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Sonny Perdue visits the 'Boro

Governor recognizes recent party switch by Rep. Bob Lane

By Luke Hearn

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Governor Sonny Perdue spoke to a standing room only crowd at Ogeechee Technical College Monday afternoon, participating in his "accountability tour" of 20 Georgia cities.

Among the others present with the Governor was Congressman Max Burns, State Representative Jack Hill, and Rep. Bob Lane of Statesboro, who has recently announced his switch to the Republican Party after 24 years of being a democrat.

The purpose of Perdue's tour was to address his constituents on the things he and the Georgia Legislature accomplished and didn't accomplish in the past legislative session. He likened

himself to one of the contestants on NBC's "The Apprentice," saying "Y'all are the bosses, and I am here to check in."

Before he began, he thanked GSU President Bruce Grube for the contributions GSU makes to the community and southeast Georgia.

In his report on this past session, Perdue opened with talks about the Child Endangerment Act that was just passed. He called this "the best child protection legislation." He then talked about education, saying the session helped keep high standards in K-12 education, giving local school systems the flexibility to meet their own needs. Perdue also mentioned that steps were taken to preserve the HOPE Scholarship for the future.

"The Georgia Democratic Party has always been a conservative party, but as time has progressed, there have been some issues that didn't set well with the public."

— GA State Rep. Bob Lane



Lane

Perdue mentioned the things the Legislature left undone. The first thing he mentioned was the ethics bill that failed to pass, off-handedly blaming it on Democrats.

Two other things he mentioned not being accomplished were dealings with Faith and family services,

and the budget. "The House would not take up, under Democratic leadership, the bill to fund the budget," he said. The legislative body will reconvene sometime in the near future to pass a budget.

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Viruses attack several campus computer labs

Henderson Library, IT Building labs worst hit

By Natasha Hartry

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A wave of viruses attacked a multitude of GSU's computers on Monday, causing problems with printing and Internet access.

The majority of the computers in the library, the IT building, and other places on campus were affected by the viruses.

Network Coordinator Savitri Jayaraman said the print management stations in the library were "bombarded with viruses" and that the viruses were "jumping from computer to computer through open ports."

Currently the Internet is unavailable in many parts of campus. In some places where it is accessible, it's only for short periods of time

and will shut down or freeze at any given moment.

This week, students do not have to use their social security numbers to print in the library. Jayaraman said they disabled it for this week so that they can correct the problem, but there will still be access to printing and computers in the library, even though it will be limited.

Most students think viruses always come from opening attachments in emails, but Jayaraman said that you don't have to open an email attachment in order for a computer to get a virus.

David Lowder, head of the systems department in the library said

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'A Little Night Music'

Opera closes year with Sondheim musical

By Christina Calloway

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Need a little music in your life?

The Georgia Southern Opera will be presenting "A Little Night Music" in the Performing Arts Center beginning tonight and running through next Monday.

The Stephen Sondheim musical focuses on a trio of mismatched couples who are based on couples in the Ingmar Bergman film "Smiles of a Summer Night."

"The plot revolves around the complex, amorous entanglements of Desiree Armfeldt," said Tamara Watson Harper, the director of the Georgia Southern Opera.

In the musical, Desiree is having an affair with Count Carl-Magnus Malcom, the pompous dragoon who is married to Charlotte. Desiree's former lover, the stifled lawyer Frederick Egerman is married to still-virginal Anne, who is half his age. Meanwhile, Frederick's son, Lutheran divinity student, Henrik Egerman, is in love with his young stepmother, Fredrika, who was the result of Desiree and Frederick's dalliance, further complicates the relationships.

Harper, who has also worked on "Saints and Sinners" and "Pirates of Penzance," said she chose this musical because it was a challenge.

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Dallas Oliver/STAFF

Volunteer Services recognizes students, staff who donate time to helping others

By Rachel Weeks

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April is Volunteer Service month, the perfect time for the Second Annual Volunteer Services Student Awards and Recognition Ceremony.

The ceremony held Monday at 5 p.m., honored five student volunteers and one faculty/staff volunteer for selflessly volunteering time and service to make Statesboro a better place to live.

Four different awards were presented at the ceremony.

The Creating New Service Opportunities Award was presented to Shanta Harper for her work with DIMES (Designs Inspired Magnificently Exhibited in Style). Harper helped organize 65 members to raise money to provide underprivileged females with an opportunity to compete for a four-year scholarship to the college of their choice. The seven girls, ages 14 to 17 will take part in the Ms. Teen DIMES Pageant, Sunday, April 25 at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Ballroom.

The Organizational Excellence in Service Award was presented to Rebecca Smith and Scott Roberts. Rebecca Smith organized five centers for cultural study for second graders. Over 100 students experienced Japanese culture classes including clothing, food, fine arts, music, and writing characters.

Scott Roberts received the Organizational Excellence in Service Award for organizing a Softball Marathon, raising over \$2,000 for the St. Joseph's Home for Boys. Roberts helped organize members of the ATO (Alpha Tau Omega) fraternity. They created an ad book, asked that several organizations around Statesboro make a \$50 donation to have an ad in the book, and even ran an ad for the marathon on Fox 5 news. The money raised is going into the new home fund for the boy's home.

The Quiet Hero Award was presented to Allison Cliaff and Thomas Miller. Volunteering is an all day event for Allison Cliaff. She is the vice-president of Furbabies Animal Rescue/Aid. She serves as the receptionist and is the adoption co-coordinator. Furbabies make visits to nursing homes,

"Bringing the animals in just brightens their day. A lot of time, even their families don't visit very often. The nursing home staff have big smiles on their faces as soon as they come in the room," Cliaff said.

Thomas Miller received the award for his hundreds of hours of community service. He spent over 1,000 hours volunteering in high school and in the last four years has worked enough hours to equal over two full

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Weekday Weather

Wednesday



HIGH 85°
LOW 60°

Partly Cloudy

Thursday



HIGH 87°
LOW 59°

Mostly Sunny

Only in America

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Campus Calendar

April 21

'Soled Out'
8 p.m.

'Soled Out: It's all about shoes' is a performance work in progress. Come and experience the eclectic and multi cultural world of shoes. This play is directed by visiting Fulbright Scholar Dr. Belen Calingacion. At the Black Box Theatre in the Communication Arts Building.

'A Little Night Music'
8 p.m.

'A Little Night Music' will be presented on three consecutive evenings from Wednesday, April 21, through Friday, April 23. Each performance is scheduled for 8 p.m. At the PAC.

April 23

WVGS 91.9 Anniversary
Celebration
3 p.m.

GSU's radio station 91.9 will celebrate their anniversary, with a kickball tournament, free pizza food and snacks, live music and DJ's. DJ's Lady G, Snaykize, and Slotmachine will also be at the event. At the RAC Pavilion.

April 24

GSU Museum visits Charleston
8 a.m.

The Georgia Southern museum will travel to Charleston, SC and visit the Charleston Aquarium and view an IMAX movie. Only those 18 and older are permitted and the trip is limited to 25 people. The trip is \$40 for non-members and \$35 for members. Departure from Charleston at 5:00 to return to Statesboro at 8:30 p.m. Tour will depart from GSU Museum.

Pi Kappa Phi Event
Noon

"Get Back at Pi Kapp Dunk Tank Fundraiser. This event will be sponsored by PUSH People Understanding the Severely Handicapped and Pi Kappa Phi. At the Pi Kappa Phi house, 770-289-4395.

'Ballet Magnificat!'
8 p.m.

The national tour of the world's premier Christian ballet company will make its Statesboro debut with a single performance at the PAC on Saturday, April 24, at 8 p.m. At the PAC.

Police Beat

04-16-2004

- Daniel Ray Terrell, 22, of 1417 Sunnybrook Drive, Jonesboro, Ga., was charged with DUI and noise violation.
- A 1984 Oldsmobile was taken from the Kennedy Hall parking lot.
- A case of harassment was reported at Hendricks Hall.
- A case of identity fraud was reported at Postal Services.
- A case of receiving fraudulent goods was reported at Deal Hall.
- Officers issued two traffic citations and three traffic warnings, investigated one traffic accident, assisted three motorists and one sick person, and responded to one burglary alarm.

04-17-2004

- William Alderman Sumner, 23, of 2203 Gretel's Hunt, Statesboro, was charged with DUI and reckless driving.
- A case of harassment was reported at the Russell Student Union.
- Officers issued two traffic citations and one traffic warning and assisted two motorists.

04-18-2004

- A CD player face plate was taken from the vehicle in the Olliff Hall parking lot.
- A CD player, two CDs, two walkie talkies and \$4 were taken from a vehicle in the Olliff Hall parking lot.
- Officers issued four traffic warnings and assisted two motorists and one sick person.

04-19-2004

- A DVD player was taken from Kennedy Hall.

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

News Briefs

Taylor files paperwork to seek governor's seat



Special Photo

Lt. Governor Mark Taylor.

ATLANTA — Lt. Gov. Mark Taylor filed paperwork Monday allowing him to begin raising money to run for governor.

Taylor, a Democrat, has been widely considered an all-but-official candidate for the seat held by Republican Gov. Sonny Perdue since 2003.

But top aides say the paperwork, filed with the Secretary of State's office Monday morning, is not a signal that Taylor is ready to kick off the 2006 race more than two years before the election.

Perdue had \$2.8 million in his campaign account, according to reports filed in December.

Taylor had raised \$747,360 in his campaign account for lieutenant governor. He said Sunday he has no immediate plans to make an official announcement for the race or to begin campaigning.

In the 2002 governor's race, former Gov. Roy Barnes outspent Perdue \$19.5 million to \$3 million.

Taylor has been elected lieutenant governor twice and represented Albany in the state senate for 11 years.

Democratic Secretary of State Cathy Cox also is considered a possible candidate for governor, although party insiders have urged her to instead seek the lieutenant governor's office and avoid a bruising primary race with Taylor.

Taylor's paperwork lists former Gov. George Busbee as his campaign committee chairman.

Student receives award for revealing flaw in president's resume

TOCCOA FALLS, Ga. — The student journalist who discovered a resume discrepancy that led to the resignation of the then-president of

Toccoa Falls College has received a national ethics award.

