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Parking rumors dismissed



File Photo

Most students see packed parking lots, like the Forest Drive lot above, every day.

To alleviate parking problems, the Parking and Transportation department is tentatively planning on eliminating commuter parking and instituting a transit system for Fall 2005.

Projected parking plans for 2005 revealed

By Rachel Weeks
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Problems with parking have become apparent this semester as commuter students circle over-crowded parking lots every day hoping to find a space before they are late to class.

No immediate changes will be made as parking passes for Spring 2005 have already been distributed, but there are plans for a transit system to be implemented in Fall 2005.

Director of Parking and Transportation, Bob Chambers said they have run out of parking sooner than was expected because of the phenomenal growth Georgia Southern has experienced in recent years.

Many students have had complaints of not being able to find parking spaces and then being late for class. Senior Russ Garlow said, "Parking is ridiculous. It's so infuriating knowing they sold way more parking passes than actual parking spaces. If they gave us a little leniency on the parking tickets, it wouldn't be as bad."

Chambers discussed some options under consideration for solving the parking problems. He said building a parking deck would be very expensive

and would dramatically increase the cost of parking passes to prices comparable to \$500 parking passes at Georgia Tech. "Building a parking deck would solve some parking issues, but would create traffic issues because having only one entrance and exit creates traffic build-up," he said.

Other preliminary plans discussed involve a transit system with free parking at Paulson Stadium and buses running routes to about seven focal points of campus. As the least expensive method of combating parking problems, students would see the extra expenses as part of student fees.

Requests for proposals will be sent out to major bus-operating companies. The lowest bidding company approved by the Board of Regents will provide buses and equipment for the two proposed routes.

One shuttle bus would leave Paulson, travel up Lanier Drive, stopping at three major residence halls along the way with the final stop in front of the University Bookstore and Landrum Center. Another route would include stops at the RAC and the College of Education. Three buses are proposed for the route

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Peterson fights to save his life and win appeal



Al Golub/AP Photo

Scott Peterson, center, and defense attorneys Mark Geragos, left, and Pat Harris listen during the prosecution's rebuttal to the defense's closing arguments.

Scott Peterson could face the death penalty for two counts of murder for the death of his wife, Laci Peterson, 27, and the couple's unborn son Connor.

By Brian Skoloff
Associated Press

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. - The jury that convicted Scott Peterson saw a man with two faces: in public, a loving father-to-be with a steady job and stable home, and in private a cheating husband who yearned for bachelorhood and was willing to kill for it.

Convicted Friday of murdering his pregnant wife and her fetus, Peterson must now present a uni-

fied image on two fronts - he must convince jurors that his life is worth sparing while arguing to the courts that he was wrongly convicted.

Some experts said he might have a chance to win an appeal, given the dismissal of two jurors during deliberations. After his sentencing, defense investigators are likely to interview panelists, looking for any signs of misconduct.

"These jurors are about to go under the microscope," said Loyola Law

School professor Laurie Levenson.

Peterson faces life in prison or the death penalty for the first-degree murder of his wife, Laci, and second-degree murder of the fetus.

While the first part of the trial focused on evidence, the penalty phase, beginning Nov. 22, will be laced with raw emotion as rules of evidence that prohibit inflaming jurors are cast aside.

Blockbuster testimony is ex-

See **PETERSON**, page 7

Statesboro 'Walk' for diabetes cure



Special Photo

The Statesboro community came together on Tuesday to 'Walk for a Cure' for diabetes.

Statesboro citizens braved the cool air to participate in the seventh annual American Diabetes Association's 'Walk for a Cure' on Saturday. Many local businesses and organization contributed food and music for the

By Rachel Weeks
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Early Saturday morning, despite the crisp coolness in the air, hundreds of walkers showed up for the 7 annual American Diabetes Association's Walk for a Cure, to raise money for diabetes research.

There are 18.2 million people in the United States with diabetes, complications of diabetes include heart disease, stroke, vision loss, amputation and kidney disease making it the fifth-deadliest disease affecting the United States.

John Calhoun, whose wife and daughter both live with diabetes was excited to see the walkers. He said, "It's wonderful to see all the people out supporting the cause of diabetes and helping try to find a cure. I hope we find one."



Many organizations from around Bulloch County contributed to make the fund-raiser a success. The walkers were provided with a healthy, sugar-free breakfast of

fruit and bagels courtesy of Wal-Mart. DJ Benji Lewis kept the crowd upbeat with music from turntables and speakers care of Jammin' J Productions.

Bulloch county schools were involved as well as Chandler County schools who raised about \$5,000. Sea Island Bank sponsored Doggin' Out Diabetes and sold hot dogs to raise money for the cause. Ogeechee Tech held a Wing Fling and sold wings on their campus to help raise money.

Chairman of the planning committee, Jamey Car-tee, said they expected to have between three and four hundred walkers and they hoped to exceed their goal of raising \$50,000.

In addition to the 5-k walk, a new fundraiser, the Cruisin' for a Cure Poker Run, took place for the first time Saturday morning. The 45-mile route had five stops for riders to draw a card, and at the end of the hour and a half run around Bulloch County, the rider with the best hand won a cash prize.

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Grad Fair helps organize students

By Jessica Luber
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This past Tuesday hundreds of Georgia Southern students gathered in the ballroom at the Union for a chance to visit with Graduate School representatives from around the nation.

As the end of their college years begin to creep up, juniors and seniors look for a way to answer all of those "what are you doing after college" questions.

The third annual Graduate Fair is a chance for students of all ages to come and find out just a little bit more about taking the next step in their lives. While

some have a goal of getting a job right out of college, others see opportunity in higher education.

"I came because I wanted to learn about the different colleges and to see what's out there and how I can further my education while strengthening my skills that will help me get a job in the future," junior Bryant Hosch explained.

As the university prides itself on being a teaching institution, they also pride themselves on being an institution that cares about their students and their prospective futures. With popular events such

See **GRAD FAIR**, page 7

Open house brings prospective students

By Ryan Jordan
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Georgia Southern held its 2004-2005 Open House Saturday morning at Russell Union.

Robert Meguiar, admissions coordinator for GSU, said the three-hour event offered potential freshmen the opportunity to see for themselves what the college is all about.

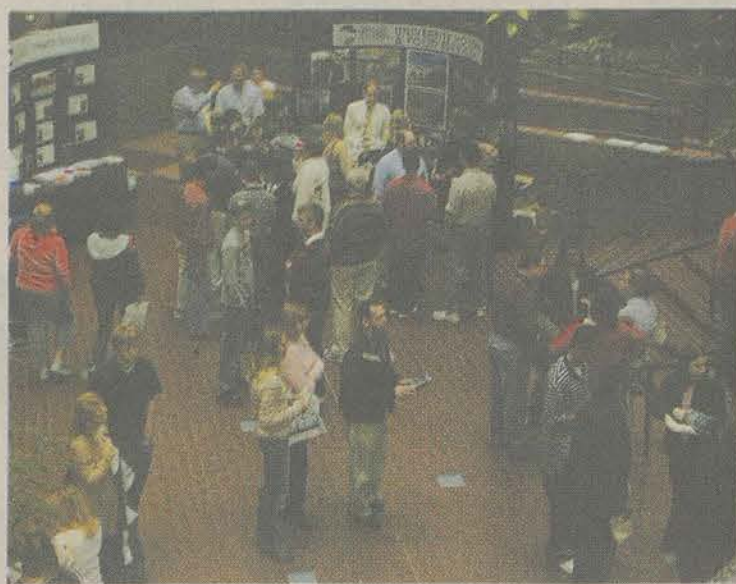
Meguiar said that open house allows potential freshmen to meet with professors, ask questions, and generally experience the GSU environment all in the course of one day.

Approximately 500 students attended GSU open house last year, with roughly 1,200 people attending the event overall. This year, Meguiar said approximately 400 students turned out for the event.

