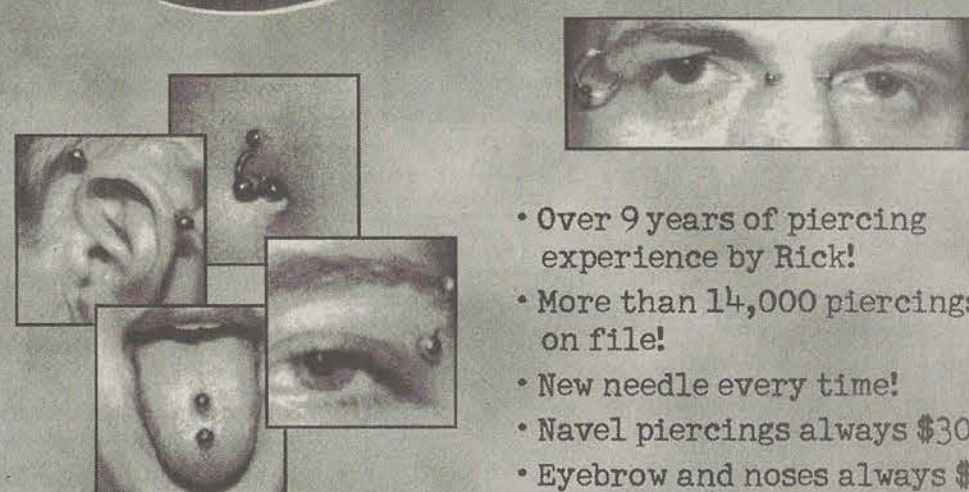


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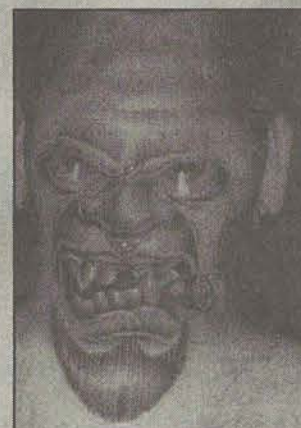
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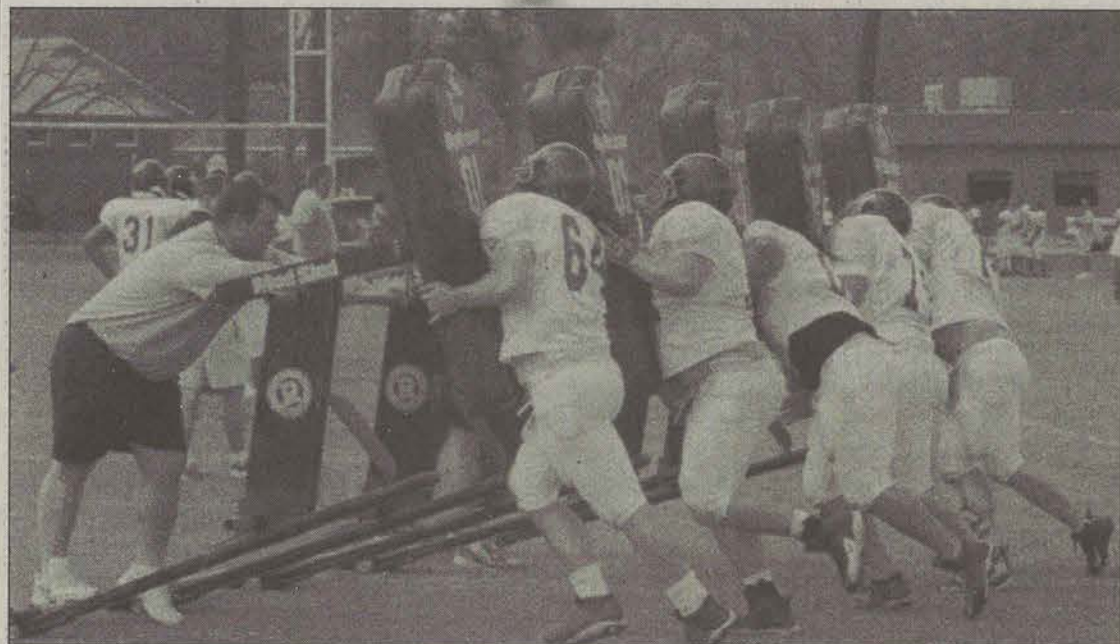


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The Eagles have one more week of spring practice before their final scrimmage, the Blue-White game next Saturday at noon.