Joel Elliott was one of three winners of the 2004 Payne Awards for Ethics in Journalism from the University of Oregon School of Journalism and Communication.

The school cited Elliott's courage in resisting pressure from leaders at the Bible college to suppress news that then president Donald Young had not graduated from Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, Calif., as Young's resume stated.

Young resigned in early May 2003, about two weeks after Elliott's story appeared in The Toccoa Record and The Talon, the college newspaper. Young said the incorrect listing was due to a mistake.

Elliott, 24, discovered the discrepancy while completing an assignment for his communications degree. He now works for The Toccoa Record.

"It didn't enter my mind" that he would be recognized with an ethics award, he said.

Two employees of U.S.-funded Iraqi television shot dead by U.S. troops

BAGHDAD, Iraq — U.S. troops shot to death two employees of U.S.-funded television station Al-Iraqiya on Monday and wounded a third in the central city of Samara, the station said.

Correspondent Asaad Kadhim and driver Hussein Saleh were killed. Cameraman Bassem Kamel was wounded "after American forces opened fire on them while they were performing their duty," the station announced.

The station, which is funded by the Pentagon, interrupted its broadcasts to announce the deaths and showed photos of Kadhim. It then began airing only Koranic texts as a symbol of mourning.

The U.S. military had no immediate comment.

Thamir Ibrahim, an Al-Iraqiya editor, told The Associated Press he had no details on how the shooting occurred. But "it was on the road leading to the city of Samara. Before they reached it, they were fired upon."

They were taken to a Samara hospital, he said. "We wanted to go (to them) now, but the road is closed, so we will go tomorrow."

On March 18, U.S. troops shot dead correspondent Ali al-Khatib and cameraman Ali Abdel-Aziz of the Dubai-based Al-Arabiya news

station.

Al-Khatib and Abdel-Aziz were shot near a U.S. military checkpoint while covering the aftermath of a rocket attack on the Burj al-Hayat hotel in Baghdad.

Bush congratulates South African president



Special Photo

South African President Thabo Mbeki.

WASHINGTON — President Bush telephoned South African President Thabo Mbeki on Monday to congratulate him on the peaceful outcome and high voter turnout of parliamentary elections in that country.

Bush told Mbeki that South Africa offers a model to countries moving toward democracy, the White House said.

More than 70 percent of the 20.6 million registered voters cast ballots last Wednesday.

South African voters showed their loyalty to the party that led them out of apartheid, giving the African National Congress 70 percent support nationally and assuring Mbeki a second term.

Kerry leads Bush in survey of Hispanics

WASHINGTON — Democrat John Kerry has the edge over President Bush among Hispanics but his lead is a far cry from the commanding advantage Al Gore had in the 2000 election, according to a poll released Monday.

The presumptive Democratic nominee led Bush 48 percent to 38 percent among Hispanics overall, and 52 percent to 39 percent among registered Hispanic voters who have cast ballots in past elections, according to the Pew Hispanic Center poll.

Hispanics represent the fastest growing minority, especially in critical swing states such as New Mexico, Florida and Nevada, and the two candidates have targeted their votes.

Gore narrowly won New Mexico in 2000; Bush won Arizona, Colorado and Nevada while capturing Florida by a razor-thin margin. Democrats typically have an advantage among Mexican Americans in Western states, while Republicans tend to fare better among Cuban Americans, who make up almost half of the expected Hispanic voters in Florida.

The poll of 1,316 Hispanics was conducted Feb. 11-March 11 by International Communications Research of Media, Pa. The margin of sampling error was plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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

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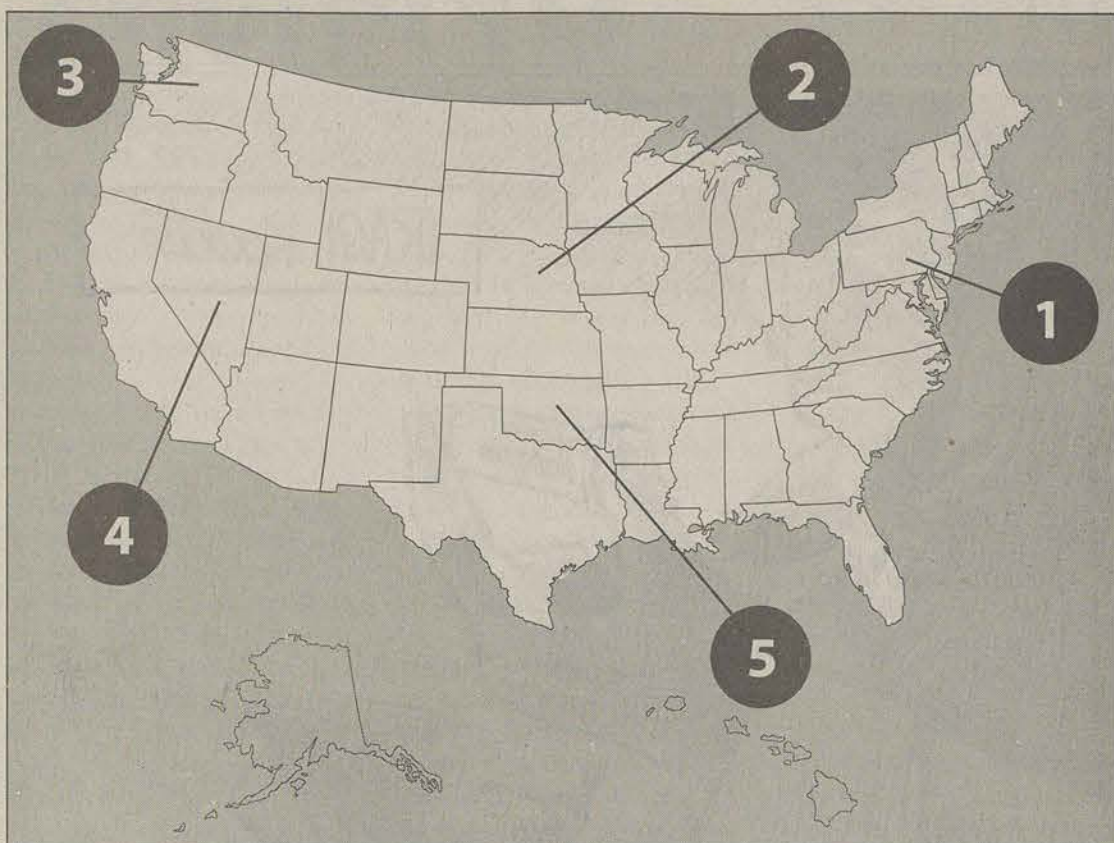
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1 Pennsylvania

Pennies lead police to pilferers

VERONA - A trail of pennies led police right to two suspects accused of robbing a private club.

Police arrested a man and a teenage girl found at a home in Verona, after they followed pennies leading away from a Moose Club early Wednesday morning, police Chief Guy Truby said.

Outside the home, police said they found a claw hammer and a 3-pound sledgehammer they believe were used to smash open cash registers and a vending machine at the club. Police also said they found computer equipment stolen from another business, and cash, liquor and candy stolen from the club.

While police were searching the home, authorities said, 26-year-old Joshua May and a 16-year-old girl

came back. May was arrested, arraigned Thursday on charges of burglary, receiving stolen property, theft and criminal mischief, and released. A reliable phone number for May could not be located and it was not immediately clear if he had an attorney.

The girl was turned over to her parents while she awaits a hearing in juvenile court, Truby said.

2 Nebraska

Reverend auctions off eulogy

GRAND ISLAND - The Rev. Jim Keyser promises to say nice things at your funeral - if you're the highest bidder.

The pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church said he felt a little out of step as he tried to think of something related to his work that he could offer at Saturday's Rotary Radio Auction.

So alongside the auction's portable DVD player, the gas grill, sprinkler systems and other worldly items, Keyser is offering a eulogy.

"For an extra \$50, I'll say some really nice things," Keyser said.

Keyser's offer of a eulogy for the charity auction began as tongue-in-cheek at first. But auction co-chair Randy Blair said it took on a life of its own, so to speak. The auction now has a package that includes a funeral urn and cremation service.

3 Washington

Teens faked abduction to ask girl to a dance

KIRKLAND - First police received a report that two people dressed as ninjas appeared to have abducted a girl near a market in this east Seattle suburb.

Then investigators determined it was all part of an elaborate prank by

two Northwest College students to ask the girl out to the school's spring banquet, Kirkland police Sgt. Nick Seibert said.

Police received two 911 calls on Saturday from people who said they saw two men grab a girl near Houghton Market, put her into a vehicle and speed off, Seibert said.

Bellevue police tracked down the vehicle minutes later and was told the woman was never in harm's way, that she knew her captors and that she was fully aware it was a prank, Seibert said.

Police admonished the three, calling the prank a dangerous stunt.

"You saw us out here with our firearms," Bellevue police Lt. Autumn Fowler told KOMO Television. "We don't know what we're coming into and it could be a potentially deadly situation."

No criminal charges had been filed as of late Saturday night.

4 Nevada

Bird feces making lake opaque

RENO - A group of property owners thinks there might be a new culprit behind Lake Tahoe's declining clarity: Goose droppings.

Members of the Tahoe Lakefront Owners Association want scientists to study whether the bird feces are contributing to pollution that's eroding the lake's clarity at an average rate of more than a foot per year.

The feces contain phosphorus and nitrogen, nutrients that may help fuel the algae growth that combines with sediments to reduce clarity.

"We're just surprised the agencies haven't taken this problem more seriously," said Jan Brisco, executive director of the property owners' group.

Brisco said she's raised the issue with officials from the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, which is charged

with protecting the Sierra Nevada lake famed for its clear, blue waters.

"Everyone just sort of chuckled or laughed as if it were funny," Brisco said. "We think it's far from funny."

Scientists at the University of California's Tahoe Research Group said that while the droppings could affect water quality where the birds are thickest, they're probably not a major source of pollution.

"In a lake like Tahoe, my gut feeling is they are probably going to have very little to do with the decline in clarity we're seeing," said group scientist John Reuter.