In the Russell Union, various college organizations held booths that offered parents and students a sample of what GSU has to offer.

Booths were set up in the Commons Area to help prospective students enroll and find out more about GSU.

The Office of Admissions, the Academic Success Center, and the University Police as well as campus clubs and organizations set up booths for parents and students. The event



Terrence Williams/STAFF

Prospective GSU students gather in the Russell Union commons area to learn more about academics, housing, admissions and to meet professors as a part of the 2004-2005 GSU Open House.

also included walking tours of the campus and residence halls leaving every 20 to 30 minutes.

Dr. Caren Town, associate professor in the department of English, said that part of the goal for the open house is to let students know that the faculty is committed to them. She said it helps students to make contacts with the faculty.

"I want them to know that they can

get in touch with me," Town said.

Students gave a number of reasons for considering GSU as one of their college options.

Tiffany Decker of Savannah said that academics and distance played a role in her decision. "Pre-vet med has always been something I wanted to do, and I heard they have a really good program. It's close to home, and not too far away," she said.

Veteran and award-winning poet speaks at GSU

By Matthew Reynolds
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The story of the Red Admiral was just as interesting as the story of the poet Robert Dana who wrote an homage to them.

Much like the Red Admiral, listeners to Dana's poetry reading found out all the known wing strokes allowed to flying insects, and Dana himself uses so many styles of poetry.

Arriving early, many attendees stood waiting for the auditorium doors to be unlocked, the beginning of a night full of small malfunctions. Dana arrived and instantly began meeting his audience, asking many how far they had driven and finally stopping to have a rather long conversation with one GSU employee. Dana, with such a carefree attitude, joked around at the slight setback, telling the crowd he'd read his poetry right in the hallway if it came down to it.

Many students were asked to visit the readings as a part of their class, but another setback reared its ugly head. A small podium with microphone attached left a dull hum with every word spoken.

This setback would have been



Leon Wimberly/STAFF

Poet Robert Dana spoke at the Art Building auditorium last Thursday.

deadly to any poet whose voice was small and tired, but Dana shrugged it off. Sitting towards the back, many students set themselves up for a night to be escaped from.

But Dana made the back rows move closer, saying he sometimes let sentences drift off. The crowd seemed to grow even larger and seats closer to the poet filled up.

The self-described wandering bard stood in front of a packed auditorium and began to speak. "He reminded me more of a grandfather who should be sitting in front of a fire, reading poetry to all of us in our pajamas," said GSU

student Cecil O'Quinn.

Dana, a humble award-winning poet and war veteran, remarked that his life wasn't as exciting as his introduction left you thinking. He began reciting his poetry as if it had always been inside of him.

Lines came flowing out, slicing the silence like a hot knife. As bodies shifted in their seats, some words became drowned out.

Dana spoke about his past, how the hip cats all dressed a certain way, his words played a black and white movie as he went on about jazz in all of its glory.

As the night ended, the crowd was left with advice scattered between each poem. Dana weaved so many inspiring words between each poem.

"Don't over-plan" he said after letting the crowd in on a secret that the Red Admiral's unique qualities were unknown to Dana until the poem had been completed for some time.

"Don't go hunting for poetry," Dana said, taking a pause. "poetry comes hunting for you." It seems poetry has come hunting for Dana, and his poetic voice shapes it into something amazing.

Campus Calendar

Monday, November 15

A Diner's World Tour at Southern Traditions
11 - 2 p.m.

Savor dishes from many lands at the Southern Traditions buffet at Landrum Center.

Student Debate on Immigration
12 - 1 p.m.

Come learn about issues surrounding immigration into the U.S.

and varying political views. Also, hear personal experiences of immigration into the U.S. In the Russell Union room 2047.

College Republicans Meeting
5 p.m.

The GSU Chapter of the College Republicans will hold their last meeting of the year with author Phil Kent as the guest speaker. The meeting will be held in the Carroll Building room 2227.

Tuesday, November 16

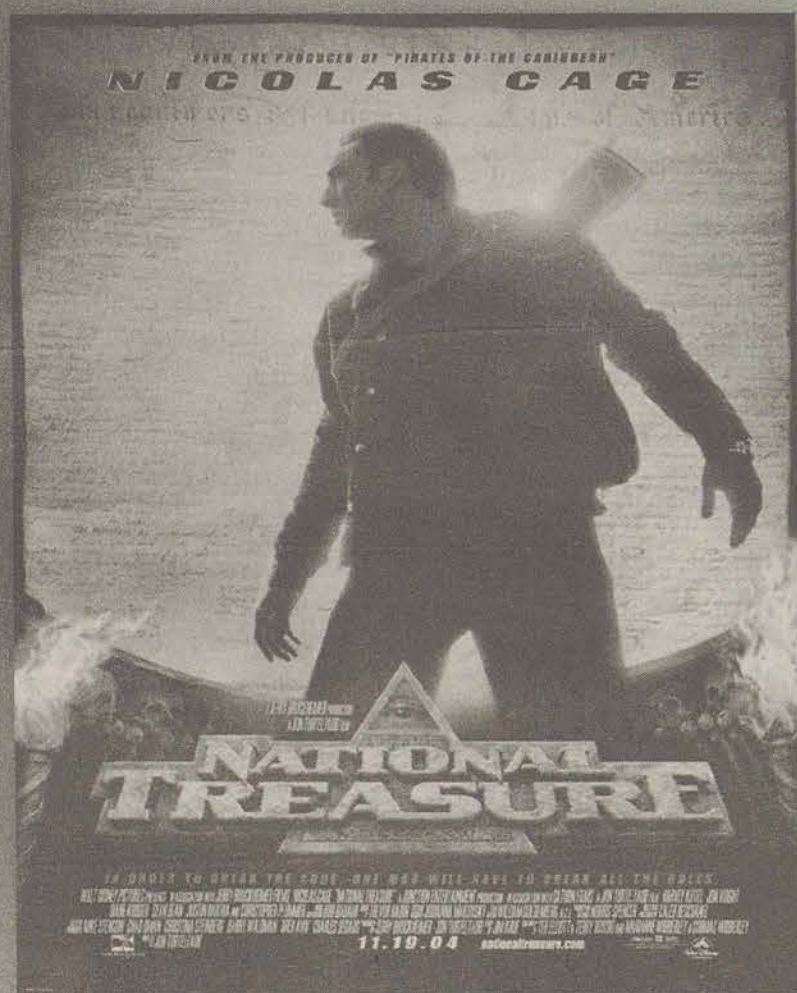
International Food Tasting
9:30 - 2 p.m.

Come and sample food from around the world at the Russell Union room 2047

International Talent Show
7 - 9 p.m.

Enjoy a free evening of exciting performances by GSU students and faculty at the Russell Union Ballroom.

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Focus on Majors

By S. Nicole Burgess
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When most people hear the job title Broadcast Journalist names like Oprah Winfrey and Barbara Walters come to mind. Although it may appear fun and simple, the staff of the Eagle News Network take on a lot of hard work. ENN is the school news program that comes on channel 97. The majority of the staff of ENN are broadcast journalism majors who gain a lot of knowledge and experience.

Professor in charge of video application for ENN, Mr. James Mohr said, "Being a broadcast journalist requires someone of a curious nature; someone who wants more understanding of people and people's life situations."

Though people tend to watch television and only see the glamour, some people do not realize, "you must know and understand the technical aspects

as well, as a broadcast journalist you have to know a little of everything," said Mohr.

There are currently over 200 people majoring in broadcasting at GSU. In order to stay in the broadcasting program you must maintain a 2.5 GPA or higher. Broadcasting majors from GSU have gone on to start careers at NASA, the Pentagon, CNN, and careers within the political parties. The average salary that a videographer starts out with straight out of college is \$20,000 to \$25,000. "You can love your job and never be bored, but do not expect to get rich," said Mohr.

