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Woman impaled in tub for six hours

NEW YORK, NY - A 92-year-old Harlem woman who fell in her bathtub became impaled on the cold water tap and screamed for help for more than six hours before she was rescued, the fire department said. After falling on Wednesday, Thelma Riley banged on walls and shouted for help for hours, said Lt. James McCluskey. "The neighbors at first thought it was a plumber," he said. Neighbors finally used a key to get into the apartment, finding Riley with the four-pronged knob stuck in her lower back, the Daily News reported. Firefighters cut the metal tap with bolt cutters and took her to Harlem Hospital where it was removed. "It was in there pretty good," McCluskey said. Riley was resting at the Harlem Hospital on Thursday.

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Quote of the Day

"I have come to believe that the whole world is an enigma, a harmless enigma that is made terrible by our own mad attempt to interpret it as though it had an underlying truth."



- Umberto Eco

Weekday Weather

Monday



Mostly Sunny

HIGH
75°
LOW
57°

Tuesday



AM Showers

HIGH
63°
LOW
33°

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Administration discusses faculty concerns

Provost Bleicken says tenure policy, faculty concerns are taken seriously

By Luke Hearn

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A group of Georgia Southern faculty calling themselves SUFF (Stand Up For Faculty) has raised some concerns regarding issues of tenure and the overall treatment of faculty, along with other issues, such as the high number of temporary instructors and the lack of an outlet to share concerns.

Some members of SUFF say they believe the promotion and tenure processes at GSU are unfair and often force good professors to leave the university.

Linda Bleicken, provost and vice president of academic affairs, says that while the tenure procedures here at GSU may not be the same as every other school in the state, they fall under the umbrella of the guidelines

set forth by the University System of Georgia Board of Regents.

"No school's tenure guidelines are the exact same," Bleicken said. "For example, a two year college has a totally different mission from a college like ours, and a research university also has a different mission. To say that every college should have exactly the same promotion and tenure guidelines is overly restrictive."

Bleicken went on to explain that the tenure process at GSU is taken very seriously, and that before a person receives tenure, he or she is reviewed by many different people and committees before their request is sent to her office, the office of the president and ultimately to the Board of Regents for final approval.

According to the GSU Faculty Handbook for 2004-2005, those being reviewed for tenure are first reviewed at the department/school level and then by the dean of the particular college. After that, the tenure applications are sent to the office of the provost, "culminating in an institutional recommendation to the Board of Regents at the President's level."

"To think this is a process that is not taken seriously, you would be very much mistaken, because we spend an incredible amount of time on this process," Bleicken said.

Bleicken also said she feels the Faculty Senate - the elected legislative body of the GSU faculty and the official faculty advisory body to the president - is a very democratic

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- Linda Bleicken, provost and vice president of academic affairs

"We are here to make this a better place. We are becoming an excellent university."



GSU students march during last year's 'Take Back the Night'. Members of Sexual Assault Prevention Advocates carry a sign on the march that goes from Hanner Field House to the Russell Union.

Making the campus aware

Sexual Assault Awareness Week hopes to show students how sexual assault affects the community as a whole, not just the people involved

By Rachel Weeks

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Sexual Assault Awareness Week, March 7-11, seeks to raise awareness of Sexual Violence, as well as to promote the realization that such crimes affect an entire community - not only the direct victims.

Various events will be held throughout the week. These events are part of the ongoing efforts of Georgia Southern's Sexual Assault Response Team (SART). This year, the team is collaborating with numerous campus offices and organizations, as well as Statesboro

organizations to facilitate a community-wide effort to end Sexual Assault.

"The point of Sexual Assault Awareness Week is to raise awareness about sexual violence against men and women; both survivors of sexual abuse and the people in their lives: siblings, moms, dads, boyfriends/girlfriends, and friends. Loved ones may not have personally experienced the violence, but they are affected by it," said Jill Peterson, a counseling psychologist at the GSU Counseling and Career Development Center.

There are many events sched-

uled throughout this week to promote healing and awareness. Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., the Clothesline Project will be taking place under the Russell Union Rotunda. Students can visit the display to view and design T-shirts in honor of victims of sexual violence. T-shirts from last year will be displayed at the RAC and in the Russell Union Commons area. At the end of the week, the shirts can be picked up at the Take Back the Night march or donated to SART.

"The Clothesline Project is a

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Georgia Senate permits abortion waiting period

By Doug Gross

Associated Press

ATLANTA - The state Senate on Friday approved a bill that requires a 24-hour waiting period for women seeking abortions and tightens parental notification requirements for minors.

The measure, which now goes to the desk of Gov. Sonny Perdue, would require that parents be notified either by telephone or in person before a minor could have an abortion.

The Republican governor is expected to sign the bill.

Backers promoted the plan as a compromise that delivers a longtime key issue for social conservatives in the Republican-dominated Legislature while making some concessions to abortion rights advocates.

"Of course there are people on both sides, pro-life and pro-choice," said Sen. Renee Unterman, R-Buford, the plan's sponsor in the Senate. "But when it comes down to it, there's not a whole lot of dissension about talking about women's health care and what is in the best interest of women."

The bill passed 41-10 after about 30 minutes of debate - a sharp contrast to the two hours of emotional discussion in the House last week.

Some of the bill's more controversial aspects were removed in the House. It originally required doctors to tell women about a link between abortions and breast cancer - although most doctors say the link doesn't exist.

A provision allowing a woman's sexual partner or parents to sue abortion doctors for malpractice was also removed.

In its final form, the plan requires a woman seeking an abortion to make contact in person or on the telephone with the doctor's office at least one day before the procedure. They would receive a booklet of information on abortion, instead of the in-person lecture that originally would have been required.

Still, some Senate Democrats argued that the bill is not necessary to police a procedure that most women already consider carefully.

"We are telling the women of this state that they can not take care of themselves, that they can't decide for themselves what to do with their bodies," said Sen. Gloria Butler, D-Atlanta. "I don't think we need to be in the business of telling them they are not smart enough to do that."

Opponents also complained that they were not allowed to present an amendment that would have exempted victims of rape or incest from the waiting period. Backers used a legislative procedure that prevented the bill from being amended on the Senate floor.

Unterman said the procedure prevented amendments supported by both anti-abortion and abortion rights activists. She defended the waiting period for rape and incest victims.

"If anyone ever needed more counseling and more help ... I believe it's going to be a woman who has been through that traumatic experience," she said.