5 Oklahoma

Lowe's customer bitten by rattle snake

BROKEN ARROW - The large trees section at a Lowe's store looks a lot like a forest, but customers don't expect to see dangerous fauna living in the flora.

A customer rummaging through the trees at a Lowe's store here was bitten on the hand by an 18-inch eastern diamondback rattlesnake, a company spokeswoman said Wednesday.

"The gentleman thought he had hit his hand on a thorn but they discovered it was a snakebite," said Chris Ahearn, a spokeswoman for the Mooresville, N.C.-based hardware chain.

A relative shopping with the man Sunday killed the snake, and they brought it with them when the customer was taken to a hospital to ensure proper treatment for the poison, Ahearn said.

The snake probably made its way to Broken Arrow with the trees, which were shipped in from Tennessee, Ahearn said she knows of no other similar instances at Lowe's.

A hospital official would not provide information without the man's name. Ahearn would not identify the customer.

The eastern diamondback rattlesnake is not one of the five rattlesnake species native to Oklahoma, said David Walker, naturalist supervisor at the Oklahoma City Zoo. Its natural range is in the Southeast.

The rattler can grow as long as 7 feet and often gives warning bites that deliver no venom.

Store employees immediately scoured the trees for other animals after the snakebite and found none, Ahearn said.

"We feel like this is an isolated incident, but we are taking it very seriously," she said. "We continue to watch our garden centers for uninformed guests."

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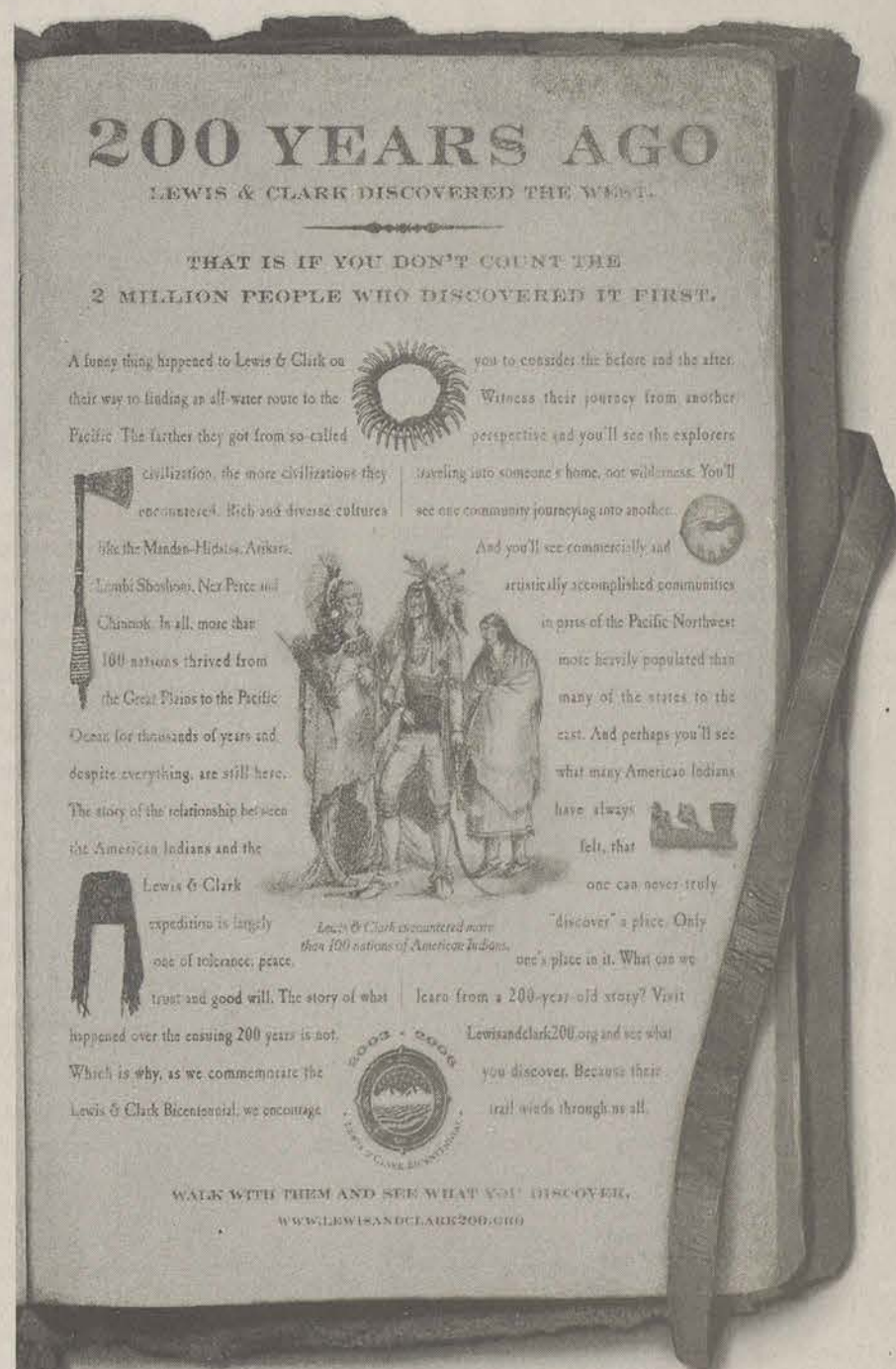
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Our Opinion

Perdue hardly
'accountable' on tour

Governor Sonny Perdue took some time out from his busy work at the capitol to visit the 'Boro on Monday.

As a part of his "accountability tour," Perdue chose Statesboro as one of the 20 cities throughout the state that he'd visit to let his constituents know that they are in charge of Georgia's government. The governor was well received by a standing room only crowd at Ogeechee Technical College.

Perdue gave updates on what had been passed and left undone in the most recent legislative session in Atlanta, and commented on the unwillingness of Democrats to cooperate. One of the main points the governor stressed was that of the HOPE Scholarship and the never-ending debate surrounding it.

This point, however, became lost in what would seem a sea of political jargon and partisan jabs.

Questions should immediately be posed regarding the intention of the governor's visit.

Statesboro, home to Georgia Southern University, is a potential hotbed for reaction over the outcome of the HOPE restructuring. GSU has the third largest number of students receiving the HOPE scholarship in the state. And if the system changes to allow for less funding from the scholarship, GSU students would have a great deal to say, and a great concern to express.

Since nothing has yet been decided upon for the scholarship, it would seem only logical that the man who oversees the legislature who would make those changes would hear from his constituents most concerned over the topic. Especially governor Sonny Perdue, a man who visits on an "accountability tour" to the very home city of an institution filled with people he has a responsibility to.

Yet there was no sign of Perdue on GSU's campus Monday afternoon.

The Governor did, however, find plenty of time to congratulate the newest member to his team, Georgia State Senator Bob Lane. Lane, until just recently, had aligned with the Democratic side of the state legislature. Lane now sits firmly on the opposing side of the spectrum, citing several "issues that didn't set well with the public" as causes for his shift.

Is it coincidence that the republican Governor Perdue chose Statesboro as one of his 20 stops throughout the state in order to show his support for his party's newest member?

Doubtful.

Is it responsible for a governor to slide by an institution filled with concerned citizens of the state he governs in order to affirm his politics?

Definitely not.

The debate over the HOPE Scholarship has lasted for months.

With a multitude of rumors floating around with no true solution in sight, it's time that someone reassured the people who rely on HOPE that the situation will work for the best.

One would think that the leader of the state's government visiting on a tour to display his responsibility to its people would do just that.

LETTER AND SUBMISSION POLICY

The George-Anne welcomes letters to the editor, story submissions and guest columns from people both inside and outside the GSU community. All copy submitted should be typed, preferably via email in Microsoft Word format to gaeditor@georgiasouthern.edu. All submissions must be signed and include a mailing address and phone number for verification. The editors reserve the right to reject any submission. There is no word limit on submissions. A writer may request to remain anonymous. However, it will be the editor's decision whether or not to print the name. Submissions are run on a space-available basis.

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Goodbye to the best years of my life

Four years ago, I handed my application to be a staff writer to then news editor John Bryson. Over that period of time, I have gained relationships with people all over campus, compiled a wide portfolio of articles ranging from the opening of Retrievers to a canceled Players Ball April Fool's story (ironic huh?).

In sixth grade I knew I wanted to be an Eagle. When the time finally came to venture from the familiar streets of Macon, Georgia, I was positive I had made one of my largest decisions in life to attend Georgia Southern. And now I know I made the right decision. Though I've only been here four and a half years I have seen the campus and myself grow as an individual. It's almost unreal that I will be a college graduate in just a matter of days.

Different stories, different editors, my advisor, teacher William Neville have been a part of my history at The George-Anne.

I can't believe I'll walk out of the doors of the Williams Center for the last time. And, even more, I will be saying goodbye to people who have become more than co-workers to me, but have become friends.

Receiving a job as an editor at a paper I have

been a part of since spring of 2000 will be my most memorable experience at GSU. Three nights a week, laying out pages, editing stories, begging writers to write them and spending time with six of the greatest people in student media is something I would never regret, and will look back on as my greatest college memory.

The George-Anne made me realize my love for writing even more. But, more importantly, it made me realize how much I am going to love entering the journalism field. I only hope I will enjoy it in my lifetime as much as I have enjoyed it this semester. Working with a group of people dedicated to The George-Anne, despite a full load of classes and other obligations, made me appreciate my job even more.

I have worked at jobs where I counted the days until I quit, or until something else better came along. Tonight will be my last night working at The G-A. I hope I will be able to make it through the night without crying as I leave this newspaper that has changed my life and opened my eyes to a career I'll never regret entering.

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Teresa Southern
news editor

Thanks for a great year: It wasn't enough for me

It's the second-to-last edition of The George-Anne for the semester. It's the second-to-last week of my senior year. For all intents and purposes, this should be my sappy goodbye column.

Well, it might be sappy. But it isn't goodbye.