Reporter and anchor for ENN, senior Laura William said, "When you major in broadcasting you must know how everything operates. You will not be hired in the broadcasting field if you do not have the skills." Anchor and reporter for ENN, senior Amy Feraco said, "You get a lot of

hands-on experience in broadcasting at GSU that you would not receive at a larger university."

Some people do not realize how much difference there is between print journalism and broadcast journalism. "Print journalism is totally different than broadcast journalism. Television creates images and gives more impact. Television is the most persuasive medium ever developed," said Mohr.

GSU Underground Producer, junior Chris Plumer said, "Being a broadcasting major depends on how much you are interested, if you're not interested it is not easy. You must be able to enjoy the technical aspect of it."

News director and senior, Reverend James Moody said, "Being a broadcasting major is not as easy as it once was, it is a lot more challenging now with all the new computer programs that exist."

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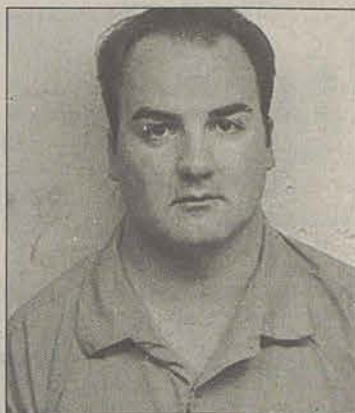
Underwater wedding may break record

Key Largo, Fl. — A Florida couple is trying for the world's largest underwater wedding. 112 divers joined Lena Scott and Tom Loveday as they tied the knot 30 feet underwater. The wedding took place Wednesday off Key Largo. The old record is 105 divers. The couple will submit details of their underwater wedding to Guinness, hoping for a spot in the record book. They met eight years ago when Loveday taught Scott how to dive.

Prostitutes advertise at golf course event

NORCO, Ca. — Two golf course managers and a tournament organizer were sentenced to house arrest for hosting two competitions featuring prostitutes and strippers stationed along the putting greens. More than a dozen prostitutes and strippers, including a 16-year-old girl, set up tents and advertised their services on boards, officials said. About 160 golfers paid \$200 apiece to play, though some showed up without their clubs, officials said. Sheriff's deputies wearing camouflage raided the second tournament, detaining 90 golfers and 17 strippers and alleged prostitutes, along with golf course workers. Event organizer Sandy Juarez, 39, was accused of providing the prostitutes. In a deal with prosecutors, she pleaded guilty to felony conspiracy to corrupt public morals and testified against Hidden Valley Golf Club general manager Jason Wood, 38, and his former assistant, Darren James Bollinger, 30. The pair pleaded guilty in July to the same charge. All three were sentenced to 125 days of house arrest. Two golfers have been convicted of engaging in prostitution, and the mother of the 16-year-old prostitute is charged with child endangerment and prostitution.

News Briefs



Jeremy Jaynes grossed up to \$750,000 a month by sending out junk e-mail.

Convicted spammer faces nine years

LEESBURG, Va. — As one of the world's most prolific spammers, Jeremy Jaynes pumped out at least 10 million e-mails a day with the help of 16 high-speed lines, the kind of Internet capacity a 1,000-employee company would need.

Jaynes' business was remarkably lucrative; prosecutors say he grossed up to \$750,000 per month.

If you have an e-mail account, chances are Jaynes tried to get your attention, pitching software, pornography and work-at-home schemes.

The eight-day trial that ended in his conviction this month shed light on the operations of a 30-year-old former purveyor of physical junk mail who worked with minimal assistance out of a nondescript house in Raleigh, North Carolina.

A state jury in Leesburg has recommended a nine-year prison term in the nation's first felony trial of spam purveyors.

Sentencing is set for February. Prosecutors believe Jaynes had a net worth of up to \$24 million, and they described one of his homes as a mansion, though the e-mail came from a house described as average.

Jaynes got lists of e-mail addresses - millions of them - through a stolen database of America Online customers.

He also illegally obtained e-mail addresses of users of the online auction site eBay.

Jaynes' defense attorney, David Oblon, never disputed that his client was a bulk e-mail distributor.

But he argued that the law was

poorly crafted and that prosecutors never proved the e-mail was unsolicited.

He also argued before the trial that the law is an unconstitutional infringement of free speech.

Jaynes can raise the free-speech

issue on appeal, and Oblon said both he and Jaynes are confident the conviction will eventually be overturned.

Oblon also took issue with the recommended nine-year sentence, calling it exceptionally harsh.

"Global Snapshots" Celebrate International Week November 15-19, 2004 Schedule of Events



Friday, November 12

International Coffee Hour
11:30 - 1:30 p.m. Russell Union #2047
Proclamation of International Week
by Pro-tem Mayor Joe Brannen
Sponsored by Eagle Diner & Café

Monday, November 15

A Diner's World Tour at Southern Traditions
11:00 - 2:00 p.m. Landrum Cafeteria
Savor dishes from many lands at the Southern Traditions buffet.
Cost: Cash - \$6.41, Eagle Express - \$5.48

Student Debate on Immigration

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Russell Union #2047
Come learn about issues surrounding immigration into the U.S. and their varying political views. Also, hear personal experiences of immigration into the U.S.

International Movie "Chocolat"

7:00 p.m. Russell Union Theater

Tuesday, November 16

International Food Tasting
9:30 - 2:00 p.m. Russell Union #2047

International Talent Show

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Russell Union Ballroom
Theme: International Mixer
Enjoy a free evening of exciting performances by Georgia Southern students & faculty. Also, sample food from Moe's Southwest Grill and "Mocktails" prepared by Health Services.
Sponsored by: Prestige, Health Services & Moe's Southwest Grill

Wednesday, November 17

Colloquium: India - Unity in Diversity
1:00 - 2:00 p.m. Russell Union #2048
Dr. Aniruddha Mitra

Global Gourmet

7:00 - 9:00 p.m. All University Housing Residence Halls.
Travel from hall to hall to learn about other people and sample their foods. Have your "passport" stamped to register for prizes. Pick up your passport in any hall and return your completed passport at your last stop. For more information, contact Ronika Anderson at 688-2305.

Thursday, November 18

International Festival & Bazaar
11:00 - 2:00 p.m. By Lakeside Café & the lake
Speak with students about global issues, listen to international musical performances, and purchase international items being sold by clubs & organizations. Tasty treats from many countries will be at various displays.

The Wide World of Trade for Teachers

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Union Rm. 2084
Workshop on "The World Trade Organization: Theory and Practice" for teachers attending the Middle School Model United Nations Program and Georgia Southern faculty and students.

Friday, November 19

International Coffee Hour
11:30 - 1:30 p.m. Williams Center Dining Hall
Sponsored by Student Media

Hotel and Restaurant Management's Friday Luncheon
12:00 p.m.
International cuisine will be featured. Cost: \$9
For reservations, contact Larry Stalcup at 681-5975 or at stalcupl@georgiasouthern.edu

Participate in the Contests Being Held During International Week!

- ♦ Banner Contest
Student organizations can support International Week by creating Banners for display in Landrum Cafeteria.
- ♦ Photo Contest
Enter your favorite photo from other lands in our Photo Contest!

- ♦ Talent Show
Win a prize for the best performance in the International Talent Show.
- ♦ International Trivia Contest
Submit your answer to an International Week question found in Monday's & Wednesday's George-Anne and win a gift card from the University Bookstore. Read the George-Anne to find out how to enter.

For more information on any of these activities contact:

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OFF CAMPUS HOUSING FAIR

Tuesday
November 16
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Russell Union
Rotunda

Rain Location - Russell Union Commons



our opinion

Cases in our faces

Scott Peterson was convicted of murder, and, along with many Americans, a few people on our staff were very interested in learning the fate of the now convicted wife and baby killer.

Looking back, we wonder how the media picks which cases to run into the ground. Who was the Peterson family before the husband was suspected of killing his wife? Were they American icons? Were they celebrities? Were they humanitarians that were out to save the world?