Ric Feld/AP Photo

Sen. Renee Unterman, R-Loganville, shows a copy of the pamphlet, Fetal Development and Family Planning, as she speaks from the well of the Senate on abortion legislation at the Capitol in Atlanta this past Friday.



Should educators be allowed to use profanity in the classroom?

By Marcy Thornton

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When someone says "profanity in the classroom," the image that springs to mind is often of a foul-mouthed student.

Student handbooks across the country detail strict guidelines on the use of proper English. At the college level, students are expected to behave as the adults they are, with decorum and respect for the learning environment. But what about the educators? Should teachers, coaches, and professors be subject to the same rules as students?

In Tampa, FL, this exact issue has been raised. At the beginning of February, School Superinten-

dent for Pinellas County, Clayton Wilcox, formally instructed high school coaches not to use profanity when addressing students at games and practices. This policy came from the recent suspension of Lakewood High School football coach Brian Bruch after he made a racially profane statement to a player during a game.

"There are better ways to communicate with our youngsters than using words that are offensive," Wilcox said.

Here at Georgia Southern, this very same subject was brought up on the Opinions page of the Feb. 21 edition of *The George-Anne*. Moneka Holt expressed her vehe-

"Believe me- every time I hear profanity, it does something to my spirit."

- Moneka Holt, GSU student, from the Opinions page of the Feb. 21 edition of *The George-Anne*

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way for faculty members to have their voices heard. She explained that any faculty member is able to submit an issue to the Faculty Senate Executive Board for consideration for the meeting agendas. After consideration, the committee can either decide to put the item on the senate's agenda, or address it without senate discussion.

As far as discussion of tenure on the floor of the Faculty Senate, Bleicken said that the process itself can be discussed by the senate, but that an individual situation – because of the personal nature – would not be.

"If we're talking about the process of tenure and promotion, there should be no hesitation to discuss this matter if it comes forward as an agenda item. If it comes forward and is related to a specific tenure case – no way are we going to talk about it in the Faculty Senate, because it's about somebody. That would be very inappropriate."

Bleicken acknowledged that the number of temporary faculty used at GSU is due in part to a rapid enrollment growth at the same time the budget was being trimmed. From 2000 to 2004, enrollment increased by nearly 2,000 students while the operating budget was cut nearly \$14 million. Bleicken said these circumstances prohibited the university from searching for full-time tenure-track faculty, forcing the option of hiring temporary faculty on one-year contracts.

Confronted with the decision to fire faculty or utilize the use of temporary professors, the administration chose to hire temporary faculty in order to improve professor-student ratios.

"We didn't add tenure-track faculty because we couldn't. We did this because we didn't have a choice [considering the budget]. We just didn't have the money to go out and hire the way we would have liked to have hired," she said.

Bleicken said as the budget situation improves – as it has this year – the university will be conducting more and more searches for full time faculty.

In the academic year 2003-2004, 39 faculty searches

were conducted by GSU. For 2004-2005, 84 searches are underway, and Bleicken said that about 60 of those positions have been filled already.

"What this institution has been able to do despite the budget is remarkable," Bleicken said. "I realize that it hasn't come without a cost. I know that the faculty have been working hard – everybody has."

One of SUFF's concerns is the teaching load placed on temporary faculty members, with these members of the faculty having to teach five classes at a time. The group says this heavy load takes away from these peoples' abilities to excel in all three areas of university faculty work: teaching, service and scholarship.

Bleicken explained that when a temporary member is hired, there is an understanding between the university and the person filling the position that his or her primary role is to teach.

She explained that these people will not be going through the tenure process, because they are hired on a temporary line.

Amy Heaston, acting associate provost at GSU, had similar comments. Heaston said that when a person is hired to a temporary position, that person is hired to teach, and not to develop in the area of research and service.

"When we hire temporary faculty, these people know what it is that will be asked to do. It's their individual decision whether or not they wish to take on the responsibility," Heaston said.

Bleicken said expectations of faculty are set from the get-go, and that these expectations are different for temporary and tenure-track faculty members. She also said the number of temporary faculty members is about the same at sister universities to GSU.

Despite criticism, Bleicken stresses that the administration and faculty here at GSU are constantly working hard to make GSU the best it can be.

"We're here to make this a better place," she said. "We're becoming an excellent university."

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sors using profanity in the classroom, saying, "Believe me—every time I hear profanity, it does something to my spirit."

Holt is not alone. GSU student Kate Daniel said, "If a professor is spitting out profanity every other word, I just don't care for it."

However, most students interviewed stressed moderation over censorship. Freshman Matt Rooks said, "As long as it's not overly vulgar, it's not a big deal. As long as it doesn't detract anything from the material or the dignity of the teacher."

Professors are protected by their First Amendment rights under the Freedom of Speech clause. They may say anything they wish, as long as it does not infringe upon the rights of another.

Schoolteachers, however, do not necessarily have that freedom. Dr. Missy M. Bennett, the Secondary Education Program Coordinator for the GSU College of Education, shared that there is a Code of Ethics for Educators put out by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission.

The Commission is the licensing body for teachers in the state of Georgia and is authorized by law to create a code of ethics which "defines the professional behavior of educators in Georgia and serves as a guide to ethical conduct (505-6-.01)."

Bennett drew attention to Stan-

dard 10 of the code, which "covers the issue of inappropriate language, for which Georgia educators can lose their teaching license."

Referencing the online form of the code, she said, "It's interesting to note that this web page was modified on January 18, 2005 and a statement from standard 10 has been removed."

The statement was an explanation of the standard and was originally at the end of the sentence following the words 'to function professionally in his or her employment position.' The removed words are: "(e.g. harassment of colleagues, misuse or mismanagement of tests, test materials or test items, uncontrolled anger, etc.) or a pattern of behavior or conduct that is detrimental to the health, welfare, discipline, or morals or students (e.g., inappropriate language, physical altercations, inadequate supervision, inappropriate discipline, etc.)."

Bennett did not know why the explanation had been removed.

Not all GSU professors use profanity. In the end, if a student feels genuinely offended, the course to take would be to approach the professor with their concerns in a non-confrontational manner.

If the professor still insists on being overtly impertinent, then the next best thing is just to avoid taking the professor's class again.

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creative activity that can help victims and their loved ones to heal as it allows them to express their feelings," Peterson said. "Different colors of shirts will represent different types of trauma."