Depending on how well you believe I've served you as editor since last fall, you're either blessed or stuck with me for another year. I'm sticking around 'til next May to finish my second major, and being at Georgia Southern without remaining part of The George-Anne would likely cause me to lose what's left of my mind. A committee consisting of several higher ups interviewed and rehired me last Friday. Besides the fact that I'm excited about the opportunity to stay here, the next most qualified member of our staff graduates in ten days. And, well... quite frankly, no one else had enough guts to apply for the job.

That's fine by me.

It takes a very different (perhaps insane) person to - in addition to being a full-time student - spend upwards of 25 hours a week between these four khaki, award-covered walls, working with the same small group of equally different (and comparably insane) individuals in order to create this publication.

And that's why all exiting editors engage in the traditional year's-end goodbye column.

In a lot of ways, these so-called goodbye columns can't help being blatantly esoteric. All our sentimental gushing about what the paper has meant to us as staff members is probably extremely snoozeworthy to the rest of the world. There's simply no way words can describe how different one's college experience becomes after joining the world of student media.

However, I think it's important for our read-

ers to be as familiar as possible with us. So, before I get to all the mushy stuff, I'll take this opportunity to give you all a preview of who and what you can expect next semester.

Our new managing editor is Katie Glorieux. She's been with us for a couple of years now. She will be laying out your Section A front pages and keeping things generally organized around here. She's incredibly good at her job. Get to know her. Appreciate her. Thank her. Love her.

The very talented Adam Crisp joins us as deputy managing editor. His task will be to use his extensive design skills to take our weekly Hiatus section into its second year with style. He'll lay out the front page of Hiatus for each Thursday edition and work to make the section stronger and more interesting. Get to know him. Appreciate him. Thank him. Love him.

Staying on as news editor is the superbly gifted Luke Hearn. He is more than just a natural-born reporter. He's got an eye for detail, accuracy and newsworthiness. Get to know him. Appreciate him. Thank him. Love him.

Even as we welcome these advances, I am most grieved by the loss of a few dear members of our staff. They all deserve to be recognized, so please bear with a few "shout outs" of appreciation from me to them:

The ever-ingenious Adam Brady, current managing editor and mastermind of our front-page design, has bigger fish to fry out in the real world. It is with heartfelt sincerity that I wish him the very best in all he goes on to do.

We'll also be saying farewell to Eli Boorstein, our current sports editor, who I'm often convinced is a miracle sent here to make my job easier. Eli has done an unmatched job of single-handedly managing and stabilizing a section full of extremely detailed and technical



Amanda Permenter
editor-in-chief

See Permenter, Page 5

Today around the world

Belize, Hong Kong: Queen's Birthday
Brazil: Dia de Tiradentes/Brasilia Day
Indonesia: Kartini Day
Israel: Deliverance from Egypt
Taiwan: Death of Chiang Kai-shek/Tomb Sweeping Day

Today in history

On this day in 1986, Geraldo Rivera opened Al Capone's vault on TV and found nothing.
On this day in 1963, The Beatles met The Rolling Stones for the first time.
On this day in 1941, Greece surrendered to Nazi Germany.

OPERA, FROM PAGE 1

"This piece deals with mature topics and real people's emotions," Harper said. "It has great music that challenges the actors vocally and dramatically."

Another challenge was that most of the members of the cast are freshmen. "The experience has been very rewarding and the cast has risen to the occasion. We are very excited," Harper said.

The cast for "A Little Night Music" includes Mark Wanich as Frederick, Ginny Estep as Anne, Justin Ebrum as Count Malcom, Johnathan Murphy as Henrik, Jamie Steele as Madame Armfeldt, Gigi Kerr as Fredrika, Syndey Marsh as Petra, Trent Herring as Mr. Lindquist, Justine Anderson as Mrs. Nordstrom, Stephen Faulk as Mr. Erlanson, Rachel Godbee as Mrs. Stregson, Lauren Wiggins as Mrs. Andersen, David Holland as Frid, Renley Penven as Malla, Tiffany Culbreth as Osa, and Nathan Close as Bertrand.

Laura Carroll, a junior Communication Arts major, plays Desiree. Laura has also been in "Saints and Sinners," "A Night of Comedy," and "Dido and Aeneas."

"I have never worked with such a talented group of people ever," Carroll said of the experience. "The underclassmen have been unbelievable."

Elizabeth Zettler, freshman Music Major, has taken advantage of the opportunity by also being the costume manager for "A Little Night Music." Her experience has been similar yet different since this is her first year at GSU.

"It's been fun but it's different than high school, because we can deal with more mature material and a different director (in high school you usually have the same director for four years)."

The material of the show is mature: focusing on such topics as sex, adultery, and religion. If

the material doesn't interest the viewer, the intertwined stories will.

The costumes are very detailed and realistic. The actors make good use of their props and their facial expressions help the audience to see the characters beyond just the words the actors are saying and singing.

The music, is of course, one of the main attributes. "A Little Night Music" features a full orchestra directed by Kyle Hancock.

"Being able to use the Performing Arts Center there is more room for a bigger production and that shows that the theatre program is growing," said Harper.

The production staff includes stage manager Marla Johnson, assistant stage managers Rebecca Pollard and Sarah Fuse, assistant costume manager Lori Boykin, properties manager Mary Nes-smith, lighting director George Harley, assistant light designer Richard Clarke, and technical crew-members Matt Krengle, Brad Mahon, Joey Smith, Lunch-box Morris, and Jenny Luikart. Cindy Marshall is the accompanist and Pete Davis is the Performing Arts Center technical director.

The musical is full of wit and comedy but there is a moral underneath the plot. "I want the audience to recognize that when you miss a chance at something, believe second chances because they can be beneficial," said Carroll.

Zettler wants her peers to recognize the capability of the performers and performance.

"A Little Night Music" will be showing from April 21-26. Each show begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for the general public and \$5 for Georgia Southern faculty and staff. Georgia Southern students will be admitted for free and can purchase additional tickets for \$5 per ticket.

VIRUSES, FROM PAGE 1

that some access to printing and computers will be available, but he advises students not to wait until the last minute if they have assignments that need to be completed by the end of the semester.

When asked when he thought the problem would be corrected, Lowder said, "Until the viruses are blocked completely, we won't be able to tell. Once we clean computers, they are reinfected. The viruses continue to change."

According to Jayaraman and Lowder, they, along with IT Services, are doing everything they can to expedite the process and have the computers back in working order.

Some students are troubled by the inability to have use of the computers with it being close to finals.

Tamara Harris, a library employee and student, voiced her frustrations and concerns about the problem.

"This is very stressful and confus-

ing for the staff and the student body. We are working to get it fixed," Harris said.

Pierre Lane said his professor had to cancel class on Tuesday because of not being able to access certain links on the web.

"It's very frustrating because you can barely do anything and everything these days has to be done by computer. My professor got frustrated and just dismissed the entire class," Lane said.

Lane said that he doesn't have Internet access at home but advises students to try to find other alternatives than the computers on campus if possible.

Jayaraman advises students that if they are using campus computers to save their work frequently.

"The computer may freeze or your floppy make be defective. Always save your work and save it often so you won't lose it," she said.

VOLUNTEER, FROM PAGE 1

months of volunteer service. Thomas Miller volunteers to do campus tours, and other university activities. He said, "The things I do for this campus mean the most to me. It's such a great college, and I really enjoy being here."

The Leaders by Example Award was presented for the first time to GSU Volunteer Services faculty member, Theresa Beebe Novotny for volunteering her time and encouragement to all of the students who contact the Volunteer Services Center.

Victoria Du Ree, Volunteer Services Administrative Coordinator,

said, "She manages to support efforts of others without taking over or overshadowing a project."

Any student interested in volunteering their time or donations can contact the Volunteer Services Center at 871-1435 or online at vftuch@georgiasouthern.edu. The office is located in Russell Union 2022. The website lists 60 volunteer agencies in the Statesboro area, and students with 200+ volunteer hours qualify for a Service Transcript, perfect for a resume.

PERMENTER, FROM PAGE 4

content. I am fully convinced he will go on to become one of the greatest sports journalists in history.

Teresa Southern (whose sappy goodbye column can be found directly above this would-be goodbye column), will sadly depart our team after just one semester on the editorial staff. Her years of contribution to us as a reporter have been invaluable. Her friendly presence and ardent dedication have been an inspiration to us all. I hope whatever paper is lucky enough to receive her fully appreciates the asset they are gaining.

How will we get by without the stage and film-savvy V.A. Patrick Slade? Mr. Slade is headed to L.A. to become a big star. When he does, I will be proud to say I knew him when.

Adam Drew, our graduate assistant, without whom all our computers and other electronic devices are sure to fall apart, leaves us wondering how we are to manage in his absence. He is in the top five funniest, most intelligent, most pleasant people I know. Whatever he goes on to do, he will master it, and be quite content in doing so. That's just how he is. The world needs at

least a thousand Adam Drews.

Although I'm not leaving, I want to thank the current student body and faculty for making this paper great. I also want to thank all my fellow student media gurus for everything they've stood through with me. Even if I had all the space I could want to fill here, the fascinating English lexicon I love so much would still be too inadequate to capture and relate the full range of emotions I've experienced as a sole result of my work with this paper since 2000. I've felt the intense devastation of working on heart-wrenching stories about suffering students, community members we've lost, and wars - both unexpected and waged. I've had the inexplicable joy and pride of watching as my fellow editors and I accepted award after award in recognition of our hard work. I've also felt just about everything imaginable in between those two extremes within a context only a select percentage of the student body can claim to fathom.

I've watched people take action in the university and Statesboro community because of articles we've

written. I've been disagreed with, agreed with, thanked, cursed out, ignored and admired.

I value the negative as much as the positive. With the right attitude, it can all be positive.

In 1950, Dr. Seuss wrote *If I Ran the Zoo*, and coined the word *nerd*. Its association with MIT-slang terms "gnurd" and "nurd" probably earned it its modern meaning: "A person who is single-minded or accomplished in scientific or technical pursuits but is felt to be socially inept."

