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Only In America

Robbery suspect arrested after radio talk

CHICAGO - Federal officials say they have finally solved a bank robbery because a suspect bragged about the crime on a radio talk show.

A caller boasted on WKSC-FM that he and five others tied up employees at a TCF Bank branch in South Chicago Heights in April, took \$81,000 and spent some of the money at expensive stores.

A bank employee heard the program last fall and called authorities, setting off a five-month investigation, according to a criminal complaint made public this week.

"The details he provided were incredibly helpful in moving this investigation forward," Assistant U.S. Attorney Terra Brown said of the radio show caller.

Clear Channel Communications regional vice president John Gehron said the station gave investigators the cell phone number and a transcript and recording of the call.

"The FBI says Washington denies any involvement in the robbery, claiming he called the radio station to win a prize."

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Hiatus

If you are among those who consider themselves "chocoholics," consider whether or not you truly understand the food.



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Quote of the Day

"An education isn't how much you have committed to memory, or even how much you know. It's being able to differentiate between what you do know and what you don't."

-Anatole France

Weekend Weather

Friday



HIGH 57°
LOW 38°

Few Showers

Saturday



HIGH 62°
LOW 41°

Few Showers

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Violation sacks rugby season

Alcohol violation ends teams playoff hopes

By Matt Rapp
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The Georgia Southern Rugby season came to a screeching halt this past week as the team was forced to forfeit the remainder of their season due to violations of university policies.

After coming back from a make-up game in Auburn last Thursday, the GSU Rugby team returned CRI vans containing empty beer cans and plastic cups used for liquor, according to Steve Sanders from the Recreation Activity Center.

According to the division of student affairs, the club sports violations that occurred included: consumption of alcoholic beverages while

traveling, violation of university rules and policies and violation of CRI club guidelines as a participant. Van violations included: alcoholic beverages allowed in a state vehicle and vehicle not returned clean.

"It was tough for me because I rarely have to do this. I felt the punishment needed to be severe for this team," said Steve Sanders, director of club sports here at GSU.

Following the event, the rugby team was forced to forfeit their last matrix match against Georgia Tech. A win over GT would have put GSU at the top of their region which includes Auburn, Georgia Tech, and South Carolina. With

the playoffs already clinched, the team also lost the chance to go any further through their season.

Along with losing the season, the team will have no access to state vehicles for the 2005-2006 season and rugby officers will be required to go through alcohol awareness classes. The team will also be put on probation until the end of the 2005-06 season.

Financial assistance from the school for the 2005-06 season was revoked in the initial punishment but after two appeals sent to the close court council and the director of campus recreation, the ruling was lifted. All other charges remained.

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Brian O'Connor/STAFF

GSU rugby player fights from being tackled during the Black Rose Tournament.

Meningitis has a new foe

New vaccine Menomune shown to be more successful in fighting meningitis, GSU looking to acquire more of the vaccine



Special Photo

Minnesota State University student Kendyl O'Connor winces as a nurse injects her with a bacterial meningitis vaccination at the MSU immunization clinic.

By Jamie Galvin
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Students attending Georgia Southern are not required to receive the meningitis vaccine prior to enrollment, but it is highly recommended. From 100 to 125 cases of meningitis occur on college campuses each year. Freshmen living in dormitories are six times more likely to catch it.

Recently, health officials realized that shortages of Menactra, a newly developed

vaccine for meningitis, are possible. This potential shortage may be due to a government recommendation that all adolescents between the ages of 11 and 18 receive the vaccine. The request was made for this particular age group because meningitis spreads through the transfer of saliva through sharing cigarettes, drinking glasses or kissing.

Because Menactra is new, only five million doses are expected to be produced this year. Luckily, the predecessor vaccine Menomune

is still available and effective in preventing infection of the fluid surrounding the spinal cord and brain.

According to Carol Turknett, head nurse at the GSU Health Center, there are four main strands of meningitis, A, C, Y and W-135, which all share the same symptoms: fever, vomiting, headache, neck stiffness, rash and sleepiness.

Unfortunately, these warning signs are

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Students can impact GSU's Strategic Plan

By Rachel Weeks
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Every year a diverse committee meets to gather and analyze information about the campus and community. Their goal is to develop a Strategic Plan that will improve enrollment, retention of students, program reviews to strengthen departments and serve the needs of the region.

"The Strategic Planning Council is a university-wide committee composed of students, faculty, staff and administrators who report directly to and advise the president on issues related to strategic planning," explained Dr. Michael Mills, professor of writing and linguistics and member of the committee. "The SPC gathers information through research, interviews and forums that relate to the university's strategic plan."

The Strategic Planning Committee is made up of 14 members of faculty,

More Information

appointed and elected, staff from Business, Finance and Student Affairs, faculty from the Faculty Senate and students from the Student Government Association and the Graduate Student Association. Strategic themes that are discussed include academic distinction, a student-centered university, technological advancement, transcultural opportunities, private and public partnerships and physical environment. The Georgia Board of Regents makes suggestions for revisions and must approve the final plan.

The committee gathers information from people all over campus and the community, regularly meeting with groups of students, faculty, staff, administrators and alumni.

"We've figured out that students generally don't understand what the Strategic Plan is," said Graduate Students President, Trey Denton, "We do forums to figure out what is going well on campus and what can be improved. We pass out surveys in classes and work with the Dean's advisory council, which is made up of one representative from each college."

Last week, the committee joined a class of over 100 students for over an hour to get feedback on their opinions about issues at GSU. The students were eager to discuss concerns like parking, trouble with finding and maintaining advisors, the technology gap between administrators and students, difficulty with upper level classes that are only offered once a year and many others.

To have your opinions or suggestions heard and discussed by the committee, visit <http://services.georgiasouthern.edu/osra/feedback.cgi> to fill out a feedback form where comments can be made anonymously. To read GSU's Mission Statement, access annual Strategic Plans, and access enrollment data, retention and graduation rates and other information, go to <http://services.georgiasouthern.edu/ir/councils/spc.htm>.

Open Access bill to impact everyone

By Jennifer Maddox
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The Georgia General Assembly is considering a bill that might restrict public access to records such as those involving negotiations with potential industrial recruits.

It also would restrict access on information such as tax incentives, water and air pollution, road and highway congestion, impact on the local school system and the impact on homeowners that a new industry might have on a given area. The bill passed through the House with a vote of 118-52.

"This amendment will protect our state's economic playbook from our competitors," says Rep. Ron Stephens, R-Savannah, who sponsored the bill.

Stephens and other supporters of this bill also said that the purpose of the bill was not to

restrict public access but to keep other states from looking up what Georgia is doing to get a certain company to the state.

However, opponents argue the public would be left in the dark.

According to www.publicknowledge.org, a balance must exist between licenses, copyrights, patents and freely available information.

David Hudson, a legal counsel for the Georgia Press Association, also feels this way. According to Hudson, the proponents of this bill have never been able to cite any project that Georgia lost as a result of its open government laws. He said the problem may be that when a business is in the process of locating to this state and ends up in another, it could be that the other state is offering

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Rep. Ron Stephens

Age: 49
Party: Republican
Occupation: Pharmacist

Political experience: Elected to Georgia House of Representatives in 1996; served two terms on Garden City Council

What he wants: Under his bill, the public would not be allowed to see terms of a negotiation until after the deal is struck.



Bush and Schroeder turn down the volume on their disputes

By Terence Hunt
Associated Press

MAINZ, Germany - President Bush and German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder agreed Wednesday to turn down the volume on arguments about Iraq and Iran, demanding in unison that Tehran abandon its nuclear ambitions and exploring whether allies should use rewards or punishment to achieve that goal.

Nearing the end of a five-day reconciliation visit to Europe, Bush also prepared for a showdown Thursday with Russia's Vladimir Putin in Bratislava, the snow-covered capital of Slovakia.

Bush said he was concerned about Putin's restrictions on press freedom and other steps amounting to a retreat from democracy. Still, Bush emphasized he did not want to harm "a close relationship with Vladimir."

Bush raced through a nine-hour stop in Germany after harmonious discussions with European allies in Brussels, Belgium. Iran was a

prominent subject in his talks all along the way.

Stephen Hadley, the president's national security adviser, said at issue was "should there be a mix of carrots and sticks and who should the carrots come from and what should they be?"

Bush expressed general support for negotiations by Germany, Britain and France that offer Iran incentives to permanently abandon the uranium enrichment that is at the heart of its suspected nuclear weapons ambitions.

But the United States has resisted taking part in the European diplomacy and has insisted so far that Tehran should not be rewarded.

Germany has offered to sell Iran an Airbus aircraft and other nonmilitary items to encourage Tehran to keep negotiating and drop its nuclear program.

Bush has suggested that the best strategy might be to ask the United Nations Security Council to impose sanctions. "They were caught enrich-

ing uranium after they had signed a treaty saying they wouldn't enrich uranium," Bush said.

Iran, meanwhile, vowed not to give up its nuclear program - which it insists is for peaceful purposes - and said Bush was backtracking from the possibility of using military force.

Security was extraordinary for Bush's stay in Mainz, with all shops and streets shut down and most residents told to stay indoors behind closed shutters.

About 5,000 protesters braved the elements, including a wet snow, for a peaceful anti-Bush rally and parade far from the castle where Bush and Schroeder met.

Before leaving Germany, Bush stopped at the Wiesbaden Army Airfield to thank U.S. soldiers for fighting in Iraq. He said they had "acted in the great liberating tradition of our nation."

Schroeder was one of the fiercest critics of the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq and, even now, Germany refuses to send personnel to Baghdad to train

security forces. Germany also laments Bush's refusal to participate in an international climate change treaty and wants the United States to get involved in Europe's negotiations with Iran.

But, standing alongside Bush at a news conference, the chancellor said he did not want to dwell on well-known differences.

Bush, in a luncheon toast later, said his visit was intended to say that "past disagreements are behind us and we're moving forward for the good of mankind."

Cooperation was the mood of the day.

Referring to Iraq differences, Schroeder said, "That is the past. ... Now, our joint interest is that we come to a stable, democratic Iraq." Schroeder noted Germany is training Iraqi security officers in the United Arab Emirates.

Bush was grateful, saying Germany's contributions to Iraq's new government "are not limited, they're important."

Striving for unity, Bush and Schroeder demanded that Iran get out of the nuclear business, using near-identical words.