Wednesday, at 1:30 p.m. at the Averitt Theater, Brent A. Sokolow will present a free workshop on investigating and adjudicating sexual assault cases that is open to all law enforcement personnel and legal professionals from the surrounding areas. Sokolow is the founder of the National Center for Higher Education Risk Management. He specializes in helping campus communities define their judicial processes.

Wednesday at 4 p.m., Sokolow will present Ten Things Every College Student Should Know About Alcohol. This workshop is open to all members of GSU fraternities.

Wednesday, at 7 p.m. in the Continuing Education Auditorium, Sokolow will be giving the keynote presentation entitled, "Drunk Sex or Date Rape: Can You Tell the Difference?"

The Take Back the Night rally will take place Thursday at 5:30 p.m. with a march from Hanner Field House to the Russell Union.

Originally begun in England as a protest against the fear that women encountered walking on the streets at night, the program came to the United States in 1978.

Take Back the Night is now an international rally and vigil held in local communities with the purpose of unifying women, men and children in an awareness of violence against women, children and families. The Take Back the Night march and rally is the culminating event for GSU's annual Sexual Assault Awareness Week. Immediately following the march and rally will be the Annual Candlelight Vigil.

Participants light candles in remembrance of those who have been killed as a result of sexual violence, while the Clothesline Project is dismantled.

GSU's Sexual Assault Response Team ensures that the university responds uniformly and effectively to sexual assault cases on campus.

Peterson said the first year SART focused on coordinating services and policies and the team helped the university clarify the definition of and penalties for sexual assault in the Student Conduct Code.

The team's duties have grown to include preventive programs and risk reduction, including programs for all first year experience courses and specially tailored programs for the Greek organizations, athletic teams, residence halls and other groups.

In 2000, SART launched two new peer education programs: ASAP (Advocates for Sexual Assault Prevention) and SAFE (Sexual Assault: Facts and Education).

In 2002 ASAP and SAFE combined to become SAPA (Sexual Assault Prevention Advocates). Peterson said SART hopes, through education and consciousness-raising, to reduce the incidence and ignorance of sexual assault. She said their goal is to communicate to survivors that they are not alone through their recovery.

The Counseling and Career Development Center is comprised of eight psychologists and a few masters level therapists who provide students with individual, couples, group and career counseling, as well as outreach presentations, crisis intervention and many other services.

The Counseling and Career Development Center can help students with a wide range of presenting issues, including planning their future careers and maintaining their emotional well-being.

"Basically a lot of people come when they are in pain," said Anca Baboi, a master's degree level practicum student who counsels at the center. "They can come to find relief. You can use counseling just to solve your immediate problems and you can also use counseling to emerge, grow and find your own path."

Anyone interested in Counseling Center Services can call 681-5541. Counselors will also be available at all of this week's events.

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Only in America

Substitute teacher fired over sex photos

SAN ANTONIO — A substitute teacher at a local high school was fired last month after students were shown photographs of the woman having sex, school district officials say. The photos were on the teacher's camera phone, which was passed around a health class at Judson High School.

The 28-year-old woman was not identified by the district, which was not sure if she passed the phone around or if students somehow got ahold of the device in another way. Either way, school officials said, it was wrong for those images to be available at the school and the woman was abruptly fired Feb. 15.

Busted for breaking into jail — twice

UNION SPRINGS — Dreaming of ways to break out of jail is pretty normal.

But for the second time in less than a month, police have arrested a man for trying to break into the Bullock County Jail.

Police said Ellis Hudson, 40, of Union Springs, was arrested and charged with third-degree criminal trespassing after he was caught inside the fence of the jail on Feb. 21.

Union Springs Police Chief Jake Wheeler said he suspects Hudson was trying to smuggle tobacco to an inmate, since Hudson had pipe tobacco, three packs of cigarettes and rolling papers in his possession.

Hudson was released on \$500 bail after spending the night in the jail.

Twenty-two pound lobster to go to Ripley's museum

PITTSBURGH — He could have survived two world wars and Prohibition. He also could have been dinner.

He's Bubba, a 22-pound Leviathan of a lobster pulled from the waters off Nantucket, Mass., and shipped to a Pittsburgh fish market.

On Tuesday, Owner Bob Wholey gave the lobster to the Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium, which will send him to an aquarium at a Ripley's Believe It or Not museum.

Based on how long it typically takes a lobster to reach eating size — about five to seven years to grow to a pound — some estimate Bubba is 100 years old.

California says no to organic marijuana

UKIAH — Organic pot won't be getting the official seal of approval in California.

State officials have told the Mendocino County agriculture department it can't certify medical marijuana as organic. County officials wanted to know if pot could be labeled organic, like pesticide-free produce.

The state told the county that growing pot, organic or otherwise, is against federal law and can't receive any official certification.

California voters approved the use of medical marijuana in 1996. But federal authorities don't recognize the legitimacy of that referendum.

Tongue ring can't get you out of a DWI

INDIANAPOLIS — The Indiana Supreme Court says having a pierced tongue doesn't invalidate a drunken-driving breath test.

The ruling comes in Brenna Guy's DWI stop in 2001. An Indianapolis police officer gave her a breathalyzer after pulling her over for driving on the wrong side of a street. She flunked.

But her lawyer challenged by invoking state law that says no foreign substance can be placed in a person's mouth during the 20 minutes before a breath test.

But the state high court disagreed. It ruled the stud had been there longer than 20 minutes and said objects that are normally in the mouth aren't foreign.

Cat survives 10-mile trip on top of car

INKOM — Torri Hutchinson's cat might just have one less life to live.

Hutchinson was driving along Interstate 15 when a motorist kept trying to get her attention and pointing to the roof of her car.

She pulled over to the side, but kept her doors locked and the motor running.

Hutchinson rolled down her window to hear the man frantically shouting, "Your cat! Your cat!" She had driven about 10 miles with the cat on top of the car, and didn't even notice the feline when she stopped for gas.

Eight-year-old arrested for tantrum

WILLIAMSBURG — Police arrested an 8-year-old boy who allegedly had a violent outburst in school, head-butting his teacher and kicking

an assistant principal, when he was told he couldn't go outside to play with other students.

The 4-foot pupil was led away from Rawls Byrd Elementary School in handcuffs Tuesday and charged with disorderly conduct and assault and battery.