Linebackers lead GSU defense

G-A News Service

STATESBORO, Ga. — After having more of an opportunity to view his program's first full intra-squad scrimmage on tape, Georgia Southern head coach Mike Sewak remained somewhat satisfied with the results despite several inconsistencies displayed by both units during the Saturday morning contest.

"We still have a lot of work to do but I thought we definitely made some progress Saturday," Sewak said. "I was happy with the way the defense opened up the scrimmage but I was also pleased so see the offense bounce back and put the ball in the endzone. Of course, we need to continue developing our offensive line but I thought from a limited personnel standpoint, they handled themselves pretty well in the trenches."

Because of chilly and heavy rains which soaked the Bulloch County area, Sewak cut 20 minutes off his program's traditional two-hour weekday session at the Eagle Practice Complex Wednesday afternoon.

day afternoon.

The Eagles will follow a Friday afternoon practice with their second spring scrimmage, scheduled for Saturday morning at Allen E. Paulson Stadium.

One area which has continually displayed the most consistent improvement over the past four years is Georgia Southern's defensive efforts. The Eagles will operate out of a 4-3 alignment for the third consecutive season after adopting a multiple-50 look during the 1999 and 2000 campaigns. Under the guidance and leadership of defensive coordinator Rusty Russell, the 2001 and 2002 units rated as two of the school's finest ever.

GSU stood among the top three in the Southern Conference and ranked in the top 30 nationally in three of the four major categories last season — scoring defense (7th/13.6 ppg), passing defense (23rd/153.9 ypg) and total defense (29th/294.7 ypg).

Perhaps one of the keys to the success of Georgia Southern's defensive efforts has been the consistent play of its three linebacking

positions the past three seasons, which includes lost starters Joe Scott and Michael Ward.

The Eagles do return the other starter in junior Derrick Butler and also welcome back senior James Burchette and sophomore Eric White.

Burchette started five games and enjoyed a break-out season in 2002 by finishing third on the unit with 91 stops while Butler stood fourth with 87 tackles in 11 starts. White made five tackles in a limited six-game role.

"We'll probably Derrick into the middle to fill the void created by Joe Scott's departure," Sewak explained. "Derrick has made a lot of big plays for us already, plus he gives us some leadership out there as well. I thought James Burchette was more than a pleasant surprise who really raised his game a notch or two late in the season last year. At the other spot we have Eric White returning plus two redshirt freshmen in Jason Earwood and David Willingham, who I'm really looking forward to seeing out there in earnest this season."

Eagles in the pros

By Eli Boorstein
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The current incarnation of Georgia Southern baseball is well underway, with over half the season past.

But for a share of former Eagle stars, their seasons are just starting.

No longer spending their spring on the diamond of J.I. Clements Stadium, eight past GSU players are currently playing professional baseball with one claiming a spot in the big leagues.

Despite the fact that he was an outfielder during his days as an Eagle, Todd Greene is now spending his days as a catcher with the Texas Rangers. Greene is now in his eighth season in the majors after playing for Anaheim, Toronto, and the Yankees before joining the Rangers. The Augusta native has a career average of .244 from the plate with 42 home runs.

One of Greene's former Eagle teammates, pitcher Joey Hamilton was not as lucky as he was released after spending spring training with the St. Louis Cardinals. In nine seasons, Hamilton put together a 74-73 record with a 4.38 career earned-run average.

Just one step away from the big leagues is Ryan Cummings, an Eagle from 1995-97, who is pitching for the Salt Lake Stingers, the Anaheim Angels' triple-A affiliate. Cummings has been roughed up a bit this year with a 0-1 record and 9.82 ERA in three games out of the bullpen.

Matt Easterday got a taste of triple-A two seasons ago, but has spent much of his career in A-ball since being drafted in 2000. Easterday is now in his second season with the Jupiter Hammerheads, the Florida Marlins' advanced class-A affiliate. The second baseman has had a rough go thus far this season, collecting just two hits in his first 19 at-bats. Ironically, one

of Easterday's former Eagle teammates will also be playing in the Florida State League.

This time last year Jemel Spearman was patrolling the middle infield of J.I. Clements Stadium as the starting Eagle shortstop. But after the Chicago Cubs took him in the 2002 major league amateur draft, Spearman now is getting a taste of the minors with the Daytona Cubs. Spearman had success in his pro debut last year, batting .313 and stealing 29 bases for the rookie league Mesa Cubs. He then got a late-season promotion to the Boise Hawks, where he was reunited with his former Eagle teammate in Chris Walker.