No.

They were pretty much regular people living a semi-regular life. They were about as normal as the rest of us, except he had the urge to kill, and he did. That was it. There was nothing special about this situation at all.

We're not trying to sound cynical about the whole ordeal. It's sad that Laci and her unborn baby were killed. It's insanely sad when just about anyone is killed, and this case is no different.

But what about the other women who are killed each year by their husbands? According to reports on domestic violence, nearly 33 percent of all women murdered annually are killed by their husbands or boyfriends. Undoubtedly, some of those women are carrying a child when the tragedy strikes.

Sadly, Laci Peterson fits into that statistic. But at the same time, so do thousands of other women who died at the hands of the men in their lives.

Could it be that the media picks a case to follow because of the charisma of those involved? Look at Scott and Laci Peterson. Both were very good looking, white people who seemed to live a good life.

If Laci had been an overweight Hispanic woman and Scott a beer-bellied, very unattractive man, would the media have followed the case the way it did? Probably not. The case would have just been one more that no one really cared about. It wouldn't have been on every news affiliate in America, and "The Peterson Case" would not have been a household name.

Again, this is a sad case. But the mass media's putting it in our faces to the extent that it did was unnecessary. The constant updates on the case were not called for. At the end of the day, the coverage of this case was nothing more than Hollywood at it's best: broadcasting to Americans a pretty family and its tragic problems.

letters to the editor

Tips on tipping

This is a guide for proper tipping etiquette, and it applies to restaurant table servers as well as food delivery people (pizza, Chinese, etc.). Following these guidelines will help you do what is fair and appropriate and probably save you the embarrassment of being labeled as socially ignorant, cheap, or even just plain mean.

Restaurant table servers

Typically, a 15 percent gratuity is appropriate, regardless of the type of restaurant. You should tip up to 20 percent for excellent service, and less for poor service. Also, you should consider that not all problems are the fault of your server, and you should not penalize your server for these.

Restaurant table servers depend on tips because they are not paid minimum wage; they are paid a server wage of only \$2.13 an hour.

Food delivery people

Considerations are different here. The amount of the bill is not as significant; but the drivers have to furnish their own vehicles, including insurance and maintenance, at no cost to their company. It costs each driver an average of just over \$2 per delivery just to operate the vehicle at today's gas prices. Their tips must average at least this in order for them to break even.

Generally, tip at least \$3. Tip more for fast service, an extra long delivery distance, or service in the rain. You should never fail to tip a driver. This forces them to pay for delivering your meal out of their own pocket.

Most delivery restaurants have carry-out service for people who are on-the-go, or who want to avoid a tip. Next time you decide to go out or order in, use these "Tips on Tipping."

Gene Stanton
Statesboro, GA

Gays not alone in disappointment over Georgia's Amendment One decision

I wholeheartedly agree with everything in DeMarc Campbell's 11/11 column. I have quite a different perspective on the matter, however.

While Mr. Campbell is a gay African-American man, I am a heterosexual white man. In fact, I have been married for over three years. I voted against Amendment One last Tuesday because I believed and still believe that it would be an embarrassment to the state of Georgia to have such an amendment in our state constitution. Later that same night, I saw on the news that the amendment passed almost 3:1.

I really just don't understand why this state's residents feel so strongly that a marriage between two people of the same sex is such a bad thing. Is the prospect of having to recognize such a marriage really so threatening that we need to legislate against it? The loudest argument I have heard against recognizing gay marriage is that it somehow debases the sanctity of marriage. To holders of this view, I ask is your marriage really so tenuous that the actions of people you don't even know can truly pose a threat to it?

Mr. Campbell illustrated quite well the abuses of marriage that commonly take place. I would like to add some more. We have all

seen heterosexual people get married for all the wrong reasons. Some people marry without giving it true consideration—it's just something that everyone else in their same position was doing. Some people pressure their partners to marry due to their desire to have a family. Some people marry for money or to improve their social standing. These are the real injustices to the wonderful institution known as marriage. These all happen with the knowledge that if things don't work out, divorce is an option. This is evident in the nation's divorce rate of about 50 percent.

When gay people decide to marry, it is for all of the right reasons. There is no social pressure for them to do so. In fact, they are taking a risk by standing against societal pressure. What compels them to do this? Love. If they love each other so much that they are willing to face the hatred which they know announcing their sexual preference will induce in the ignorant, how does this adversely affect anyone's marriage? How does it affect anyone at all? Someone please tell me.

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WHILE FINISHING THIS SENTENCE.

New perspectives on old issues

Every year these debates come up, and every year I hold my peace up until the point at which I realize no one is going to say what really needs to be said.

The so-called issue of "homosexuality" boils down to two ideas for me—two ideas with so much conceptual and cultural weight that I can't fathom why they're not the most popular, most frequently advanced arguments for equality.

They're very simple, really: Language and nature.

Language

As a student of linguistics, I can't help but notice the more subconscious effects of language. I despise the word in quotes above. People classify things. That is what we have always done, and it's how our understanding of everything scientific has developed since the very beginning. But what kind of world are we living in when people—living, breathing human beings with fully-developed lives—are being classified by their sexuality. And, it occurs not scientifically but culturally and politically.

Sexuality! Something so intimate and relatively insignificant to the whole of a person's personality that it should be none of the world's business somehow passes in our society as a method by which to name someone.

The power of suggestion inherent in the word *homosexual* is nearly criminal. The semantic field of such a word immediately calls to mind the verb *sex*, and to label someone with the term is practically to suggest there is little else to that person besides their sexual identity.

I wonder how folks would like it were that labeling logic applied more consistently to the rest of the human population. What if, every time I turned around, I was being referred to as a "heterosexual." What if my romantic relationships were always referred to as heterosexual relationships? What if, when people looked at my male partner and

me together, they disregarded our friendship and our normal daily lives, choosing instead to focus only on how we have sex?

What a misrepresentation. What a violation. How demeaning. There is so much more to everyone—to anyone—than sex. It should be among the last things we think of when sorting people out.

So, what is "perverse?" mutually attracted people who engage in intimate acts or people who are so fixated on the intimate acts of people they don't even know that they can hardly see straight?

This is why, if we must have words that linguistically segregate these people from everyone else on the planet, I prefer the words *gay* or *lesbian*. While those still connote a sexual difference, at least they don't have the word *sex* actually spelled out in them.

The worst part is that the cursed word has become accepted with so little thought that it has even cycled back around and pervaded the gay community. Gays sometimes refer to themselves as homosexuals, calling ever more unnecessary attention to that aspect of their personalities and causing it to, in the minds of themselves and others, overshadow characteristics that are actually important in humans. Honesty, loyalty, kindness, patience... just for instance.

No wonder the self-image of so many gays is negative and distorted. They have become forced by the language surrounding them to stand by as what should be a private and personal aspect of themselves is magnified beyond reason and placed under constant public scrutiny.

Believe it or not, gay people look for the same qualities in partners

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Conflicts of Interest: Blitzkrieg, American style

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The third Bush Administration began its sprint for peace in Iraq this week by taking 300,000 steps in the wrong direction. Three hundred thousand is the population of the city of Fallujah, the target center of Operation Phantom Fury—the largest urban warfare operation for Army and Marine troops since Vietnam. Air strikes preceded the movement of 10,000 United States forces, accompanied by 5,000 Iraqi sidekicks, into the area thought to be maintained by only 3,000 "insurgents." Most of the city's civilian residents have been displaced, anxiously awaiting the smoke to clear outside Fallujah to assess the extent of the damage to their everyday environments.

However, 57 thousand who were either unwilling or unable to vacate the warzone remain at critical risk of becoming one of the over fourteen thousand innocent Iraqis murdered by the United States military. All these thousands are going to add up—the sum of our actions will lead to growth of resentment against the United States as an occupying oppressor—and every one of the citizens of Fallujah will be able to feel the effects of our ever-increasing presence there for years to come. During the presidential

debates, George W. Bush painted a picture of American presence in Iraq as a temporary humanitarian service, to be discontinued as soon as possible.