"It's not something that happens every day," Maj. Stan Stout said of what could be the department's youngest arrest ever.

National News Briefs

Romanian conductor Sergiu Comissiona dead at age 76

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Sergiu Comissiona, the Romanian-born conductor known for the spontaneity and flair that he brought to orchestras around the world, has died. He was 76.

The New York resident apparently died of a heart attack Saturday in an Oklahoma City hotel room, hours before he was to serve as guest conductor for that city's philharmonic, officials said.

Comissiona held music directorships with some of North America's leading ensembles, including the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, the Houston Symphony and the Vancouver Symphony. He also was music director of the New York City Opera.

"He elevated this orchestra to a level

that had never been aspired to, and he created the platform from which to build a world-class orchestra," said John Gidwitz, former Baltimore Symphony Orchestra president.

Comissiona spent 15 years with the Baltimore orchestra, transforming it from a little-known ensemble into a nationally respected orchestra. He led the symphony on its first international tour and was at the helm when it made its first recordings.

Comissiona was principal conductor of the Romanian State Opera in his native country. He was music director of the Haifa, Israel, Symphony from 1960-66; of the Goteborg, Sweden, Symphony from 1966-77, and was chief conductor of the Radio Philharmonic in Hilversum, Holland, starting in 1982.

He and his wife, the former Robinne Florin, became American citizens at Fort McHenry in Baltimore Harbor on July 4, 1976.

Comissiona became dizzy Friday evening as he was conducting a rehearsal with the Oklahoma City Philharmonic, said Joel Levine, music director of the philharmonic and a longtime friend of Comissiona's. Levine dropped Comissiona off at his hotel.

A hotel worker found the conductor dead on Saturday morning.

Comissiona was scheduled to lead a concert with the cellist Yo-Yo Ma this week in Puerto Rico, said the maestro's niece, Jeanne Schayes.

He is survived by his wife of more than 50 years and a sister, Milly Barbalata.



Conductor **Sergiu Comissiona** is seen in a 1983 file photo. He died of a heart attack Saturday at age 76.

GOP, Democrats spar over retirement age

WASHINGTON — A leading Republican senator is offering to raise the Social Security retirement age from 67 to 68, while Democrats maintain their opposition to the president's plan to overhaul the retirement program with private investment accounts.

Nebraska Sen. Chuck Hagel's plan would raise the age that retirees could receive full benefits, beginning in 2023.

"We are living longer," Hagel said Sunday on CBS' "Face the Nation."

"So when you look at the total universe of this, I think that makes some sense to extend the age."

Town observes anniversary of historic voting rights

SELMA, Ala. — Aging civil rights-era figures and a bipartisan congressional delegation observed the 40th anniversary of the historic voting rights march Sunday with church services and ceremonies celebrating the protest that opened ballot boxes to blacks across the South.

A march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge with a throng of others was to cap the day's events.

Among those on hand were singer Harry Belafonte, who took part in the demonstration 40 years ago, the Rev. Jesse Jackson, Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, and Lynda Johnson Robb, whose father, President Lyndon Johnson, signed the law in 1965.

"President Johnson signed that act, but it was written by the people of Selma," said Rep. John Lewis, D-Ga., who was clubbed on the head in the "Bloody Sunday" attack on marchers by state troopers and sheriff's deputies on March 7, 1965. He was among 17

blacks hospitalized as that march was turned back.

A second march two weeks later, under the protection of a federal court order and led by the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., went the 50 miles from the bridge over the Alabama River at Selma to the steps of the Capitol in Montgomery and inspired passage of the Voting Rights Act. The law barred the obstacles, such as literacy tests, set up by segregationist to keep blacks from registering to vote.

A re-enactment of that five-day march will take place this week, culminating with the final leg through downtown Montgomery to the Capitol for a rally Saturday.

Workers defy request to abandon strike

MARIETTA — Machinists defied Lockheed Martin requests to abandon strike plans and vowed to stay off the job "as long as it takes" to win a better contract.

Cornell "Slim" Stevens, president of International Association of Machinists Local 709, in Marietta, said the 2,800 blue-collar workers who build F/A-22 Raptor fighters and C-130J transports at the sprawling Cobb County plant are ready to strike as early as Tuesday.

The union rejected on Feb. 27 a tentative contract that would have raised hourly pay 10 percent over three years and given \$1,500 signing bonuses. But workers said higher health care premiums and cuts in retirement insurance would have offset those pay increases. Lockheed workers typically earn about \$25 an hour.

Steve Weicht, a 20-year Lockheed worker, called strike supporters selfish and shortsighted.

"This is an embarrassment to the men and women in the military who rely on us," he said.

Many other workers supported the

strike and wore T-shirts with slogans like "I think I smell a scab."

Some workers said they expected a strike and had put aside enough money to stay afloat for months.

They will become eligible for \$150 a week in strike pay from the IAM once they've been on picket lines for two weeks.

Drinking lands group of students in hospital

WELLESLEY, Mass. — Eleven intoxicated Wellesley College students were treated at area hospitals or the college's infirmary after a large, school-sanctioned party at the college's sports center.

All of the students were expected to recover, and they could be disciplined by the school, Wellesley spokeswoman Mary Ann Hill said.

Most of the 11 students were removed from a party Saturday night at the Keohane Sports Center Field House, an annual event sponsored by a lesbian, bisexual and transgender student group. The rest were taken from dormitories at the women's college.

About 2,000 students attended the party. During last year's event, virtually the same number of students were hospitalized for excessive drinking, Hill said.

Four-year-old killed by school bus

CHARLESTON, S.C. — A 4-year-old boy who had just been dropped off after school has died after he was struck by a school bus.

Donato Toves was trying to cross the street in front of the bus when he was hit Friday afternoon, authorities said.

A family member was waiting for the child when the bus arrived, but didn't get to him in time, authorities said.

A special team of state troopers is investigating the wreck. It could take weeks before they file a report.

The bus driver was not immediately charged.

School district officials said counselors will be on hand Monday at Windsor Hill Elementary, where the boy attended pre-kindergarten. The school is about a mile and a half from his home.

Black athletes urged to boycott Auburn

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — The president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference on Saturday urged black athletes to boycott Auburn University until the school rehires two black athletics administrators.

Former administrators Stacy Danley and Eugene Harris were fired Feb. 10 in an administrative shakeup under Auburn's new athletics director.

