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Can't stop, won't stop

Eagles send Mountaineers crawling back to Boone

By Kenny Cofer

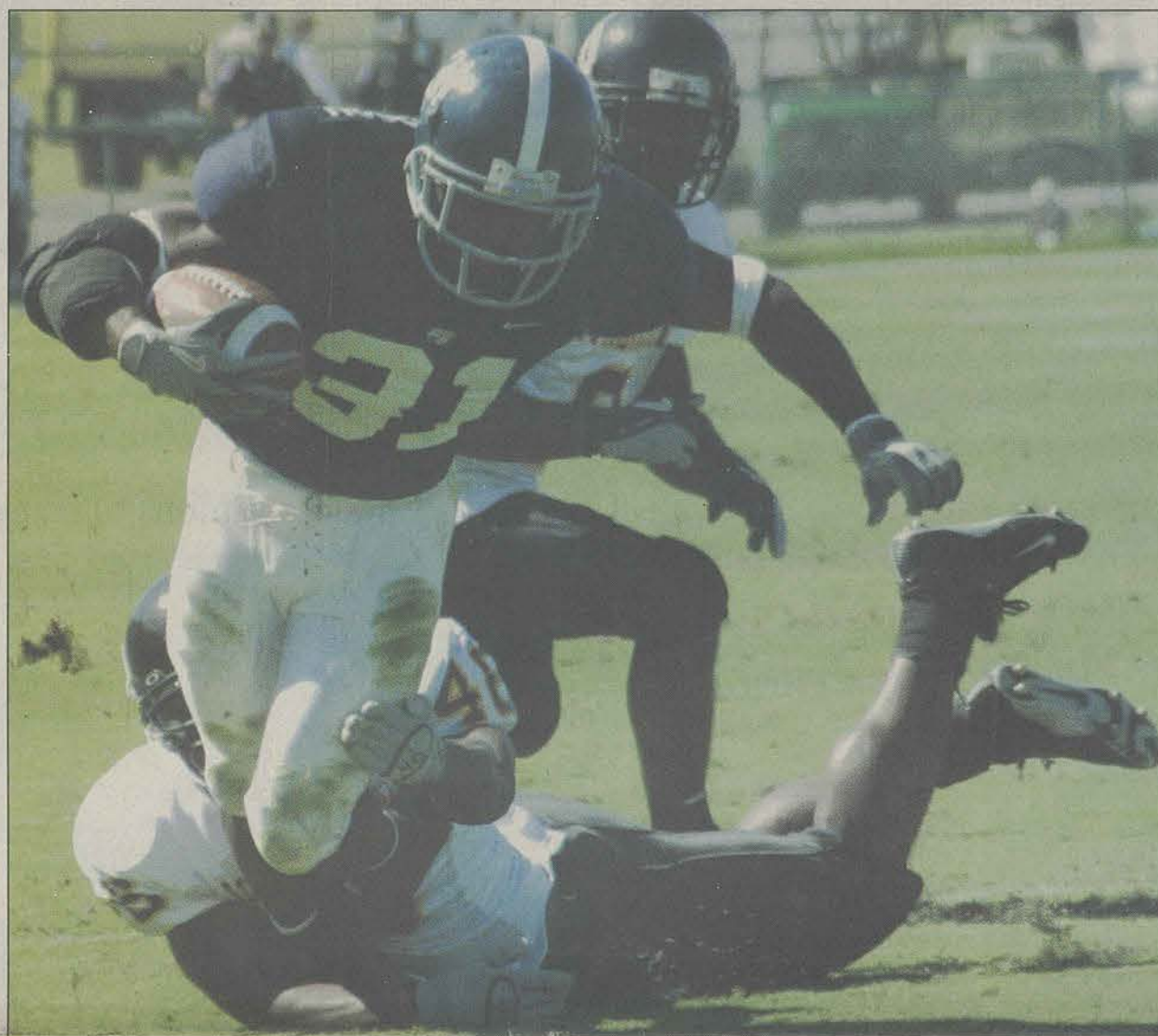
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It was supposed to be a game that would be hard fought and come down to the fourth quarter. But those at Paulson Stadium Saturday afternoon, saw otherwise. The Eagles slaughtered another Top 25 Southern Conference team, defeating Appalachian State 54-7.

Mike Sewak took a gamble on Georgia Southern's first drive and went for it on a fourth down and three. The gamble paid off as Chaz Williams found a wide open Eric Hadley for a 22 yard touchdown to put the Eagles up 7-0 with 10:17 left in the first quarter. Williams added another touchdown pass as he found Jayson Foster on a 36 yard touchdown strike with 4:47 left in the first quarter putting Georgia Southern up another seven.

The Eagles continued to add to their assault on the App. State defense with a 47-yard field goal from Jonathon Dudley midway through the second quarter. Four minutes later, Williams continued his air strike with his third passing touchdown of the ball game to Teddy Craft from 24 yards to give Georgia Southern a 24-0 lead at the 5:06 mark of the second quarter. Moments before halftime, Williams added his first of two rushing touchdowns, going in from one yard out.

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LaVene Bell/STAFF

Slotback Lyon Jefferson (number 31) runs the ball at Saturday's Homecoming game against App. State. Next week the Eagles take on the Citadel in Charleston, S.C.

Author turns real life into fiction

By Krystle Jackson

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Everyone has had their share of an experience- whether it was a good experience of that time when you went on your first date or a bad experience of a time when you got your first hangover.

Regardless of the experience, try turning some of your experiences into a novel.

That's what Chris Crutcher did.

Award-winning young-adult novelist Chris Crutcher spoke last Thursday at the College of Education Lecture Hall.

Crutcher is the author of eight young-adult novels and short-stories. Over his 20-year career, he has won countless awards such as *Writer Magazine's* 2004 Writers Who Make a Difference Award and the American Library Association's (ALA) *Best Book for Young Adults*.

Crutcher presented some of his works including "Whale Talk" and "King of the Mild Frontier", as well as his most recent novel.

Crutcher takes his real-life experiences and the hard truths of life and makes them into a book.

"He never shies away from the facts of life," said Caren Town, GSU professor of English. Town introduced Crutcher before his lecture.

As a child-protection advocate and therapist, Crutcher writes about his personal experiences from working with children and traveling around the country to different schools. He then takes the children he meets and builds them into fictional characters for his stories.

"I like the process of creating characters. It [writing books and child advocating] gives me chances to move across the country. I do a lot at school conferences," said Crutcher.

Crutcher also takes some of his childhood

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GSU launches 'Campaign for National Distinction'

Special to the G-A

Georgia Southern launched its first major capital fund-raising campaign in over a decade with a black-tie gala Saturday evening.

Titled "The Campaign for National Distinction," the project has the goal of raising \$40 million to help the university achieve its goal of being recognized as one of the top comprehensive universities in the nation. The "silent phase" of the campaign has already raised \$26 million towards that goal.

"The Campaign for National Distinction is predicated on the firm belief that Georgians deserve a public comprehensive university recognized among the best in the nation," said President Bruce Grube. "Georgia does

not have even one university in the top tier of national rankings in that class.

"GSU is capable and committed to become that university for Georgia."

Under the auspices of the GSU Foundation and the Southern Boosters, the campaign is chaired by alumna Hala Modellmog, the president of Church's Chicken.

"I was proud, honored and flattered to be asked to chair The Campaign for National Distinction," said Modellmog. "As the campaign chair, I plan to do everything I can to make sure we achieve the goal. I love the nomenclature of a university of national distinction. I think GSU has

For additional information about The Campaign for National Distinction, contact the Georgia Southern Foundation at 912-681-5253.

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Brian O'Connor/STAFF

GSU students and members of the Statesboro community ran to raise money for Habitat for Humanity this past Saturday. Last year's run raised about \$1,000 for the organization.

Hoofin' For Habitat

By Jessica Luber

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With the flick of a flag and the hum of a whistle, more than 200 runners and walkers set off for a quick 5K event early Saturday morning. Hosted by Campus Recreation & Intramurals and the Statesboro Pacers, the sixth annual Hoofin' for Habitat was underway.

Gathering in the morning at a tent just outside of the RAC, volunteers were given doughnuts and coffee to get the day's festivities started, and for a good cause. Money is raised and donated to Bulloch County's Habitat for Humanity each year. About \$1000 was donated to the nonprofit organization last year. Volunteers and sponsors hope to set a new record this year.

"Being Vice President of the campus chapter Habitat for Humanity, I really thought it was important to get out here and show my support," said Jennifer Kanzler. "Seeing other people here this early is great. Not everyone can always help raise money directly or build on the weekends, so this is a nice indirect way that people can not only help out the organization but come have some fun while staying in shape."

Volunteer Jonathin Ohara added, "This is my third year

volunteering at the event. It is just something good to do. It gets you up early and gets your day going. Plus, I think it is good to come out and help the community."

Just as quick as the race started, it was over. Seventeen minutes and thirteen seconds later, last year's winner Michelle LaFleur came flying around the turn and through the finish line. LaFleur said, "This is my fourth time participating in Hoofin' for Habitat and my fourth time winning. It feels really good to come out and run. It is a great training session for other competitions I enter, especially the Olympic trials."