AP Photo/Charles Dharapak

President Bush, left, and German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder bid each other farewell after a visit to the Gutenberg Museum in Mainz, Germany, on Wednesday.

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- ~Most Improved Student Organization of the Year
- ~New Student Organization of the Year



Applications can be downloaded from <http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/leadership/awards.htm> or you can contact the Center for Student Leadership Development at 871-1435 or at leader@georgiasouthern.edu for more information. Applications are due Friday, March 11th by 5:00 pm!

Kappa Delta plans to host annual war of the wings

Special to the G-A

Kappa Delta Sorority will host their annual "War of the Wings" fundraiser from 3-6 p.m. on March 9.

The event is the sorority's annual effort to help raise money for child abuse prevention.

Hundreds of wings are being donated by local restaurants, and they will compete in a taste test conducted by attendees to see which restaurant has "The Best Wings in the Boro."

Tickets for the event are on sale for \$5.00 and can be purchased from any of the sisters of Kappa Delta or by visiting the KD house on Olympic Blvd.

Entertainment at the event will include several outdoor games such as tug-of-war; many door prizes; a moonwalk; a DJ; and much more.

This event is part of Kappa Delta's national Shamrock Event fundraising effort in which collegiate and alumnae members have raised over \$5 million since 1983.



File Photo

Members from the Kappa Delta sorority participate in last year's 'War of the Wings.'

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hard to detect because they can often be mistaken for the flu. GSU offers the Menomune version of the vaccine at all SOAR sessions and in the Russell Union Rotunda for \$75 during the fall semester.

Menomune is effective for up to five years, so students who have received it do not have to get the new vaccine, Menactra. Any student who doesn't receive the shot will be asked

to sign a waiver.

Once the production of Menactra is well on its way, GSU will be looking into replacing the old vaccine with the new.

For more information

Meningitis Foundation of America

1-800-668-1129

On the web

www.musa.org

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more incentives. In fact, he said that was the case when an industry was recently attempting to open in Cobb County, but ended up in Virginia.

When asked to comment, Governor Barnes and the Republican Chairman of the Cobb County Commission both said that openness had nothing to do with it.

"Having public access to meetings and documents is a fundamental principle of good government," said Hudson. "Before it is restricted there

should be compelling evidence of a need to do so and how the public interest will be overwhelmingly served in return for taking away this measure of the public right to know," says Hudson.

Hudson also stated that "Our government belongs to the people; not developers or even elected or appointed officials," added Hudson. "Citizens should have the unfettered opportunity to know who is being invited in, where, and at what price."

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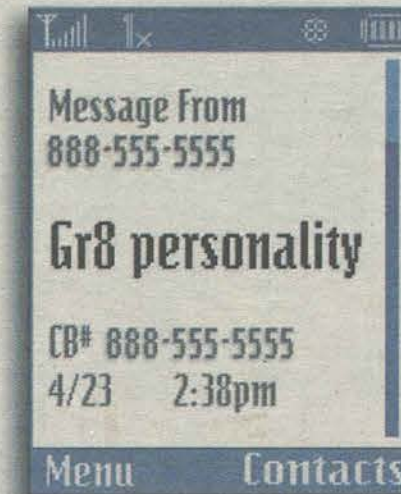
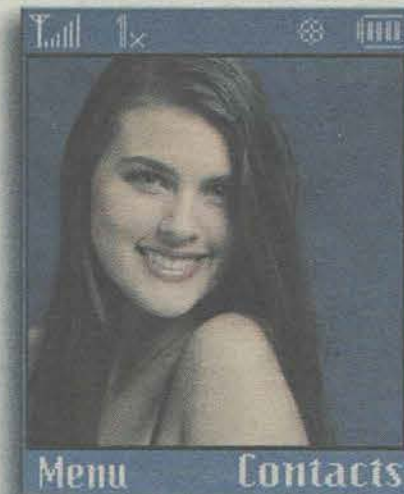
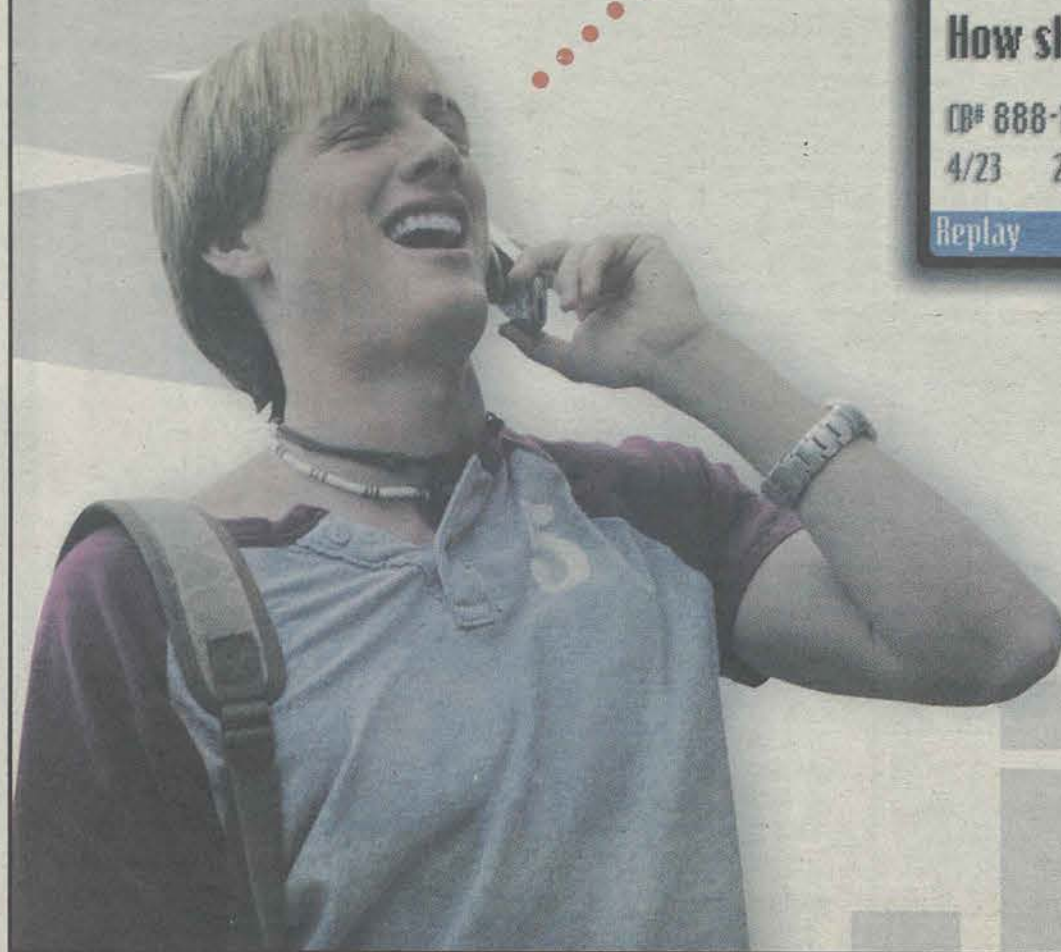
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Relationships & Sex

SPEAKING OF... Cyber sex



DeMarc Campbell
Columnist

In the beginning, there was sex. Then humanity became literate, and there were love letters. The march of technology gave birth to phone sex, and now, thanks to the omnipresent microprocessor, there's cybersex — the online way to get virtually laid.

Unlike online cruising, where the ultimate aim is a face-to-face (or shaft-to-shaft) meeting in real life, cybersex is an orgasm in itself, one-handed typing at its finest. At its best, it's a literary collaboration between two (or more) horny guys who spin out a short story starring themselves.

"There are times I'm horny and crave more contact than just porn, but I can't deal with actually having sex," says a cybersex junkie. "So I sign online, find a partner, and the two of us trade instant messages till everyone's happy."

It certainly is nice to have the kind of sex you don't have to shower or shave for, but it does have its pitfalls. For one thing, you have absolutely no idea who's really sending you those instant messages or snuggling up to you in that chat room (although sometimes that's not a bad thing).

"A certain amount of lying is only to be expected online," says one cruiser who's been around the cyber-block. "But since it's all in the realm of fantasy, who cares?"

Which is all well and good, unless you're actually chatting with an undercover police officer or a spying member of the Moral Majority. It's when the borders between cybersex and the non-virtual world break down that things tend to get sticky.

Realistically, there's no use hoping to meet that hot,

hunky guy who is in reality a Florida father of three (twice divorced) with time on his hands and a flair for dirty words. (You'd think that an online exchange of pictures would provide proof of identity, but it's just as easy to steal someone's GIF as to pretend you're packing 10 inches.)

The flip side of that anonymity is the opportunity cybersex provides to experiment safely with another person. Women who'd never consider letting a guy tie them up in real life can comfortably play a bondage bad girl online, and if imagination and reality aren't quite the same thing, at least the real-time back-and-forth with a cyber-hottie can make things interesting.

Because cyber sex takes place, ultimately, in the brain, not everyone will be terrific at it. A guy who's great in bed may be lousy at the keyboard. Just as phone-sex conversations often mirror the stripped-down language of porn videos, cybersex borrows heavily from erotica: "Oh, yeah, harder, harder!" or "Now I'm sucking that big, dripping tool of yours."

Those who truly get off on reading (or even writing) dirty stories or verbal-abuse fantasies are most likely to love cyber, while those who are too busy pleasing themselves to type anything more than "ok" or "ohhhh" are less than likely to please the demanding cyber-sexer.

"Sometimes," says a nasty cyber-top, "I'm coming up with these elaborate scenarios and all the other person can come up with is a syllable or two. I might as well be talking to myself."

Despite all that, the brain is, as they say, the largest sex organ. And for those of us in search of a sweaty

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SGA wants YOU, typical GSU student



Luke Hearn
news editor

What is SGA exactly? This acronym is often scattered throughout flyers and publications on campus—including *The George-Anne*. But what does it mean to anyone?

For one, this body, known otherwise as the Student Government Association, is the governing body of the university made up of student representatives. This is the group that makes many decisions on matters regarding Georgia Southern, and they also give feedback to the administration about various issues that affect students.

The reason I bring up SGA is because the group is taking applications (or nominations) for elections until Friday of this week. Positions for which applications will be accepted include senators—which represent each college on campus—vice president positions (there are four of these) and, oh yeah, there is the office of head honcho, also known as the president (hey, that would make you the student equivalent of Dr. Bruce Grube... isn't that cool!?)

