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A mariachi band played during a series of traditional Mexican dances. The festival also included several exhibits of local artwork including paintings and sculptures.

CLASS dean resigns

Conway-Turner to leave this summer

Special to the G-A

The dean of Georgia Southern University's College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CLASS), Kate Conway-Turner, has resigned to accept the position of provost at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Geneseo.



Conway-Turner

Conway-Turner joined Georgia Southern in 2001. As the dean of CLASS, she has been responsible for one of the University's seven colleges, consisting of 10 academic departments, more than 2,500 students and 225 faculty.

Conway-Turner is credited with energizing interdisciplinary programs in Women's and Gender Studies, Irish Studies and Africana Studies.

"Dean Conway-Turner did much to represent the criticality of the college's mission to the university community and beyond," said Georgia Southern Provost Vaughn Vandegrift. "We thank her for this and wish her well at SUNY Geneseo."

Conway-Turner's resignation will become effective June 1. Provost Vandegrift will name an interim dean immediately to lead the college through the next year.

SGA presidential candidates debate over the issues

By Luke Hearn
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Thursday night was all right for fighting, as Charisse Perkins and Chris Haseltine debated why each of them was best suited for the job of the 2004-2005 Student Government Association (SGA) President.

There was no physical struggle, but each candidate did their best to explain to a somewhat modest crowd why they are best suited for the job through a series of questions moderated by SGA Executive Vice President Mike Hardy.

The questions answered by each candidate ranged from their goals for each of their executive officers to how they plan to facilitate and continue the university's 10-year plan.

While Perkins - who is currently Vice President of Academic Affairs for SGA - was very thorough in her explanations, Haseltine gave vague responses that often lacked detail. This could be in part due to his recent internship during which he spent a semester away from GSU.

When asked about programs that each would work to implement at GSU, Haseltine's suggestions were centered around business-related projects. "People come to college to earn money," he said, adding that he wants to promote programs and activities to help students do such a thing.

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FESTIVAL of the ARTS



The Youth Arts Festival has provided the youth of the GSU community with presentations and performances for over 20 years.

Photos by Amanda Permenter

By Tiffany Shaw
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Sounds of music and laughter filled the air on Saturday, March 27 during the 22nd annual Youth Arts Festival.

Hundreds of people, young and old, gathered at Sweetheart Circle to enjoy the festivities of the Youth Arts Festival. Some of the activities presented included face painting, pottery, self-portrait sketches, and live performances.

"The festival has a long tradition," said Richard Tichich, one of the organizers of this year's festival. "For over 20 years the children of our community have visited the campus, watched creative artists at work and made their own masterpieces," he said.

There were several tables set up with exhibits of a variety of art work. Participants were able to view and purchase the artwork of local vendors. Articles for sale ranged from handmade jewelry to sweet grass baskets. There was also a wall set up for the children to create their own works of art.

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One young female performer sings a love ballad in Spanish for the crowd that assembled to celebrate the arts at the 22nd Annual Youth Arts Festival.

Weekday Weather

Monday



Mostly Cloudy

HIGH
72°
LOW
53°

Tuesday



Showers

HIGH
74°
LOW
45°

Only in America

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Police Beat

03-22-04

- A bicycle was taken from the Johnson Hall bike rack.
- Officers issued one traffic citation and two traffic warnings, assisted six motorists and responded to two fire alarms.

03-24-04

- A Hendricks Hall resident reported receiving harassing

phone calls.

- Officers issued one traffic citation and three traffic warnings, investigated four traffic accidents and assisted seven motorists.

03-25-04

- Alexander John Phillips, 18, of Watson Hall was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol and obstruction of an officer.

- A case of forgery was reported at Kennedy Hall.
- Officers issued one traffic citation and three traffic warnings, investigated one traffic accident and assisted eight motorists and one sick person.

— All Police Beat information compiled by Luke Hearn and Teresa Southern, News Editors.

Campus News

Distinguished alumnus, professor to give lecture

Special to the G-A



Hagan

Distinguished alumnus and GSU Professor of Biology Dr. Daniel V. Hagan will give a lecture on Tuesday, March 30 from 11 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. in the Biology Building room 2215.

His topic is "Biting Midges

Collected by Drosera, Carnivorous Plants, in Saskatchewan, Canada; Whence come you and Wither are you Traveling?"

Dr. Hagan received his B.S. Ed. and M.S.T. from GSU in years 1968 and 1972 respectively. He completed his Ph.D. in Entomology at the University of Georgia in 1979. He has been on the faculty of the GSU Biology Department since 1980.

Hagan has authored or coauthored over 30 articles, served as major professor for 16 M.S. students, and is past recipient of the University Award for Excellence and Scholarly Activity.

He is also retired with the rank of captain from the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve with 30 years of service.

This lecture is free and is open to the public.

Campus Calendar

March 29

Start of Annual International Week Celebration

The student body at Georgia Southern includes natives of more than 70 foreign countries, and many of those nations will be featured during the University's 14th annual International Week celebration, which will run from Monday, March 29, through Friday, April 2.

In addition, International Week will include presentations for those who are interested in studying or traveling abroad.

For more information, contact Joan Stalcup at (912) 681-0693 or jstalcup@georgiasouthern.edu or visit the center Web site at <http://academics.georgiasouthern.edu/international>.

'Russia in a Nutshell: From the KGB to Weapons of Mass Destruction to Elections'

10 a.m.

Associate professor Gregory Brock and assistant professor Constantin

Ogloblin will discuss critical Russian issues. At Russell Union, room 2048.

A Diner's World Tour

11 a.m.

Savor dishes from many lands at the Southern Traditions buffet. The cost is \$5.35 with Eagle Express or \$6.42 cash. At Southern Traditions, Landrum Cafeteria.

D.I.M.E.S. in Manhattan

8 p.m.

In the spirit of "Sex in the City," this event is a themed social featuring original works by D.I.M.E.S. designers. This event will feature a "Carrie Bradshaw look-alike" contest, and prizes will be given away. Admission is \$3. At the Russell Union Ballroom, 912-871-2189.

March 30

International Fair

10 a.m.

Learn about other cultures, get information on the University's Study Abroad program, and participate in

the "Flags and Facts" contest. Part of International Week. At Russell Union Commons

Study Abroad Down Under

2 p.m.

For students interested in spending a semester in Australia or New Zealand, Michael Swift of AustralLearn will host an informative session on living, working and studying "Down Under." At Russell Union, room 2042.

International Talent Show

7 p.m.

Sample ethnic food as students enjoy a free evening of exciting performances by University students and faculty. At Russell Union Ballroom.

Neon Nite Out

11 p.m.

Bowling and fashion show sponsored by D.I.M.E.S. Fashion show starts at 1 a.m. and features neon and blacklight inspired D.I.M.E.S. designs. Admission is \$5. At University Bowl, 912-871-2189.

News Briefs

Israeli prosecutor recommends bribery charges against Sharon



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Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon.

JERUSALEM — Israel's state prosecutor has recommended charges against Prime Minister Ariel Sharon for allegedly taking bribes from a local businessman, Israel's Channel Two TV reported Saturday.

The TV said prosecutor Edna Arbel would present a draft charge sheet to Attorney General Meni Mazuz over the next few days and he would then have to decide whether to go ahead with a prosecution. The report said his decision would probably be forthcoming in about a month.

The focus of the scandal is the so-called "Greek Island Affair," in which businessman David Appel allegedly paid Sharon's son Gilad large sums of money so Sharon, then foreign minister, would use his influence to help Appel promote a tourism project in Greece in 1999.

On Jan. 21, Appel, an activist in Sharon's Likud Party, was charged with bribing the Israeli leader with US\$690,000 to push the tourism venture and to help rezone urban land near Tel Aviv before and during Sharon's term as prime minister. Neither project came to pass.

Appel's lawyer, Moshe Israel, has denied the charges.

If indicted, legal precedent says Sharon would have to suspend himself from office until the end of proceedings.

State education group offering legal aid to teachers

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ga. — A state teacher advocacy group is providing legal counsel to some Georgia educators who received questionable degrees from an online school in Liberia.

Until last week, degrees from Saint Regis University, an online school that sells degrees while requiring little or no course work, were accepted by

Georgia's Professional Standards Commission (PSC). But after complaints that teachers were earning extra pay by purchasing the online degrees, the commission revoked the certificates from 10 Georgia teachers, six of them in Gwinnett County.

The PSC may file an ethics complaint against the teachers.

The Gwinnett County teachers are being asked to repay the \$30,000 they earned in extra pay, and they also face possible disciplinary action, school officials said. The Gwinnett County District Attorney said he is looking into whether the actions were illegal.

Teachers who belong to the Georgia Association of Educators will receive legal aid as they face possible criminal and professional charges, said association spokesman Kevin Pearson.

Pearson said lawyers for the association are interviewing and gathering information to prepare for any action taken against the teachers. He would not say which teachers the association is representing.

As gas prices rise, so do thefts at the pump

ATLANTA — When gas thieves strike Salim Gillani's Chevron station, all they leave behind is a leaky pump.

With record-high gas prices, more people are speeding away from the pump without paying for fill-ups that can cost as much as \$40 a tank.

Gas retailers are reporting theft increases of 200 percent to 300 percent over the last couple months, said Jeff Lenard, spokesman for the National Association of Convenience Stores. On average, stations lost \$919 per year from thefts in 2002, down from \$2,253 per store in 2000 and \$1,032 in 2001.

The average national retail price of gasoline stood at a record \$1.76 per gallon Friday. The U.S. Department of Energy predicts prices could reach \$1.83 this spring.

As prices go up, so do the number of reported gas thefts.

The culprits generally park at the pump farthest from the cashier, and they sometimes wear hats so they can't be identified.

Then the pump is left on the ground so the station employee doesn't know the car is finished filling up, and the thieves are usually gone before anyone notices.

Service stations used to be hit maybe once a month by gas thieves. Now, Gillani said he deals with the problem two or three times a week.

Rice talks publicly about terrorism, but not before terrorism commission



Special Photo

U.S. National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice.

WASHINGTON — National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice says the Bush administration has a good story to tell about fighting terrorism and she's pouring it out in television appearances, interviews and newspaper articles. The one place she won't talk is in public, under oath, before the independent commission investigating the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

The White House finds itself in the awkward position of trying to explain why Rice can talk at length to reporters but not at the commission's televised hearings because of the constitutional principle of separation of powers.

Instead of testifying publicly, Rice is requesting a private meeting with the commission — her second such session — to discuss what the White House says are mischaracterizations of her statements.

Rice's selective silence denied the administration a chance to answer charges at the hearing by former White House counterterrorism chief Richard Clarke, who accuses President George W. Bush of squandering opportunities to undermine the terrorist group al-Qaida and politicizing the fight against terrorism.

Rice will try to gain ground in the public relations struggle Sunday by appearing on CBS television's "60 Minutes."

Legal scholars say the White House has a difficult case on its hands as it tries to defend Rice's silence.

— All News Briefs compiled from wire reports by Luke Hearn and Teresa Southern, News Editors.

The to-do list in Beth Hoyme's purse will never get done because a drunk driver convinced his friends he'd be fine.

Friends Don't Let Friends Drive Drunk.



Photo by Michael Mazzeo

U.S. Department of Transportation

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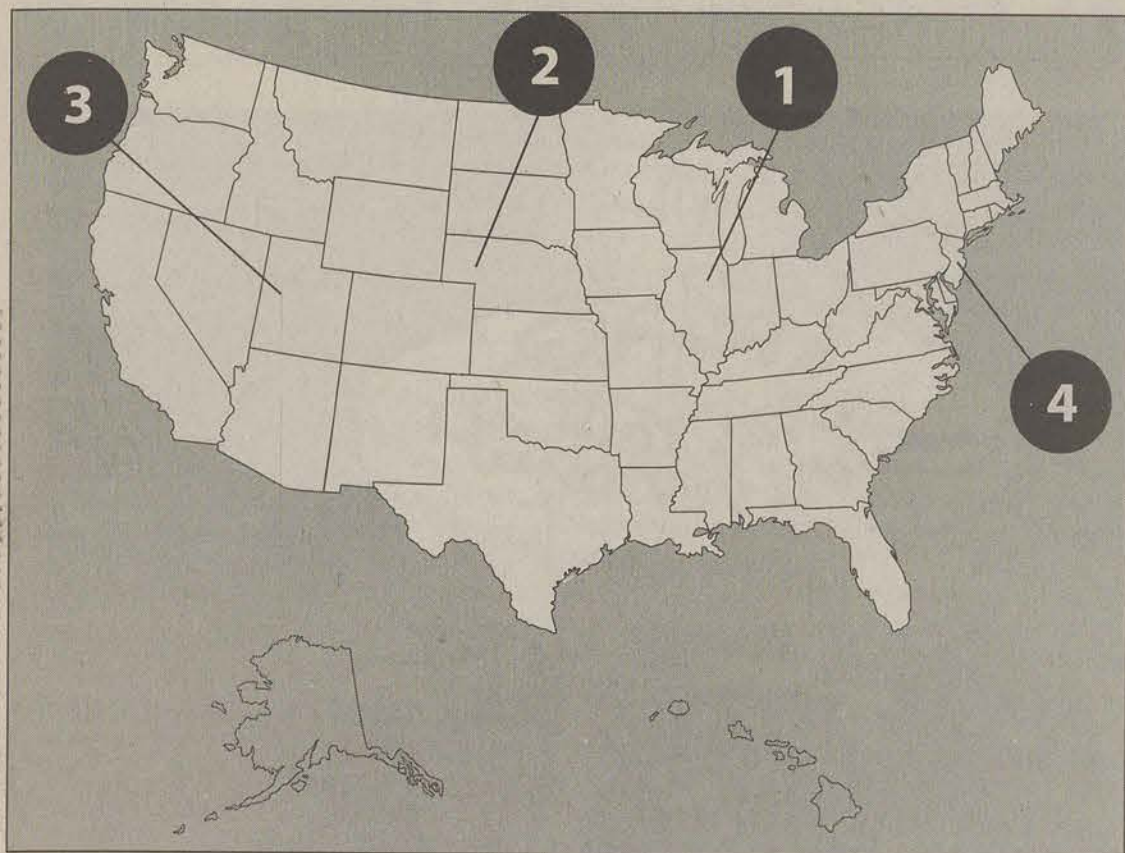


Check out the Off-Campus Housing Fair

**Tuesday, March 30
10:30 am - 1:00 pm
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- Towne Club
- Varsity Lodge
- Talon's Lake
- Bermuda Run
- Eagle Creek Townhouses
- Campus Club
- Greenbriar & Hawthorne
- Statesboro Place
- Seasons
- Sterling University Pines
- Perimeter Properties
- The Woodlands
- The Garden District
- Campus Courtyard
- Player's Club



1 Illinois

Elderly woman buys cars with bad checks

CHICAGO — A 75-year-old woman is suspected of using her age and apparent frailty to fleece about a dozen auto dealers, police and prosecutors said.

Over the past four years, Betty A. Gooch has walked into several Chicago-area dealerships with a cane and an oxygen cart, then paid for cars with bad checks, police said.

"She'll say she's sick and going to be hospitalized, or that her stockbroker is sending the money, or promises they'll have the money next Friday," said Tony Kotlarz, an investigator for the McHenry County state's attorney's office.

In the latest case, Gooch wrote a check for \$36,534 for a new Toyota Sienna and another check for \$20,041 for a new Toyota Matrix during a November visit to one dealership, said Cook County state's attorney's spokeswoman Marcy Jensen.

Gooch is to be arraigned April 8 on charges of theft by deception and passing bad checks. She is out on bail and declined to comment Tuesday.

Gooch was sentenced to a year of court supervision in October after admitting she wrote a bad check to buy a motorcycle in 2001. She is scheduled to appear in court later this month on charges she wrote a bad \$22,000 check last year for a Mazda SUV.

She is being investigated for other possible crimes, police said. "From the information we've gotten, she has done this in Cook, McHenry and Lake Counties — about a dozen dealerships," said Elgin police Lt. Cecil Smith.