Walker, a sixth-round draft pick also by the Cubs, had a little bit of trouble with the bat going .247 in 60 games with the Hawks, but exhibited the speediness that served him well in college, collecting 25 steals.

Before joining one of the Cubs' affiliates, Walker will get a little more practice as he is current participating in extended spring training in Arizona. Also out there is Matt Herring, an 11th-round choice of the Chicago White Sox in 2002. Herring suffered through some injuries after being drafted, only getting in 12 games. He batted .200, going 5-for-25 from the plate for the White Sox rookie team.

Two more familiar faces from the 2002 Eagle roster will be spending time in the independent Frontier League this summer. Pitcher Brett Lewis was also drafted by the Cubs last summer, but was unable to catch on and instead signed a free-agent contract with the Evansville Otters. In 13 starts for the Otters, Lewis went 4-5 with a 5.10 ERA and 44 strikeouts.

After not being drafted last year, former two-sport star J.R. Revere will also be joining Lewis in the Frontier League, playing for the Chillicothe Paints.

Dennis Hightower



Spring Football: The best time of the year

Major League Baseball has kicked off, the NHL Playoffs are underway, the NBA Playoffs is around the corner. However, my favorite sport to follow around this time of the year is college football in the spring.

Yes, teams from around the nation work hard to prepare for the 2003 season. Being from Alabama, I breathe, sleep, and eat football. My friend was telling me how the Alabama Crimson Tide was passing the ball more than running it.

Alabama's now a passing offense?

Ben Boyd, a guy that I graduated with from high school, told me how the Georgia Bulldogs spring game was great.

Well, obviously the defense was awesome. The final score was Red 10 Black 7.

There a lot of storylines thus far in spring football.

The Florida Gators, a team that I despise (yes I'm not only a GSU fan, but I also love the Florida State Seminoles) had the second best recruiting class behind fellow SEC member LSU.

UF's head coach Ron Zook also told Athletic Director Jeremy Foley that he does not deserve a contract extension.

I can respect a man who wants to prove what he's worth and not just take it!

Louisiana-Monroe is going to have their third head coach in eight months. Bobby Keasler resigned three games into the 2002 season because he wanted to be close to his family.

Then-interim coach Mike Collins resigned after he was arrested for drinking and driving, which led to crashing his car into a house on April 4.

Now the Indians have named secondary coach Tim Rebowe the head coach.

ULM does not need any more drama. They haven't had a winning season since 1993 when they were in Division I-AA and they were called Northeast Louisiana.

Finally, our Georgia Southern Eagles! I read Statesboro Herald and head coach Mike Sewak said that they are going to pass more. GSU will still be a running football team, but there will be more passing to keep the defense from guessing.

Is Coach Sewak telling us the truth or is this an April Fools joke?

He said the same thing last year and we saw nearly the same results as 2001.

Granted, we saw some big catches, but the Eagles attempted no more than nearly nine passes a game.

Nevertheless, I love spring football, and I will be looking forward to April 19! That is when the GSU Blue-White Spring Football Game takes place.

I am counting down the days until we see the second biggest rivalry in the state of Georgia take place on September 6.

Okay, maybe it is not the same as it was when legendary coach Erk Russell was at the helm, but Savannah State/Georgia Southern attracts everybody in southeast Georgia.

They are two of three schools in Georgia that is in Division I-AA football (Morris Brown being the other).

If it is going to be anything like the 2001 game, Paulson Stadium will be packed.

Get you tickets now because the seats will more than likely be sold out by July or August.

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Johnson stands firm on issue

Augusta National in no hurry to admit women

Associated Press

AUGUSTA—On the eve of the Masters, Hootie Johnson refused to back down once again on the issue of women members, saying he will not change his mind and that the controversy will not damage the tournament.

The Augusta National chairman said Wednesday the all-men's club was united in the belief that it had a right to choose its members.

More than 60 green-jacketed members stood nearby in silent support.

"It's not my issue alone," Johnson said. "If I drop dead this second, our position will not change."

Johnson also rejected a suggestion that Tiger Woods or any other past champions could influence members to change their minds.

"I won't tell Tiger how to play golf if he doesn't tell us how to run our private club," Johnson said.

Johnson made his comments during his annual state-of-the-Masters press conference, before a standing-room only crowd of reporters and Augusta members.

He began by reading a statement saying he had said everything he had to say on the women's issue during the last 10 months and would answer no questions about it.

He then spent the next half-hour doing just that, defending the club's stance that it will admit a woman only when it wants.

"Our membership is very comfortable with its present status," Johnson said. "Our club will continue to make its own decisions."