The process is fairly simple: if interested for a certain position, go to the Student Activities Center located in the Russell Union, get an application/nomination form and fill it out. Then, next week you will go to a meeting about running for office. Then you're official and can start campaigning, a process that will last until after Spring Break, when GSU-wide elections will take place.

I encourage everyone to run for SGA. If it weren't a conflict of interest with my current work, I would love to serve GSU via the SGA. However, since I cannot, I will live vicariously through those of you willing to brave the battle of campaigning and actually getting out there—growing some hair on your, er, chests—and talking to the students, telling them how you will help make things better.

OK, I'll stop rambling. I just want everyone to understand that serving the university in some fashion of the other is important, and what better way to do it than to serve as one of GSU's politicians?

Lasso love at redneck Web site

By Eric Edwards
The Orlando Sentinel

In this increasingly specialized world of ours, there is literally something for everybody. From cars to magazines to men's razors, there's such a variety that one never need use the same product twice.

It seems there's a perfect combination of goods and services to satisfy every possible permutation of the human personality.

And we know that what is true of the world is true of the Web. Dating Web sites have become so specific that it won't be long before I'll find 100 e-mails telling me how to find romance in my ZIP code.

Actually, I already get 100 e-mails a day offering to hook me up with hot, lonely local ladies. But I have a feeling it might cost me 99 cents a minute.

Online dating has become very specific to individual needs.

For young singles looking for a good time, there's lavalife.com, which lets viewers categorize their search by a) dating; b) relationship; or c) intimate encounter.

For those looking for lasting love, eharmony.com claims to be the site to turn to "when you're ready to find the love of your life."

But you may ask: "Eric, those sites are for the uptown crowd; I'm a little more down-to-earth. Where can I go to find true love?"

Well, if by down-to-earth you mean you drive a pickup truck, know all of Tim McGraw's songs by heart and have plans to make a pilgrimage to Dale Earnhardt's Garage Mahal in Mooresville, N.C., then I have the Web site for you.

I give you *redneckandsingle.com*.

In the name of science, I decided to take a jog through the site to figure out what sort

of things a redneck would be searching for in a significant other. Turns out rednecks are pretty much like the rest of us until it comes time to list their hobbies and tastes, which run the gamut from raisin' critters to raisin' crops to fixin' stuff.

For sport, those who will employ this site can choose favorites from the following: fishin', four-wheelin', muddin' and shootin' pool. And after a long day partaking of these activities, your potential redneck mate likes to dine on fried catfish, biscuits 'n' gravy or meat 'n' taters.

The site was founded by Kevin McIntosh of Winston-Salem, N.C., who saw this venture as a way to connect rednecks who find themselves living in an increasingly un-redneck age.

"When Billy Ray moves from his hometown to a huge city such as Atlanta, he no longer has his Aunt Betty Jo around to introduce him to a Tammy Jo or a Tina Rae," McIntosh says. "The absence of those fix-ups is a threat to the perpetuation of the redneck culture. I'm hoping redneckandsingle.com can become like a virtual Aunt Betty Jo."

So if hitting the wine bar and then going home to your loft to catch the last 20 minutes of *Queer Eye for the Straight Guy* is not your thing, redneckandsingle.com might be perfect.

Who knows, if you hurry and register as a "redneckman" or "redneckwoman," you might even lasso a date for your annual Valentine's, cow-tippin' trip (listed under sports on the Web site).

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When Marilyn and Audrey defined dreams

By Karen Heller
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Let us repair to an earlier time when the nation was yet to be exhausted from a culture war. People remained unworried about cartoon sponges and cartoon bunnies and hidden messages in everything. Clint Eastwood was merely a gun-toting, monosyllabic thug, not some artist making resonant movies prompting audiences to think.

The world then was simply split between Marilyn and Audrey.

Women and even men, straight and of the possible cartoon sponge variety, chose to worship at the altar of Monroe or Hepburn, a fervor that can continue to this day. They don't make icons like them anymore. Who dreams of being Cameron Diaz? Today's stars make more yet insist on looking like us — or worse, dirty hair and sloppy clothes — while we insist on knowing too much about them.

You can't aspire to being a Marilyn and an Audrey, though both are impossible ideals. Logic has nothing to do with aspiration. So some women keep trying to be like one or the other, despite little things getting in the way. Like hips.

Marilyn is forever young, and always American. Audrey is ageless, utterly international. Marilyn is sensual while Audrey is elegant. Marilyn is a broad; Audrey, a lady. One is all about curves, and the other, angles. Marilyn is a question, an enigma, while Audrey is a statement.

Marilyn remains little girl lost, except she was never little. She is all about the flesh, the translucency of emotions, need and vulnerability, with that blow-out-the-candle whisper. As a girl, my sister adored her and kept a library of books as an altar, Mailer's love letter always open.

Marilyn always left me cold — not as cold as Liz Taylor, but don't even get me started on that one.

Like all acolytes, my sister still feels Marilyn was misunderstood, mistreated and far smarter than credited.

Why else would Arthur Miller marry her?, Marylins are prone to ask.

Because she looked like that, we Audreys answer.

Truly smart people need no defense, and won't risk appearing dumb, even in the name of art or box office.

Audrey, with half Monroe's avoirdupois, her strained voice a note from cracking, turned out to be tougher, with more staying power on this earth. She was grounded, while Monroe seemed like a helium balloon, about to take flight along with that spectacular white dress.

Audrey was mature, sophisticated in her early 20s in "Roman Holiday," always regal. Hollywood paired her up with movie giants twice her age. She never seemed girly. Hepburn could do naive, petrified, but never weak or stupid. Everything that worked for her — flat chest, wingspan eyebrows, a leotard or man's shirt as suitable clothing — did nothing for most everyone else, despite decades of trying.

Every few years or so, a new Audrey is declared. Which is wrong, the kiss of death. (Where, precisely, is Julia Ormond? How could Jennifer Love Hewitt — even her name is preposterous — imagine she could ape her style?) You do not try to recreate perfection, though naughty designers can't help themselves. You simply stand back in awe.

Marilyn is never revived except as camp — drag queens, send-ups, an ossified Madonna stance with not a whiff of sexuality. Madonna is Monroe's opposite, all muscle and finance. Marilyn is of a time fixed through her armor and liaisons, the demigods of their day dwarfing Monroe in determination. This makes Marylins wish to protect her all the more.

She was so misunderstood, they plead. They want to mother her.

"If only she had more therapy," says my sister, the social worker.

A victim, we Audreys answer, an eternal child. Our heroine lived to mother — her own sons, as well as poor children when she served as an active UNICEF goodwill ambassador.

She grew older. She stayed perfect. She avoided transforming her life into a tragedy suitable for a Norman Mailer fantasy. Marilyn was never going to avoid such a fate. She always was doomed, while Audrey seemed blessed, a survivor.

My sister looks and acts no more like Marilyn than I, alas, resemble Audrey, despite years of trying. They're just fanciful dreams dancing in our heads.

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Editorials from Around the Nation

Conservative Political Conference: Romancing the young

The following editorial appeared in the Philadelphia Inquirer on Tuesday, Feb. 22:

Gazing at his audience in Washington last Thursday night, Vice President Cheney welcomed the "many young folks who will be the conservative leaders of tomorrow."

Among those attending the annual Conservative Political Action Conference were about 2,000 college students. The conference displayed the impressive gains that the conservative movement has made on college campuses. That's healthy for the national political dialogue.

Progressive groups such as College Democrats of America have long been a political force, with annual conferences and grassroots organizing. While conservatism has been growing among college students for a decade or more, many of those students still report feeling isolated and excluded on their campuses.

That is a common theme for conservatives, even as they seize more and more of the levers of power in the land: "They" are against us; "they" persecute us and despise our values. This sense of heroic victimhood inside a hostile culture has long been one of the animating forces of the conservative movement. It's useful, so it endures, despite the movement's recent electoral triumphs.

For recent Penn State graduate Peter "Toby" Eberhart of Lansdowne, Pa., the event "served as reinforcement."

Said Frank Luna Jr., a senior at Richard Stockton College of New Jersey: "It's weird to see so many young

people who think the same way. You're sheltered from it on campus."

It might shock Democrats to learn that some of these students don't see President Bush as a true conservative.

"As far as his deal with immigration and education, a lot of people think he's not conservative enough," said Steve Sterner of Yardley, a senior at Kutztown University in Pennsylvania. Brian Swank, a junior at Kutztown, said he doesn't think Bush's plan for private accounts in Social Security goes far enough.

"I honestly don't believe we should have Social Security," Swank said. "I believe everybody should save up for their own retirement."

Anyone who disagrees with such views had better recognize that the students who hold them are a political force to be reckoned with.

Karl Rove, the president's top political adviser, made that clear when he urged the students at CPAC to volunteer for the re-election push of Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa.

If you don't have a tight race in your state, "make your reservations right now for a Motel 6 ... in Pennsylvania," Rove said, "and help this good man get re-elected. He is going to be a target."

Apparently, those "trial run" polls that give state Treasurer Bob Casey Jr. a slight lead over Santorum have gotten Rove's attention.

The students gave Santorum's speech three standing ovations. So don't be surprised if you see them soon at a GOP rally near you.

DID YA HEAR THE ONE ABOUT ...?

Conservatives are in a merry mood these days. Here's a sampling of political slogans and one-liners from the Conservative Political Action Conference in Washington:

- Internet strategist Steve Castleton, commenting on Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton's move to the center on the abortion issue: "The only time she was pro-life is when she let Bill live after she found out about Monica."
- Some bumper stickers for sale at the conference:
 - "Visualize no liberals."
 - "So you're a feminist - isn't that cute."
 - "Keep honking - I'm reloading."

- "Save the males."
- Political button spotted on a young woman's purse: "Republican women like men."
- Grover Norquist, influential president of Americans for Tax Reform: "I'm originally from Massachusetts, but I emigrated to America when I was young."
- And this joke, from a panelist: The matriarch of a conservative family lapses into a coma and is placed on life support. The doctor explains to the woman's son that she will not recover. "Her heart is still beating, but her brain is dead," the doctor says. "Oh my gosh," the son exclaims. "That makes her the first liberal in our family."

CAMPBELL, FROM PAGE 4

mental workout, cybering can be big fun. It can also be a boon for the closeted freak, the inexperienced newbie and the ultra shy.