2 Nebraska

Church finally repays six-score-old debt

CREIGHTON, Neb. — It took a while, but members of the Congregational Baptist United Church of Christ in Creighton have paid off a debt — 120 years later.

The church recently retired the lien, which dates back to 1883.

The Rev. Kenneth Purscell said the original loan was used to build both the church and an old parsonage. The lien was not discovered until about 15 years ago when the church planned to sell the parsonage.

That, said Purscell, was when the \$2,700 debt was discovered. He said

the mortgage apparently had been forgotten over the years.

The money originally came from the American Congregational Union, which was the predecessor to today's United Church of Christ. Purscell said happily the parent organization did not charge interest.

Purscell said the church would have owed \$45,000 to \$60,000 if the United Church of Christ had held the Creighton church to the interest.

The lien payoff was raised through fundraisers and donations.

On Sunday, the church will hold a celebration during its 10:30 a.m. service to finally burn its 120-year-old mortgage.

"We're going to celebrate the fact that the church is debt-free," Purscell said.

3 Utah

Topless maid service may get swept away

WEST POINT, Ut. — A business owner says a northern Utah city is trying to sweep her topless maid business out of town.

The West Point City Council has revoked the home business license of Dee Dee Derian, saying she misused it by sometimes running the business on a cell phone outside of her home.

The license allowed her to do scheduling and bookkeeping for Black Rose Maids, her topless maid service that operates in three states.

"They'll do anything a normal maid or butler would do," she said. "It's just good, clean, safe fun."

"They aren't escorts," she said when describing their duties as light cleaning and serving at catered parties.

Derian, 44, accuses the city of discriminating against her because she's not a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, the dominate religion in Utah that espouses family values.

West Point officials say they are bound by law to prevent Derian from operating the business if it violates her license, and the decision had nothing to do with the nature of her business.

City Manager Rick David said the council had no option of renewing the license in January after Derian mentioned that she conducted some business outside of her home.

"It sets a dangerous precedent if we allow this to happen," he said. "We have lots and lots of home occupation licenses in our cities. Everyone of them are looking at this."

Derian called the council's reasoning "absolutely absurd."

"They want to be able to come to my home 24 hours a day, seven days a week and pull me out of the bathtub," she said.

Derian received national attention in 2001 when her neighbors complained about her doing yard work in a bikini. However, prosecutors declined to press charges after determining she hadn't actually done anything illegal.

4 New Jersey

Man attempts to board plane with dead seal's head in luggage

BOSTON — Security agents at Logan International Airport Friday stopped a Colorado man who tried to include the severed head of a harbor seal in his luggage.

The officials discovered the head in a small canvas cooler and immediately notified state and federal authorities, Massachusetts Port Authority spokesman Phil Orlandella told the Boston Globe.

Officials did not release the identity of the man who checked in the seal's head, but he was in his 40s, they said.

The man told investigators he is a biology professor that found the dead seal on Revere Beach and cut off the head so he could take it home for educational purposes. He was bound for Denver.

"He indicated that he was aware that he needed a permit and that he didn't have a permit," said Andy Cohen, a deputy special agent in charge for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Fisheries Office for Law Enforcement.

Authorities allowed the man to board the plane after more than an hour of questioning, but the seal's head was turned over to investigators for NOAA's Office for Law Enforcement, spokesman Mark Oswell said.

Under the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, it is illegal to disrupt or remove body parts from a dead mammal. Oswell said the Colorado man could face charges that carry civil fines of up to \$12,000, criminal fines of up to \$20,000 and possible imprisonment of up to a year.

Another law, the Lacey Act, makes it unlawful to transport any illegal fish or wildlife product and carries possible imprisonment of up to five years and fines up to \$20,000.

Cohen said the case is not connected to a series of dead seals in New England that show signs of poaching.

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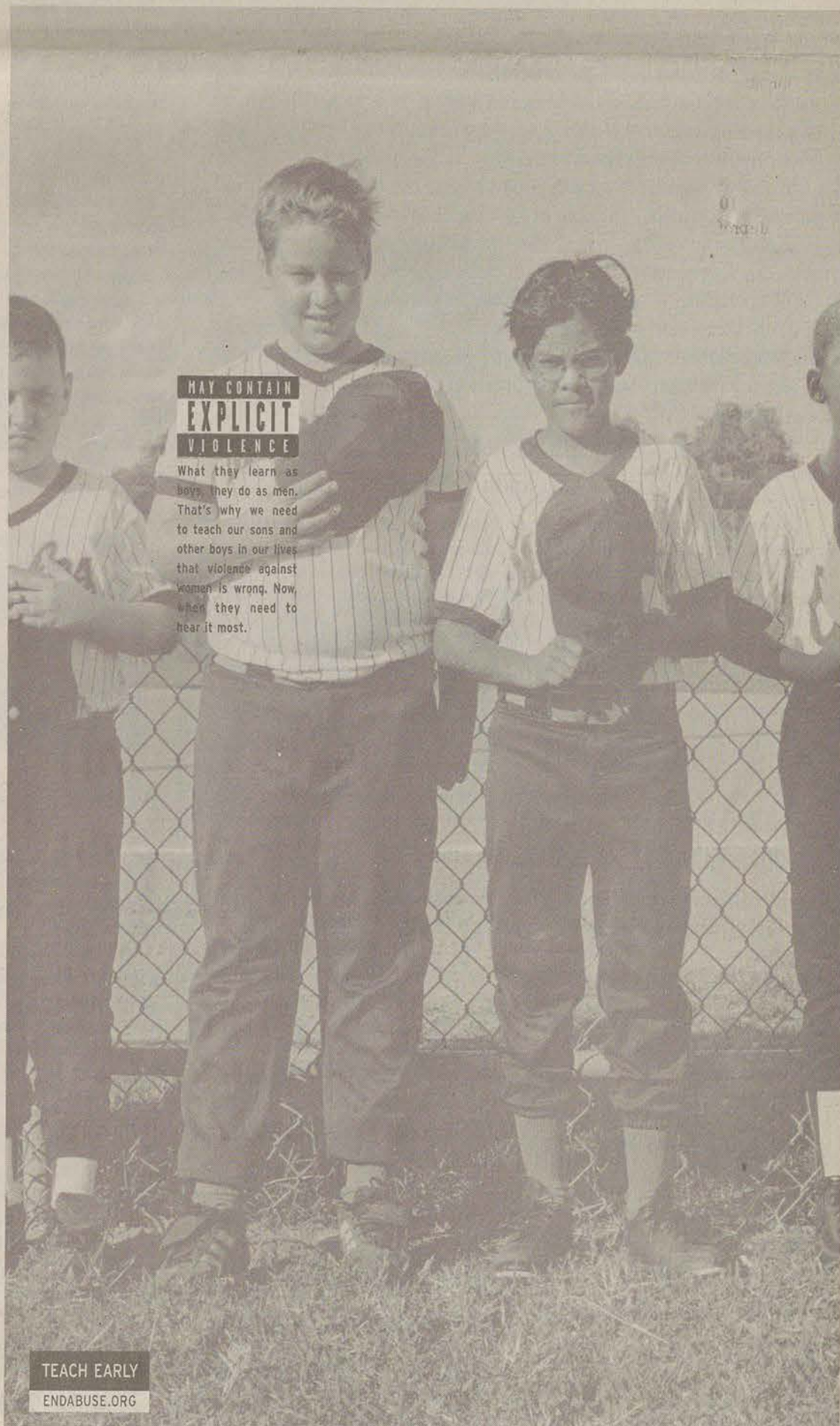
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Our Opinion

Important constituent of 'level playing field' absent from SGA ballot on WINGS

Last year, two SGA presidential candidates took a case to GSU's Judicial Affairs, one candidate specifically citing that he thought the elections were not a "level playing field."

Proceedings in this year's voting have been level so far this year, but that might be because nearly every candidate is playing for the same team.

Having a majority of candidates working together isn't necessarily a bad thing, leaving them with a great deal of time to carefully plan out their administration in the coming year to provide students with the best public service they're capable of providing.

On the other hand, the lack of challengers sets the elections in a vacuum, removing all of the competition of differing thought and ideas. While this is not entirely true in the case of the coming SGA elections - every post but the president's remains unopposed - it is something to consider. Differing opinions can develop into new ideas that would inevitably promote better solutions to problems facing students, or create better ways for the organization to operate.

Another point of interest from last year's post-election proceedings that might be important to consider were the various charges and discrepancies filed on behalf of some alleged wrongdoing, misuse, or malfunction of the voting software on WINGS. While this system proves effective and easy to use, parts of the process can become a hassle and the subject of investigation.

However, no program is perfect, and the WINGS voting system is probably the best and easiest way to reach students and encourages voting if for nothing else, its simplicity.

But something more important to any election than simplicity has been forgotten.

When the ballot system was switched over to be computer operated and executed, a place for a write-in vote was eliminated. Students voting on WINGS have a choice between the candidates and a vote to abstain. While on one hand this requires anyone elected to attend several informational meetings about elections and SGA in order to get their name on the ballot, it deprives voters of a fair opportunity that's provided even in our nation's own electoral process.

SGA is for the students, by the students, and no voting system should deprive any possible candidate of the chance to lead in that capacity.

It may be too late to change this year's voting method, but perhaps SGA can take a closer look at elections to assure a "level playing field" for all candidates - announced and unannounced.

More importantly, take the first step in joining the process by voting. These individuals are placed in office to represent and serve you. Without your input, SGA cannot function in the capacity in which it was intended.



Hometown heritage and Southern pride - A perfect blend

As a third generation Statesboro resident, I am also a third generation student of the various schools that have developed on this property.

My grandfather (I call him Papa), Albert Murray, moved to Statesboro in 1952 with his newlywed, Billie, to enroll at Georgia Teacher's College. He fell in love with this community and started a family here with his love.

They had three children, Philip (my father), Tim, and Stacy - all of whom went to Georgia Southern College for some period of time. Although my father did go to this school at one time, he never graduated. I guess that makes me a first generation college student all over again.

I have seen this community and campus grow so much through time, and I have really enjoyed growing up here. GSU is definitely not my father's nor my grandfather's university, but a walk through Sweetheart Circle can truly bring some great memories to anyone who has a connection to this place.

Now that I am a student here, I feel so complete. It's really quite funny how many of the students today view this university in such an opposite way than it has always been throughout its history. This was not always a suitcase university and it is my desire to see this phase end as soon as possible. The city of Statesboro and Georgia Southern University have both been very successful in their economic and population growths, but when both entities first began to experience their progress, they grew in different directions.

Today, we (the city and university) are working together to end this phase in an effort to incorporate each other into one progressive direction.

The suitcase-university reality has been our consequence for not looking ahead when our growth began in the 1980's.

Statesboro is also suffering some of these

consequences. Because Georgia Southern has been so slack in the University Housing department, we have seen a phenomenon occur that most college towns do not experience. With so many low-income (or no-income) students living off campus, Statesboro and Bulloch County's annual household income statistics have been very much lower than it would be if the students were living on campus. While we have the high population required for most of our favorite retail stores to locate here, our seemingly low income scares them off.

That's why GSU is working so hard to build new residence halls so that more students will live on-campus and their incomes will be removed from our formula. This can take years to complete but it is another step in the right direction.

And Statesboro is not a small town. Unlike popular beliefs, Statesboro actually is one of the fastest-growing communities in the nation. Statesboro-Bulloch County is the largest inland city-county in Southeast Georgia. Yes, there were a lot of adjectives in the previous sentence. But, seriously, a place with over 30,000 year-round residents within a 12.2 square-mile, city-limit area - you do the math. Or I will: That's around 2,500 people per square mile.

Also, take into consideration the fact that Bulloch county's population is over 60,000, and over 85 percent of its land is zoned agriculture. Common sense derives that if so much of our county's land is farmland, then most of the county's population either lives in, or just outside of the city limits of Statesboro. If the city of Statesboro would annex just one mile in every direction of where the limits currently are, the population would likely almost double, and make us one of the top ten largest cities in Georgia.

If that were true, then why is it so boring around here, and why does everyone leave on the weekends, and why aren't there any cool



Drew Murray
guest columnist

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Letter to the Editor

Minority students tire of representation by same select few leaders

Georgia Southern University is an institution that has become quite the breeding ground for prominent student leaders.

I have had the pleasure of being recognized as a leader through many events. As great as this sounds, there have been a few trends that have caught my eye as I have attended many a Scholar's Day, Open House, and Leadership Cookouts.

First and foremost, I am seeing the same faces that possess the same darker complexion as myself - over and over and OVER again. I found myself thinking, surely there are more minority leaders than these same five on campus! I see them everyday through my interactions with them on a daily basis. I have to ask, why are they not being asked to represent our campus at certain events?

The answer is quite simple. Whenever I attend an event sponsored by a minority organization, the majority of participants are just that - minority. This does not include just social events. I am also speaking on events such as the Annual Essence Awards, which honors minority leaders on campus, the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day celebration, and diversity programs sponsored by the Multicultural Student Center.

Not only is the attendance less than stellar from my Caucasian peers - it is close to nonexistent by faculty and staff. This proves my theory. If perhaps we had more attendance at these events by people other than minority students and faculty/staff, more minority leaders would be recognized for their talents, dedication, and abilities. It is quite insulting that many of our minority leaders are overlooked for great op-

portunities because they are never witnessed in action. I promise you that there are more than five doing great things on campus.

In addition, I find it quite amazing that myself and many other minority student leaders that are "not known" to the campus as a whole are constantly being nominated for opportunities to represent Georgia Southern and are never selected because of just that - they are not "known" to the campus as a whole. It is funny how we are known throughout the minority population but are "nobodies" to the rest of the student population and faculty/staff members. Then again, we are receiving nominations from minority faculty members.

So, what now? I am not an angry black woman trying to start trouble. Quite the contrary - I am suggesting some solutions. We are a school that prides itself on diversity,

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Today around the world

Central African Republic: Death of President Boganda Day (1959)

Madagascar: Commemoration Day/Memorial Day (1947)

Vietnam: Veteran's Day (1973)

Today in history

On this day in 1989, the first Soviet hockey players were permitted to play for the NHL

On this day in 1961, Nelson Mandela was acquitted on charges of treason after a four-and-a-half-year trial.

Shiite cleric's newspaper shut down, sparking protests in Baghdad

By Ken Dilanian
KRT Campus

BAGHDAD, Iraq - The U.S.-led occupation authority dispatched soldiers to shut down the newspaper of an extremist Shiite cleric Sunday, charging that the paper repeatedly published misinformation designed to incite violence against U.S. troops.

The closure prompted as many as 3,000 of followers of the cleric, Moqtadr Sadr, to assemble for an angry demonstration that blocked traffic on a main Baghdad thoroughfare.

The protesters chanted "Long

live Sadr" and "America is just infidels," and some burned an American flag. Iraqi police were nowhere to be seen, and U.S. troops looked on from a distance.

The newspaper closure and the protest illustrated the coalition's dilemma as it tries to promote democratic values in Iraq while also combating what it sees as dangerous extremism.

Alaa-eldin Elsadr, a spokesman for the U.S.-led coalition, said he accompanied about 50 U.S. troops to the offices of the Sadr organization's weekly al Hauza newspaper. The soldiers ordered employees out of the building and

sealed it. The paper will be closed for at least 60 days, Elsadr said.

Elsadr gave newspaper officials a letter from U.S. Ambassador L. Paul Bremer that said the paper published misinformation, including articles blaming terrorist attacks on coalition forces.

"These false articles not only mislead readers but constitute a real threat of violence against coalition forces and Iraqi citizens who cooperate with the coalition in the reconstruction of Iraq," the letter said.

Sheik Mahmood al Sawdani, a Sadr spokesman, denied that the newspaper had incited violence,

and said it was shut down because it "rejects the occupation."

"This is a contradiction to the new constitution," said Juma Khanjar, 44, a taxi driver who came for the protest. "The Americans said there is freedom of the press. Where is the freedom of the press?"

Iraq's interim constitution, which takes effect July 1, provides for freedom of the press and freedom of speech. It does not discuss when speech becomes incitement to violence. The coalition is setting up a news media commission that will come up with rules about such issues.

