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Scholars who need remedial help won't lose HOPE

Commission discusses remedial courses' lack of degree credit

By Dick Pettys
Associated Press

Georgia's popular HOPE scholarship program was designed to reward scholastic high achievers.

But what if some of those high achievers are required to take remedial courses when they get to college? Should the scholarship still cover the cost?

That was one of the questions put last week to a special commission studying ways to keep the program solvent in

the face of projections it will run out of money in just a few years.

The panel's answer: yes.

State Sen. Bill Hamrick, R-Douglasville, a co-chairman of the panel, said that will probably surprise some people because it seems to run counter to the notion of rewarding scholarship.

But when they study the issue, "They will come to the same conclusion we did," he argued.

Georgia's university system enrolled 31,954 first-time freshmen during the fall 2000 semester, with 20,709 of them on HOPE scholarships. Of that number, 2,247, or 10.9 percent, required remedial course work.

The 10-year-old scholarship program, funded by the

lottery, pays most of the cost of a public college education in Georgia for students who graduate from high school with a "B" average and maintain that average during their college career.

Under the current policy, the scholarship covers the cost of any remedial programs entering HOPE scholars are required to take. But there's a flip side that makes the policy less generous than it may seem.

Remedial courses do not carry credit toward earning a degree yet they chip away at the maximum number of semester-hours for which a student is entitled to the scholarship.

The scholarship will pay only for 127 semester-hours. Most degrees require 120 semester-hours, although some

require more.

Hamrick said the 127-hour cap shoots down the theory that HOPE scholars who need remedial courses are getting more than their fair share from the program.

The reality is, he said, that they may have to dig into their own pockets for the final few hours of course work.

But are they really HOPE scholars if they need remedial work? The commission didn't vote on the issue, but its sympathies seemed to lie with the students on that question.

Mike Vollmer, president of Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton and a member of the HOPE commission, said he's had personal experience with the issue.

When his oldest son, a HOPE scholar, got to college,

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'SOUTHERN EXPOSED'



Prospective students get a taste of GSU through an over-night stay with university student leaders

By J. Wright

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Sunday night, around 60 high school students descended on the GSU campus to experience both the academic and the non-academic aspects of college life: Southern Exposure.

The Southern Exposure program is exactly what the name says. It is a recruitment tool used by the GSU Office of Admissions to give superior students an up-close view of academic and student life at the University.

Prospective students are paired with an University student leader, who spends time showing the prospective student what it is like to be a college student; eating on campus, spending the night in the Residence Hall, going to classes—essentially becoming a Georgia Southern student for a day.

Sunday evening, the Nessmith-Lane Continuing Education Building could be heard buzzing with the sound of inquiring minds and those eager to help or find an answer, as the check-in process for the second in a series of three Southern Exposure programs began for the GSU Office of Admissions.

Prospective students and GSU hosts began chatting and getting to know each other and the program was underway. The prospective students began to move into their homes for the night, GSU Residence Halls.

A number of activities were scheduled to help acclimate the prospective students to college life. This year's events were a bit different from years past; the majority of the night's activities took place at the Wildlife Educa-



Photos By J. Wright/STAFF

Sixty high school students were given an up-close and personal visit of GSU including a flight show at the Raptor Center.

tion and Lamar Q. Ball, Jr. Raptor Center, including dinner and a Night time Flight Show.

In the past the students attending the program were introduced to many of the almost 200 student and campus organizations at a 'getting involved' fair; the coordinators felt that since students upon deciding to attend GSU would be bombarded with this at

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Religious Awareness Fair introduces students to variety of faiths

By Brittany Gates

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Those looking for a church or organization to practice their faith had a great opportunity to find one at the Religious Awareness Fair.

Sponsored by the Religious Awareness Week Committee and the Multicultural Student Center, the fair was held in the Russell Union Commons and featured different religious groups from Statesboro.

The fair featured some of the major religions in the world like Catholicism and Judaism, but also featured many unknown faiths like Unitarianism and Baha'i.

One of the attendees was the Catholic Newman Association. They have plenty of activities for students to enjoy and participate in, such as free dinners following the 6 p.m. University Mass, Association Meetings on every Monday at 8 p.m., and Rosary Prayer Group every Tuesday night

at 8 p.m. The Catholic Newman Association is located in St. Matthew's Church located on John Paul Avenue.

The Baptist Student Union (BSU), located on Chandler Road, is open to anyone. They also offer plenty of activities for students, such as worship bands every Tuesday night, luncheons at 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. on every Wednesday (first-timers eat free), and various Bible studies at the BSU and across campus.

Also at the fair were representatives for the Baha'i Faith. They believe in one God for everyone, one religion for everyone and that everyone is part of the same creations from God. The Baha'i Faith doesn't have a place of worship in Statesboro, but there is one in Savannah.

The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, located on 609 East Grady Street, grew out of Christianity but is open to

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RAC planning expansion according to student suggestions, surveys

By Holly Bates

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A new weight room, an outdoor pool, walking trails, and a health/nutrition bar are some of the things that the RAC is looking to add in the coming year's facility expansion.

Last Spring, the department of Campus Recreation and Intramurals traveled around campus and gave presentations to over 75 different groups on campus. The presentation showed the facilities of neighboring schools as well as the amount that each student has to pay per year to use them. This gave students an idea of what would be

realistic in adding to the RAC.

The question was asked, "What do you want/need in the form of indoor and outdoor recreational facilities?" in the form of a survey. Out of the 2,272 students that were given this survey, 2,182 of them responded with much of the same answer. The top concern was a larger weight room. Students agreed that it is way too crowded in the RAC's one weight room, and the wait is too long to use the equipment. Students also desired an indoor pool, more

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David Caselli/STAFF

Weekday Weather

Wednesday



HIGH
71°
LOW
45°

Morning
Thunderstorms

Thursday



HIGH
70°
LOW
44°

Sunny

Only in America

- Utah mayor wins election by luck of the draw.
- California waiter vandalizes homes of ungrateful customers.
- Wisconsin postal workers find toothed surprise in package.



Opinions

- Adam Brady has found something worse than file-sharing.
- Peter Brown believes the UN shouldn't regulate the Internet.



Sports

- SGA and Athletics will hold a Pep Rally at the Rotunda tomorrow.
- Take a look at the happenings and highlights of CRL.
- Eagle volleyball seeded second in SoCon Tournament.



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Police Beat

11-14-2003

• A case of theft by deception was reported at the Communication Arts department.

• Officers issued one traffic citation and four traffic warnings and assisted five motorists.

11-15-2003

• Officers issued one traffic warning and assisted two motorists and one sick person.

11-16-2003

• Officers assisted one motorist and responded to a vehicle fire in the Marvin Pittman commuter parking lot.

11-17-2003

• Adolf Inyang Adolf, 18, of 1818 Chandler Road, Statesboro, was charged with burglary.

• Floyd McNeil Scott, 18, of Hendricks Hall, was charged with theft by receiving.

• A book bag was taken from the Henderson Library.

• Someone reported \$20 was taken from a cash box at Henderson Library.

• Officers issued three traffic warn-

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.

- All Police Beat information compiled by Brandon Sparks, Assistant News Editor

Campus Calendar

Nov 18-22

Book of Days
8 p.m.
Black Box Theater

Theater and Performance Department presents Lanford Wilson's "Book of Days"

Ticket Prices are \$2 for Georgia Southern students, \$5 for faculty and Staff and \$8 for general admission. For tickets call 681-5379 or 681-0532.

Nov 19

Graduate Student Organization Meeting
12 Noon and 5 p.m.
Administrative Annex (Bldg. 211) Room 1102

An organization for All graduate students of GSU. GSO provides a forum for graduate students to voice their concerns and interests funding for travel and research and much more. Food Provided. For information please contact 681-5457.

Apollo Night
7 p.m.
Russell Union Ballroom

All proceeds will go to the local food bank on Proctor Street. Advanced tickets are \$4 and will be in the rotunda from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.. Door tickets will be \$6 or \$5 with donation of a canned good. For more information, contact Sheena Holmes 871-4301

Jazz Combo
8 p.m.
Carol A. Carter Recital Hall

Nov. 20

Annual Staff Awards of Excellence
2 p.m.
Russell Union Ballroom

Georgia Southern staff members will be recognized for their years of service and excellence in performance. All employees are invited to attend

Esoteric Open Mic session
8 p.m.
Russell Union

There will be music and refreshments. Please check the Today Sheet for the room number. For more information, call Aziza El Shair 871-6719

Nov. 22

Nutcracker
2 p.m. and 7:30
Performing Arts Center

For ticket information call 486-7999

Nov. 24

General Student Recital
1 p.m.
Carol A. Carter Recital Hall

Dec. 2

Seussical the Musical
7:30 p.m.
Performing Arts Center

A Broadway production that appeals to children and adults. "Seussical" is a contemporary reimagining of Dr. Seuss that weaves together many of his most famous stories and characters in unexpected ways.

Dec. 5

The December Sky
6, 6:30, and 7:30
GSU Planetarium

Enjoy a festive evening under the stars with live holiday music to see the beautiful December constellations, planets, galaxies, and other objects visible during the season. There is no admission charge and the program is for all ages. If clear, telescopic viewing of the night sky will follow the presentation.

For more information, contact the Physics Department at 681-5292 or visit its website at <http://cost.georgiasouthern.edu/physics/planetariumpage1.html>




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Main Street Billiards

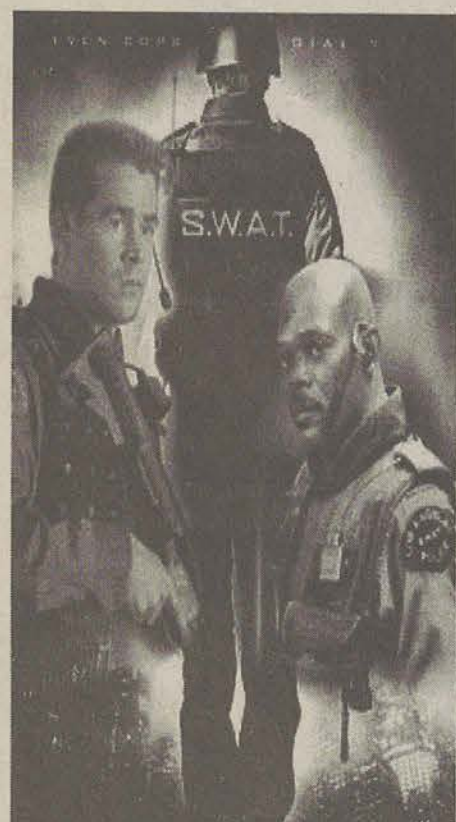
29 West Main Street
764-9385

TUESDAY
Ladies' Night
Dollar Draft

\$2.00 Pitchers • Full Kitchen!



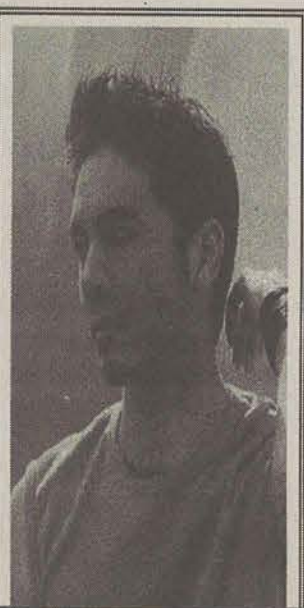
December 3rd
"First Wednesdays"
E-Cinema
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DECEMBER 3rd
SHOWINGS:
7:00 PM
9:30 PM
UNION THEATRE
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(Limited Seating)

COME
EARLY!



Ron Irrizarry
Latin Rythm
Acoustic Singer/Songwriter
(with multi-lingual lyrics)



Madden 2004 Tournament



Sign up
during event
on Dec. 3rd

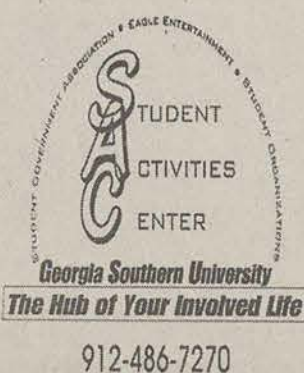
7:00 pm Union Ballroom
On two 10' x 15' Screens
First Come, First Serve!

Sign up
during event
on Dec. 3rd

7:00 pm - 12:00 am, First Wednesday, Dec. 3

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7:00 pm S.W.A.T.-
8:00 pm Madden 2004 Tournament
9:00 pm Live Music Open Mic -
9:30 pm S.W.A.T.
11:00 pm Poetry Slam Contest-
Free Food All!



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Student Affairs
Morale Program

Salutes these individuals who
serve our students...



Karen Townsend
Career Resource Specialist

"From the moment I stepped on this campus, I knew this is where I wanted to be" says Karen Townsend, Career Resource Specialist at Georgia Southern University. Karen loves the atmosphere, the spirit of teamwork and the friendliness felt at this campus. When asked what the best part of her job is Karen was quick to answer, "the students." According to Karen, the students spice up life and make her job fun. She feels especially rewarded when a student returns to Career Services with news of good results after having been served at the center.

Karen states that "career services is for everyone." Walk-in traffic can include Georgia Southern University students with any of a variety of needs. It could be the freshman who is undecided about his or her major or wants a change of major and direction; some students seek to know what the opportunities are in a given field; others seek career assessment while others are seeking jobs and need help with a resume. The center assists job seekers by providing tips that help an interview be effective. Students are served who are searching for graduate school. Numerous resources and support is available for every student who comes for help.

Karen earned her M.A. in Higher Education/Student Services from Northwestern State University, Louisiana in 1996. Both of her parents were involved in student services/campus life during her childhood. As an undergraduate and graduate student, Karen, too, was involved in student life. Before coming to GSU, Ms. Townsend's combined experiences include working in student services at Savannah College of Art and Design and at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. She now feels at home in the small town setting of Statesboro and enjoys its close proximity to larger cities and the beach. It offers the best of both worlds.

Students can seek assistance from Karen and the other career services staff in the Williams Center on the first floor. Karen also gives classroom presentations; can be found from time to time at the Critiki Hut; serves as career doctor, chairs the Professional Development Council and is involved with events such as the bi-annual Career Fair as well as the dining for success program.



Amy Anderson
Minority Advisement Program

"MAP" is designed to aid students in making the transition from high school to college life. Contrary to its name, the Minority Advisement Program (MAP) is for everyone and it is free. Its coordinator on the GSU campus, Amy Anderson, is a former MAP student and can testify first-hand as to the benefits she gained from being a participant during her early undergraduate days. Amy says she loves her job and that the best part of it is the students. Participants are paired with a mentor who helps them acclimate to the campus environment. Programs and activities are planned throughout the year to educate, enhance, encourage service, foster good conversation or to just plain have fun. The coordinator and her team of student sponsors (mentors) attend a summer retreat where they gain ideas to put into practice for the coming school year. Mentors write about their experiences and call to check on their students each week. Currently 315 students are active in this program.

Amy Anderson studied communications and theater at Mercer University with an emphasis on rhetorical analysis and worked in admissions while a student. Her background also includes marketing. Relatively new to GSU, she has a full year planned and is finding that students feel comfortable dropping by her office to chat and learn what's going on?

MAP encourages student involvement, student leadership and reaches out to collaborate with other groups and organizations on campus to carry out activities. Amy's office is located in the Russell Union Building on the second floor in the Multicultural Center where any student is welcome to stop by to find out what MAP has for him or her.



Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

1 Colorado

Pigs stolen from high school ag program

KERSEY - Pig rustlers struck a high school agriculture program for the second time in two years, killing and stealing at least two animals that students were raising for research and business experience.

A third pig was missing but police weren't sure if it was stolen or got out of its pen on its own. All weighed about 140 pounds.

Two pigs were killed in their pens at Platte Valley High School on Nov. 7 and dragged to a county road, where they were apparently loaded into a vehicle, police chief Pat Carey said.

The other pig disappeared on Nov. 4.

Last year, someone killed a 250-pound pig in its pen and apparently drove away with it.

Platte Valley agriculture students buy the pigs, raise them to market weight and sell them for slaughter, dividing the profits among students who buy \$10 shares in the project.

The pigs are fed different supplements so the students can research their growth.

"Not only have the kids lost \$900, but we've had to make adjustments to the program with the pigs we have left," vocational agriculture teacher Kenton Ochsner said.

2 Wisconsin

Postal workers find live gator chewing through package

MILWAUKEE - A four-foot alligator chewed its way out of a shipping carton at the Milwaukee Post Office Friday before a worker tossed it into

a hamper and called local animal control officers.

"It had bit through the corner of the box, and the nose ... was sticking out with its teeth hanging out," said postal employee Jennifer Hejdak.

Workers tried to tape the box closed, but the alligator bit it open and came out.

"One of the guys picked it up by its tail and threw it in the hamper," Hejdak said.

Milwaukee station WTMJ-TV reported Friday night that a Marquette University student mailed the alligator. He told a reporter he had the creature at his residence for about a week before deciding it had to go.

3 Iowa

Man says he didn't know he was buying pickup

IOWA CITY - Robert Michalec, 78, of Keystone, filed the lawsuit Wednesday in Johnson County District Court. He claims Carousel Ford, in Iowa City, sold him a pickup truck against his will.

Michalec said he went to the car dealership on June 19 and told a salesman he was looking for a Ford Ranger with a six-cylinder engine and extended cab. The salesman showed him a truck without those features, the lawsuit states.

The salesman took Michalec to see the credit manager and then went out and removed the plates from Michalec's van, the lawsuit claims.

Michalec was then pressured to complete several forms, including a purchase agreement.

He claims the salesman told him to drive the truck home to try it out.

Michalec said he returned the truck on June 23 to retrieve his van but was told it had been sold and the dealership refused to accept the truck, the lawsuit states.

4 Utah

Mayor wins re-election by roll of the dice

WASHINGTON TERRACE - With the roll of the dice and the flash of cameras, Mark Allen won a third term as this city's mayor.

Allen and challenger Robert Garside tied in a Nov. 4 election with 724 votes each. They met at an emergency election Friday to decide the winner.

Tie votes under Utah law must be decided by drawing lots, which can mean anything from flipping a coin to drawing a name out of a hat.

"We felt rolling dice was a more fair way to make a choice," city recorder Shari Peterson said.

With quick flicks of their wrists, Allen rolled a 4 and a 1 for the top score while Garside rolled a pair of 2's.

Both candidates said the outcome of the mayoral race was fair.

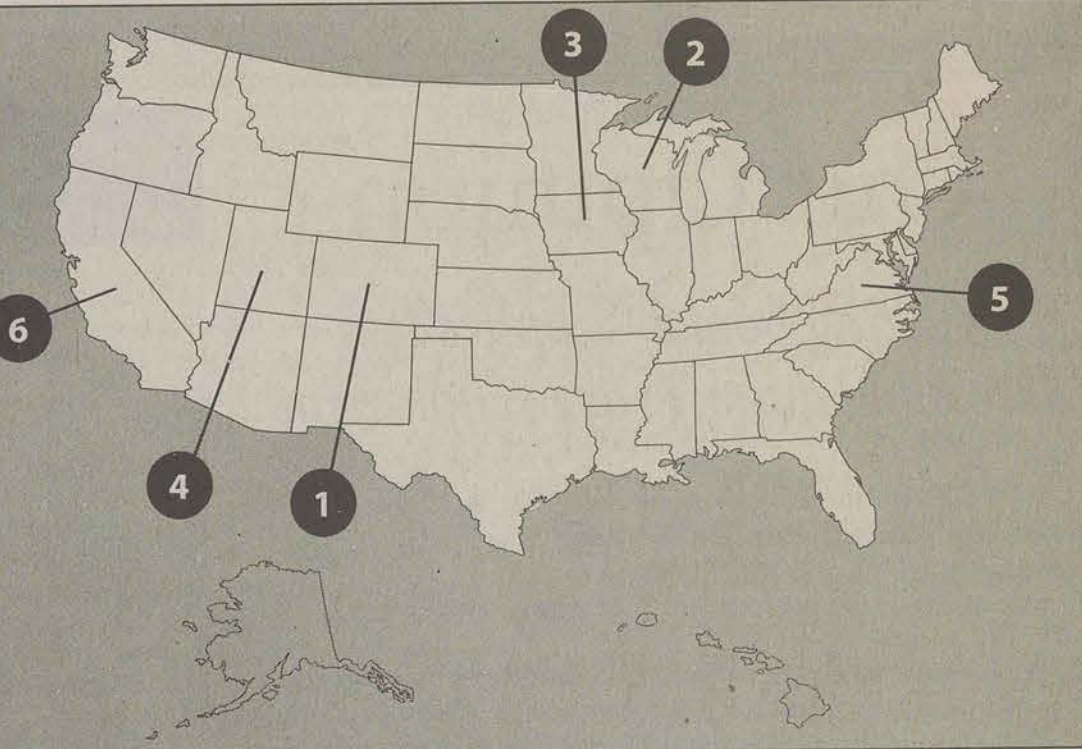
Allen said he would spend his next two years working on designs for a new city hall and park and plotting Washington Terrace's future.

5 Virginia

Postal worker charged after joking about being shot

RICHMOND - Police said Naquita Baker, 32, told her sister over the telephone that she had been shot Saturday while making deliveries. Baker's sister called 911, and police put out a citywide mayday to locate Baker, calling into duty officers from two precincts and an air unit.

When officers found Baker, she said she was playing a joke on her sister and never expected her to call police.



Baker was charged with giving false information to another by telephone, a misdemeanor charge which carries a possible 12-month sentence and a \$1,000 fine.

"Resources were taken from other vital areas to respond to a practical joke," said Col. Andre Parker, Richmond police chief. "We don't think it's funny and we hope the courts will agree."

6 California

SoCal waiter sentenced for vandalizing customers' homes

RIVERSIDE - A former waiter was ordered to perform 80 hours of community service for vandalizing the home of customers who complained about his service.

Jonathon Voeltner, 21, was a waiter at Sizzler when the Kellers asked for vegetables with their meal and were told they could only get a baked potato or french fries. After they insisted on a salad, Voeltner rudely delivered one,

the family said. They complained to the Norco restaurant's manager.

A day later, Voeltner and two minors went to the Keller home in Corona where police say they crushed eggs on the house, poured maple syrup over hedges and unrolled toilet paper onto a pine tree. The trio then rang the

doorbell six times and hid to watch the family's reaction.

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the rush is on....



The rush is on to sell those textbooks. You drive to the bookstore where there is of course no parking. After Hunting for a parking space you finally steal one from some person not paying attention. You hike your way through the parking lot while narrowly avoiding becoming road kill. Once in the store you grab a basket and fill it so full of books that it feels as if your shoulder is going to pop out of place. Then you realize 1/3 of the books you were supposed to get were out, not ordered, or stolen by the book fairy.

Well, after standing in line for who knows how long you start to check out. Feeling as if you have completed the Iron Man Marathon a feeling of accomplishment and victory overcomes you. This feeling lasts only a brief second due to the cash register display reading "\$573.62 due".

If you are one of those few that laugh at fellow students for putting up with the bookstore because you buy your books offline then answer these questions. Do you have to wait upwards of 5-10 days for your books to be delivered? Do you have to pay shipping and handling also?

Unfortunately these two cases are more than typical.

With these sad choices I was determined to find some better way of buying and selling textbooks. I spoke to several students, searched online, and even asked professors. My research and long hours turned up a single website,

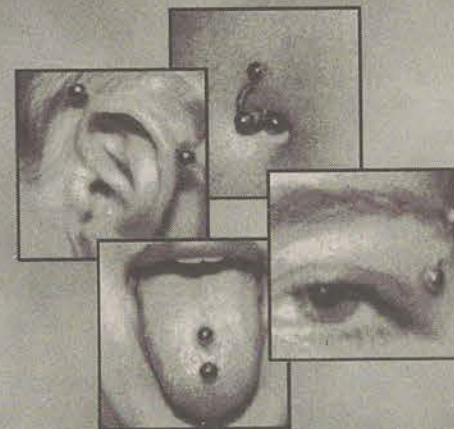
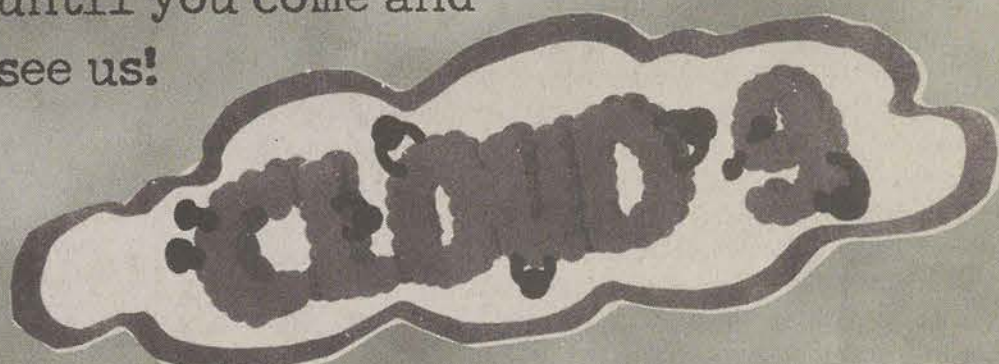
www.EagleBookExchange.com. I immediately signed up to see what all the hype was about this site and why it was spoken so highly of.

EagleBookExchange.com is a unique site designed specially for GSU students. Instead of sites such as amazon.com and others, every book on the site is what is used for GSU. But the reason there is so much excitement of this site is because it is students selling to students. You set your own prices and there is no middleman as in a bookstore (you make/save more money)

According to www.nacs.org (National Association of college bookstores) college bookstores make, after their own expenses, 34.4% profit off of textbooks. Now just to let you know that is just profit. Markup is usually around 50% or so in books. Meaning you buy a textbook for \$100 and sell it back to a bookstore for \$20 and they resell that same book for \$65-75. Well with this site you could sell the same book for \$45, making a \$25 profit and saving someone \$30. The average number of books in approximately eight making that (on a low average) \$200 made and \$240 saved. The remarkable thing is that is all money that you would not have had if you had not used EagleBook Exchange.com. I know that was a lot of math to digest but that's also a lot of cash that you would not have had either.

By: Stacie Sharp

Don't get pierced or TATOOED anywhere until you come and see us!



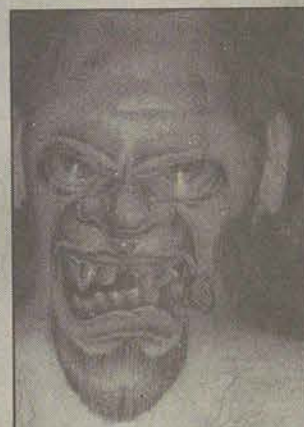
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Check out the newly remodeled Cloud 9!

Our Opinion

Making books, supplies less accessible doesn't save scholarship

A lot of talk is circulating about the endangered status of the HOPE scholarship, but one important question remains unasked and, consequently, unanswered.

Considering the fact that it's funded by an ongoing lottery, why is HOPE in so much trouble?

The answer is simple, some would say. It's because there are now more college students in Georgia than ever before. Enrollment is increasing each year across the state. Sending all those kids to school requires more money, and has drained the reserves quite a bit.

If you ask us, that's not just simple, but simple-minded.

Think outside the box for a moment. A panel commissioned to "solve" the HOPE problem decided last Thursday that perhaps HOPE shouldn't pay for books and fees. It makes enough sense, supposedly – a pennies-make-dollars strategy. For, as any HOPE scholar knows, the book allowance provided by HOPE (which is set at a maximum of \$150 per semester) typically covers no more than half of the textbooks required for a full course load. Fees not having to do with tuition and excluding housing run from less than \$350 at Georgia Southern to less than \$450 at UGA per semester.

The problem is this: Salvation's being siphoned out of the wrong end of the program.

According to the statistics, more than \$2.5 billion has gone into HOPE scholarships since the program's inception a decade ago. More than 730,000 students have received these scholarships. A little bit of calculator math based on those figures tells us that – at the book and fee rates we've already discussed – less than \$767 million has gone to fees and book allowances for those scholars.

Meanwhile, the "Mega Millions" lottery game has awarded at least that much money during this year alone. The Georgia Lottery has given away \$19 billion since its inauguration in 1993, but has profited only \$6 billion for state education.

Did the panel even consider evening out the stakes a bit?

If the Georgia Lottery reduced the winnings by a relatively small amount each year in favor of putting a bit more in the education barrel, John D. Winner would notice the cut a lot less than the thousands of striving college students who will walk the halls of academia over the course of the next decade. HOPE could be spared without any compromise on the behalf of the deserving students who qualify for the scholarship.

The Georgia Lottery Corporation might argue that implementation of a slightly smaller jackpot could backfire, causing less people to play. But, consider it honestly. Would very many of the luck-seekers out there be less inclined to play the lottery if the estimated jackpot were, say, \$50 million instead of \$60 million?

Well, since \$50 million is almost 20 times the average income a citizen of Georgia will make of the entire course of a lifetime, I'd say it isn't much of a sacrifice.

The HOPE Scholarship Study Commission is structured by Institute of Government – part of UGA's public service and outreach program. Conveniently, their website (<http://www.cviog.uga.edu/hope/>) does not list the name or contact information of the person in charge of this committee. It does, however, suggest that we contact a Ms. Sonja Pruitt, Administrative Specialist at the Director's Office, for more information. Her email address is pruitt@cviog.uga.edu.

Support the prioritization of education in our state. Rather than lose the book and fee portion of the cherished scholarship that has afforded an education to so many of us, drop a line to the Commission and let them know that there are better ways to prevent HOPElessness.

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Forget the flu: Get your Ad-iarrhea shot today

I'm not the most computer-savvy guy when it comes down to Internet usage, but I've learned enough to know that posters of half-naked women selling "natural alternatives" to sex stimulants shouldn't be scrolling out of my Windows toolbar.

Though I do suppose the price is right, and the girl with the wry smile is pretty cute. The situation is a little odd, but what the hell. I could always use a little more pep in my step.

But wait – here's another. Well, what have we here? A questionnaire for a single's dating service complete with a photo of someone who'd like to meet me? Just a few short answers and I'll be on the road to meeting the girl of my dreams – and she'll no doubt be impressed with my naturally alternative skills.

What's this? A camera that can swivel in any direction while staying securely unseen by those very people I'd be watching would make an excellent addition to my already well laid-out plan. I score the girl with the matchmaking service, suck down a few pills for a completely alternative experience, have the camera set up by the pool under a towel and – wait a minute. Another's popping up.

Looks like the ads made the same connection I did.

With all of the complaints from the RIAA and MPAA about file-sharing, and the constant discussion taking place in political arenas around the world about regulation of the Internet, it seems that the issues facing the everyday consumer have fallen beneath the radar of debate.

Why doesn't anyone seem to care about those who are plagued with Ad-iarrhea?

Ad-iarrhea is a disease more and more common in this, the age of information. With such a vast knowledge available at our fingertips, the advertising and marketing industries have found a way to work with the population who would rather spend their time in front of the idiot screen instead of the idiot box.

The disease is easy enough to diagnose, but unfortunately, it can be hard to treat successfully.

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The newest form of the disease I've seen, and the most advanced yet, links itself in your instant messaging software, disguised as a hyperlink in your profile entitled "Whoaaa... take a look at what I found!" Once clicked, the link pops up a dozen or so ads and then nests in the profile of the newly infected system.

Treatments are not hard to come by – it's efficiency of the remedy that's the problem. Numerous programs are available for download on your favorite freeware websites, but the various strains of Ad-iarrhea all have a different cure. Some programs will stop pop-ups from websites, while others will ferret out the ad ware servers running quietly in the background.

Is this phenomenon I've dubbed Ad-iarrhea



Adam Brady
managing editor

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United Nations should not oversee Internet access and activity

By Peter A. Brown
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It would be hard to think of a dumber idea than putting the United Nations in charge of the Internet, other than letting the French direct a global defense against martian invaders.

Giving the U.N. bureaucrats control over the future of international communication and commerce would be akin to putting Karl Marx in charge of stock trading at Merrill Lynch.

Marx, the father of communism who thought markets should be mothballed, could not fathom the idea that the profit motive might one day produce wealth that benefits most of society.

So, too, it would be impossible for many members of the United Nations, and certainly its bureaucracy, which sees government and central planning as the font of all knowledge, to do anything but screw up the Internet.

Yet that is what some – especially in lesser-developed countries that suspect anything having too much Western influence – want to occur.

The issue is reportedly on the agenda at an international information summit next month in Switzerland.

According to the Financial Times – the U.K.-based business-oriented newspaper – initial opposition from the United States and the European community has, for now, forestalled a drive to give a U.N. agency oversight of the Internet.

Brazil, India, China, South Africa and Saudi Arabia are among those unhappy with the current system, under which the Internet and access to it are overseen with a very light hand by a California-based entity.

The semiprivate, nonprofit Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers hands out Internet addresses and generally is the technological coordinator of cyberspace. ICANN, run by a board on which Americans are a minority, does not regulate content.

The Internet was created by the U.S. military in the 1960s in order to have a bombproof communication system in case of nuclear attack.

It evolved into a network used primarily by universities, and in the 1990s, the Internet began to sprout as an all-purpose communication system that has revolutionized virtually every aspect of modern life.

The U.S. Congress formed ICANN in 1998, when the Internet began going commercial and there was a need to coordinate its development. The legislation sets criteria, not all of which have been met, that ICANN must accomplish before it can become independent.