He did not comment on why, if our intentions are really temporary, we are constructing four permanent military bases at the cardinal directions across the country. Nor did he explain the logistics behind the capturing of Fallujah—if we are eventually going to pull out, what good will large scale troop presence now do in the long run (except to give normally quarrelling Muslims a common enemy to unite against)?

The Iraqi people want us out. We've overstayed our non-invitation and ignored many lethal hints that we are not welcome. Both mainstream candidates in the last election were for increasing military presence in Iraq. Only Ralph Nader, consumer advocate for over 40 years and champion of electoral reform, could offer a platform that the peace movement could rally behind. The Bulloch County response to this issue: "Ralph Who?" Only 17 people wrote Ralph Nader's name on the ballot last Tuesday. Seventeen.

That's out of 19,000 voters. This tells me that 19,000 people failed to see the key distinguish-

ing factors between the priorities of the candidates. Twenty-five percent of Bulloch County residents live under the poverty line, yet that didn't stop them from voting for a President that hands out tax cuts to the wealthiest one percent and corporations like they were going out of style. Many of the community's young men and women are involved in the Armed Forces and could be brought to the front lines of this quagmire, but still the overwhelming majority of votes went towards more aggressive action and away from diplomacy. And the situation in Iraq gets worse everyday. But apparently Don Rumsfeld's Chicken-Hawk thinktank has this all figured out and it's the rest of us that don't see the picture clearly.

Americans who claim to have passion and compassion for human life need to wake up, wash the blood off their hands and use them to pick up a pen and let their representatives know we won't stand for another Vietnam—get the United States Military out of Iraq now, without hesitation.

Provide humanitarian aid all you want—you can do that from ports and borders—but everyday we treat Iraq like the 51st state is another chance for soldiers and civilians to have their last days fighting for their side.



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that straight people look for: Intelligence, attractiveness, humor, emotional compatibility, etc. And, just like straight people, sexual chemistry is only one part of it.

Does anyone ever consider the fact that there are abstinent gay people? That perhaps there might be even more abstinent gay people if they had the option of "saving themselves" for something like marriage?

I don't care who you are or what your religion is, defining people solely by sex is sick, twisted and just plain wrong.

Nature

When I came to college, I was ignorant about many biological nuances of human sexuality. It only took one day of research on transgender and intersex people during my sophomore year to completely revolutionize my beliefs about virtually everything. I console myself daily with the hope that most people must not know what I discovered that day. If they did, I tell myself, surely they'd reevaluate their views.

People who are born intersex are literally neither male nor female. They are of indeterminate biological sex. The particular anatomical structures of these people vary, as human anatomies tend to do, based on hormone levels at various points in their development.

This is not some sort of new trend brought about by the chemicals used in farm products. And it's not as rare as it may seem. Not surprisingly, there is plenty of scientific evidence that intersex people have been around as long as anyone else.

Dr. Robert Francoeur is a renowned physician and the general editor of The International Encyclopedia of Sexuality. He is trained in embryology and evolution. He's also trained in theology. He is currently a professor of biological and allied health sciences at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Madison, New Jersey, a leading school in international education. I could list more of his credentials, but they'd probably consume this whole newspaper. And it's what he has to say that's important to this point, not how qualified he is to say it.

According to him, there are approximately 65,000 babies born of indeterminate sex in the United States each year. That's not even counting the rest of the world - estimates on that front approach 300,000. Our narrow definitions of sex and gender constantly and completely exclude at least that many people.

What really mortified me was what generally happens to these babies because of our culture's refusal to accept

anything resembling grey area. It is rare that the child is allowed to make its own decision about sexual identity at a later age. Doctors often encourage the parents to choose whether they want the child to be male or female. Then they surgically mutilate the babies' genitals until they match whatever gets picked.

Obviously, the "check male or female" mentality is insufficient. Ineffective. Needs repair.

Instead, it's a lose-lose situation. Even if an intersex person makes it to adulthood without being tampered with, the general ignorance abounding about gender makes life difficult for that individual.

While the severity of the above description has decreased as people become more educated about the reality of transgender, it is still very real and prevalent. And we are still insistent on pigeon holing people.

Apparently, the failure to acknowledge a sexual continuum is pretty unique to our modern culture. Many cultures since ancient times have acknowledged the existence of three - or even more than five - classifications for human sexuality.

The fact is no one is 100 percent male or female. There have always been masculine women and feminine men. Everyone's body chemistries vary.

Surprise! That affects how people react sexually!

In my continued research over the years, I have only become further convinced of the following statement: Human sexuality is a continuum.

We should never, ever look at this in terms of black and white.

The last time I wrote a column in defense of natural sexuality, I got mail from a lot of people who hoped I would soon repent from my wicked gay lifestyle. I was showered with prayers for my soul. I found their assumptions about my sexuality both amusing and discouraging.

Personally, I don't like labels. I suppose the fact that I'm a woman who has never been sexually intimate with another woman makes me "straight" to the rest of the world. But, to me, I'm just a person. And so is everybody else.

Humans are varied, dynamic creatures, no matter how you believe we got here or where you believe we're going from here. The real question is this: When are people's religions and belief systems going to start adapting to their spiritual needs?

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prospective futures. With popular events such as the Eagle Expo Career Fair and Dining for Success, the Graduate Fair is fairly new, but is rapidly making its way up the "must stop" list on recruitment schedules. Mike Backus from the recruiting and marketing department of Graduates Studies explained, "This fair has become one of the primary stops on the recruiting tour because of the Georgia Southern hospitality. This is mainly because of two things. First we have such a great student turnout. Second, the way

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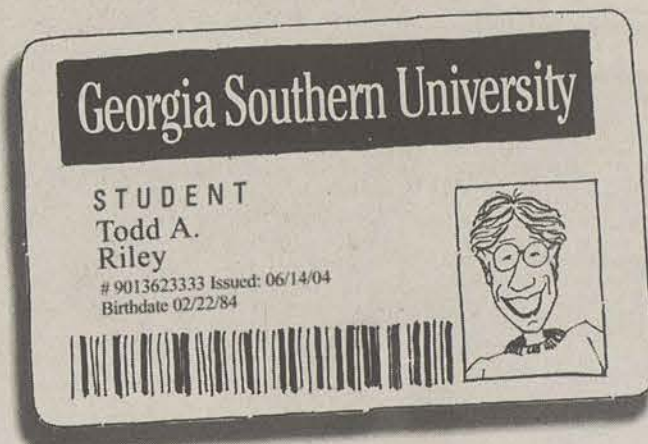
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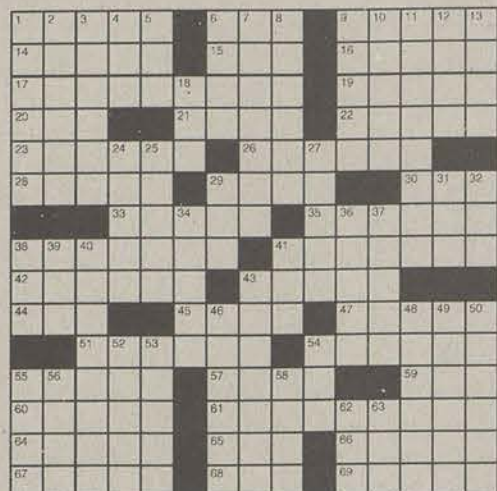