In the United States, courts have allowed state laws against incitement to violence. But the language has to be far more explicit than anything the Sadr newspaper said, according to coalition officials' translations of the offending passages.

On Feb. 26, an article claimed that a suicide bombing that targeted a Shiite town south of Baghdad, killing 53, was a rocket "fired by an (American) Apache helicopter and not a car bomb," Elsadr said.

Another article was headlined "Bremer follows the steps of Saddam," and criticized coalition

work in Iraq.

Elsadr acknowledged that such a shutdown would not happen in the United States, but added, "Iraq is not America. Iraq is going through a very sensitive time right now, and, while there is freedom of the press, that freedom must be used responsibly."

Most of the protesters arrived after hearing about the closure on mosque loudspeakers in Sadr City, a poor Shiite enclave of Baghdad named after Sadr's father, who was killed by Saddam Hussein.

Radical Shiite groups have grown increasingly impatient with the U.S.-led occupation.

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stores or malls around here? Why is this a suitcase university?

Because the city and university made some serious mistakes in the past that have now caught up to us. Now that we understand what we did wrong, and that we need to work together for both of our benefits, it is only a matter of time until we get back on track and see this place explode. We don't want to be another Athens. We definitely want to have our own identity, and now that we are realizing just what it is we want, our time is closer than ever.

Over the past few months, students have begun to realize that Statesboro really does have a winter. One of the things I hear most often from various students, is that during the summer, Statesboro is a ghost town. Not at all. The campus may be, but while Fair Road may become less congested during summer months, Statesboro is anything but a ghost town. With this city being the regional economic center for about a dozen counties, and with all of those county school systems on vacation, there are a lot of people here during the summer, just on the Wal-Mart side of town.

If our summers were not so successful for the city, then why would we be opening a water park this spring? Yes, you read correctly, a water park. In a way, it's the season that Statesboro really gets to celebrate itself. Without as many college students here and with its younger populations free for the summer, it is that one season that our identity really shines.

However, I hope to see another day when Statesboro and Georgia Southern are one community again. Even while the city and college were growing in different directions, we were still one people. Both the college and the town were very small before the growth began and we really cannot blame ourselves for our ignorance and mistakes. But we are both equally guilty for our separation now and since we have realized it.

Statesboro and Georgia Southern are both in my blood, both equally part of me. I can see it from both sides, and for now I feel somewhat bi-polar, but I will do what it takes to bring us together again. My parents were not even thought of when Statesboro was named Tourist City, but somehow I can feel it when I stroll down Main Street. I just want our identity to be revived.

Someday, I will be capable of seeing this vision come to life, but for now, I am an Eagle - not to be confused with a lowly Bulldawg. I am actually one of those people who think that Georgia Southern really is better than UGA. Who cares how many students they have? We have faculty and staff who want to see us succeed. We have the formula that's going to work.

As for me, I am majoring in Regional Economic Development and have declared a minor in Geographic Information Science. And, if I had a dollar for every time I have been asked what those are, I would not be worried about financial aid. My plans are to stay here after I graduate and eventually form an economic development firm. I am currently designing the future Statesboro that will successfully accommodate the needs of all residents and students.

What was intended to be a promotion for my SGA campaign's website has turned into my second George-Anne column. Call it inspiration, or call it a tangent.

And, yeah - vote for me for College of Business Administration Senator.

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so let's stop displaying that externally and do some work on the inside. How about we all do a little bit more mingling? I'm sure that it would not cause a huge hoopla if white students and faculty/staff members showed up to the Essence Awards.

The same should hold true if my friends and I want to show up at an event open to the campus sponsored by the Pan-Hellenic Association. In addition, we had a great opportunity for unity on our campus.

The Unity Fest that took place in September of 2003 was an attempt to bring all groups-black, white, yellow, purple, and blue-together for a day of fun and spreading awareness about

each other. Unfortunately, since it was an event sponsored by minority students, we had great attendance from minority organizations but little from others. It saddened others and myself.

We all share the blame here for the discrete discrimination that takes place on our campus. Maybe we all need to be a little more inviting and receptive to each other. I challenge everyone - including myself - to get out there and make each other known. In the meantime, PLEASE stop picking the same five minority leaders!

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Students were asked to come out and volunteer their assistance with the children attending the festival. Volunteers helped with setting up for the festival and assisted with face painting and giving out refreshments.

According to Tichich, "The activities are as creative as ever, and we have reached the point that almost all of our college-age volunteers have grown up with the festival as part of their lives."

"I like the interaction with the kids," said Lorissa Edwards, who decided to offer her assistance with the face painting table at the festival. She smiled as she looked around at

all of the people who were having a great time. "This is a great experience," she said.

Stephanie Dorrough also decided to help out. "I found out about the festival through one of my professors. I think that this is a great thing to have for the kids, with all of the negativity in the world; it is nice to see something positive for the children. I love kids," said Dorrough.

The festival was held from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., and attendance to the events at Sweetheart Circle were free. The crowd was large, and during the six hours that the festival, attendance reached over one thousand people.

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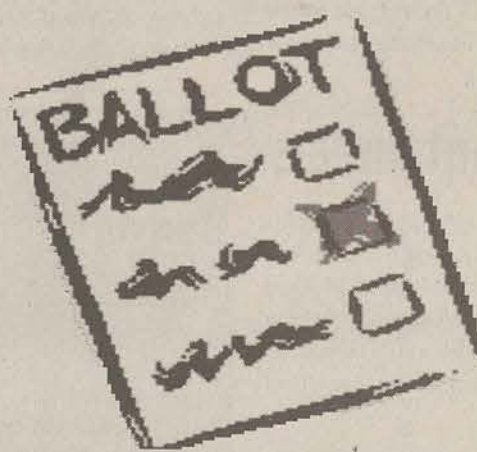
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Laurato homer saves softball from sweep

By Eli Boorstein

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The opening weekend of Southern Conference play started slow for the Georgia Southern softball team, but ended in thrilling fashion.

The Lady Eagles (16-15, 1-2 SoCon) were swept by Chattanooga (24-20, 2-1 SoCon) in a Saturday doubleheader 5-0 and 2-1, before winning a 3-0, eight-inning battle in Sunday's finale at Eagle Field.

Georgia Southern was unable to build any offensive momentum off the Lady Mocs' workhorse starting pitcher Lacy Swarthout in Saturday's opener.

Swarthout (14-14) allowed just three hits and a lone walk while also striking out six. The junior, who has pitched in 37 of Chattanooga's 44 contests, leads the SoCon with 203 strikeouts, nearly double her nearest competitor.

Swarthout's counterpart, Lady Eagle sophomore Tiffany Urena (3-4), worked the entire contest, giving up all five runs off nine hits.

Chattanooga did not take long to get on the scoreboard, notching a pair of runs in the top of the first. After Teri Herbert was hit by a pitch, Melissa Ramirez moved her to second on a single. Leslie Barron then followed with a double to left center to score Herbert, before Ramirez came around to score soon after on a fielder's choice.

Ramirez came through again on repeated occasions, accounting for the Mocs' remaining three runs. Her single drove in Bryn Favor in the second inning, while a two-run single brought home Favor and Jeannie Cochran in the sixth.

Shanita Black was the main offensive spark for Georgia Southern with a pair of singles on the day.

Ramirez's 3-for-4 day with three RBI was the key for Chattanooga.

Saturday's nightcap, saw a closer battle, but once again had the Lady Mocs prevail.

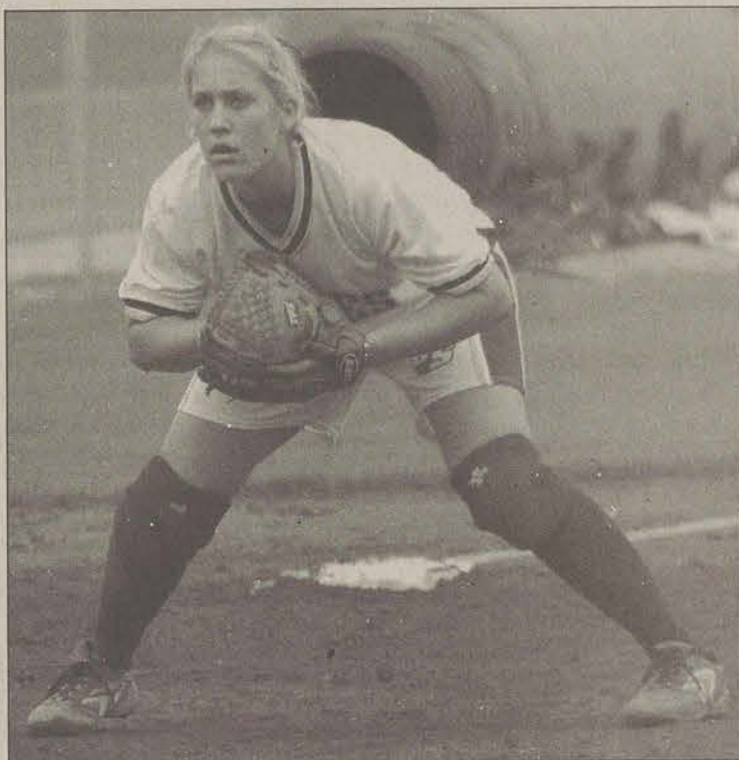
Teri Herbert put Chattanooga in the initial lead, as she took a Cary Moore pitch out to right for a solo home run in the top of the third.

It did not take Georgia Southern long to tie the score, though, as Maria Laurato used a single to center to drive in Aurora Johnson, making the score 1-1.

The Lady Eagles threatened to score more in the fifth, but left pinch runner Courtney Jones stranded at second.

That proved key, as Chattanooga responded in the top of the sixth, as the inning started with Melissa Ramirez reaching on a one-out walk. Leslie Barron then fouled out, but Moore was unable to wrap up the inning before Robyn Johnson doubled in Ramirez.

Moore (7-4) took the loss for Georgia Southern, giving up a pair of runs



Hillary Jones/STAFF

Freshman third baseman Maria Laurato belted out a three-run home run to give Georgia Southern a 3-0 win over Chattanooga on Sunday. Laurato's homer saved the Lady Eagles from being swept by the Lady Mocs.

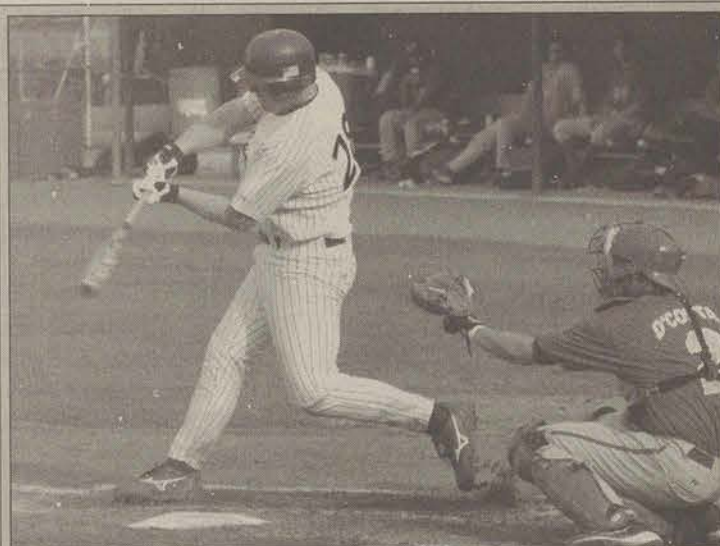
off four hits, fanning eight batters.

Britney Whittier (9-2) gave up the Lady Eagles' only run as she gave up five hits in five innings. Lacy Swarthout continued her dominance from earlier in the day, pitching a pair of perfect innings for her fourth save of the year. Swarthout struck out five of the six batters she faced.

Sunday's Lady Eagle victory belonged to two of the team's leading newcomers.

Freshman third baseman Maria Laurato batted 3-for-4, including a game-winning three-run homer in the deciding eighth inning.

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Hillary Jones/STAFF

First baseman Greg Dowling was walked with the bases loaded to force in a key run late in the Eagles' 8-7 victory over Georgia Tech on Saturday. Georgia Southern bounced back from a 7-1 deficit to score seven runs in the eighth and ninth innings.

Baseball splits pair with Yellow Jackets

GSU Athletic Media Relations

Georgia Southern 8, Georgia Tech 7

ATLANTA - Grant Burruss drove in two runs in the top of the ninth inning to help Georgia Southern (14-14) to an 8-7 win over Georgia Tech (14-11) Saturday in the first game of a two-game series at Russ Chandler Stadium.

Georgia Southern scored seven runs over the final two innings to earn its second win over the Jackets in Atlanta in the last two years.

In the ninth, Tech reliever Blake Wood struck out Eagles catcher Flint Wipke, but then gave up a double and two walks to load the bases before being replaced by the Jackets' sixth pitcher of the game, Ryan Turner. The Eagles' Brandon Long then delivered an RBI single, Greg Dowling earned a bases-loaded walk, and Burruss drove in two runs with a single to right field, which gave Georgia Southern an 8-7 lead in the game.

Tech starter Brian Burks pitched a strong seven innings but did not figure into the decision. He allowed just two hits and an unearned run while striking out four. After allow-

ing one hit in each of the first two innings, he retired 15 of the next 17 batters that he faced. He did not allow a runner past first base after the run scored in the first inning.

Turner (1-2) took the loss for the Jackets, giving up one run and two hits and walking one in the ninth inning. Eric Patterson, Brandon Boggs, Micah Owings and Clifton Remole led the Jackets on the afternoon with three hits apiece. Patterson scored three runs and had three stolen bases, while Boggs drove in four Tech runs.

After Georgia Southern's Brandon Long scored an unearned run in the top of the first to give the Eagles a 1-0 lead, the Jackets answered with three runs of their own in the bottom of the inning. Eric Patterson led off the frame with a single, stole second and third bases, and scored on a sacrifice fly by Wes Hodges. With two outs in the inning, Micah Owings and Steven Blackwood hit back-to-back singles and Mike Nickeas drove them in with a double down the left field line to give Tech a 3-1 edge in the game.

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Price named to watch list for collegiate golfing award

GSU Athletic Media Relations

Georgia Southern junior Aron Price has earned inclusion on the 2004 Hogan Award watch list according to an announcement by The Friends of Golf (FOG) and Colonial Country Club, in cooperation with Bank of America and the Golf Coaches Association of America (GCAA).

The Hogan Award is presented annually to the top men's NCAA Division I, II or III or NAIA golfer.

Taking into account all collegiate and amateur competitions during the last 12 months, the watch list consists of 33 golfers, including Price, Outback Steakhouse Arnold Palmer Award winners Alejandro Canizares and Chico State's J.J. Jakovac and 2003 first-team PING All-America selections Dustin Bray of North Carolina, Wake Forest's Bill Haas, Brock Mackenzie of Washington and Arizona's Chris Nallen.

"The depth in college golf this year is reflected in the watch list for the Hogan," stated GCAA Executive Director Gregg Grost. "Obviously, a great collegiate amateur will be chosen in this, the Heisman of college golf."

The Hogan Award selection committee will select 10 semi-finalists on April 14 and name five finalists on April 27. The winner of the Hogan Award will be announced on May 6 and the presentation banquet will be held at Colonial Country Club on May 17, the Monday prior to the Bank of America Colonial.

Price currently leads the Eagles with a 71.3 stroke average through

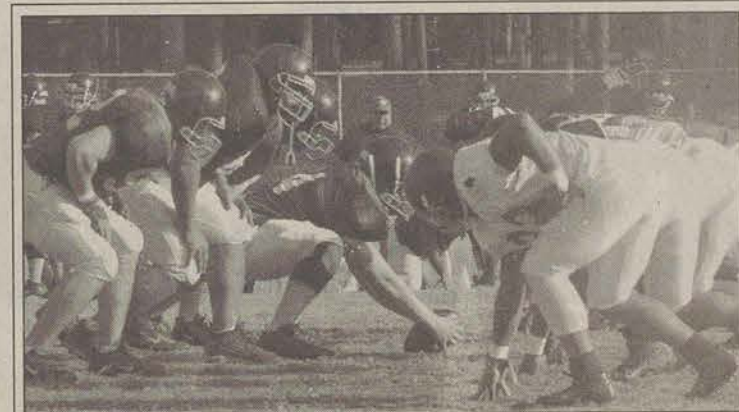


Hillary Jones/STAFF

Junior Aron Price earned a nomination for the 2004 Hogan Award, given to the top collegiate golfer in the nation.

eight tournaments and 23 rounds this season. During the fall, the Oyster Bay, Australia resident averaged 69.8 shots per round in five events and earned a No. 1 ranking in Golfweek's first poll of the season on Sept. 23.