Because ICANN's directors are mostly from industrialized nations with previous Internet backgrounds, not surprisingly those outside that club want to use their political skills to win

It would be quite easy to imagine how giving a world government control over the Internet would restrict the information flow to avoid offending this or that political or religious sensibility.

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Your Opinion

What does UP really stand for?

Whenever I talk to anyone from my high school, they always ask me: "Dude, what does it feel like to go to one of the biggest party schools in the nation?" As soon as they ask me that, I always tell them that it's really not true. If there is ever a party on campus, the UP always shows up and breaks everything up. My friends proceed to ask me what UP stands for. I tell them "They want you to think it stands for University Police, but that ain't true at all. What it really stands for is Useless People."

I live on campus and have had a few run-ins with them, and I never did a thing but listen to music. The first time, I was sitting on a wall in front of my dorm listening to my portable CD player, and one of them comes up to me and asks what I was doing. I told him the truth - that I was just sitting there listening to music. He told me I needed to go somewhere else or he would "run me in." What can I say? I'm one of those people who can get the cops on them for doing nothing.

There has been a large amount of vandalism to the cars in the parking lot of my dorm. People are keying cars every night. And, just the other day, someone threw a 40 oz. through the back window of my friend's car. They called the UP, who scared off the Statesboro police that had shown up a few minutes earlier. When the guy finally

got out of his car, he didn't do a thing. He walked up to the car, wrote a few words, kicked a little bit of glass around, and wrote some more words. He didn't even listen to a word my friend was saying. It took him about 15 minutes to write a paragraph-long police report, and then when someone asked what they should do about the broken bottle, he said, "You should probably move it before you drive." A real cop would've picked it up as evidence and gotten prints off of it, or something.

If you really think about it, they are good at walking people to their cars, but when someone breaks into someone's car or room, the UP have more important things to do. Things like sucking down gallons of coffee and inhaling mountains of doughnuts. It's a tough job, but someone has to do it. I feel a little safe knowing that, if I need it, there's someone who would walk me to my car. That doesn't help too much considering the fact that I don't even have a car. If it comes down to anything that doesn't involve escorting me somewhere, I am completely on my own, and so is everyone else on this campus. I don't know what everyone else thinks, but I consider that to be a problem.

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One student asks 'D.U. Why?'

Last fall semester my roommate's cousin - a new student at GSU - went to a keg party one night and was having a good time. He stepped outside for some air and noticed his friend around the side of the house. They were arguing because one guy wanted to go already or something stupid. They weren't really mad at each other. The two boys were beyond wasted, and got into a fight. They left this guy with black eyes, a broken nose, plenty of fractured bones in his face, and too many stitches across his face and forehead to count.

The two guys were expelled from school and the police and family members got involved. The family of the guy who was beat up pressed charges on the two. The medical bills were in the thousands and he would expect at least another operation on his face. The two don't even remember the party or whose house it was or that they had got into a fight.

I thought about what had happened days after he told me, and one thought I had was that my roommate's cousin was only 18 years old. He was gladly served as much alcohol as he wanted as long as he had his five bucks in hand. The keg's owner was guilty of not only distributing to a minor, he was also selling and furnishing to people of noticeable intoxication. Why wasn't the keg owner responsible for what happened on that night? I mean hell

neither the two kids or any supposed witnesses could even remember.

When the matter turned legal, the fault should have been in the hands of the distributor. This situation caused these kids' lives to turn around. The truth to this horrifying tale is that it was completely preventable.

Some people will leave a bar, turn the corner and stumble and get arrested for public drunkenness only a few steps outside of the establishment. Not to mention that some partygoers rationalize getting into their cars and driving home.

The statistics showed that 600,000 people were injured and 16,653 people died in 2000 in alcohol related crashes. I know I have said that I was fine plenty of times when I wasn't at all fine to drive home. The bad thing is we don't make rational decisions when we drink. We know that there is only one or two taxis in town, girls see walking home as a vulnerable situation, and guys would rather not get their car towed in the morning.

I think the bartenders should have a little part in the legal aspect at least. It is a law that bartenders have a responsibility not to sell to noticeably intoxicated people. They are also supposed to be sober, but we all know that rule gets thrown out during the night. I would feel pretty betrayed if my favorite bar let me just leave barely being able to walk.

I think the bars and some other party throwers are much more worried about your money than they are about you. The owner of the keg party where the incident occurred never even received a phone call. This is wrong to me. I want people to have the best time they want to have when they are drinking. I love alcohol. I like to have the best time that I can for as long as I possibly can.

So, who is ultimately responsible when you leave a bar, get into your car with a mixed drink still in hand, get pulled over on the way home, and end up blowing an exorbitant .20 into the breathalyzer? It's a lack of intelligence mixed with a lack of enforcement.

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a virus?

Not by classical definition.

Is it costly?

Most definitely.

The RIAA and MPAA spend countless dollars trying to sue in order to reclaim the funds lost through piracy.

But what about the funds lost from the countless man-hours spent trying to stop Ad-iarrhea?

Think of the tremendous opportunity costs that pile up while the common Internet user spends hours each day clicking the little "X" to shut a pop-up ad.

That time could be easily spent finishing a research paper, which would lead to a more educated workforce, and finally to a superior product for consumption. An increase in demand would surely follow, and the supply strains would cause an increase in the need for production, creating more jobs, stimulating the economy to heights it hasn't seen in decades.

If computer use had an epidemic, Ad-iarrhea would be its name.

I encourage all of you to contact your congressman or congresswoman and lobby for an end to this plague to Internet denizens all around the globe.

Together, we can heal the World.

The World Wide Web, that is.

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ability to shape something they could not in their wildest dreams have created.

Now, there may even be some here at home who believe in multilateralism to the extent that they think the United States and its friends should share their pre-eminent role.

Those who think so are nuts.

The Internet has prospered because all that ICANN does is collect a relatively small amount of money for addresses and to keep the traffic moving.

It has nursed the Internet on the notion of capitalism, limited government interference and embraced commercialization.

Those are principles that can get you shot by governments in many parts of the world.

It would be quite easy to imagine how giving a world government control over the Internet would restrict the information flow to avoid offending this or that political or religious sensibility.

Those who argue that the Internet is a public resource are correct. It was even developed, to a degree, by government - actually a Pentagon agency - but it has remained generally free of government's heavy hand and has thrived because of it.

The days of a little window popping up in the corner of your screen are long gone. Now Ad-iarrhea makes a home for itself in your system functions, starting up it's own servers, using your very computer's processing power to tempt you with products and services most people have no need for.

And what those of us in the United States consider the heavy hand of government is actually just a love tap compared to the way that governments run things in most of the world, and especially in those countries that favor U.N. control because it would increase their say.

Yet complaints about rising amounts of spam and viruses should not become an excuse for a power grab that would give a bunch of bureaucrats the power to regulate cyberspace.

This issue is one of the few things these days on which there is common cause between the United States and most Western European countries.

Even the quasi-socialists on the continent know not to kill the goose that lays the golden egg.

Although any effort to make major strides toward U.N. Internet control apparently have been sidetracked for the Dec. 10-12 summit, the Financial Times reports those pesky elves in U.N. land are hoping to keep the issue alive.

Their new goal is reportedly to try to demand that the United Nations and its minions take over the Internet when a second world information summit is scheduled in 2005.

God forbid.

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Eagle volleyball looks to carry second seed to SoCon title

By Eli Boorstein
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The Georgia Southern volleyball team may have lost the coin toss, but may have come out better for it.

Though Charleston made out with the top seed in the Southern Conference Tournament, the Eagles look to have recieved the better draw for the tourney, which starts Friday in Chattanooga.

As a result of both the Eagles and Cougars finishing with a 17-1 conference record, the two clubs' coaches flipped a coin and Charleston grabbed the No. 1 seed.

As the No. 2, Georgia Southern will be facing Western Carolina, the third seed from the North Division, at Noon on Friday, a team they swept on Oct. 17.

When taking a look at Georgia Southern's half of the bracket, they will be facing three teams they have had great success at this season. In four total matches against potential tournament opponents Appalachian State (No. 1 North), Davidson (No. 4 South) and Western Carolina, the Eagles only lost a single game.

Along with Charleston, the other half of the bracket will see East Tennessee State (No. 4 North), Chattanooga (No. 2 North) and Furman (No. 3 South), putting together a group of clubs who could all seriously threaten for the Southern Conference championship.

"We don't want to have to face Chattanooga at home and Furman's can also be tough," said head coach Kerry Messersmith. "I felt really good where were placed."

Should the Eagles make it through to the final game, they could meet up with Charleston for the second season in a row. In last year's finals, the Cougars swept the Eagles in three games.

This year, the pair have turned in two thrilling battles. In Charleston on Oct. 7, the Cougars won in four games, which

served as the Eagles' sole conference loss this season. But in Statesboro on Oct. 29, the Eagles were able to enact revenge, beating Charleston in three straight, snapping the Cougars' 29-match SoCon winning streak.

The conference-record 1,027 in attendance at Hanner Fieldhouse, which nearly doubled the previous high mark, were treated to a thriller between a pair of heated rivals. The case should be the same if the Eagles and Cougars match up in the SoCon championship.

"We have as good of a chance as everybody," remarked Messersmith about her team's chances. "If we can get past our first two opponents, we'll have a great chance to repeat what we did in 2001 and go to the NCAA Tournament."

The 2001 Southern Conference Tournament proved that anything can happen when No. 4 Georgia Southern and No. 7 Chattanooga met in the finals.

"Everything that has happened up to there doesn't matter."

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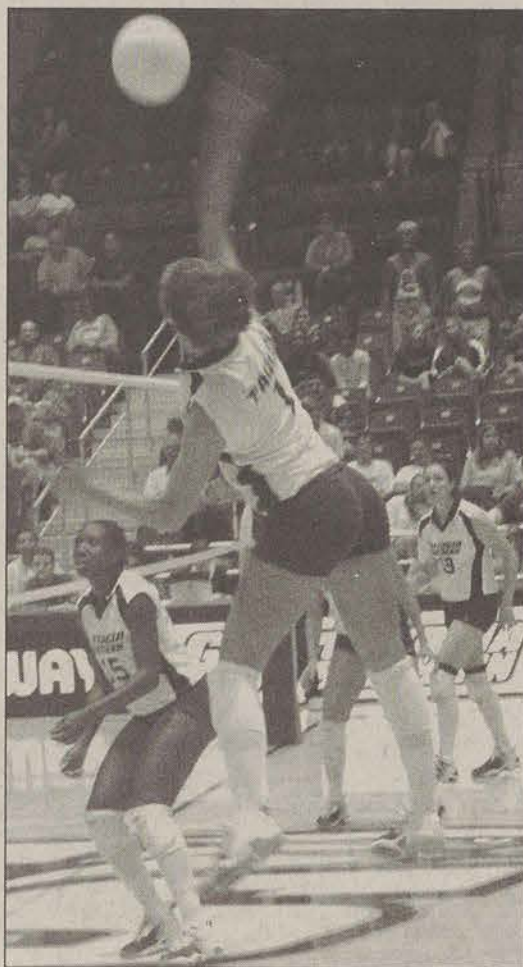
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Ryan Moore/STAFF

Senior Erin Martin will try to extend her career for a few more matches as she and the Lady Eagle volleyball team battle in the Southern Conference Tournament this weekend in Chattanooga.

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19. Jacksonville State Gamecocks
20. Northern Colorado Bears
21. Northeastern Huskies
22. Georgia Southern Eagles
23. Maine Black Bears
24. Idaho State Bengals
25. Fordham Rams

Women's basketball wins exhibition contest

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Exhibition games are designed to help a team work the kinks out in their game.

The Lady Eagle basketball team knows that first hand as they overcame a 22.6-percent shooting performance in second half to hold off the Reebok Winning Ways touring team 63-57 at Hanner Fieldhouse.

After shooting 45.5 percent in the opening half, Georgia Southern only made 7-of-31 shots after halftime. In addition, the Eagles shot a perfect 10-for-10 from the free-throw line in the first half, only to shoot 8-for-16 in the second half.

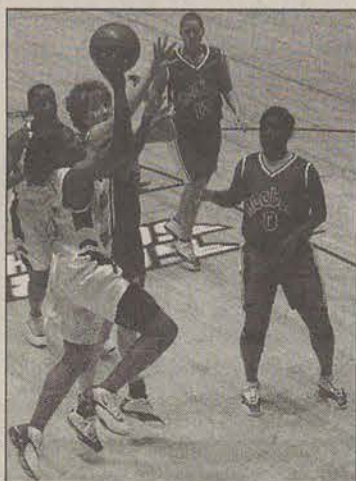
"The first 15 or 16 minutes were good," said head coach Rusty Cram. "To say I was disappointed in their play against the zone would be an understatement."

Playing their fourth game in as many days, it was evident that the wear and tear had taken a toll on the Winning Ways players.

After scoring eight of the game's first ten points, Georgia Southern was able to extend their lead even further when a Jessica Everett lay-up made the score 16-6. Winning Ways was able to bring their deficit within four points at 22-18 before the Eagles responded with a 17-5 run.

As the second half started, Winning Ways was able to nip away at the Georgia Southern lead once more, bringing it within five at 53-48 with 7:35 left on the clock.

But a five-point tear for the Eagles extended their edge to 10 points, a mark Winning Ways was unable to battle back



LaVene Bell/STAFF

Junior Kellie Tiller puts up a shot attempt in the Lady Eagles' 63-57 victory over the Reebok Winning Ways team.

from.

Junior Dana Benemon and senior Everett led the Eagles with 10 points apiece. It was a tale of two halves for the two as eight of Benemon's points came in the second half while Everett was held scoreless in the second half.

"We looked pretty tired down the stretch," said Benemon. "We played pretty good in the first half."

Former Kansas product Katie Hannon led Winning Ways with 16 points while Erin Paige posted a double-double with 11 points and 10 rebounds.

Georgia Southern will open up the regular season on Saturday when they welcome Division II foe USC-Aiken into Hanner Fieldhouse for a 5:15 p.m. tipoff.

The Happenings & Highlights of CRI

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The Georgia Flag Football Championships were held this past weekend.

In the Co-Rec Championships, it was a rematch between the Georgia Southern teams the Old Skool Playerz and the Presidents & First Ladies. The Old Skool Playerz had won the previous meeting for the Co-Rec Championships here, and they continued their dominance as they once again defeated the Presidents & First Ladies in the first round 25-6 Sunday morning.

Georgia Southern welcomed the champions from Shorter College and Georgia State. The two teams faced off in the first round yielding Lethal Injection from Georgia State as the victor. The finals pitted Georgia State vs. Georgia Southern, and, as to be expected, Georgia Southern came out on top 24-6 and win the Georgia Co-Rec State Championship.

The Men's Championships consisted of 28 teams from throughout Georgia. The Scandals are the Mens Champions from Georgia Southern and they were ranked No. 3. The runner-up Pi Kappa Phi were ranked No. 5. Also from Southern was No. 15 The Wreck, No. 16 N.W.O., No. 23 Drop-A-Fella, and No. 25 The Bandits.

First Round results: The Scandals had a first round-bye. The Wreck lost to Georgia Southwestern Kappa Sigma 33-27 and Drop-A-Fella defeated VSU's The Crew 18-12. Pi Kappa Phi defeated VSU The Playmakers 27-6 while The Bandits defeated UWG's Kappa Alpha 26-13. N.W.O. lost to CSU's Running Cougs 34-22.

Second Round results: The Bandits lost to GCSU The Crocketts 20-14 with Pi Kappa Phi defeating Berry College's Moosejaw.com 34-14. The Scandals defeated NGCSU's Pi Kappa Alpha 26-6, and Drop-A-Fella lost to AASU Whos Next 24-12.

Going into the third round, only The Scandals and Pi Kappa Phi were left from Georgia Southern. Third Round results: The Scandals defeated UWG The Best 21-7, Pi Kappa Phi lost to GT Fiji 20-6.

That left our reigning champs as the lone team representing Georgia Southern. However their time ran out and they were defeated in the next round by AASU Who's Next 21-14. AASU Whos Next advanced to the finals to play CSU The Running Cougs. The Running Cougs ran all the way to the Championship, winning 13-6.

The Womens Georgia Championships consisted of two teams representing Georgia Southern: champs Z-71 and the runner-up Infiniti. Infiniti

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Strikers
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got upset in the first round by VSU's Shut Em Down 20-0. Z-71 took care of business, defeating NGCSU's Bad Medicine 26-0, GCSU's Hiatus 19-0, and UWG's Nuts and Bolts in the Finals 13-7 to take the Georgia Womens State Championship.

The next trip planned by Southern Adventures is a sea kayaking trip at Biscayne National Park Dec. 14-21. This will be the last trip of the year as it ends right before Christmas.

Longtime team president Stan Kasten resigns as chief of Braves, Hawks, Thrashers

Associated Press

ATLANTA - Stan Kasten was taking a tour of major league ballparks to celebrate his graduation from law school when he happened to meet Ted Turner.

From that 1976 encounter, Kasten evolved into one of the most powerful figures in sports, the first person to serve as the president of three major league teams simultaneously.

Kasten left all three posts Monday, resigning as president of baseball's Atlanta Braves, basketball's Atlanta Hawks and hockey's Atlanta Thrashers.

The decision wasn't entirely unexpected, considering Time Warner is on the verge of selling the Hawks and Thrashers to a group led by Boston businessman Steve Belkin.

But Kasten also walked away from the Braves, influenced by that team's ambivalent future after 12 straight division titles.

Time Warner, which also owns the Braves, is determined to make a significant cut in payroll. That will likely lead to the loss of several key free agents, a group that includes Greg Maddux, Javy Lopez and Gary Sheffield.

"A lot of things were changing," Kasten said. "I just felt this was a real convenient time for me to make this move."

Kasten, 51, was vague about his future, except to joke that he has no plans to be a sports agent. There's a chance he could return to the Hawks and Thrashers once the sale is approved by the NBA and NHL, expected to happen within a month.

"I'm not ruling anything out," Kasten said. "I view myself as approaching the midpoint of my career. When people ask me what is my greatest accomplishment, I say I haven't done it yet. I want to do a lot more of what I've done, only bigger and better."

Belkin plans to hire a CEO to run the Hawks, Thrashers and Philips

Arena. He said Kasten would be considered.

"Clearly, he would be a serious candidate because of his experience and knowledge," Belkin said. "This frees us up to at least talk about it."

Then again, the new owners may want to break all links with the past. The Hawks have missed the playoffs four years in a row and are plagued by poor attendance. The Thrashers, in their fifth year of existence, have yet to make the postseason.

Kasten's legacy is boosted by his role in helping transform the Braves from a last-place team to a perennial powerhouse. Atlanta's unprecedented run of division titles began in 1991 with a memorable worst-to-first season that ended with a Game 7 loss to Minnesota in the World Series.

"Within the business, we are considered the gold standard of organizations," Kasten said. "For that, I am very proud."

He only wishes the Braves had won more championships. Despite all those division titles, they won their lone World Series in 1995.

Kasten began his rise to power shortly after Turner purchased the Braves and Hawks, two of pro sports' most woeful teams. They met at a baseball game in St. Louis and immediately hit it off, the acerbic New Jersey lawyer and the drawling Southern media mogul.

Turner hired Kasten as legal counsel of the Braves and Hawks. One year later, he moved up to become assistant general manager of the Hawks. By



Special Photo

Kasten

1979, Kasten was the youngest general manager in NBA history at 27.

Additional duties came in 1986 when Turner named Kasten as president of the Braves and Hawks, as well as vice president of the TBS Superstation.

Kasten surrendered the GM position with the Hawks in 1990, hiring Pete Babcock. But he became involved with the company's third sports team in 1999, taking over as president of the Thrashers when Harvey Schiller left.

By that time, Turner was losing his grip on the teams. His role lessened when TBS merged with Time Warner, and he was forced out altogether after a merger with AOL.

Seeking to reduce its huge debt, Time Warner decided last year to unload the Atlanta teams, putting Kasten's future in doubt.

Belkin's group, which includes Turner's son-in-law, reached a deal in September to purchase the Hawks, Thrashers and Philips Arena for \$250 million.

Kasten, who also oversaw the arena, was prevented from talking with the new ownership group while under contract to Time Warner. He would clearly prefer to remain in the city where he has lived for 27 years.

"Atlanta has a huge home-court advantage in whatever I do next," Kasten said. "But there's no way to tell how this will end up."

Time Warner is no longer shopping the Braves, but it's clear the media conglomerate expects the team to improve its bottom line. The payroll, which has been one of the highest in baseball, will face significant cuts beginning with the 2004 season.

Knowing that, will Braves general manager John Schuerholz soon follow Kasten out the door?

Schuerholz emphatically denied that sort of speculation. He also has no desire to replace Kasten as team president.

"This will be a seamless transition," Schuerholz insisted. "We've not had a year where we didn't have a challenge of one type or another."

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college football fans for new invention

KRT Campus

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. — John Smith and his mobile football field cruise college campuses, hoping to cash in on fans eager to display their team spirit.

The entrepreneur from Orlando, Fla., spent 100 hours recreating the look and excitement of a football game on the hood of his 1995 F150 Ford truck. The rest of the truck is decorated with samples of the football-related merchandise he sells through 150 retail stores and his online site at www.clevercovers.com.

"It's a wacky truck," says Smith.

"Clever Covers," which are wheel covers featuring logos from 22 colleges, are his latest creation. He says he's sold 10,000 sets of wheel covers during the past three years. A package of two covers costs \$34.95.

Smith also offers markets spirit fans, drink holders, spare wheel covers and garden signs, all bearing the colors of schools such as Clemson, Penn State and Texas A&M.

In addition, he sells covers sized for the wheels on golf carts, including a red, white and blue design with "God Bless America" written on it. A package of four covers is \$44.95.

Needless to say, his truck's oversized hood ornament attracts a lot of attention, whether he's driving interstate roads along the East Coast or pulling into a gas station to fill up.

"Tractor-trailer rigs will honk their horns, I guess to tell me they like it," he says. "And people in their cars poke at everyone else in the car to turn around and

look."

Since he built the mobile football field in May, Smith has driven 8,000 miles to show it off to prospective customers.

He used regular house paint to simulate the playing field and then coated it with protective polyurethane.

Chess-size players, depicting the University of Florida and Florida State teams, run up and down the field while doll-size fans sit in little wooden bleachers. There's even a small replica of the Goodyear blimp hovering overhead. At night, scaled-down floodlights made with low-voltage bulbs illuminate the scene.

ABC sports commentator Terry Bowden designed what he calls the "344 Z Post" play on the field. Hall of Fame Rams defensive lineman Jack Youngblood and former Steelers quarterback Mike Kruczek autographed the end zone. Speakers installed on the truck blare football fight songs.

Clever Covers are made from the same PVC plastic used for household plumbing, only thinner in thickness. They feature a cutout for the air valve stem. Smith assures customers they are safe for highway speeds, because he says they were tested on a race car going 140 miles an hour. Each wheel cover is attached with strips of Dual Lock, a reusable lock-type fastener made by 3M.

"These actually lock together," says Smith, showing how the fasteners are sturdier than Velcro. Clever Covers come in different sizes and accommodate any wheel that has a lip on it, he says.

His next goal: to give Virginia Tech fans their own spirited wheel covers.

Mets scout in hot water over racial comment

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Bill Singer's new job with the Mets appeared in jeopardy amid speculation he would be let go following his racially insensitive remarks last week to a Los Angeles Dodgers executive.

Reports in New York area newspapers said Singer, hired as a super-scout Nov. 6, could be fired or asked to resign this week.

"He's still employed by us at the moment, but the matter is under organizational review," Mets spokes-

man Jay Horwitz said Sunday night. "No decision has been made."

Singer and the Mets apologized for comments he made to Dodgers assistant general manager Kim Ng last Tuesday night at a hotel bar in Arizona during the general managers' meetings.

Singer reportedly asked Ng questions about her background and later spoke in gibberish, making fun of the Chinese language.

A two-time 20-game winner during his 14-year pitching career in the majors, Singer, 59, joined

the Mets as a talent evaluator and special assistant to general manager Jim Duquette. Singer was hired in part to provide scouting expertise on Asian players.

Ng, who was raised in New Jersey, became the second female assistant general manager in the majors when she was hired by the New York Yankees in 1997. At 29, she was the youngest assistant GM in the majors. Ng resigned from the Yankees in 2001 after her contract expired, and was hired by the Dodgers a month later.

Soccer phenom Adu signs deal to play in Major League Soccer

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Spurning overtures from some of the world's greatest soccer clubs, 14-year-old American soccer phenom Freddy Adu signed a six-year deal with MLS and will join D.C. United next season.

Adu is expected to become the youngest player to play for a U.S. professional top-level team in more than 100 years -- since 14-year-old Fred Chapman debuted in Major League Baseball in 1887.

"He is widely considered the best young soccer player in the world," commissioner Don Garber said. "And we believe that playing in his home country, in MLS, will further develop him as a player and most importantly as a person."

Adu will be formally introduced Wednesday at a news conference in New York.

The signing is a coup for MLS, especially after Adu's extensive court-

ship by Manchester United and other blue chip European teams. He chose instead to remain near his home in Potomac, Md., where he and his family have lived since immigrating from Ghana in 1997.

"We wanted to allow Freddy to pursue his dreams and develop his God-given talents," said Adu's mother, Emelia. "As he makes this next step at the age of 14, it was best for Freddy to stay in America and sign with MLS."

Adu will be a Project-40 player -- an MLS program designed to accelerate the development of top young Americans -- and will be eligible for January's draft. The Dallas Burn hold the first overall pick in the draft, but they agreed to trade the selection to United as a stipulation for Adu's signing.

"They get that pick, and we get a major player allocation," Burn spokesman Chris Ward said.

Adu's development has been watched closely for years. He was a

high school All-American as a freshman and attended the U.S. Under-14 boys' national team camp in 2001. He began playing for the U.S. Under-17 team last year at age 13, scoring 22 goals in 2002 and a team-leading 29 goals in 46 matches this year.

Adu led the U.S. team to the quarterfinals of the Under-17 world championships in Finland in August, scoring three goals in the opening match and the game-winning goal in the second game.

Adu has occasionally trained with D.C. United and will be a welcome boost for a team that struggled to score goals this season. United made the playoffs for the first time in four years this season, but they were eliminated in the first round by a pair of shutouts against Chicago.

"I grew up watching MLS, and I look forward to the challenge," Adu said. "This league will help me develop as a player, and I hope I can leave my mark as soon as possible."



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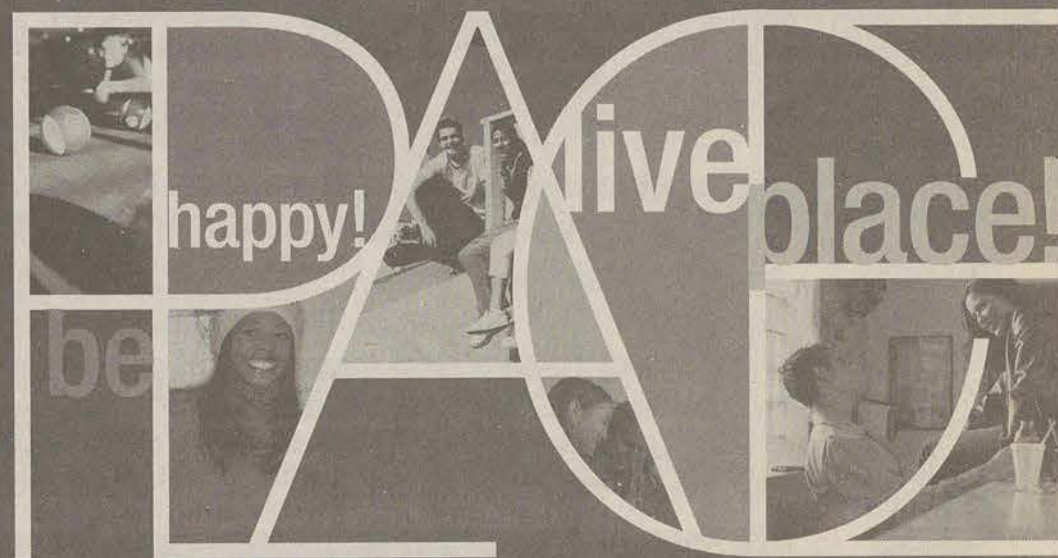
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religion. They allow their members to discuss their faiths in an open environment without restraints. They don't have a campus fellowship, but hope to start one next year. However, students can attend their Sunday Services at their church at 10:30 a.m.

The Religious Awareness Fair took place during Religious Awareness Week. Other events will continue this week into the next. On Wednesday, Dr. Merigala Gabriel will present a personal testimonial about grace and forgiveness at the

Baptist Student Union at noon.

In Union room 2041 at 1:30 p.m. will feature a presentation about Anti-Semitism and the New Testament.

On Thursday, a Kosher Lunch will be provided by Hillel in Union room 2080 at 12:30 p.m. Later in Union room 2080 will be the presentation about Leadership and Spirituality at 2 p.m. Israeli vs. Palestinian will be the final presentation on Thursday at 7 p.m. in Union Room 2052, and

will feature speaker Meir Litvak of the Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies at Tel Aviv University.

On Friday, Students can experience a traditional Hebrew Sabbath service in Union room 2052 at 6:30 p.m.

The final event for Religious Awareness Week will be event Let It Be Dance! Students can see how was dance used in various religious practices at the College of Education Auditorium at noon.

EXPOSURE, FROM PAGE 1

Orientation, decided on the Wildlife center option instead. Overwhelmingly, the students enjoyed the Flight Show and the exposure to an area of campus that many might not even know the GSU offers.

As the night continued the prospective students and hosts alike were shuttled to the Recreation Activity Center (RAC), for a tour and some time to work and check out GSU's facilities. Activities ranged from basketball, racquetball, rock wall climbing, and a room sponsored by the Southern Ambassadors, which featured a rousing game of trust and deceit: Mafia.

Not too late of course, because every good college student needs ample sleep, the students were shuttled back to their prospective Residence Halls.

The following day the nervous high school students prepare for a day of college level courses, the good part is, they are just observers; the hosts have to pass the class. "Southern Exposure not only helped me realize GSU was the university for me, it showed me a little bit about what college life is like in the classroom, in the residence hall, and out with my new friends," said Jessica Allen a prospective student from Warner Robins, Ga.

According to evaluations of past programs, the over all consensus about Southern Exposure is a positive one.

When asked whether the visit influenced their decision to enroll at Georgia Southern 44 out of 49 said yes. This statistics are from the second year of the program.

In the past Southern Exposure has been a very successful recruitment tool for the University. In the first year of existence 85 percent of the students attending the program enrolled at GSU for the following fall. During the second year, the number slightly dropped to 77 percent.

During the first event for this year, which was in late September, Southern Exposure hosted almost 70 students, while the most recent event hosted almost 80 with a waiting list of 15 plus.

"Southern Exposure was great! Southern Exposure helped me feel more comfortable about attending GSU, even though I had already made my decision," commented Amy Green a freshman student who lives in Southern Courtyard, who herself was a prospective student this time last year and has been a host during the two sessions this year so far. She then stated, "Both of the students I've hosted this year have enjoyed themselves."

Sarah Smith, a graduate assistant in the Office of

Admissions, and coordinator of this year's Southern Exposure programs feels that at GSU, the opportunity to experience both academic and non-academic aspects of college life are an important factor in prospective students and anyone interested in attending any college or university, not just GSU. "Our goal [with Southern Exposure] is to see if GSU is the right fit for prospective students," Smith said.

Overall, Southern Exposure presents the most successful yield when it comes to recruitment tools and programs according to the GSU Office of Admissions.

This due to the fact that "Southern Exposure gives prospective students the most complete look at Georgia Southern—for this reason it is the best recruitment tool yielding the best enrollment" Susan Davies, Associate Director of Admissions said concerning the program.

When asked what their impression of GSU and the Southern Exposure Program was, a number of students had nothing but good things to say. "I like it...it's a small campus. I was waiting to visit to make my final decision, Southern Exposure has helped me narrow down my choices extremely," said a prospective student Kristen Defilippis from Pooler, Ga. Kristen's host Bethany Clemons, a sophomore Bell Honor's Scholar, commented about Southern Exposure, "I love it, this is the third time I have [hosted in] the program and I feel that it's the real thing, the prospective students experience the everyday."

Ray Frazier, a prospective student from Columbus Ga., who stayed in Southern Pines Residence Hall during the program, said about the program, "It was great - living in the residence hall was the best part."

Smith also commented that, "Obviously the Southern Exposure program is success or then the Office of Admissions would not spend this much time and effort recruiting the students." After the session in late September, the evaluations overwhelmingly stated that the prospective students probably would attend or definitely would attend. Smith also commented that "Southern Exposure is the most realistic and a very unique program, and GSU has the distinction of being one of a few schools that has a program of this nature."

This year's programs promise to possibly be the highest, for there have been two different opportunities for students to come to the program so far with one more session scheduled for mid February.

HOPE, FROM PAGE 1

he was told he needed a remedial course in math.

"When you have students going off to college or university requiring remediation, do we want to penalize the student by not giving them HOPE or do we need to look somewhere else?" Vollmer asked.

"How did that student get a B average and need remediation in either math or English? Is it right to penalize students who did everything by the book?"