LaFleur, who is sponsored by Saucony and PowerBar, has been running for 17 years and hopes to one day break 2:40 in a marathon.

At the end of the race, refreshments were supplied and 103.7 the Boomer played music. Awards and prizes were given out according to age categories as well as top male and female contestants.

To find out more about the Bulloch County Habitat for Humanity, visit www.habitatbulloch.org and for more information about the Statesboro Pacers, visit www.statesboropacers.com.

Weekday Weather

Monday

HIGH
83°LOW
65°

Mostly Cloudy

Tuesday

HIGH
86°LOW
65°

Partly Cloudy

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Adam Crisp wants students to stay passionate about their political choices

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Campus News

Library wants their books

Library offers rewards to those returning books on time

By Jamie Galvin
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This semester, the library has decided to publicize the return of the "Positive Reinforcement Project," a type of reward and process.

This contest commenced last year in the fall of 2003 because of the library's continuous problem with overdue books. According to Bede Mitchell, Dean of Henderson Library, each year 60 percent of graduate students and 30 percent of undergraduate students issued books return them overdue.

The current policy for overdue books is as follows: the library contacts the students by email after a 14 day period, and if the books are still not returned, a lost book bill is then sent. Fines have not been issued for overdue books in the past ten years.

What the idea breaks down to is a chance for GSU students to win prizes for returning their books back to the library on time.

It's only necessary for students to withdraw one book to automatically be entered in the raffle. There will be three drawings held this semester, rewarding one student per drawing.

The first one will be held on October 25 for a \$30 gift certificate to the University Store. The

second drawing will be held on November 22 for a certificate of \$40; and the last one will be held on December 3 for a certificate of \$50.

All winners will be contacted by the library through their GSU email address and/or local telephone number provided by the Registrar's Office.

Library officials decided to keep the contest discrete last year to monitor the figures and keep an accurate count of the results. Only students who checked out books were informed of the event in process.

So who was the brain behind this idea? Mitchell said he formulated the process years ago when he frequently rented videos from a store that provided customers with a free movie rental each time they returned 10 in a row on time. Suggestions for the prizes were derived from GSU students who work at the library.

The prize money comes out of the library's operating budget, which is also used for equipment and supplies.

According to Mitchell, the contest will remain a permanent procedure on campus as long as good public relations remain and the overdue book crisis doesn't get any worse.

D.U.I simulated driving offers students a chance to experience what it feels like to drive drunk

By Ashley Stevens
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In the Russell Union visitor's parking lot last Thursday, GSU students did not physically drink alcohol but their motor skills were hindered by Fatal Vision goggles – also known as beer goggles – and Fatal Reaction headphones.

The goggles introduced students to the blurry, double-vision world of

a drunk person, and the headphones created echoes of the wearer's voice and others making it impossible to carry a conversation.

One of the activities at the event was a small driving course.

With the goggles on, students drove a golf cart and experienced firsthand the negative effects of driving while drunk.

This activity was supervised by

Sergeant Darren Rucker of the Elberton police force.

Another activity was walking a straight line. Participants of this test had the added complication of the headphones.

Overall, the event showed GSU students the dangers of drunk driving. This event was sponsored by the Multicultural Student Center and the Health Education office.

Singer Jon B to come to GSU Tuesday

By Rachel Weeks
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Jon B is a singer, songwriter, producer and musician who will play in the Russell Union Commons Area at 9 p.m. Tuesday, October 19.

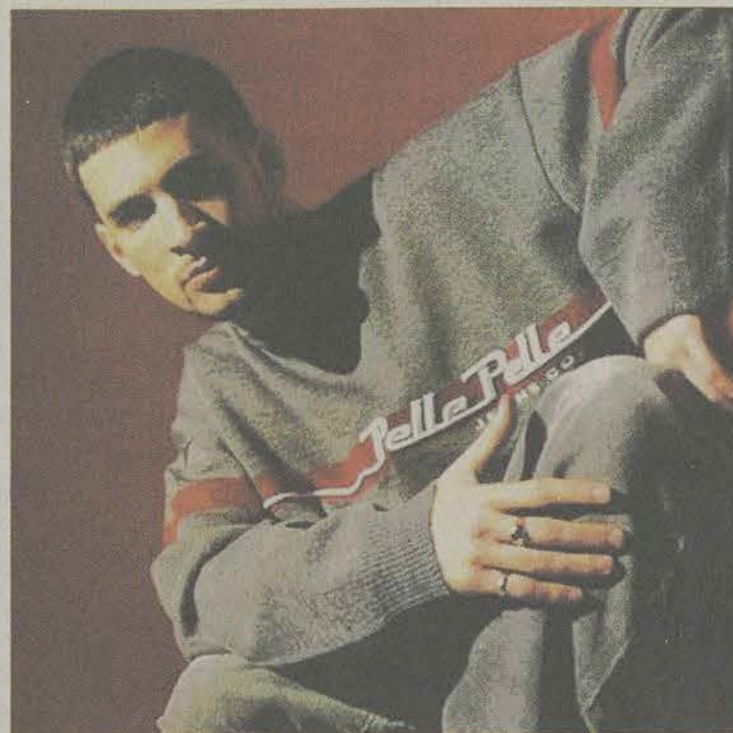
Before the show, D.I.M.E.S., a fashion and production organization, will be modeling attire as a preview of their show on Nov 5.

After the show, Jon B will give out CDs, meet the audience and sign autographs.

At 4 p.m. he will be in 91.9 The Buzz studio taking call-ins and interviewing on air with Program Director Stephen Yancey.

Jon B has been in music and production since the early 90s. His smooth melodies and various musical abilities have made him a staple of contemporary rhythm and blues. He plays keyboard, guitar, bass, drums, and has written and produced songs for artists like Toni Braxton, and Color Me Badd.

His debut album, Bonafide, sold over a million copies and went gold in 1995. Since then, he has released



Special Photo

John B will be performing in the Russell Union Commons on Tuesday at 9 p.m. The show is free and open to all GSU students.

five more albums, and his most recent, Stronger Everyday, was released Oct 5.

Visit Russell Union Tuesday morning to see Jon B and listen in to 91.9 The Buzz at 4 p.m. to hear him on air.

GSU seeks student opinions to bring musical act to campus

By Rachel Weeks
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The Rolling Stones, Lynyrd Skynyrd, Otis Redding, Widespread Panic, Ike and Tina Turner, ZZ Top, Bob Hope, and the Allman Brothers playing at Georgia Southern?

Over the years, GSU has seen these top names and more perform on campus. So who will be the next big name coming to GSU? It's up to you to decide.

Log on to WINGS with your user ID and pin, then go to your personal information folder and click on "Answer a Survey." Students have four choices for their favorite bands that they would like to see perform soon at GSU.

The online survey will end October 22 and the Student Activity Center will post the results of the survey and reveal plans for the upcoming concert.

According to Tony Rouse, an Eagle Entertainment Team Leader, the venue for the concert depends on the popularity of the band visit-



Special Photo

The Rolling Stones performed at GSU in 1965. The university is trying to bring other big named bands to campus, taking suggestions from a survey via WINGS.

ing GSU. He said that it will more than likely take place in Hanner Field house but Paulson Stadium is an option as well.

Brandi Stone, Concert Chair

of Eagle Entertainment, says that students should fill out the short online survey. "It's their money at work and they should get their voice in by voting."

Listen, play and win an mp3 player

Special to the G-A

We're all college kids here, and we are all certainly strapped for cash. So what's better than cheap stuff? Free stuff!

Starting Monday, Oct. 18th at 4 p.m., 91.9 The Buzz will be giving tons of opportunities for their listeners to win free mp3 players. With digital storage for music at a phenomenal

level, who wouldn't want a chance to win?

Starting today, The Buzz will play an unidentified, mysterious sound. When you hear the sound, call the station at 912-681-5525. If you are caller number five and you identify the secret sound correctly, you will instantly be entered to win an mp3 player.

Even if you give a wrong answer—you will win a student media gift pack full of exciting Buzz gear, supplies and cool CD's.

So stay tuned to 91.9 The Buzz starting today from 4 to 10 p.m. – and all week long, so you can become a winner!

Listen, Play, and Win.

We're looking for writers and photographers! If you're interested in sharing your talents, let us know by contacting us via e-mail at ganews@georgiasouthern.edu, by phone at 912-681-5246, or just come by our office, located in the William's Center room 2023, and fill out an application.

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High Street sign stolen 350 times

EUGENE, OR. — The signs marking High Street have become a hot commodity and coveted dorm room decoration in these parts.

But what might seem like a sophomore prank is turning into a costly problem for the city, home to the University of Oregon. In the last decade, officials say they've had to replace the sign nearly 350 times.

Besides High Street, the University Street and Westward Ho Avenue signs are also frequently stolen.

The missing street markers are part of a backlog of about 100 signs that city crews will replace in coming months, said Damon Joyner, traffic technical team supervisor for the city.

"Sometimes they're hit by vehicles. Sometimes, they just seem to disappear," he said. "We've had instances of people just taking a chain saw to the post."

Officials said last year alone, Eugene spent more than \$50,000 on replacement signs.

Punk rock yoga latest trend

SEATTLE, WA. - The guitarist plugs in his amp, and the yoga instructor strips off her baggy skull-patterned boxers to reveal black bike shorts.