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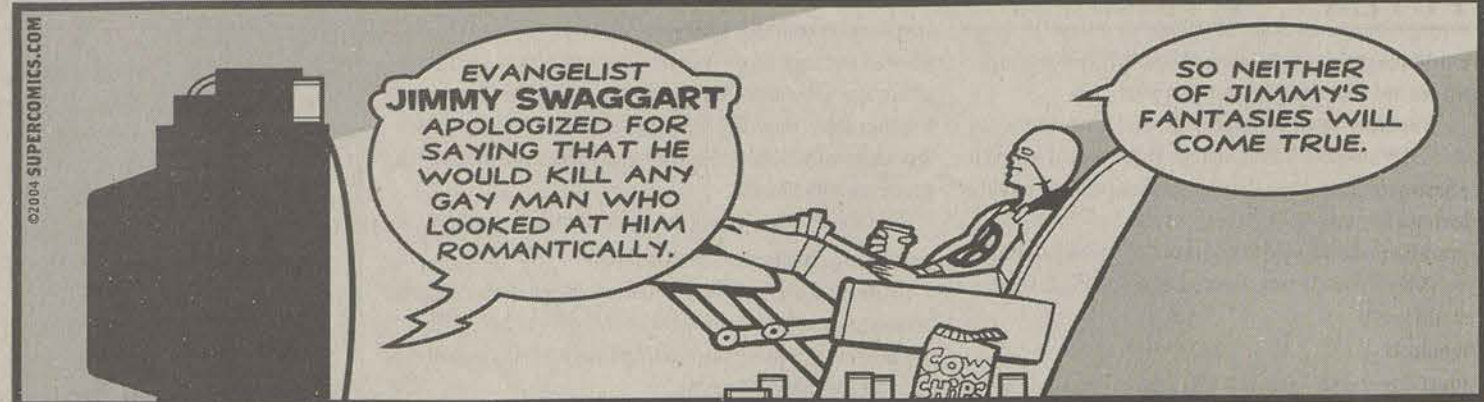
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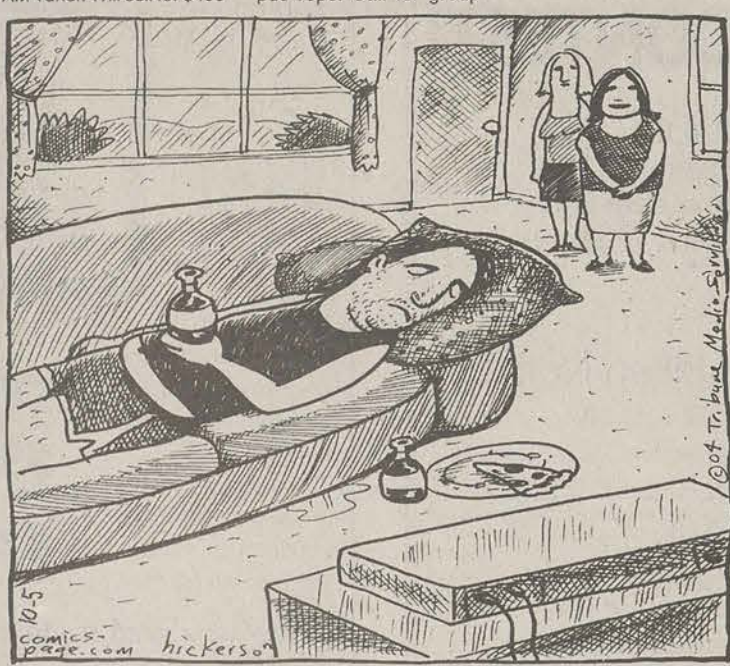
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evidence that prohibit inflaming jurors are cast aside.

Blockbuster testimony is expected from Laci Peterson's mother, Sharon Rocha, who will testify about losing a 27-year-old daughter and the grandson she was waiting for.

Peterson is unlikely to take the stand and beg for mercy—doing that would require him to admit to the murders, and throw away any chance

of arguing his innocence. Instead, testimony will likely include pleas from his parents to spare his life.

Jury consultant Ed Bronson said Peterson's defense attorney, Mark Geragos, will try to tap any lingering doubt over whether Peterson was a calculated killer. The defense is expected to remind jurors that the 32-year-old former fertilizer salesman has no criminal record or

history of violence.

But even if jurors unanimously vote for death, Peterson might not be executed for decades, if ever. Only 10 executions have been carried out since California brought back capital punishment in 1978. None of the 650 current condemned—some of whom have been awaiting death for decades—have completed their appeals.

On appeal, Peterson's attorneys

will likely focus on two key issues during the jury's deliberations, said former San Francisco prosecutor and trial observer Jim Hammer.

One juror was ousted after performing her own research on the case outside of the evidence presented at trial. Violating the gag order, the juror said Friday night that she supported the verdict. Another, the jury foreman, was removed a day later.

The reasons for his ousting remain sealed by the court.

The second point of appeal is the viewing of the boat prosecutors allege Peterson used to dump his wife's body into San Francisco Bay.

Jurors climbed inside the boat, parked in a garage near the courthouse, rocking it from side to side. Defense attorneys had argued it would have been nearly impossible

for Peterson to have heaved his wife overboard without capsizing.

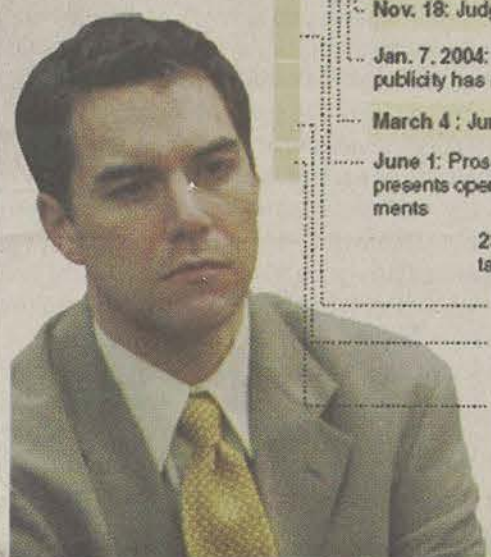
Geragos sought a mistrial after the viewing, claiming jurors violated the law by conducting an experiment. The motion was quickly denied.

The judge said he expects the jury to begin deliberating Peterson's sentence by Nov. 30. The jury then will be sequestered again while deciding Peterson's fate.

THE SCOTT PETERSON TRIAL

The long road to two guilty verdicts

On December 24, 2002, Scott Peterson called the Modesto Police Department to report his pregnant wife Laci missing, setting in motion a series of events that included a search, his arrest and a lengthy trial which resulted in his conviction Friday, on two counts of murder.



- Dec. 28, 2002: Authorities view Scott Peterson as a suspect, searched water near Berkeley Marina where Scott claimed to have launched his boat for the fishing trip
- 31: Modesto police publicly shifted focus to foul play
- Jan. 1, 2003: 3: Modesto police family, including asked public for help verifying the whereabouts of Scott Peterson in the days before Christmas
- Feb. 5: Laci's family stepped up their criticism of Scott, said he sold her car and considered selling the couple's date house after she vanished
- March 6: Modesto police officially declared the case a homicide
- April 14: The body of a woman and a male fetus found along San Francisco Bay, mere miles from where Scott claims to have been fishing the morning Laci vanished
- 18: Police in San Diego arrested Scott Attorney General Bill Lockyer says bodies found are those of Laci and her fetus Lockyer later called the case against Scott a "slam dunk"
- Oct. 29: Preliminary hearing begins with DNA testimony
- Nov. 18: Judge rules prosecutors have sufficient evidence to try Scott
- Jan. 7, 2004: Judge orders trial out of Modesto, saying it has made it an "inappropriate venue"
- March 4: Jury selection begins
- May 27: Jury seated
- June 1: Prosecution presents opening statements and first witness testifies for the prosecution, the Petersons' housekeeper Margarita Nava
- 23: Juror Justin Falconer ousted from panel after he was seen talking to Laci Peterson's brother
- Aug. 10: Scott's mistress Amber Frey takes witness stand
- Oct. 5: Prosecution rests
- 18: Defense begins case
- Nov. 1: Prosecution closing arguments
- 2: Defense closing arguments
- 3: Jury deliberations begin
- 9: Juror ousted after apparently re-searching case on her own
- 10: Jury foreman ousted from panel
- 12: Scott convicted of killing wife Laci and their unborn son
- 17: Laci's family and friends held a news conference stating Scott "lied," where he demanded he tell authorities everything he knows about the case
- 10: Laci's due date
- 17: Scott's mother, Jackie, told The Associated Press her family believes kidnappers abducted Laci
- 18: Authorities issued search warrant for the Petersons' home in Modesto
- 24: A month after Laci's disappearance, Amber Frey, a massage therapist he told from Fresno, admitted to an intimate romantic relationship with Scott
- 28: Scott admitted relationship with Frey, said Frey, said Laci