Charles Steele Jr., president of the Atlanta-based civil rights group, called on black athletes considering Auburn to boycott the university until Danley and Harris are rehired.

Steele, of Tuscaloosa, served in the Alabama Senate and the Black Caucus before taking the SCLC post in Atlanta.

Steele was in Selma, Ala. this weekend for events marking the 40th anniversary of the "Bloody Sunday" march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge.

Steele said the black athletes should boycott Auburn until the university "takes a really strong look at addressing and correcting its reported discriminatory practices."

Auburn's interim assistant provost for diversity and multicultural affairs, Kennan Grenell, earlier described the removal of Danley and Harris as blatantly discriminatory.

He had urged the SCLC to protest the firings.

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Everyone can benefit from Sexual Assault Awareness Week

This week marks the beginning of Sexual Assault Awareness Week.

While this may seem like an ordinary week for most people, it should stand as a reminder that we're not living in a perfect world. This week should also help people on and around the GSU campus and elsewhere become aware of the consequences that can come from mixing alcohol and members of the opposite sex.

Some may think sexual assault is not a concern, or it's only a concern in the big cities. If that were true, why would there be a whole week set aside to understand it? It is definitely a concern because it still happens, and we're sorry to say that it happens right here in Statesboro.

Many of the sexual assaults reported annually involve alcohol. What may seem like an innocent kiss and touchy-feely moment one second could turn into a rape charge the next morning. Alcohol can make a person see and hear what he or she wants to hear, regardless of what is really going on.

But sexual assault extends beyond rape, and certainly beyond the curtain of intoxication. It also includes things like touching a person inappropriately, kissing someone who doesn't want to be kissed and the use of harassing language.

It's not hard to keep away from being charged with sexual assault. Thinking before acting is one way to keep your record free of felonies. So is not trying to be a bad ass and making a move on a person before he or she is ready.

Take a second this week and think about sexual assault.

It's not cool, and the push for awareness can't stop until 10 out of 10 people realize this. Assaulting someone sexually can get you into serious trouble, but beyond that it's just plain wrong.

Whether you consider yourself educated about Sexual Assault or not, try attending some of this week's activities on campus. You may just learn something you didn't know. You could even discover what it takes to protect friends – or yourself – from tragedy.



Arbitrating the arbitrary

When it comes to terms like "profane," dictionaries serve absolutely no purpose.

In fact, I'd prefer if people left dictionaries – and a lot of other books – out of any argument, especially a semantic one. Language shifts and grows so constantly that such references are obsolete before they even hit the presses. At the most, they can serve as catalogues of our language's history, and are by no means indicative of a linguistic present or future.

Among other books one should not consult when looking for literal answers about how words work are religious texts. While these can provide insight on how groups in society either sanction or rebuke certain types of language based on a particular system of morals, often the language of those very documents has been so obfuscated by retranslation that the many different versions offer little more than contradictions and drastic variations in connotation.

For inspiration and spiritual guidance, we can look to the ever-reinterpretable sources of holy writ. To dispute colloquialisms used by professors in classroom environments, we must consider more than just our personal beliefs by looking to the ever-mysterious and completely indecipherable homes of language: the human mind and human interaction.

There is nothing inherent in a chair that makes us call it *chair*. Or a *silla* (Spanish). Or a *stoel* (Dutch). Likewise, there is nothing inherent in the word *shit* that differentiates it from *crap*, *poo*, *excrement* or *dookie*. According to the word's origins, it was a legitimate agricultural term for diarrhea in cattle as far back as the year 1000. It was used that way without anyone batting an eyelash until the late 1500s.

After that point, it appears to have developed a slang definition in the same way many other "profane" words did – when people began using it to insult their fellow humans. Even then, it wasn't until the 1900s that the word took on as much negative force as we recognize in it today.

Those who find themselves rubbed the wrong way by certain words might do well to remind themselves of the pertinence of word history and

etymology and the powerful effect of social structures on meaning.

Let's face it. God didn't come down at various points in history and personally deem certain lexical items profane. We collectively decided what was profane through cultural institutions, both religious and secular.

If we'd lost the Revolutionary War, those opposing profanity would faint at the sound of entirely different words. For instance, "Bugger off, you bloody sod." It doesn't faze Americans, but in its cultural context it essentially calls the addressee a practitioner of anal sex, and advises them to go screw an animal while blaspheming the wounds of Jesus.

Offensive, isn't it? Yet, the words encompassing it are so subjective that they have nearly opposite effects on people solely because they are in different geographical areas with different social conventions.

In effect, people could be surrounded by profanities without ever even knowing it, and their souls would be no worse for the wear.

This is not to say that spirituality and moral code are not valuable aspects of human communication. They are, indeed, which is precisely why we have the option to include or exclude any word for purposes of our personal vocabularies.

I hear things my spirit finds obscene every day. Every time I hear about murder and hate and violence and abuse and greed happening all around us, I imagine it feels comparable to the way some students feel when a professor uses a four-letter word in reference to a literary work or some bit of history.

Words society have labeled profane have a strength to them – a power that, for the passionate, mild euphemisms simply cannot always convey. Perhaps, instead of worrying about words, if we busied ourselves with correcting the truly obscene actions of humans, we wouldn't require such intense ways of speaking.

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Speculation about Hillary Clinton's political future continues to dominate

By Helen Kennedy
New York Daily News

HILL-A-RY. HILL-A-RY. Hill-a-ry. Hill-a-ry.

The 2008 drumbeat grows ever louder. Barely a day goes by now without some new mention of the former First Lady returning to the White House as president.

Even halfway around the world, the question comes up. When New York's junior senator met briefly with young Indian politicians in New Delhi last week, they wanted to discuss the chances of her being the next leader of the free world.

"She smartly dodged our queries," a member of parliament, Jitin Prasada, told the Times of India in a gushing story that began, "She came, she spoke, she conquered."

Clinton always dodges the query, saying she's focused on getting New York to reelect her next year, but it's all but impossible to find a political pro not convinced 2008 is her real target.

The past two weeks, the buzz briefly became a roar, fueled by her husband's declaration to Japanese TV that "she would make an excellent president."

Bill Clinton insisted he didn't know her plans but praised her political skills.

"I was in it more, so for a long time I was better. But I think now she's at least as good as I was," he said.

This followed a poll showing 81 percent of Americans would vote for a woman and 53 percent want Clinton to run. She's routinely the winner in polls asking Democrats whom they'd vote for in 2008.