Like all good things, though, it can be overdone. Someone who spends all their time talking nasty via the computer should get out, get a life and relate to flesh-and-blood people.

But, like anything else, cyber can be a great dish in the banquet of sex when used in moderation. Want proof? Listen, I'm sitting here imagining you reading this, and it makes me hot, makes me want to get naked. I'm taking my pants off and reaching down to... well, you get the idea.

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Eagles look to end '05 season strong

By Jason Burke
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The Southern Conference men's basketball tournament tips off Wednesday March 3rd at the North Charleston Coliseum.

The Eagles would like to watch the festivities from the stands on Wednesday, which could be achieved by receiving the number two seed in the South division. Standing between them and their goal is the winner of Wednesday's Furman/College of Charleston contest and an upset Saturday at the hands of East Tennessee State.

The Winner of the Paladins and Cougars game moves into a second place tie with the Eagles and could overtake them for the number two spot.

The Eagles will try to do their part by taking care of business Saturday at Hanner Field House against East Tennessee State (4-11 SoCon). It is also important because coming off three consecutive losses, the Eagles need to gain some semblance of momentum entering the tournament.

The number two seed would also assure the Eagles would miss undefeated Davidson until at least the semi finals which will take place on Friday March the fifth. However, the Eagles played Davidson tough on the road and seem to be able to create some mismatches against the Wildcats with their speed.

Considering the Eagles road woes this season (5-9), they still match up well with Furman or College of Charleston which they showed by defeating both convincingly at home.

The Eagles will need to avoid getting behind by large deficits early, shoot well from beyond the arc and get mammoth performances from Terry Williams and leading scorer Elton Nesbitt to play for the title on Saturday.

On paper, the Eagles match up well with every team in the tournament, and after Wednesday's tip-off, anything can happen. If the Eagles play great basketball next weekend, they will take a trip to the big dance.

SoCon BASKETBALL STANDINGS

Team	Conf. W-L	Overall W-L
Davidson	15-0	19-7
GSU	9-6	16-12
Col. of Charleston	8-6	16-9
Furman	8-6	15-11
Wofford	7-8	14-12
Citadel	4-11	12-14

Eagle softball splits doubleheader at Georgia State

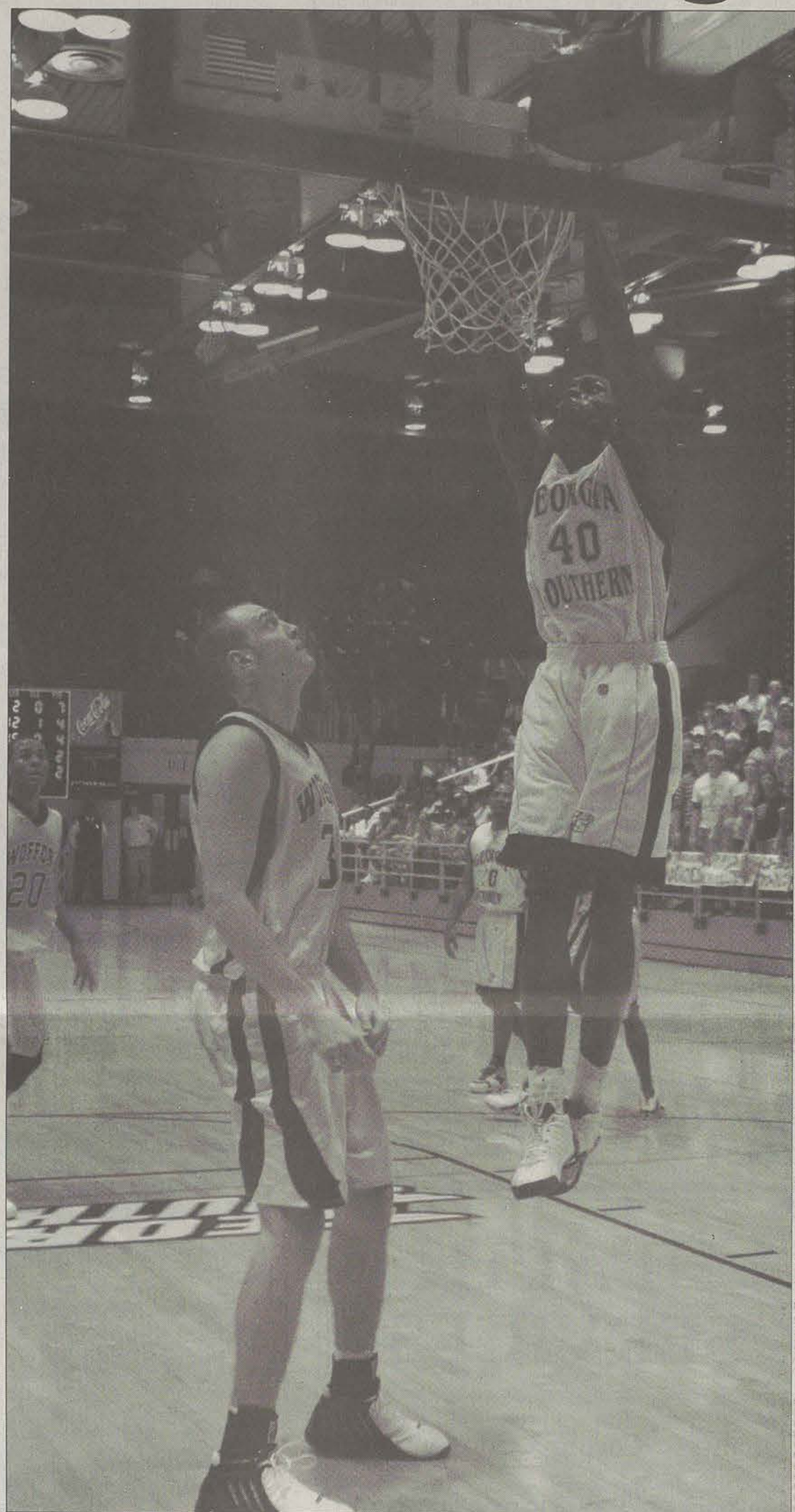
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PANTHERSVILLE, Ga. - The Georgia Southern softball team fell 1-0 in the first game of a twinbill at Georgia State, but took a comeback 5-4 win in game two Wednesday afternoon at Bob Heck Field.

GAME 1: GA State 1, GSU 0
After stranding a runner in the first inning of Wednesday's opener, the Eagles had another runner on base in the second after pitcher Tiffany Urena singled into center. However, Urena was called out when, on her way to second base, she inadvertently kicked a ball off the bat of Ciera Dunn.

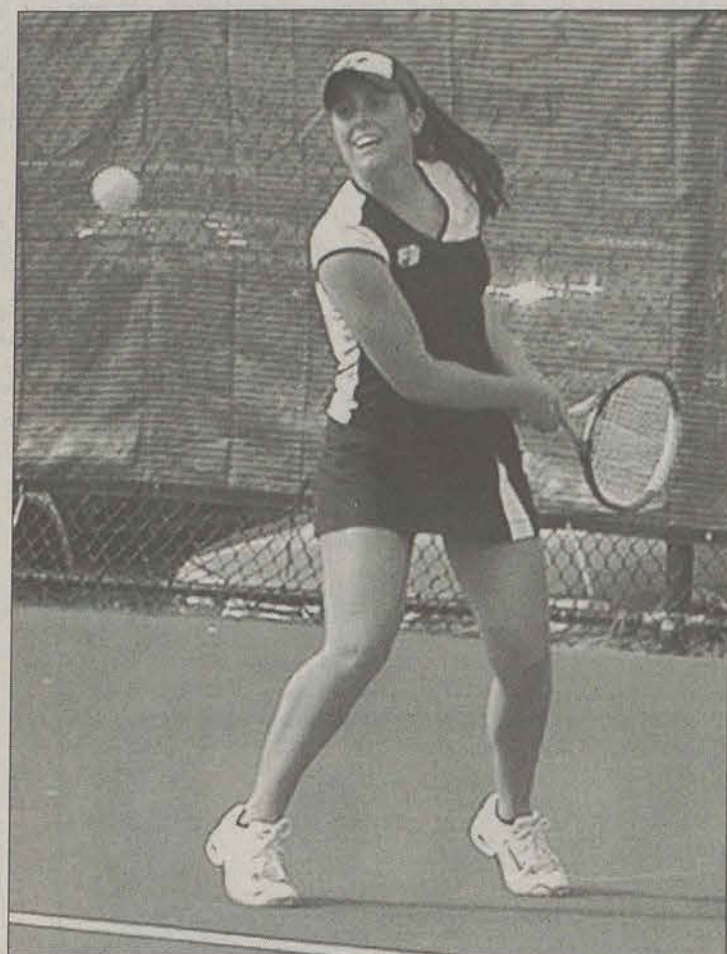
In the bottom of the second, the Eagles used some keen defense to prevent the Panthers from scoring, as centerfielder Shanita Black threw Jess Gowin out at the plate, Black's third outfield assist of the season.

Two innings later, Georgia State was able to score their only run thanks to a double from the bat of Alison Bradford. Bradford took a pitch from Urena and drove it into right center, bringin Mary Kathryn Branan home all the way from first. The Panthers continued to threaten, but the inning ended without any further scoring when Black made another great defensive play, diving to catch a liner off the bat of Pamela O'Neal.



Freshman Louis Graham dunks over a Wofford player earlier this season. The Eagles went on to beat the Terriers 79-76.

Katie Anderson/STAFF



Brian O'Connor/STAFF

Heather Reynolds sets to hit a back hand in singles play.

Lady Eagles tennis record 5-2 victory over Charleston Southern

GSU Athletic Media Relations

The Georgia Southern women's tennis team posted their second victory of the season Wednesday afternoon at Hanner Courts, winning 5-2 against Charleston Southern. The Eagles swept the doubles matches and followed by capturing four of the six singles matches.

The Eagles were able to get off to a good start in the match, winning the doubles point for the first time since their season opener against Florida A&M on Jan. 22.

The No. 1 doubles pairing of Ciara Finucane and Szilvia Zsakay improved to 4-1 in dual matches with their 8-5 triumph over Meryam Tazi and Bec Franz. The efforts of the other two teams helped too, as Heather Reynolds and Stephanie Tyrell won 8-2 against Patricia Jaeger and Nazli Kutuk at No. 2, and the familiar pairing of Charlotte Bruneteaux and Kim Wollett defeated Jessica Bair and Ashley Heard 8-1 at the No. 3 spot.