They both warm up for the latest twist on an ancient practice: punk rock yoga.

Power yoga, baby yoga, kickboxing yoga, and now this. Has yoga fusion finally gone too far? After all, yoga is a spiritual discipline aimed at creating a sense of deep quiet and inner peace, while punk rock is all about being undisciplined and LOUD.

It makes sense to instructor Kimberlee Jensen.

"It's the whole do-it-yourself ethic," said Jensen, 34. "Punk is democratic, nonhierarchical - that's definitely the way I like to approach it."

Her free, weekly classes are held at an all-ages nightclub and aimed at teenagers and adults who wouldn't be caught dead in a health club.

The live music in her classes doesn't sound anything like punk. It has ranged from Arabic drumming to a saxophone and flute to the current house band, solo electric guitarist Christopher Hydinger.

The music is quiet and peaceful, flowing with the yoga poses - but still "raw and organic" like punk, Jensen points out.

Men charged for protesting in thongs

PHILADELPHIA, PA. - The American Civil Liberties Union is defending six men who were arrested during one of President Bush's visits to Pennsylvania because they stripped down to thong underwear and formed a human pyramid to protest the Abu Ghraib prison scandal in Iraq.

The six were hauled away by police and charged with disorderly conduct on July 9, shortly after piling atop each other at the side of a road carrying Bush's motorcade in Lancaster County.

The men said they were trying to shame the president by re-creating an image of naked prisoners forced to assume a similar position by U.S. soldiers.

They weren't breaking any laws and should have been left alone, said Paula Knudsen, an ACLU attorney.

The six are scheduled to go before a district justice on the charges Monday. They face a maximum penalty of 90 days in jail and a \$300 fine if convicted.

Knudsen said the men's clothing, while revealing, was no different than what someone might wear at a beach, or what countless actors have worn on broadcast television.

Man asks Oprah to send him to prison

CHICAGO, IL. - "SEND ME BACK TO PRISON! My final plea is to you Miss Winfrey," reads a billboard in suburban Chicago aimed at Oprah Winfrey.

Christian musician and songwriter David Joseph paid for the ad. He says he spent years performing for federal inmates until funding dried up in the aftermath of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Joseph, who said he made \$20,000 a year performing in 80 to 90 prisons, said he's not necessarily asking the talk show host to write him a check so he can continue to perform for inmates.

Joseph hopes that by telling his story, somebody - Winfrey or someone else - will be interested in picking up the tab.

"I haven't heard from her or any of her people as of yet," he said.

Parents drinking whisky to raise funds

BEN LOMOND, CA. - Preschoolers have parents hitting the bottle.

Parents and staff of the Children's Center of San Lorenzo Valley planned a whisky fund-raiser after the school's Santa Cruz County grant was cut for a second year.

They've hired Ray Pearson to introduce area residents to the finer points of single-malt Scotch whisky at a \$35-a-person fund-raiser Saturday.

"It's not a booze fest," he said.

Besides tasting, Pearson presents a history lesson, a show-and-tell discussion about artifacts he has collected from Scottish distilleries, and LOUD.

It makes sense to instructor Kimberlee Jensen.

"Some staff didn't want the school associated with this," said Karla Kleinsasser, director of the private nonprofit preschool. "People said, 'alcohol ruins families.' We knew it was a gamble."

The school needs the money, she said. "You can't just keep having Tupperware parties."

Sex at Alamo lands couple in jail

SAN ANTONIO, TX. - Tourists at the Alamo saw something besides historical exhibits at the shrine of Texas independence. A couple who witnesses say were having sex Sunday at the downtown mission landed in jail, according to police.

An Alamo security officer caught the two having sexual intercourse near a public viewing area about 5:30 p.m., a police report stated.

The report said Kristine Nissel, 18, and Matthew Hottard, 19, were partially clad when the officer apprehended them after several tourists watched the couple and became upset.

The pair, both active-duty members of the 232nd Medical Battalion stationed at Fort Sam Houston, were charged with public lewdness, according to the San Antonio Express-News' Monday editions. Bond was set for each at \$800.

National Briefs

Navy dress code now allows pants for women



Associated Press

Petty Officer First Class Regina Sharp, stationed at Naval Station Norfolk, in Norfolk, Va., looks at pants for a summer uniform at the Navy exchange, Thursday.

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Navy is getting a 21st century makeover, with a new dress code that makes skirts optional for its more than 54,000 female sailors for the first time since women officially entered the service in 1908.

Women can still choose to wear skirts, which come in colors that vary according to rank and sometimes the season. But until the new rules went into effect this month, they had to maintain skirts in their sea bags and could be ordered to wear them for special events such as change-of-command and retirement ceremonies.

The revamped skirt policy is one of several new changes to the dress code recommended after a survey of more than 40,000 sailors. As a result, all sailors in working uniform can now wear cell phones and carry garment bags over their shoulders. Women can also ditch their military purses - boxy and widely unpopular "granny bags" - and purchase more stylish replacements from department stores.

Other changes may be on the way for both men and women.

New York Times upset by Duke students' letters

DURHAM, N.C. - A group of high school students in a summer program at Duke University managed to get several letters published in The New York Times - some under false pretenses - at the urging of a professor, an editor for the newspaper said.

The Times generally does not publish letters written for class assignments, but used 17 letters to the editor in a month from students in Mark Duckenfield's international relations course.

Thomas Feyer, letter editor for the newspaper, said students, at the instruction of Duckenfield, wrote the letters as if they were submitted from their hometowns instead of Durham.

"The professor was urging them to deceive us, and it undermines the credibility of the paper if it's discovered as it was in this case," Feyer said.

Two students used pseudonyms after having previous letters published, and another letter, published Aug. 1, contained a misleading statement.

Duckenfield said he didn't want students to pretend to be from Durham, so he told them to use their hometowns. He also said he didn't believe the use of pen names - a practice he calls a "long literary tradition" - was a problem and that he didn't want to exclude students from the project because they already had letters published.

Duckenfield said students always gave contact information required by

the Times, so the newspaper's editors could have reached them.

Feyer said the newspaper tries to get in touch, but sometimes can't contact the letter writers because of time constraints. "I'm not exactly sure what happened in this instance, but we've tightened our safeguards," he said.

18-year-old indicted in death of fetus

MACON - A Bibb County grand jury has indicted an 18-year-old Macon girl charged with causing the death of a fetus who died last year in an automobile accident.

Kaitlyn Keene was charged with feticide by vehicle and two counts of serious injury by vehicle in the accident last Nov. 28 that killed the unborn son of Ashley Marie Cone, 21, who was eight months pregnant.

According to Georgia law, a person convicted of feticide by vehicle can be sentenced to two to five years in prison.

The Bibb County Sheriff's Office said the accident occurred when a car driven by Keene pulled into the path of Cone's vehicle.

Court divided over juvenile death penalty

WASHINGTON - A deeply divided Supreme Court wrestled Wednesday over whether states should be allowed to execute teenage killers, with several justices raising concerns that the United States is out of step with the rest of the world.

Nineteen states allow capital punishment for 16- and 17-year-olds, and more than 70 juvenile murderers are on death row.

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every right to be that and can be, and I'm so excited to be a part of making that happen."

Serving as honorary chair is former Eagle football star Adrian Peterson, now a running back with the National Football League's Chicago Bears.

"I will always remember the play called 'the run,'" said Peterson.

"But I was just as proud of 'the walk' that I made at commencement in achieving a bigger goal. It took great support from all the fans at Georgia Southern to earn national distinction in athletics and now it's time to achieve greatness as one of the best universities in the nation."

According to Grube, private dollars raised in the campaign will supplement the basic state budget.

Grube said the private dollars also give the university the flexibility to develop new initiatives, augment promising programs and acquire the latest teaching technologies.

According to Grube, the campaign goal of \$40 million is modest by standards of comparable universities, but more than double the amount ever raised by GSU in a capital campaign. Most of the money raised by the campaign will go toward endowments. In an endowment, the contribution is invested; the principal is preserved; and the proceeds from the investment

are used to fund projects.

The money raised in the campaign will be used in six major areas, which mirror the strategic themes of the university: academic distinction; a student-centered university; technological advancement; transcultural opportunities; public/private partnerships; and the physical environment.

Other areas include funding eminent scholar chairs, faculty excellence programs, graduate assistantships and fellowships.

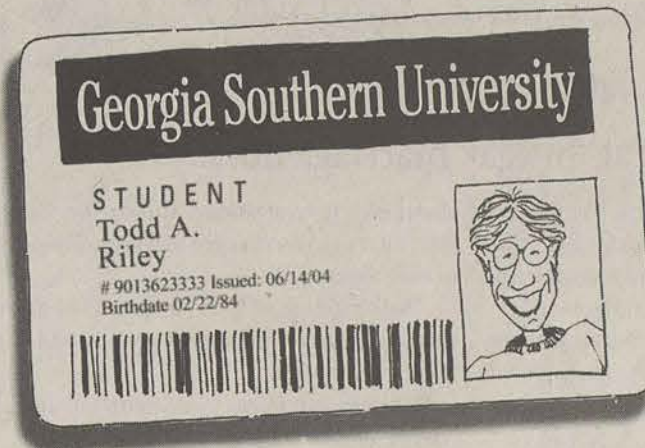
The campaign will also help fund athletic facilities, a technology modernization fund, study abroad programs, international recruitment and international faculty exchanges. Other beneficiaries include the university's community outreach programs that receive no support from state money, such as the Center for Wildlife Education, the Botanical Garden, the GSU Museum and the Performing Arts Center.