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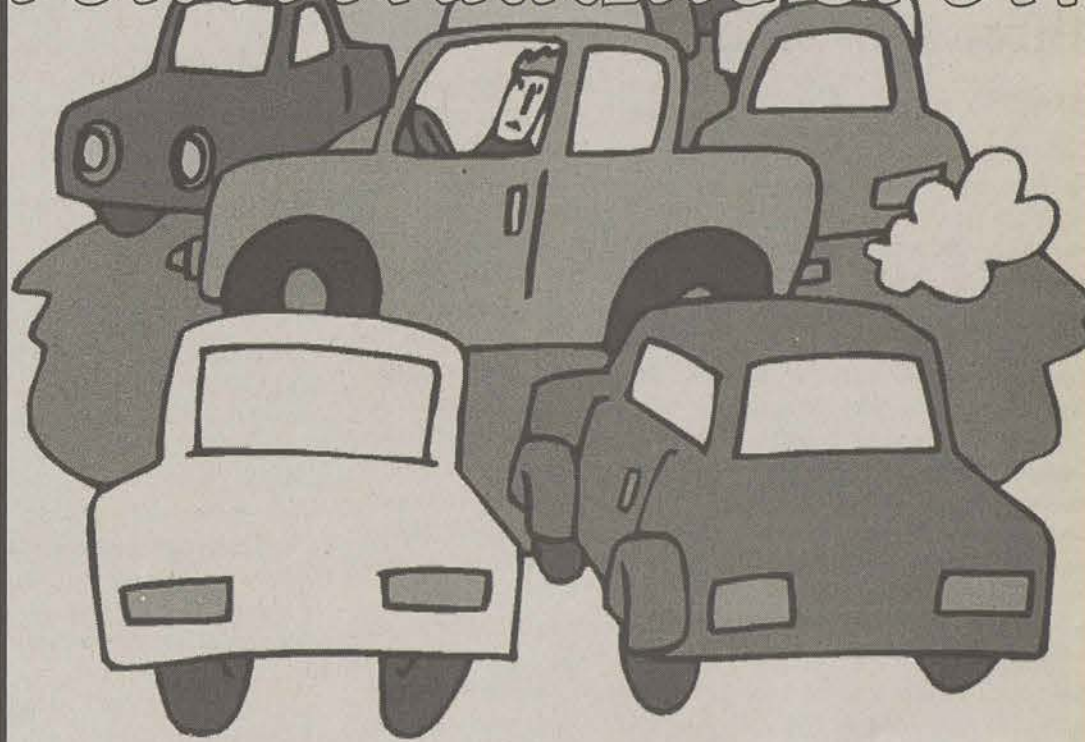
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Western Carolina 30
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Playoff Countdown

Eagles surprise Panthers, 53-32



Melissa Connors/STAFF

Neither the Eagles nor Jermaine Austin (#6) stayed down for long in Saturday's last regular season game against Florida International. GSU scored 29 points to win after tying with the Panthers in the third quarter.

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Miami, FL – Georgia Southern scored 29 unanswered points to start the second half, recording its first victory over a NCAA Division I-A opponent following a 53-32 win at Florida International Saturday.

T.J. Anderson broke third quarter touchdown runs of 14 and 39 yards, setting a personal best. Chaz Williams scored three times on the ground and another through the air as he tied his school and Southern Conference record with 36 touchdowns accounted for, 23 rushing and 13 passing.

The Eagles (9-2) took the second half kickoff, the first time this season starting the third quarter with the ball, and drove 86 yards in 11 plays capped by Anderson's 14-yard run. Anderson took the pitch and converted the two-point try tying the game.

FIU (2-5) responded with an impressive opening drive, but the Eagle defense stepped up deep in their territory. Fernando Phillips broke up a third down pass in the endzone then Adam Moss pushed his 30-yard FG attempt just right.

On the very next play, Jermaine Austin broke a 30-plus yard run into FIU territory, part of his 148 yards on the day. Williams capped the drive thanks to his second one-yard TD run on 4th-and-goal. Josh Padrick's first pass on the next drive was tipped and A.J. Bryant snagged his fifth interception. Two plays later Anderson scampered 39 yards run for his second touchdown. Williams added another one yard TD to etch his name in the record books.

Bryant capped the scoring when he returned his sixth pick 70 yards for a touchdown. He became the second Eagle to return an interception for a touchdown, joining John Mohring when he did it against Johnson C. Smith earlier in the season.

Georgia Southern scored on its first three drives of the game. However, the Eagles were forced to punt the next two then had the half end, trailing for the first time since the season-opener at Georgia.

On the flip side, FIU punted on the opening possession then put points on the next five drives – two Moss field goals and three touchdowns. On FIU's first touchdown a bad snap led to Moss missing the extra point. When going for the two-point conversion on the next score, GSU stopped Padrick on a broken pass play. In fact during those six possessions, FIU had only four third-down opportunities and succeeded once.

GSU racked up 297 yards of first half offense while the Golden Panthers finished one yard behind.

Jonathan Dudley started the scoring when he nailed a 28-yard field goal. The Eagles drove down the field again, capped when Williams dove over center for a one-yard plunge.

Williams broke Tracy Ham's season TD record when he hit Teddy Craft in stride for a 47-yard scoring strike. That touchdown pass was the 23rd of Williams' career, taking sole possession of second place among the career leaders (Ham, 34). Craft meanwhile caught his seventh TD pass, tying Corey Joyner for second-most in a season.

Rashod Smith rushed for 113 yards and two scores midway through the second quarter. However, he suffered a collarbone injury and missed the remainder of the half. Smith became only the third opposing rusher to gain 100 yards on the Eagle defense.

Now Georgia Southern can enjoy a bye week then await its playoff fate. The NCAA Division I-AA Playoff show will be on Sunday, November 21.

Men's basketball announces three new signees for 04-05

GSU Athletics Media Relations

Three guards have signed the binding national letter-of-intent to play with the Georgia Southern Eagles beginning next fall according to an announcement made by Georgia Southern head coach Jeff Price Friday.

Included in the trio is former Statesboro High standout Courtnei Houston. Houston, a shooting guard, averaged 18.3 points and 6.4 assists per game last season while leading the Blue Devils to a 26-4 record. Houston earned All-Bulloch County honors after the season and was also named honorable mention All-State. He is attending Mt. Olive Prep in Atlanta this year.

Wing guard Jimmy Tobias and point guard Kevin Thomas, a pair of teammates at Compton Community College in Compton, Calif., have also signed to

play for the Eagles. The duo also starred together at Dillard High in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., where they led the Panthers to three straight 5A state championships.

Tobias averaged 19.4 points, 8.2 rebounds, 5.3 steals and 3.4 assists a game as a senior at Dillard and was ranked on the McDonald's All-American Top 100 list as a senior in 2002-03, after which he signed with the University of Oklahoma. He tallied 12 points, seven rebounds, three assists, three blocks and three steals in six games with the Sooners last season before transferring to Compton this year. Tobias was named the Broward County Player-of-the-Year in 2002-03 and also earned first-team All-State honors.

Thomas averaged 12.4 points and 10.2 assists a game as a senior at Dillard. He joined Tobias on the first team All-Broward County squad and is in his first season at Compton.