The early 1-0 lead seemed to propel the Eagles toward victory as they won the first four singles matches in straight sets to seize the victory.

Finucane, playing at No. 2, turned in one of her best performances of the season and posted a straight-set

victory against Franz (6-3, 6-3). Zsakay captured her team-leading fourth win, disposing of Kutuk at No. 4 (6-4, 6-1). Wollett also won, defeating Heard 6-2, 6-3 at No. 6. The Eagles' last singles victory came from Reynolds, who won the first set 6-3 against Bair and fought back from a 0-4 deficit in the second to win 6-4 at the No. 5 slot. Amy Pazahanick, who has been sidelined with an injury, got on the courts as well and recorded an 8-0 win against Kim Kennedy in an exhibition match.

Tyrell, playing at the No. 1 position, and Bruneteaux, slotted third, were the only Eagle players to end up with a loss, but they were both decided by third-set super tiebreakers.

With the win, GSU (2-3) snaps a three-game skid. Charleston Southern falls to 1-3 on the year. The victory will be valuable as the Eagles head toward a weekend full of tennis. They will square off Saturday (Feb. 26) at 11:00 a.m. against Winthrop, a NCAA tournament participant last year, before playing their Southern Conference opener Sunday against Wofford at 1:30 p.m. Both matches are part of a GSU tennis doubleheader and will be played at Hanner Courts.

Baseball travels to Athens this weekend

By Trevor Long
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This weekend, the Georgia Southern baseball team will be traveling to the University of Georgia to face the No. 6 ranked Bulldogs.

GSU (2-4) is looking to hand UGA (4-0) their first two losses of the season. That might be hard to do. UGA's team ERA on this young season is a miniscule 1.18 while GSU's pitching has been less than spectacular with the Eagles posting a 7.47 ERA.

The Eagles are banking on their hitting and their stellar speed on the base paths to punch a hole in the Bulldog defense.

Look forward to a lot of fireworks from these two teams this weekend as the Eagles fly into Athens hoping to bite back at the Bulldogs and show them who's the boss in this fierce in-state rivalry.

First pitch on Saturday will be at 3 p.m. at Foley field and 1 p.m. on Sunday. GSU will complete their road trip with a March 1 game at Georgia Tech.

GSU Baseball by the Numbers

Record: 2-4	Top Pitchers:
Top Hitters:	Steve Cogswell 1-0, 4.50 ERA, 1 SV
Logan Phillips .526, 2HR, 5RBI	Everett Teaford 0-1, 6.00 ERA, 11K
Jason Hurst .455, 1HR, 4RBI	Josh Lairsey 1-1, 7.36 ERA, 12K
James Payne .417, 0HR, 3RBI	
Team - Hitting: .311, 8HR, 32RBI	Pitching: 2-4, 7.47 ERA, 49K

RUGBY, FROM PAGE 1

remained, however.

"I felt like we had one of the best teams in GSU history," said rugby coach Matt Williams, after practice on Wednesday. "We're still going to play games but they just don't count."

GSU finished fifth in the national division II collegiate standings last season losing only to Salisbury State and Arkansas State. Both teams eventually ended up in the national championship game at Vanderbilt, where Salisbury St. went on to win.

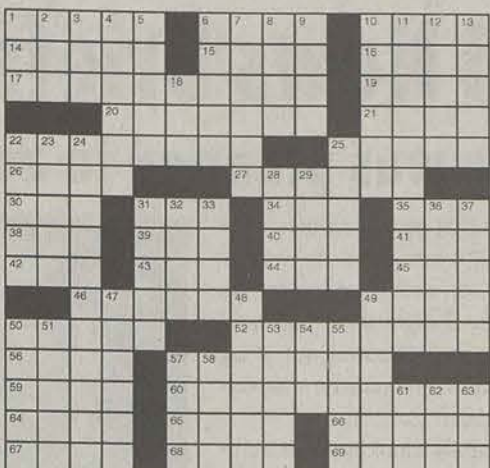
Three seniors on the team that include Jonathan Leonard, Clint Barber and Kelvin Coles will finish their collegiate careers without the hopes of a national championship.

GSU hosts Eagle Classic this Weekend

Record: 5-10		
Friday- Double header		Saturday-
vs. St. Francis (PA) TBA		vs. Morehead State TBA
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6 Imitated
10 Cracked, in a way
14 Sneeze sound
15 Epic tale
16 Nevada city
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19 Gear teeth
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39 "William Wilson" writer
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43 To the point
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57 Of spiteful ill-humor
59 Italian treat
60 Insect repellent
64 Overdo the mothering
65 Employs
66 Cold feet
67 Lip
68 Act bravely
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2 Poker bullet
3 Org. of Flyers
4 Compel by force
5 Remain floating in air
7 Matched up
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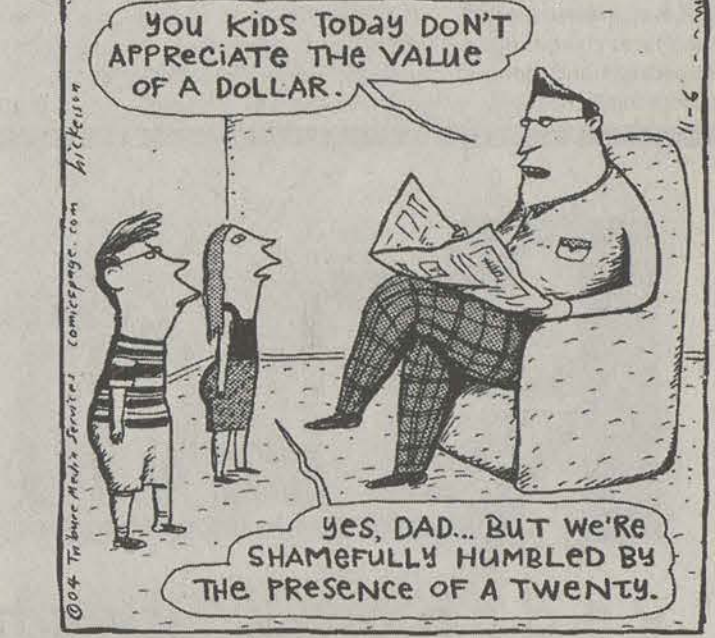
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Only in America

Naked man jumps into wrong car

Key West — A drunk Monroe County prosecutor thought it would be funny to run naked across a parking lot and hop into a friend's car.

But the joke was on him when he jumped into the wrong car and was arrested.

Albert Tasker told authorities he had been drinking with friends and thought it would be funny to shed his clothes and run to a friend's car in the parking lot of a Key West motel.

But Tasker apparently got in the back seat of a car occupied by a woman waiting for her boyfriend.

The woman screamed and her boyfriend appeared.

After the woman called 911, a Key West police officer found Tasker in the middle of the parking lot.

Tasker, 28, was arrested Monday morning and faces charges of disorderly intoxication and indecent exposure, both misdemeanors.

Tasker has been placed on administrative leave without pay and his office is conducting an internal review of the incident.

Laser pointer just wanted to say hello

Lakewood — He wanted the pilots to say hello by flashing the lights on their airplanes or dipping their wings.

So the man shined his green-light laser at several commercial airplanes flying over earlier this week, Pierce County sheriff's investigators believe.

Acting on a tip from a neighbor, sheriff's deputies and police officers arrested the 25-year-old man Thursday. They believe he's responsible for a series of laser-pointing incidents.

Pierce County sheriff's investigators say the man's actions were criminal, even though he apparently didn't intend to cause harm. As part of their investigation, detectives are working to determine whether the man knew right from wrong.

Investigators booked the man into jail on suspicion of nine counts of first-degree unlawful discharge of a laser, a felony.

If convicted, he could face up to five years in prison.

Woman sees Jesus in door

Pharr — A Pharr, Texas woman says she has spotted Jesus Christ on her home door.

Cynthia Arredondo says she showed two people the images before she contacted the news stations.

She says she wanted to know if anyone else could spot the images of Jesus or was it just her.

Because of a dream she had, Arredondo says she was called to the door where the images were shown.

Arredondo says she had always noticed one image that looked like the face of Christ, but after her dream, she saw a total of three images.

Arredondo says she believes the images are the work of God.

National News Briefs

Journalist's suicide was planned in advance

Denver, CO. — Journalist Hunter S. Thompson did not take his life "in a moment of haste or anger or despondency" and probably planned his suicide well in advance because of his declining health, the family's spokesman said Wednesday.

Douglas Brinkley, a historian and author who edited some of Thompson's work, said the founder of "gonzo" journalism shot himself Sunday night after weeks of pain from a host of physical problems that included a broken leg and a hip replacement.

"I think he made a conscious

decision that he had an incredible run of 67 years, lived the way he wanted to, and wasn't going to suffer the indignities of old age," Brinkley said. "He was not going to let anybody dictate how he was going to die."

The family is looking into whether Thompson's cremated remains can be blasted out of a cannon, a wish the gun-loving writer often expressed, Brinkley said.

Thompson is famous for the book "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas" and other works of New Journalism.



Night Musick owner Marc Williams, right, hopes his company can scatter Thompson's ashes amid a massive bloom of color about 600 feet into the sky.

Abortion waiting periods approved by House

ATLANTA — Women seeking abortions in Georgia would get new warnings about the procedure's health risks, and a 24-hour waiting period, under a bill approved overwhelmingly in the state House Wednesday.

The bill, long the top priority of abortion opponents, also tightens parental notification requirements for minors. Parents would have to give permission in person, not just in writing, before a minor could have an abortion.

The measure also calls for a brochure to be given to patients, which would include fetal pictures and would tell pregnant women that fathers are financially responsible for the child, even if they don't want it or offered to pay for an abortion.

The bill passed 139-35 and now heads to the Senate for consideration.

Cleanup begins after storms kill nine

Los Angeles, CA. — The sun began poking through the clouds Wednesday as California emergency crews shifted into cleanup mode after a six-day drenching that killed at least nine people, destroyed dozens of houses and flooded roads and airports.

The Transportation Department hurried to clear at least 20 major roads closed by mudslides and flooding, and in Malibu, crews prepared to destroy a boulder the size of a house that dangled precariously above the Pacific Coast Highway, held back by only a retaining wall.