Johnson dismissed suggestions that protests scheduled for Saturday near the club and the continuing discussion about the subject would hurt the image of a tournament revered by golfers and fans.

"It's been maligned, but it hasn't been damaged," Johnson said. "I think the Masters will be a great sporting event."

This year's Masters will be televised commercial-free by CBS and USA Network and, when asked how long that could continue, Johnson said, "Indefinitely."

Johnson released sponsors from this year's broadcast so they wouldn't be targeted for boycotts over the membership issue.

Johnson's appearance had been widely anticipated in the wake of efforts by women's rights activist Martha Burk to spearhead protests against the tournament.

Reporters gathered early to get seats, but the back two rows were already occupied by mostly gray-haired members there to give their support to Johnson.

The club chairman was at times jocular, but grew testy when the third question of the session was about why there could be no questions about the women issue.

"I've made my statement. We're here to talk about the Masters tournament," Johnson said. "If you have a question about the Masters I'll answer it, but don't lecture me."

Of the 34 questions asked Johnson, 26 of them had something to do with the issue of a woman member.

When someone asked whether players would be allowed to lift, clean and place the ball because of soggy conditions this year, Johnson said: "Thank you. That's why we're here."

Although Johnson did talk about the controversy, he repeatedly refused to get drawn into questions about Burk.

"I'm not going to address anything I said or did or anything she said or did," he said.

While Johnson repeated his contention that the club will decide when and if it wants a woman member, he said there could possibly be a woman player in the Masters if she qualifies by winning the U.S. Public Links.

That is the goal of 13-year-old Michelle Wie, the long hitter who contended in the LPGA's Kraft Nabisco in the final round two weeks ago.

"If we have one qualify we'll sure send her an invitation," Johnson said.

Johnson also said it was his belief that men and women like to have their own separate events, whether it is a sewing circle or an Elk's lodge.

"Men like to get together with men every now and then and women like to get together with women every now and then," Johnson said. "It's a simple fact of life in America."

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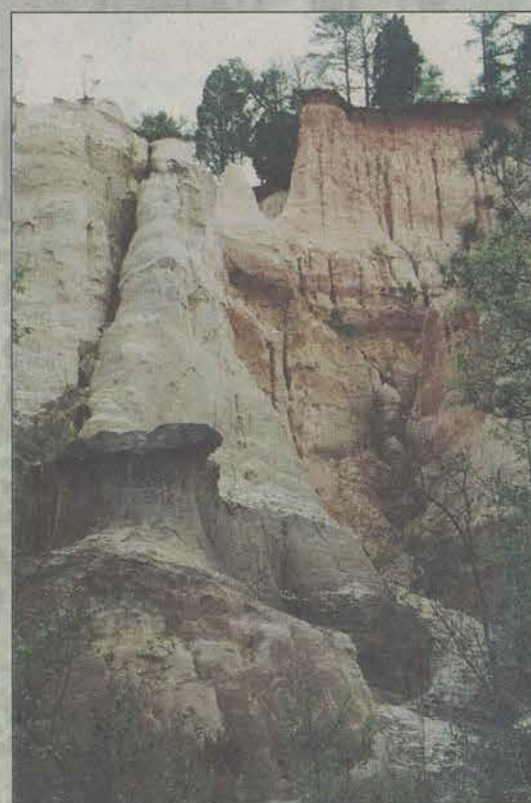
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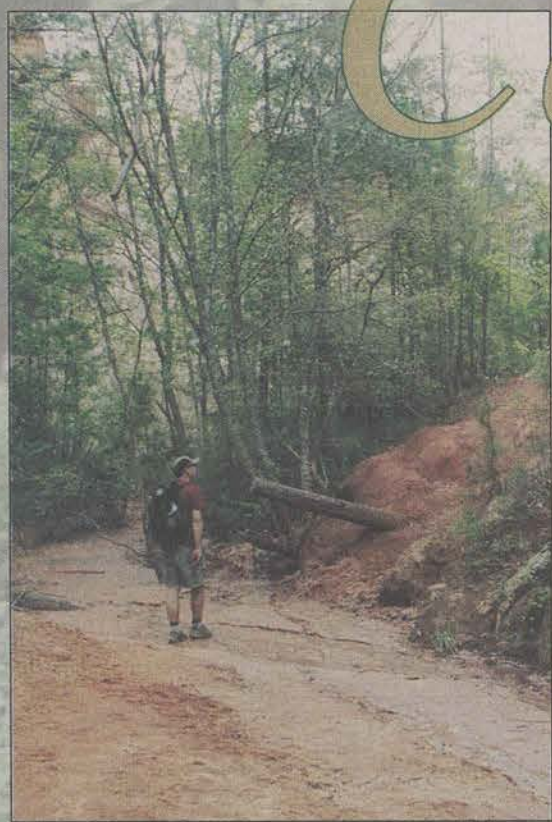


True Grit

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Providence Canyon



For Georgia Southern students, this is one my top picks for day hikes.