Sen. Tommie Williams, R-Lyons, another member of the commission, agreed.

"I believe if a high school has issued a B average to a student and they've done well enough on the SAT to be enrolled in college, then that should be some sign the kid's smart enough and prepared enough to do real college work. And if it proves they're not, the high school should be held responsible," Williams said.

Dan Papp, the university system's senior vice chancellor, says it's not uncommon to find otherwise academically strong students who are weak in a particular subject.

Denying them a HOPE scholarship probably is not the right approach, he said.

While the panel made no recommendation about withholding the HOPE scholarship from those taking remedial courses until they're up to speed, its other recommendations stand to have a significant impact on the program.

To help the program stay afloat, the panel recommended that the state stop paying for mandatory fees and book costs and called for a tightening of the standards used to determine what is a "B" average.

Without such steps, experts have warned, the program will run a deficit as early as 2007.

HOPE may no longer cover books, fees

By Dick Petty
Associated Press

A commission looking for ways to keep Georgia's HOPE scholarship program afloat endorsed recommendations Thursday that would end payments for college books and fees beginning in August 2004.

Students seeking the scholarship beginning in 2007 would face stricter requirements under another recommendation.

The action came during the morning session of the HOPE Scholarship Study Commission. The panel was expected to consider an even more controversial proposal in the afternoon - linking HOPE scholarships to SAT scores.

The popular scholarships now are given to in-state students who earn and keep a "B" average. They are funded by the state lottery, but projections show that source won't keep pace with the program's expected growth by 2007.

Eliminating payments for books and fees would save \$125 million the first year and \$927 million over five years.

The panel also called for stricter standards in calculating the "B" average needed for a HOPE scholarship.

Under the new system, the Georgia Student Finance Commission rather than local school systems would calculate student averages based on a 4.0 scale. If that system had been in effect in 2000, nearly one-third of the students who entered a state college with a HOPE scholarship that year would not have qualified.

The recommendations will go to the governor and the Legislature.

Police to crack down on seat belt laws this Thanksgiving

By Alaina Sue Potrikus
KRT Campus

Police nationwide will be cracking down through the Thanksgiving holiday on people who break the law by not fastening their seat belts, a coalition of auto safety groups announced Monday.

The campaign, called "Click It or Ticket," is part of a National Transportation Safety Board drive to toughen seat-belt law enforcement and to press states to make it easier to ticket violators.

The board and other auto safety groups want laws changed in 29 states where police officers now can ticket seat-belt violators only if they've pulled a car over for another offense. In 20 other states and the District of Columbia, an officer who believes motorists aren't wearing seatbelts can pull them over.

New Hampshire - the "Live Free or Die" state - has no law on seat belts.

Since 1995, the weaker laws have been a factor in more than 12,000 excess deaths, according to the study, performed by the Preusser Research

Group Inc. of Trumbull, Conn.

The "Click It or Ticket" initiative - essentially a crackdown on violators of seat belt and child-passenger-safety laws - will run Nov. 17-30. High-visibility checkpoints and saturation patrols are part of the effort.

Researchers based their estimates of added deaths due to weak laws largely on three statistics: Of 32,519 people killed in automobile accidents in 2002, nearly 60 percent were not wearing safety belts. States that have enacted tougher seat-belt laws have seen a 15 percent increase in seat-belt use - and fewer highway fatalities. And seat belts have been proven to reduce the risk of serious injury or death in a crash by 45 percent, especially when they're used in conjunction with air bags.

In Florida, the most populous state without a tough "primary" seat-belt law, panel researchers estimated that the weaker law was a factor in 1,333 deaths since 1995, when the federal drive for tougher laws began. In Ohio, the figure was 732. In Pennsylvania it was 667.

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basketball/volleyball courts indoor and outdoor, and a health/nutrition bar.

The RAC said that instead of changing what it already has in its facility right now, it would like to add another facility connected by a walk way right next door. In that building they would like to add another weight room and more basketball courts.

Looking at other schools right now, Georgia Southern students pay over \$100 less in student recreational fees, but are offered a lot less recreational space indoor as well as outdoor. The RAC relies heavily on local donations and on funding from local companies here in Georgia.

Therefore, they will have to see how much money they are allotted before they actually make a final decision on what will be added and how. However, over two thirds of all the students surveyed stated that they would be willing to pay extra to add these new facilities.



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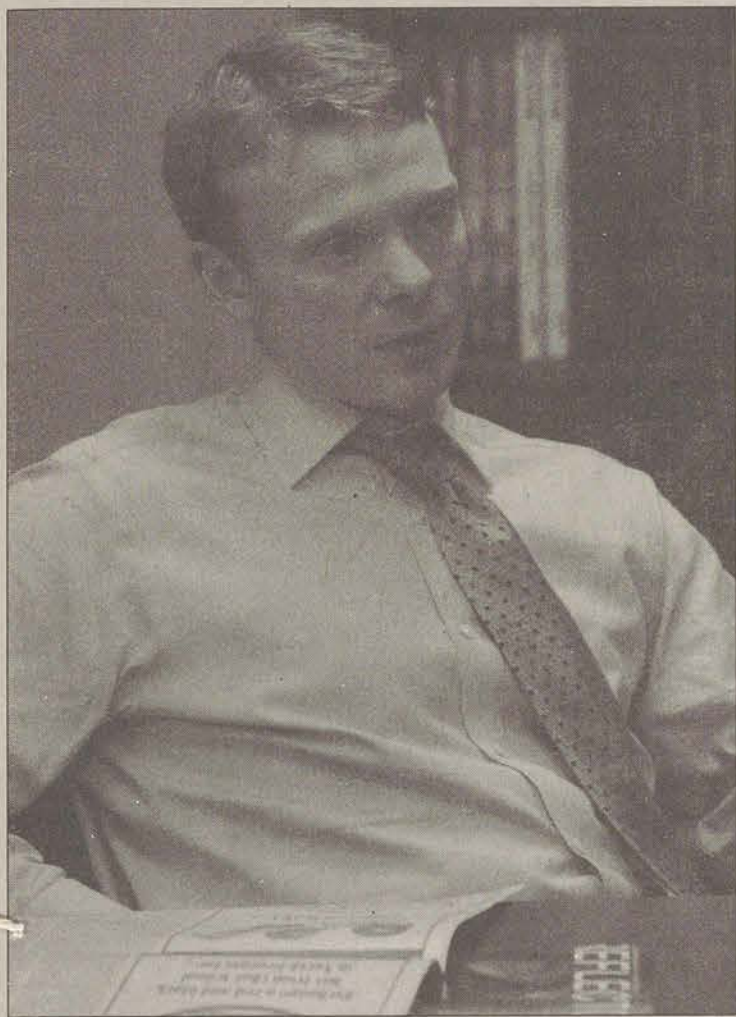
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A new candidate for a new generation



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Caine Cortellino is one of many Democrats that have announced that they will run in opposition of former Georgia Southern Professor U.S. Representative Max Burns, next year.

By Brandon Sparks

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This time of year many candidates come forward for many different offices around the country. One of those candidates is Caine Cortellino, who has decided to run for Congress in the twelfth District of Georgia.

"It takes a lot of time to get out there and contact the voters. So far we have identified 90,000 voters. But when you think that one person can make about eighty contacts a day I think we are doing fairly well," Cortellino said.

Cortellino may not have the name recognition that many of his primary opponents have. In his opinion, just means that he will need to dedicate time to the campaign, and plenty of hard work. The campaign is starting off as a grassroots campaign that will require going door to door to get his name out there.

"I am not a professional candidate, so I will not be flooding the airwaves to win an election. I am modeling myself after relative unknowns like Sen. Paul Wellstone and President Jimmy Carter, who were not full-time politicians when they were running. They just really cared

about their issues."

Cortellino, who graduated high school at the age of seventeen, attended Georgia State for one year while working as an advocate for public education at the capital. He was then offered a position at a German University for double masters in international relations and sustainable development. His thesis dealt with bargaining models in the international area for the development.

He opened an advocacy firm that represents causes not typically given a voice in politics, such as public education, alternative energy, economic development, transportation, and poor municipalities like Savannah, which according to his website is the twenty-seventh poorest city in the nation.

If elected, Cortellino will be the second youngest member of Congress at 28, a few years older than Rep. Putman of Florida who is the youngest member of Congress at 26.

"I have always focused on education, which is why ultimately it is our primary pillar we are focusing on."

Cortellino thinks that many serious issues are currently being

evaded. For example, the tuition hikes that are currently affecting colleges in Georgia, are a direct result of the Republican leadership in Atlanta having to make money elsewhere from taxes.

"My opponents are often high minded when talking about what is going to affect the lives of the people in this district," Cortellino added.

He plans to use the Bush tax cut as an issue in the campaign. The main reason for poverty is the lack of education and taxation. The Bush tax cuts are currently tilted toward the wealthy and do not help ninety-nine percent of this district.

He is getting tired of what he calls the "duck and weave" attempts of Con. Max Burns. "He loves to tote his support for the military. Congress has cut the hazard pay, the family separation pay was cut by sixty percent, in total 41 million dollars is on the table to get cut from the military. But to Congressman Burns' credit, he did vote against these bills."

Cortellino actually supports a measure of concurrent receipts. Currently the concurrent receipts prohibit retired military from getting both retirement and disability that they received in wartime.

Cortellino wants to change this. "America's commitment does not stop at their discharge. Con. Burns says that he is for the military and then goes before the vets and says that he supports concurrent receipts."

"Right now there is a discharge petition initiated by another Georgia Congressman, to get a bill on concurrent receipts out of committee, where it is currently bagged down. I challenge Burns to sign the discharge. He knows his vote will not stop this bill but it will be making a symbolic move."

Cortellino, if elected would be the first person elected to be a U.S. Representative raised in a "GLBT (gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transsexual) household."

"I support equal rights under the law regardless of who you are. I have no problem talking on the issues that no one wants to talk about. It may upset me, but it is the job of Congress to deal with things that we do not want to."

According to Cortellino, he would possibly be the only member of Congress who knows how to spin turntables. Many people comment on his age and he points out that John F. Kennedy was elected to the House of Representatives at age 29 and a 25 year old lawyer argued Roe vs. Wade successfully.

The mystery of life after death

By Brittany Gates

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What happens when someone dies? Does their soul go somewhere?

Does every religion believe in a Heaven or Hell? These questions and others were raised at the panel discussion called The Mystery of "Life After Death."

Part of the Religious Awareness Week, the panel discussion featured four speakers representing Judaism, Christianity, Islam and the Baha'i Faith.

Dr. Janice Steirn, associate professor of psychology, represented Judaism's view on life after death. Speaking from a conservative view, Steirn said that Judaism believed in a soul embedded in a person, and when that person dies the soul goes to live close to God. Judaism doesn't believe specifically in a Heaven or a Hell, but believed that souls exist close to God. The closer the soul exists to God depended on the life the person lived on earth. The better the person lived, the closer their soul would be to God after death.

This would be forever since Judaism believed in eternal life.

Aaron Arledge, from the Baptist Student Union, spoke about Christianity's view toward life after death. Christianity has an afterlife location called Heaven or Hell. Souls go to either one, based on if the person repented for their sins and acknowledge Jesus Christ as their savior before they died. Most of the images of Heaven and Hell came

from the book of Matthew in the New Testament. The soul, like in Judaism, will have eternal life. Heaven, according to Arledge, will feature souls existing with God forever in bliss. Hell will be the exact opposite, as souls will exist with the Devil in torment, excluded completely from God.

Dr. Masood Ahmed, a doctor in Savannah, represented Islam's view on life after death. Ahmed said people must ask why there is a life after death, and the answer is because the earthly life is a test by God to see if man will behave properly. Like Christianity, Islam has the concept of Heaven and Hell and eternal life. Once a person dies, an angel will come to them and ask them three questions, and based on their answers, the person's soul will go to a waiting room for Heaven or Hell. The soul will only enter Heaven or Hell after the Day of Judgment.

Dr. Dan Rea, professor of Curriculum, Foundations, and Research, represented the Baha'i Faith's view of the afterlife. He said that life after death is a journey that souls take. The soul is also eternal, but unlike the other religions, people's souls will keep their individuality. The Baha'i Faith doesn't have a firm concept of Heaven or Hell, as Rea said both of these places are spiritual in nature. He also said that the Baha'i Faith believed that Heaven and Hell could occur on earth.

One thing that was constant in all of the religions at the panel discussion was the idea of reincarnation. Representatives said that their faith didn't believe in the idea of reincarnation.

Ban on gay marriage unconstitutional

By Stephen Henderson and Ron Hutcheson

KRT Campus

WASHINGTON - Massachusetts became the first state to smash the legal barriers to gay marriage when its highest court ruled Tuesday that such prohibitions are "incompatible" with the principles of personal freedom and equality found in the state's constitution.

The ruling, coupled with the U.S. Supreme Court's recent decision to strike down bans on gay sex, marks a legal watershed that some scholars say is as important to gays as legislation on civil rights and voting rights was to blacks in the 1960s.

It tossed fuel on an already incendiary argument over one of America's most contentious issues. Religious conservative groups and Republican lawmakers vowed to pursue an amendment to the U.S. Constitution to ban gay marriage. While President Bush repeatedly has voiced opposition to gay marriage, the Democratic presidential candidates are outspoken advocates of gay rights.

Bush, who arrived in London for a three-day visit Tuesday, decried the decision.

"Marriage is a sacred institution between a man and woman," he said. "Today's decision of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court violates this important principle. I will work with congressional leaders and others to do

what is legally necessary to defend the sanctity of marriage."

Former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, the Democratic presidential front-runner, said he was proud to have signed Vermont's law allowing gays to enter into civil unions.

"This decision should be viewed as an opportunity to affirm what binds us together - a fundamental belief in the equality of human beings, regardless of race, gender or sexual orientation," Dean said.

The depth of public emotion on the issue is illustrated by a poll released Tuesday that shows that Americans are deeply divided in their attitudes toward gays and their place in society.

The poll, by the nonpartisan Pew Research Center, found that 59 percent of Americans questioned oppose gay marriage and 51 percent oppose civil unions or other arrangements that would give gay couples most of the same rights as heterosexual couples.

The Massachusetts ruling stopped short of ordering that marriage licenses be granted to the seven gay couples who brought the case. But that's a mere formality: The opinion's strong language made clear that the state's constitution provides no basis for denying marriage licenses to gays.

Written by Chief Justice Margaret Marshall, the 4-3 decision redefines marriage in Massachusetts to mean "the voluntary union of two persons as spouses, to the exclusion of all others."

Marshall concluded that the state had no rational reason to exclude same-sex couples from that definition.

A dissenting opinion said the state's legislature - rather than its courts - should decide how to regulate marriage.

The ruling gives the state legislature 180 days to come up with a way to grant the licenses, and the legislature and the governor have vowed to find a way to respect the ruling but reserve marriage for heterosexuals. But legal experts say it would take an amendment to the state constitution to stop gays from getting marriage licenses. That lengthy process couldn't be completed before 2006.

Since the state has no residency requirement for marriage licenses, the ruling could inspire a cottage industry of gay weddings in about six months.

"This is a total victory for gay rights," said David Garrow, a civil rights and constitutional expert who teaches law at Emory University in Atlanta. "There's no way the state constitution can be amended in six months' time."

Garrow said the Massachusetts ruling was a natural extension of the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling in Lawrence v. Texas, which invalidated laws against gay sex earlier this year.

"Did they intend for this to happen? No. But did they envision it? Certainly," Garrow said.

Hey batter, batter: Swing

Holly Bates

HollyBBates@hotmail.com

The crack of bats and the sound of cheers all too familiar will echo this Saturday, when Alpha Tau Omega hosts its yearly philanthropy project to raise proceeds for the Joseph's Home for Boys here in Statesboro.

Sororities from all over campus compete for the first place trophy in ATO's 2003 Softball Classic. The event will be a softball tournament, in which all of the sororities on campus will battle it out to win this year's title. Smoker's Barbeque will be cater-

ing this year's event, so come hungry! There will be a raffle in which many prizes will be given away. Some of these prizes include gym memberships and free rounds of golf at local facilities here in Statesboro.

The softball tournament is scheduled to start at 12p.m. this Saturday at the RAC. Alpha Tau Omega would like to invite everyone on campus to come and participate while supporting your favorite team.

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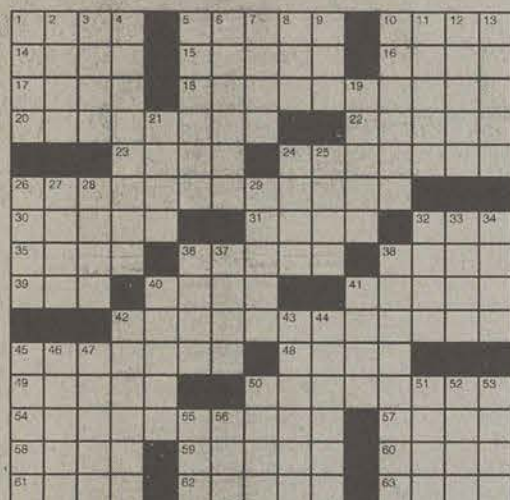
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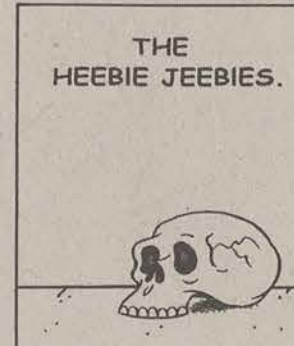
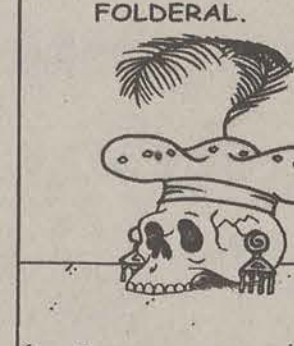
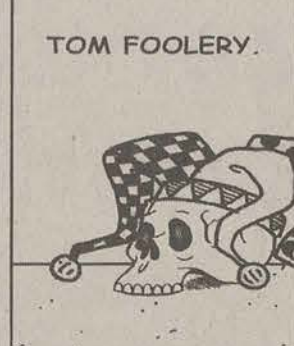
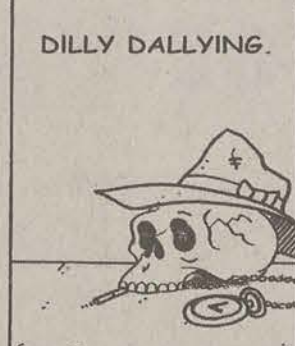
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Downloading music: Sizing up the services

A comparison of eight online music services:

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Search for 30 top Billboard tracks/albums found	17 tracks and albums found	None found	16 tracks and albums found	10 tracks and albums found	13 tracks and albums found	18 tracks and albums found	18 tracks and albums found	15 tracks and albums found
Typical prices, Oct. 2003	Tracks 99 cents to \$1.99; albums \$7.99 to \$9.99, some higher	Beginning Nov. 8: Subscription \$9.99 a month (40 downloads a month); \$14.99 a month (65 downloads)	Tracks 99 cents; albums \$8.99 to \$19.99	Tracks 99 cents to \$1.49; albums \$9.99	Most tracks 99 cents; most albums \$9.99, some higher	\$3.95 a month (20 streams, 20 downloads, no burns) to \$17.95 (unlimited streams, downloads, 10 burns)	Tracks 99 cents; albums \$9.95	\$9.95 a month or \$24.95 a quarter for unlimited streaming; CD burning 79 cents per track extra
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Software required	Internet Explorer and Windows Media Player 9 recommended (free)	Download Manager (free)	iTunes (free)	Windows Media Player (free)	Musicmatch Jukebox (free; premium version \$19.99)	MusicNet (free); for AOL subscribers only	Napster (free)	Rhapsody (free)
Restrictions	Varies widely by record label. Most can be put on three computers, transferred or burned five times	Cannot carry unused downloads from month to month	Play music on up to three PCs or Macs. Unlimited CD burning and transfers to portable players	Download to one PC, back up to two. Most tracks can be burned three to 10 times with unlimited transfers	Play music on up to three PCs; unlimited CD burning and transfers to portable players	Cannot carry unused downloads and burns from month to month; for AOL subscribers only	Play music on up to three PCs; unlimited CD burning and transfers to portable players	Primarily for streaming; no downloading allowed
Pros	Well-organized; clicking on album picture offers more info; can choose folder on hard drive to hold downloads	Mac-friendly; easy searching; downloads of albums greatly facilitated by software	Mac-friendly; searches by artist, album, celebrity playlists, top songs; fast searches; good CD-burning utility	Easy to search	Good search utility; pleasing interface; many entry points into music catalog; easy to buy and download	Good search utility; downloading is easy	Easy transfers to Napster-branded Samsung MP3 player; CD-burning utility on site; easy to organize playlists	Well-organized
Cons	Cannot purchase or download music using Netscape or burn CDs directly from site	Ignores current mainstream music	Strange approach to cataloging downloads; may need to disable firewall	Tiny fonts and small windows on site; Cannot download album with one click	Jukebox software would not recognize CD-RW drive	Site a bit poky; burning CDs or moving music to portable device frustrating	Site lists many tracks and albums, but not all are for sale	Very restrictive

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•Banausic (buh-NAW-sik) adjective

•Mechanical, utilitarian or routine, as opposed to inspiring or imaginative.

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20 Announcements

HAVE A special friend or significant other with an upcoming birthday? Show your love by announcing to the world that it's their birthday! Place an ad in the G-A today.

ATTENTION STUDENTS: Hood Rentals requests you read dirtybanking.com.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY April! From your stylist, Jolena.

FEELING SAD blue because no one attends your club meetings? Put an announcement

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LEADERSHIP GRADUATE Assistant Position Available. Leave resumes and Graduate Assistant App. 2022 Russell Union. Due by Nov. 21. Eagle Leadership EDGE applications now being accepted. Go to <http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/leadership> to download your Eagle Leadership EDGE application.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY Natel! You drive me crazy, but you make me happier than you will ever know. Love, Mindy.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY Brandon Perry! From Jolena, Kesa, Genia and Talisa. Hope you have many more.

STATSBORO HIGH School Class of '98, 5-Year Reunion December 20th. Contact Ashleigh Womack at 912-604-6414 or ashleighwomack@yahoo.com.

DEC 1ST is World AIDS Day. Activities include Awareness table 10a.m.–1p.m. Russell Union. Candlelight Remembrance Ceremony 6 p.m. Rotunda. Questions? Contact 871-1283.

JOIN CIRCLE K. Fun, community service organization. Come to our next meeting on Tuesday in the Russell Union! Refreshments provided.

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52 Bicycles

NEW GARY Fisher BMX Bike. 1 year old, never used. \$150.00 obo. Call 912-681-3528.

55 Books — Swap or Sell

NEED to sell old books? Buy new ones? Place an ad in The George-Anne and take care of the book situation. Stop by the Williams Center, room 2023 for details.

60 Business Opportunities

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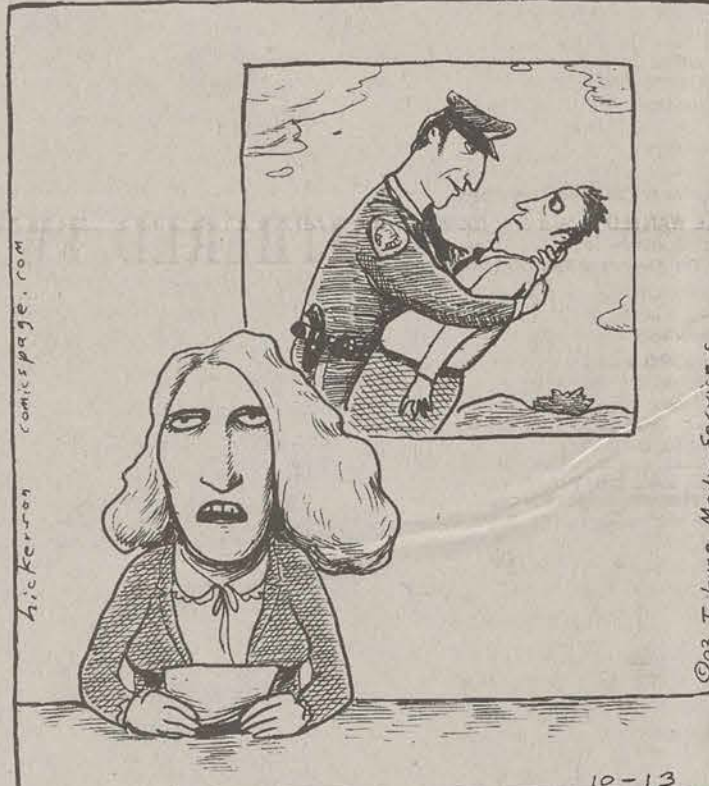
75 Churches

DOES YOUR church have student services or meetings? Place an ad in The George-Anne and new members might join.

COLLEGE STUDENTS— Fellowship and free dinner Wednesday's 6p.m. First Presbyterian Church Fair Road. Reservations required by Tuesday, noon. Call 681-2053.

80 Computers & Software

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90 Education

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120 Furniture & Appliances

DRYER FOR sale. Available in January for \$50 obo. Call 871-7987 or 404-388-7993. On-line at <http://www.stp.gasou.edu/funstuff/>

WASHER and dryer for sale. \$200 obo. Call 852-2093.

BED FOR sale includes mattress, boxspring, rails and headboard. \$150 obo. Also have dresser for \$10 and bookshelf for \$10. Call 681-1525 for details.

ROUND DINING table with custom glass top. \$175. Call 681-7356.

FURNITURE FOR sale: Navy blue sofa and chair. \$75. Call 617-7550.

140 Help Wanted

VIDEO PRODUCTION student needed to produce video montage. Will pay! Great resume builder. Call Melissa, 871-5194.

NEED EXPERIENCED web designer with advanced computer skills to maintain/update local business website. Part time. E-mail resume to gsu-girl@hotmail.com.

AMERICA READS needs your help! If you enjoy helping children and are work-study eligible, please call Mary Woods in the Educational Opportunities Program for details.

150 Lost & Found

LOSE SOMETHING? Find it by placing an ad in The G-A today.

160 Miscellaneous for Sale
NEED to sell something...anything? Put it in The George-Anne's classified section. One man's trash is another man's treasure.

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165 Mobile Homes

GREAT OPPORTUNITY! 3br/3ba mobile home for sale. 1996, 16x80; excellent condition. Very close to campus, \$21,900 obo. Call Greg. 871-3916.

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220 Rentals & Real Estate

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NEED FEMALE for Spring lease at Statesboro Place. Great roommates. \$335/mo. including all utilities except phone. Call Erin at 681-4526.

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ROOMMATE NEEDED as of December 15. Rent and utilities included at \$350/month. 5 minutes from GSU. Call Katie at 681-7372.

TWO SUBLEASERS needed for 3 bedroom apt. Garden District, \$370, furnished, HBO, DSL. Utilities not included. Call 912-227-2070 or 770-841-0084.

FEMALE NEEDED to take over Southern Courtyard lease for Spring. I will pay \$300 deposit. Call Anna ASAP at 843-298-2521.

HAWTHORNE COURT roommate needed Jan-July. \$300/month BUT negotiable. Pay half utilities plus FREE July rent. Call 871-7987 or 404-388-7993.

HOUSEMATE NEEDED 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom house. Washer/dryer, living room, computer room. Call Sheila 489-2926.

FEMALE WANTED to take over housing contract in Southern Courtyard. Will pay half deposit. Call Melissa at 688-7472 for info.

TWO BEDROOM apartment. Southern Courtyard. Female needed to take over housing contract. Call 688-7530 asap.

STATESBORO PLACE 4 bedroom & 4 bath. 3rd floor. 1 female roommate needed. Available now. \$345.00/month including everything, even DSL. Rent negotiable. 912-572-3003.

240 Services

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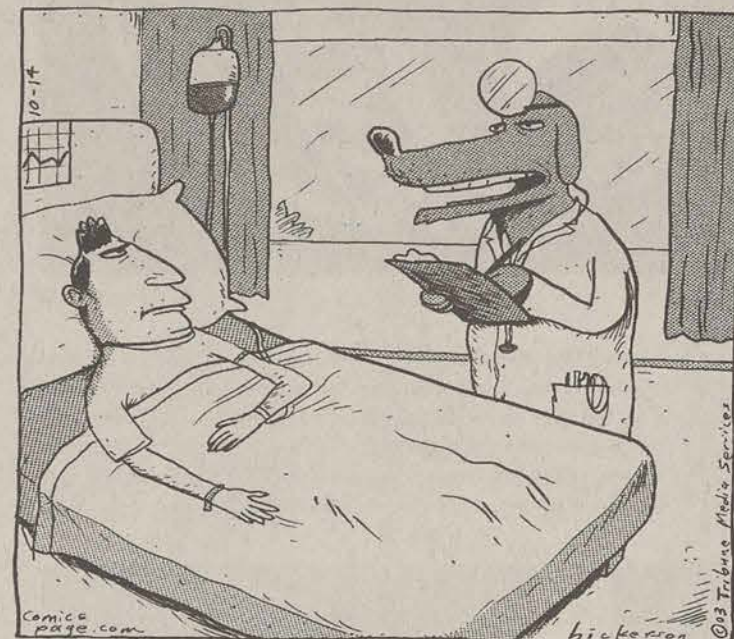
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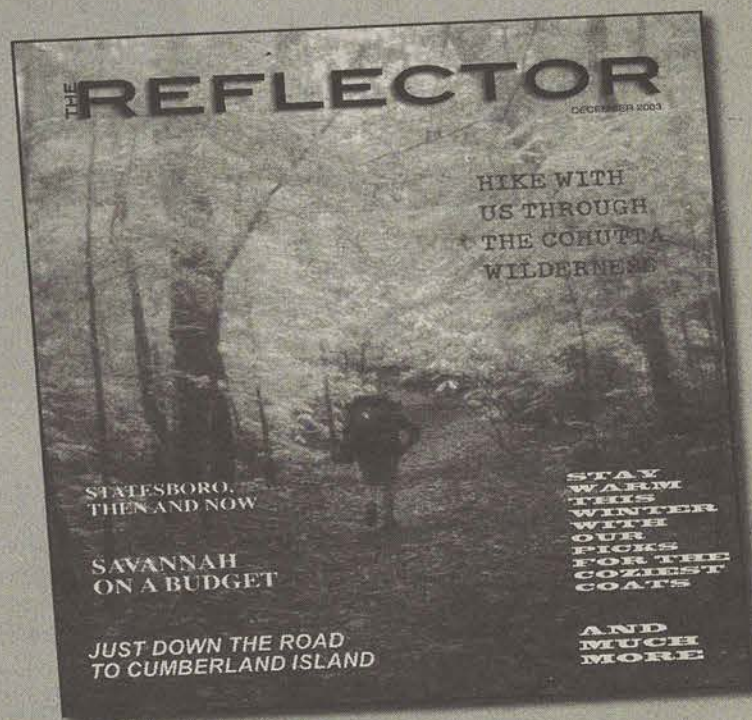
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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED at the Bulloch
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If you're interesting in writing
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World
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I care, Do YOU?

Monday

December 1, 2003

Events

AIDS Awareness Table

10am-1pm

Russell Union

Candlelight Remembrance Ceremony

6pm

Rotunda

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Degree of earnings

Government data suggest the value of higher education,
as incomes rise with schooling.

2000 median household income

Less than 9th grade	\$17,567
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	22,753
High school degree	36,722
Some college, no degree	44,449
Associate degree	50,356
Bachelor's degree	65,922
Bachelor's degree or more	71,437
Master's degree	77,935
Doctoral degree	93,361
Professional degree	100,000

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Ring in of a new GSU tradition

Alumni Relations and the University Store Host Ring Ceremony

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Tuesday marked the beginning of a new tradition for GSU.

The Office of Alumni Relations and the University Bookstore held the first Class Ring Presentation in the Nessmith-Lane Building Auditorium.

The ceremony was a formal affair where students who purchased a class ring had it presented to them by Dr. Vaughn Vandegrift.

The evening began with Wendell Tompkins, assistant director of alumni relations, showing the promotional video that all incoming freshmen at this past summer's SOAR sessions watched and all to come will view. He stressed that the idea and tradition of the new GSU class ring begins at the freshman level and continues throughout.

Director of Alumni Relations Frank Hook then presented Kathryn Grube with the first two class rings. These specialized rings were presented to the Grubes on behalf of all of their dedication to the area of Alumni Relations.

Cook then introduced Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, Dr. Vaughn Vandegrift to present the rings.

A total of 210 rings were ordered and about 100 participants received rings in the ceremony Tuesday night.

After the presentation three current GSU students, Erika Brayboy, Lara Hammons, and Sheleasha Stinson, along with the audience, were asked to join in the singing of the alma mater.

Students receiving rings were asked to while still undergraduates to wear the eagle facing inward, and after graduation wear the eagle facing outward with pride and tradition.

Although GSU is approaching the century mark in its history, the tradition of the graduation ring didn't begin until the 1920's - and the first 80 years saw more than 50 different kinds of class rings.

In 2002, a group of students and alumni realized the value of a unique and singular GSU Class ring that could be recognized by graduates everywhere.

The GSU Class ring is designed to be the ultimate badge of academic achievement and a symbol of Georgia Southern's role in the

life and success of its graduates. Wearing the rings shows affinity for our alma mater, unites alumni with new generations of graduates, and represents our lifetime bond to GSU.