After earning medalist honors at the 101st Western Amateur Open, Price fired a course-record 65 in the first round on his way to winning the Cleveland Golf/Kiawah Island Intercollegiate (65-70=135/-9) before also capturing the individual titles at the Pacific Invitational (71-66-67=204/-12) in Stockton, Calif., and Coca-Cola Tournament of Champions (69-66-68-203/-13) in Knoxville, Tenn. So far this spring, Price has carded a 73.7 stroke average in three tournaments with one top 15 finish (11th at the Hyatt/Dorado Beach Intercollegiate in Puerto Rico).



LaVene Bell/STAFF

The Eagle football team, pictured above at an earlier practice, got an early wake-up call Saturday for a 9 a.m. scrimmage at Paulson Stadium. Rushing was the key from the scrimmage, with a group total of 451 yards, led by 105 yards from quarterback Trey Hunter.

Hunter leads rushing game in Saturday scrimmage

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The Georgia Southern offense bounced back from a slow start to dominate the majority of the competition during the Eagles' first full intra-squad scrimmage of the spring practice period Saturday morning at Allen E. Paulson Stadium.

The Eagle defense controlled the first 20 minutes of the scrimmage as it allowed just four first downs on the first four offensive possessions. However, the Eagle offense, which rushed for 451 yards on 92 carries (4.9 ypc) took over from there as it scored seven touchdowns and kicked a pair of field goals.

The Eagles also completed 10-of-19 passes for 138 yards and a pair of scores. In all, Georgia Southern picked up 589 yards on 111 plays, an average of 5.3 yards per attempt.

Offensively, senior quarterback

Trey Hunter rushed for a game-high 104 yards on 18 carries while fellow senior signal-caller Chaz Williams added 53 yards on 16 attempts and scored on runs of one and three yards. Senior fullback Tim Gehrsitz ran for 36 yards and one TD on five rushes while junior fullback Jermaine Austin (5-32) and sophomore quarterback Darius Smiley (12-31) accounted for a combined 63 yards on 17 carries.

Hunter also completed three-of-three passes for a team-high 44 yards while redshirt freshman Jayson Foster tossed a pair of scoring passes in three attempts for 40 yards, connecting with freshman walk-on receiver Osmond Brinson on 30- and 10-yard TD aerials. Williams threw for 38 yards on a three-of-nine effort and sophomore wide

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NEXT ON THE SCHEDULE



Georgia Southern at Mercer
Tuesday • 6 p.m.
Georgia Southern (14-15)
Mercer (12-21)

Offense explodes as Eagles blow out Coppin State

By Matt Rapp

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The Georgia Southern Eagles swept a two-game series last week against the Coppin State Eagles.

Junior Brian Harrison (2-2) pitched the first game last Wednesday, allowing only four hits and threw nine strikeouts in an eight-inning shutout.

Game one got off to a slow start as the first two innings passed with no action.

In the third, Brandon Ponder reached scoring position off a throwing error to get the game rolling. James Payne got a double from another throwing error to first that brought in Ponder to get the Eagles on the board.

After pitching switch by Coppin State due to an injury, Brandon Long hit a solid RBI single.

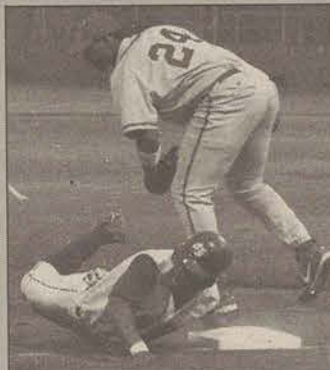
As the momentum stayed in the Eagles' hands, Greg Dowling smashed a 2-2 pitch over the wall, taking Georgia Southern's lead to four. It was Dowling's seventh home run of the season.

Travis Adkinson led off the fourth inning with a double that was just a foot or two shy from a dead center homer. James Payne had a sacrifice fly and a wild throw brought in another run making it a 6-0 ballgame.

In the sixth, Coppin State got their first hit since the second with a double by Eddie Wilson. But it wasn't enough as they still came up empty-handed.

A six-run eighth inning sealed the deal for the eagles who ended up with a 14-0 win.

Jared Comstock got his first win of the season in Thursday's finale, taking the Eagles to a 15-2 victory.



Hillary Jones/STAFF

Centerfielder James Payne slides underneath the glove of Coppin State's Justin Riggs in the Eagles' 14-0 victory Wednesday.

Game two got going much faster than the first. Brandon Long jacked his sixth homer to center off the first pitch he faced in the opening frame. Soon after, Mike Economos hit his a three-run homer to put the Eagles up 4-0. Logan Phillips would add his second home run of the season to open up the lead to six.

Coppin State threatened in the third, scoring two before a six-run fifth inning - each run coming with two outs - really got the Eagles going.

James Payne had a double off the leftfield wall before Brandon Long reached first off an error by the first baseman. Greg Dowling cracked an RBI single up the middle, followed by Flint Wipke, who also had an RBI single making it a 12-2 ballgame. After Travis Adkinson got a double and two RBI off a shot at the left field wall, making the score 15-2, that's when Coppin State head coach Guy Robertson finally replaced starting pitcher Graham Johnson, who gave up all of the Eagles' runs, off 13 hits.

Women's tennis tops Mountaineers

GSU Athletic Media Relations

BOONE, N.C. - Georgia Southern halted a two-match Southern Conference losing streak by defeating Appalachian State 6-1 in league women's tennis action Saturday afternoon at the ASU Courts.

Georgia Southern (8-8, 4-3 SoCon) used victories by its first and third doubles teams to take the pairs point. The top tandem of Ciara Finucane and Szilvia Zsakay won by a count of 8-6, while the duo of Charlotte Bruneteaux and Krystel Sauvageau garnered an 8-4 win to guarantee the point.

In singles action, Bruneteaux topped Anja Gugger 6-3 and 6-1 and Sauvageau handled Tammy Beaulieu 6-2 and 6-4 in the No. 2 and No. 3 slots. In a hotly contested fourth singles match, Zsakay defeated Victoria Moody 7-5 and 6-4. Amy Pazahanick dealt Lyndsey Free a 6-4 and 6-1 setback at No. 5, while in the

No. 6 singles match, Heather Reynolds defeated Salem Kirven, 6-4 and 6-4.

Appalachian State's (6-7, 1-3 SoCon) No. 1 player, Becky Gordon, came from behind and needed a 10-3 tie-breaker set to take the home side's lone win of the contest.

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Singles

• Becky Gordon (ASU) def. Ciara Finucane (GSU) 4-6, 6-3 (10-3)
• Charlotte Bruneteaux (GSU) def. Anja Gugger (ASU) 6-3, 6-1
• Krystel Sauvageau (GSU) def. Tammy Beaulieu (ASU) 6-2, 6-4
• Szilvia Zsakay (GSU) def. Victoria Moody (ASU) 7-5, 6-4
• Amy Pazahanick (GSU) def. Lyndsey Free (ASU) 6-4, 6-1
• Heather Reynolds (GSU) def. Salem Kirven (ASU) 6-4, 6-4

Doubles

• Finucane/Zsakay (GSU) def. Beaulieu/Gordon (ASU) 8-6
• Gugger/Free (ASU) def. Pazahanick/Wollett (GSU) 9-8 (4)
• Bruneteaux/Sauvageau (GSU) def. Kirven/Moody (ASU) 8-4

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ELITE EIGHT

(3) Ga. Tech 79, (4) Kansas 71 (OT)
(2) Oklahoma St. 64, (1) St. Joseph's 62
(1) Duke 66, (7) Xavier 63
(2) Connecticut 87, (8) Alabama 71

FINAL FOUR

(3) Georgia Tech vs. (2) Oklahoma St.
(2) Connecticut vs. (1) Duke
SATURDAY, APRIL 3

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MONDAY, APRIL 5

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday
• Baseball at Mercer, 6 p.m.

Wednesday
• Softball vs. Georgia State (DH), Eagle Field, 3 p.m.
• Women's Tennis vs. Savannah State, Hanner Courts, 3 p.m.

Friday
• Men's Tennis at Davidson, 2 p.m.
• Baseball vs. UNC Greensboro, J.I. Clements Stadium, 7 p.m.

Saturday
• Men's Tennis at Elon, 1 p.m.
• Softball at Furman (DH), 1 p.m.
• Women's Tennis at Wofford, 2 p.m.
• Baseball vs. UNC Greensboro, J.I. Clements Stadium, 4 p.m.
• Golf at Augusta State Invitational (through Sunday)

Sunday
• Men's Tennis at UNC Greensboro, Noon
• Softball at Furman, 1 p.m.
• Baseball vs. UNC Greensboro, J.I. Clements Stadium, 1 p.m.

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Lindsay Jones led the frame off with a single and moved to second when Shanita Black poked a single past the drawn-in Chattanooga infield. After a pair of outs, Laurato came up and took the pitch from the Lady Mocs' Lacy Swarthout over the fence in left center for her first career home run.

"[Starting pitcher] Cary Moore said someone's got to move the runners over, and I came up thinking that," said Laurato, who is also batting .299 thus far.

Moore (8-4), a sophomore transfer from New Mexico, pitched a near-per-

fect ballgame, giving up no walks and just one hit, while striking out seven.

"I thought they could and would have a difference on the team," said head coach Natalie Poole on the two young talents. "They've contributed in the way upperclassmen have."

After an impressive first two games, Swarthout took a loss to lower her record to 14-15.

Georgia Southern had a strong chance to jump ahead earlier in the day, but failed to convert on their chance in the fourth inning.

Aurora Johnson led off with a single

before Kim Griffin reached on an error. Laurato then singled to load the bases with no outs. But from there, the Lady Mocs' Swarthout was able to shut down Georgia Southern's rally, striking out Sam Steiner and Moore and getting Christi Aitken to fly out to left.

Chattanooga's only base runner came in the fifth when Grace Pickett singled to center.

The Lady Eagles will return to action on Wednesday, hosting a 3 p.m. twinbill with Georgia State at Eagle Field. The matchup was originally set for Feb. 25, but was rained out.

Track reaches new season, career bests at Florida Relays

GSU Athletic Media Relations

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — The Georgia Southern tracksters competed against some of the nation's best as they participated in the Florida

Relays over the weekend.

The Eagles tallied three top-ten finishes and six top 20 finishes. GSU also recorded six new season best times in the 100 meter hurdles (Petteway), 800 meter run (Prather),

5000 meter run (Reyes), high jump (Mitchell), discus (Lightfoot), and the 4x400 relay (Brown, Mincey, Mincey, Mitchell). Lightfoot's discus throw of 153-00 is also a new school record.

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receiver Teddy Craft also turned in a unit-high two receptions, hauling in a pair for 36 yards and adding a rush for 15 yards.

Defensively, senior linebacker Derrick Butler, senior tackle Eric McIntire and junior linebacker T.J. Rutledge were credited with seven stops each while sophomore linebacker Jason Earwood and senior safety James Young logged six tackles each.

The new-look Eagle defense did enjoy several highlights because of a pressured approach, booking a total of 11 tackles for loss, recovering three fumbles and forcing GSU's offensive unit out after three plays on five occasions.

"There was some definite nervous energy out there but it also forced us to compete," said head coach Mike Sewak. "Generally, I was pleased with the effort of both our offensive and

defensive units. I think we've got to the point where the initial stage of the spring is complete and the foundations on both sides of the ball are established. Now we need to reach the level where

it becomes fast and furious. We've got something to prove to everyone and all of us began that mission and journey in January. We're getting there but still have a lot of work to do."

SCRIMMAGE STATISTICS

Rushing: Trey Hunter (18-104), Chaz Williams (16-53, 2 TD), Tim Gehrsitz (5-36, 1 TD), Jermaine Austin (5-32), Darius Smiley (12-31, 1 TD), Marquice Maynard (3-25), Steve Steele (2-24), Brandon Andrews (4-21, 1 TD), Kevin Davis (1-18), T.J. Anderson (2-16), Teddy Craft (1-15), Lynon Jefferson (2-13), Kevin Anderson (1-13), Kenya Moore (1-12), Bryce Carter (4-11), Jonathan Walker (2-10), Ken Middleton (6-5), Lance Turner (1-5), Sylvester Lake (1-4), Jayson Foster (5-3). Totals — 92-451 (4.9 ypr), 4 TD.

Passing: Hunter (3-3-0, 44 yards), Foster (3-2-0, 2 TD, 40 yards), Williams (9-3-0, 38 yards), Smiley (4-2-0, 16 yards). Totals — 19-10-0, 2 TD, 138 yards.

Receiving: Osmond Brinson (3-48, 2 TD), Teddy Craft (2-36), Richard Murphy (1-31),

P.J. Cantrell (1-10), Henri Lee (1-8), Kevin Anderson (1-3), T.J. Anderson (1-2). Totals — 10-138, 2 TD

Tackles: Derrick Butler (7), Eric McIntire (7, 3 TFL), T.J. Rutledge (7, 1 TFL), Jason Earwood (6, 1 sack), James Young (6), Eric Selbach (5, 2 TFL), Chris Dickerson (4), Theven Harris (4), Shannon Higdon (4, 1 TFL), Devron Jefferson (4), Tyler Kucera (4), Tariq Muhammad (4, 1 TFL, 1 FR), Victor Sandi (4), Shaheen Solomon (4, 1 sack).

Kicking: Jonathan Dudley (34-missed, 32-good), Bo Galvin (38-good, 32-missed), Sean Holland (24-missed, 32-missed).

Punting: Sean Holland (4-113, 28.3 avg.), Dan Jordan (4-173, 43.3 avg.)

BASEBALL, FROM PAGE 6

Tech added three more runs in the second inning after Whit Robbins, Patterson, and Hodges walked and Brandon Boggs belted a triple to straightaway center field, driving in the runners to make the score 6-1 in favor of the Jackets.

The Jackets took a 7-1 lead in the fourth after Patterson led off with a single, advanced to second on a balk by Georgia Southern reliever Everett Teaford, stole third and scored on an RBI single by Boggs.

The Eagles came back with three runs in the eighth inning to make the score 7-4. Tech reliever Jason Neiborgall issued back-to-back walks to lead off the inning, and Logan Phillips loaded the bases with a single to the left side off John Goodman before James Payne drove in Mike Economos with an RBI single to left field. Following a strikeout by Brandon Long, Dowling drove in Travis Adkinson with an RBI single through the left side of the infield. Southpaw Ryan Self became the third Tech pitcher of the inning and ended the Eagles threat by inducing a check-swing RBI groundout by Burruss and another groundout from Brandon Burnsed.

Georgia Southern starter Dustin Evans went just 1.1 innings, leaving the game in the second inning after losing feeling in the fingers on his pitching hand. He did not figure into the decision after allowing five runs on four hits and walking two Yellow Jacket batters.

Teaford (5-3) entered for the injured Evans and held the Jackets to just two runs on 12 hits while striking out five to earn the win. Brian Harrison pitched the ninth inning for Southern to earn his first save of the season.

Georgia Tech 13, Georgia Southern 2

Micah Owings went 4-for-4, Steven Blackwood had three hits and three RBI, and Andrew Kown allowed just two runs in eight innings of work to

help Georgia Tech (15-11) to a 13-2 win over visiting Georgia Southern (14-15) Sunday afternoon at Russ Chandler Stadium.

Kown (4-1) allowed just one run in each of the first and fourth innings and allowed just three other runners past first base while pitching eight strong innings for the Jackets. He gave up six hits while striking out four Eagles batters and walking none in the game.