Snow: Public skeptical on social security

WASHINGTON — Treasury Secretary John Snow acknowledged Wednesday that the Bush administration has not yet succeeded in selling its plan for Social Security to the American people, and said backers would continue to travel the country educating people about the program's problems.

President Bush has traveled to eight states to conduct campaign-style Social Security events, stressing that the system faces long-term financial straits.

Supporters in Congress, armed with GOP-prepared materials, are holding meetings with constituents all over the country this week to try and build support.

Wavering members of Congress are holding similar meetings to gauge public opinion.

Bird flu vaccines to be tested

WASHINGTON — Amid dire warnings of an Asian pandemic, the government is preparing to test an experimental bird flu vaccine and is increasing disease surveillance in hopes of reducing the toll from any eventual American outbreak.

Antiviral drugs are being stockpiled just in case and 2 million doses of vaccine are being stored in bulk form.

Prisons devote dorms to Bible studies

ALAMO — Twenty-four inmates, imprisoned for crimes from forgery to murder, sit around tables bolted to the concrete floor for the day's lesson in anger management: even Jesus could have a hot temper.

The story is that of Jesus driving the money changers from the Temple of Jerusalem.

The moral Chaplain Ron Day imparts on the prisoners is that anger isn't evil, as long as it is controlled and used for good.

"The Bible tells us it's OK to get angry, but..." Day says, pausing for a response. "SIN NOT!" the inmates answer, quoting Ephesians 4:26.

Religious studies and observances don't end with this hourlong daily lesson inside this dormitory at the 700 Unit of Wheeler Correctional Facility, a medium-security prison in southern Georgia.

It's just one of a growing number of programs in prisons across the nation that incorporate religion into just about every phase of the rehabilitation.

Attorney charged with laundering drug money

Miami, FL. — A prominent attorney with a list of celebrity clients was charged Wednesday with covering up a loan to an Atlanta organization backed with \$500,000 in drug profits and coaching a federal grand jury witness to lie about it.

Sam Burstyn made his initial appearance on charges of money-laundering conspiracy, conspiracy to obstruct justice, obstruction of justice and procuring false testimony in Fort Lauderdale.

The charges stem from a \$498,250 loan made by Burstyn to an undisclosed owner of Auto Fund of Atlanta in 1998, for which he took drug money as collateral, prosecutors charged.

Jeffrey Tobin, who was indicted on marijuana smuggling charges last year, and an Auto Fund owner, repaid part of the high-interest loan with checks,

but Burstyn was unwilling to use the cash collateral as repayment "because of possible detection by law enforcement," the indictment said.

Burstyn acted as "house counsel" for the \$80 million marijuana smuggling venture, which allegedly moved marijuana from Mexico to stash houses in Phoenix and Tucson, Arizona and on to Florida since 1991, the indictment charged.

Burstyn advised drug defendant Jeffrey Tobin to flee to avoid arrest and organized meetings to solicit false and misleading testimony from grand jury witnesses, prosecutors charged.

He also tried to cover up the loan by advising a grand jury witness to falsely deny receiving any money from Tobin's brother David in 2003.

1,100 World Trade Center victims remain unidentified

New York, N.Y. — The city medical examiner's office says it has exhausted all efforts to identify the remains of those killed at the World Trade Center, confirming the heartbreaking truth for the many Sept. 11 families who wanted something, anything, to bury.

In the 3 1/2 years since the attack, forensic scientists have identified the remains of nearly 1,600 of the dead. But the families are now being told that the limits of DNA technology have been reached, leaving more than 1,100 of the victims unidentified.

For many of the families, any hope that their loved ones' remains might be found had all but slipped away long ago.

They buried caskets with photographs and mementos instead of bodies. On holidays, they visit grave-stones that mark nothing but a spot in the earth.

U.S. says suspect in Bush plot not tortured

WASHINGTON — A Virginia man accused of plotting with al-Qaida to kill President Bush should be held indefinitely, federal prosecutors said Wednesday in court filings that also rejected his contention that he was tortured while held in Saudi Arabia.

At a court hearing a day earlier in Alexandria, Va., 23-year-old Ahmed Abu Ali offered to display scars on his back as proof that he was tortured by Saudi authorities.

In their filing Wednesday, prosecutors said, "There is no credible evidence to support those claims."

Judge extends stay in right-to-die case

Clearwater, FL. — A judge Wednesday extended an order keeping brain-damaged Terri Schiavo's feeding tube in place, saying he needed time to decide whether her parents should be allowed to pursue further efforts to keep her husband from removing her life support.

State Circuit Court Judge George Greer extended until 5 p.m. Friday an emergency stay that was to expire Wednesday afternoon.

He said he needs to decide whether her parents, Robert and Mary Schindler, can have more time to determine if she has greater mental capabilities than previously thought.

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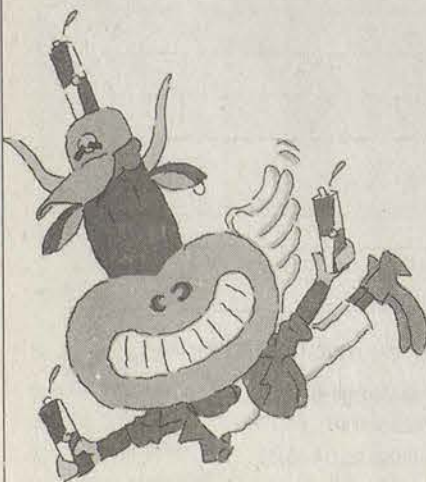
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Local musicians combine to jazz things up

French Quarter Café offers live entertainment with a classy twist

By Amanda Permenter
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Those seeking an avenue got an interstate last Saturday night when members of student jazz group Savannah Avenue teamed up with several other local musicians at The French Quarter Café.

Essentially, three bands were on stage that night. Student sensation Savannah Avenue, teamed with a two-man group called The Y'all Stars (not to be confused with a bluegrass band of the same name that plays around Brooklyn, NY) and a local husband-wife team. The artists and music were so cohesive, we were surprised to learn that many of the eleven artists who took the stage had never played together before that night.

Patti Kelly, who joined the crew with her husband Ryan Kelly, sang lead vocals on soulful classics like "Fever" and "Chain of Fools." Patti's a first-grade teacher, an alumna of Georgia Southern and doesn't look a day over 22. Don't even try taking pictures of her—her energetic shimmy will blur your film faster than a speeding bullet.

Ryan doubles as an electric and upright bassist who stood in for Savannah Avenue's Mario Peterson most of the night and makes up half of The Y'all Stars. The other half is lead guitarist Toby Harris, by far the most animated of the artists, and also the most seasoned. He takes his music to heart, that's plain to see. And when he and Ryan perform together, it's also easy to see why they're in a group of their own.

Combined with Lee Jenkins on rhythm guitar, a fellow who seemed content fading into the background all night, the self-proclaimed "older" cast of musicians formed an impressive—if

somewhat scattered—quartet.

What really glued that fabulous four together was the young talent they supported. Savannah Avenue consists of six Georgia Southern students: Clinton Patterson on trumpet, saxophonist Brad Rikard, guitarist James Smith, bassist Mario Peterson, a keyboardist mysteriously known as "Q," and a drummer band members would only refer to as "C.J."

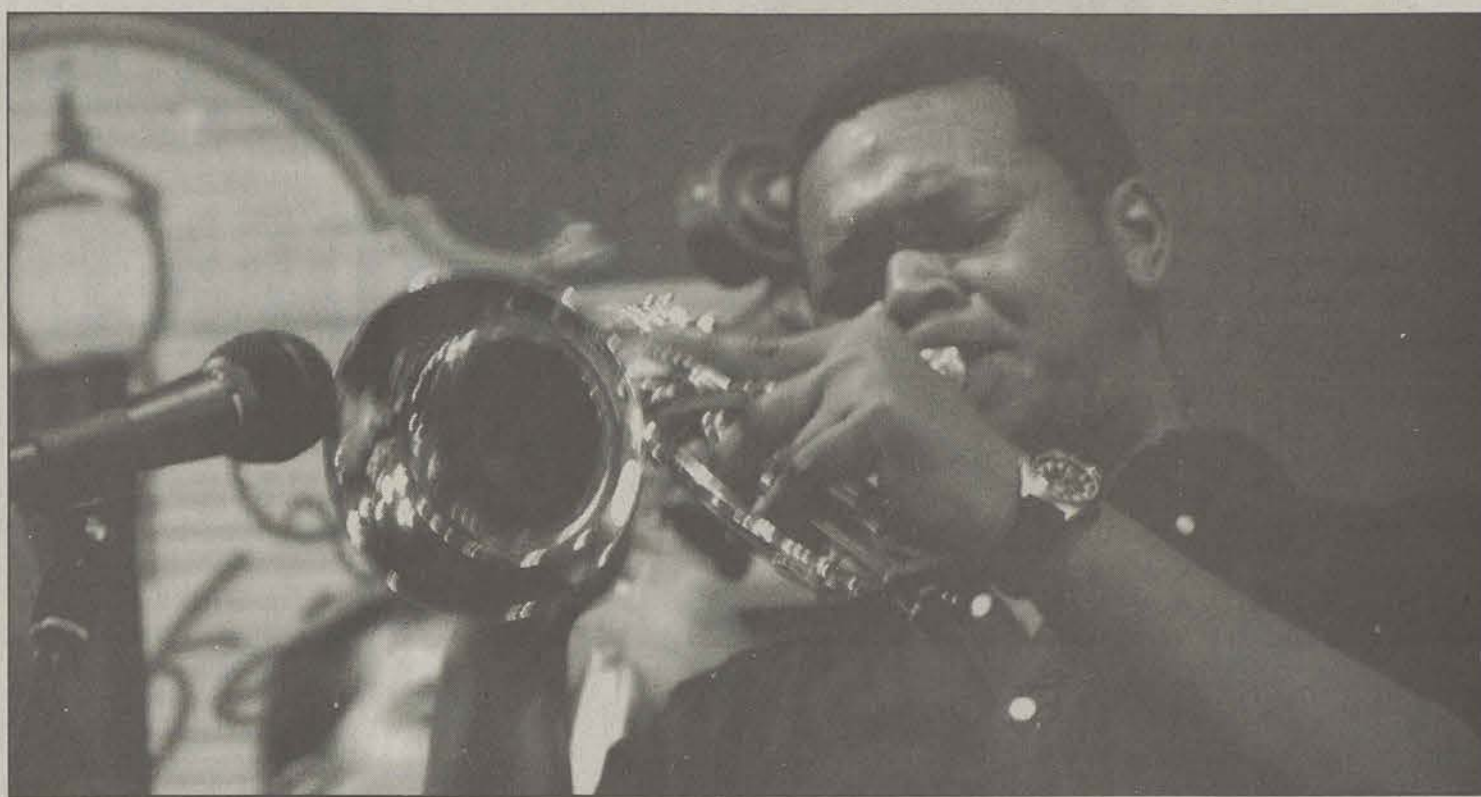
Let's get to know them better.