The Ring is reserved exclusively for those individuals who have sealed the right to wear the ring by meeting the high standards of GSU.

The GSU Class Ring is the only ring officially recognized by the University.

After a century of history, and a succession of different rings, there is now one GSU Class Ring.

Ziena Clarkson, a senior speech communication major commented, "It's a great honor to be part of this great experience - it's symbolic because this ceremony is a celebration of the end of one part of my life, yet it is the beginning of a new GSU tradition."

"It feels good to be the first in what will hopefully become a long tradition at GSU," said Brandy Withrow, senior early childhood education major. "This ring also signifies the end of a long journey through my college career, but also the beginning of new endeavors yet to come" Withrow also commented.

Michelle Lank, who is employed by Herff Jones and is in charge of sales for the class ring for GSU, stated, "With one type of ring, the idea of tradition is built. Recognizing the ring perhaps on a plane one day will bring pride and spirit. It is unique that not just anyone can order the ring." GSU is following the likes of UGA and Harvard who both have a uniformed ring, Lank also related.

After the ceremonies the ring recipients and guests, a total of about 225, enjoyed a dessert reception. Erika Brayboy, a senior Spanish major, who sang the alma mater at the ceremony, stated that she "loves the new class ring. GSU has been making a lot of changes in order to become more student centered and the unified ring is a mark of that, so when students now become alumni, they will look back and feel more proud of their experience at GSU."

Participants at Tuesday night's ceremony received their special to order ring in an elegant wooden presentation box.



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About 100 GSU student's who ordered the new Class Ring received their rings, along with a elegant wooden presentation box on Tuesday night at the Nessmith-Lane Continuing Education Building Auditorium. Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs, Dr. Vaughn Vandegrift along with representatives from Herff Jones presented students with their Ring. (Bottom Left) GSU senior, Ziena Clarkson, receives her class ring at Tuesday's Ring Ceremony. (Right) Director of Alumni Relations, Frank Hook presents Kathryn Grube the first two Class Rings, gifts to the President and First Lady for their involvement in Alumni Relations.



Photos By J. Wright/STAFF

Muhammad convicted in sniper trial

By Jon Frank
KRT Campus

He did it. The question now: Should he die?

On Monday, shortly after finding John Allen Muhammad guilty of capital murder in the Beltway sniper spree, a Virginia Beach jury began pondering what to do with the convicted killer.

"The ultimate punishment is reserved for the worst of the worst," prosecutor Richard A. Conway thundered at jurors while jabbing a finger toward Muhammad. "And folks, he still sits right in front of you, without a shred of remorse."

Muhammad's face remained impassive, as it has since a court official read the jury's verdict shortly after noon. Standing next to his attorneys, his sport coat open, hands loosely clasped in front of him, Muhammad received the news with no apparent emotion.

One juror cried. So did victims' relatives.

The jury of seven women and five men deliberated for six hours, spread over two days, to find Muhammad guilty of shooting to death Dean H. Meyers, a civil engineer, on Oct. 9, 2002, at a Sunoco gas station in Manassas, Va.

Before reaching their verdict, the jurors heard more than 100 witnesses over five weeks - enough to convince them that Muhammad not only murdered Meyers but masterminded and carried out last year's Washington-area sniper spree that killed 10 people and wounded three others.

On Monday afternoon, as the trial moved into the sentencing phase, jurors were back in their chairs, listening once again as attorneys tried to sway their decision toward execution or life in prison without parole.

"Rehabilitation doesn't even enter the picture," Conway told them. "Punishment does."

Muhammad's defense attorneys tried to make the jury consider another side of Muhammad: the loving father, loyal friend, hard worker, enthusiastic soldier.

"There's a life to be weighed here," defense attorney Jonathan Shapiro told the jury. "You must decide whether to authorize John's death. To kill him or to spare him. Either way, you'll put John in a box of some sort. One is made of concrete; one is made of pine."

Jurors may find the death question tougher than the guilt-or-innocence one. They found Muhammad guilty of all four charges against him: two counts of capital murder, one count of conspiracy and one weapons violation.

One of the capital murder charges was filed under the state's new terrorism law, passed after the terror attacks of 2001. Evidence during the trial showed that Muhammad tried to extort millions of dollars from the government by spreading terror through the mid-Atlantic states.

The other capital murder charge was made under a statute that makes it a death penalty offense to kill two or more people during a three-year period.

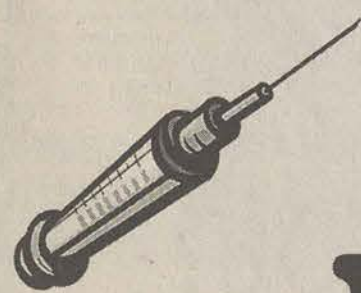
That charge produced a trial strategy that had prosecutors presenting evidence of shootings around the country that preceded the three-week Beltway sniper spree in October last year.

Muhammad and his alleged accomplice, Lee Boyd Malvo, 18, are suspected of 23 shootings that killed 15 people, climaxing in a three-week string of shootings in Washington, Maryland and Virginia.

Victims and their relatives from across the country came to Virginia Beach to testify in one of the most closely watched trials in the nation's history. Their dramatic testimony about how they, or their loved ones, were shot resulted in days of gory, heart-rending evidence that clearly had an impact on the jury.

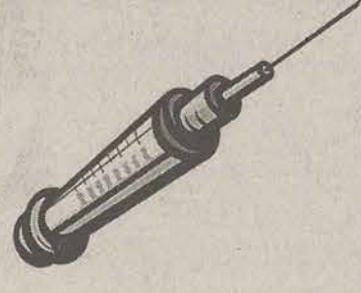
That testimony, and a wealth of circumstantial evidence, were the only cards prosecutors had to play, since there was no direct evidence in the form of eyewitnesses or a confession that Muhammad shot anyone.

Joanne Kimberlin and Kate Wiltrout contributed to this story.



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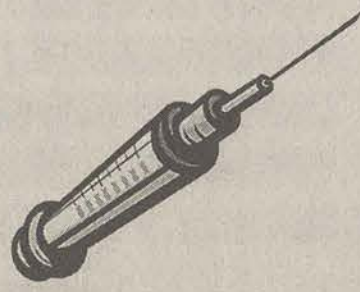
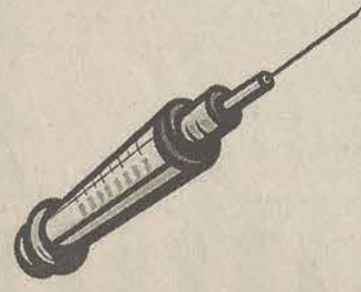
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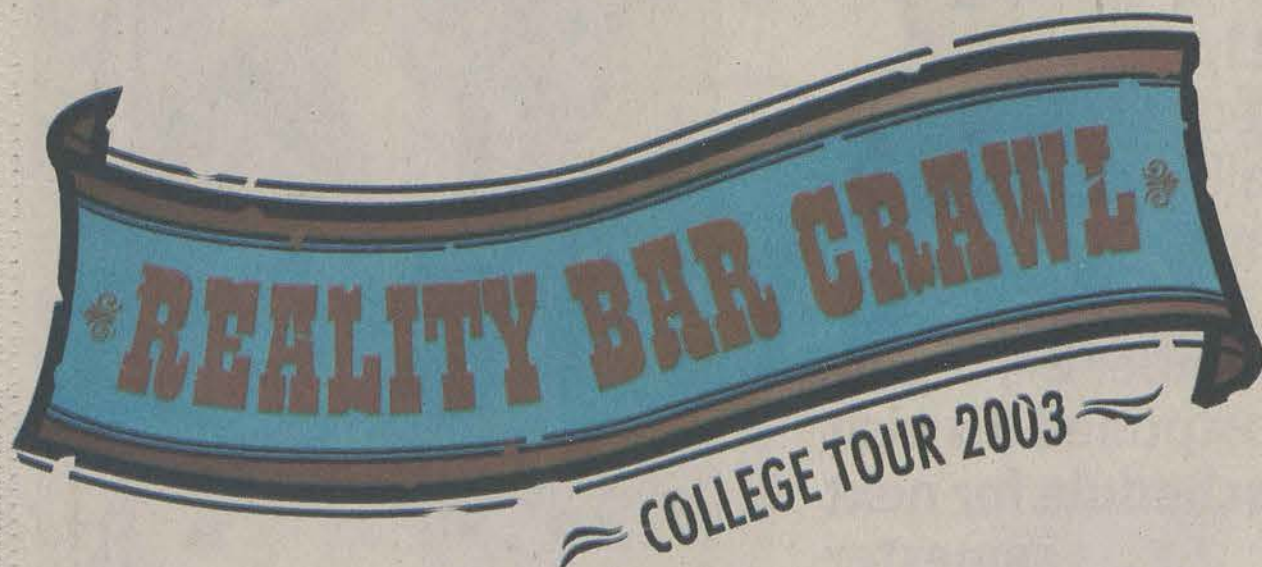
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National tour featuring stars of MTV's 'Real World' and 'Road Rules' stops in the 'Boro



Photos By Adam Brady/STAFF

By Holly Bates
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Eight strangers picked to live on a bus and travel around the United States club hopping and bar crawling.

Well, maybe not so much strangers and maybe not associated with the all too familiar MTV.

However, five members from the Real World and three members from the Road Rules cast made their way to Statesboro Wednesday night to take in the local bar scene. The cast members are part of a larger group made up of 16 members from both the Real World and Road Rules. The object of this mission is to travel to over 50 different bars and clubs throughout the U.S., meeting with college students and taking part in after hour's fun.

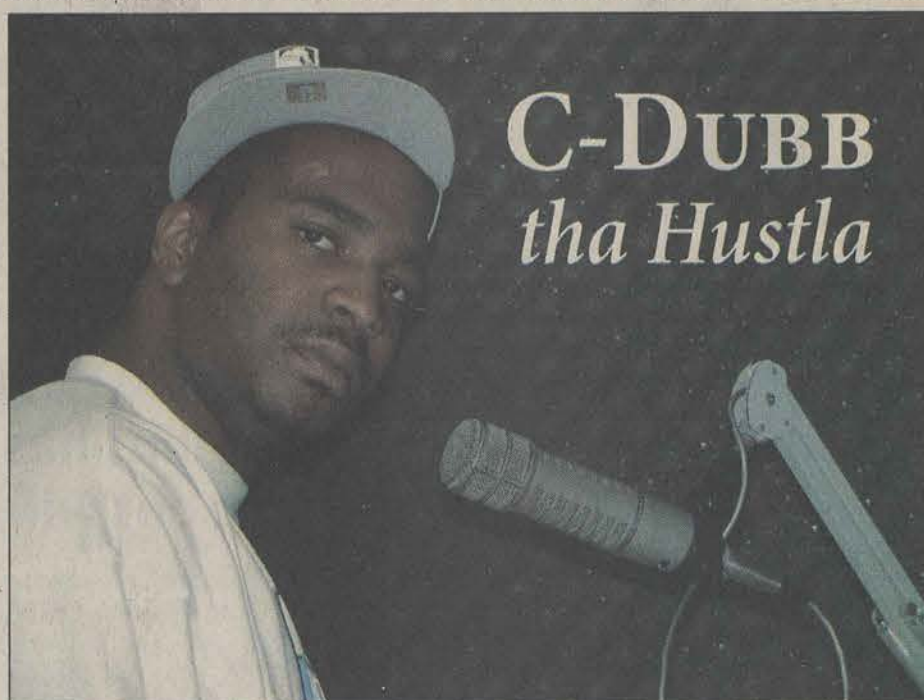
Halfway through their tour, following a stop in Charlotte, the members on the tour that were lucky enough to end up here in the 'Boro included Eric Nies from MTV's first season of the Real World New York, Mark Long from the 1996 edition Road Rules, Steven Hill from the Real World Las Vegas, Adam King from Real World Paris, and Dave Giuntoli and Abram Boise from the Road Rules Tour.

Eric Nies and Mark Long were even lucky enough to enjoy a nice hot meal from Georgia Southern's very own Southern Traditions at Landrum during their visit yesterday.

Mark Long of 'Road Rules' (left) and Eric Nies of 'Real World' (right) are both included in the 'Bar Crawl' tour that stopped here in Statesboro last night.



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C-DUBB tha Hustla

From DJ to Producer

By Erik Howard
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If there were such a thing as a hip-hop scene at Georgia Southern, then the undisputed King of Crunk would be C-Dubb the Hustla.

C-Dubb, whose real name is Clarence Williams, is known mostly for being a d.j. at nearly every hip-hop party at Legends and Flip-Flops over the last three years.

Don't get it twisted, C-Dubb is very humble, believe it or not. There is not an air of arrogance about him whatsoever. C-Dubb is known for the records that he spins at the club, but anyone around him would say that his personality is far from hyped up music he plays. Besides being a d.j. C-Dubb is also the Program Director at WVGS, the student run radio station, and has

now added executive producer to his impressive resume.

With the upcoming release of *Steady Rizin Presents: Out tha Trunk* C-Dubb will step into the break neck world of hip-hop record executive producing. But this should be the next natural step for someone who comes from College Park, Georgia and attended Banneker High School, which produced hip-hop heavyweight Ludacris. However, C-Dubb says that he was never into music in high school, but was focused more on sports.

His personal story of how he became a d.j. is something out of a movie. C-Dubb was roommates with a d.j. by the name of Elmo, and he

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'LYKA' NO OTHER Local band feeds on rock, mayhem

By Adam Brady
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The interview I had with Lyka Champ was definitely more distinct than any I've done so far this year, and for that matter, ever.

After agreeing to meet me, I had to be gagged, bound, and hooded before they'd lead me to their secret lair. I have no idea where I was while I questioned the three rockers, and I still have no clue as to how I ended up lying naked and hog-tied with an apple stuffed in my mouth on the 50-yardline at Paulson Stadium. But the resulting material I gathered and you're about to read far outweighs any discomfort that was necessary to endure in order to get the story.

After reviewing my taped recording of the interview, I decided the situation I'd found myself in was nowhere near as strange as what you're about to read.

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Ryan Moore/STAFF

Lyka Champ front-man BJ 'Lucky' Brush puts his back into it on live on stage. Though many may never have heard of them, visitors to host venues have definitely heard them. The band will be performing tomorrow night at Baja Burrito.

WEEKEND WEATHER

Thursday



Sunny

HIGH
70°

LOW
44°

Friday



Sunny

75° 44°

Saturday



Sunny

77° 49°

Sunday



Mostly Sunny

79° 56°



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Campus Calendar

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Thursday, November 20,
 Fall Concert, Recital Hall,
 8:00 p.m.

Friday, November 21,
 Magellan String Quartet,
 Recital Hall,
 8:00 p.m.

Postponement: Monday, November 24, 7 p.m.
 Congressman Michael Collins has postponed his visit
 to GSU temporarily but will reschedule for next
 semester

Wednesday, November 26,
 No Classes

Thursday, November 27
 No Classes
 Thanksgiving Day



December 1-5
 Last Week of Classes



The Sure Thing

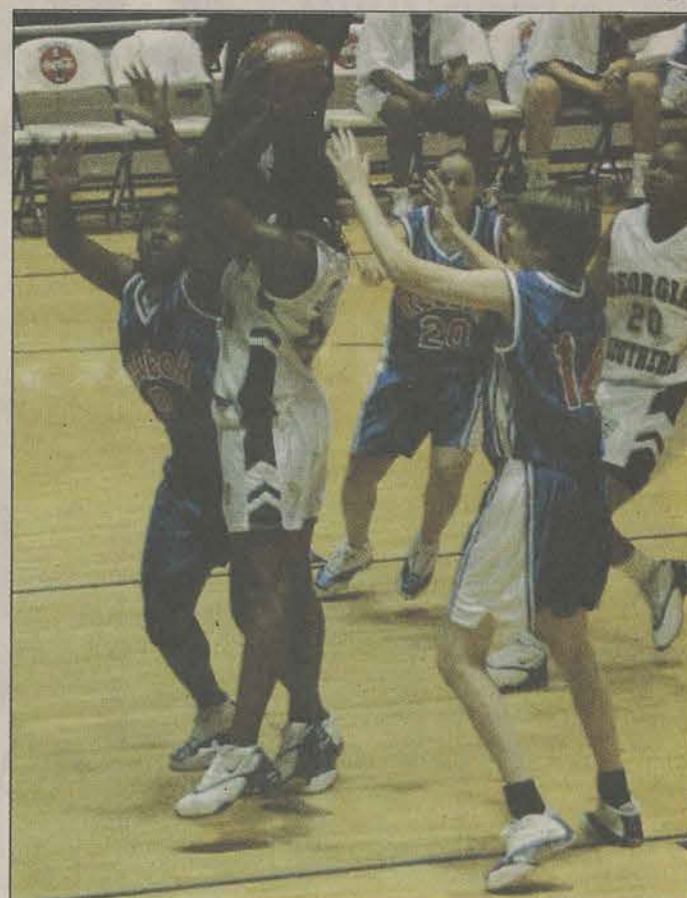


Photo Lavene Bell

Pep Rally: Thursday, November 20
 @ the Rotunda - 5 p.m.

The Top 7

Inspirational Quotes from
 Great Minds...

7. "A mind without instruction can no more bear fruit than can a field, however fertile, without cultivation."
 -Cicero
6. "It is dangerous to be right when the government is wrong."
 -Voltaire
5. "By faithful study of the nobler arts, our nature's softened, and more gentle grows."
 -Ovid
4. "You must not lose faith in humanity. Humanity is an ocean; if a few drops of the ocean are dirty, the ocean does not become dirty."
 -Mahatma Gandhi
3. "I saw the best minds of my generation destroyed by madness."
 -Allen Ginsberg
2. "Say nothing of my religion. It is known to God and myself alone. Its evidence before the world is to be sought in my life: if it has been honest and dutiful to society, the religion which has regulated it cannot be a bad one."
 -Thomas Jefferson
1. "Ignorance is the night of the mind, but a night without moon and star."
 -Confucius

@ the Club

Thursday

Ladies night at Apex w/
 DJ Spider
 Dance party at Legends
 Ladies night at Retrivers
 with DJ Jeff
 Jive Tony Soul at Dingus

Friday

DJ Garrett at Apex
 Echo Radio at Retrivers
 Force It Friday at Flip
 flops w/ DJ Spider
 DJ June at Dingus
 Lyka Champ at Baja
 Burrito

Saturday

69 Boyz at Apex
 Parakeet Nelson at
 Dingus
 Dem Yep Boyz Party
 at Legends with Dj
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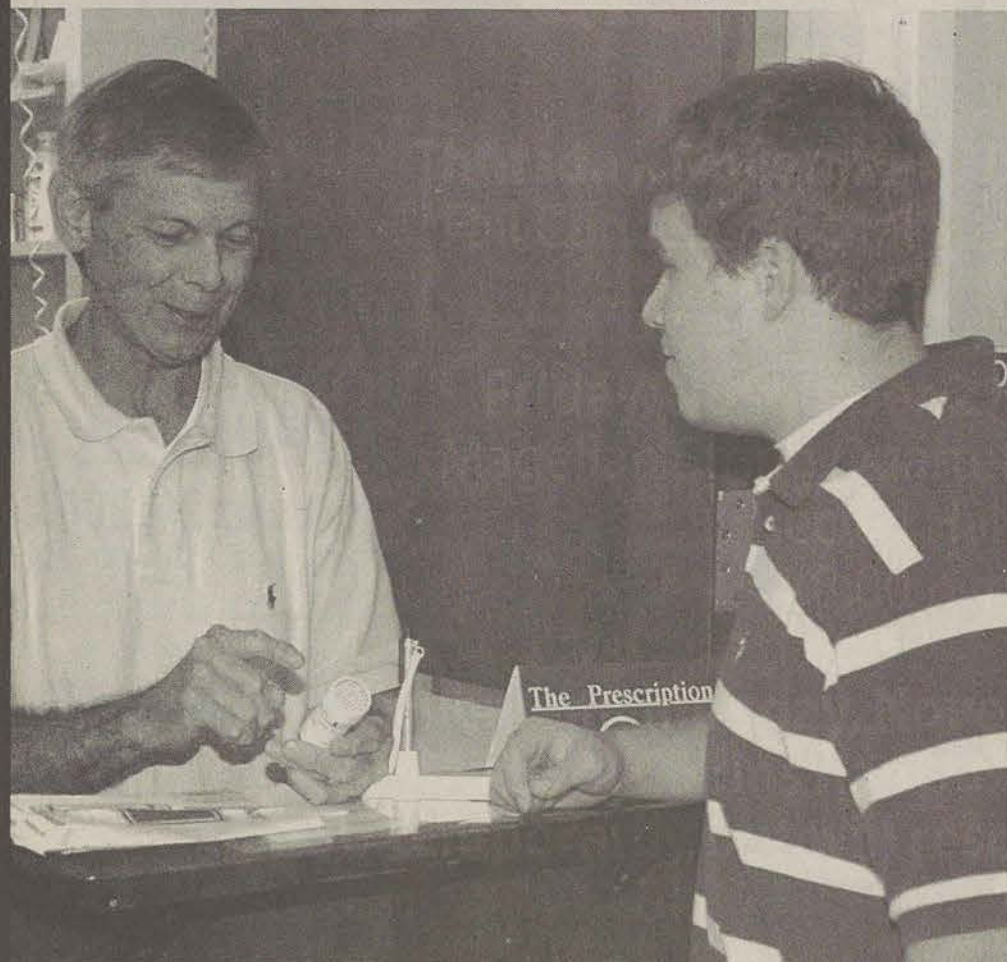
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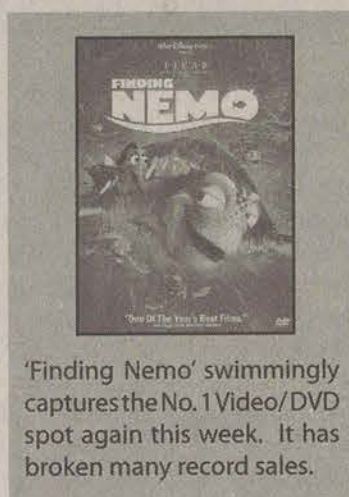


'Elf,' the family friendly Christmas comedy, took the No. 1 spot this week at the box office.

- 1 Finding Nemo
- 2 Legally Blonde 2: Red, White, and Blonde
- 3 The Hulk
- 4 The Matrix Reloaded
- 5 The Italian Job
- 6 28 Days Later
- 7 Adam Sandler's 8 Crazy Nights
- 8 Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle
- 9 Hollywood Homicide
- 10 Anger Management

Films

- 1 Elf
- 2 Master and Commander
- 3 Matrix Revolutions
- 4 Brother Bear
- 5 Looney Tunes: Back in Action
- 6 Love Actually
- 7 Scary Movie
- 8 Radio
- 9 Tupac: Resurrection
- 10 Mystic River



'Finding Nemo' swimmingly captures the No. 1 Video/DVD spot again this week. It has broken many record sales.

Film Info Compiled From Yahoo.com | DVD/VIDEO Info Compiled From Blockbuster.com

Box Office Preview



Rated: PG
Release Date: 11.21.03

Dr. Seuss' The Cat in the Hat

Mike Myers stars as the fictional Cat in the hat in this film adaptation of the classic children's book. This live action re-telling boasts the talents of Dakota Finning, Spencer Breslin, and Kelly Preston as the family that gets visited by the cat.



Rated: R
Release Date: 11.21.03

Gothika

Halle Berry stars as a criminal psychologist that wakes to find herself a patient in her own hospital. Her husband is murdered and how she got there is a mystery. She slips further in insanity as she tries to find the truth. Robert Downy Jr., Charles S. Dutton, and Penelope Cruz also star.



Rated: R
Release Date: 11.26.03

Bad Santa

Two criminals disguise themselves as Santa (Billy Bob Thornton) and his elf (Tony Cox). They go around the country using the good name of Santa to rob stores. When the two come in contact with an introverted 8-year-old boy they learn the true meaning of Christmas.



Rated: PG
Release Date: 11.26.03

The Hunted Mansion

Based on the ride at Disney World, this film stars Eddie Murphy as a father who moves into the world most hunted mansion for a job interview with his family. He learns valuable family lessons while there.



Rated: R
Release Date: 11.26.03

The Missing

Set in new Mexico in 1886, a father (Tommy Lee Jones) returns home to make amends with his family he abandoned. What he doesn't count on is helping his daughter (Cate Blanchett) to find her kidnapped daughter.



Rated: PG-13
Release Date: 11.26.03

Timeline

Paul Walker stars as the son of a professor who is lost in his new time machine. He must go back through time to rescue his father. He encounters many bumps along the way in the form of ancient warriors.

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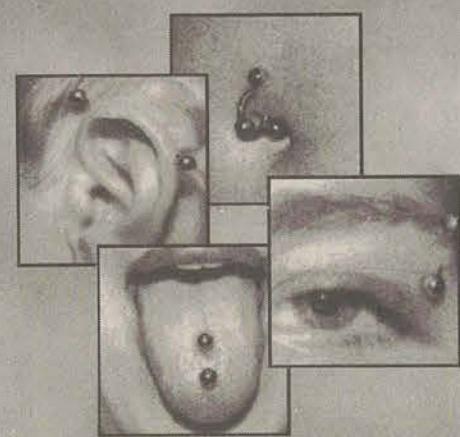
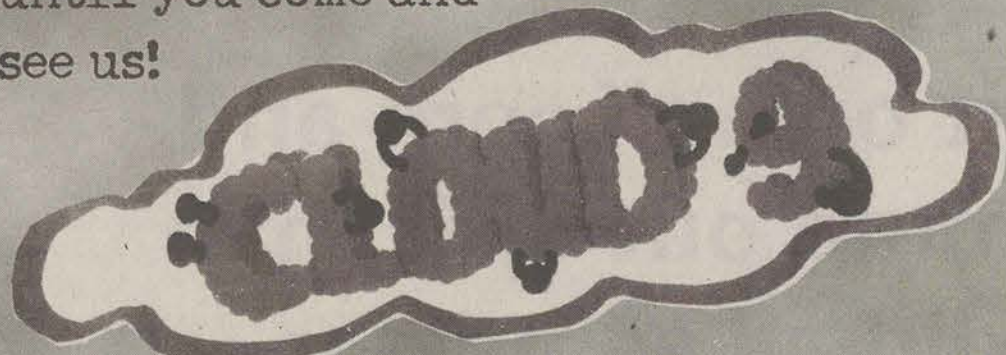
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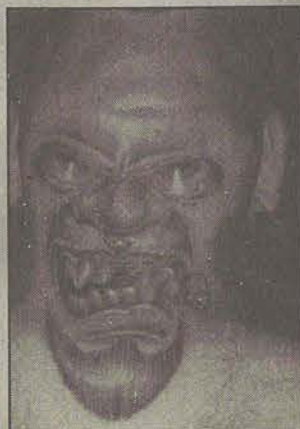
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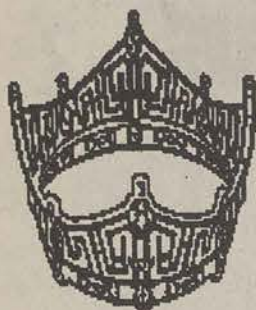
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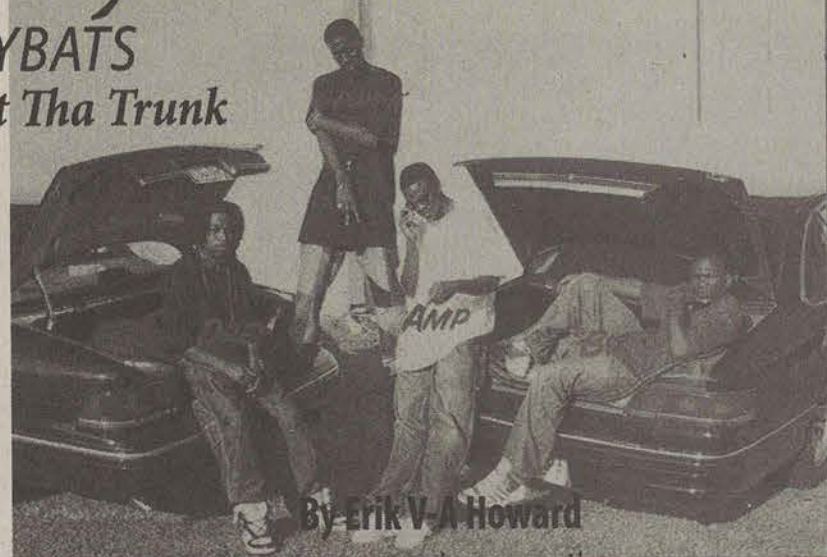
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Buy It Or Burn It

ALLEYBATS Out Tha Trunk



By Erik V-A Howard
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Whoever said that I don't review underground albums is about to stick there foot in thier mouth or other parts. When I first got the new album

"Steady Rizin' Presents Out tha Trunk" I was a little skeptical of it. I mean, I have heard some really bad music in the last couple of weeks, and this album doesn't have a million dollar budget behind it. I just knew I wouldn't like it. Boy, was I ever wrong. It just goes to show you how you should judge a book by its cover, or in this case, an album. Now on to the infamous *Buy it or Burn it*.

It is not every day that a rap group from GSU puts out an album that is legitimately underground. While the *Alleybats* aren't the first to do so, they are the first this year and with such high expectations. "Out tha trunk" is the result of a unique collaboration between C-Dubb, a local d.j., and Steady Rizin Entertainment. Steady Rizin fronted the money for the project, while C-Dubb executed the plan.

The idea for the album came earlier this year after C-Dubb released a promotional mix tape, then this summer Dino from Steady Rizin approached C-Dubb saying that it was time for them to do an album. Not just an album that they recorded in house and burned copies for their friends. They wanted to do a real album that was just like you see in the record store. C-Dubb says they went this route because "it's all about perception. If people see real they'll know you're serious about what you're doing."

The *Alleybats* are comprised of Dre, Amp, Black and K-pimpin, four MC's who came together to do "Out tha trunk" which was completed in mid October, recording much of the album in a renovated closet they label "The Trap."

Each has a different style that blends perfectly over the infectious and sometimes familiar beats on the album. Black, the most laid back of the crew, has a flow that matches his personality. K-pimpin spits lyrics rapid fire like. Dre has

lyrics that are real and brutal at times. Lastly, Amp is just like his name suggests: totally amped up. The production on the album is as good as it gets, and if you're into down south music then this is the CD for you.

The tracks on "Out Tha Trunk" that stand-out are:

"VIP" is a track that could be on any night time radio countdown. It has a beat that is a cross between "bootyshake" and something off of Outkast's *ATLiens* album. The lyrics of this track are probably the best on the album.

"Paint" samples the p-poppin beat from Ludacris's latest album and has an infectious hook that will leave you wondering why you keep repeating in.

"Secret" is probably the most mainstream record on the album, and it sets the tone for the album. They come out hard as hell and don't let up from beginning to end.

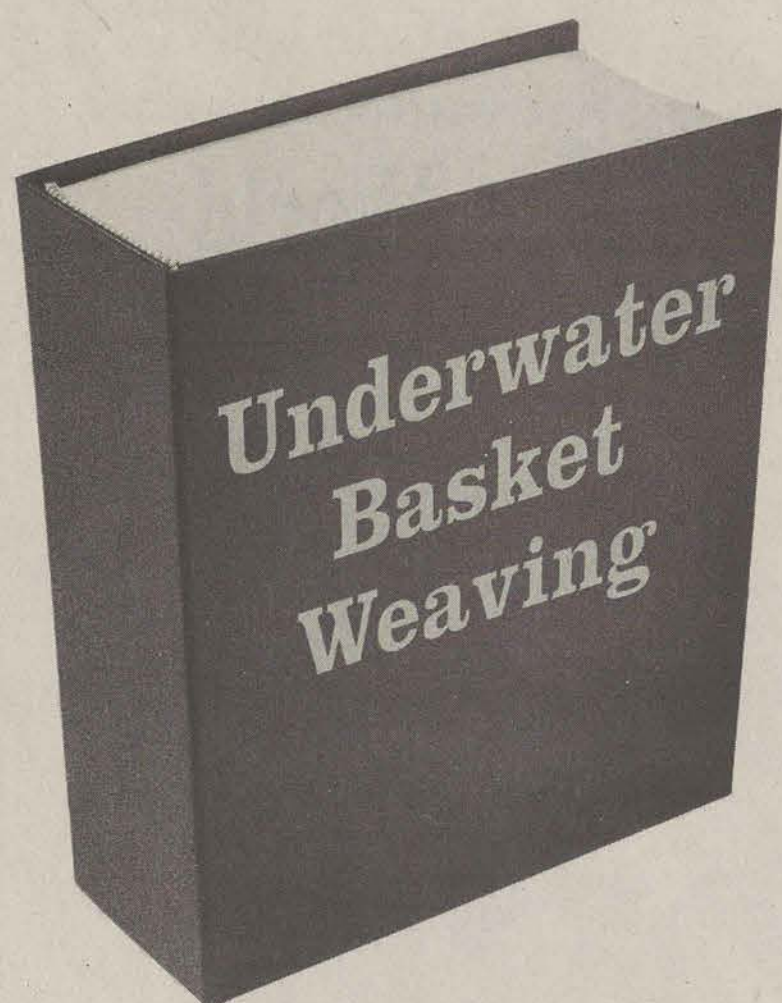
"Test My Gangster (Remix)" simply put it is a warning to all those haters that are around that the *Alleybats* are for real.