Owings led the Jackets with four hits on the afternoon while Steven Blackwood went 3-for-5 with three RBI and three runs scored against the Eagles in a game in which every starter in the Georgia Tech lineup had at least one hit. Tyler Greene also drove in three runs on the afternoon and scored another.

Georgia Southern led 1-0 at the end of the first after James Payne led off the game with a hit-by-pitch, moved to third on a single by Brandon Long, and scored on an RBI groundout by Greg Dowling.

The Jackets scored a pair of runs in the second inning to pull ahead, 2-1. Owings and Blackwood hit back-to-back singles to lead off the inning and both advanced a base on a wild pitch by GSU starter John Carroll. Clifton Remole then drove in Owings with an RBI groundout and Whit Robbins doubled to left-center field to plate Blackwood.

Georgia Tech scored six runs in the third inning to lead 8-1 after seven consecutive batters reached base. The inning was highlighted with RBI singles by Brandon Boggs, Blackwood and Remole and Green, who drove in a pair of runners with a double to right-center field.


The Eagles cut the lead to 8-2 in the fourth when Dowling led off the inning with a single, moved to third on a single by Grant Burruss, and scored on an RBI groundout from Mike Economos.

The Jackets extended the lead to 11-2 in the bottom of the fourth inning. With one out, Boggs singled, stole second base, and moved to third on a single by Owings. Blackwood drove in Boggs with a single to right field, and Owings and Blackwood later scored on a fielding error by Eagle shortstop Brandon Ponder.

Tech added two more runs in the seventh inning for the final 13-2 margin. Andy Hawranick, Wes Hodges and Boggs walked to load the bases before Owings and Greene had RBI singles.

Starter Carroll (2-4) took the loss for Georgia Southern, lasting 3.1 innings and giving up 10 runs on 12 hits while striking out two and walking one. Southpaw Josh Lairsey came on in relief for Carroll and pitched effectively, giving up just one run on two hits in 2.2 innings of work.

The Eagles will be back in action Tuesday night when they visit Mercer in Macon for a 6 p.m., non-conference matchup.




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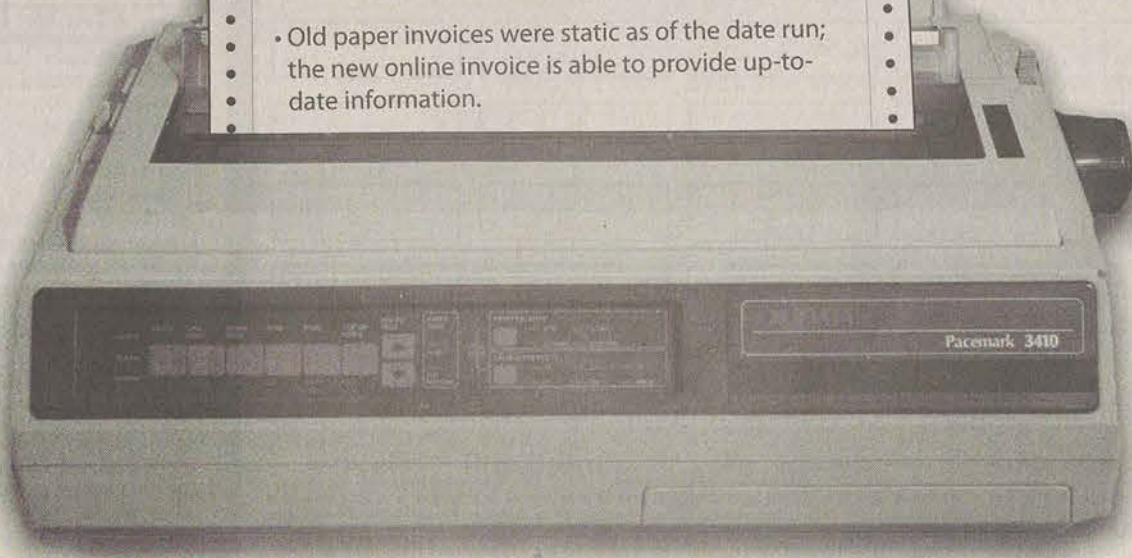
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Nobel Prize winner Ketterle speaks on what it means to be a scientist

By Natalie Gazaway
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Nobel Prize winner, Dr. Wolfgang Ketterle, spoke Thursday in the Nes-smith-Lane Ballroom to over 500 students and faculty.

Thanks to the GSU Department of Physics and the University Honors Programs, this is the third year Georgia Southern has had a Nobel Prize winner present a lecture.

In 2001, Ketterle shared the prize with Eric Cornell and Carl Wieman of JILA. He is now a Professor of Physics at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

"The task of the scientist is to lift the veil of nature and discover new beauty," said Ketterle.

After getting a degree in Germany, Ketterle moved to the U.S. for more opportunities; he found them at M.I.T. He began studying combustion research and diesel combustion, which involves extremely hot gases. In 1990, Ketterle changed his research from applied to basic. He went from studying extremely hot gases to the coldest gases in the universe.

"When I try to explain it to people, they just shake their head," said Ketterle.

The coldest matter, called the Bose-Einstein condensates, became the topic of his lecture. The matter,

named after Satyendra Nath Bose and Albert Einstein, was predicted 70 years before it was discovered. It can only be measured by kelvin, which is the measurement scientists use because it can reach absolute zero. Only kelvin can measure energy and motion. By reaching lower temperatures, a scientist is able to find new discoveries of matter.

When describing his discovery, Ketterle used an analogy of laser light vs. ordinary light to put it into simpler terms for those less familiar with physics. The Bose-Einstein condensate has the same properties as laser light, while ordinary gas has the same properties as ordinary light.

In order to reach the lowest temperature, two processes are used. One is laser cooling and the other is evaporative cooling, which is just like cooling down a cup of coffee.

After working long hours to discover this temperature, Ketterle and his team finally came closest to reaching absolute zero around midnight on September 29, 1995. They had observed the Bose-Einstein condensate.

"It's important to learn from great people, and I was privileged enough to do that. A discovery doesn't mean it's over; it's just the beginning," said Ketterle.

Republicans want to declassify earlier testimony by critic

By Katherine Pfleger Shrader
Associated Press

Key Republicans in Congress want to declassify 2002 testimony by former counterterrorism official Richard Clarke, hoping to show discrepancies between his recent criticisms of the Bush administration and positive remarks he made as a White House aide.

"Mr. Clarke has told two entirely different stories under oath," Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., told the Senate on Friday.

Frist and House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., want to make public Clarke's classified testimony in July 2002 before a joint House-Senate intelligence inquiry into the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

Frist said Clarke, testifying then as a White House counterterrorism adviser, was "effusive in his praise for the actions of the Bush administration" and had told lawmakers the White House actively sought to address the threat by the al-Qaida terrorist network.

He said he was not accusing Clarke of perjury.

Republicans hope to contrast those words to testimony Clarke made this week to a bipartisan commission investigating the attacks.

The declassification requests mark the latest turn in a GOP counterattack against Clarke, who has criticized President Bush in a new book, "Against All Enemies," as well as in interviews and this week's sworn testimony.

Clarke did not respond to multiple telephone and e-mail messages Friday seeking comment.

The allegations against him could linger for weeks as the declassification request winds through the appropriate agencies to ensure sensitive national security information isn't revealed. Often most protected are the "sources and methods" of gathering intelligence.

Rep. Porter Goss, R-Fla., chairman of the House Intelligence Committee, said he feels an obligation to make sure Congress' 810-page report on the 2001 attacks, made public last year, isn't "contaminated by this new revelation" from Clarke.

Goss said he is reviewing testimony

and other documents and plans to request the declassification in case a need for public hearings or other disclosure arises.

"We have to dig through this," Goss said, "not only for the continued accuracy and utility of the joint 9-11 report, but now we have this further question: Does this change things, or is it part of a book-selling tour?"

It was not clear whether Clarke testified in 2002 — as he did this week — that some senior administration officials almost immediately called for strikes against Iraq in response to the Sept. 11 attacks.

"To the best of my recollection, there is nothing inconsistent or contradictory in that testimony and what Mr. Clarke has said this week," said Sen. Bob Graham, D-Fla., a former chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee.

Rep. Jane Harman of California, the top Democrat on the House Intelligence Committee, also wants to see more information disclosed. She said that includes 27 pages of the congressional inquiry's report addressing the involvement of a foreign government in supporting some of the 19 hijackers — an item of dispute with the Bush administration.

"This is selective declassification, in my view, and it is all about discrediting an administration critic," Harman said.

In his testimony this week, Clarke said that while the Clinton administration had "no higher priority" than combatting terrorists, Bush made it "an important issue, but not an urgent issue" in the eight months between the time he took office on Jan. 20, 2001, and the Sept. 11 attacks.

In a sharply worded speech, Frist said Clarke was "the only common denominator" across 10 years of terrorist attacks that began with the first attack on the World Trade Center, a bombing in an underground parking garage in 1993 that killed six people.

White House spokesman Scott McClellan, meanwhile, continued the administration's criticism of Clarke, telling reporters, "With every new assertion he makes, every revision of his past comments, he only further undermines his credibility."

SGA, FROM PAGE 1

Perkins' ideas leaned more towards furthering current successful SGA programs such as Student Appreciation Days, Legal Services, and The SGA Radio Show, to name a few. She also talked about SGA keeping in close contact with college deans and other administrators to help bridge

the gap between the administration and students.

A member of the audience asked how each candidate would help bring and keep SGA on the level of the everyday student, and Perkins suggested a more laid back style of governing. Haseltine's response was, "It's called

anarchy if we're all on the same level." His plan is to advertise to other clubs and help increase student involvement in all organizations on campus.

In closing statements, Perkins emphasized that SGA is not an "elite" organization, but something in which everyone can participate.

She also stated her plans to instate a mass voting drive for the November elections. Finally, she promoted the officers running on her ticket.

Haseltine's closing was rather brief, saying, "Don't vote for me unless you think I can give you what Charisse [Perkins] can't."

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Announcement – Student Media Positions Selection 2004-2005

The Student Media Advisory Board of Georgia Southern University announces its selection process to choose student editors and managers of the 2003-2004 broadcast and editorial boards of the university's official student media (The George-Anne, Miscellany Magazine, Southern Reflector Magazine, and WVGS/FM). Students interested in applying for an elected position will be expected to present (1) a **resume**; (2) a **letter of application** explaining the candidate's qualifications and their plans or objectives for the media position sought; and (3) a **signed waiver** (included with this advertisement) which gives permission to the chairperson of the Student Media Advisory Board to validate the candidate's academic standing. Students may indicate the position(s) sought either in their letter of application or on the waiver form. However, a separate application packet (a **resume**, a **letter of application** and a **signed waiver**) should be submitted for each medium, if a student wishes to apply for more than one.

SELECTION AND TERM: The editorial and broadcast boards will be selected by members of the committee based on a majority of those voting, according to committee by-laws. The term of office for the editorial and broadcast boards shall extend through the end of the next spring semester.

QUALIFICATIONS: Specific qualifications for persons holding board positions are listed below. Prior experience may be considered in lieu of stated qualifications. The board positions for each medium are listed in ranking order.

THE GEORGE-ANNE

Editor in Chief — The editor should have completed two years of college work, at least one year at Georgia Southern. An editor should have served on the staff one year and should display capabilities required for the position. The editor is responsible for the preparation of a commentary section for each edition. The editor serves as the chief executive officer of the newspaper and is ultimately responsible for the total editorial content of each edition.

Managing Editor — The managing editor should have completed at least one year at Georgia Southern and should have served at least one semester on the staff. The managing editor should be familiar with basic journalistic practices such as layout, copy editing, and news and feature writing. The managing editor will be responsible for coordinating the editorial content in all sections of the newspaper, such as news, sports and features. The managing editor (with the assistance of the news editor) will be responsible for the preparation of the front page.

News Editor — The news editor should know basic news writing and should be familiar with news sources on campus. The news editor should demonstrate news judgment and should have served at least one semester on the staff of the paper. The news editor will be responsible for all news gathering operations of the newspaper. The news editor assists the managing editor in the preparation of the front page.

MISCELLANY

Editor — The editor should have completed two years of college work, at least one year at Georgia Southern. The editor should demonstrate both the interest and the talent to create a quality publication which showcases the arts — literary, visual, and, to the extent practicable, performance arts — on behalf of the university's students, and to promote the arts in the university community through the staging of various arts-oriented events. The editor, in cooperation with an assistant editor, will conduct a juried selection of contributors for the magazine. The editor will be responsible for the total editorial content of the magazine.

SOUTHERN REFLECTOR

Editor — The editor should have completed two years of university work, at least one year at Georgia Southern. The editor should have served at least one year on the Reflector staff and should be familiar with magazine copy writing, magazine photojournalism, layout and design of pages, and staff management. The editor is responsible for the all editorial operations for each edition. The editor serves as the chief executive officer of the magazine and is ultimately responsible for the total content of each edition.

Art Director — The Art Director should have served at least one year on the Southern Reflector staff and should be knowledgeable in all

communications Commission rules for noncommercial radio stations, producing PSAs (public service announcements), and producing quarterly issues lists. The individual who applies for this position should be well organized, skilled at using station equipment and facilities, and able to interact with other people effectively when enforcing compliance with FCC and station regulations.

Managing Editor — The managing editor should have completed one year at Georgia Southern and should have served at least one semester on the staff. The managing editor should be familiar with magazine production and university business procedures. The managing editor is responsible for promotional activities in support of the magazine, advertising operations, routine office management, and financial review, and distribution of the magazine. In addition to these duties, the Managing Editor shall perform other duties as assigned by the current Editor.

WVGS/FM

Station Manager — The station manager should have completed two years of college work, at least one year at Georgia Southern, and should have served at least one year on the staff of the station. The manager should display leadership qualities and should have a basic knowledge of Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules and regulations, broadcast equipment, and budgetary matters.

Program Director — The program director should have completed at least one year of college work and should have served at least one semester on the staff of the station. The program director is responsible for reporting playlists to trade journals, maintaining telephone and mail contacts with music companies, adding program materials to the station's computer system, and developing and implementing other programs.

Operations Manager — The operations manager should have completed at least one year at Georgia Southern and should have served at least one semester as a DJ (disc jockey) at the station. The operations manager is responsible for keeping WVGS in compliance with all Federal Commu-

nications Commission rules for noncommercial radio stations, producing PSAs (public service announcements), and producing quarterly issues lists. The individual who applies for this position should be well organized, skilled at using station equipment and facilities, and able to interact with other people effectively when enforcing compliance with FCC and station regulations.

DEADLINE: The deadline for the receipt of all applications for any of these positions is **Friday, April 2, at 5 p.m.** Applications should be sent to Bill Neville, chairperson, Student Advisory Media Board, in care of Box 8067, or delivered in person to Room 2022, Williams Center.

COMPENSATION: Payment rates for board members are pending final budget approval by the Student Activities Budget Committee and the Student Media Advisory Board.

INTERVIEW DATE: All candidates for board positions **MUST APPEAR PERSONALLY** for interviews as follows: for WVGS on Friday, April 9, with a nominating committee. WVGS candidates who are nominated must return Friday, April 16, for an interview with the full board. Candidates for the George-Anne, Miscellany Magazine, and Southern Reflector must appear Friday, April 16. All interviews will be held at 3:30 p.m. in Room 2007 of E.I. Williams Center (Upper Floor).

APPLICATION FORM AND WAIVER

INFORMATION: Questions regarding these positions should be directed to the advisors of the media: Bill Neville (The GEORGE-ANNE) at 681-0069 or Box 8067; Mike Mills (MISCELLANY) at 681-0228 or Box 8026; Laura Kaloniatis (REFLECTOR MAGAZINE) at 486-7450 or Box 8026; or Ray Harris (WVGS/FM) at 681-5369 or Box 8091. Additional information and interpretation of the qualifications may be obtained from the chairperson, Bill Neville (681-0069 or Box 8067).