In Saturday's performance, drummer D. Coore took over for an absent C.J., tapping out rhythms with enough soul and skill to give any renowned jazz percussionist a run for his money. Keeping the beat for the eight or so musicians who were playing at any given time must've been a high task. But Coore made it look like easy bake.

At one point in the show, keyboardist Q tossed some sheet music off stage as if to say he either didn't require it or would much rather improvise. He seemed to know just when to play straight-up grand piano, synthesize or switch to a strings effect. Dressed more for a Public Enemy concert than a jazz jam, Q left stereotypes about young artists hanging on a bass clef by a thin thread.

Though bassist Peterson only played for a few songs in the middle of the performance, that was long enough to showcase his talent. The music took on a distinctly different voice while he was on stage—a slightly more funky, but respectfully modern sound.

Lead guitarist James Smith, dressed for success in a suit and tie and looking like a mimeograph of the blues paintings on the wall surrounding the stage, seemed to get along well with fellow lead guitarist Harris. He easily earned the respect of the rest of Savannah Avenue—they made him an



"official" member of the band at the end of the night.

Last, but certainly not least, meet Brad Rikard and Clinton Patterson. No truly classy band would be complete without this woodwind and brass

combo, and did they ever prove themselves anything but amateur! Jumping from more modern hits like Stevie Wonder's "Isn't She Lovely," to classic Miles Davis, these two were prepared for anything. Even more astonishing was their seemingly complete lack of fatigue after three straight hours of solid backup and breathless solos. You had to be a clever music fan to catch it, but at one point in the evening the two even had a little duel—an instrumental spar, if you will—and they even slipped in a couple of bars from well-known Outkast songs.

Rarely is the right band paired with

the right venue around here, but these performers were made for The French Quarter Café. And the music isn't the only reason to make the trip across town. Far from the typical Statesboro bar scene, this restaurant offers an

Want to see them?

Savannah Avenue will perform at the French Quarter Café this Saturday night at 9 p.m.

For more information, call the Café at (912) 489-3233.

atmosphere quite opposite the sweaty, over-alcoholic plaza bars. The Café is perfect for dressing up and winding down.

A margarita goes sweetly with a slice of their key lime pie, and their specialty Louisiana-brewed beers accompany unique appetizers such as alligator tail to form duets of bayou flavor.

The original members of Savannah Avenue will take the stage at The Café again this Saturday night at 9 p.m. But who knows who else might join them? After all, it is jazz, baby.



Amanda Permenter/
STAFF

Savannah Avenue wowed audiences at The French Quarter Café this past weekend. Top: Clinton Patterson plays the trumpet. Left: James Smith plays lead guitar.

Venice Baroque Orchestra to perform at GSU

Italian orchestra to perform Wednesday, March 9 at the Performing Arts Ctr.

By Heidi King
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Make way, little Statesboro—the world is coming! The world being an internationally acclaimed, televised and labeled Venice Baroque Orchestra. Founded in 1998, this Italian assemble of passionate musicians led by Andrea Marcon has conquered every corner of the globe with their Baroque period performances and staged operas. The Baroque period, categorized by a more realistic and emotional sound, includes such greats as Bach, Handel and Vivaldi.

Stretching from Europe and Japan to the United States, the Orchestra has chosen to grace the stage of the Performing Arts Center at Georgia Southern. "We are very fortunate that such an acclaimed group can shed light on Georgia Southern," respond some staff members very fond of classical music. Under their belt of accomplishments, Venice Baroque has released five discs for Sony Classical.



Nana Watanabe/Sony Classical

Venice Baroque Orchestra will perform at GSU on March 9, at 8 p.m.

Also showcasing with the Venice Baroque Orchestra are the dynamic duo pianists, sisters Katia and Marielle Labèque who are known for their seamless ensemble of flow and music. Their accomplishments include worldwide acclaim on television, radio

and a gold record for their interpretation of *Rhapsody in Blue*.

Premiering Wednesday, March 9, at 8 pm, this performance is expected to be a sold out success. For ticket information, call the PAC box office at (912) 486-7999.

'Diary of a Mad Black Woman' is a hot mess

By Christy Lemire
Associated Press

Diary of a Mad Black Woman

Diary of a mess is more like it. It's a bawdy comedy. It's also a domestic drama and a love story, wrapped up in Christian proselytizing and gospel music and peppered with jokes about flatulence and marijuana. Oh, wait there's also a subplot involving a drug kingpin on trial. And a shooting that

leaves a key character paralyzed.

Longtime music video director Darren Grant, making his first feature film, shifts between all these elements with such disjointed randomness, it feels as if the reels have been shown out of order. Somewhere in the midst of all this, Kimberly Elise's character embarks on a journey of self-discovery after being rejected by her wealthy lawyer husband (Steve Harris). Tyler

Perry, who based the script on his play of the same name, plays three roles, including the cantankerous, gun-toting grandma.

A whole pile of mess

Simply put, there is too much going on to make sense out of the chaos.

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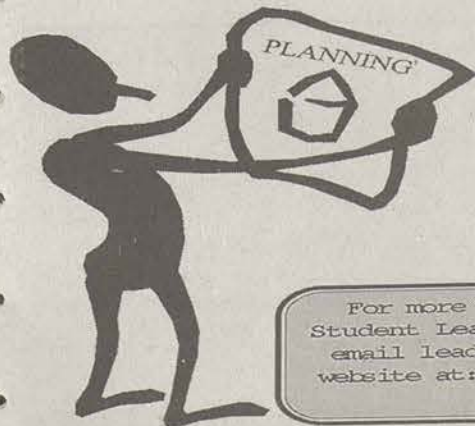
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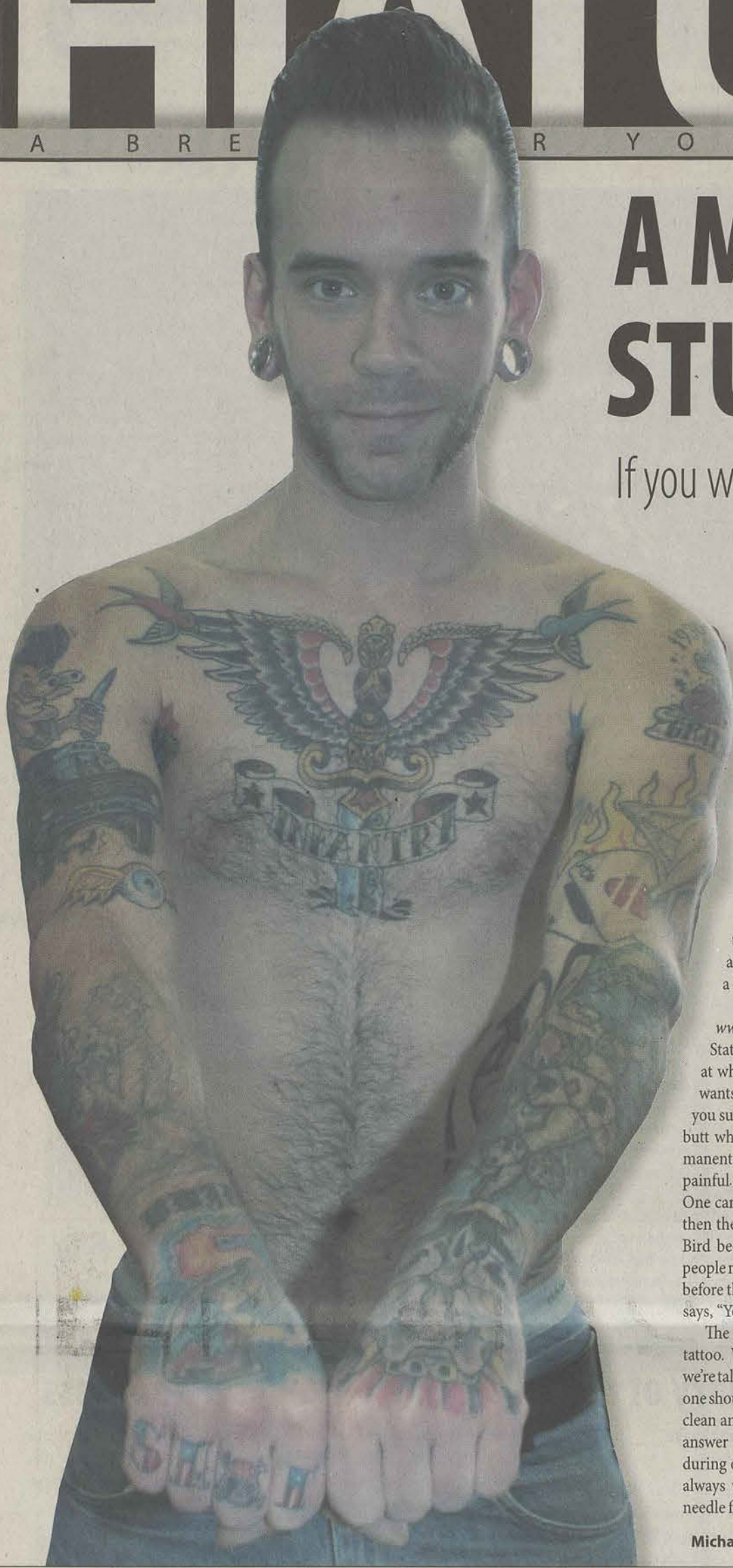
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A MARK ON THE STUDENT BODY

If you want a tattoo, we've got some advice

Story By Marcy Thornton • gahiatus@yahoo.com • Photos By Katie Anderson



Tattoos. It seems like one can't go anywhere these days without seeing one. In the fifties and sixties, tattoos were the epitome of rebellion, but nowadays it is not uncommon for politicians, doctors or even religious officials to sport a little ink. Tattooing is becoming less associated with deviant behavior and more about self-expression. Fortunately for Georgia Southern students ready to join in on the art, there are several tattoo parlors in town. More are in Savannah, just a half-hour jaunt down I-16. Artists confirm that getting a tattoo is nothing to be taken lightly. Here are some things to consider when getting a tattoo:

According to Corey Owen Grundstein www.cogink.com, an artist at Cloud 9 in Statesboro, the most important thing to look at when considering a tattoo is "what [one] wants to live with for the rest of [their] life." Are you sure that you'll still want Big Bird on your butt when you're sixty-three? Tattoos are permanent. Laser removal is extremely expensive, painful and not always successful, say experts. One can cover up one tattoo with another, but then they have to live with the new tattoo (Big Bird becomes a sign saying "Exit Only"). So, people must be sure that they really want a tattoo before they go under the needle. As Grundstein says, "You only have one set of skin."