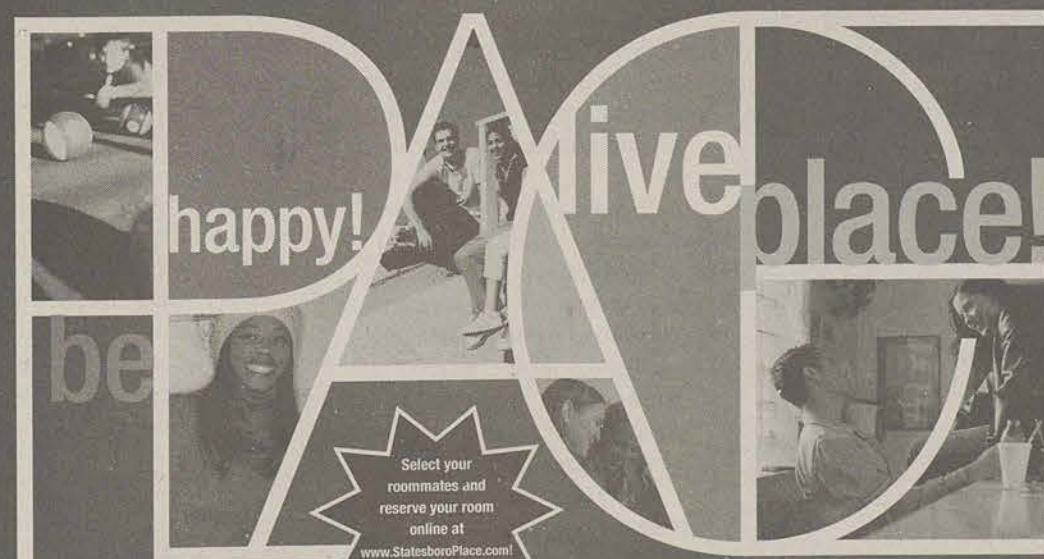
In my four years of working with student media, I've met people with astounding levels of dedication. The editors of all the student publications and managers of the radio station must be willing to internalize the work, to literally make it a part of who they are.

On one hand, that makes us nerds. On the other hand, I'd rather be a nerd than anything else I can think of.

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Golf finishes in second-place tie at SoCon

Eagles' Price named Conference Player of the Year

Special to the G-A

JONESBOROUGH, Tenn. – The Furman Paladins completed a sweep of the Southern Conference Men's Golf Championships, winning both the team and individual titles following final round play Tuesday at the Ridges Golf and Country Club.

The Paladins, who captured their 12th SoCon title and first since 1997, posted a team score of 289 for the day and finished at 16-over-par for the championship, 14 strokes better than Georgia Southern and UNC Greensboro, which tied for second at 30-over. The rest of the top five saw East Tennessee State finish fourth and Chattanooga end the day in fifth.

Furman will receive the SoCon's automatic bid to the NCAA Regionals in early May.

"Obviously, we're pleased with any tournament win we have, but it's great for our players to work this hard and be rewarded for it with a conference title," said Furman head coach Todd Satterfield, whose team won two of its final three tournaments before coming to the SoCon Championships. "I think playing well the last several weeks of the season kept us steady at the end today."

Indeed, the Paladins rolled to the title thanks in part to the play of individual champion Matt Davidson, who finished the day at 5-under-par (67) and ended the tournament at 4-under (212). Davidson had to overtake ETSU's Rhys Davies, who began the day atop the leaderboard at even-par and posted a final score of 2-under for the event.

Davidson held a one-stroke advantage heading into the 17th hole on Tuesday, but added one final birdie for good measure. In fact, Furman trailed UNC Greensboro after the first nine holes of the day, but blitzed through the back nine to take the decisive victory.

"I didn't know how (Davies) was doing," Davidson said. "I was just trying not to make mistakes. I think the conditions today made the course more playable and I think it might have made things a little easier."

Satterfield was impressed by his fifth-year senior's effort. "He's been one of the greatest golfers ever in the history of Furman golf," Satterfield said. "I can't say enough about him."

Along with Davidson and Davies, the rest of the individual leaderboard's top five included Chattanooga's Matt Brock in third, while Furman's Rob Langley and Georgia Southern's Aron Price finished tied for fourth.

TOP TEAMS

1. Furman (+16)
T-2. Georgia Southern (+30)
T-2. UNC Greensboro (+30)
4. East Tennessee State (+32)
5. Chattanooga (+35)

TOP INDIVIDUALS

1. Matt Davidson, FUR (-4)
2. Rhys Davies, ETSU (-2)
3. Matt Brock, UTC (+2)
T-4. Rob Langley, FUR (+3)
T-4. Aron Price, GSU (+3)

GSU INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

T-4. Aron Price (+3)
T-13. Bryan Jones (+8)
T-18. Jon David Kennedy (+10)
T-21. Kurt Watkins (+11)
T-41. Drew Bowen (+16)

ALL-SOCON FIRST TEAM

Ryan Loucks, Elon
Rhys Davies, East Tennessee St.
Andy Bare, UNC Greensboro
Aron Price, Georgia Southern
Matt Davidson, Furman



Hillary Jones/STAFF

Junior Aron Price was the top individual finisher for Georgia Southern, finishing three under par, good enough for a fourth-place tie. Price was named SoCon Player of the Year for a season in which he spent a brief time as the nation's top-ranked golfer.

Freshman Lairsey named Pitcher of the Week

Special to the G-A

SPARTANBURG, S.C. – The Southern Conference today named Blake Church of East Tennessee State as its baseball Player of the Week and Georgia Southern's Josh Lairsey as the Pitcher of the Week.

Church, a sophomore first baseman from Roswell, Ga., hit .778 over the weekend in a three-game series sweep of Appalachian State. Church collected seven hits in nine at-bats, scored eight runs and drove in two. He collected four doubles and four walks against the Mountaineers while also reaching base after being hit by a pitch. In Saturday's first game against the Mountaineers, Church went 3-for-4 with an RBI, a walk and three runs scored. He followed that by going 1-for-2 with two walks, two runs scored and an RBI in game two of Saturday's doubleheader. In the series finale on Sunday afternoon, Blake was a perfect 3-for-3 with a walk and three runs scored.

Lairsey, a freshman lefthander from Waycross, Ga., tossed eight innings of two-hit ball in defeating Western Carolina 3-0 on Sunday. Lairsey walked two and struck out

five in earning his first collegiate victory. He held the Catamount hitters to a .071 batting average in the game.

Also receiving consideration for Player of the Week were Georgia Southern's Brandon Ponder who hit .500 over the weekend, Andy Phillips of The Citadel who hit .529 with eight RBI last week; Furman's Dominic Franchini who hit .429 in four games last week; Wofford's David Dufour who hit a pair of home runs and drove in nine runs against Furman; and Gary Morris of Elon who hit .643 in a weekend series at UNC Greensboro.

Others considered for the Pitcher of the Week award were Ryan Johnson of the College of Charleston who improved to 7-0 on the season with a win at Davidson; Tim Turner of East Tennessee State who fanned 12 in a complete game win over Appalachian State; The Citadel's Jonathan Ellis who posted a 10-4 victory over High Point on Friday; Calvin Hurst of Furman who collected two saves last week; Wofford's Jarrod Rampey who went eight innings in a 10-1 triumph over Furman on April 16; and Elon's Chad Tilley who was 1-0 with a 1.35 ERA last week.

SOCON SOUTHERN CONFERENCE SPORTS UPDATE

BASEBALL

TEAM	CONFERENCE	OVERALL
	W L PCT.	W L PCT.
Charleston	13 2 .867	28 7 .800
The Citadel	12 3 .800	23 13 .639
Ga. Southern	14 4 .778	23 17 .575
*UNC Greensboro	8 7 .533	23 9 .712
E. Tennessee St.	11 10 .524	20 19 .513
Elon	11 10 .524	18 21 .462
Davidson	10 11 .476	15 20 .429
W. Carolina	7 11 .389	17 20 .459
Furman	5 10 .333	12 22 .353
Wofford	5 13 .278	12 19 .387
Appalachian St.	3 18 .143	5 30 .143

* UNC Greensboro also has one tied game

SOFTBALL

TEAM	CONFERENCE	OVERALL
	W L PCT.	W L PCT.
Chattanooga	11 1 .917	36 20 .643
Charleston	8 4 .667	34 17 .667
*Elon	9 6 .600	27 17 .611
Ga. Southern	6 6 .500	24 21 .533
UNC Greensboro	5 7 .417	24 22 .522
Furman	5 7 .417	12 37 .245
Appalachian St.	4 11 .267	15 27 .357
E. Tennessee St.	3 9 .250	22 27 .449

* Elon also has one tied game

STATISTICAL LEADERS

Batting: Matt Kirkpatrick, COFC, .490
GSU Leader: Brandon Long, .369

Hits: Byron Barber, COFC, 64
GSU Leader: James Payne, 58

Runs: 3 players tied, 45
GSU Leader: James Payne, 45

Runs Batted In: Brett Anderson, COFC, 49
GSU Leader: Greg Dowling, 43

Home Runs: 3 players tied, 13
GSU Leader: Grant Burruss, 11

Stolen Bases: Brett Gardner, COFC, 16
GSU Leader: Brandon Burneds, 12

Pitching: B. Ebert, ELON & N. Hewitt, WOF, 0.00
GSU Leader: Mike Thompson, 2.82

Strikeouts: Everett Teaford, GSU, 78
GSU Leader: John Carroll, 62 (2nd on team)
(records and statistics through games of April 18)

STATISTICAL LEADERS

Batting: Amanda Cone, COFC, .462
GSU Leader: Aurora Johnson, .365

Hits: Amanda Cone, COFC, 73
GSU Leader: Shanita Black, 53

Runs: A. Cone, COFC & J. Rothery, COFC, 55
GSU Leader: Shanita Black, 32

Runs Batted In: Amanda Cone, COFC, 58
GSU Leader: Kim Griffin, 26

Home Runs: Amanda Cone, COFC, 14
GSU Leader: A. Johnson & M. Laurato, 4

Stolen Bases: LaKerzh Barr, FUR, 28
GSU Leader: Shanita Black, 8

Pitching: R. Stern, COFC & T. Urena, GSU, 1.39
GSU Leader: Cary Moore, 1.69 (2nd on team)

Strikeouts: Lacey Swarthout, UTC, 266
GSU Leader: Cary Moore, 162
(records and statistics through games of April 18)

Price signs third recruit for fall

GSU Athletic Media Relations

Georgia Southern head basketball coach Jeff Price announced Monday that Matt Scott has signed a national letter-of-intent to play for the Eagles beginning in the fall of 2004.