"F what you heard" is the grimmest offering on the album. It has a scary as hell beat that sounds like a killer is stalking you.

"Like me," the pimpin' track of the album that has the best line on the album. "3 to 5 minutes make her stick like glue, ohh! your homegirl I'll cut her too." This chorus, with the very familiar beat of "can't stop won't stop," is just off the chain.

All in all, this is one of the true to hip-hop albums that has come along in a minute, whether from a mainstream group or underground one. The best thing the *Alleybats* do on the album is to not try to follow any specific formula they created there own and that is unique.

Verdict - **BUY IT!** (Watch out for these fellas. They are the real deal. And don't bootleg your friend's copy. These guys are products of GSU.)



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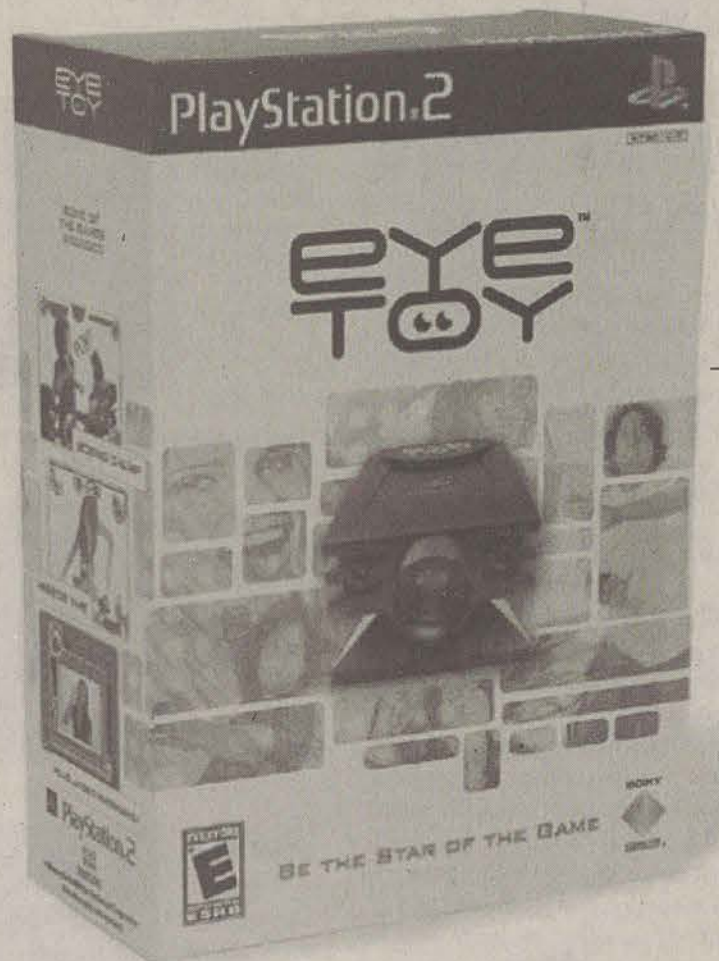
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PS2 offers new handsfree controler



By Craig Crossman
KRT Campus

When shopping for the upcoming holidays, fun, entertainment and games are way up there on the gift list.

So far, the two biggest game console platforms continue to vie for new ways of keeping the excitement factor pinned to the floor. One of the newest peripheral devices for the PlayStation 2 system is a very unique type of controller that is actually a video camera.

Normally, game playing is done via the hand-held controllers that come with the PlayStation 2 console. Variations of the controllers include steering wheel and foot pedal devices. But the EyeToy uses video technology to translate physical movement into something the specially designed PlayStation 2 console games can understand.

Developed exclusively for the PlayStation 2, the EyeToy is a video camera that plugs into the PlayStation 2's USB port located on the front of the console. Once connected, you simply point the camera towards yourself or anyone who wants to play the game. The image of the player is projected onto the video screen where they become one of the actual characters of the game itself.

To make things work, instead of using the game controller, the player must move their hands, feet and even their knees to manipulate the gaming action. All of their movement is detected by the EyeToy's built-in camera and is translated into corresponding motion within the game. Depending on the game, different motions mean different actions.

Included with the EyeToy camera are 12 different games with titles such as Kung Foo where players use their hands and feet in much the same manner as a martial artist would to inflict punches, jabs and kicks. But all of the mayhem is applied to the game's competing video characters. With Beat Freak, players get to strut their stuff on the dance floor to compete with the best video dancing characters. Soccer Craze lets you kick the ball and compete to score the most goals. There's even a game, Wishi-Washi, that pits you against the clock as you try and wash as many dirty windows as you can before your time runs out. Talk about total immersion into an entertainment product. With the EyeToy, you get to physically act in much the same manner as you would in the real world. Matrix, eat your heart out.

VIDEO GAME REVIEW: F-Zero GX a true challenge

By John Harris
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I recently called "Billy Hatcher," the video game a hard game. It is, but it's also a game in which any player can, eventually win.

"F-Zero GX," however, is a completely different kind of difficulty. It may be the hardest game you'll ever play. It's the fourth "F-Zero" game to make it to our shores, and it is a true challenge.

It's a futuristic racing game in which you drive a hovercraft-like vehicle through astoundingly hazardous courses. The game's 25 tracks have all manner of loops, twists, jumps, pipes both full and half, and in one notable instance a cylinder that you can race on all sides of. The cars are magnetically tied to the track most of the time. The times when they are not are almost heart stopping: if your car fails to land back on the track, you lose instantly.

This will happen a lot while you learn the ins and outs of each course, and even once you know them, the other drivers will be trying to knock you off.

If you've played the N64 version, F-Zero X, you'll know pretty much what to expect. The races run almost exactly like in that version of the game. You have 29 opponents, you have no weapons but can use two attack moves to try to deplete their energy or knock them off the track, you have a boost but it can only be used on the last two laps, and it sucks away your shield energy, you get energy back by driving through special "pit" zones, and even the default drivers and vehicles are the same ones from the original game.

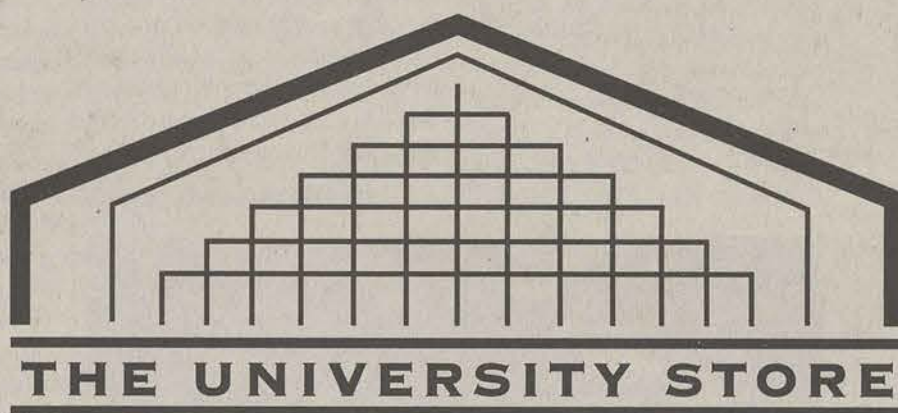
What truly brings F-Zero into the next generation is the polish. Every damn thing about the game oozes professionalism. You won't believe just how much thought went into this. Now, not only does each

vehicle have its own handling, appearance, racer and back story, but each racer now has a full character model and several poses, a special full-video ending movie if you should happen to use him to beat a cup on Master difficulty (good luck!), and even his own professionally-recorded theme song, *many of which with full lyrics!*

That's one special ending movie and professional theme song for every character in the game, and counting un-lockables that's over 40. No one can say they didn't get their money's worth. There's also a story mode centering around the "default" character, Captain Falcon, other race modes, a full car design mode, and a shop where you can buy new characters and vehicles with "tickets" earned playing the Grand Prix and Story modes, and profiles for every damn character in the whole damn game. If you happen find an arcade F-Zero AX machine

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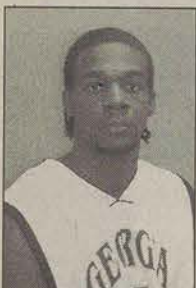
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JEFF PRICE
Head Coach
Fifth Season
(Pikeville '81)

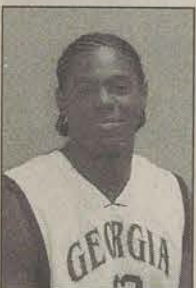
Career Record:
199-94
at GSU: 63-52

PLAYERS TO WATCH



FRANK BENNETT
Senior
Forward
6'7" • 230 lbs.

14.7 ppg, 7.9
rpg in 2002-03



JEAN FRANCOIS
Junior
Forward
6'6" • 240 lbs.

11.1 ppg, 6.2
rpg in 2002-03



KORDEL GIBSON
Senior
Forward
6'5" • 220 lbs.

7.9 ppg, .376
3-pt FG %

Eagles look to new set of leaders this season

By **Kenny Cofer**
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The Georgia Southern Eagles men's basketball team is set to get the new season underway against North Georgia this Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Hanner Fieldhouse.

The Eagles will have to do so without their leading scorer from a year ago, Julius Jenkins. Jenkins averaged 21.6 points per game his senior year, ranking him second in the Southern Conference. In his career at Georgia Southern, Jenkins finished in the top ten in sixteen categories of the Eagle record book. Most notable is the school record for most points scored with 1,870 and most steals with 172. Jenkins will be sorely missed by the Eagle squad this year.

For a new leader, the Eagles will have to look no further than their second leading scorer from a year ago, senior forward Frank Bennett. Bennett averaged 14.7 points and 7.9 rebounds per game last season. The senior forward is also very dependable as he has played in every game in his career at Georgia Southern. Bennett is also a tremendous shot blocker and a force to be reckoned with down in the paint with his thunderous dunks. Already a preseason candidate for Southern Conference Player-of-the-Year, there

are tremendous expectations for this highly talented young man out of Pompano Beach, Fla.

Along with Bennett, the Eagles also return two other starters, guard Terry Williams and center Courtney Joseph. Williams, a junior from Gainesville, Fla., led Georgia Southern in assists and ranked fourth on the team in scoring a year ago. He is also a tremendous threat from outside the arc, as he already ranks sixth in GSU history with 120 three pointers made.

As for Joseph, he is the tallest player on the Eagle squad with a height of 6'9". Joseph came to the Eagles after spending three years in the Army. He played in 28 games last season for Georgia Southern averaging 4.1 points and 3.5 rebounds per game.

Other Eagles that will be key to a winning season will be a quartet of forwards. One of the four will be Kordel Gibson, a senior from Tallahassee, Florida. Gibson ranked second on the team in three point field goal percentage last season at 37.6 percent. Gibson is expected to start as the other forward and looks to bring leadership to the team. The other three forwards who will come of the bench to help out will be senior Marcus Byams, junior Jean Francois, and sophomore

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Lady Eagles hope for return trip to SoCon title game

By **Eli Boorstein**
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Prior to last season, the Lady Eagle basketball team had to rebound from the graduation of four of their top five scorers, leaving the expectation for success rather low.

The naysayers were proved wrong as Georgia Southern advanced to the championship game of the Southern Conference Tournament, where they lost to Chattanooga.

When the season kicks off at Hanner Fieldhouse on Saturday at 5:15 p.m. against USC-Aiken, hopes are to see much of the same with the team once again coming off the loss of a set of key players.

This time around, the Eagles will be without a pair of defensive-minded players, guard Tiffany Lanier and forward Mimi Lindsey. Lanier was a tenacious presence on defense with a conference-best 101 steals on the season, including 10 against nationally-ranked South Carolina.

Lindsey was a power on the boards with a conference-best 297 rebounds, 9.9 rebounds per game, including 18 against Chattanooga in the SoCon finals.

Additionally, the Eagles will no longer have the services of perimeter shooter Rachel Loiacono, who graduated early and chose not to keep playing.

In the 2003-04 campaign, the Lady Eagles will be led by a pair of seniors in forward Jessica Everett and guard Shawnica Hill.

Everett was a double threat last

year, averaging 12.8 points and 6.6 rebounds. As one of three seniors on this year's roster, the Folkston native seems ready to serve as a leader for her teammates.

"I've had a good response," said Everett about her leadership role. "I have to lead by example and be a positive example."

Hill, selected to the preseason all-conference team, also had success in different areas, posting averages of 12.5 points and 5.9 rebounds per game.

Junior forward Dana Benemon will also be expected to provide a spark to the Eagle attack. A native of Statesboro, Benemon transferred to Georgia Southern from Mississippi State prior to last season and had to sit out until Dec. 18 due to NCAA transfer regulations. Once she was able to get back into rhythm after the lay-off, Benemon finished the season with 6.4 points and 4.7 rebounds per game in 18 contests.

"It'll help me be more consistent," said Benemon on the advantage of having a full season with the team. "I'll be able to feel the team at the beginning instead of halfway through."

Other players head coach Rusty Cram will look towards to lend a hand this season include senior guard Kristy McCorkle, who totaled 34 steals in 22 games, sophomore guard Lee DuBose, who started the Eagles' exhibition game on Monday, and sophomore guard Nicole Newton, who was a key member of Georgia Southern's 2002-03 championship team.

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RUSTY CRAM

Head Coach
Eighth season
Louisiana Tech ('85)

Career Record:
112-87



PLAYERS TO WATCH

JESSICA EVERETT
Senior
Forward
6'1"

12.8 ppg, 6.6
rpg in 2002-03



SHAWNICA HILL
Senior
Guard
5'11"

12.5 ppg, 5.9
rpg in 2002-03



DANA BENEMON
Junior
Forward
6'1"

6.4 ppg, 4.7
rpg in 2002-03



2003-2004 MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER			
DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	TIME
21	Fri.	NORTH GEORGIA	7:30
24	Mon.	at UAB	8:30
28	Fri.	at Savannah State	7:00

DECEMBER			
DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	TIME
1	Mon.	MERCER	7:30
6	Sat.	at East Tennessee St.	2:00
15	Mon.	at Wagner	7:00
17	Wed.	at Southern Miss	8:00
20	Sat.	TENNESSEE TEMPLE	2:00
29	Mon.	# vs. Cleveland State	6:00
30	Tue.	# vs. Texas A&M-CC/Drake	TBA

JANUARY			
DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	TIME
2	Fri.	FORT VALLEY STATE	7:30
7	Wed.	*WOFFORD	7:30
10	Sat.	*THE CITADEL	7:30
12	Mon.	SAVANNAH STATE	7:30
17	Sat.	*at Furman (FSS)	Noon
19	Mon.	*at Wofford	7:00
24	Sat.	*CHARLESTON (TG)	2:00
27	Tue.	*DAVIDSON	7:30
31	Sat.	*at Chattanooga	7:00

FEBRUARY			
DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	TIME
2	Mon.	*at Appalachian State	7:00
7	Sat.	*FURMAN	7:30
9	Mon.	*WESTERN CAROLINA	7:30
14	Sat.	*at Davidson	1:00
18	Wed.	*at Charleston	7:00
21	Sat.	*UNC GREENSBORO	7:30
23	Mon.	*ELON	7:30
28	Sat.	*at The Citadel	2:00

MARCH			
DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	TIME
3-6	Wed.-Sat.	SoCon Tournament (Charleston, S.C.)	

Home Games in ALL CAPS

Flint Hills Resources Islander Classic (Corpus Christi, Texas)

* Southern Conference Games

(FSS) Fox Sports Net South

(TG) Hanner Hooligan Tailgate

2002-2003 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE STANDINGS

NORTH DIVISION					
TEAM	W	L	PCT.	W	L
App State	11	5	.688	19	10
ETSU	11	5	.688	20	11
Davidson	11	5	.688	17	10
W. Carolina	6	10	.375	9	19
VMI	3	13	.188	10	20
UNCG	3	13	.188	7	22

SOUTH DIVISION					
TEAM	W	L	PCT.	W	L
Charleston	13	3	.812	25	8
Chattanooga	11	5	.688	21	9
Ga. Southern	8	8	.500	16	13
Wofford	8	8	.500	14	15
Furman	8	8	.500	14	17
The Citadel	3	13	.188	8	20

2003-2004 MEN'S BASKETBALL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS.	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	CLASS	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
1	Kenny Faulk	G	6-4	220	Jr.	Wachula, Fla. (Miami Southridge)
2	Donte Gennie	G	6-2	180	Fr.	Tallahassee, Fla. (Godby)
3	Mike Arnold	G	6-2	175	So.	Coral Springs, Fla. (Douglas)
4	Sean Olivier	F	6-9	240	So.	St. Cloud, Fla. (St. Cloud)
5	Prentice Mobley	G	5-11	170	Sr.	Delray Beach, Fla. (Florida CC)
10	Elton Nesbitt	G	5-10	170	So.	Deerfield Beach, Fla. (Compton CC)
11	Alex Kaklamanos	G	6-5	195	Fr.	Jupiter, Fla. (Jupiter)
12	Terry Williams	G	6-3	175	Jr.	Gainesville, Fla. (P.K. Yonge)
20	Kordel Gibson	F	6-5	220	Sr.	Tallahassee, Fla. (Palm Beach CC)
21	Chris Foster	F	6-8	250	Jr.	Tifton, Ga. (Compton CC)
23	Jean Francois	F	6-6	240	Jr.	W. Palm Beach, Fla. (Northeastern)
24	Chad Fleming	G	6-7	205	Jr.	Liberty, Mo. (Johnson County CC)
32	Frank Bennett	F	6-7	230	Sr.	Pompano Beach, Fla. (Ely)
33	Jarek Swain	G	6-4	185	Fr.	Lithonia, Ga. (Southwest DeKalb)
34	Courtney Joseph	C	6-9	250	Jr.	Harlem, N.Y. (Chipola JC)
52	Marcus Byams	F	6-7	240	Sr.	Tucker, Ga. (Dunwoody)

Head Coach: Jeff Price, fifth season (Pikeville, 1981)

Associate Head Coach: Carl Nash, fifth season (Fort Lewis, 1982)

Assistant Coach: Chad Dollar, second season (Milligan, 1995)

Assistant Coach: Tom Spencer, fourth season (Lynn, 1997)

Administrative Assistant: Tae Norwood, first season (Green Mountain, 2000)

Athletic Trainer: Kyle Rasco, first season (Alabama, 2001)

Managers: Andrew McMillen, Jason Olszyk, Andy Rountree

2003-2004 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS.	HEIGHT	CLASS	HOMETOWN (PREVIOUS SCHOOL)
0	Shawnica Hill	G	5-11	Sr.	Martinez, Ga. (Evans)
3	Aja Pijeaux	G	5-6	Fr.	Stone Mountain, Ga. (Stephenson)
10	Lee DuBose	G	5-7	So.	Jefferson, Ga. (Jefferson)
13	Kaylin Wells	G	5-9	Fr.	Marietta, Ga. (Lassiter)
20	Concella Henry	F	6-1	Fr.	Greeleyville, S.C. (Manning)
21	Stephanie Edgerton	G	5-8	Jr.	Marietta, Ga. (Augusta State)
22	Leslie Spoon	G	5-10	So.	Benton, La. (Benton)
23	Kristy McCorkle	G	5-6	Sr.	Macon, Ga. (Westside)
25	Adrienne Early	F	6-0	Jr.	Hilton Head, S.C. (Hilton Head Prep)
31	Nicole Newton	G	5-10	So.	Dublin, Ga. (Dublin)
32	Cameron Krellner	G	5-9	So.	West Palm Beach, Fla. (Wellington)
33	Jennifer Melvin	F	6-1	Jr.	Goldboro, N.C. (Eastern Wayne)
34	Jessica Everett	F	6-1	Sr.	Folkston, Ga. (Charlton County)
40	Dana Benemon	F	6-1	Jr.	Statesboro, Ga. (Mississippi State)
52	Chequilla Jessie	F	6-2	Fr.	Sanford, Fla. (Seminole)
55	Kellie Tiller	G	5-9	Jr.	Augusta, Ga. (Greenbriar)

Head Coach: Rusty Cram, eighth season (Louisiana Tech, 1985)

Assistant Coach: Regina Days, seventh season (Georgia Southern, 1991)

Assistant Coach: Danielle Toole, third season (Georgia Southern, 1998)

Assistant Coach: Alie Rousseau, second season (Georgia Southern, 2002)

Athletic Trainer: Brandy Petty, first season (Georgia Southern, 2000)

Managers: Nathaniel Cole, Travis Reddick

2003-2004 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER			
DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	TIME
22	Sat.	USC-AIKEN	5:15
25	Tue.	GEORGIA	7:00
29	Sat.	# vs. Richmond	5:00
30	Sun.	# vs. UNLV/San Diego	TBA

DECEMBER			
DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	TIME
3	Wed.	at Mercer	7:00
6	Sat.	*APPALACHIAN STATE	7:00
20	Sat.	*at Western Carolina	4:00
22	Mon.	*CHARLESTON	7:00
30	Tue.	*at East Tennessee St.	7:00

JANUARY			
DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	TIME
3	Sat.	*at Davidson	3:00
5	Mon.	*at Chattanooga	5:15
10	Sat.	*UNC GREENSBORO	5:15
12	Mon.	*ELON	5:15
17	Sat.	*at Wofford	5:00
19	Mon.	*at Furman	7:00
22	Thu.	at Savannah State	7:00
24	Sat.	*WESTERN CAROLINA	5:00
26	Mon.	*at Charleston	7:00
31	Sat.	*DAVIDSON	3:00

FEBRUARY			
DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	TIME
2	Mon.	*CHATTANOOGA	7:00
7	Sat.	*at UNC Greensboro	3:00
9	Mon.	*at Elon	6:00
14	Sat.	*WOFFORD	3:00
16	Mon.	*FURMAN	7:00
21	Sat.	SAVANNAH STATE	5:15
25	Wed.	*at Appalachian State	7:00
28	Sat.	*EAST TENNESSEE ST.	7:00

MARCH			
DATE	DAY	OPPONENT	TIME
3-6	Wed.-Sat.	SoCon Tournament (Charleston, S.C.)	

Home Games in ALL CAPS

Lady Rebel Shootout (Las Vegas, Nev.)

* Southern Conference Games

2002-2003 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L	PCT.	W	L	PCT.
Chattanooga	16	2	.889	26	5	.839
W. Carolina	14	4	.778	21	7	.750
Ga. Southern	12	6	.667	20	10	.667
Furman	11	7	.611	16	13	.552
UNCG	10	8	.556	14	13	.519
Davidson	8	10	.444	15	15	.500
App State	8	10	.444	9	19	.321
ETSU	6	12	.333	9	19	.321
Charleston	4	14	.222	10	19	.345
Wofford	1	17	.056	4	24	.143



MEN'S PREVIEW, FROM PAGE 6

Sean Olivier.

Francois is an exciting player coming off the bench as he averaged 11.1 points per game last year, ranking him third on the team. He also ranked second on the Eagle squad averaging 6.2 rebounds per game. After transferring from Northeastern as a freshman, Francois has made himself a strong case to get playing time with his undeniable skills. He is incredibly accurate from the field with a 53.2 field goal percentage last season.

Battling for time in the backcourt will be a handful of players including senior Prentice Mobley, junior Kenny Faulk and sophomore Mike Arnold. Mobley will be getting most of the playing time as he will compete for the starting point guard position. Prentice is a quick guard who has no problem getting to the hoop and he will need to do so with absence of Jenkins. Mobley is also expected to be more of a scoring presence for the upcoming season.

The Eagles are coming off last season's record of 16-13 and looking to improve on this year's campaign. They will have to do so against stiff competition in the Southern Conference with such powerhouses as College of Charleston, Davidson, and East Tennessee State. The Bucs were the Southern Conference representative last year in the NCAA Tournament and almost came up with a first round victory over Wake Forest.

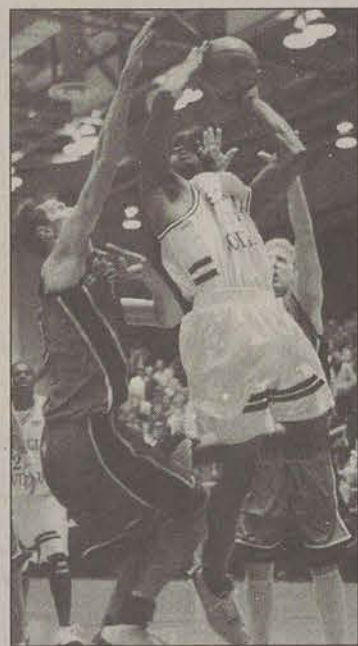
WOMEN'S PREVIEW, FROM PAGE 6

Georgia Southern's bench last year.

"Nicole's going to step up this year," said Cram. "Lee DuBose is a great shooter and [junior guard] Kellie Tiller could have a great year."

As for the Lady Eagles' schedule, it should be an eventful November portion. After their season opener, perennial power Georgia will enter Hanner Fieldhouse on Nov. 25. The Lady Dawgs are currently ranked as No. 11 in the nation.

From there, Georgia Southern will then make the trek west to Las Vegas, where they will participate in the Lady Rebel Shootout, where



File Photo

Senior forward **Frank Bennett** will be one of the guiding forces as the Eagles aim for the postseason.

The Eagles will welcome some of these big opponents to the 'Boro this season as Charleston will come to Hanner Fieldhouse on Jan. 24. Just three days later, Davidson will travel to Statesboro to take on the Eagles.

Georgia Southern was picked to finish third in the South Division in the Southern Conference in most pre-season polls, but surely, head coach Jeff Price and the rest of the Eagles will have something to say about that.

they will face off with Richmond and either host team UNLV or San Diego.

After a brief road trip to Mercer, the Lady Eagles will begin the conference season when they host Appalachian State on Dec. 6. From that point on it's all SoCon action, save for a home-and-home series with local foe Savannah State.

As many highlights as his squad had in their 20-10 mark last season, Cram sees even better things coming out of this year's team.

"I firmly believe we are a better offensive team," said the eighth-year head coach. "We are also a better half-court offensive team."

Eagles' Kearney chosen to play in I-AA All-Star Classic

G-A News Service

Nine additional players, including Georgia Southern wide receiver Carl Kearney, have been named to the rosters of the inaugural I-AA All-Star Classic, presented by American Airlines, bringing the total to 95 of the ultimate 100.

The players, all seniors, come from the 13 participating conferences for the game, to be staged and televised by TFN, The Football Network, on Dec. 30, from Lockhart Stadium in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

The players will be divided into two squads, named for I-AA legends Walter Payton and Eddie Robinson, and will, for the first time in their careers, have the vehicle of a postseason game to

showcase their talents. Scouts from all NFL teams are expected to attend.

Coaches are Tommy Tate of McNeese State, and David Elson of Western Kentucky. These were the two schools that played for the I-AA NCAA championship last year.

Kearney played in eight games and made two starts this season despite suffering a foot injury at McNeese State on Sept. 13. He made one catch for 11 yards and ranked second on GSU's special teams with seven tackles in 2003.

The final selections will be announced next week.

The selected players were chosen by a committee of coaches, administrators and media from the conferences.

Participating conferences include the Atlantic 10, the Big Sky Conference,

the Big South Conference, the Gateway Football Conference, The Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC), the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC), the Northeast Conference, the Ohio Valley Conference, the Patriot League, the Pioneer Football League, the Southern Conference, the Southland Conference, and the Southwestern Athletic Conference.

The game will be broadcast to more than 28 million homes in the US through TFN's own carriage, and agreements with six major Fox Sports regional cable stations.

A percentage of every ticket sold will benefit the Eddie Robinson and Walter Payton Foundations, as well as the Ft. Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel Children's Fund.



LaVene Bell/STAFF

Eagle receiver **Carl Kearney** (80) was chosen to play in the inaugural Division I-AA Classic on Dec. 30 in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Golf adds pair of new recruits

G-A News Service

The Georgia Southern golf team has inked two players in the early signing period for the 2004-05 season head coach Larry Mays announced on Wednesday.

Chris Smith (Alpharetta, Ga./Centennial) has posted six top-10 finishes in the past year, including a third-place spot in his most recent outing. Smith finished ninth at the USGA Junior Amateur Championship this summer, shooting a final round 69. Smith also earned a third-place showing at the Westfield PGA Junior Section Championship in June.

"Chris is a very mature golfer for his age, his course management skills along with a complete golf game will allow him to become a very fine college golfer," said Mays. "He has an extensive junior resume playing in all levels of junior golf, including a trip to Junior Amateur this past summer. Chris has a great work ethic both on and off the golf course which will help make him a great addition to our program."

Johnathan Shaw (Cartersville,

Ga./Wallace State) is a former high school state champion who has won three tournaments at Wallace State. Shaw averaged a 72.1 stroke average on the course last season and managed a 3.9 GPA in the classroom. Shaw won the NJCAA Regional last season with a three-day score of 205 (69-69-67).

"Johnathan is a proven player at the junior college level that will bring both a winning attitude and strong work ethic to Statesboro," said Mays. "He has won a number of tournaments while at Wallace State the past year and half and has competed in the amateur ranks in the summers. He has also excelled in the classroom, by being named an academic all-American. Johnathan will use his leadership skills and experience to become an important part of our team."

The Eagles wrapped up the fall season ranked in the top-25 of all four national polls and won the Pacific Invitational. Georgia Southern will begin its spring season on January 31 at the Gator Invitational in Gainesville, Fla.

Hennon adds eight to baseball team

G-A News Service

Five student-athletes have signed the binding national letter-of-intent to baseball play for Georgia Southern beginning in the fall of 2004 according to an announcement made by Eagle head coach Rodney Hennon Wednesday.

Four of the five join Georgia Southern from high school while one comes to Georgia Southern after having spent two seasons playing for Georgia Perimeter College.

Three of the signees will add to the depth in the Eagles outfield next season. Outfielder Phillip Porter batted .388 with two doubles and two triples for Sprayberry High School in Marietta, Ga. last season. The 6'0 Porter scored 29 runs while driving in another six.

Outfielder Chris Hollis is the lone junior college transfer in the group. Hollis, a native of Loganville, Ga., was named second team All-Region by the National Junior College Athletic Association in while leading Georgia Perimeter to a 35-15 record in 2003. He batted .349 with one home run and 10 runs batted in while also stealing a team-high 28 bases.

Outfielder Keltavious Jones, a native of Augusta, batted .663 with 10 home runs, 16 doubles and seven triples as a junior at Northpoint High School last season. Jones was also successful on 28 of his 30

stolen base attempts. He batted .407 and had 21 stolen bases while playing for the Georgia A's summer league team this past summer.

Jeremiah Parker, a catcher from Carrollton High School in Carrollton, Ga., batted .450 with 31 RBI and 25 runs scored last season. He counted nine doubles, a triple and four home runs among his 35 hits on the season. Parker teamed with Jones on the Georgia A's summer league team, batting .424 with eight doubles and six home runs.

Righthander Matt Shurley is the only pitcher among the early signees. Shurley, a native of Tifton, Ga., tallied a 7-4 record and a 1.96 earned run average in 68 innings pitched for Tift County High School last season. He struck out 85 batters while allowing just 19 earned runs.

"I feel we have met our needs during the early signing period with this class," said Hennon. "We have a solid group of individuals coming in and that is a credit to the great job that Coach Tidick and Coach Lewis did in recruiting."

"We have definitely added some speed in the outfield with the three that we signed. That was an area we wanted to improve on and I feel as if we have done so. Likewise, we feel as if Matt and Jeremiah will be able to help us greatly on the mound and behind the plate."

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Besides treatment

The recreational abuse of ADD drugs

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Gone are the days of caffeine pills and strong coffee.

For many students today, drugs like Adderall and Ritalin are becoming the number-one choice for studying, among other things. The tendency for students to use such drugs is increasing. Students are now willing to pay anywhere from two to six dollars per pill in order to get some of the popular drugs, using them to stay up all hours to write papers and study for exams.

Adderall is one of the medications used to treat Attention Deficit Disorder, a neurologically based disorder characterized by unusually short attention spans. According to the Harvard Medical School, ADD is the most commonly diagnosed childhood psychiatric condition, and it is believed to persist into adulthood in modified form.

Dr. David Matthews, director of the GSU Counseling Center, says in order for an adult to be diagnosed, evidence has to exist before age seven that the individual possessed symptoms of the disorder. This evidence is often unavailable because of poor memories, and "people with ADD are notoriously poor observers of their own symptoms," according to the Harvard Mental Health Letter. While many individuals benefit greatly from drugs such as Adderall or Ritalin, medication is only part of the intervention.

People can also benefit from behavior modification and behavior therapy. According to Dr. Matthews, "consistency is the best friend" of a person with ADD/ADHD, which stands for Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder. It is important for those with the disorder to learn organizational skills and to become set in their schedules. The initial diagnosis of the disorder presents many problems as well.

According to the Harvard Mental Health Letter, one difficulty that exists is whether a short attention span constitutes a psychiatric disorder. The Letter also says "there are cultural differences that affect the behavior of children and adults...ADD is diagnosed in the United States much more often than in Europe."