Sen. Joe Biden, D-Del., who's mulling a White House bid himself, anointed her the "likely nominee."

"She'd be incredibly difficult to beat. I think she is the most difficult obstacle for anyone (else)," he said.

In the wake of a John Kerry loss widely attributed to his silence on "moral values," Clinton has talked about the morality of abstinence, finding common ground with abor-

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— Sen. Joe Biden, D-Del.

tion foes and her respect for those who believe abortions are wrong under all circumstances.

And Clinton's also started talking more about her faith, making a plea for "enabling people to live out their faith in the public square."

Answering yet another 2008 question, she said she's too busy and added, "I have more than I can say grace over right now." Reagan speechwriter Peggy Noonan amusingly translated the religious allusion as: "I'm running, is this not obvious to even the slowest of you?"

Conservatives are sneering at what American Values boss Gary Bauer called "the ultimate makeover," and liberal activists, some of whom still haven't forgiven Clinton for voting to invade Iraq, are quietly grumbling.

"She shouldn't take the base for granted," said Jonathan Cook, a liberal activist.

"The whole independent left fell in line (behind the Democratic Party) in 2004, and I think they're feeling kind of burned," he said.

Ruy Teixeira, co-author of "The Emerging Democratic Majority," said he thinks Clinton would make a great president

but is deeply skeptical that she could get elected. Big money donors, he said, are equally skeptical.

"People don't like to come out and say it because they don't like to tick her off, but privately most people don't think she can win," he said.

One key to Kerry's loss was his dismal performance among blue-collar white voters, a group Democrats must win back, Teixeira said. It's also a group that doesn't much cotton to Clinton, who's as polarizing as President Bush and has maintained a disapproval rating around 40 percent for the past decade.

Clinton also has problems among women – assumed to be more likely to vote for the potential first female President.

A WomanTrend poll last month found 25 percent of women said they'd definitely vote for her. But 29 percent wouldn't no matter whom her opponent turns out to be. "A lot of these blue-collar women don't respect her for staying with her husband," a WomanTrend pollster said. "If you can't stand up to a cheating husband who embarrassed you in front of the whole world, how are you going to stand up to Osama Bin Laden?"

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GSU football opens
spring practice

GSU Athletic Media Relations

The Georgia Southern football team opens their spring practice season today, the first of 15 practices over the next six weeks. The Spring Game, on Saturday, April 9, culminates the Spring Season.

Coming off a 9-3 season in which they won their eighth Southern Conference championship (6-1, tied for the title), the Eagles return 45 letterwinners from last year. Head coach Mike Sewak knows the two positions with the biggest question marks are defensive line and quarterback.

The Eagles graduated all four starters on the defensive line while Walter Payton Award finalist Chaz Williams ended his quarterback career with his name listed throughout the record books.

Five starters return on offense, led by 2004 All-America offensive lineman Chad Motte and Jermaine Austin, a finalist for the 2003 Walter Payton Award. Motte started all 12 games while Austin rushed for 988 yards on 156 carries with five touchdowns in 10 contests.

All-SoCon offensive linemen Travis Sims and Lance Wayne return, both started all 12 games. Teddy Craft, an All-SoCon return specialist, caught 20 passes for 482 yards and seven touchdowns. He also averaged 20.8 yards on kickoff returns and 11.4 yards per punt return.

The Eagles finished 2004 as the top rushing and scoring team in the nation. The 370 yards per game easily outdistanced the next closest team in either I-A or I-AA. In addition, GSU's 47 points per game led all of I-AA.

Displaying balance on both sides of the ball, the Eagles staked claim as the only I-AA team to finish among the top five in both total offense and total defense. The 488 yards of offense ranks fourth-best while the defense finished third, allowing 277 yards per game.

Defensively, Third Team All-America selection A.J. Bryant is anticipated to move into a starting role. His six interceptions equaled a Georgia Southern record. Terence McBride and Bryant earned First Team All-SoCon honors in the secondary. Other starters who received All-SoCon honors include: John Mohring (2nd Team linebacker) and Tariq Muhammad (2nd Team secondary). Cornerback Lewis Barr started all 12 games while Jason Earwood made nine starts at linebacker.

The special teams situation is arguably the best in recent years. Punter Dan Jordan led the league averaging 41 yards per kick while Jonathan Dudley hit 56-of-62 extra points and all nine field goal attempts.

"We need to get ready as soon as possible. I think we're behind where we were at this point last year. We lost a lot of seniors and we need people to step up and take an active role," said Sewak. "The players and the coaches are excited, especially after last Friday (last morning workout)."

Women's basketball loses 97-95
in double-overtime heartbreaker

GSU Athletic Media Relations

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. - On the strength of a tournament-record 45 points from Jennifer Gardner, Western Carolina claimed its first ever Southern Conference women's basketball championship with a 97-95 double-overtime victory over Georgia Southern Saturday at McKenzie Arena.

Gardner was nearly unstoppable underneath all game long, as she converted 15-of-19 field goals and 13-of-15 free-throws, including the game-winning lay-up with 16 seconds left in the second overtime period. Gardner set SoCon tournament records for points in a game (45), points in a tournament (106), field goals in a tournament (33), free-throws in a tournament (37), free-throw attempts in a tournament (46) and rebounds in a tournament (43).

GSU freshman guard Tiffany Brown, who led the Eagles with 27 points, put her squad ahead with a fade-away jumper in the lane with only 17 seconds left in regulation. The Lady Catamounts clawed back, however, thanks to a floater on the baseline by Ki-Ki Glass. Glass was fouled on the play, but she missed the ensuing free throw.

GSU could not corral the rebound on the missed free-throw, giving Western the ball, but when Gardner could not handle the inbounds pass, the teams headed to the first overtime period, deadlocked at 81.

In overtime, the Eagles charged ahead to an 88-83 advantage following a free throw by Lee DuBose, but once again, the Lady Catamounts fought their way back. WCU's Ashley Pellom made one-of-two free-throws and stole the ball from GSU's Adrienne Early, who had grabbed the defensive rebound. Gardner's bucket cut the GSU lead to two, and following a second consecutive Eagle turnover, Gardner drained a pair from the charity stripe to knot the game once again

at 88, sending the game to a second overtime.