Scott, a 6-foot-3 guard, averaged 27.8 points and 7.9 rebounds per game last season for Lakeside High School in Evans, Ga. He finished his career as Columbia County's all-time scoring leader with 1,955 points and scored 677 points as a senior, Lakeside's school record for points in a season.

"Matt provides our program with a deep scoring threat," said Price. "He's a tremendous three point shooter whom the opponent must focus on when he steps on the court."

Scott's signing marked the third signee of the year for Georgia Southern and the first of the spring signing



Eli Boorstein/STAFF

Head coach Jeff Price announced the signing of Evans native Matt Scott for next fall.

period. He joins Louis Graham and Dwayne Foreman, both of whom signed in the fall signing period.

The 2004-05 Eagles will return 10 letterwinners, including four starters, off of a team that went 21-8 and won the Southern Conference South Division title with an 11-5 mark in 2003-04.

Ripken voices displeasure over steroid controversy

By Tim Korte
Associated Press

SEATTLE – Cal Ripken Jr. called the steroid controversy "a black cloud over baseball" but also considers it an opportunity for parents and youth coaches to talk to children about the dangers of drug use.

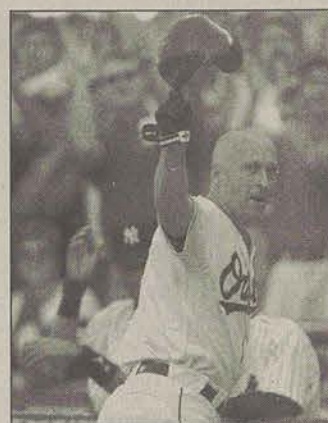
"Give them an education on what's right and what's wrong," Ripken said Sunday during the Mariners' game against Texas. "You hope kids aren't getting the wrong message. There's a right way and a wrong way to go about doing things."

Ripken, who retired from the Baltimore Orioles in 2001, broke Lou Gehrig's record of playing in 2,130 consecutive games. Ripken played in 2,632 straight games before voluntarily ending the streak in 1998.

He's on a 10-city tour to promote an instructional book co-written with his brother, Billy. Ripken holds youth clinics on his visits, and the steroid issue isn't always a popular topic for adults.

"It comes up periodically," he said. "It's one of those things that you don't want to bring up all the time. When it does surface around the ballpark, I think you want to address it and interpret it for them."

Kids pay attention to big leaguers, though, and they're talking about steroids in baseball. Ripken recounted the story of his son's



KRT Campus

Cal Ripken Jr. has come out against the current controversy surrounding steroids, calling it 'a black cloud over baseball.'

friend, a slap-hitter who recently hit a deep home run.

"To my amazement, as he ran around the bases so excited, the kids started joking with him that he was on steroids – maybe his nickname was 'Roids,'" Ripken recalled.

"It gave a good opportunity for coaches and parents to address the issue," he added. "Steroids are not the answer. There are no shortcuts. It dawned on me at that moment that we'd have to deal with that issue, like a lot of other social issues."

Ripken said having the topic in the open also presents a chance for management and the players' association to find a solution, though he declined to express any ideas.

"It certainly is a black cloud over baseball right now," he said.

Fans line up for chance to buy old Yankee Stadium seats

By Justin Glanville
Associated Press

NEW YORK – You can buy a seat at Yankee Stadium for \$500 – game not included.

Those who wanted a piece of stadium history ponied up to pay big bucks Monday, as 300 discarded seats from Yankee Stadium went on sale.

The asking price: \$1,500 for a set of three 29-year-old seats.

"I'm a season ticket holder," Bob Coccodrilli, who had arrived at 10:30 p.m. Sunday with a sleeping bag, said Monday after purchasing a set of seats. "Those games that I can't attend, I'm going to watch in my living room in my Yankee seat."

His wife, Jessica, shook her head.

"Doesn't go with the decor," she said.

About 30 fans were lined up by 8 a.m., one hour before the start of the sale at the government's official CityStore in Lower Manhattan. About eight true devotees, unwilling to take a chance on missing out on the historic event, had arrived as early as Sunday afternoon.

The fans got to view an actual set of seats before paying for them and arranging to pick them up or have them delivered later.

First in line was Suzanne Bressler, 35, who had arrived at 2:15 p.m. Sunday from her Upper West Side apartment, equipped with

a folding chair and blanket. She was buying the seats as a Father's Day gift for her physician father, Robert Bressler.

"My two sisters and I are going to sit in the seats and say we're his biggest fans on Father's Day," she said. "It's corny, I know, but he loves that stuff."

Greg Keilin, 17, and Eliot Cohen, 16, both students at St. Anne's High School in Brooklyn Heights, had been waiting in shifts with another friend since 9 p.m. Sunday. They huddled around a 2-foot-high barrel of pretzels, nearly empty Monday morning, that had provided sustenance throughout the night.

They said they had pooled their money and planned to give the seats as a surprise gift to a friend.

"At first I thought who'd spend \$1,500 for three chairs, but it's something you can give to your kids and hang on to forever," said Keilin.

The seats were installed in 1975 when the left and right field boxes were renovated. They were removed when the city-owned stadium got another face lift in 1998 and 1999. Since then, they've been in storage at a warehouse on Randalls Island.

Monday's sale was organized by the Department of Parks and Recreation to raise money for the city's general fund. Another 300 sets of seats will be sold later in the year.

Court ruling bars Clarett from entering draft

By Larry Neumeister
Associated Press

NEW YORK – A federal appeals court Monday blocked former Ohio State sensation Maurice Clarett and other young football stars like him from entering the NFL draft this weekend.

The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals said the NFL demonstrated that it will probably prevail in arguing that high school stars and college underclassmen should not be allowed to turn pro.

Clarett, a 21-year-old sophomore, had challenged the NFL rule that requires a player to be out of high school for three years before entering the draft. The NFL argued that the rule is for young athletes' own good, because it is designed to make sure they are big enough and strong enough to play with the pros.

In February, U.S. District Judge Shira Scheindlin sided with Claret, declaring that the NFL rule violates antitrust law by preventing young athletes from pursuing their livelihoods. She ruled that underclassmen should be allowed to turn pro.

But the appeals court Monday blocked Scheindlin's ruling while it takes up the issue.

"We are pleased that the court has issued a stay," NFL lawyer Jeff Pash said. "We are grateful for the prompt attention the court has given to this matter and we await its decision on

the merits."

Clarett will be eligible for the draft next year.

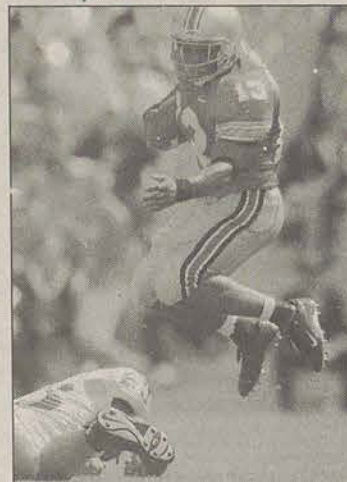
Scheindlin's ruling could open up the NFL to young phenoms the way the NBA has done. Dozens of basketball players, including Kobe Bryant and LeBron James, have gone to the NBA straight after high school in recent years, becoming instant celebrities and signing endorsement contracts that make them millionaires before the ink is dry on their diplomas.

The appeals court said that any potential harm to Claret from being kept out of the draft was offset by the NFL's agreement to hold a supplemental draft if the appeals court later ruled in his favor.

That possibility seemed unlikely, though, after the manner in which three appeals court judges questioned Claret's lawyer, Alan Milstein, during more than an hour of courtroom arguments Monday.

Circuit Judge Lewis A. Kaplan asked Milstein why the NFL cannot exclude young athletes, suggesting the league was saying, "It's good for them, good for us and in the long run good for the sport."

University of Southern California sophomore Mike Williams, who announced he would enter the draft after the lower court ruled in Claret's favor, also would be affected by the appeals court ruling.



KRT Campus

Maurice Clarett had his hopes for entering this weekend's NFL Draft dashed, when a federal court ruled against him.

The ruling came the same day that Williams initiated his own lawsuit in federal court in Manhattan, saying the NFL had issued conflicting statements about eligibility for the draft, causing Williams to sacrifice his college career.

Seven other players also said they would enter the draft after the initial ruling, but none is considered a top prospect.

As a freshman, Claret rushed for 1,237 yards and led the Buckeyes to a national championship. But Ohio State suspended him before last season for accepting money from a family friend and lying about it.

UPCOMING GEORGIA SOUTHERN ATHLETIC EVENTS

Wednesday
• Softball vs. Georgia Tech (DH), Eagle Field, 3 p.m.

Thursday-Sunday
• Men's & Women's Tennis at SoCon Tournament in Charleston, S.C.

Friday
• Baseball at Wofford, 7 p.m.

Saturday
• Outdoor Track at Irwin Belk Invitational in Davidson, N.C.
• Softball at UNC Greensboro (DH), 1 p.m.
• Baseball at Wofford, 1:30 p.m.