Perhaps "more than half of adults with ADD suffer from an anxiety disorder or chronic mild depression," according to the Harvard Mental Health Letter. While many people are looking for ways to alleviate their true symptoms, others are simply looking for quick fixes, all-night studying tools, weight loss aids, or additions to their other drugs of choice.

However, the majority of students who use Adderall say they use it to increase their time spent studying. "Taking Adderall helps when I have a bunch of homework to do," says "Janet," a Georgia Southern student who requested anonymity. "I can put it all off then do it in one night."

Janet does not have a prescription for Adderall, but she knows people that do. She obtains four or five ten-milligram tablets every week from a friend who has a prescription. "I don't think my friend needs Adderall that badly. She hands it out to us more than she takes it herself," says Janet. Other students take the drugs when studying as well as partying.

"Bill," another GSU student who also requested anonymity, had never even heard of Adderall or Ritalin until he got to college. "I heard about some people taking this stuff in the dorm to keep them up longer and party longer and harder, so I got some, and it worked," says Bill.

Adderall is an amphetamine and is in the same family of stimulants that Ritalin falls under. Both drugs are also in the same family of drugs such as crystal meth. According to the Harvard Mental Health Letter, Adderall is not chemically addictive, although individuals can become dependent on stimulant drugs "in the same sense that a nearsighted person is dependent on eyeglasses."

However, the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) says these stimulants can be addictive "in that individuals begin to use them compulsively." The drug can cause many side effects, including restlessness, anxiety, headaches, dizziness, and stomachache. According to Dr. Matthews, it is possible to overdose on the drugs, and in rare cases, death is possible.

Many students will crush and snort the drugs to enhance the effects. "I heard of a guy who mixed his with water and injected it," says Janet. When asked about the side effects, Janet and Bill both said they were aware, and they both said they had experienced a few of the effects. "My stomach almost always feels a bit queasy when I take Adderall, I can never sleep good that night. I don't consider that dangerous enough to stop," said Bill.

The NIDA maintains that marijuana is still the most abused illicit drug in the United States. However, the usage of stimulants is on the rise. According to the Drug Abuse Warning Network, which tracks drug-abuse data for health authorities, there were 271 Ritalin-related emergency room visits in 1990 and 1,478 visits in 2001.

Other dangers exist in the fact that many people are not aware that combining stimulants with other prescription medications, or with over-the-counter drugs, can enhance the stimulant. For example, individuals taking decongestants should be aware that the combination of the decongestant with the stimulant may cause dangerously high blood pressure or lead to irregular heart rhythms.

The drugs can also cause undesired effects long after the individual has taken them. "One time I took three adderalls and after I got home I laid in bed, couldn't sleep, kept grinding my teeth. It was really irritating," says Bill. Despite occurrences such as these, many students continue to abuse medications intended to help those with serious disorders.

"I don't think I'm going to stop because it seems so mild to me," says Janet. "I just don't see any harm in it."

Drugs used to enhance studying draw educational concerns

By Mahvish Khan
KRT Campus

Two prescription stimulants widely bought and sold on the university underground in South Florida and across the country are increasingly drawing criticism from doctors, law enforcement, ethicists – and fellow students.

The drugs, Ritalin and Adderall, are used illegally to enhance studying by as many as one in five college students, according to a November 2002 study published in The Johns Hopkins News-Letter.

At the University of Miami, administrators have put up fliers and posters around campus in recent years warning students of adverse effects from misuse of the drugs. The University of Florida is studying the level of use.

Experts say Adderall and Ritalin help students focus longer and get their work done quicker.

"It's a miracle drug," said Matt, 19, a finance major at UF who grew up in Fort Lauderdale. "It is unbelievable how my concentration boosts when I use Adderall."

Matt, who did not want to be identified for fear he would be charged with a crime, credits Adderall use for his improved grades. He says he went from a 2.75 grade-point average in his first semester to a 3.25 in the second.

"Caffeine is fine. This is better," said Dr. Eric Heiligenstein, director of clinical psychiatry at the University of Wisconsin. "Students are able to accumulate more information in a shorter time frame. These drugs keep you awake longer.

They minimize fatigue and help maintain a high performance level."

But the drugs, chemical cousins of cocaine, can cause increased heart and respiratory rates, elevated blood pressure, sleep deprivation, dry mouth, and lack of appetite. They can lead to withdrawal symptoms and, in rare cases, have been linked to aggression and cardiac arrhythmia.

"When the effects of the drugs wane, there is a tendency for some individuals to crash and experience withdrawal," said William Dorfman, Ph.D., professor of psychology at Nova Southeastern University in Davie. "They are prone to irritability, low mood, fatigue and depression."

Ritalin and Adderall also can serve as gateway drugs for further substance abuse, and – according to a recent UM study on laboratory mice – could make cocaine addiction harder to beat.

That has not dissuaded many college users, even though use without a prescription is a felony that can result in jail time.

"I just walk down the hall in my dorm and knock on a friend's door. It's very widely used and really easy to get," said Matt, the UF student. "Prices definitely go up during final exam times, and it's harder to get because people get stingy with their supplies."

Some students who don't use the drug say their pill-popping classmates have an unfair edge and consider use of the pills a form of cheating.

"I think it's deceptive. A GPA is what employers and graduate schools use to select students. It is supposed to be indicative of your natural academic

ability," said Ramin Baghai, 25, a master's of business administration student at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. "I want to graduate and get a good job. If someone is passing off their drug-enhanced GPA for a natural one, it's unfair."

"They can be viewed as brain steroids because in some way the drugs give students an unfair advantage," Heiligenstein said. "The productivity levels are so much higher when comparing with students who do not use the medication."

Some worry that tomorrow's lawyers, doctors and business professionals are committing felonies before they have even begun practice.

"This is considered unethical behavior, and it is treated very negatively," said Judy Rushlow, assistant director of Florida Lawyers Assistants. "We are aware that these drugs are being used as a study aid by university and law students. These individuals run the risk of getting caught and damaging their careers."

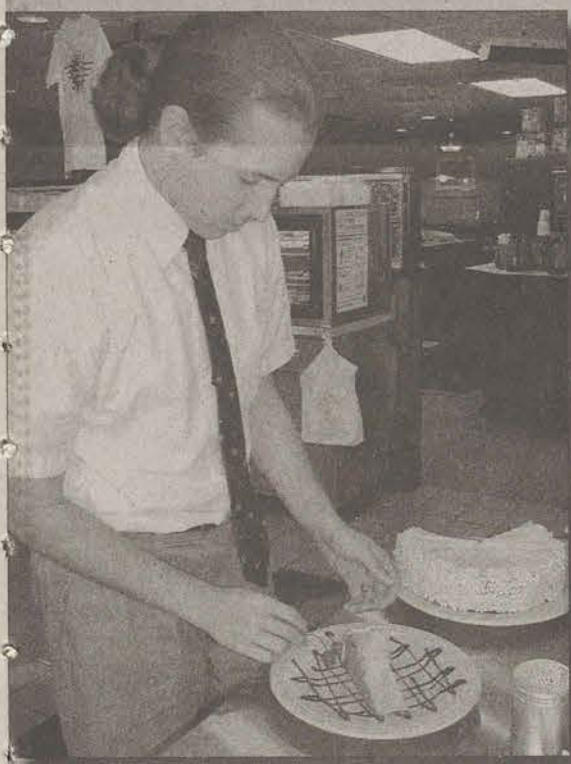
Evidence of Adderall or Ritalin abuse can hinder law students from gaining admission to the bar association, and students known to have abused drugs are carefully evaluated and put through investigative hearings.

Campus law enforcement officials say they are doing their part to curb the problem.

"These days, we are a lot more suspicious of these kinds of abuses. There is a lot more attention paid to what is in a prescription bottle now than a few years ago," said Sgt. Raul Pedroso of the University of Miami police.

Eagle Diner opens on Main

**A UNIQUELY CLASSY, OPEN-ALL-NIGHT RESTAURANT
MAKES ITS DEBUT IN THE 'BORO**



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One step into Eagle Diner, and it's obvious: The place was designed with the student in mind.

It's the first and only all-night dining establishment in Statesboro to accept Eagle Express. The music and atmosphere beckon to children of the 80s. It's open for business 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It serves a metric boatload of food.

And it's no wonder it resembles a student's paradise. Jeremy Bufford, a Georgia Southern student himself, manages and operates the restaurant like a self-acclaimed "man on a mission."

Since 1996, Bufford had worked at various all-night diner chains, and emerged from the experience with his own ideas of "what a diner should be." Armed with his inspiration and a natural knack for business, Bufford set his sights on the long-empty former home of Denny's on Main Street.

Eagle Diner is something of a chain itself, with five locations in the northeast. The name just happens to hearken to GSU's Eagles, like a fateful fortuity destined the diner's presence in Statesboro.

Since the restaurant opened last Sunday, Bufford's drive has only doubled. "I have a love for this business that allows me to put in hours most people would think are crazy," he said by way of explaining how he balances a full course load and the stresses of managing the diner. "I can work here 16 hours a day and still carry a full load. At the end of the day I just don't feel tired."

Without question, the most astounding aspect of Eagle Diner is its unbelievably large menu selection. During *The George-Anne's* interview with Bufford, another local journalist stopped by the Diner to ask Bufford if he'd like to make any changes to their ad design for the Diner. "Change the 350 menu items to 360," he said.

Yes, the already astronomical number of menu items increased by ten yesterday, and might have expanded yet again by the time this story hits the presses.

"We hope to build to 500 by the end of the year," Bufford said.

Apparently, the secret to having such a large menu selection is diversity. The more than 20 appetizers, dozens of desserts, and everything in between include Greek, Italian and Oriental foods.

In the future, they plan to add Middle Eastern and Indian cuisine to their repertoire. "I want someone to be able to walk through these doors and order anything they can think of," Bufford said, but added with a laugh: "I will openly admit that we don't serve pizza."

Employees of the Diner have to memorize the incredibly large menu, but that seems a small price to pay considering the extent to which they enjoy being part of the restaurant. "Eagle Diner has a very pleasant working environment, and I believe it has major potential to become one of the most frequented restaurants in Statesboro," said server Katie Glorieux.

As if the menu weren't over-the-top enough, the restaurant's atmosphere is enough to make patrons forgetful of what city they're in. Chrome ceiling fans laced with blue neon give the dining area a modernized 50s feel that seems to anchor the appeal of anyone who enters. The framed paintings currently lining the walls, which Bufford rather disgustingly referred to as "hotel art," are on their way out. They'll be replaced by custom-framed photographs depicting the skylines of various cities.

The soundtrack for now is 80s music because, as Bufford says, "It's something everyone can agree on, and it's a little bit different." However, more specific plans for audio entertainment are in the works. Bufford looks forward to the addition of a jukebox for the restaurant — one that won't contain the same old jukebox tunes everyone's undoubtedly sick of. He strongly supports local artists, and insists that recordings by local musicians will always occupy primary spots on the jukebox when it arrives.

So far, customers are satisfied with the scene. "I love the envi-

ronment, especially the music. The portions are huge. I take a to-go box home every time," said patron Chuck Thomas, a junior geology/paleontology major at GSU.

While the restaurant may seem enough of a handful, Bufford hasn't even considered stopping there. Attached to the main area of the restaurant is a cozy, lounge-like area that was once a dark, obscure bar. By next semester at the earliest, that neglected area of the building will become a gourmet coffee and fine cigar bar with one of the widest and best coffee selections in the low country.

"A comfortable place to relax in a zero-stress environment," was how Bufford described the anticipated wing of the restaurant. He speaks hopefully about commissioning the artwork — everything from paintings to pottery — of Georgia Southern students for display in the room. "Comfy couches, funky art on consignment from the students, and live performance... Maybe acoustic guitar or spoken word," he said. "I don't think any community was ever worse off for adding a little splash of culture."

The Diner is unique in Statesboro's fine restaurant scene in another important way: It doesn't serve alcohol. And, save the possibility of the sale of wines to accompany dinner entrees or a classy martini list for the café, there doesn't appear to be a future for cheap booze at Eagle Diner. "There are a lot of places in town where you can get that kind of product," Bufford said.

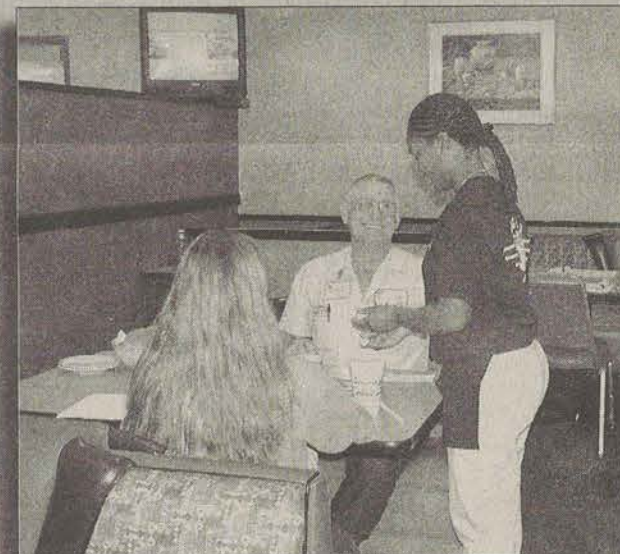
The restaurant offers full group and formal banquet accommodations. Around graduation time, it will offer packages consisting of rooms at the hotel, meals at the diner, and plenty of coffee to go for graduates' family members.

True to the starving college student, Eagle Diner has something for every budget. Their finest dinner consists of a one-pound T-bone steak, a seven-ounce lobster tail, six jumbo butterfly shrimp, and a long list of sides. Then again, they also serve 99-cent pancakes on Sundays and offer free coffee on Wednesday nights... for those late-night study sessions.

The reservedly upscale nature of the diner is meant to extend a long-overdue compliment to students of the university.

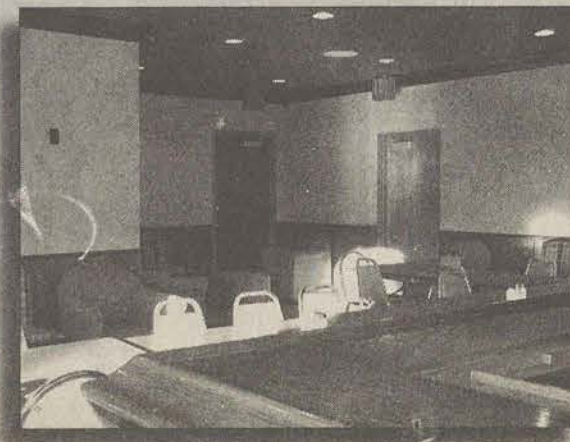
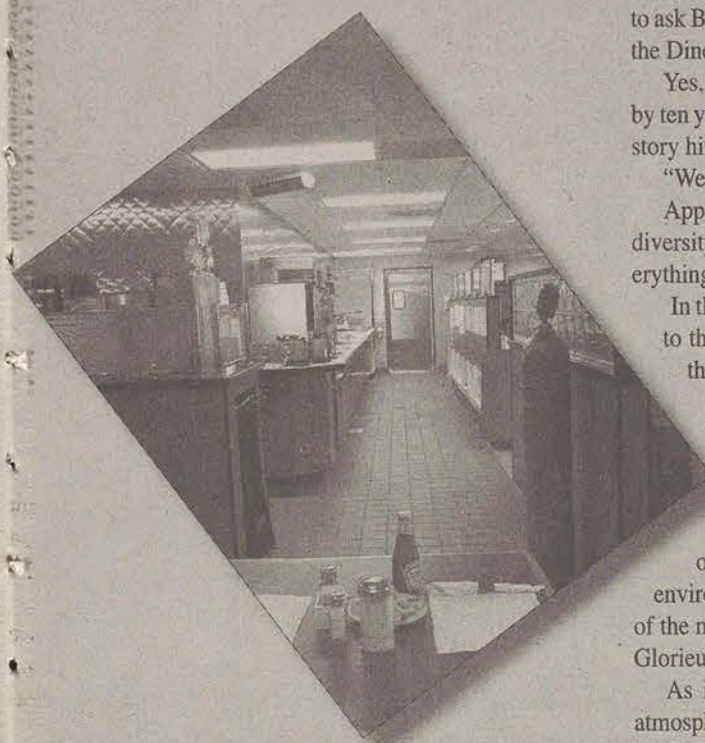
"When you consider the effects the student population has on the local economy, you cannot escape the conclusion that this is the most valuable section of the community in terms of purchasing power," Bufford said in defense of Statesboro's student population.

"For too long, students in this town have been drawn in almost like cattle, served their four years, drained their pockets at every turn, but never been offered the type of product they wanted," Bufford continued. "It's a shame, but at times students have been neglected — treated as second-rate citizens... Eagle Diner is intended to be a place that meets their needs."



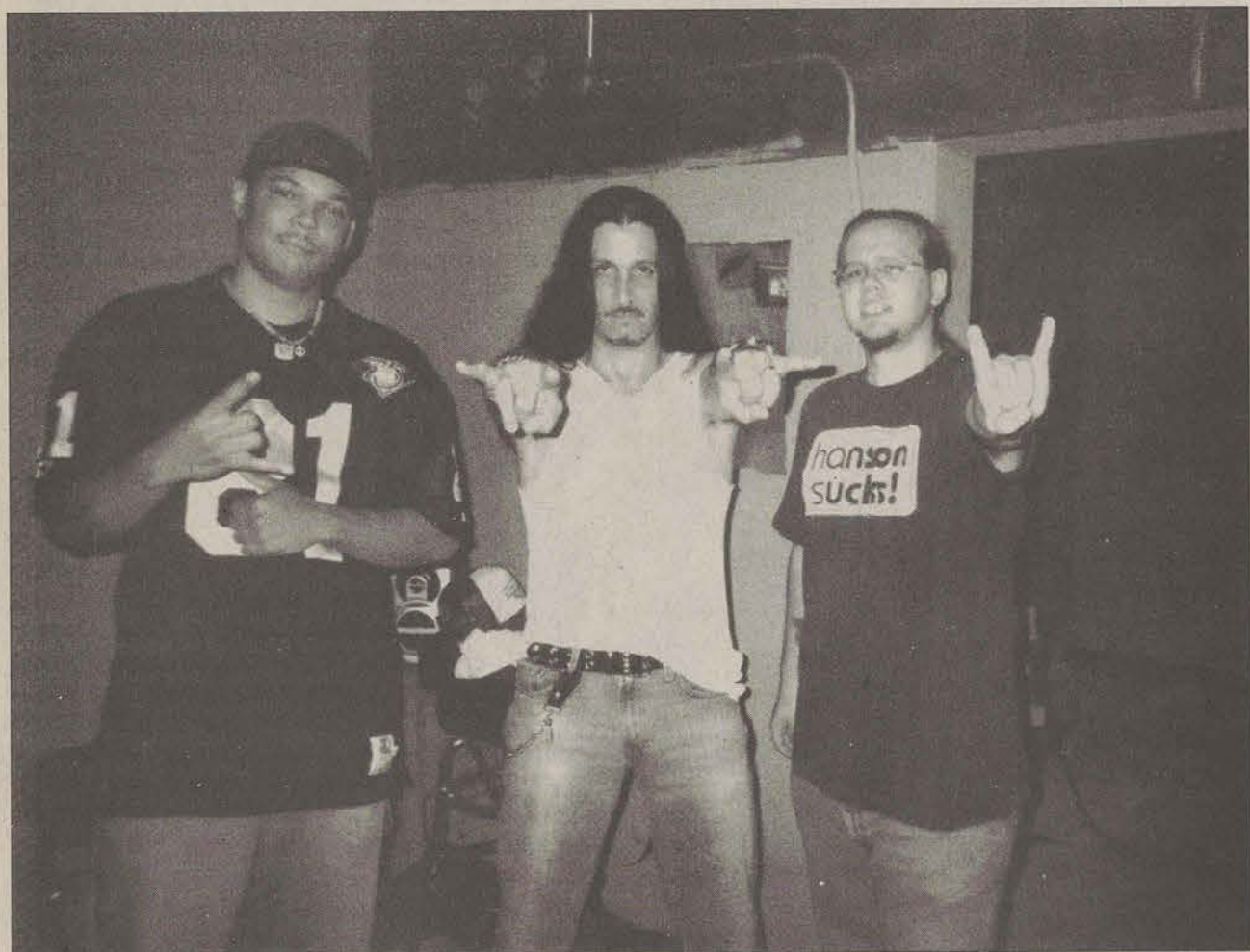
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Desserts spin temptingly in the display case just inside Eagle Diner. The kitchen area of the Diner is partially visible from parts of the dining room. Manager Jeremy Bufford makes an ornate cheese-cake dessert. Server Melissa Hicks checks on Wayne and Angie Johnson as they enjoy a meal. The area soon to become the coffee and cigar bar adjacent to the cafe features a beautiful, large wooden bar, hardwood floors, and a cozy floorplan.



TYPE O

Negative



Fox here. Unless you've been hiding under a rock for the past ten years, you already know who Type O Negative is. With their deep foreboding metal sound, they have been blasting their way around the world with such hits as "Love You to Death" and most recently "I Don't Wanna Be Me." Captain Cool, Anger, and I talked to Johnny Kelley before they played on Sept. 11 in Atlanta...

Fox(WVGS): Hey everybody, I'm here with Captain Cool and Anger, and we're here up at the Masquerade in Atlanta. We're talking with Johnny Kelley from Type O Negative. How's the tour going?

Johnny Kelley: The tour's been going great. We haven't been out in a while, and it's really encouraging to see how many people actually come out to the shows. It's also been encouraging to see all the young people that come to our shows. I guess we're reaching a different audience and not out here playing to the same people over and over again. So far so good. It's been a lot of fun.

FW: I caught you guys a couple years ago when you came through with Spineshank; this tour with Lacuna Coil is a really good match-up, and I was just wondering if it's hard to find opening acts that flow with your sound? Sometimes you get matched up with super heavy bands, really fast and hard stuff. Do you get to pick your openers?

JK: Sometimes it works out that the promoters will have some influence on it, sometimes it's a matter of finding a band that's available, something interesting that they offer, is it going to be good for the package, or is it something our label said they would like us to take this band or that band out. But I saw Lacuna Coil when I played for Danzig on the Blackest of the Black shows, which we did in the spring. Their name came up for the opening spot on this bill, and I recommended that we grab them. I thought they would do well with our audience. But you don't want to take out a band that sounds exactly like you, that's boring. It's very monotonous and it's cool to have a varied bill. The bands that we opened for when we were starting out didn't sound anything like Type O Negative. There's nothing similar with Motley Crue and Type O Negative. And that tour basically gave us an audience; most of our fans in the beginning were Motley Crue fans, cause that's who we opened up for. And then going out with Pantera, Queensryche; I guess the closest thing we ever did as an opener was going out with Danzig. Musically they aren't similar. Visually, yeah.

FW: Was the recording process on this album any different than past releases?

JK: The only thing that was different is that we did almost everything at Josh's (Silver, keyboardist) house, and then we went to Systems 2 and did the rest. Dumped it all in Pro Tools and worked there. But besides that, it was pretty much all the same. We're creatures of habit, you know. Change is not exactly in the fore-front of everybody's thinking in our company.

FW: The drums on the past couple albums have been done with a drum machine, instead of live drums. I was wondering what the reason behind that was? Speed, or efficiency?

JK: It's more about flexibility. As opposed to doing something analog, and once something's done it's done, and you can't go back and fix it if the guy's aren't playing well to it or whatever, then you have to do the song all over, instead of being able to go in with a couple clicks of the mouse and take care of it.

FW: A lot of bands tend to forget about their older songs once they hit the road, but you guys seem to mix it up on the setlist between old and new and not forget about your past releases, which I think is cool.

JK: I think it is Peter (Steele, singer and bass-

ist) being obsessed with being symmetrical. You have five records, two songs from each record. He gets very apprehensive about playing new material before it's been released, before it has a chance to get any exposure. But we've got two new songs in there, it's a good amount of time between each new song. It's fifteen minutes of new stuff, we're doing "Anesthesia" and "I Don't Wanna Be Me" live. I think it's a good representation of the new stuff, and then there's the songs that we'll have to play them forever, like "Black No. 1." I think we're doing two songs from October Rust: "Wolf Moon" and "Love You To Death," and sometimes we do "My Girlfriend's Girlfriend." I think we're only doing one song, the title track off of World Coming Down. Also, "Pain" and "I Know You're F*cking Someone Else" off the first record. So it gets pretty varied. It gets harder when you get so many records.

FW: Favorite song off of Life Is Killing Me?

JK: Have to be Nettie.

FW: Drum wise, or overall sound wise?

JK: I never look at a song just because of the drums, the drums are just part of the song. Just haven't been interested in listening to a song just for the drums. It's cool when it's a great song, it's well written, it has a great melody, a great hook. It can add flavor if it has a great drum pattern in it for me, but I'll be just as turned on with a great guitar melody or a great bass line.

FW: Still liking Roadrunner Records? I know your contract is almost up, are you going to renew?

JK: I don't know what we're going to do. They put the offer on the table, they want us to re-sign, but we're testing the waters right now, seeing what's out there, what's available to us. We're going to go with who has our best interests in mind, not theirs.

Captain Cool: You guys being from New York, just wanted to talk about September 11 right quick. Were you guys in New York when it happened, and do you think that memorials are necessary every year?

JK: I was definitely home when it happened. Guys like us, we weren't alive when JFK got assassinated, or when Pearl Harbor was attacked; I was a small child during the Vietnam War. This is the most catastrophic thing that has happened on home turf, except for the Civil War. And for it just to be pushed aside and say, 'Oh well that happened, that's like the most callous thing I can think of. We should be reminded every year, so that we make sure that it never happens again. I guess when you were home, and you saw it, and could taste it, it puts a whole new spin on the way you look at things. It was probably one of the most traumatic things I'll ever experience in my whole life.

CC: I agree, but I have to ask; I heard that a T.V. movie is going to be made about it, do you think it should be taken that far?

JK: Of course, when something happens that's such a big event in history, somebody in this day and age has to try and sensationalize it, and capitalize on it. I'd prefer a documentary on it, where it just gives the facts; I don't want some story about one person that lost her husband or wife. Being that I did live through it, and had friends die in it, I would like the movie to end where they caught the son of a b*tch, but they still can't get to that part. People should be more focused on finding that guy, instead of making

a movie about the buildings.

CC: Any crazy backstage stories?

JK: As far as crazy, we've been filming stuff, we're trying to put together another home DVD. There's been some crazy stuff, nothing really out there, just the usual pranks and tricks. We talked some girl into kicking her boyfriend in the nuts five times, just to get her on film. We had this guy in Seattle, this homeless guy, he was missing his arm, and we had him hold up a sign that said: 'I'd Give My Right Arm to See Type O Negative.'

CC: After over ten years in the business, is there any advice you could give to upcoming bands?

JK: Don't quit your day job. I'm not really in a position to give advice, because I'm barely surviving as it is. For me to say 'This is what you have to do,' if I knew the answer I'd be living a better life myself, and I'd make MY band more successful. You know, just have passion in what you're doing, it shouldn't matter if you make it or not.

CC: What are some of your favorite bands today?

JK: Still the same, Black Sabbath, Rolling Stones, Led Zeppelin, Beatles. Got a thing for the Helicopters right now. I like things that rock, old Aerosmith.

CC: Do you think today's bands lack integrity?

JK: A band like Tool has kept their integrity, part of that permeated over to A Perfect Circle; Audioslave, I like a lot. These are all bands that have existed for years, but have put a different spin on what they're doing. Nu-metal, I'm so glad it's fifteen minutes are almost up. I can't wait for it to go away.

CC: How about garage rock. The White Stripes in particular. What you think about that whole scene? And you have to be honest.

JK: Bands like that, I like a lot. They're writing songs with a good melody and hook, and has an attitude. I like rap music, what Eminem does is great, I like Missy Elliott, and the old guys like Run DMC, but it doesn't go to the other side...

CC: No crossover stuff.

JK: Yeah, no crossovers. Loud guitars just don't go with it. The White Stripes are just playing rock and roll, that stuff has been around forever, Bill Haley and the Comets, Little Richard, stuff like that, I don't have a problem with that at all. They're carrying a torch with something I can identify with.

Anger(WVGS): As a member of a popular band, I wanted to get your opinion on file sharing. Do you think it takes away from the industry, or does it help spread music to people that might not get it.

JK: Studies have shown, and statistics don't lie; it takes money out of the industry. For a band like us, it's taking money out of our pockets. We're not that big of a band, where we can afford X amount of potential sales lost to file sharing. At the same time, it's something we're going to have to live with, people are going to find ways to do it. I do it. I've been one of those responsible people that went out and actually bought the album afterwards. There's those college kids where they found that album sales have dropped significantly around campuses record stores, due to file sharing.

CC: I've seen a lot of bands give nicknames to their fans, what would you call your fans if



you don't already have a name for them?

JK: I never thought of it like that. They're our fans, and they're really dedicated. That's the first thing that came to mind when I think of that, never tried to give them any pet name or anything like that.

CC: Going along with the song "I Don't Wanna Be Me," who would you like to trade bodies with for a while?

JK: I wouldn't mind being Brad Pitt for a couple of days, or Johnny Depp. Those guys

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seem to know what's going on.

CC: Do you have any idea who's going to win the Super Bowl this year?

JK: I'd like to say the Redskins win, but I don't think it's going to happen. I'll say the Jets. I was never a hardcore football fan, but when I was younger I was dating this girl, and her brother told me if I wanted to come in the house I had to be a Redskins fan. So now I like the Redskins; back now it was cool, cause they were winning, but when Joe Gibbs left, it's been like hang your head.

CC: Ok, that about wraps it up. Thanks for talking to us, have a good show.

Both Lacuna Coil and Type O Negative went on to give the audience a great show. The concert was completely sold out, and everyone seemed to have a great time. Check out www.typeonegative.net for more information about the band, and make sure to tune in next time when the Captain and I talk to Mike from Arch Enemy!



C-DUBB, FROM PAGE 1

would play around with the turntables that his roommate had, just scratching away. Then he got serious and started to perfect his craft. C-Dubb put out a mix tape called "C-Dubb and Pimp City" that contained a remix he created of the Outkast classic "Skewit on the Bar-b." When people in his inner circle, which included some of the leading student d.j.'s like Dolowite, Scooby, and the Monopoly Brothers heard that record they told him that he needed to start d.j.-ing parties.

One of the first parties was one the Monopoly Brothers threw at Lakeside Café on campus. Since then he has deejayed almost every

Crunk is just letting loose, not holding back.

major party that GSU has seen.

When asked if there was a party scene for African American students, C-Dubb said, "GSU is not as much of a party school for the black students as it used to be," but says that might be because the students have been spoiled by some of the big acts that Steady Rizin, RRI, and the Yep Boys have brought to GSU.

"Students expect to see something when they go to the club, they don't want to go and just have fun."

Fun is what C-Dubb brings with him to the club when he d.j.s students can expect to get a full dose of the "Crunk" culture which

C-Dubb describes as a full out adrenaline rush.

"Crunk is just letting loose, not holding back," says C-Dubb. But just like a good Lil' Jon album, all things must come to an end, and this December C-Dubb, a.k.a. Clarence Williams, will be graduating with a degree in Broadcasting Administration. He says that he will continue to d.j. mostly in Atlanta while pursuing his ultimate goal of becoming a recording engineer. This is where his latest endeavor *Steady Rizin Presents: Out tha Trunk* comes in.

When asked what he wanted his legacy to be, C-Dubb responded simply, "The crunkiest d.j. ever at GSU." Looking at the trail he blazed, there is no reason why that legacy won't be fulfilled.

LYKA, FROM PAGE 1

Citing influences like Lucky Me, Cradle of Filth, Alison Kraus, and David Hasselhoff, Lyka Champ has a well-defined way of separating themselves from anything else available in the Statesboro local music scene. The band is self-described as "acoustic metal meets the Detroit Tigers."

Lead singer BJ "Lucky" Brush, lead guitarist Paul "The Machine" Eubanks, rhythm guitarist and back-up vocalist Sanj "Crazyhorse" Singh and bass guitarist "Less Than" Matt Yogus have been playing throughout the area since 2001, but the band's inception came two years before on Singh's porch.

The band's drummer, Jimmy Hoffa, chose to leave for reasons still unknown to the rest of the band. Since then, various beat-blasters from other local bands like Elohsa and Middle-Ground have graciously filled the position. The band is currently looking for a more permanent member, and those who enjoy the burning sensations of being dragged over hot coals should definitely look into auditioning.

Lyka Champ is not only a band, but an award-winning band. These plagues to podiums everywhere received Best Stage Presence at WVG's 2001 Battle of the Bands, and front-man Brush was recognized last year by the AHBA for having the "Best Belt Buckle."

"If 300 ninjas were rhythmically beating their junk on a steel drum while set on fire, and those guys from 'Queer Eye for the Straight Guy' are being tortured by rabbits with big pointy teeth - that's sort of like us," says guitarist Eubanks.

While he has definitely formed a strong basis for the thrashing sound Lyka Champ has made famous, Eubanks's involvement with the band did not stem from the desire to play music.

CRAWL, FROM PAGE 1

As two self-described "alumni" of Reality TV, Mark Long and Eric Nies still remain representatives of the industry after nearly ten years of appearances, tours, speaking events, and now bar crawls. The two characters of "Dave" and "Mark," they claim, have been kept alive through MTV's constant rerun of TV shows and steady creation of new shows starring their former reality TV casts.