The campaign offers donors a broad array of opportunities to create a permanent legacy at GSU by having a facility, a program or an endowment named for the donor or someone the donor chooses. These naming opportunities range from millions of dollars for naming a college or a major building to a few hundred dollars for a seat in the Performing Arts Center.

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editorial

Two men, two visions, revealed

The following editorial appeared in the Chicago Tribune on Thursday, Oct. 14, 2004:

Forget the Swift Boat Veterans for Truth. Forget CBS' Texas Air National Guard forgeries. Forget the negative ads from hypercaffeinated 527 committees. And forget most of the speechmaking at the two political conventions. Instead, cherish this year's three presidential debates between Sen. John Kerry and President George W. Bush. Like the first two debates, Wednesday night's rounder in Arizona showcased rugged but revealing politicking between two men who don't much like each other.

With the debates past, voters can reflect on the wealth of information they've learned from these three clashes about what does (and, unfortunately, doesn't) distinguish these candidates:

Their differences on national security issues have come sharply into focus. Kerry puts more faith in diplomacy, summit meetings and international alliances to help protect America. Bush won't cede as much trust; he believes in a more self-reliant America that isn't deterred when the world chooses not to engage.

Kerry is on record as saying he would respond – a revealing choice of words – aggressively to terror attacks. Bush essentially says he would continue to take the battle to terrorists overseas – pre-emptively and with casualties – rather than have those fights on U.S. streets.

On Iraq, Kerry appears eager to declare success and withdraw troops. Bush appears eager to defeat the insurgency and stabilize Iraq for the long haul. Kerry talks about chaotic conditions in Iraq. Bush talks about squelching terrorist fanatics by aggressively spreading freedom.

Voters saw Kerry turn often to turf that's perilous for him – given his contradictory positions on Iraq – by attacking Bush for launching the war Kerry voted to authorize. Just how perilous that turf is came clear in the second debate, when Kerry said, "I do believe Saddam Hussein was a threat." He then accused Bush of being preoccupied with Iraq, "where there wasn't a threat."

During the debates, then, Americans have been able to peer into each man's soul. Bush is decisive and unapologetically stubborn – too much so for some voters. Kerry has been struggling for two years over what he thinks about Saddam Hussein – too long for other voters.

Don't look for Bush or Kerry to make the hard choices necessary to begin balancing the government's checkbook. The nonpartisan Concord Coalition says Bush's taxing and spending proposals will grow the deficit by \$1.33 trillion over the next decade; Kerry's proposals, including a massive health program, would grow it by \$1.27 trillion. In their second debate, Kerry blasted Bush for engineering the country's first wartime tax cut. Kerry then added: "I want to put money in your pocket. ... I have a proposal for a tax cut for all people earning less than the \$200,000." No profiles in courage here.

And don't look for Bush or Kerry to admit that he really can't create gobs of new jobs in a complex economy that has 130 million of them. Presidents don't create jobs; small businesses and big companies do. And yet, as Newsweek economics columnist Robert Samuelson succinctly put it last month: "Where (Kerry and Bush) agree is the presumption that presidents can deliver prosperity. Politicians, the press and the public all buy into this notion. Unfortunately, it isn't even a half-truth. More like a sixteenth. A president's policies do affect the economy. But they're just one of many influences. The others (including the business cycle, technology and the Federal Reserve) usually dominate." Amen.

Wednesday night, Bush and Kerry again each clung to the fiction that he'll be a better Jobs Fairy than the other guy. Bush has correctly claimed that his tax cuts stimulated job creation, and Kerry has correctly claimed that those tax cuts raised the federal deficit. Bush wants to make the tax cuts permanent; Kerry wants to raise taxes on high earners. Voters can pick their poison. But, again, presidents don't create jobs.

Having watched them for 4 hours, voters now know that Kerry is more adept at criticizing Bush's record than he is at articulating affordable solutions that have a snowball's chance of getting through Congress. Equally maddening for debate buffs: Bush never admits a mistake.

Listening to Kerry parse tax policy is to know who has the bigger brain. To listen to Bush talk about faith and family is to know who has the bigger heart.

letters to the editor

Let's beat this gay marriage horse

Would someone please give me one example of how two women or two men that wish to enter state-sanctioned marriage will destroy the "sanctity" of that institution?

I have yet to hear from the religious diatribes an example that is valid. Also, I am confused about which institution of marriage "they" are wishing to protect?

Is it the institution that allows for a 50 percent divorce rate? Or maybe it's the institution that allows Elizabeth Taylor to marry multiple times.

Maybe it's the institution that VH1 has shows about titled "Shortest Celebrity Marriages." I know, I know: It's the institution that

allows men to treat women as property; no wait, marriage was changed to allow women to have rights.

That's right, it adapted to the winds of change of that time. I don't see a problem with same sex marriage.

I am sure that it may even strengthen the "sacred" institution with persons who want nothing more than to enter into it. I promise, the sky won't fall and the country won't collapse into secular chaos.

Mike Kennedy

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The presidential candidates and Social Security

Wednesday evening's debate on domestic policy was a refreshing change from the debates over Iraq and other foreign policy issues that seem to have dominated this election season thus far.

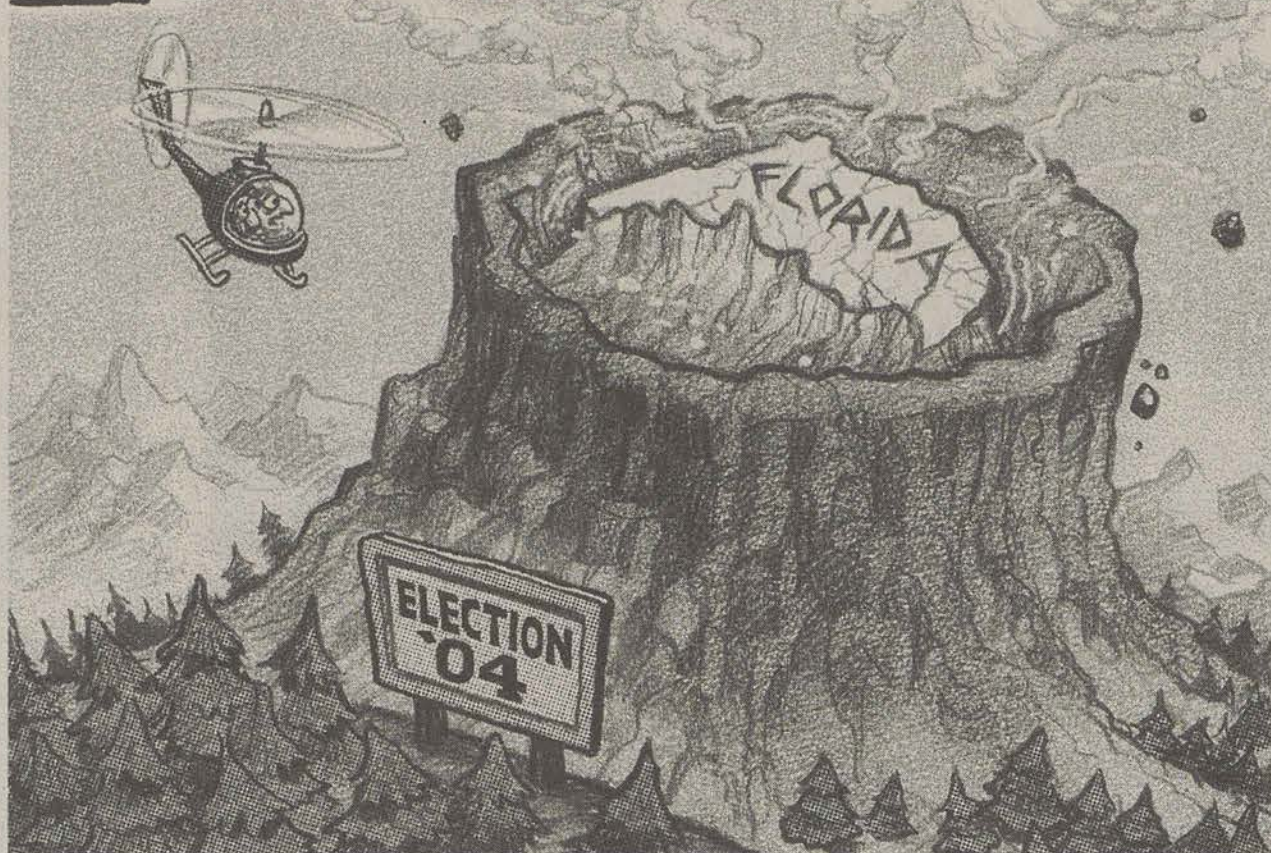
One of the most important domestic issues for the college age (18-25) population is the issue of Social Security. Currently, a significant amount of our hard-earned money is being yanked out of our paychecks and placed in a program that will go bankrupt before we are old enough to reap many of the benefits. This issue should motivate each of us to vote for the candidate that recognizes this fact and is determined to correct the problem. That candidate is, without question, George W. Bush. His plan

gives our generation the option of placing our money into private retirement accounts while our senior citizens can still receive the checks that they were promised.