The second overtime period saw the lead see-saw back and forth before Fallon Lee put GSU back ahead, 95-94, with a 17-footer from the right corner. On the ensuing possession, Gardner muscled up the eventual game-winner with 16 seconds remaining to stake WCU to a 96-95 lead that it would not relinquish.

The Lady Catamounts added another free-throw, and Dana Benemon's desperation trey from the left corner missed at the buzzer, giving Western its first-ever SoCon title.

With the win, WCU (17-13) became the first team in Southern Conference history to win four consecutive tournament games en route to the tournament championship and earned the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA tournament. The Lady Catamounts were also just the second sixth-seeded team to ever claim the SoCon title, joining Appalachian State's 1999 squad as the only two teams to share that honor. Additionally, rookie head coach Kellie Harper earned the distinction of being the first ever first-year mentor to claim the SoCon tournament crown. In addition to Brown's career-high 27 points, GSU (16-14) was led by a career-high 22 points from Benemon and 14 from DuBose.

Western's Glass also broke the record for assists in a single tournament with 28 after she tallied a career-best 14 in the championship game. Gardner, who earned tournament Most Outstanding Player accolades, also tallied a game-high 13 rebounds, including seven on the offensive end while GSU's Lee established a new career mark by dishing out nine assists.

Western Carolina will learn of its NCAA tournament opponent during the NCAA Women's Basketball Championship Selection Show, airing on ESPN at 5 p.m. on Sunday, March 13.

Box Score	1	2	OT	Total
Catamounts	46	35	16	97
Eagles	51	30	14	95
				2/OT



Mark Humphrey/AP Photo

Western Carolina's Sigita Maleraite, left, lays the ball up and out of the reach of Georgia Southern's Dana Benemon (40) during the first half of the Southern Conference tournament championship game Saturday, March 5, in Chattanooga, Tenn.

Eagles win three straight
to sweep weekend series

By Eric Powell

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Eagle fans were able to bring their brooms to the ball park Sunday afternoon to celebrate the baseball teams weekend sweep of Buffalo.

Georgia Southern (6-6) thoroughly dominated Buffalo (0-6) from the time they stepped off the bus in Statesboro until this weekend series mercifully came to an end.

In Game One on Friday, the Eagles used a collectively brilliant pitching effort from Everett Teaford, A.J. Battisto, and Kyle Harrison to shut down the Bulls.

The trio combined to allow five hits and one run in the ball game.

Teaford, a six foot sophomore picked up the win pitching 5.2 innings and fanning nine in the start running his season record to 2-1.

With solid pitching backing them, the GSU hitters didn't necessarily have to put up many runs, but exploded late in the game leading to the 13-1 blow out.

Already up 6-1 heading into the bottom of the seventh inning, the Eagle batters took turns rounding the bases putting up seven in the frame.

Four GSU players had multi-hits in the game.

Seniors center fielder James Payne and catcher Flint Wipke each had three hits and two runs scored in the contest.

The Bulls looked poised to avoid a repeat performance of Friday's game when they took the field Saturday and started off with three runs in the top of the first.

GSU starter Josh Lairsey was able to regain control of the game



Grayson Hoffman/STAFF

GSU outfielder James Payne slides in safely just ahead of a pick-off attempt by Buffalo first baseman James Kingsley during Saturday's game.

following the rough opening inning by not allowing another run during the five following innings he spent on the mound en route to picking up his second victory of the year.

"We just came out and were ready to play this whole weekend."

-Dustin Evans, GSU pitcher

In the bottom half of the third, the Eagles stormed back from their three run deficit with a six-run inning.

Wipke added to his hit total from the previous game with a two-run single to cap off the third inning rally.

For the game, Wipke had a team-high five RBIs on two hits, one being a three-run homerun in the eighth leading to the final score of 14-6.

Junior first baseman Greg Dowling

also had a big day at the plate going two-for-three while driving in four runs, two coming on a homerun of his own in the sixth helping the squad score a season high for runs in a game.

Sunday's weekend capper didn't quite resemble the previous two games' as the Eagles were unable to manage double-digit runs. But even though the Bulls were able to make the game somewhat close late, GSU never lost control and cruised to their third straight victory.

Sophomore hurler Dustin Evans pitched six shut out innings to pick up his first victory of the season while tying a career-high striking out nine Buffalo batters.

"It's good to get that goose egg (zero wins) off the board," Evans said. "My arm felt good today. We just came

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SoCon Tournament ends early for Eagles

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CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. - Elton Nesbitt's potential game-winning three-pointer bounced off the rim as Georgia Southern dropped a 73-71 decision to UNC Greensboro in the quarterfinal round of the Kyocera SoCon Championship. The Eagles end their season 18-13.

GSU never trailed until Ronnie Burrell's jumper in the lane with 34 seconds left put the Spartans ahead by two. Nesbitt missed a jumper but grabbed the rebound and called timeout before falling out of bounds with 11 seconds left.

Donte Gennie missed a baseline jumper. Burrell came out of the pile with the rebound and the Eagles immediately fouled. Burrell missed the front end of the 1-and-1 as five seconds remained. Louis Graham grabbed the rebound giving the Eagles another chance. Without any timeouts left, Nesbitt and the Eagles pushed the ball up the court. He dashed past two defenders and launched a shot from the left wing before the final horn.

"It was a good shot. I can't say too much about it. It normally goes in," said Nesbitt. "During the last four or five minutes we didn't shoot the ball well."

In fact, the Eagles did not make a field goal down the stretch after Terry Williams hit from the baseline with 3:36 left.

When Graham made a lay-in with 4:02 left in the first half, GSU enjoyed its biggest lead of the game 34-22. Heading into the locker room, GSU led by eight thanks to 50 percent shooting while holding UNCG (17-11) to 30.8 percent.

During the second half, the Spartans' backcourt used dribble penetration to get back into the contest. Ricky Hickman scored 15 of his game-high 22 points and Ray Bristow scored 10 of



Angela Lewis/AP Photo

UNC-Greensboro's Kyle Hines heads toward the basket as Georgia Southern's Terry Williams pursues during Thursday's Southern Conference tournament game.

his 13 over the final 20 minutes.

The Eagles went cold, making just 11-of-36 second half field goals while UNCG made 17-of-33.