"Television, it's an interesting monster. If you have a sitcom that's running every year for five or six years, everyone already knows who you are and you are in constant rotation on television. Our shows, you have the Real World, you have Road Rules. Now you have Road Rules Challenge, Battle of the Sexes, Battle of the Seasons, The Gauntlet, and reunions. MTV keeps our characters 'Mark' and 'Eric' alive," said Nies.

The duo claims that they have come a long way from their party days on MTV. The two now see themselves as the veteran members of this year's tour, with Long now realizing how he can "look at some of the cast and say 'Hey you should really think about what you're doing and how the public is going to perceive you.'"

Even though Nies does admit that, "when I was 20 years old and just jumped off the real world...I was going three or four nights a week...you go out and do those things, it's exciting...you feel like you're 'king.'"

They state that the tour is not to

relay the message that, "it is okay to go out there and binge drink." On the other hand, however, "there is nothing wrong with going out and having a good time, and having a couple of drinks. You're not going to see us in this video stumbling around. If anything, we have turned down drinks. There are people on this tour that want us to promote drinking...but you're not going to see me up on the bar pouring shots into someone's mouth, because that's not who I am in real life."

Nies and Long want to use their television fame in a positive way. They participate in at least two or three celebrity charity events a year where they get the chance to make a change for the better good of man.

"To be out there and be looked at in a positive way, we really get a kick out of that. To be able to go out and sit and speak with you guys, and say a couple of words that may inspire you or help direct you in a positive way to deal with your life is awesome!"

They hope that in the end, "some people will walk away from this saying 'that was the coolest thing ever, I have been wanting to meet them forever,'" says Nies.

The duo accompanied the other six members to Rum Runners, The Woodin' Nikel, and finally Legends before heading out to embark on their second half of the "reality bar crawl." Once the tour is over it will be released into an eight volume series, which fans can purchase on DVD.

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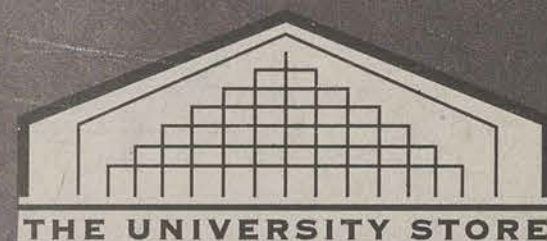
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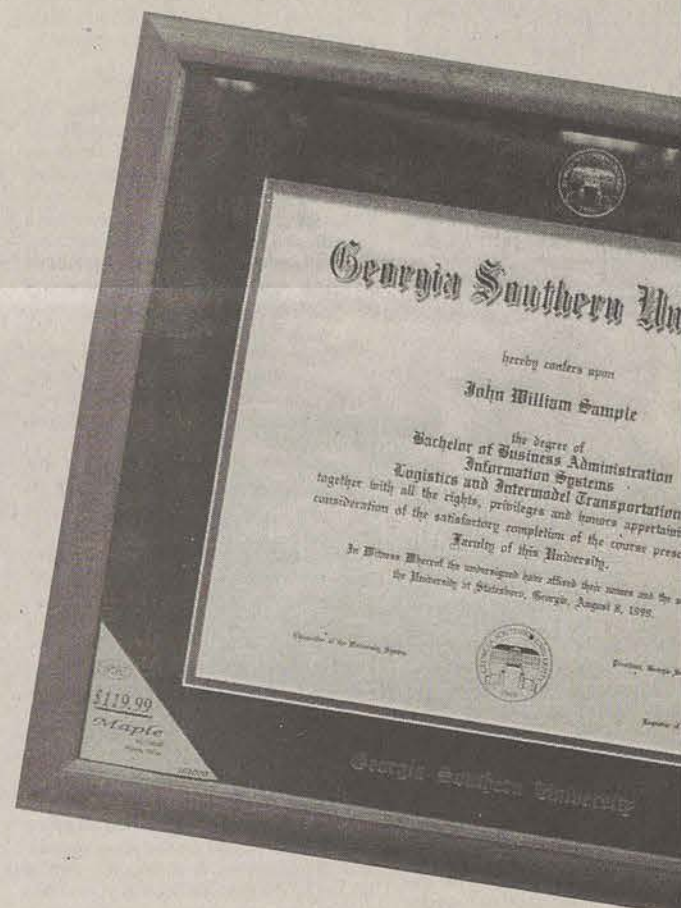
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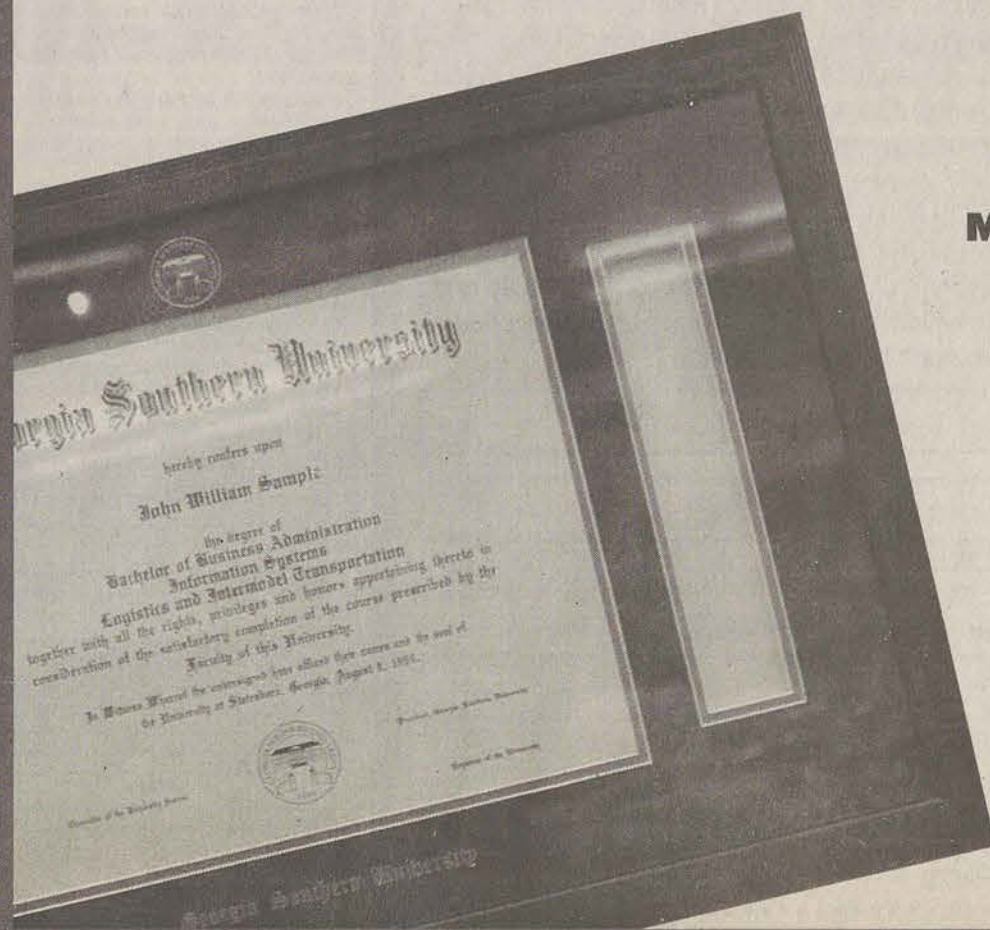
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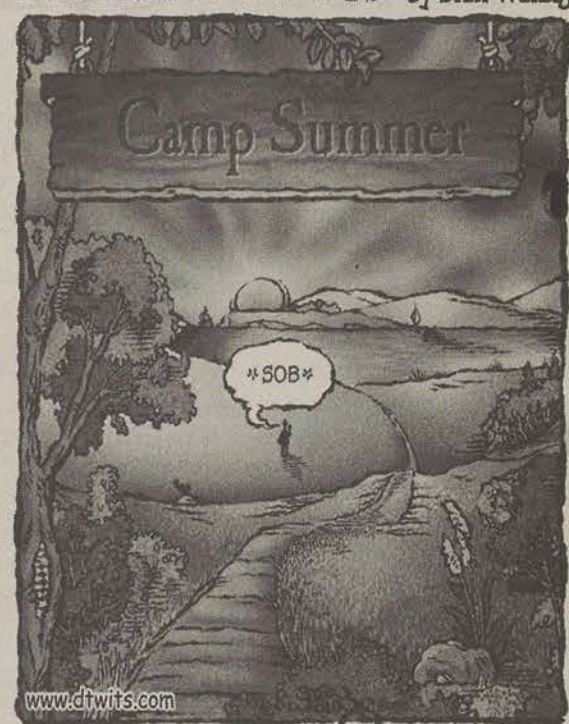
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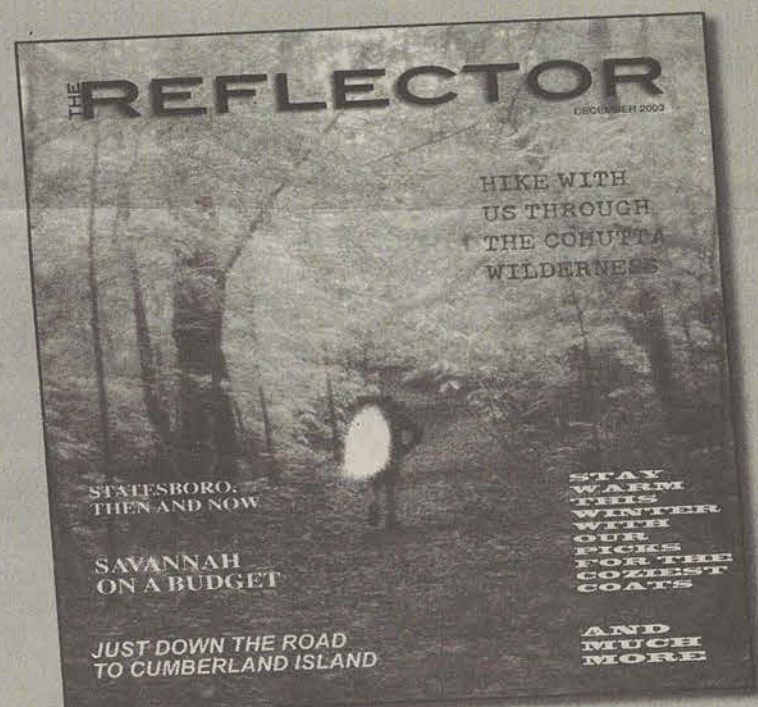
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Comedy Central 'Queer Eye' parody in the works

By Daniel Fienberg
KRT Campus

Launching this summer, Bravo's "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy" turned conventional mainstream sexual power dynamics upside down.

While not exactly branching too far from traditional stereotypes, the show suggested the possibility that after years of being mocked and diminished in popular culture representations, things had progressed to the point where homosexual protagonists were free to both mock and improve straight people.

Out of that fertile ground, two

"Queer Eye" parodies are set to emerge, both inverting the Bravo show's formula by introducing a panel of straight men ready to teach gay men how to pass for straight.

It may take a road map to tell the dueling parodies apart. Comedy Central is preparing "Straight Plan for the Gay Man" for a February launch, while Bravo will counter with the hour-long special "Straight Eye for the Queer Guy," set to air sometime next year.

The Comedy Central project will take the form of pure comedy in its three episodes. Four straight stand-up

veterans Curtis Gwynn, Billy Merritt, Kyle Grooms and Rob Riggle will be the Flab 4, a group of experts in the ways of heterosexual masculinity. The Flab 4 will be enlisted to help three gay men achieve their straight dreams.

The gay subjects include Jonathan, a fashion salesman who wants to understand the life of a blue collar worker; Roger, a yoga instructor who just wants to join a pick-up basketball game; and Stephen, a singer/dancer who would like to see if he could become a ladies man. The Flab 4 will give each of these men a crash course in straight male life, messing up their

clothes, stripping their kitchens bare and encouraging false egotism, as they let them pass as straight for a day.

It's going to be a bit like a fictional version of "The Man Show."

The first episode of "Straight Plan for the Gay Man" will air Feb. 17.

The tone of Bravo's reversal, which is expected to be a one-shot special, is a little fuzzier. "Queer Eye" creators David Collins and David Metzler will oversee "Straight Eye" and they intend to maintain the nonfiction framework.

"It's done in a fun spirit, a campy spirit, in a way that allows the straight

guys to have a little fun with the Fab 5," Collins promises.

While the special is still in the earliest planning stages, the producers speculate that the Fab 5 will be involved. They also hope that the panel of "straight" experts will include some of the men who were made-over in the first season of "Queer Eye."

"It's also a way to show that these two worlds are not that far apart, so if our Fab 5 are teaching straight guys how to dress and how to have better social skills, then we feel the straight guys should have the opportunity to show the Fab 5 how to throw a foot-

ball or how to enjoy a football game," adds Metzler.

While presumably the crash-courses in heterosexual mores will go beyond pigskin trivia and throwing the perfect spiral, the producers promise that the special will also include a mixture of valuable real lessons and light-hearted humor.

"There is going to be some take-away information there," Metzler says. "There's definitely going to be some things you're going to walk away with that are informative and there's gonna be some things that you're gonna walk away with that are just funny."

CHALLENGE, FROM PAGE 5

(unlikely in Statesboro, admittedly), you can even take your Gamecube memory card along and plug it into the machine. You can then drive with your custom vehicle in the arcade version, and if you place first in a race you unlock it in the home version.

This is a game designed with the expectation that it will be played for months, if not years, to come, and that's the problem, in a way. If there is a thing wrong with F-Zero GX, it's the difficulty. This is a game which many people will simply not beat.

I'm no slouch when it comes to these things, and I have to say I could feel the heat on Standard difficulty, which is only the second of four levels. Word is that the hardest - Master - truly lives up to its name, yet the coolest un-lockables only come once it is vanquished.

But if you don't care about un-locking everything in the game, then you'll have a great time with F-Zero GX. It is just impossible to look at all 25 unique tracks blazing by at a flawless 60 frames a second and not be impressed. It's truly a blast to play. But it's unlikely you'll ever beat it.

You can consider that a challenge if you want, or a dare. Myself, I call it fair warning.



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ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Why worry about parking when the exercise is free?



October 8, 2003 marked the official beginning of the Alternative Transportation Program at Georgia Southern. Members of the environmental student group SAGE handed out flyers promoting biking and walking to classes for students all across campus.



By Kim Wicker
kimberlywicker@hotmail.com

It's no secret that parking is a problem on Georgia Southern's campus.

Some changes that have been made to improve the situation are obvious, such as more parking lots or the option to have a priority commuter parking decal. However, many students may not be aware of the Alternative Transportation Program (ATP) that has been in existence since October 8. The program was created to encourage students to reduce their dependence on cars to get to and around campus.

The ATP asks students to consider the benefits of walking or biking to campus, including: getting exercise while going to class, no more stress from parking, and doing something good for the environment.

Gina Zimmerman, a 27-year-old Biology graduate student at GSU, has been biking to campus for about two and a half years.

Zimmerman treks five miles roundtrip, something she looks forward to every day.

"Not a day goes by where I don't feel good about riding," she says. "Feeling good about my health, and mostly feeling good that I'm not putting miles on my vehicle and putting unnecessary pollutants into the air."

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Once more, TV hauls out its Yule jewels

By Doug Nye
KRT Campus

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, especially on television. Since Nov. 1, dozens of Yuletide-themed commercials have been running on network and cable.

Get ready for even more mistletoe and holly as TV gears up for a lengthy holiday celebration with loads of specials, movies and seasonal episodes of many regular series.

There will be some new holiday offerings, but all the old favorites will be back, too.

That jolly, happy soul "Frosty the Snowman" gets things started early, making his annual visit at 8 p.m. Nov. 28 on CBS. "Rudolph" arrives at 8 p.m. Dec. 9, also on CBS. The beloved "A

Charlie Brown Christmas" airs on ABC on Dec. 13.

Once again, the offbeat comedy "A Christmas Story" will be the most frequently shown movie of the holiday season. A 24-hour marathon showing of the flick begins at 6 p.m. Christmas Eve on TNT. Based on the writings of Jean Shepherd, the warm and witty 1983 movie perfectly captures the awe and excitement of the holiday season as seen through the eyes of a kid.

"It's a Wonderful Life" will air twice on NBC - at 8 p.m. Dec. 13 and again on Christmas Eve. Few films capture the spirit of "peace on Earth, good will to men" like this 1946 Frank Capra classic starring James Stewart.

New to the holiday TV sweep-

stakes this season is "I Want a Dog for Christmas, Charlie Brown" which airs at 8 p.m. Dec. 9 on ABC.

The number of Christmas specials and movies has snowballed in recent years, and it's almost impossible to list every one. Many of your favorite network series will have special holiday episodes. Disney, the Cartoon Network and other channels will have dozens of holiday shows throughout the next month.

ABC Family again will have its 25 Days of Christmas beginning Dec. 1. During that time, such favorites as "The Year Without Santa Claus," "The Little Drummer Boy," "Santa Claus is Coming to Town" and "Frosty's Winter Wonderland" will have multiple showings.

Television Schedule for holiday specials December 4 - December 25

DEC. 4

• 8 p.m. "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" The animated classic narrated by Boris Karloff. Cartoon Network.

DEC. 6

• 8 p.m. "The Muppets' Christmas Carol" Michael Caine stars as Scrooge in this delightful 1992 adaptation of Dickens' classic. NBC.

DEC. 7

• 7:30 p.m. "Saturday Night Live Christmas" The cast takes on the holidays. NBC.

• 9 p.m. "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" Chevy Chase stars in this hilarious comedy about a Christmas when everything seems to go wrong for his family. NBC.

• 9 p.m. "Undercover Christmas" Jami Gertz, Tyne Daly and Shawn Christian in a story about an uptight FBI agent assigned to protect a fast-talking cocktail waitress - during the holidays. CBS.

DEC. 9

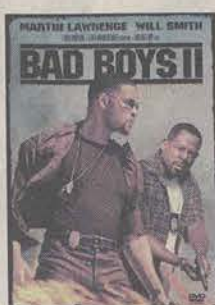
• 8 p.m. "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" Burl Ives narrates this beloved special about the reindeer with the shiny nose who helps Santa one foggy Christmas Eve. CBS.

• 8 p.m. "I Want a Dog for Christmas, Charlie Brown" In this new special, ReRun asks Snoopy to invite his canine brother Spike to visit them for Christmas. It turns out to be an unforgettable holiday experience. ABC.

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Happy Holidays

The George-Anne staff would like to wish all of our readers a safe holiday season. We're done for this semester, but we'll be back on newstands across campus January 8th.



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Thursday December 4th

Symphonic Wind Ensemble & Oasis Concert

Carol A. Carter Recital hall, 8 p.m.

Club Mud Fall Exhibition & Sale

Ceramic and Sculpture Studio, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.

OUT AND ABOUT

Friday December 5th Last Day of Classes!!!

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Planetarium, 6 p.m., 6:30 p.m., and 7 p.m.

'The Invisible Ones'

Black Box Theatre, 6 p.m.

Saturday December 6th

Club Mud Fall Exhibition & Sale

Ceramic and Sculpture Studio, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

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Sunday December 7th

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- Silly with Willy @ Woodin Nikel
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Films

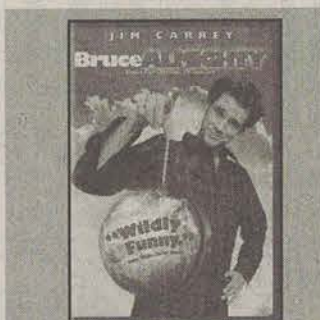


Though a *Haunted Mansion* is quite funny, *A Cat in the Hat* made more money. Halle may look hot when scared, but a feline in stripes most famously fared.

- 1 *Dr. Seuss' The Cat in the Hat*
- 2 *The Haunted Mansion*
- 3 *Elf*
- 4 *Gothika*
- 5 *Bad Santa*
- 6 *Master and Commander*
- 7 *The Missing*
- 8 *Timeline*
- 9 *Love Actually*
- 10 *Brother Bear*

DVD/Video

- 1 *Bruce Almighty*
- 2 *X2: X-Men United*
- 3 *Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life*
- 4 *Terminator 3*
- 5 *The Italian Job*
- 6 *Finding Nemo*
- 7 *Legally Blonde 2*
- 8 *The Santa Clause 2*
- 9 *Dumb and Dumber 2*
- 10 *Anger Management*



It's no miracle that Jim Carey's portrayal of God brought *Bruce Almighty* to the No. 1 DVD/Video spot this week.

BOX OFFICE PREVIEW



Honey



A tough sexy dancer from the inner city follows her dreams to become a choreographer. When she achieves success she finds she must make a tough decision. *1h44 mns. PG-13.*



The Last Samurai



Tom Cruise stars as Civil War veteran Captain Woodrow Algren. Set in the late 1870s Japan, this epic film depicts the modernization of the country. It is told through the eyes of Cruise's character. *2h 24m. R.*

Theatre & Performance's presents 'The Invisible Ones' Friday

Special to G-A

Friday December 5, 2003 Theatre and Performance will present "The Invisible Ones," a Performance Works In Progress that deals with the plight of the homeless at 6 p.m. in the Black Box Theatre located in the Communication Arts Building.

The brainchild of Kristyl Tift, the president of Theatre and Performance, the Performance Works In Progress shows the every day struggle of those who are homeless in cities such as Statesboro and others around the country.

The monologues, mostly written by Tift, have their pulse on the problem of the homeless epidemic in our country. The performers take the powerful words and craft them into an emotional experience that will leave the audience in awe of what a true problem homelessness is. It is a thought provoking piece that is like no other. It will inspire change in the audience and make the viewer realize how truly grateful they should be.

Presented originally in conjunction with Homelessness Awareness Week in October, this is a one-night-only performance. For those who missed it in October, please be sure not to miss it again. It is an experience audience members will never forget. Admission is free, but donations are welcomed. All proceeds go to the United Way.

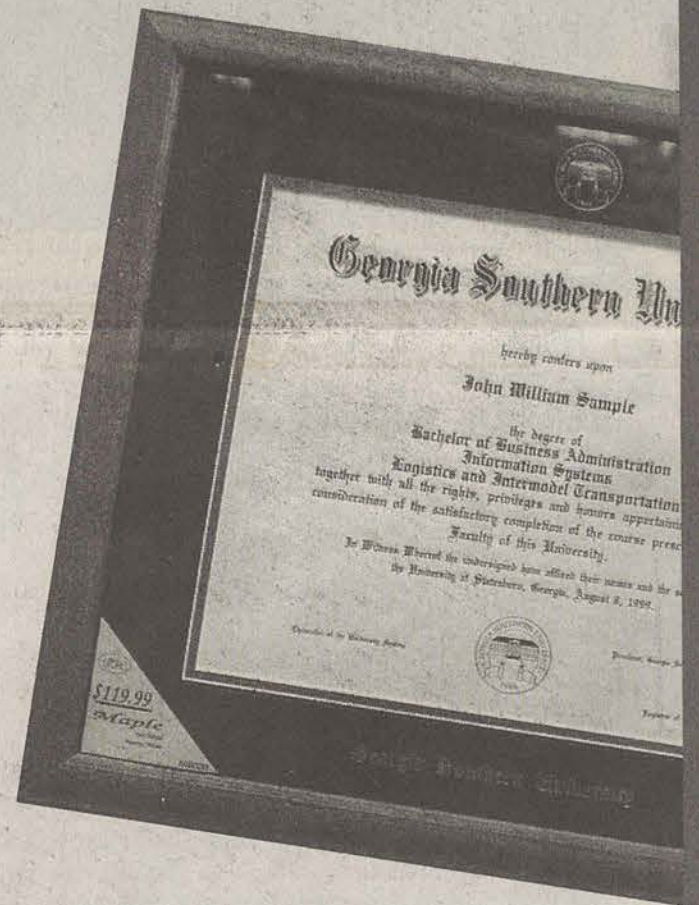
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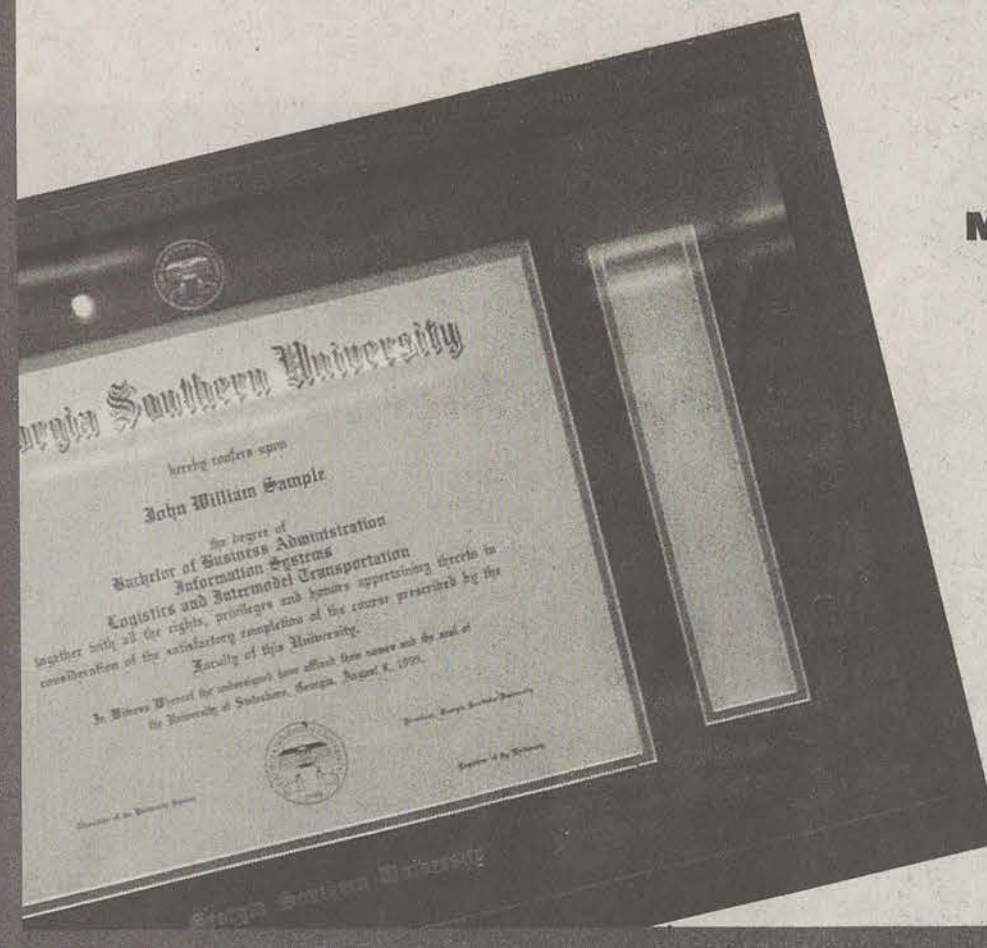
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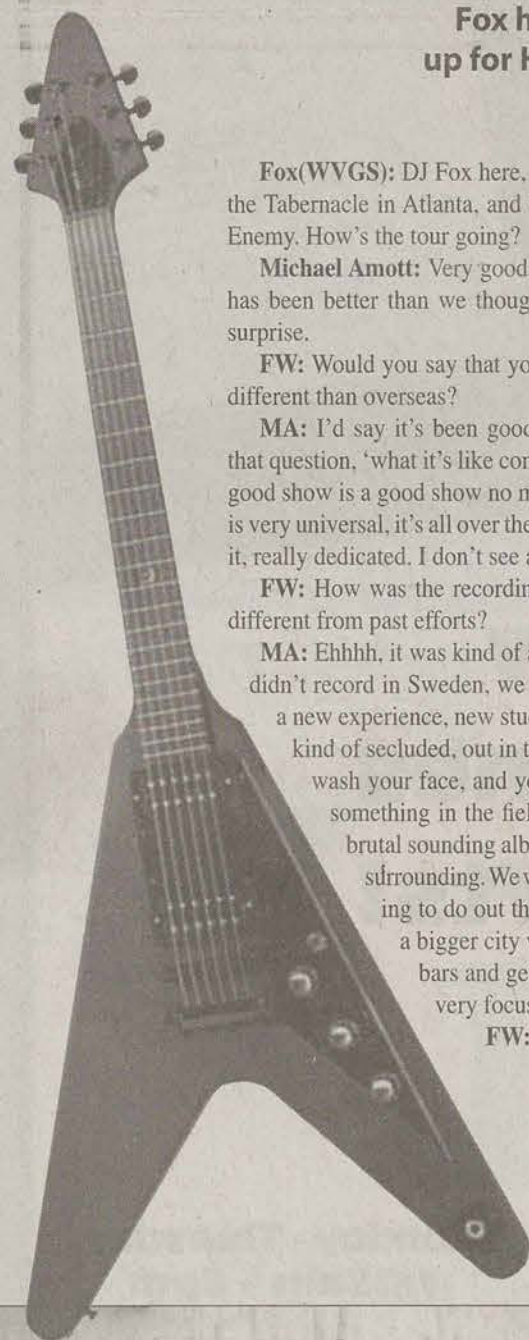


Arch Enemy shows off stage presence in Atlanta



All photos courtesy of www.archenemy.net

Fox here. The Captain and I recently headed up to the Tabernacle in Atlanta to catch Arch Enemy open up for Hatebreed and Slayer on the Jägermeister Tour. We talked to the guitarist, Mike, after their set.



Fox(WVGS): DJ Fox here, I'm here with Captain Cool up at the Tabernacle in Atlanta, and we're talking to Mike from Arch Enemy. How's the tour going?

Michael Amott: Very good, the response we've been getting has been better than we thought we'd get, it's been a pleasant surprise.

FW: Would you say that your touring experience here is any different than overseas?

MA: I'd say it's been good everywhere. People always ask that question, 'what it's like compared to over there,' but I think a good show is a good show no matter where you are. Metal music is very universal, it's all over the world, and the fans are really into it, really dedicated. I don't see a big difference really.

FW: How was the recording of the new album? Was it any different from past efforts?

MA: Eh, it was kind of a different experience because we didn't record in Sweden, we were in England, the U.K. It was a new experience, new studio. It was very positive. We were kind of secluded, out in the countryside. You wake up, you wash your face, and you look up and see some cows or something in the field. I don't know how we got that brutal sounding album, because it was a very tranquil surrounding. We were pretty focused, there was nothing to do out there. In the past we've recorded in a bigger city where you can always hang out in bars and get distracted, but this time we were very focused.

FW: How is it with a female singer

now? This is your second album with Angela; before you had a male singer. Are there any big differences?

MA: Eh, I guess there are some differences, but we don't really take notice; she's been in the band for about three years now. I think other people notice it more than we do, we don't really think about it too much. She's one of the guys really.

FW: She's pretty scary onstage.

MA: She's really driven, really musical, really into what she's doing, focused. She gave us all a big kick in the backside to really focus and dedicate ourselves 100% to this band. When she made the commitment to join, she had to relocate from another country, so it was like, maybe it's time to focus, crunch time.

FW: How about summing up the band's theme, what Arch Enemy is all about.

MA: Lyrically, this album is a lot more focused, but usually we just cover all kinds of stuff, there's not one message. I don't think the world is like that, I don't think it's black or white, I think it's just a big gray area. We like to write about that; I guess the lyrics are getting a little bit more personal, every album there a little bit more about what matters to us. Still, most of the songs are like a type of dark poetry. It's not something you'd say, 'well this song is about that,' it's more about trying to vibe with the music. The thing with the band is we want to make really fast, heavy, catchy music. I guess what we're doing is a type of extreme metal, but we want to write good songs in that format.

Captain Cool: Would you consider this being a major tour for you?

MA: We've never done anything this big in the U.S. before.

Definitely a step up for us touring wise. We've done a few big tours, we supported Iron Maiden in Europe, but over here we've only done smaller underground tours. Our own tours, or supporting other small bands.

CC: Then I guess it's cool to get all this coverage, what with the t-shirts, the DVD's, and all that...

MA: Eh, it's good to be connected with Slayer. I got into them a long time ago, and they are kind of the pioneers of this type of music, of extreme metal. Obviously we have Slayer influences in our music, and it's good to go out and play with them.

CC: What you were saying earlier about your band being focused, do you see a lack of integrity like that in the music world today?

MA: I don't know, I don't put myself on a high horse and judge other people; I think it depends on the person, on what they do with their music. I think a lot of bands suck, but I don't want to pick out bands or anything. I think all the bands on this tour are great, Hatebreed and Slayer, those are two bands with integrity out there working it, playing extreme music. There's always the stuff out there made to make millions. I don't think any of us here are that kind of band. There's a fan base for this kind of music, but it's more underground.

CC: Are you guys big sports fans, any soccer fans?

MA: No, no sports fans in the group. Got out of that pretty easy.

CC: Eh, ok. That about does it. Have a good rest of the tour!

The band played a great set. Go to www.archenemy.net to learn more about the band.



V-A vs V.A.

The First Annual VA Awards:

The Good, The Bad &

The Down Right Stupid in '03

Doesn't it seem like every possible entertainment organization has an award show? There used to be a time when there was just the Grammys, the Oscars, and the Emmys. Now it seems everyone wants to get in the award show business. This year it just got ridiculous. Over 50 award shows were televised this year, most of them boring and uneventful. So we decided to throw our hats in the award show ring and see what mindless awards we could give out. As always, email either V.A. at evonamos@hotmail.com or V.A. Patrick Slade at vapatricksnade@yahoo.com their respective addresses with comments.