A vote for George W. Bush, along with other candidates who support his plan such as Johnny Isakson for U.S. Senate, Max Burns for Congress (12th District) and Calder Clay for Congress (Third District) will help ensure that we, not the government, believe to best benefit ourselves and our families in the years to come.

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'I'M NOT LIKING THE LOOKS OF THAT LAVA DOME...'

Decisions make elections worthwhile

Can you believe voters will choose the next president in less than two weeks?

This whole election ordeal has been so topsy-turvy. Candidates have gone from being losers to sure winners to losers again. And now it appears that more than one race on our ballot will be a total tossup.

This is what elections are all about. Does anyone else remember when Bill Clinton ran against Bob Dole in 1996? What a boring election that was.

Everyone knew Bill Clinton was going to win. In the end he captured 31 states and 379 electoral votes. Republican Bob Dole claimed just 19 states and 159 electoral votes.

It was a sad election that was decided before the primaries were even over. And while I enjoyed seeing Clinton go back in for a second term, I felt like voters were shorted their chance to make a decision that mattered.

This election is much different. We have two candidates who oppose each other on the issues. But more than anything else, they differ in their approach to governing.

In one corner, with a shoot-from-the-hip honesty, on a quest to make a moral impact on the world, is George W. Bush. And in the other John Kerry who, if anything, is a scholar and a thinker with a message that's sometimes murky because he talks too much.

Voters can't make up their minds on this one. The polls have fluctuated about a dozen times, yielding a few points to either candidate depending on how much air time either man has gotten.

But at this late game, you have to wonder how much those polls really matter. On the way to the grocery store Sunday afternoon, CNN Radio News

was reporting that George Bush was leading by a 2 or 3-point margin over Kerry.

Ask anyone around Statesboro and they will tell you who they are voting for. Unfortunately, at GSU the preponderance of students seem to be squarely in the Republican column. They will likely cast their votes for Bush and his congressional mirror Max Burns.

I want to pull those people out of their big Chevy trucks and rip the polka-dot ribbons out of their blonde hair and tell them that Bush and Burns are a mistake. But, I guess I can't fault them for having political opinions. I'm pretty passionate about mine, and I hope they are about theirs as well.

I think it's great this election has spurred such intensity among so many people. And, come November 2, hopefully both sides can claim a few victories.

Unlike 1996, and elections before it, this one will be close.

If my guys lose, I will pout for a few days, flip a few Bush supporters off. And, by the end of the week, I will break down and scrape off the Kerry-Edwards bumper sticker.

And, while I will be crushed, I can glean some satisfaction in knowing that people at least cared. And at the end of the day, if people just want to make our world a better place, that's all that matters.

Maybe their approaches are different. Maybe history will judge one man to be more right than another. But if people are inspired and our democracy persists unfettered, who can say who is really the best for the job?

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Private-sector remedies can help politicians reduce uninsured ranks

By Jack Strayer
KRT Campus

WASHINGTON – Everyone running for office in the upcoming election is talking about health care. And who can blame them? When 45 million Americans lack health insurance and costs continue to soar, voters are seeking solutions.

A thorough discussion of this issue is vital. While political rhetoric about the "uninsured" abounds, there is very little understanding of who they are and what is really needed to help them.

Many people are surprised to discover that the uninsured are a diverse group. They are working and unemployed, young and middle-aged, rural and urban. Clearly, such a varied population cannot be served by a one-size-fits-all approach handed down from Washington.

The uninsured hail from many walks of life but share common challenges, starting with inadequate access to preventive care services such as prescription medicines.

Everyone understands that forgoing prevention can be detrimental to someone's health.

What is less well understood is the economic impact. Upfront investments in preventive treatments result in fewer long-term hospitalizations and costly surgical procedures, while missing out on these services sends costs soaring.

Among the most troubling aspects of the access crisis, is that the uninsured often pay more for the health care they do receive.

Large-volume purchasers such as major employers and insurers can negotiate lower rates on everything from mammograms, to wheelchairs to prescription medicines. The uninsured have no bargaining power.

The bottom line is that when the uninsured cannot afford to pay, we all pay. According to the Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured, nearly \$41 billion in health care bills will go unpaid this year – costs that ultimately are passed on to all American consumers and taxpayers.

So what can be done about it? Are there answers to be found in the piles of rhetoric littering the campaign trail?

Unfortunately, in the heat of a political campaign many candidates often push sim-

plistic but misguided solutions – increased government control of health care, job-killing employer mandates or importing potentially unsafe medicines.

Such programs may be politically popular at first blush, but they're economically unsustainable and threaten the quality, safety and innovation of our health care system.

Politicians looking for guidance on health care should pay attention to a number of recent developments in the private sector that hold great promise for sharply reducing the ranks of the uninsured.

One of the basic principles of insurance is that it gives the beneficiary access to negotiated pricing. Several private-sector initiatives now offer the uninsured the benefit of negotiated prices – a longtime staple of private health insurance, but heretofore unavailable to the unemployed and to lower-paid working Americans struggling to afford coverage.

Numerous hospitals, for example, now are voluntarily offering discounted rates to people who lack insurance. Insurers are increasingly

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Kerry's troubling conflict over Iraq

By E. Thomas McClanahan
KRT Campus

It would be fascinating to peer into the mind of John Kerry. Why has he had so much trouble offering a coherent position on Iraq – the most important issue in the presidential race?

I can't remember a candidate who has been more conflicted on such a pivotal issue, and I suspect the problem is an unusually heightened tension between what he feels he must say to win and what he really believes in his heart.

Kerry evidently understands that he cannot be elected president on a McGovernesque platform. Voters are not ready for a candidate who cries, "Come home, America," and urges troop withdrawals from a difficult fight regardless of the long-term outcome.

Americans are deeply disturbed about the course of this war, but most voters seem to understand that victory is imperative – that allowing Iraq to dissolve into a terrorist haven would represent a strategic defeat. Most understand that there are some things worse than war, such as losing one.

So Kerry is careful to say, as he did earlier this year, that "failure is not an option in Iraq." And during his first debate with President Bush in Coral Gables, Fla., he agreed that a too-quick withdrawal would be disastrous. "We have to win this," he said.

Indeed we do, but other things Kerry has said over this long campaign have raised doubts about his resolve. When it comes to Iraq, Kerry has pretty much said everything, which is the same as saying nothing.

He says we have to win, but he also says Iraq is the "wrong war, in the wrong place at the wrong time."

He admits Saddam Hussein was a threat but he calls the invasion of Iraq a "diversion" from the goal of shutting

down al-Qaida – as if those two objectives were mutually exclusive. Surely, he remembers reading about World War II, when we fought simultaneously in Europe and the Pacific.

Kerry endorses the strategy of pre-emptive war – the linchpin of the Bush doctrine – and even says every president has always possessed such power. But he also declared any plan for pre-emption must pass an unspecified "global test" – language that implies a veto by other countries.

He voted to authorize the use of force against Saddam, but he calls the invasion a "mistake" and a "colossal error." Yet when asked if troops killed in action had died for a mistake, he says no.

To be sure, not much as gone as expected in Iraq since the fall of Saddam's regime; there is much to criticize in the handling of the war.

The Bush administration was unprepared for the chaos that swept the country after Saddam's fall. It did nothing to curb the looting. It was unprepared for the insurgency. Troop strength was insufficient and remains so today. The retreat from Fallujah was a major mistake and since April, the security situation has steadily deteriorated.

Even so, Kerry has overindulged in the pessimism that prevails today. The interim government, under the leadership of Prime Minister Iyad Allawi, is making progress. Iraqi forces are taking on more of the security burden, although at a slower rate than earlier hoped. Still, they performed well during the recent retaking of Samarra.

Overall, Kerry has failed in his main challenge, which is to offer a clear alternative to Bush's approach. A successful challenger must not only offer a convincing critique of

past policy, but balance that with a hopeful remedy; elections are about the future, not the past.

Instead, Kerry offers gloom and a laughable, four-point plan that's one part fantasy and three parts banality.

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The fantasy is his pledge to wring help from the likes of France and Germany. In fact, Kerry admitted as much in a town meeting Tuesday, when he acknowledged that convincing these countries to send troops to Iraq is highly unlikely.