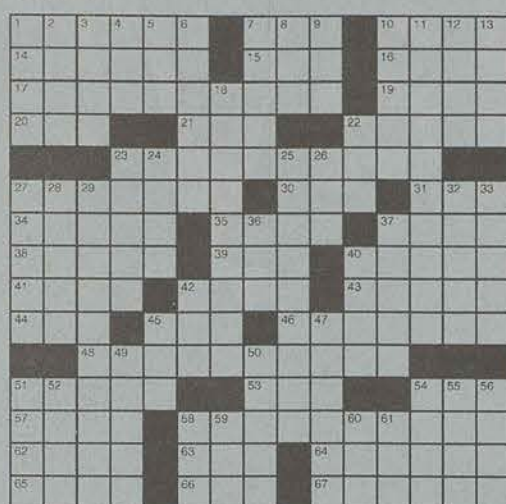
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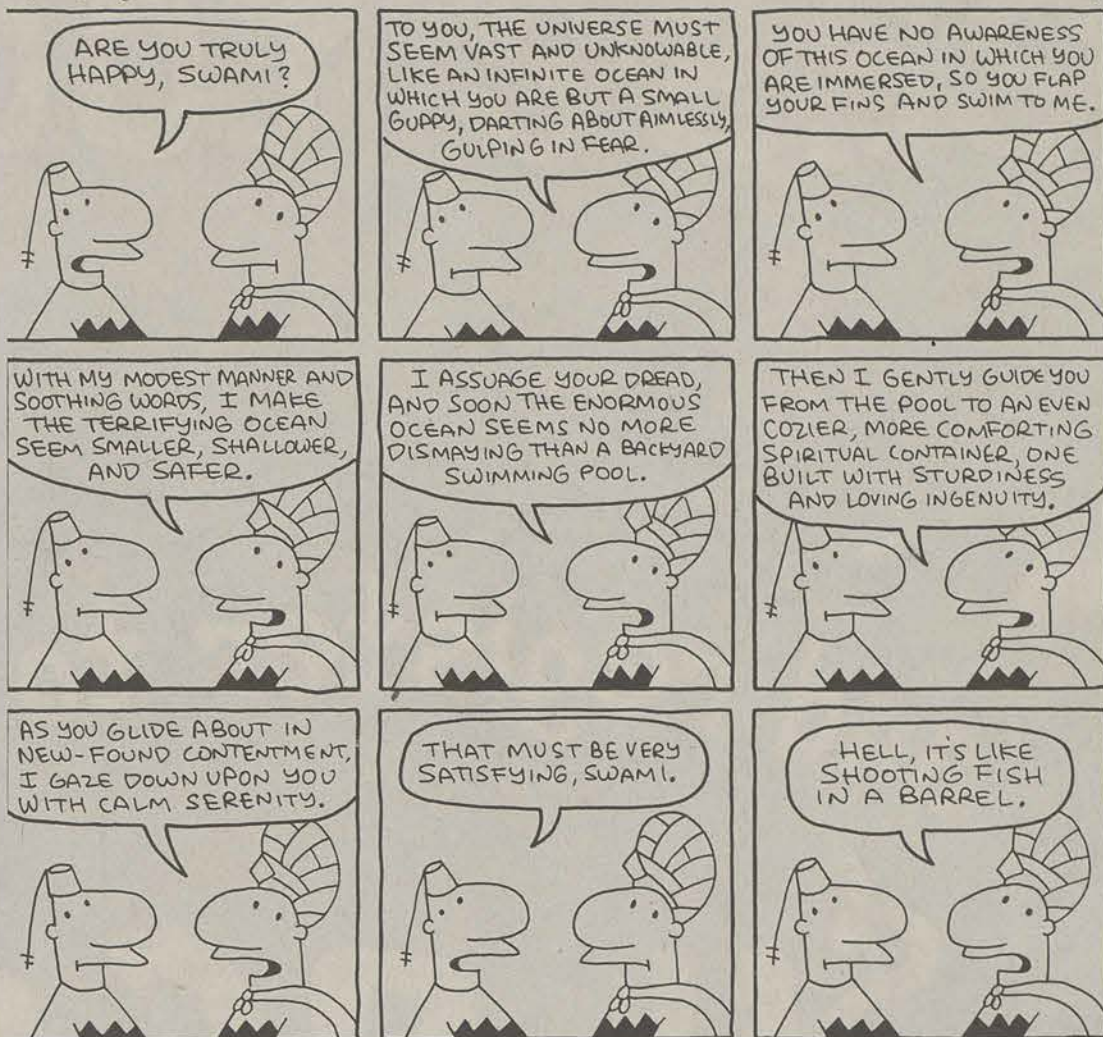
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47 Fungus-alga composite
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50 Squads
51 Rescue
52 Addict
54 Fair
55 Tilled soil
56 Small whirlpool
58 Young fish
59 Abandon truth
60 To and
61 Research center

LIFE IN HELL



By Scott Adams. Art by Matt Groening.

912-230-3166 or Andrew 478-390-2730 for information.

NEED A roommate? Advertise on Off-Campus Housing Website. Roommate forms available in Russell Union 2022.

2 ROOMS available in 4bd/4ba Statesboro Place. All inclusive, \$335/month, \$100 signing bonus. Available May 1. Call Tommy at 678-697-5295.

ONE FEMALE roommate needed to take over lease starting Aug. 04. May move in May 04. \$215/month, 1/3 utilities. Need someone ASAP. Call Tan @ 229-291-0208 or Candis @ 706-589-1241.

SUBLEASE SUMMER at Stadium Walk \$212.50 a month. Pet friendly. Other roommate gone for summer. Available May 1. Quiet area, pool access. Call Kelly 541-3772.

FEMALE SUBLEASE needed. 2BR/2 Bath \$225 plus 1/2 utilities. ASAP until July 31. Washer and dryer included. Call Jennifer at 536-0256.

SUMMER SUBLEASE. 1 room available Sterling University Pines. Move in May 1. May rent free. June, July rent \$335. Call Stuart 912-678-1659.

SUBLEASE SUMMER: Sterling University Pines Apartment. 1 female roommate needed. \$250/month from May 3-August 5. Call Allison at 912-541-1557.

SUMMER SUBLEASE 1 room available Sterling University Pines. Move in May 1. May rent free. June, July rent \$325. Call Stuart 912-678-1659.

\$208.00 MONTHLY RENT! Summer sublease available in 3 bedroom house off campus. Rent + 1/3 utilities. Call 764-3121 for more information.

FEMALE SUBLEASE needed to take over contract in Southern Courtyard for summer. Call Kim 912-541-2789.

FEMALE NEEDED to take over contract in Southern Courtyard for summer. Call Sarah at 404-449-4925.

APARTMENT in Southern Courtyard available summer term. Kitchen, living room, bathroom, laundry room. Fully furnished. Computer lab and game room on site. Call Danielle at 912-541-2285 for information.

STILL TRYING to figure out a way to fill that empty bedroom? Place an ad in The George-Anne and find a roommate in no time.

3BR 3BATH Sterling Pines sublease. Male or cool female needed. Sacrifice art \$320 free DSL and cable. Available May 2, 2004. Call 541-7926.

240 Services

NEED PROMOTIONS for events, clubs parties, etc? We do promotions, community service, parties and are disc jockeys for hire. Affordable rates. For info, call 912-713-3079.

ADOPT A pet and save a life. Bulloch County Animal Shelter, visit 301 North Statesboro or www.adoptionfair.com.

WASH & Detail car for \$15. I come to you or pick up car. Call 912-687-3126 or 688-7219. Get it done. Ask for Quick, Thanx.

GOOD CREDIT/BAD credit no credit We provide all kinds of consolidation. We also provide fast approvals. NO FEES. Low interest rates as well. 1-800-441-6967 ext 302. Dasia Grant.

260 Stereo & Sounds

TWO 12" Pioneer Premier Subs in box for sale. One slightly damaged but still plays hard. \$100.00 obo. Call Floyd 681-8490.

ONE KICKER Solo-Baric L5 15" subwoofer with custom kicker logo box. \$200. Call 688-2981 or 678-852-1433.

SELLING A set of JL audio 10's in the box with amp. Asking \$100.00, call Michae 678-467-4568.

305 Volunteers

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED at the Bulloch County Animal Shelter. www.adoptionfair.com

Covering the Campus Like a Swarm of Gnats



"Let the word go forth from this time and place, to friend and foe alike, that the torch has been passed to a new generation of Americans - born in this century, tempered by war, disciplined by a hard and bitter peace."

-John F. Kennedy

10 G-A Action Ads

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NOTE: We gratefully acknowledge the theft of our slogan - "Liked by Many, Cussed by Some, Read by them All" - from Robert Williams of the Blackshear Times. Call Bob and he can tell you who he stole it from.

FREEBIE INFO ALL FREE student and faculty ads to be run in the George-Anne must have a NAME, P.O. BOX and PHONE NUMBER. Ads will be rejected if they do not have this information. NO EXCEPTIONS.

20 Announcements

BOILED PEANUTS for sale! On Hwy. 57 & 46.

HAPPY 20TH B-day Megan! We all love you! Sunshine

GOT WIND? Sailing Club forming... GSU students, fac/staff interested in sailing, windsurfing, dinghies, catamarans, keelboats, etc. Meeting: 4/28. Contact sbonham@georgiasouthern.edu

SUBLEASE NEEDED. Sterling Apt. Bedroom with private bath. May through August 2004. Free cable and tanning bed! \$300/month. Call Stephanie 678-687-3705.

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

ASME GOLF Tournament Saturday April 17, 2004. Chance to win \$10,000.00. Please call Terry 912-681-3506. \$180 per team entry fee.

FEELING SAD blue because no one attends your club meetings? Put an announcement in The George-Anne classified section and fill those empty seats! Just **Rip Us Off**, it's free!

ASME LECTURE Monday, April 19 at 7:00 p.m. Technology Building. Topic: Indy Racing and the Effect of Aerodynamics. \$2 for students, please call Lisa for more information 912-756-5114.

40 Autos for Sale

JUST GOT a new car, need to sell your old one? Place and ad in The George-Anne and 15,000 people are going to read about it.

55 Books - Swap or Sell

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

60 Business Opportunities

SPECIAL REMINDER: time spent at the career center is inversely proportionate to the time spent living in your parent's basement. To learn more, call 681-5197 today!

70 Child Care

NEED SOMEONE reliable to take care of your children evenings or weekends? Many references. Call Enka at 871-6881. Leave message.

75 Churches

HUNGRY FOR the Word of God? Why wait? Come hear God's word and worship with us! We are small, but growing. Sun. 2:00 pm, Wed. 7:30 pm. United Pentecostal Church 1316 Old Register Way, Statesboro. 488-2264.