GSU Volleyball ends regular season on top

Eagles put Wofford away in four games

GSU Athletics Media Relations

The Georgia Southern volleyball team was able to hold off a late surge from visiting Wofford, dispatching of the Terriers in four games (30-18, 26-30, 30-17, 30-28) on Saturday evening at Hanner Fieldhouse.

The Eagles played a strong brand of volleyball throughout much of the night, tallying a team attack percentage of .349, the team's third-highest rate of the season.

In the opening game, Georgia Southern never trailed, putting together a series of key runs old off Wofford. The Eagles committed just one error in the game, putting up a .588 percentage. The Terriers responded with their top percentage of the match in game two, hitting .386 and keeping Georgia Southern at bay to tie the match at one game apiece.

Game three saw the Eagles return to the winning side, as they held Wofford to a .000 percentage. With the Terriers down just one, 7-6, Georgia Southern responded by scoring 15 of the next 19 points, building a commanding lead.

The fourth game had Wofford holding the advantage through the midpoint of the frame, only to see the Eagles tie the score up at 18-18. Georgia Southern would grab a brief lead before the Terriers tied the action once again, at 23-23. From that point on, the two teams went back and forth before the Eagles clinched the game and the match on a Janice Pressley kill.

Senior Kristen Kasprak played error-free ball for the Eagles (18-9, 12-3 SoCon) through the first three games, finishing the match with

22 kills, 13 digs and a career-high .543 attack percentage. Junior Iulia Porumbescu tallied 18 kills and 13 digs, while Pressley pitched in with 12 kills and a .550 percentage, a higher percentage than any Eagle has reached all season.

Junior setters Natalia Galantini and Susan Winkelman tallied 31 and 28 assists, respectively, with each collecting four service aces. Andrea Duke paced Wofford (9-21, 5-10 SoCon) with 15 kills and 13 digs with Christal Carey adding 10 kills and 14 digs. Rhea DeJesus had 45 assists.

GSU Volleyball closes season with win

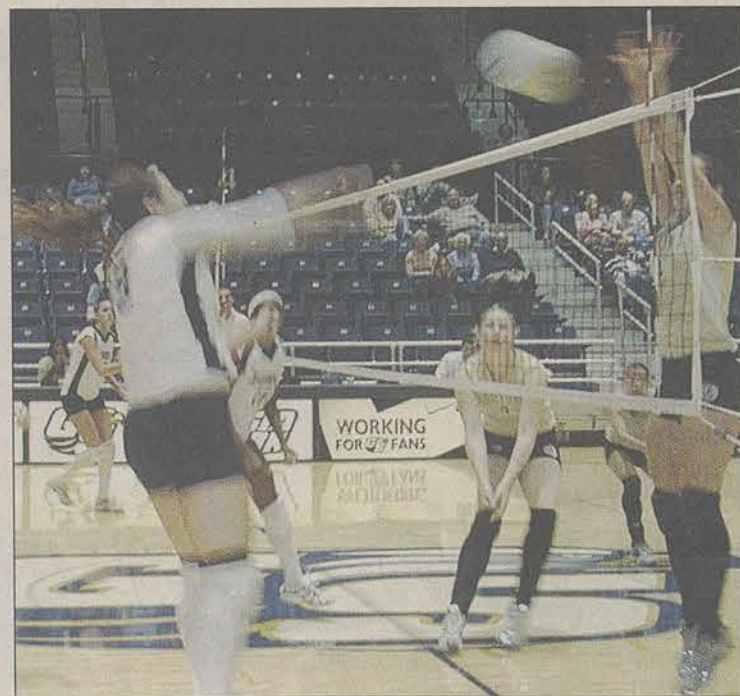
GSU Athletics Media Relations

The Georgia Southern volleyball team ended the regular season in winning fashion, but not without a scare, as they managed to stave off a fervent Furman comeback squad to win in five games (30-23, 30-24, 27-30, 32-34, 15-13) Sunday afternoon at Hanner Fieldhouse.

The Eagles' 134 total points tied a team record for a five-game match, equaling totals set against Wofford and Furman during the 2001 season.

Georgia Southern took game one in convincing fashion, tallying a match-high .444 attack percentage to the Paladins' .171 mark, staying on top for nearly the entire game. The Eagles gave a similar effort in the second game, holding the lead for the entire length of the frame, hitting .317 on the way.

Game three is when Furman began their resurgence, as it never trailed. The Eagles managed to tie the score at 22-22, only to see the Paladins jump back on top until



Terrence Williams/STAFF

The Furman Paladins answer to senior Kristen Kasprak (left) during yesterday's match at Hanner Fieldhouse.

they were able to clinch the win on an Ally Mock kill. The third game saw the two teams battle back and forth as Furman and Georgia Southern fought to 15 ties and seven lead changes. The Paladins were able to stave off two match points to prolong the action to a fifth game.

In that fifth game, the Eagles quickly escaped to a 10-5 advantage, only to see the Paladins score five in a row to tie the action at 10-10. The score was tied twice more before, at 13-13, Georgia Southern was able to take the game, and the match, following a pair of Furman attack errors.

Leading the effort for Georgia Southern (19-9, 13-3 SoCon) was junior Iulia Porumbescu, who tallied 23 kills and 25 digs, which marked a season-high individually as well as marking a new season-high for an Eagle player. Senior Kristen Kasprak added her second-straight 22-kill match, while

fellow senior Janice Pressley had 11 kills.

Freshman Ashley Warren notched 10 kills while sophomore Jennifer Schenk matched a career-high with 10 kills and set a new personal-best with a .364 percentage. Junior setter Natalia Galantini led the assists column for the Eagles with a season-high 37, along with 13 digs.

As a team, Georgia Southern set a new season-high in kills (83) and assists (74).

Hock led the attack for the Paladins (14-15, 8-8 SoCon) with 26 kills, 13 digs and a .392 attack percentage. Whitney Purser had 18 kills and 12 digs with Courtney Stewardson tallying 41 assists.

Georgia Southern, as the South Division's second seed, will return to action Friday at noon, opening the Southern Conference Tournament against host North Division third seed Western Carolina in Cullowhee, N.C.

2004- 2005 MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Nov. 18	vs. Utah State	TBA
Nov. 20	vs. UCF	TBA
Nov. 21	at BP Top of the World Classic Finals	TBA
Nov. 24	at Washington State	10:00 PM
Nov. 27	BREWTON-PARKER	7:30 PM
Nov. 29	at Mercer	7:00 PM
Dec. 04	DAVIDSON	7:30 PM
Dec. 11	AUGUSTA STATE	7:30 PM
Dec. 15	ARKANSAS STATE	7:30 PM
Dec. 19	at Florida	1:00 PM
Dec. 30	FORT VALLEY STATE	7:30 PM
Jan. 03, 2005	at Western Carolina	7:00 PM
Jan. 08	at The Citadel	1:00 PM
Jan. 10	COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON	7:00 PM
Jan. 15	APPALACHIAN STATE	3:30 PM
Jan. 17	CHATTANOOGA	7:30 PM
Jan. 19	SAVANNAH STATE	7:30 PM
Jan. 22	at Elon	7:00 PM
Jan. 24	WOFFORD	7:30 PM
Jan. 29	at College of Charleston	2:00 PM
Jan. 31	at Savannah State	7:00 PM
Feb. 05	FURMAN	3:30 PM
Feb. 08	at UNC Greensboro	7:00 PM
Feb. 12	at Davidson	2:00 PM
Feb. 14	THE CITADEL	7:30 PM
Feb. 17	in Furman	7:00 PM
Feb. 19	in ESPN Bracket Buster	TBA
Feb. 21	at Wofford	7:00 PM
Feb. 26	EAST TENNESSEE STATE	4:00 PM
March 02	at SoCon Tournament Chattanooga, Tenn.	TBA