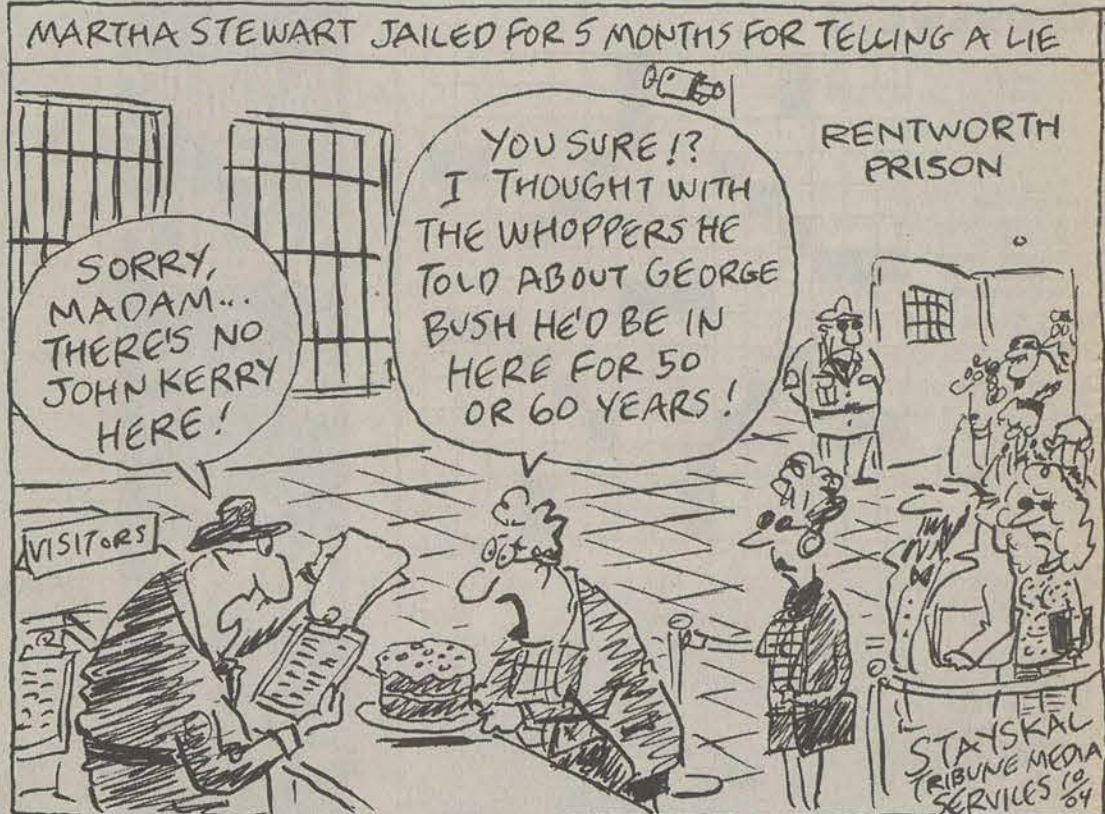
He says he would train Iraqi security forces faster and better. He would accelerate reconstruction. He would guarantee elections next year, as promised. He would, in other words, do pretty much what the Bush administration is already trying to do.

If you have a task that absolutely must be accomplished, it's always better to hire the man who unquestionably believes in the cause and sees the job as difficult but doable – rather than the man who calls it a mistake and can't plausibly show how he'd do better.

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developing low-cost basic coverage policies aimed at uninsured families and individuals. America and other carriers are offering affordable health care plans that reward healthy lifestyles. Small businesses across the country are seeking to pool together to buy coverage at the same rates available to large companies.

And many pharmaceutical companies are supporting Together Rx, a program that helps low-income seniors save approximately 20 to 40 percent on brand-name prescription medicines.

This month, pharmacists nationwide began filling prescriptions under Pfizer Pfriends, a new program that provides uninsured patients of any age or income level substantial savings on that company's prescription medicines – savings similar to those insured Americans take for granted.

Despite their desire for answers, voters are skeptical about campaign sound bites on health care because they realize there is no one-size-fits-all solution for all of the nation's 45 million uninsured.

Candidates would be wise to tone down their political rhetoric and emulate the private sector's focus on common-sense steps aimed at helping the uninsured gain access to coverage. The task ahead is difficult, but working together Americans can achieve high-quality health care for everyone.

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experiences and puts the experiences into his novels. He then takes these experiences and adapts his novel to fit into the mind of a young-adult audience. He makes it something that they could relate to as well. Statesboro High School sophomore Rosa Town has read his books and attended the lecture. She agrees.

"I liked how humorous he was. I read a couple of his books. His books are easy to read and they're intelligent and funny. It's something I could relate to," she said.

Young-adults as well as teachers attended the event. Student teacher Tracey Foxworth came not only to hear Crutcher speak, but to meet the person whom her students recognizes.

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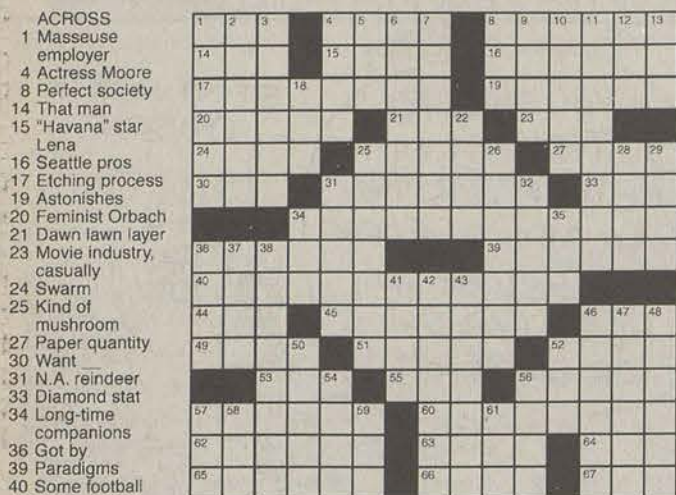