120 Furniture & Appliances

COOL LOFT bed for sale! Bookshelf and desk chair for attached desk included. Very trendy piece of furniture, \$350 obo. Call 481-1198 for more info.

BEDS for sale. 2 single beds with frame. \$30 each obo. Computer desk \$30. Nightstand with lamp \$5. Call 764-7156.

140 Help Wanted

ADMIN. ASSISTANT wanted. Must know Quickbooks for accounting; will also be filing, boxing products and answering the phone. 15-20 hrs. per wk. Knowledge of Pagemaker software is a plus. \$7.50/hr. to start; Call Karen at 912-764-8800 or (better) email resume to karen@snelling-search.com.

SUMMER INTERNSHIP - Excellent Advertising, Sales and Marketing opportunity. Earn \$3000 to \$7000 ++ and gain valuable business experience working for the Official Campus Telephone Directory. **GREAT RESUME BOOSTER!** Call Kiersten at AroundCampus, Inc. 1-800-466-2221 ext 272. www.aroundcampus.com

WEBSITE & Marketing Assistant needed. Dreamweaver \$ Fireworks experience recommended. Send a resume to Kendall Shows at the Statesboro-Bulloch Parks & Rec. Dept. at PO Box 408 Statesboro, GA 30459 or kshows@bullochrec.com

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THE STATESBORO-Bulloch County Parks and Recreation Department is now accepting applications for a Computer Instructor. This position is responsible for the planning and implementation of computer classes for older adults. Must have good interpersonal skills and the ability to multitask. Apply in person at the Honey Bowen Building, 1 Max Lockwood Drive, Statesboro.

LOCAL ORTHODONTIST hiring individual PT/FT to assist with sterilization procedures. Fax resume to 912-489-6396.

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FINALLY! EARN \$5 in 10 mins each week @brandport.com!

Watch ads, earn cash. Free registration. **BARTENDER TRAINEES** Needed \$250 a day potential Local Positions 1-800-293-3985 ext. 312

Make Money taking Online Surveys. Earn \$10-\$125 for Surveys. Earn \$25-\$250 for Focus Groups. Visit www.cash4students.com/geosou

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

for details.

MYSTERY SHOPPERS needed! Earn while you shop! Call Now Toll Free 1-800-467-4422 EXT. 13400

150 Lost & Found

KEYS FOUND in the Williams Center. Claim them at the Student Media Office.

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

160 Miscellaneous for Sale

NEED TO sell something...anything? Put it in The George-Anne classified section. One man's trash is another man's treasure.

POOL TABLE for sale. Includes 8 Ball rack, 9 Ball rack, two pool sticks. Excellent condition. Selling everything for \$600 firm. Call 912-541-6110, ask for Black.

200 Pets & Supplies

FOR SALE: Ball Python, 60.00 and 55-gallon aquarium, \$130.00. If sold together, will sell for \$160.00. For more info call Kristina 541-6151.

AMERICAN PIT Bull Terrier puppies, ADBA registered. \$350 shots, dewormed, papers included. Call today. 912-484-4676.

FOR SALE: med. size reptile aquarium with heater included. \$35.00. Call Kristina 541-6151.

220 Rentals & Real Estate

3 BEDROOM house for rent. \$1050.00 per month. On Cypress Lake. Call 852-5977 and leave a message.

TIERED OF ROOMMATES? Want your own apartment? \$265+ flexible leases - Quiet Environment. Also, 2 + 3 BR Houses recently renovated. Call Parker Realty at 764-5623.

SUMMER SUBLEASE at Woodlands, May 3-July 25. \$225 month plus utilities. Pet friendly, close to campus. Please call 681-1694 or cell at 904-294-2844.

6BR5BATH available Aug. 1, next to Holiday In Express - Loaded - no pets. 682-7468 or 764-6076

FOR RENT by owner. Stadium Walk or Park Place. Has washer and dryer. Small pets acceptable. \$400 per month. 764-7528 or 541-4885

AVAILABLE FALL 2004: 3 BR 2 BATH Refurbished house. Great Location, walk to class and supermarket. \$725- call 912-481-3644.

TIERED OF roommates? Sublease one bedroom apartment for June and July, May if needed. Tell those roommates goodbye! Rent \$325 with water included. Contact Teresa at 478-320-7753.

NEED TO sublease your apartment? Advertise on Off-Campus Housing Office website. Sublease forms available in Russell Union 2022.

AVAILABLE FALL 2004: 3 br 2 bath refurbished house. Great location, walk to class and supermarket. \$725.00 Call 912-481-3644.

2 BEDROOM, 2 Bath apartment for rent starting in May. Rent includes DSL Internet, Power, water, cable TV with HBO, security system. Large walk-in closets, washer/dryer, back patio, pets allowed! Call 678-516-5939.

APARTMENT for male or female at \$335 a month, payment includes everything except phone and internet. May 1 to August 1. Please call Nikki 770-855-5129.

HOOD HAS HOUSES FOR LEASE IN AUGUST NO PETS. 24 HOUR REPAIRS. 764-6076

ATTENTION STUDENTS: Please read Hood's Website: DIRTYBANKING.COM

TWO BEDROOM duplex available May 1. \$500 per month. Close to campus. Call 912-604-5885.

SUMMER SUBLEASE \$260 a month. Two bedroom and two bath, for the whole apartment. Washer and dryer included. Call 678-570-2719.

SHERWOOD FOREST, duplex sublease,

\$250/month + utilities, pet friendly. Please call Sami @ 681-2905 or 770-715-8300.

SUMMER SUBLEASE \$405 month, all utilities and furniture included. Volleyball, pool, fitness center. Move in after May 10th. Rent for May NOT REQUIRED. Call Troy 803-290-7143.

MALE/FEMALE ROOMMATE needed for 3 BED/2 Bath. Washer/Dryer included. 11 W. Grady St. \$800 plus utilities, 3 ways. Call Alston 912-230-3166 or Andrew 478-390-2730.

TIERED OF looking at asphalt? Want to feel the grass under your feet? Own a pet or want to? Call Kristy or Lavinia at RE Realty Property Management. The pet friendly people. Next to Daylight Donuts. 912-764-2511.

230 Roommates

SUMMER SUBLEASE needed! Two rooms available in a great house. Rent is \$256 plus utilities. Call Stephen at 541-2915.

SOUTHERN COURTYARD room. Need female for summer semester. One payment includes utilities. Friendly roommates, new, fully furnished, negotiable. Call 404-5421761.

SUBLEASE AVAILABLE for summer semester. Willing to pay \$400 to anyone who will sublease my contract for Southern Courtyard. On-campus, clean and new, fully furnished, cool roommates. Only \$1100 for summer. Cheaper than any other on-campus place. Contact Andy @ 688-7673.

SUMMER SUBLEASE. Five bedroom house needs a renter for May 1-July 25. \$200 plus utilities. Call Jacinda 489-6097.

3 FEMALE roommates needed to stay in Campus Club. Rent is \$389 all inclusive. Contact Kiwar 98-3379.

SUBLEASES - R2004 at Players Club. \$240 per month. May through August. Move in May 1. Call 678-591-3138.

MALE/FEMALE ROOMMATE needed for 3 bed/2 bath. Washer/dryer. 11 W. Grady Street. \$800 plus utilities, 3 ways. Call Alston

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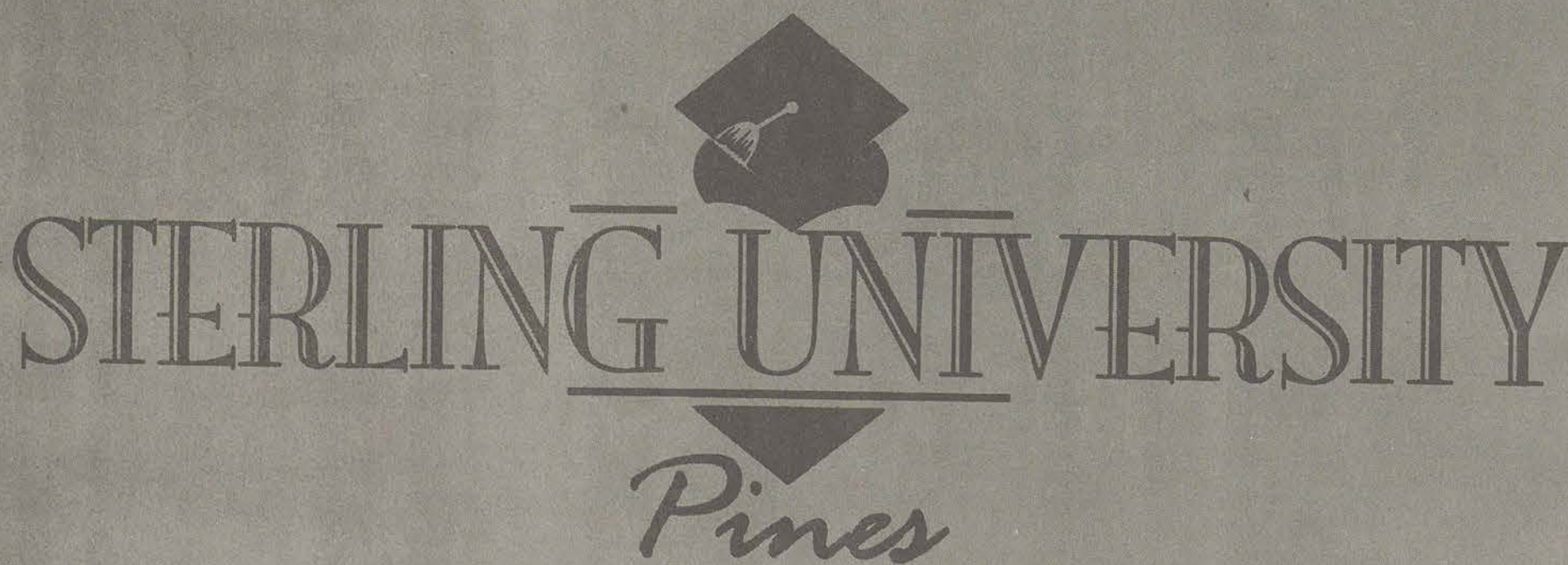
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