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2. Students seeking a position on an editorial or broadcast board must have a **CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE of at least 2.0 and must not be on scholastic or disciplinary probation**. If at any time a board member drops below these standards, that member must relinquish the position.

I, _____ do hereby authorize the Media Committee, in relation to the above criteria for board positions, to contact the GSU student records representatives to validate my academic standing for compliance. This validation may be at a time of application and at any time during the period I would hold a board position.

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Israelis tensely await major strike by Hamas; prepare for the worst

By Joel Greenberg
KRT Campus

JERUSALEM – Despite the occasional suicide bombings on nearby streets, Shmuel Nahmias had for years stubbornly resisted posting a security guard at the door of his popular Middle Eastern restaurant

in downtown Jerusalem. On Tuesday, he said, he was finally compelled to hire a guard, by popular demand. "The customers were anxious; they forced me to do it," he said as he stood outside his restaurant, where most of the tables were empty.

Threats by the militant group Hamas to exact revenge on an unprecedented scale for Monday's assassination by Israel of its spiritual leader, Ahmed Yassin, have driven many Israelis off the streets and cast a pall of tension over the routines of daily life.

"Everyone is waiting for the attack," Nahmias said. "It's like roulette, with people betting on where it will happen – in the market, downtown or somewhere else. Soon they'll put money on it." Fearing a suicide bombing, few people sit down to eat at Nahmias'

restaurant, preferring takeout, he said. "Most people come in, pick up their order and flee," he said. Many Israelis are hunkering down at home, leaving malls, buses and markets emptier than usual. On the streets there is a stepped-up

security presence, with police manning checkpoints on main roads and armed soldiers posted near major buildings.

Counseling hotlines have reported a surge of calls from people complaining of anxiety.

"For the past two days I'm half of myself," said a worried mother interviewed on a television news show. "They're talking about serious revenge, and I'm worried about the children."

A news report sketched a nightmare scenario of a possible attack on a school or a hospital. A hotline counselor told a caller to listen less to the radio and to go out for a stroll and some fresh air.

Despite the grim expectation of an attack, a poll published Tuesday by the mass-circulation Yediot Ahronot newspaper showed that 60 percent of Israelis supported the lethal strike on Yassin, whose organization has killed and maimed hundreds of Israelis.

"We have no choice," Nahmias said. "When someone tries to kill you, you have to kill him first."

Defense Minister Shaul Mofaz argued Tuesday that a persistent campaign against the Hamas leadership would "bring more security to Israeli citizens." But the newspaper poll showed that few Israelis agreed. Only 3 percent thought that the killing of Yassin would reduce terrorist attacks, while 81 percent thought the attacks would increase.

"On one hand, it's good they finished him off, but on the other hand, it's scary because they're going to hit back," said Shoshana Yehoshua, 60, who was walking to a bus stop. She said she was taking a different bus home these days, avoiding the crowded line she normally rides.

The pervasive anxiety led to a false alarm Monday night, when reports spread that a car exploded on the southern outskirts of Jerusalem. It turned out that an errant flare fired by soldiers posted nearby landed in the neighborhood.

The dread of an impending attack was reflected in a bitter front-page column published Tuesday in Yediot Ahronot by a satirist known as B. Michael, a harsh left-wing critic of Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and his government.

"No one has any doubt that it will come," Michael wrote of the widely expected terrorist strike. "Only it's not known where it will come, and who are the dead people still walking among us. Someone forgot to notify them in advance, or ask for their consent before volunteering them to sacrifice their lives on the altar of the war games of Sharon and Mofaz."

Kerry to have minor surgery

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo – John Kerry will undergo shoulder surgery on Wednesday.

David Wade, Kerry's spokesman, said Kerry tore the subscapularis, a muscle beneath the scapula in his right shoulder, in a bicycling accident years ago. He said Kerry irritated the old injury several weeks ago when he braced himself during an abrupt stop on his Iowa campaign bus.

Wade said it was unclear Saturday how long the Democratic presidential candidate will be sidelined from his campaign, but he has no travel planned from Wednesday through Sunday. Kerry will use a sling for a few days, Wade said.

Wade said the Massachusetts senator's shoulder didn't bother him when he was skiing and snowboarding last week during an Idaho vacation. Kerry felt pain when he picked up a baby while greeting voters recently, Wade said.

Wade said the surgery would be an hour long outpatient procedure at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. He said Kerry made the appointment Saturday after reaching his doctor, who was on vacation.

Wade said Kerry was having the surgery "for convenience, just to get it done."

"He decided it was better just to get it fixed now," Wade said.

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LYDIE BREEZE

By Christina Calloway
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Georgia Southern Theatre and Performance will present John Guare's nineteenth-century post war drama "Lydie Breeze" today through Saturday, April 3.

The play is set in Nantucket at the end of the 1800s, and it confronts political and emotional issues within a utopian community of a young generation.

The cast features the talent of Erin Biszaks as Young Lydie, Carrie Baker as Beaty, Ryan Haywood as Jeremiah Grady, James Harbour as Joshua Hickman, Jay McKinney as Lucian Rock, Carla Selden as Lydie Breeze Hickman, Chris Baldwin as Dan Grady, and Sean White as Amos Mason.

Melissa Gast, a senior theatre major who plays Gussie, says the experience has been great.

"I feel that the cast works well together, and the show is going to be great," Gast said. Brandon Lybrand, a senior Comm. Arts major who plays Jude Emerson, couldn't agree more.

"The whole experience has been a lot of fun," Lybrand said.

The two seniors both agreed on the experience of working on "Lydie Breeze," but they also agreed on their reasons for wanting to be in the play. They both wanted to work with the director Gary Dartt.

"This is my last year. And I wanted to work with Gary," Lybrand said. For Gast, it is her first time working with Dartt.

Gary Dartt has been working with GSU's Theatre and Performance for 16 years and has most recently worked on the last summer's production of "Ah Wilderness."

Dartt says he has wanted to put on the production of "Lydie Breeze" for years, but needed a lot of space for this production.

Enter the Performing Arts Center.

The crew of "Lydie Breeze" definitely rises to the occasion of such an opportunity.

Brenda Dartt, Mr. Dartt's wife, and the costume designer, has created very authentic costumes that allow the characters to come through as much as the actors who portrays the characters.

The combination of the lighting design by Brad Darvas and set design, by GSU's technical director, Kelly Berry, make the stage seem like a very realistic home on the coast of Massachusetts. The raised angle of the stage helps to make the stage seem closer to the audience so that the actors are easily viewed.

Dartt says he is very proud to do this play because it takes many resources to put on such a production.

"This play says something about GSU's theater program" Dartt said.

"Lydie Breeze" is a play that is sure to intrigue viewers through its melodramatic plot that deals with death, disease, and suicide.

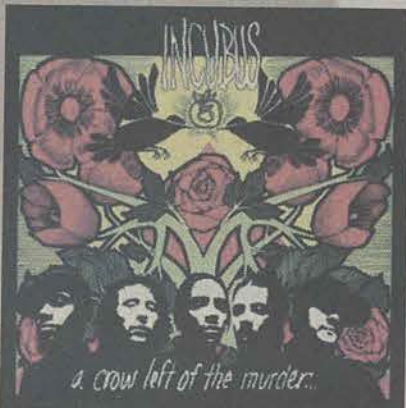
Theatergoers may even take something from the play. One of the more prevalent themes in the play is the theme of forgiveness and moving on from the past.

Lybrand agrees with the themes within the play and the lessons they teach.

"Remember it (the past). Don't forget it, but learn from it and move on."

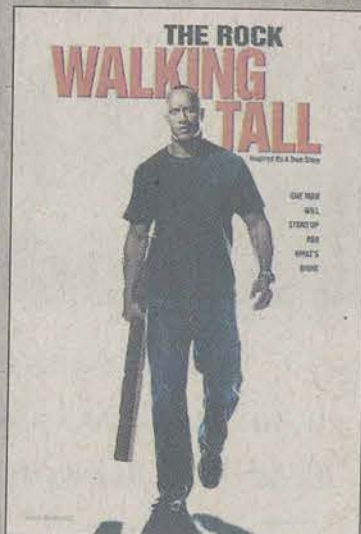
Each show will begin at 8 p.m.

Tickets are available at the box office in the Performing Arts Center at 912-486-7999. The prices are \$2 for students with ID, \$5 for faculty, staff, and seniors, and \$8 general admission.



Incubus dissappoints with latest release

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The Rock returns
to theaters this
weekend to
stand up for
what's right

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DJ Fox catches up with Flaw

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THURSDAY

April 1

'Lydie Breeze'

Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.

A romantic drama set in on Nantucket Island in the aftermath of the Civil War. General admission is \$8, GA southern faculty and staff, \$5, and GA students with IDs \$2. For tickets, contact the Box Office at 912-486-7999

'Letterist Photography'

Foy Fine Arts Building
Gallery 303

'Continuing with Fractions'

Union Room 2047
2 p.m.

FRIDAY

April 2

'Creatress: A Woman's Hand'

Foy Fine Arts Building, Gallery 303
7 p.m.

This is a Master of Fine Arts exhibit by student Susan Gibbs. The above is the time of the opening reception. The exhibit will run until April 30th.

Baseball

GSU vs. UNC Greensboro
7 p.m.

Come Get Lei'd Swimsuit Preview

Union Commons
8 p.m.

SATURDAY

April 3

'Inspectopia'

Wildlife Center
9:30 a.m.-Noon



The featured activities for the event will be a ladybug release, beekeeping, and honey extraction. Admission is \$5.50 per person or \$10 per family.

Baseball

GSU vs. UNC Greensboro
4 p.m.

SUNDAY

April 4

Concert

Carol A. Carter Recital Hall
3 p.m.

The concert will feature guest percussionist Juan Martinez.

Baseball

GSU vs. UNC Greensboro
1:30 p.m.



MONDAY

April 5

Poetry Reading

Arts Building Auditorium
7 p.m.



The poetry reading will feature reading by the Belgian author Laure-Anne Bosselaar.

'Orchestra Masterworks III'

Performing Arts Center
8 p.m.

TOP TEN

Top Ten Movies (03/28/04)

1. Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed
2. The Ladykillers
3. The Passion of the Christ
4. Dawn of the Dead
5. Jersey Girl
6. Taking Lives
7. Starsky & Hutch
8. Hidalgo
9. Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind
10. Secret Window

Top Ten DVD & Video Rentals (04/03/04)

1. Mona Lisa Smile
2. School of Rock
3. Missing
4. Matchstick Men
5. Cold Creek Manor
6. Runaway Jury
7. Duplex
8. Good Boy
9. Radio
10. Secondhand Lions

Top Ten Albums (04/03/04)

1. Nora Jones--Feels Like Home
2. Cassidy--Split Personality
3. Evanescence--Fallen
4. Jessica Simpson--In This Skin
5. God Smack--The Other Side
6. Kanye West--The College Dropout
7. Kenny Chesney--When The Sun Goes Down
8. Various Artists--Bad Boy's 10th Anniversary
9. Maroon 5--Songs About Jane
10. Josh Groban--Closer

TUESDAY

April 6

Irish Pub Nights

Archibald's Restaurant
7 p.m. & 9 p.m.



Irish Pub Nights is sponsored by the Center for International studies. Popular entertainer Harry O'Donoghue once again bring back the spirit of the Emerald Isles in music that appeals to everyone of all ages. The evening will be filled with the lively sounds of Ireland, as well as genial humor of Ireland. There is no admission fee but reservations are recommended.

WEDNESDAY

April 7

WebCT Vista showcase

CIT Building Room 105
3 p.m.

The Distance Learning Center and the University System of Georgia's Office of Advanced Learning Technologies invites the campus community to view WebCT Vista, the latest version of WebCT. The showcase will highlight the features and improvements of WebCT Vista, including the new user interface, new updated teaching and learnign tools, and other improvements. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Robby Ambler at ext. 0882.

The Misadventures of Celebrities

By Ashley Stevens
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During round three, Clint Eastwood goes for a TKO at the box office.

Clint Eastwood is set to direct, produce, and star in the upcoming movie, "Million Dollar Baby." He will be acting opposite "Boys Don't Cry" star Hilary Swank and "Along Came a Spider" star Morgan Freeman. Filming is expected to start shooting in June. The movie is a tragic love story about a woman in her mid-thirties who's determined to starting a boxing career and an ex-boxing fighter turned trainer.



Leno elected for four more years. Jay Leno is drawing out a contract with NBC valued at a reported \$100 million dollars to keep him as the host of the "Tonight Show" through at least 2009.



Messing's got to miss it. "Will & Grace" co-star Debra Messing has to miss the taping of the last few episodes of the season according to doctor's orders. The pregnant co-star is on mandatory bed rest.



Houston is approved outing. Whitney Houston made her first public appearance at a concert since checking into rehab two weeks ago.



According to Houston's rep, Nancy Seltzer, Whitney attended the concert with members of her treatment program and the trip had been pre-approved.

Usher's racking up the sales.

Usher's new album "Confessions" sold a reported 1.1 million dollars in less than a week. According to Arista Records, it is the best-selling album debut since 2001.

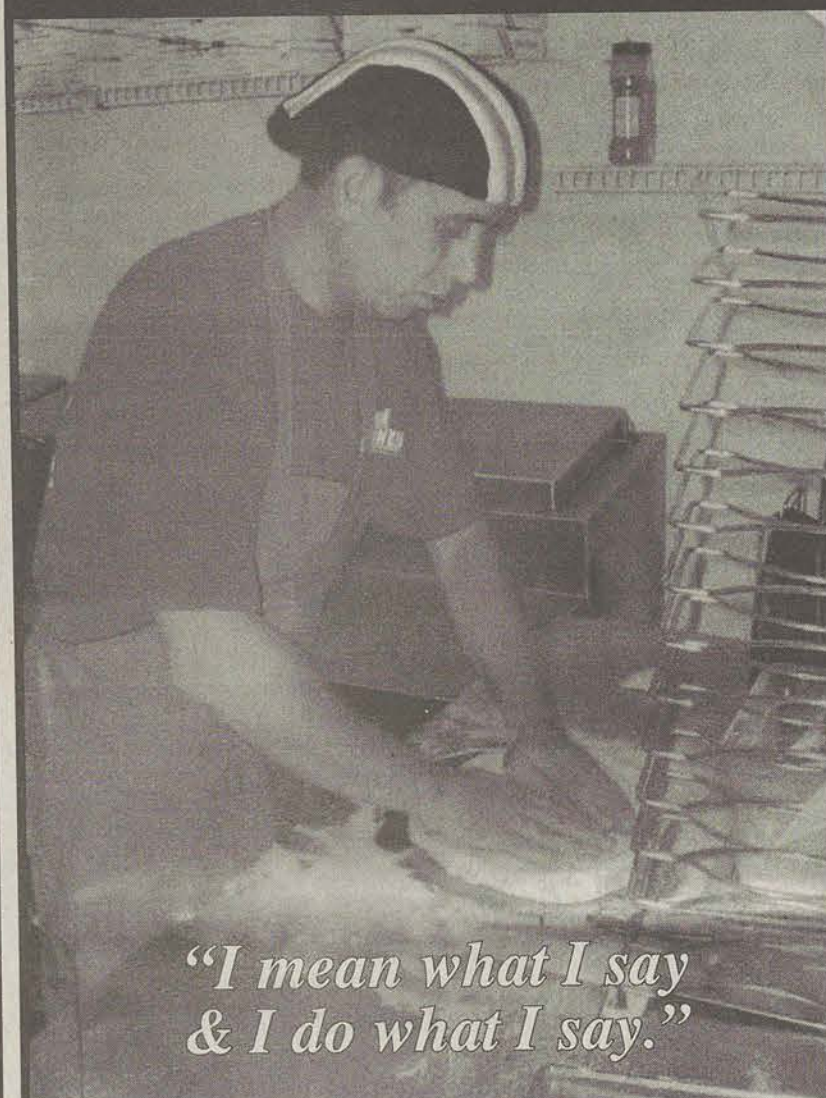


Jackson is back. The New York Post has reported that Janet Jackson has gotten engaged to long time boyfriend. Jermaine Dupri. The couple plans to marry in secret this summer.