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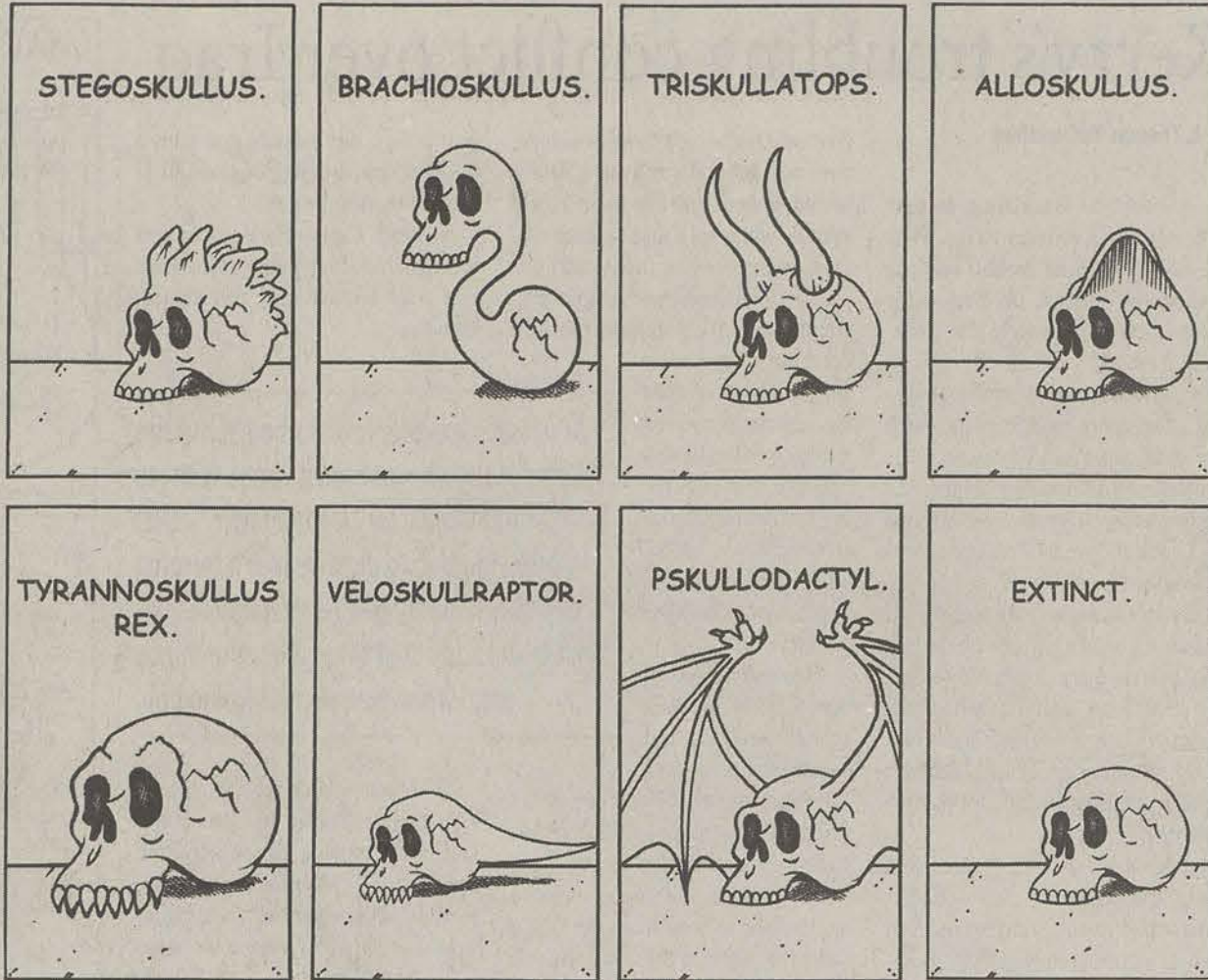
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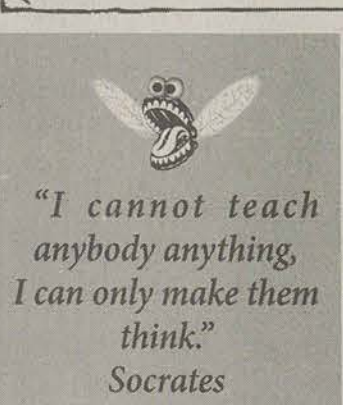
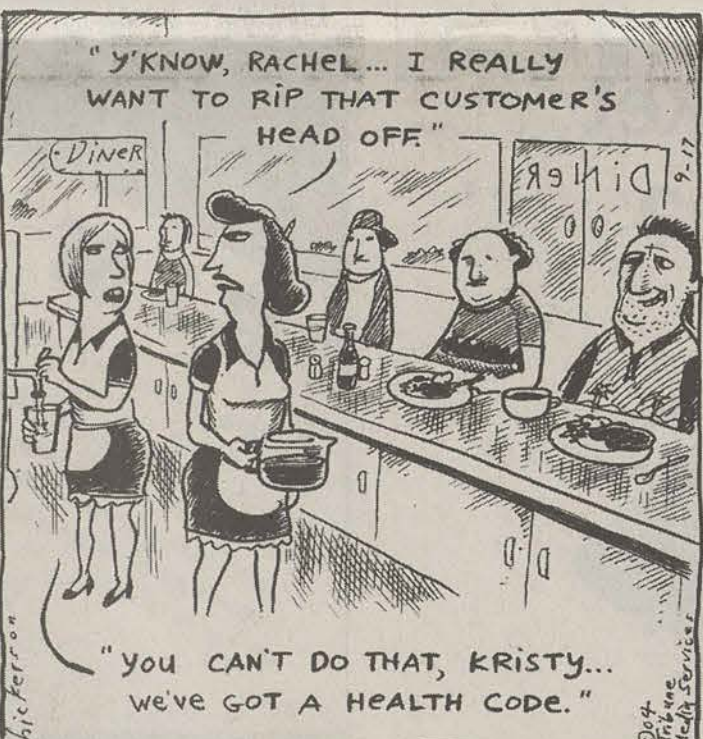
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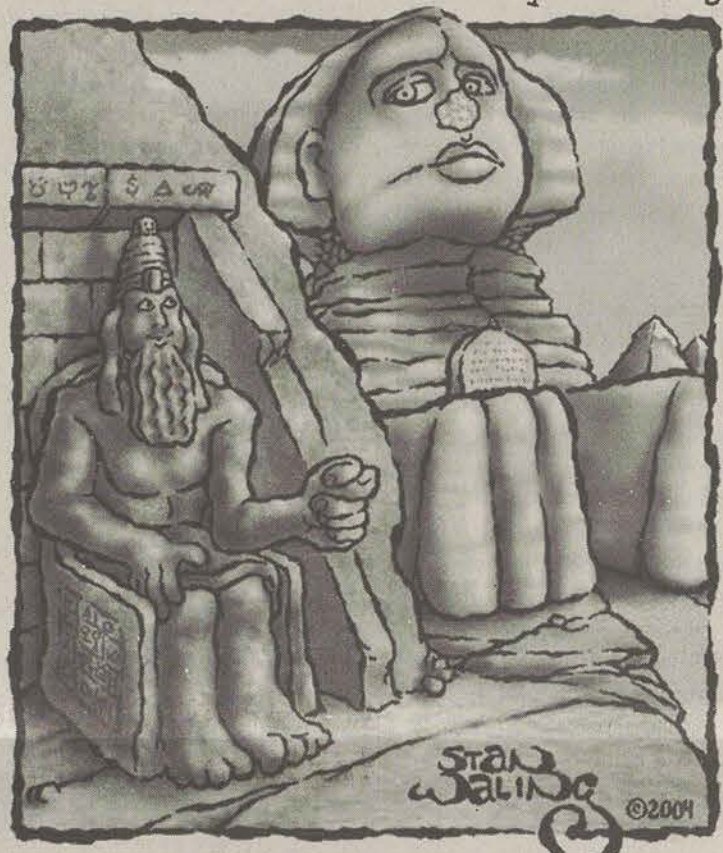
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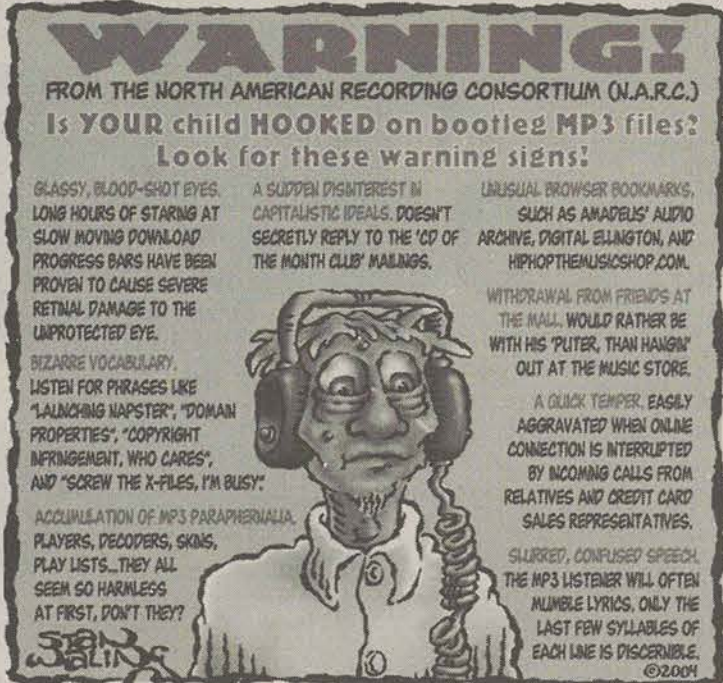
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GSU Women's
Soccer team
suffers sweep
over weekend

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The Georgia Southern Women's Soccer team (4-8-1, 2-5-0 SoCon) suffered a pair of losses over the weekend.

The first game was in Chattanooga, Tennessee, against the Chattanooga Mocs (10-3, 5-2 SoCon) Friday afternoon. The Lady Mocs popped in two goals within the first ten minutes of the game, which were left unanswered by the Eagles.

GSU was outshot 20-7 during the game. GSU goalie Laura-Ashley Harris racked up seven saves, while Lady Moc Stacey Matthiessen had two.

The series record against the Mocs goes to 8-2.

Sunday's game against the Charleston Cougars (8-4-3, 5-2-2 SoCon) ended with the Eagles shut out 3-0.

The scoring started with just over three minutes left in the first half when Cougar Abi Nicholas rolled a shot to the lower left corner of the goal past Harris' outstretched form.

The 53rd minute saw the Cougars expand their advantage when Teryn Shuetz grabbed a pass from Caroline Wertis and popped the ball in past Harris.

Wertis found the net herself in the 77th minute to give the Cougars their final score.

Harris gained ten saves during the game, and Charleston goalie Emily Brenner saved both Eagles' shots on goal. The Cougars had thirteen shots on goal total.

The series between the Cougars and the Eagles now stands at 8-4, Eagles' advantage.

The Lady Eagles travel to Greenville, South Carolina, this Friday to play the Furman Paladins. The game begins at 7 p.m.

GSU Volleyball sweeps
weekend series

GSU Athletics Media Relations

North Carolina - The Georgia Southern volleyball team managed to hold off a pesky Elon squad Saturday night, taking a three-game conference victory over the Phoenix at Alumni Gym.

For the Eagles (11-5, 7-1 SoCon) to win the match, they were forced to stave off a series of surges from Elon (11-9, 4-2 SoCon) throughout the match. After taking advantage of a match-low .089 Phoenix attack percentage to give them a 30-26 win in game one, Georgia Southern needed extra time to top Elon in game two, eking out the victory, 31-29.

In the final frame, the Phoenix was able to out-hit the Eagles for the only time of the evening, .261 to .231, but could not capitalize off the edge, as Georgia Southern clinched the match with a 30-28 triumph.

Freshman Bailey Coleman tallied her fifth double-double of the season with 17 kills and 13 digs while also tallying a .351 percentage. Junior Iulia Porumbescu added 14 kills and 18 digs for her 14th double-double of the season. Senior Kristen Kasprak passed the 500-kill plateau for her career, as she added 11 kills and a season-best .500 percentage in the victory. Junior Susan Winkelman paced the Eagle setters with 23 assists while fellow junior Natalia Galantini notched 21 assists and 11 digs.

Emily Lucci sparked the Phoenix attack with 13 kills and a .462 percentage while Julianna Gigon added 12 kills and 10 digs.

On Sunday the Eagles faced UNC Greensboro, defeating the Spartans in four games at Fleming Gym.

The win served as Georgia Southern's third in a row and tenth in their last eleven matches.

The Eagles came out strong, out-hitting the Spartans .522 to .067 in the opening frame, on the way to a 30-16 win. Georgia Southern extended their lead to two games with a 30-25 victory in the second game, only to see UNC Greensboro stave off elimination with a hard-fought 31-29 win in game three. That was as far as the Spartans could take it, however, as the Eagles bounced back to take the final game by a 30-21 clip.