Erik V-A Howard



V.A. Patrick Slade

AWARD: MOVIE THAT LEFT YOU CRYING LIKE A BABY.

NOMINEES: Seabiscuit, Radio, or Tears of the Sun

WINNER:

V-A: Radio. Many people will never admit to getting misty-eyed at the movie theater, but watching "Radio" leaves you really no choice. This was one of the best movies of the year and the performance of Cuba Gooding just makes you feel the pain in his life.

V.A.: Radio. I wear contacts and by the end of this film one was missing. Cuba Gooding finally has done a good film in 2003.

AWARD: Played SO DAMN MUCH SONG OF THE YEAR.

NOMINEES: In Da Club- 50 cent, Crazy in Love- Beyonce, or Rock Your Body-Justin Timberlake

WINNER:

V-A: In Da Club- 50 Cent. Hands down the winner of this award is "In Da Club," you heard this song at least 20 times a day in its peak. It was played on radio, tv, at sports games, in the club, at the club, outside the club-Damn. Then it died down some, but when you here that "go shorty it's your birthday" you just get up and move your ass to the beat.

V.A.: Crazy In Love. I love Beyonce and all, but damn come on. This song was on every channel on the radio and on t.v. She got played out really quickly, and I will be happy if I never hear this song again.

AWARD: MOST SELFLESS ACT.

NOMINEES: P. Diddy, or Oprah

WINNER:

V-A: P. Diddy. Diddy ran the city-- for the kids. He set out to run the NYC marathon and raise \$1 Million for the NYC public schools. He ran the marathon in 4 hours and raised \$2 million. He ran the marathon in less than perfect shape, with injuries to his feet and knees.

V.A.: Neither. Both of those in this category have enough money to pay off over a million people's charities. Their "selfless acts" are just plays for media attention that don't warrant a second look. Get it together in '04 Oprah and P. Diddy.

AWARD: BLOWUP OF THE YEAR.

NOMINEES: 50 Cent, Ashton Kutcher, or Orlando Bloom

WINNER:

V-A: Ashton Kutcher. Ashton has blew up big time from dating Demi Moore to movies and television series. Ashton has been laying it down. What really helped put him over was his MTV series "Punk'd."

V.A.: Ashton Kutcher. He came out of thin air. Of course "That 70's Show" has been on the air for a while, and he has done a few films, and "Punk'd." He was not this big last year, was he? Maybe screwing older women gets you famous? Hmm!

AWARD: DUMBEST ENTERTAINMENT ITEM OF THE YEAR

NOMINEES: Jessica Simpson, Dumb and Dumber-Movie, or Macho Man Randy Savage's Rap CD

WINNER:

V-A: Jessica Simpson. Without a doubt Jessica

Simpson is well deserving of this award. She helped perpetuate the stereotype of the Dumb Blonds. Her series "Newlyweds" was good because you wanted to see what next dumb ass thing she was going to say or do.

V.A.: Dumb and Dumberer. How can you have a sequel or a prequel without the original actors? Of course it's years before, but neither the acting nor the script were good. Dumb entertainment? That's too good for this crap.

AWARD: WORST SEQUEL

NOMINEES: Charlie's Angels 2, Terminator 3, or The Matrix: Reloaded

WINNER:

V-A: Charlie's Angels 2. While the other 2 were well deserving of this honor Angels 2 was the worst misuse of \$50 million dollars in the history of American film. The only good part about this film was the humor of Bernie Mac, but still he couldn't help this film enough. Lets hope there is no CA-3.

V.A.: Terminator 3. I've harped on the horrible "Matrix" sequels through the year, but this award goes to the mega hype and equally disappointing "end" to the Terminator series. The storyline basically was the same. What did the viewer garner after the film? We now know that the war is inevitable.

AWARD: THE MOST OVER HYPED EVENT OF THE YEAR.

NOMINEES: Britney, Madonna, and Christina's kiss at the VMAs, Ben & Jennifer, or The Matrix-Sequels

WINNER:

V-A: Britney, Madonna, and Christina's kiss at the VMAs. Everyone enjoys a good kiss but with Britney, Madonna, and Christina, it was just so interesting for about 2 minutes after. I've seen better kisses from real lesbians that didn't get as much press as this.

V.A.: Ben and Jennifer. Who cares any more who she is screwing, engaged to, or marrying? She is super hyped in her own right, just by who she dates. Ben is just another pawn in her game of relationship chess. Did anyone see "Gigli?" HORRIBLE. My opinion is that the relationship will last until their second film "Jersey Girl" comes out. It really shouldn't last that long.

AWARD: THE MAKE IT GO AWAY AWARD

NOMINEES: Reality T.V., Kobe Bryant media coverage or Keanu Reeves

WINNER:

V-A: Reality T.V. We have survived "Survivor," been fooled by "Joe Millionaire," and seen regular "Joe Schmo" fooled. Now we have rich girls on the farms.

V.A.: All of the Above. It's a tie. Not only can I not stand Reality T.V., Kobe Bryant's media coverage, and Keanu Reeves, but also they are practically the same thing. Reality is technically not real (fixed). Kobe Bryant has been in L.A. too long, he's such a great actor for the public (soap opera). Keanu Reeves has signed a pack with the devil. That's the only plausible explanation as to why he keeps getting acting gigs.

YA' HEARD

"Have-Notz": A new Southern based group

By April Fordham

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Creating underground legends is what the South is most famous for. Make no mistakes, the South likes underdog status, but the sun does shine on the once unknown. Have-Notz Media is one of those underground groups making waves. King James, T-Saint Bolds and Buck C make up the group The Have Notz. They are not looking for fame. What they are looking for is consciousness and pride.

They are able to accomplish that on the group's third underground project "Children of the Ghetto." This album shows off a more mature but still militant take on urban life. It almost becomes poetry in its construct.

"Have-Notz" seeks to promote urban life in a way that brings pride to the culture that has endured so much hardship, but has also managed to fascinate the world," says group member and GSU alum King James, a.k.a James Fordham. Raised in the southwest slums of Atlanta, Fordham is very familiar with the urban life that he conveys in his music.

Buck Gee (a.k.a Gerald McFarley) is part two of the "Have-Notz" and is also co-founder of the group. He feels that the group brings a certain devotion to the culture and that is what keeps the group focused. McFarley is one of the group's and the company's greatest assets. He is the strongest link to the streets. A young seed in the mid 70s, Gerald has managed to navigate his way to become a respected man amongst the natives of the underground scene.

"Through our chosen forms of media: video, print, and music, we will provide knowledge, entertainment, opportunities, and hope to a tribe that has birthed some of the world's most creative minds." T-Saint, a.k.a. Samori Bolds, the third member of the group, is also a co-founder with experience in graphic and logo design.

This is an album and a group you should not sleep on. Share the culture, and spread the wealth.



Underground Atlanta based group Have-Notz debuts their newest albums. It's a mix of consciousness, pride, and militance.

ATP, FROM PAGE 1B

Despite the benefits she experiences, there have been some drawbacks. "Some people are quite rude when passing a helpless biker. I even got hit by a car two years ago riding into school," Zimmerman said. By riding her bike to school, Zimmerman is adding to the environmentally sound solutions that the Georgia Southern Environmental Network (GSEN) is continually searching for.

The GSU administration is responsible for the parking solutions on campus. Whatever the administration decides to do in the future to positively affect parking, the problem will be easier to solve if the number of cars on campus are reduced, says Dr. Ray Chandler, president of GSEN. "ATP is an effort to encourage students and faculty to walk, bike, or at the very least, carpool to campus," said Dr. Chandler.

In the future, GSEN would like to see a mass-transit system implemented at Georgia Southern. "We would like to see a system of energy-efficient buses or trams that would make regular rounds to campus buildings, parking lots, or nearby apartment complexes."

Until that day comes, students and faculty are urged to do whatever they can to use alternative transportation methods. In addition to cutting back on traffic and parking stress, biking, walking, or skating to class is a good way to get in exercise without going to the gym.

According to Preventive Medicine, simply walking 10,000 steps per day can significantly improve the quality of health of an individual. Although this may seem like a lot, this number can easily be achieved through simple means such as walking more or taking the stairs instead of the elevator.

According to the "10K Steps to Health" website, inactive people take 2,000-4,000 steps per day, moderately active people take about 5,000-7,000 steps, and active people take about 10,000 steps per day, which adds up to about five miles of walking each day.

TELEVISION, FROM PAGE 1B

DEC. 12

• 10 p.m. "Jack Frost"

Michael Keaton stars as a father who dies and comes back to his family as a snowman. TNT.

DEC. 13

• 8 p.m. "It's a Wonderful Life"

James Stewart stars in the 1946 Frank Capra classic about the man who wishes he had never been born and gets his wish. NBC.

• 8 p.m. "A Charlie Brown Christmas"

With Linus' help, the Peanuts gang learns that there is more to Christmas than jingle bells and artificial Christmas trees. ABC.

DEC. 14

• 9 p.m. "A Christmas Carol"

Patrick Stewart stars as Scrooge in this updated version of the Dickens classic. Repeated at midnight. TNT.

DEC. 18

• 8 p.m. "A Christmas Story"

A wonderfully nostalgic 1983 movie, set in the 1940s, about the boy Ralphie (Peter Billingsley) who wants a Red Ryder BB rifle for Christmas. TCM.

DEC. 20

• 8 p.m. "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation 2: Cousin Eddie's Island Adventure"

Randy Quaid reprises his role as Cousin Eddie from "National Lampoon's Vacation." NBC.

DEC. 22

• 1:30 p.m. "How the Grinch Stole Christmas"

The animated classic narrated by Boris Karloff. Cartoon Network.

DEC. 23

• 9:30 a.m. "How the Grinch Stole Christmas"

The animated classic narrated by Boris Karloff. Cartoon Network.

DEC. 24

• 8 p.m. "Meet Mein St. Louis"

Judy Garland stars in this fun piece of Americana that includes her singing "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas." TCM.

• 10 p.m. "The 1942 movie in which Bing Crosby introduced the song "White Christmas"

Fred Astaire co-stars. TCM.

DEC. 25

• 11 a.m. "Walt Disney World Christmas Parade"

Regis Philbin and Mickey Mouse host this annual holiday event. ABC.

• 1 p.m. "Ben-Hur"

Charlton Heston stars in the spectacular 1959 Best Picture Oscar winner. TCM.

• 4 p.m. "Christmas Skating Spectacular"

NBC.

• 5 p.m. "King of Kings"

Jeffrey Hunter stars as Jesus in the 1961 film. TCM.

• 6 p.m. "Jack Frost"



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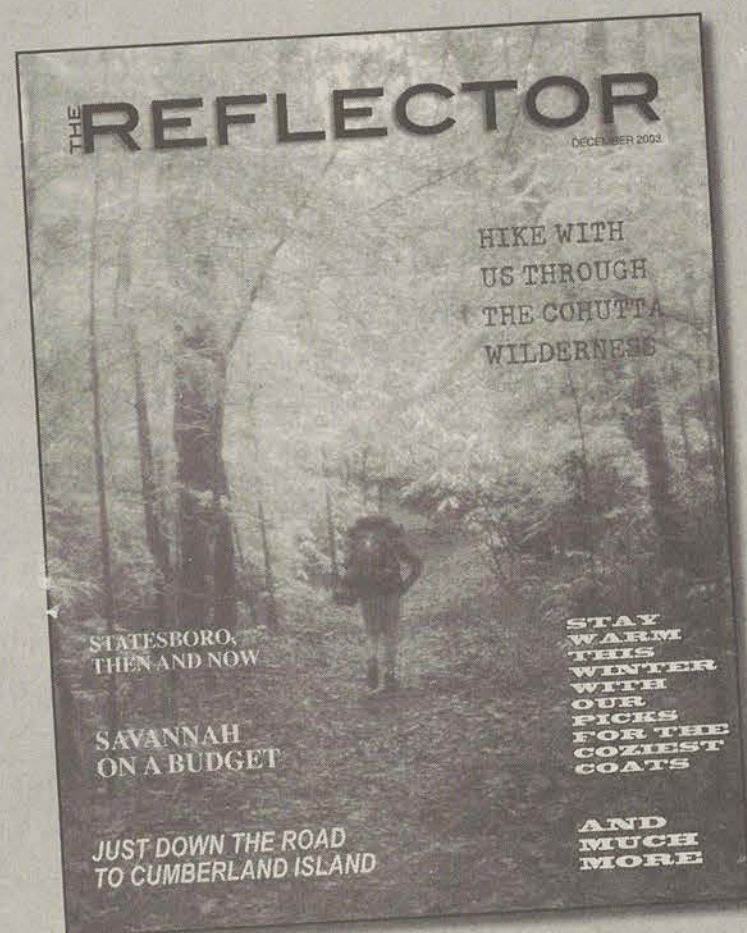
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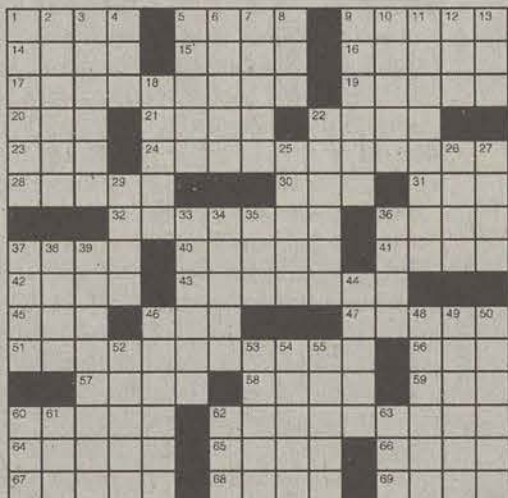
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Aries (March 21-April 20). Sudden intuitions require a response. Before midweek expect loved ones to be moody, insightful and introspective. Ask gently probing questions and watch for new levels of sensuality or romance. All reactions and comments will be closely scrutinized. Thursday through Sunday, financial records may prove misleading. Official documents and short-term employment contracts will demand added negotiations. Carefully study all facts, details and deadlines.

Taurus (April 21-May 20). Ask authority figures for clear instructions and verified documents. Improved policies or last-minute business changes will require constant effort. Avoid appearing disinterested. At present, key officials are highly motivated to correct yesterday's mistakes. Late Saturday, a surprising romantic attraction may prove distracting. Group events and new social introductions are highlighted. Don't doubt your feelings. Friends and relatives will eventually offer support.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Previously confident colleagues may ask for guidance or support. Be diplomatic but provide detailed descriptions of new instructions. Some Gemini, especially those born early in June, will be offered a revised workplace role or new title. Job promotions will briefly cause political tensions. Stay balanced. After Friday, loved ones may challenge established social habits or family routines. Respond quickly and expect group indecision or delays in the home.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Love relationships will expand to include new goals or unique family gatherings. Group dynamics and social politics will be complex, but delightful, over the next four days. Use this time to outline creative plans and home improvements. Cancerians born after 1972 will also experience a dramatic expansion of financial duties. After midweek, minor health concerns affecting the lower back, spine or reproductive system will fade. Go slow and regain all physical vitality.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). Personal spending and daily money habits will need to be re-evaluated. Unexpected home expenses or revised payments may be accepted. Financial strain will be brief, so not to worry. Do, however, plan for extra repairs, new obligations or sudden large purchases. Later this week, long-term relationships begin an intense phase of emotional negotiation. Close friends and romantic partners expect added loyalty, new promises or bold public support.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Before Wednesday, workplace negotiations or subtle comments from authority figures may

prove misleading. Areas affected are short-term contracts, special assignments or revised paperwork. Instructions may be unworkable. Ask for clarity and wait for new ideas. Later this week, planned family events may be canceled or postponed. Unexpected travel plans, business contracts or financial restrictions are accented. Offer encouragement but respond only to reliable promises.



Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Career dreams and lost ambitions will return. Pay special attention to practical planning, funding or revitalized business proposals. Many Librans will adopt an active and outgoing attitude toward workplace improvement or rare sources of income. Listen to sincere advice and expect quick changes. Officials and mentors will prove helpful. After Friday, a close friend may require extra encouragement. Family triangles and romantic doubt are accented; be diplomatic.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22). Early this week, potential friends and lovers are attracted to your social charm or emotional style. Confidence and humor will be delightful themes in new relationships. Watch for group events, quick invitations and fresh introductions to be captivating and worthwhile. Thursday through Sunday, a close friend or relative may feel isolated in the workplace. Unusual business politics will require delicate social planning. Advocate

caution and subtle group diplomacy.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21). Yesterday's financial promises or documents may demand clarification. After Wednesday, older relatives or key officials may ask for detailed records and lengthy explanations. Go slow and carefully consider all options. Money plans, revised job choices and home decisions will eventually prove accurate. Friday through Sunday, romantic discussions intensify. Expect long-term partners to actively seek deeper commitments, new promises or detailed family planning.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20). Social invitations are unexpectedly complex. Late Wednesday, respond quickly to proposed plans or group events. Friends and colleagues may be sensitive to small delays or last-minute reversals. Offer reliable promises and detailed personal information. Thursday through Sunday also highlight financial complications and revised business procedures. Allow partners and officials extra time. Key decisions and long-term policy changes may be unusually difficult.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19). Avoid delicate business or financial discussions over the next four days. Before Thursday, loved ones or older officials may be moody and unresponsive. Areas affected are money decisions, private loans or short-term work assignments. Remain patient. Workplace relations will return to normal. Later this week, a social triangle or misunderstanding in the home can be easily resolved. Pay special attention to traditional roles and established habits and all will be well.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20). Late Wednesday, a close friend or relative may ask for detailed social advice. Romantic disputes or distant relationships may be a strong concern. Provide clear options but avoid controversial involvement. At present, the emotional expectations of loved ones are unpredictable. Friday through Sunday, plan unique home events or private romantic encounters. Someone close may wish to explore new family roles or serious promises. Take time to full discuss all possibilities.

If your birthday is this week ... Older relatives may reveal new business plans or financial expectations. Over the next 12 weeks, loved ones may demand lifestyle changes, fast revisions or newly negotiated contracts. Remain patient, however, and expect a return to trusted methods and established routines by mid-March. Early in 2004, romantic relationships may also experience disjointed or intense discussions. Lovers or close friends will expect bold public affections and clearly stated intentions. Finalize all decisions by late June and watch for dramatic proposals throughout summer. After mid-September, long-term relationships begin almost three years of passionate commitment and family expansion. Expect meaningful and lasting progress.

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CONGRATULATIONS to Matt Lyles, winner of the \$200 book certificate from the University Bookstore and Omicron Delta Kappa.

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A copy of this application is available for public inspection during our regular business hours. It contains information concerning the station's performance during the last seven years.

Individuals who wish to advise the FCC of facts relating to our renewal application and to whether this station has operated in the public interest should file comments and petitions with the Commission by March 1, 2004.

Further information concerning the Commission's broadcast license renewal is available at the WVGS/FM Studios, F.I. Williams Center, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Georgia, or may be obtained from the FCC, Washington, DC 20554.

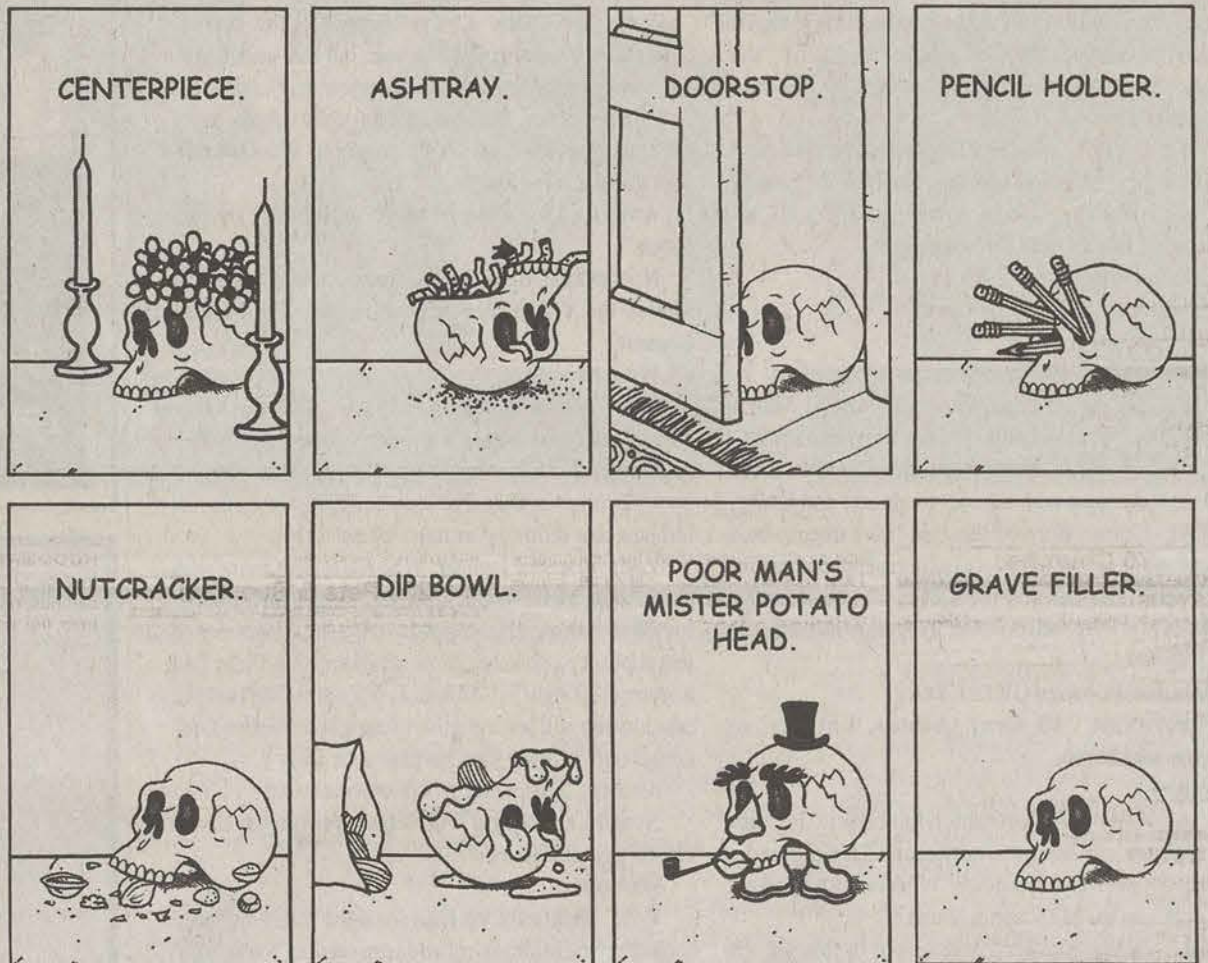
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40 Autos for Sale

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55 Books - Swap or Sell

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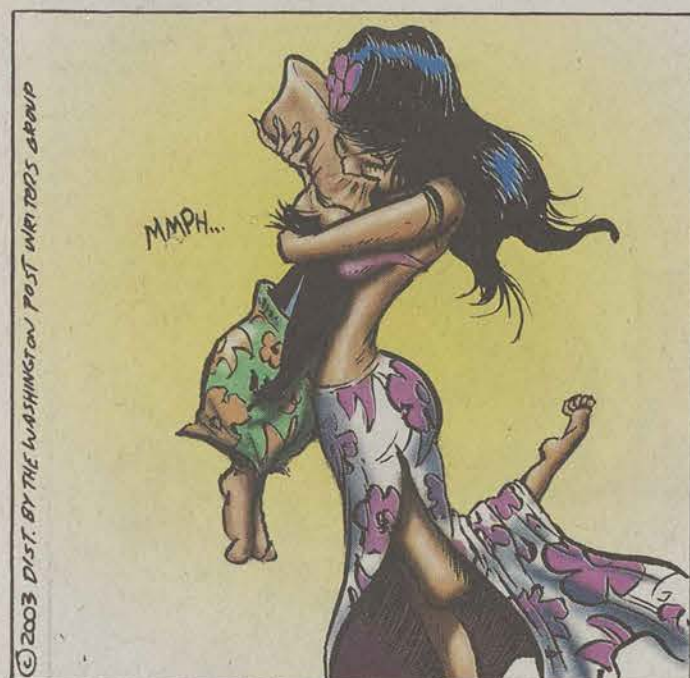
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70 Child Care

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NEED A babysitter? CPR and First-aid certified. Very experienced with good references. Call Amy at 678-697-6322.

75 Churches

DOES YOUR church have student services or meetings? Place an ad in The George-Anne and new members might join.

80 Computers & Software

COMPUTER AND desk for sale. Gateway WinXP. \$550 for both or \$50 for desk. Excellent condition. Call Valerie 912-531-1782.

90 Education

FUN & STUFF Visit our Web site for list of things to do that are educational and fun. On-line at <http://www.stp.gasou.edu/funstuff/>

120 Furniture & Appliances

BED FOR sale includes mattress, boxspring, rails and headboard. \$150 obo. Also have dresser for \$10 and bookshelf for \$10. Call 681-1525 for details.

ROUND DINING table with custom glass top. \$175, call 681-7356.

WASHER AND dryer for sale. \$200 obo. Call 852-2093.

FURNITURE FOR sale: Navy blue sofa and chair, \$75. Call 617-7550.

DRYER FOR sale. Available in January for \$50 obo. Call 871-7987 or 404-388-7993.

140 Help Wanted

NEED EXPERIENCED web designer with advanced computer skills to maintain/update local business website. Part time. E-mail resume to gsu-girl@hotmail.com.

AMERICA READS needs your help! If you enjoy helping children and are work-study eligible, please call Mary Woods in the Educational Opportunities Program for details.

150 Lost & Found

LOSE SOMETHING? Find it by placing an ad in The G-A today.

160 Miscellaneous for Sale

NEED TO sell something...anything? Put it in The George-Anne's classified section. One man's trash is another man's treasure.

165 Mobile Homes

GREAT OPPORTUNITY! 3br/3ba mobile home for sale. 1996, 16x80; excellent condition. Very close to campus. \$21,900 obo. Call Greg. 871-3916.

MOBILE HOME for rent. 3 bedrooms, 1 and 1/2 baths. 5 minutes from GSU-Country Lake Estates. \$425.00 a month/\$425.00 deposit. Call 685-4095 or 682-0347.

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220 Rentals & Real Estate

2 BEDROOM, 2 bath, washer and dryer. Apt. for sublease, \$350 one person, call Sheila 871-4074 for more information.

"HOUSE FOR rent on University Place Rd** 24 University Place, 3BR 2BA. Available December 1, 2004. Rent is negotiable. Call 912-484-4763 or 912-690-2698. www.wildoakinvestments.com.

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AVAILABLE SPRING semester: 1 & 2 bedroom apartments close to campus. 764-3697.

SUBLEASES NEEDED for two bedroom, 2 1/2 bath townhouse in Player's Club. No deposit needed. Please call Tasha ASAP 912-541-8110.

BRAND NEW home for rent. 3 bedrooms/2 bathrooms. Close to GSU. Great for students or family. Washer/dryer/microwave included. DSL ready. Available now. \$900/month. Call 682-4730.

SUBLEASE NEEDED Spring 2004. 2 Br. 1 Ba. Washer/Dryer and dishwasher. Off of University Place. \$550/mo. plus utilities. First month's rent is free! Call 681-4040 for more info.

FOR RENT by owner. Stadium Walk or Park Place. Washer/dryer. \$400 per month. Two bedrooms. 764-7528 or 541-4885.

2 PEOPLE needed to sublease 2br/2ba townhouse in Garden District. First month's rent will be paid for sublease. Please call Shonta at 681-3593 for more information.

TIERED OF ROOMMATES? Want your own apartment? \$265+ flexible leases — Quiet Environment — Call Parker Realty at 764-5623.

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TIERED OF dorms? Large, three bedroom house and backyard in nice neighborhood. \$230 per month plus utilities. 764-7231.

ONE BEDROOM apartment for sublease. Rent is \$250/month. Utilities 60+ Pre-furnished or not. Located at Stadium View on Lanier Drive. Call 871-0271 for more info.

230 Roommates

FEMALE NEEDED to take over housing contract in Southern Courtyard for Spring. Call Mindy ASAP at 688-7262.

LOOKING FOR roommate to share large three bedroom house. \$230/month plus utilities. Call 764-7231.

TWO BEDROOM apartment. Southern Courtyard. Female needed to take over housing contract. Call 688-7530 asap.

HOUSEMATE NEEDED 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom house. Washer/dryer, living room, computer room. Call Sheila 489-2926.

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2 FEMALE roommates needed Spring '04. \$290/mo. We'll give \$60.00 to whomever subleases 3 bedroom/1 study, private bathroom. Ask for Terrilyn, 770-324-1243.

ROOMMATE WANTED for two males in nice 3 bedroom/2 bath house near campus on Wendwood Court, 2 blocks from the intersection of Fair Rd. and Ed Moore St. Rent is \$225/mo plus utilities. Available January 1st. Call 706-543-5497 for details.

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Current students, faculty and staff members may place a free classified ad in the newspaper at no charge. To qualify, advertisers messages must be 25 words or less in length, non-commercial in nature, and the advertiser MUST provide their name, Landrum Box and telephone numbers for our records. (Or use the "Rip Us Off" free classified coupon which appears periodically in the newspaper). Free classified may be mailed to G-A Action Ads, POB 8001, or brought by Room 2023 Williams Center on campus. Please no phone calls for free ads... at this price we don't take dictation.

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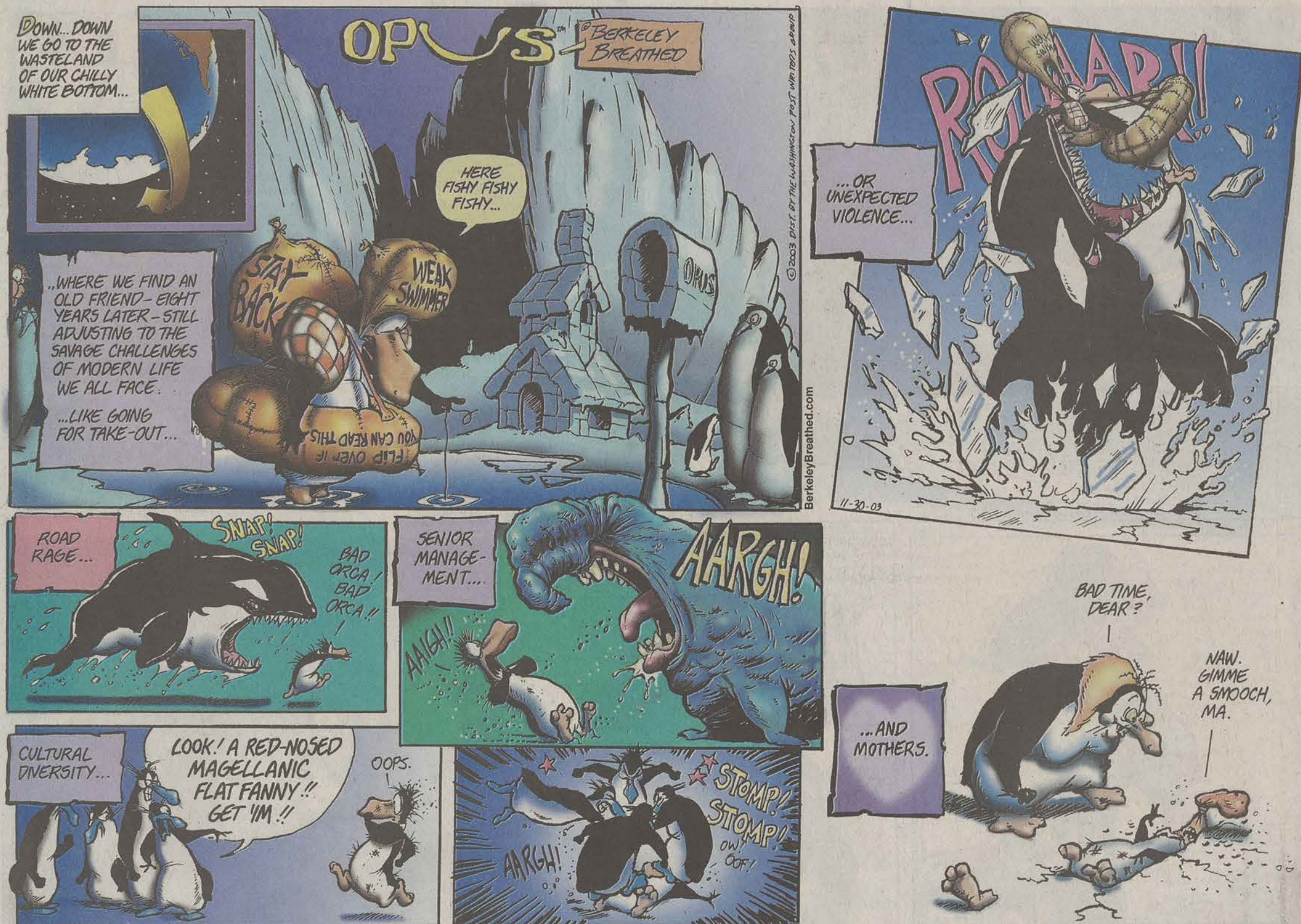
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