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ALBUM REVIEWS

How to get away with murder

By Eric Haugh
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ARTIST: Incubus
ALBUM: A Crow Left of the Murder

REVIEW: Most tenth graders adhere to a simple code of ethics, shaped by peers to dictate everyday activities.

Numero Uno: follow the heard, or face immediate exclusion from everybody. This stupid rule applies for everything; from your fashion sense to language and even your personal taste in music. It is a sitting target of judgment by your peers.

As much as it disheartens me, personal history serves me well, reflecting on those dreadful days, I remember when everybody in high school delegated his or her attention to music trends and particularly to the adoration of a little known band called Incubus. I remember how everyone was totally convinced that Incubus would (GULP)... save rock n' roll. Don't take my word for it (even though you should) try and think back, as painful as it is, and recall how everyone and their brother would approach you an ask if you saw them on TRL last week, or say, "Incubus is like, the coolest f---ing band in like the whole world!"

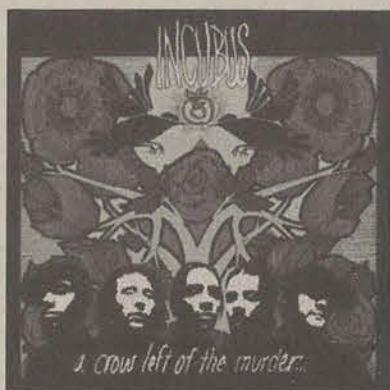
Reminiscing on those lonely MP3 friendly days, wasting hours downloading their music makes me want to vomit! Every time I see Brandon Boyd getting naked during a photo shoot—my bad—"music video," or I hear the song "Stellar" on the radio I quiver in disgust and try to find my happy place. I have no love loss for their most recent work.

Frankly, "A Crow Left of the Murder" is the most blatantly shameless, watered down piece of crap ever! The album is a complete travesty to their original sound. But what sickens me the most is their cheesy marketing strategy. You can smell it within the first track: "Megalomaniac." It is a supposed rally cry against the trappings of rock stardom. Crying indeed, ironically the album, in actuality, is a ploy to restore ailing street credibility. It's not that difficult to understand, just follow my logic beloved reader(s): Incubus knows only fickle, high school sophomores buy all of their crap. So, after they exploded with the radio saturated "Make Yourself" they disappeared for a little while.

After we (the class of 2000-03) graduated, they released the less successful album, "Boring View." A few years pass, the members catch some rays by their giant pools of money, fresh sets of naive high school sophomores take the place of their former, wiser fans and now their back—EUREKA! Shameless ain't it.

How could they, it's like... they got away with murder?! How dare they manipulate the minds of all of those poor, dimwitted children, just so they can make an extra buck! Who the hell do they think they are?! Surprisingly this technique not that creative, lets not forget to mention that this dimwit (yours truly) was also duped to buy their music once. But then again, isn't everyone entitled to at least one mistake.

VERDICT: Don't be a dimwit...again! Save your money unless the world's supply of toilet paper is exhausted. However, if you like sappy make-up/break-up songs then I know a couple of tenth graders who are dying to hang out with you cool kid.



Fashion week comes to GSU this week with varied events held

Special to the G-A

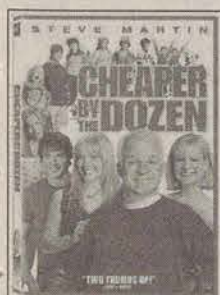
D.I.M.E.S., which is an acronym for Designs Inspired, Magnificently Exhibited in Style, is sponsoring its very first Fashion Week.

So far the events for this week have consisted of last Friday's Junior D.I.M.E.S. show at the Boys & Girls Club; Monday's "D.I.M.E.S. in Manhattan," a tribute to Sex & The City; Tuesday's Neon Nite at University Bowling; and last night's "Uncut" show at Legends featuring the event's theme of "Relationship Theory 101."

Today there will be a cookout at Southern Villa. On Friday, D.I.M.E.S. is showcasing its swimsuit preview in the Commons area of the Russell Union at 7 p.m. In collaboration with Alpha Phi Omega, D.I.M.E.S. is hosting a party at Legends on Saturday. In next week's Hiatus, there will be full coverage of the week's events including pictures of the various events.

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ENTERTAINMENT

The Rock proves his acting chops in 'Tall'

Ashley Stevens
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I was among the hundreds of students who were seeing a free advanced screening sponsored by Neutrogena of The Rock's new film "Walking Tall."

The basic premise of the movie is Chris Vaughn (The Rock), is a retired soldier who is returning home to start a new life for himself. To his surprise, his old school rival, Jay Hamilton, (Neal McDonough), has turned the town into, as he says, "My town." The place where Chris grew up is now overrun with drugs, violence, and crime. With the help of his best friend Ray Templeton, (Johnny Knoxville), he is going to right the wrongs by becoming sheriff.

The setting of the film helped, in my opinion, to show the audience the stereotypical small town where everyone knows everyone.

The director, Kevin Bray, spent several minutes capturing the hominess by showing numerous townspeople conversing on the street. Furthermore, he illustrated how secluded the town is from the rest of the world. The town is shrouded by magnificent mountains and picturesque scenery.

Bray, within moments, shows the audience, how things have changed by showing a simple scene of a toddler alone in the middle of the street. The mother, obviously not concerned about her child, is in an alley buying drugs.

As much as I loved the scenery, at times, Bray went a little too long for my taste. I admit it. I do enjoy looking at The Rock, but it becomes tedious when all you see him do for the first five minutes is walk.

Some of the characters, I think, tried the best they could. First off, The Rock can portray various emotions without saying a word. Before he says a word, his eyes say it first. This is an acting ability that I have seen many actors and actresses fail to have. With his eyes, The Rock showed intense anger, disbelief, and true concern.

Secondly, Neal McDonough, though not physically intimidating, sends off a

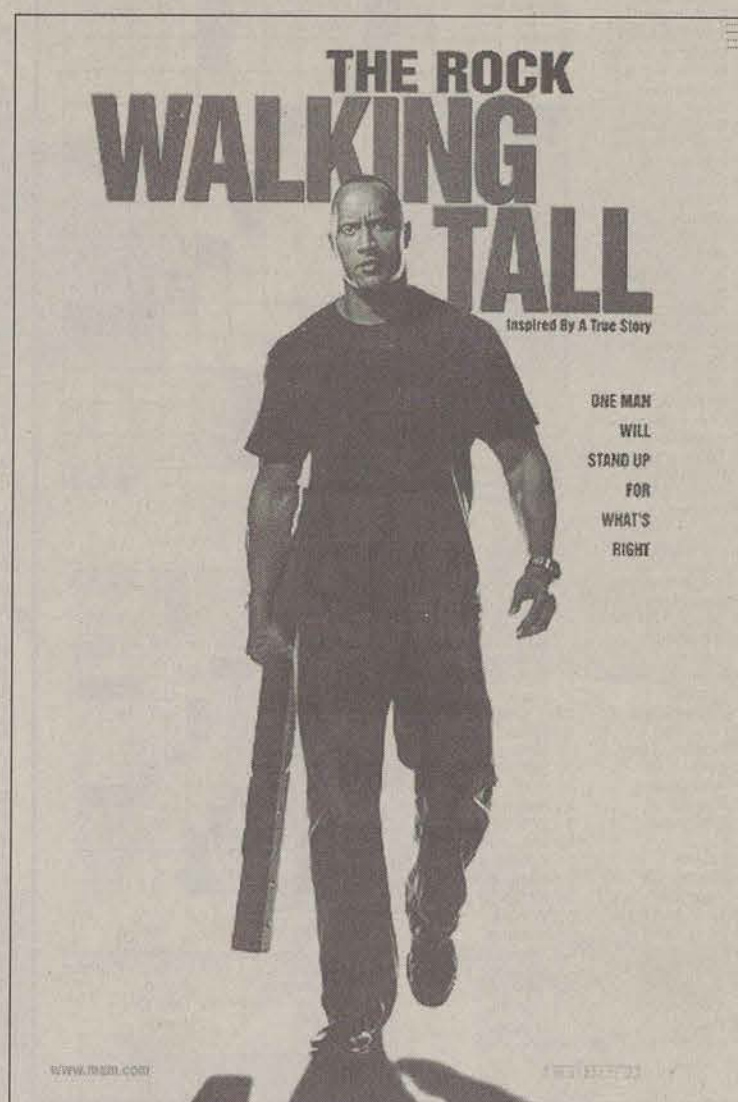
bad vibe within five minutes of him being on camera. The way he moved and talked was filled with an air of smugness. I didn't have to know him long to want to beat the crap out of him.

Thirdly, Johnny Knoxville as Ray Templeton couldn't have been better fitted to a person. Ray is basically the bumbling sidekick to Chris. Knoxville had lines, which were unexpected, carefully executed, and overall hilarious. The one scene you must watch for is the shoot-out. You will never see another man so intent to kill you, but concerned if you're okay. It was, to quote an Englishman, "bloody brilliant."

However, there was a downside. The role of Chris's sister, played by Kristen Wilson, was not very convincing. I don't know how many mothers would let their sons talk to them in that way. Though I felt she was lacking, her son, played by Khleo Thomas more than made up for it. He truly portrayed a kid that had a chip on his shoulder. The role of Chris's parents were played by John Beasley and Barbara Tarbuck. First off, don't be surprised to see that yes they are a interracial couple. I felt in the theater that many people were thrown off by that fact. However, I was glad to see a different and interesting family make-up.

The pacing of the film is relatively fast. To capture everything, the director, Kevin Bray had to speed things up a bit. I did like the fact he slowed down enough, so I could get a feel for the characters, and the impact the events were having on them. If you like a slower paced movie, this is not for you. If you don't mind the pacing, try to go to the bathroom as little as possible because you might get confused.

The actions sequences were well-placed. I don't know about you, but there were movies I have seen where the action scenes made no sense. Often, I would be confused and ask a friend sitting next to me, "Why are they fight-



Special Photo

The Rock's latest action film surprises audience at special screen at the Russell Union Tuesday Night.

ing?" In "Walking Tall," I didn't have to ask. Most of the scenes were a result of a revelation that was made or revenge.

As much as I loved the action, I felt the camera angles and spinning was too much. The camera, plainly said, moved too fast. I don't know about my other audience members but I got a little nauseated. The scenes, at times, became a blur of colors. It was often unclear who was hitting whom. I think, Bray should have taken two minutes from the five minute walk in the beginning and added

it to the fight scenes to slow them down. Another suggestion would be to make the movie a few minutes longer. Is it too hard to slow down?

Overall, I thought the film was great with a few exceptions. Even if the film would have sucked, I at least could have said, "Hey, it was free." For those of you, unfortunately, you have to pay the seven or eight dollars to decide for yourself if it was worth it.

Remember, don't drink massive quantities of fluids and bring an airsickness bag, you'll need it.

WEEKEND

BOX

OFFICE

PREVIEW



Hellboy

Ron Perlman stars as Hellboy, a Nazi experiment gone wrong. He is trained by the U.S. as an agent investigating the presence of the supernatural in the world. His latest mission finds him getting in touch with him getting in touch with his evil roots. Selma Blair and David Hyde Pierce also star.

PG-13



Home on the Range

In this new Disney release, a group of cows try to save their farm. Fearing that they will be sold for food, the cows go on an adventure to save their home. Starring the voice talents of Dame Judi Dench, Cuba Gooding, Jr., and Rosanne, the film is the latest musical spectacular by Disney.

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The Prince and Me

When a prince comes in contact with a free spirited American college student while undercover in America, love and devotion ensues. Julia Stiles and Luke Mably star in this Paramount pictures release.

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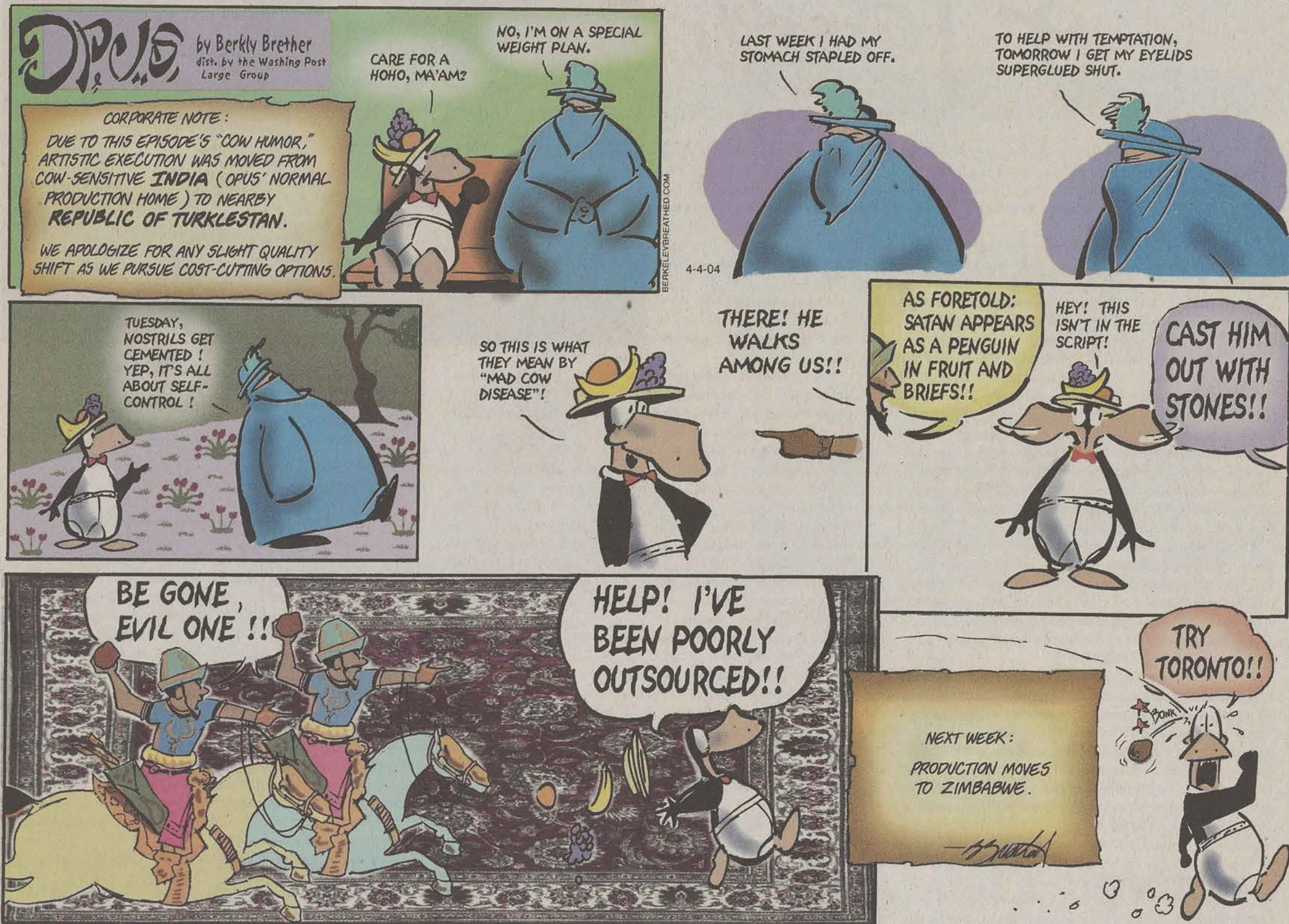
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Announcement - Student Media Positions Selection 2004-2005

The Student Media Advisory Board of Georgia Southern University announces its selection process to choose student editors and managers of the 2003-2004 broadcast and editorial boards of the university's official student media (The George-Anne, Miscellany Magazine, Southern Reflector Magazine, and WVGS/FM). Students interested in applying for an elected position will be expected to present (1) a **resumé**; (2) a **letter of application** explaining the candidate's qualifications and their plans or objectives for the media position sought; and (3) a **signed waiver** (included with this advertisement) which gives permission to the chairperson of the Student Media Advisory Board to validate the candidate's academic standing. Students may indicate the position(s) sought either in their letter of application or on the waiver form. However, a separate application packet (a **resumé**, a **letter of application** and a **signed waiver**) should be submitted for each medium, if a student wishes to apply for more than one.