SOCON South Standings

	SOCON W-L	Overall W-L
Georgia Southern.....	8-1	12-5
Coll. of Charleston.....	8-1	16-5
Davidson.....	6-3	9-15
Furman.....	3-5	8-12
Wofford.....	2-5	6-14
The Citadel.....	1-8	9-14

Junior Iulia Porumbescu proved to be a force for the first-place Eagles (12-5, 8-1 SoCon), tallying 31 kills and 18 digs while also adding a .383 attack

percentage. The kill total served as a season-high for any Eagle player, while Porumbescu's seven service aces fell one short of tying a team record for aces in a four-game match.

Junior Susan Winkelman added 33 assists and 13 digs. Sophomore Jennifer Charles had three block assists, moving her into fifth place in team history with 163 career block assists.

Cindy VanDervoort put up 13 kills to pace UNC Greensboro (2-21, 0-8 SoCon), while Rebekah Faulise's 31 digs set a new Spartan record for a four-game match.

Georgia Southern will return to action Wednesday, Oct. 20 for a non-conference bout against Jacksonville at 7 p.m. in Hanner Fieldhouse.

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Georgia Southern lead at halftime 30-0 over the 15th ranked Appalachian State Mountaineers.

The second half was no different for the Eagles as they poured on 24 points, including another Chaz Williams touchdown run. Williams directly accounted for five of the Eagles' seven touchdowns. A late touchdown pass from ASU quarterback Trey Elder to Drew Devine was the only scoring for the Mountaineers on the afternoon.

The Georgia Southern defense came up big against a high powered

passing attack of App. State. ASU only managed ten first downs the entire game and 131 passing yards. The Eagles defense had two interceptions and gave up only 175 total yards. John Mohring led the team with six tackles and a fumble recovery.

The defense was so strong they were able to chase ASU quarterback Ritchie Williams out of the game early in the third quarter. Williams is one of the top rated passers in the Southern Conference and had gone 40-45 with 417 yards the previous week against

Furman. Williams was only 6-17 for 60 yards and one interception against Georgia Southern.

Georgia Southern (6-1, 5-0 in SoCon play) heads to Charleston, South Carolina, this Saturday to take on the Citadel. With a win over the Citadel, Georgia Southern will clinch at least a tie for the Southern Conference Championship and an automatic bid into the I-AA playoffs. The Eagles will be home again on October 30, when they host South Dakota State at Paulson Stadium.



LaVene Bell/Staff

Runningback Jermaine Austin attempts to push through App. State's defensive line Saturday.



Hillary Jones/Staff

GSU cornerback Lewis Barr breaks a tackle after making an interception.

GSU fans come out
for Homecoming 2004

LaVene Bell/STAFF

22,421 GSU fans turn out for Saturday's Homecoming game. This is the fifth largest turn out in GSU history.



Hillary Jones/STAFF

GSU Men's soccer team ties Georgia State

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The Georgia Southern Men's Soccer team (5-4-3) and the Georgia State Panthers (6-4-1) beat each other to a standstill in a heated match Sunday afternoon.

The action started early when senior midfielder Tommy Irwin headed in a lobbed free kick from Stephen Jensen for his fifth goal of the season. The score was tied up in the 28th minute when Panther, Jeremy Johnson hooked the ball around GSU goalie Adam Webb.

Southern threatened near the end of the first half with a header sailing barely over the crossbar.

The two overtimes were uneventful, save for a Georgia State shot that went over the crossbar in the second overtime.

Shots on goal were kept tight, with Georgia State edging out Southern 18-17. The Eagles had seven corner kicks to State's three. Eight yellow cards and one red card were issued



Felicia Emanuel/Staff

GSU sophomore midfielder Justin Gonzales attempts a steal against Georgia State.

during the game.

The team heads to Boiling Springs, N.C., next Sunday to face off against

Gardner Webb for another non-Conference game. Game time is at 1 p.m.

Janashia, Trottet lead Men's Tennis at
USC Fall Invitational in Columbia

GSU Athletic Media Relations

COLUMBIA, SC - Lasha Janashia and Charles-Henri Trottet teamed to win the A-B doubles bracket Saturday in the University of South Carolina Fall Invitational. In addition, Janashia rebounded from a first-round singles defeat and played his way into the semifinal round of the B-1 singles bracket.

Already having advanced to the semifinals of their bracket with their two Friday wins, Janashia and Trottet captured the bracket with two additional wins Saturday. In the semis, they knocked off David Mellis and Simon Taylor from Coastal Carolina 9-8. They clinched the title when their scheduled opponents, Marc Sifre and Carlos Campo from Campbell University, were unable to play the final match due to injury.

Janashia also found success during singles play on Saturday. He began the day by defeating Murat Atilla of Charleston Southern 6-1, 6-1, and advanced to the quarterfinals with a second-round bye. There he met teammate Tom Green, an earlier winner over Aaron Russell of UNC Wilmington. Janashia prevailed over Green in a tight three-set match, winning 4-6, 6-3, 7-6 (10-8). That victory placed Janashia in Sunday's semifinals, where he will meet James Eason of The Citadel.

Trottet won his first match of the day, a second-round matchup against Thomas Stoddard of South Carolina before falling 6-2, 6-2 to Karl Wishart of UNC Chapel Hill in the quarterfinal round of the A-B singles bracket.

The Eagles had several other individuals and teams in action Saturday. In A-1 singles, Vincent Patry dropped

his second-round match to number one seed Raian Luchici of UNC Chapel Hill. Danie van den Heever suffered the same fate in A-2 singles, losing 6-3, 7-6 to Pramote Malasitt of Elon. Germano Knorr (injury withdrawal) and Diego Flores both fell in the first round of the B-2 singles consolation bracket.

In doubles, Patry and van den Heever were bounced from the semifinals of the A-1 bracket, losing 8-2 to Tom Eklund and Jaime Cuellar of South Carolina. Green and Knorr were forced to forfeit their semifinal match against Hoony Shin and Rodrigo Gabriel of Rice because of Knorr's earlier injury.

Sunday's matches concluded the Eagles' fall schedule. Their spring schedule is slated to begin January 23 with a match in Statesboro against Charleston Southern.

Parade kicks off Homecoming

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The streets near GSU looked like a scene out of "The Jungle Book" on Friday afternoon due to this year's Homecoming theme of "Southern Safari."

Parade participants' floats consisted of greenery, animal prints and the like. The parade included city commissioners, Homecoming court contestants, student organizations and other dignitaries of GSU and Statesboro.

According to Carol Deal, senior secretary of the Russell Union, there were 20 stipends given out to participants in the parade.

"Twenty different organizations received \$300 to build a float. There were only four groups who did not receive this stipend."

Many students were grateful for this money from the Student Activities Center, such as senior Public Relation major Jennifer Jones, who is also a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

"We're very happy and thankful

Eagle Entertainment allotted us with the opportunity to participate in this year's parade."

The parade began at the stadium and ended at Sweetheart Circle, a new route from past Homecoming Parades.

Some floats kept things simple, while others were more elaborate. The Baptist Student Union's float had a 6 and a half foot tall waterfall that actually pumped water. Senior G-Trap Mechanical Engineering major Jeremy Mikulecky described BSU's experience building their float as a great social opportunity.

"We had a lot of fun designing this float. A lot of people in BSU worked hard on this float, but they also had fun. We encouraged anybody and everybody to come hang out or work on the float with us."

Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority's float's theme was "Welcome to the Jungle." It was adorned with a King of the Jungle throne, an Appalachian State pot, and even a tiki boy wearing only a loin cloth.



GSU Football players ride on a Statesboro-Bulloch Fire Department fire truck during the Homecoming parade.



A parachuter lands in Paulson Stadium just before Saturday's game.



Martha Brantley Bacon (left) with Mickie Williams Deal reunited at homecoming. They were graduated in 1959 and were roommates while at Southern.



Cindi Chance, Dean of the College of Education at the Meet Your Dean cookout before Saturday's game.



LaVene Bell/STAFF

Nicole Naggy (left) and P.J. Smith were crowned Homecoming king and queen on the field during halftime Saturday.

Homecoming court crowned

Staff reports

Students got the chance to select their homecoming court over the past week. In all, 4,800 students cast their ballot for 30 candidates, representing a host of student groups and organizations.

Nicole Naggy was selected as homecoming queen. A senior from Moultrie, Ga., Naggy was representing Kappa Delta Sorority. Her major is Early Childhood Education.

P.J. Smith was crowned as homecoming king. He was sponsored by the Wesley Foundation. A psychology major, Smith is from Lilburn, Ga.



HOMECOMING '04
Southern Safari • October 11-16
GSU vs. Ap. State, Saturday @ 12 noon

The court was crowned Saturday during halftime at the Homecoming game against Appalachian State University. The game was a triumph for the Eagles, who stomped Ap State, 54-7.

Students were able to vote for the court over the week prior to Saturday's game on WINGS.



The Baptist Student Union won for best float in Friday's Homecoming Parade.



Southern Pride, GSU's marching band, walks in Friday's parade.



Delta Chi roasts a Mountaineer as part of their float design the parade.



Groups got creative with the Southern Safari theme.



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Alumni reunite with old friends during the Homecoming weekend.



Some students got creative with shopping carts.