One by one the trees began to fall. Unbeknownst to the farmer making way for his fields, his actions would change the landscape for years to come.

Due to poor farming practices in the early 1800s, land was cleared for farming and timber. In just five short years the soil had eroded and five feet gullies had begun to form. As more rain fell and years passed, those fields turned into the 150 foot canyons that now make up Providence State Park in Lumpkin, Georgia.

Providence Canyon State Park today is composed of over 1,100 acres of the most bizarre and beautiful sites in the entire Southeast. After the top layers of sediment washed away, the red Georgia clay didn't last long.

Unlike the farming of the 1800's, reforested programs have been put in place to stop the majority of the erosion that has created this Georgia marvel.

On the way to Providence Canyon on US 280, visitors pass through many small towns. One would never expect to see much of anything happening and indeed wouldn't until arriving at the interpretive center at Providence Canyon State Park. Here the ground drops out from view and finds itself being slowly washed away.

After a short video on the park, hikers can choose from two trails. Beginning at the interpretive center, there is a white blaze trail that is three miles in length. This trail leads down and around many of the canyons that make up the park.

As the path crosses several creeks visitors can easily overlook the actual entrances to the canyons. When plan-

ning to visit Providence Canyon, one should be sure to bring proper footwear because this creek bed is almost always wet. Park rangers can give hiking status at the interpretive center. This is the only real opportunity that visitors have to get up close to the inside canyons.

The creeks lead into fingers of the canyon that provide many choices on which if not all of the canyon paths to explore. Although there are no marked paths going in and out of the canyon along the creek bed, it is almost impossible to get lost. However, it is always a good idea to inform the rangers that you will be doing some exploring.

Visitors finally grasp the scale of the erosion when gazing up at the walls of clay that have formed over the years. Because of the still eroding sediment, climbing on the canyon walls is prohibited.

In the canyons visitors can see that the colors of the walls pop out in stark contrast to most sites that are seen in Georgia. Here the sun radiates down and the wind blows through making for an enjoyable experience. Camera lovers have the opportunity to shoot landscapes that mirror canyon walls only known to the western parts of the country. Visitors can also check out the old 1950's cars that litter some of the landscape around the white blaze trail. Even though this might sound "junky", they are just as bizarre and historical as the formations.

The creek is made up of all the sediment that has been washed away

during rainfalls. While walking along the creek, observers should be on the lookout for many of Georgia's native wildlife. Here visitors can see evidence of raccoon, possum, turkey, and eight ringed armadillos. Wild rhododendron and at least 150 different species of wildflowers also add to the beauty with their

fragrances and bright colors.

The park is somewhat limited in opportunities to camp except on the red blaze trail, which branches off from the white blaze trail at the first creek bed. It is a seven-mile trail that goes around the upper rims of the canyons. There are five campsites along this trail and are by reservation only. One shelter makes up one of the campsites. There is no electricity, water, or plumbing at the campsites. Hikers must also pack all necessary water that they will need for their stay.

At night in Providence visitors in the campsites can hear the calls of many creatures. Noisy armadillos scavenge in the leaves making as much commotion as would a grizzly bear. In the distance coyotes can be also heard crying to the moon. According to rangers there are numerous raccoons that visit campsites, however while we were there none were seen.

Avid hikers could probably hike both trails in a full day. However, I recommend taking time to spend the night and have two full days to view all the wonders that this park has to offer. During the heat of summer hikers should pack plenty of water to keep from getting dehydrated. Remember while hiking along the red blaze trail that there are no guardrails to keep visitors from falling into the canyons. Use caution and common sense and you should be fine.

For Georgia Southern students, this is one my top picks for day hikes. It only takes about two tanks of gas to get there and back from Statesboro. It is relatively easy even for beginning hikers. There are places around the park that provide for grilling and a playground for children. However, these areas don't have much natural cover and can become quite hot in the middle of the day. Make sure to make reservations prior to getting to the park if you plan to stay on the backcountry trail overnight.

canyon (cān-yen) n. A narrow chasm with steep cliff walls, cut into the earth by running water; a gorge.

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