The next thing to consider is where to get a tattoo. We're not talking body placement yet, we're talking establishment. It's a no-brainer that one should look for a parlor that is resplendently clean and friendly. An artist should be eager to answer any questions one might have before, during or after the job, said artists. One should always watch them take out a new, sterilized needle from an unopened plastic container. The

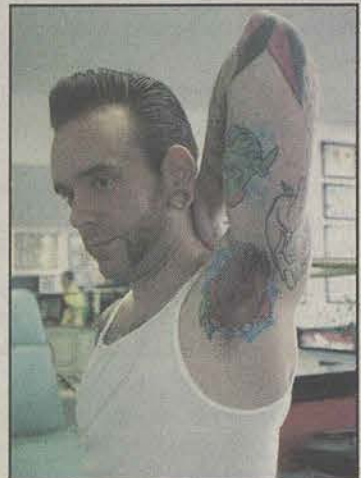
artist should wear doctor's gloves when they work and be very informative about the recovery process. In fact, some say it's a good idea to watch the artist working on someone else first. If for any reason they don't measure up, go elsewhere.

However, the best idea for a tattoo can be ruined by the best artist in the best studio, if that artist isn't the right one for the job. Tattoo artists are called "artists" for a reason. Just like the style differs between Van Gogh and Rembrandt, so do the individual styles between tattoo artists. Grundstein suggests that one look at the portfolio of the artist before hiring them. Many parlors employ three or more artists, so a customer can choose the one that's right for their particular design. The world's best tattooists actually specialize their work to one particular aspect of the art. Guy Aitcheson www.hyperspacestudios.com is one of the world's foremost color artists. Tom Renshaw www.thomrenshaw.com is a leading artist in the area of realism. Paul Boothe www.darkimages.com/enter.asp, the "Master of the Macabre," is best known for his particularly disturbing pieces. However, hiring one of these guys involves making an appointment sometimes months in advance, traveling to their studio (as far as New York), and paying thousands of dollars—these folks get paid by the hour, and their work could take days.

Paying for a tattoo is another thing to consider before getting one, though Grundstein says that "price is the last thing you should worry about." Tattoo artists are often uncomfortable with discussing price in general, because each work is individual and each price is individual. For example, a small, but

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Michael Webb, a tattoo artist at Smiling Buddha, displays his many tattoos.



Chocolate



If you are among those who consider themselves "chocoholics," consider whether or not you truly understand the food.

History

Chocolate has been around forever. Hundreds of years before the Spanish conquest, cocoa plantations were established by the Mayans. The cocoa beans were so valuable, they were actually used as currency among the Mayan and Aztec communities. Talk about money growing on trees. Chocolate was also consumed as a drink in early Mesoamerica, though nothing like the drinks we have today. According to Michael D. Coe's book, "The True History of Chocolate," cocoa drinks were flavored with anything from maize to chili peppers.

Sugar was added only after the Spanish introduced the beans to Europe.

How chocolate is made.

First, cocoa beans are roasted, separated from their husks and broken into small bits called nibs. The nibs are then squashed into a liquid called chocolate liquor. (There is no alcohol in chocolate liquor.) The cocoa butter is separated from the liquor, leaving a crumbly powder. The powder is mixed with sugar and milk and some of the cocoa butter is added back. Milling takes place when the

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mixture is poured into large vats called conches where the grittiness is worked out to produce smooth, velvety chocolate. The chocolate is then molded.

How to Determine Chocolate Quality

If all chocolate is made the same way, why is there such a variety of taste, texture and quality? The first difference comes from the bean itself. According to Hershey's

online tour, beans have different flavors depending on where they are grown.

Another difference comes from the varying time and temperature at which the beans are roasted. Each chocolate manufacturer has its own magic roasting number which makes its brand unique. The amounts of milk, sugar and cocoa butter are other factors of quality. Texture is determined by the time

spent in the milling process.

The quality and expense of chocolate can be measured by the effort of the maker. Cheaper chocolate products, the kind that barely tastes like chocolate, butter for soybean or vegetable oil, and sell the cocoa butter to be used for other purposes such as hand creams. These manufacturers also add more sugar and cocoa powder to make up for taste.

Popular grocery store chocolate brands such as Hershey's, Nestlé and M&M Mars are all prepared in the

traditional manner, keeping the cocoa butter and combining a perfected mixture of fresh milk and sugar. The price of these chocolate brands are kept reasonable by shorter milling times and less artistic molding.

Finer, more expensive chocolates are given great care in all stages of preparation from fresh ingredients to a longer milling period which produces an extra smooth texture. Artistic molding and attractive packaging are equally important.

Thierry Muret, Master Chocolatier see **CHOCOLATE**, page 11

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SCA Meeting, Union RM 2073, 6 p.m.

Focused Bible Study, Union RM 2084, 6 p.m.

25 International Conversation Hour, Union RM 2080, 11:30 a.m.

Softball, GSU vs. Middle Tennessee State, Sports Complex, 5 p.m.

Voices in Ministry Bible Study, Union RM 2080, 6 p.m.

AIDS Awareness Fashion Show Tryouts, Union RM 2041, 7 p.m.

26 Women's Tennis, GSU vs. Winthrop, Tennis Courts, Noon

Women's Basketball, GSU vs. East Tennessee State, Hanner, Noon

Men's Tennis, GSU vs. Winthrop, Tennis Courts, 2 p.m.

"Ray" Union Theatre, 7 p.m., \$2

27 Men's Tennis, GSU vs. Davidson, Tennis Courts, 10 a.m.

Women's Tennis, GSU vs. Wofford, Tennis Courts, 1:30 p.m.

Prestige Meeting, Union RM 2043, 4:30 p.m.

Black and Gold Pageant, Union Ballroom, 7 p.m.

28 Tai Chi, Nessmith Lane RM 2908, 5:45 p.m.

Young Democrats Meeting, Union RM 2084, 6 p.m.

Happy to be Nappy Forum, Union RM 2080, 8 p.m.

Southern's Next Top Model Photo Shoot, Union RM 2041, 7 p.m.

02 Red Cross Blood Drive, Union Rotunda, 9 a.m.

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Actors make unconvincing plot watchable in 'Facing Windows'

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For a movie to leave an impact, a sentiment in the mind of a leaving patron, it takes power; power, with the help of a passionate score, can create warmth in the body as you react to the drama displayed on the screen. Unfortunately, the quality of the script and action can pull away from the impact of the moment.

Directed by Ferzan Ozpetek, this movie seemed to take Italy by storm, winning five Italian Golden Globe awards. The awards for best actor and actress are understandable, but I question, what of the other three? Maybe an award should go for the movie filming in Rome. And how about another for the truly beautiful cast who all seemed to have dewy, ice blue eyes.

The cast made this unconvincing story watchable. Giovanna Mezzogiorno plays the unhappy wife of a man who cannot keep a job. Their marriage has become sour; the children are trapped in the middle. Her only solace is to look out of her kitchen window into the neighboring flat of an overly attractive neighbor, Lorenzo, played by Raoul Bova. While out in Rome, the married couple spot a confused older gentleman who is lost, acted by Massimo Girotti. Suddenly, they bring him home and he manages to stay with them for days.

One of the most touching moments



Left to Right: Massimo Girotti plays an incoherent gentleman and Giovanna Mezzogiorno plays an unhappy housewife.

is when the wife helps the incoherent gentleman undress for a shower, and she makes a startling discovery.

Overall, the story of the aged incoherent gentleman was the most convincing and tender; when he was coherent, he spoke of love, fear and pastries.

Facing Windows had potential. The music was empowering and rivaled the emotionally deep rhythm that Han Zimmer of Gladiator conquered. The actors put more effort into the movie than the actual plot or script itself.

The bombastic drama, unrealistic situations and outcomes really left

one questioning the trail we were to follow. The camera angles, for the most part, allotted the actors proper space. Exceptions are in two particular scenes when the camera went into a dizzy making circles around the actors, distracting the viewer from two of the most dramatic and uncovering moments of the movie.

Barely bearable

With dizzying angles, an unconvincing plot, and many distractions, somehow it manages to pull at the heart strings.

★ 1.5 out of 4

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February 24
Hollywood Shuffle
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Plot: The misadventures of friends Craig and Smokey in their South Central neighborhood on one Friday.



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CHOCOLATE

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TATTOOS

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very detailed tattoo will probably be more expensive than a simplistic larger piece. However, one must be prepared to spend anywhere from \$70 to \$200, on average. There are other, lesser costs associated with the recovery process. In general, a tattoo will take two to three weeks to heal, and during that time, one will need to purchase a good vitamin ointment and a mild moisturizing lotion. One should remember that

when they are recovering from a tattoo, they are actually growing new skin. A common misconception is that tattoos dye the skin. What actually happens is that the skin's cells heal around the ink, which never dries, but remains liquid. This is why a tattoo will stretch as skin stretches.

Of course, another factor is that of pain. Grundstein says that a tattoo "feels like sweat on a cut," but he also says that the slight burning "stops when the artist stops," so the entire experience is not one continuous session of pain. Often, work on intricate tattoos

will involve rest breaks for both the artist and the customer. Where the work is being done on the body does affect the amount of pain involved, though. He says the least painful areas are where the skin is often exposed and tougher, such as the "arms, lower legs, and upper back."

Grundstein says that "getting a tattoo is a very personal thing; it's not just something you should dive into." However, with proper research and care, a tattoo can become a piece of living art, as distinctive and original as the person wearing it.

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