SELECTION AND TERM: The editorial and broadcast boards will be selected by members of the committee based on a majority of those voting, according to committee by-laws. The term of office for the editorial and broadcast boards shall extend through the end of the next spring semester.

QUALIFICATIONS: Specific qualifications for persons holding board positions are listed below. Prior experience may be considered in lieu of stated qualifications. The board positions for each medium are listed in ranking order.

THE GEORGE-ANNE

Editor in Chief - The editor should have completed two years of college work, at least one year at Georgia Southern. An editor should have served on the staff one year and should display capabilities required for the position. The editor is responsible for the preparation of a commentary section for each edition. The editor serves as the chief executive officer of the newspaper and is ultimately responsible for the total editorial content of each edition.

Managing Editor - The managing editor should have completed at least one year at Georgia Southern and should have served at least one semester on the staff. The managing editor should be familiar with basic journalistic practices such as layout, copy editing, and news and feature writing. The managing editor will be responsible for coordinating the editorial content in all sections of the newspaper, such as news, sports and features. The managing editor (with the assistance of the news editor) will be responsible for the preparation of the front page.

News Editor - The news editor should know basic news writing and should be familiar with news sources on campus. The news editor should demonstrate news judgment and should have served at least one semester on the staff of the paper. The news editor will be responsible for all news gathering operations of the newspaper. The news editor assists the managing editor in the preparation of the front page.

MISCELLANY

Editor - The editor should have completed two years of college work, at least one year at Georgia Southern. The editor should demonstrate both the interest and the talent to create a quality publication which showcases the arts - literary, visual, and, to the extent practicable, performance arts - on behalf of the university's students, and to promote the arts in the university community through the staging of various arts-oriented events. The editor, in cooperation with an assistant editor, will conduct a juried selection of contributors for the magazine. The editor will be responsible for the total editorial content of the magazine.

SOUTHERN REFLECTOR

Editor - The editor should have completed two years of university work, at least one year at Georgia Southern. The editor should have served at least one year on the Reflector staff and should be familiar with magazine copy writing, magazine photojournalism, layout and design of pages, and staff management. The editor is responsible for the all editorial operations for each edition. The editor serves as the chief executive officer of the magazine and is ultimately responsible for the total content of each edition.

Art Director - The Art Director should have served at least one year on the Southern Reflector staff and should be knowledgeable in all aspects of magazine production, including but not limited to layout and design, computer graphics, and all photographic processes used by the Reflector. The Art Director will be responsible for the management of photographic assignments and photographic production work. In addition to these duties, the Art Director shall perform other duties as assigned by the current Editor.

Managing Editor - The managing editor should have completed one year at Georgia Southern and should have served at least one semester on the staff. The managing editor should be familiar with magazine production and university business procedures. The managing editor is responsible for promotional activities in support of the magazine, advertising operations, routine office management, and financial review, and distribution of the magazine. In addition to these duties, the Managing Editor shall perform other duties as assigned by the current Editor.

WVGS/FM

Station Manager - The station manager should have completed two years of college work, at least one year at Georgia Southern, and should have served at least one year on the staff of the station. The manager should display leadership qualities and should have a basic knowledge of Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules and regulations, broadcast equipment, and budgetary matters.

Program Director - The program director should have completed at least one year of college work and should have served at least one semester on the staff of the station. The program director is responsible for reporting play-lists to trade journals, maintaining telephone and mail contacts with music companies, adding program materials to the station's computer system, and developing and implementing other programs.

Operations Manager - The operations manager should have completed at least one year at Georgia Southern and should have served at least one semester as a DJ (disc jockey) at the station. The operations manager is responsible for keeping WVGS in compliance with all Federal Commu-

nications Commission rules for noncommercial radio stations, producing PSAs (public service announcements), and producing quarterly issues lists. The individual who applies for this position should be well organized, skilled at using station equipment and facilities, and able to interact with other people effectively when enforcing compliance with FCC and station regulations.

DEADLINE: The deadline for the receipt of all applications for any of these positions is **Friday, April 2, at 5 p.m.** Applications should be sent to Bill Neville, chairperson, Student Advisory Media Board, in care of Box 8067, or delivered in person to Room 2022, Williams Center.

COMPENSATION: Payment rates for board members are pending final budget approval by the Student Activities Budget Committee and the Student Media Advisory Board.

INTERVIEW DATE: All candidates for board positions **MUST APPEAR PERSONALLY** for interviews as follows: for WVGS on Friday, April 9, with a nominating committee. WVGS candidates who are nominated must return Friday, April 16, for an interview with the full board. Candidates for the George-Anne, Miscellany Magazine, and Southern Reflector must appear Friday, April 16. All interviews will be held at 3:30 p.m. in Room 2007 of F.I. Williams Center (Upper Floor).

APPLICATION FORM AND WAIVER

INFORMATION: Questions regarding these positions should be directed to the advisors of the media: Bill Neville (The GEORGE-ANNE) at 681-0069 or Box 8067; Mike Mills (MISCELLANY) at 681-0228 or Box 8026; Laura Kaloniatis (REFLECTOR MAGAZINE) at 486-7450 or Box 8026; or Ray Harris (WVGS/FM) at 681-5369 or Box 8091. Additional information and interpretation of the qualifications may be obtained from the chairperson, Bill Neville (681-0069 or Box 8067).

Position(s) applied for (Please check ALL that are applicable):

GEORGE-ANNE	MISCELLANY	REFLECTOR	WVGS/FM
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<input type="checkbox"/> News Editor		<input type="checkbox"/> Managing Editor	<input type="checkbox"/> Operations Mgr.

1. Students interested in applying for an elected position is required to present (1) a **resumé**; (2) a **letter of application** explaining the candidate's qualifications and their plans or objectives for the media position sought; and (3) a **signed waiver** (included below) which gives permission to the chairperson of the Media Committee to validate the candidate's academic standing.

2. Students seeking a position on an editorial or broadcast board must have a **CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE** of at least 2.0 and must not be on scholastic or disciplinary probation. If at any time a board member drops below these standards, that member must relinquish the position.

I, _____ do hereby authorize the Media Committee, in relation to the above criteria for board positions, to contact the GSU student records representatives to validate my academic standing for compliance. This validation may be at a time of application and at any time during the period I would hold a board position.

Signed _____ Box No. _____

Social Security No. _____ Date _____

E-Mail address _____
This (1) application/waiver form (or facsimile), together with a (2) resumé and a (3) letter of application for each medium in which a position(s) is sought, is due by Friday, April 2, 2004, by 5 p.m. delivered to: Student Media Advisory Board, Bill Neville, chair, Rm 2022 Williams Ctr Box 8067, GSU, Statesboro, GA 30460. Interviews are April 9 for WVGS, and April 16 for all other media, and WVGS final candidates.

An Interview with

Flaw

Fox here. If you listen to Tranquil Aggression, you've definitely heard of the band Flaw; however, you might have also heard them on corporate radio stations. Their hits "Only the Strong" (featured on the Scorpion King soundtrack), "Whole", and "Payback" have all had rather good rotation on rock stations across the U.S.

Captain Cool and I had a chance to talk to the band before they played in Atlanta last Friday about their new album, downloading music, and Cadillacs.

Fox(WVGS): I'm here with Captain Cool talking to Chris and Lance, members of the band Flaw. They're about to open up for Ill Nino at the Masquerade in Atlanta. How's the tour going?

Chris Volz (lead vocals): Tour's going great. It's been a lot of fun all around. There's a whole bunch of great guys on this tour. We've been friends with Ill Nino since Ozzfest 2002, and the shows have been selling out, it's been a lot of fun.

FW: Any crazy backstage stories yet?

Lance Army (guitar): Every night, it gets crazy.

CV: There's definitely been quite a few party nights, but we're all pretty focused as well, we're out here to actually perform well. We want people to get their money's worth. But backstage stories have to stay backstage, because if not it kind of takes the mystery away from it.

FW: Good point. So for anyone that doesn't know anything about you, describe your band by defining Flaw, and use it in a sentence.

CV: Flaw is a combination of emotionally charged music mixed with melodic vocals and a very wide range of feelings from anger and heaviness to hope and comfort and softness. Flaw is life for us, really.

FW: You have a new album, "Endangered Species", coming out on May 4th. What can we expect when it hits?

CV: Basically, we wanted to go further on both sides. Both musically and lyrically we wanted to show some progression and maturity as a band. We've got some really slamming stuff on there, but we also have some really ethereal, melodic, just really soft emotional stuff too. Lance has got some really good guitar work, Ryan's got some really incredible bass lines. We worked with the same producer David Bottrill, who also has worked with Tool, Godsmack, and Mudvayne. Working with him was an honor for us, because he's incredible with what we've done. We're really proud of it, we don't think anyone will be disappointed.

LA: And if you don't like it, we'll buy it back from you. (laughter)

FW: Money back guarantee, you can't go wrong. What are some of the songs about on the new album?

CV: There's a lot of points of interest lyrically on this album, ranging from dealing with everything we've dealt with as a band for the past three years, how people have changed as we've grown older. Watching our surroundings change. Self-realization, being able to be honest with yourself, some are about hope for our generation. These are weird times right now, I can imagine if I was a teenager right now, how insecure I would feel with everything that's going on, so there's a message of hope there as well. At the

same time, the lyrics are written in a way where people are going to draw their own opinions as well; I feel very personally that it's very important to allow the listener to draw their own opinions about what the song is about, because it makes it more personal.

Captain Cool(WVGS): What are your opinions on the state of music right now? Hard rock and otherwise?

LA: I think there's a lot of good music out there that needs to be found, unfortunately radio only plays tunes that people are sick of, and that's all people know, so they think they like it, not knowing about the world around them. So you have to find out for yourself, explore, and check sh*t out.

CV: I think personally, the genre of metal, and the rock industry itself, which hasn't been doing well over the past couple years, I think is finally starting to gain a little speed again. Even though there's an over-saturation of bands that sound very similar, I think there's a lot more attention being turned to rock and metal then there was the past number of years. I feel like it's gaining momentum, honestly, and gaining acceptance from some areas where it hadn't before. We had a church group come out and fully support our music; these are the same people that are out picketing the Marilyn Manson concerts. I think it's becoming more generally accepted, until it finally flows the way it should.

CC: How do you feel about the whole 'sub-genre' of garage rock, bands like the White Stripes and all that?

CV: I don't own any of the records, but I'm very adamant about not bashing any other styles of music, because there's so many styles; just because I personally wouldn't own anything like that doesn't mean that there isn't a spot for that. And if they really believe in what they're doing, then who am I to say that it's bullsh*t?

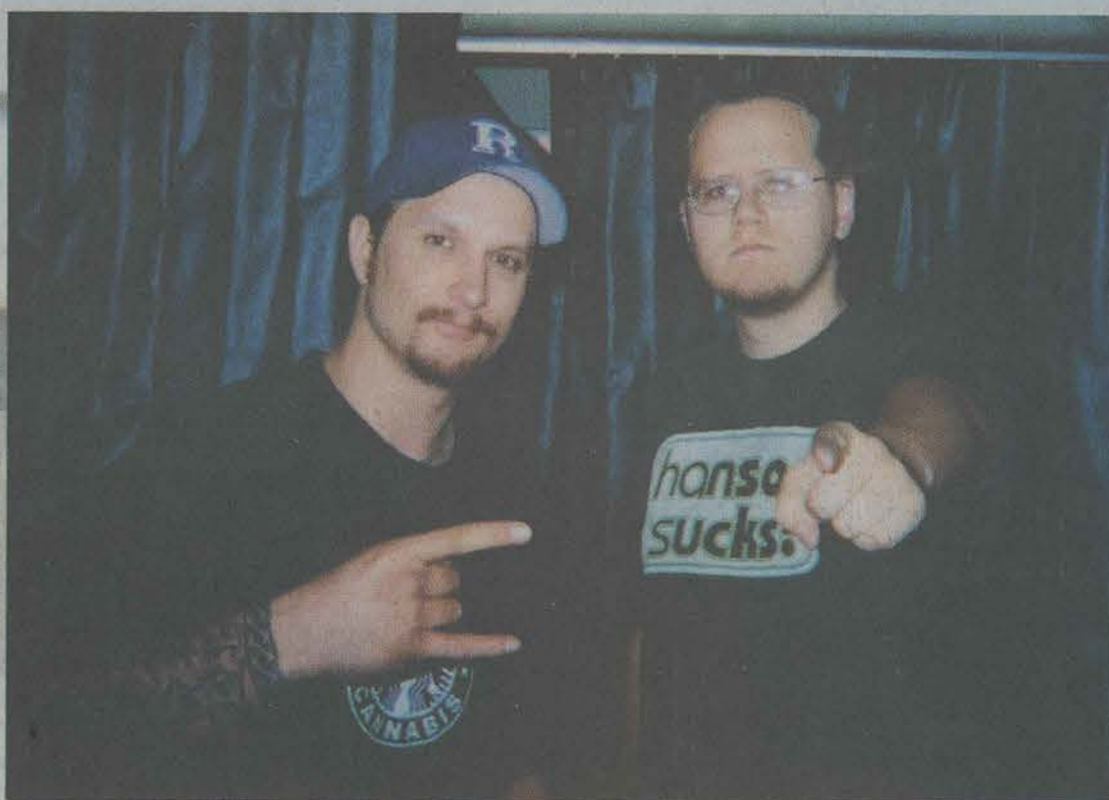
LA: I think they all suck.

CC: With the FCC and the Superbowl and all that, do you think censorship is getting out of control?

CV: Censorship's been out of control, but it fluctuates, and I think it's going to continue to do that until the younger generation is in the position that is office now. Once our generation makes up most of the Congress, and the Presidency, and our age group is in control, censorship will start to take its true form. I think there has to be guidelines, but a lot of the hardcore Republicans are taking it way overboard.

CC: What about downloading music? Do you think that it should be free, or do you like the idea of a dollar per song?

CV: I definitely don't think it should be solely free. It's the same thing as artwork, same thing as novels, anything like that. Any kind of written or audio, self-created text deserves to be owned by the artist, and there should



be a percentage paid out for use of that. But, I also believe that if you buy a CD, you should be able to burn a copy to keep in your car. I don't believe in just taking music that your friend bought. There has to be some kind of control over that. I don't think people mind, if they really want the song, paying a dollar for a song. If it's something someone put their heart and soul into, then I think it's worth that.

CC: Who are you thinking about voting for, Nader, Bush, or Kerry?

CV: I don't claim a political party, I'm really impartial. So I don't make a decision until the end of the debates, because I think a lot of stuff comes out during that, and I don't want to influence anyone's decision by saying who I like now anyway, because I think everyone should decide for themselves.

CC: Does Flaw have a nickname for their fans?

CV: We let people decide what they want to be called. Lance has this little thing called the Army Army, he's got this thing that he passes out, leaflets and stuff that you can join up and he'll send you stuff, puts them on a guest list. It's a really interpersonal relationship between us and our fans, we don't really look at them any different than we look at ourselves. They probably have nicknames for us though. (laughter)

CC: Do you prefer 24's or spinners?

CV: Honestly, I probably would leave the stock rims on. If I had enough money to get an Escalade, then those stock rims are enough. I'm not a real flashy person, for me to even own a Cadillac is enough flash. I wouldn't deck it out any more than it already is, you can get the factory to deck it out right off the bat, you know, like lowering kits and everything.

CC: So one last question: it seems the name of your band Flaw backwards is Walf. What do you think about that?

CV: I don't even know how to ingest that one. It's not even a word is it?

FW: If it was, what would it mean?

CV: I guess I'll have to say the opposite of Flaw.

CC: Well, ok. That about does it. We appreciate you taking the time to talk with us, and have a good show. Dishes are done, man!

The show went really well, with each band putting on a tight set that included no rock-star encores or frill, just a straight up rock show. For more information about the band, go to www.flawonline.com. Check out next week when we talk to Fear Factory!

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