"It was pretty much a tale of two halves. Our defense in the first half was tremendous. We held them to 30 percent from the field. In the second half, they were overly aggressive driving with the ball. We didn't stand in front of the ball and, for the second straight day, we didn't shoot the ball well. In the last five minutes it was evident we were tired," said head coach Jeff Price. "Free-throws were a key factor in the game. We were first in the league (SoCon games) in free-throw percentage coming in. Today missed free-throws were huge."

Overall, the Eagles shot 40 percent FG, but just 4-of-17 from beyond the arc and 11-of-19 at the free throw line.

Nesbitt finished with 16 points, in

addition to game-highs of six assists and four steals. Graham ended his rookie season by recording his sixth double-double, 15 points/13 rebounds along with four blocks. Gennie added 13 points, five assists, five rebounds and three steals.

Williams scored 11 points to close out his collegiate career. His two three-pointers increased his GSU record to 262, second-highest total in SoCon history. He also finishes his storied career as the GSU all-time leader in steals (221) and free throw percentage (.791). The senior guard also tied the season record for most games started with 31. He, Nesbitt, Gennie, Graham and Dwayne Foreman equal a season record for most games played, also 31.

Burrell finished with 14 points and eight boards. The Spartans shot 42.4 percent and 21 free throws in 29 attempts.

Lady Eagles open SoCon slate with 5-2 victory over Chattanooga

GSU Athletic Media Relations

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. - The Georgia Southern women's tennis team got their Southern Conference season off to a successful start with a 5-2 victory over Chattanooga Saturday afternoon. The Eagles won the doubles point and singles wins from Charlotte Bruneteaux, Szilvia Zsakay, Heather Reynolds and Kim Wollett.

Although GSU's No. 1 doubles pair of Zsakay and Ciara Finucane fell for the first time in five matches, the Eagles were able to win the doubles point as

they claimed victories at the second and third positions. Stephanie Tyrell and Wollett, playing together for the first time this season, defeated Christy Fazio and Emily Harpe 8-1 at No. 2 and Bruneteaux teamed with Reynolds to post an 8-5 win against Lindsey Ballard and Francesca Guerrieri.

GSU quickly upped its lead to 2-0 during singles play when Wollett won at No. 6 by default. Chattanooga was able to win at No. 1 and No. 2, but the Eagles triumphed in the other three matches to set the final margin at 5-2.

Bruneteaux got her team-leading fifth win of the spring against Harpe at No. 3. Joining her with five wins is Zsakay, who posted a straight-set victory over Fazio at No. 4 (6-3, 6-2).

Reynolds also was victorious for the Eagles, dismissing Guerrieri at No. 5 by the score of 6-0, 6-1.

With the win, the women's tennis squad improves to 3-4 overall and

1-0 in the Southern Conference. They continue their road trip with a non-conference match Sunday against Jacksonville (Ala.) State at noon. The Eagles will resume SoCon action with

two matches next weekend. They will play host to Appalachian State at noon on March 12, followed the next day by a match with East Tennessee State at noon.



Grayson Hoffman/STAFF

GSU junior Vincent Patry rushes in to return a volley during a tournament earlier in the season.

Men's Tennis gets back on track with 6-1 win over UNC Greensboro

GSU Athletic Media Relations

The Georgia Southern men's tennis team beat SoCon rival UNC Greensboro 6-1 Sunday afternoon at Hanner Courts. With the win, the Eagles evened their conference record and snapped an eight-match losing streak.

Finally rewarded with a nearly perfect day to play tennis, GSU (2-9, 1-1 SoCon) swept the doubles matches and won five of the six singles matches in easily dispatching the Spartans (1-11, 0-2 SoCon).

The No. 1 doubles team of Vincent Patry and Danie van den Heever got the Eagles off to a good start, getting their seventh spring win against Greensboro's team of Daniel Bustamante and Adriano Salucci. At No. 2, Lasha Janashia and Germano Knorr prevailed 8-2 over Baxter Hufham and Marc Ladouceur as GSU claimed the doubles point. The sweep was completed when Tom Green and Charles-Henri Trottet took an 8-5 decision from Chris Magnone and Jason Steinhorn.

The Eagles left little to chance during the singles matches as all five GSU winners posted straight-set victories.

Patry and Janashia both picked up

their fourth wins overall and first in SoCon action. Patry, playing at No. 1, got a tight match from Ladouceur but persevered to win 6-4, 7-5. Janashia, back in action after being forced out of Saturday's singles match against Charleston with an injury, showed no signs of rust as he cruised against Magnone at No. 3, winning 6-0, 6-0.

At No. 2, senior van den Heever played one of his best matches of the season and emerged with a 6-1, 6-4 triumph over Greg Levy. Other Eagle winners included Green at No. 5 (6-3, 6-2 vs. Steinhorn) and Trottet at No. 6 (6-2, 6-0 vs. Salucci). Nathan Tingen, playing an exhibition match against Hufham, also walked away with a victory, winning 7-6(5), 6-3.

Knorr, slotted fourth against Bustamante, was unable to extend his three-match winning streak as he fell 6-4, 6-2 in the only GSU loss of the day.

The Eagles will rest early this week before playing host to non-conference opponent Hampton on March 11 at 2 p.m. Following that contest, the team will travel across the country to California for two matches during their spring break. They will face UC Irvine March 14 at 4 p.m. and square off against Loyola Marymount at 4 p.m. on March 16.

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out and were ready to play this whole weekend."

In the game, sophomore left fielder Jason Hurst continued his red hot start to the 2005 season going 2-4 with a run scored continuing his streak of hitting safely in all 12 of the team's games this season.

Hurst is riding a personal 21 game hitting streak spanning back to games played last season.

GSU jumped out to a quick five run lead which held up until the seventh when the Bulls put a three spot on the board following first baseman James Kingsley's three-run blast.

Kingsley added a two-run homer in the following inning, but it was too little too late as the Eagles added three runs of their own in their final two innings to win 8-5.

GSU was able to swipe 10 bases in the game including two each from Hurst and Dowling, both career-highs.

Dowling had a perfect day at the plate going 3-3 with three RBI, a sac fly and a walk.

Senior pitcher Steve Cogswell picked up his third save of the season with his three innings of work.

"Any time you can get a sweep then that's a good weekend," coach Rodney Hennon said. "Dustin threw great today and was the difference in the ball game, and the way we ran the bases was real important."

The Eagles next see action on the road against Georgia Tech Wednesday before opening up Southern Conference play this weekend against Davidson in Statesboro at J.I. Clements Stadium Friday at 7 p.m.

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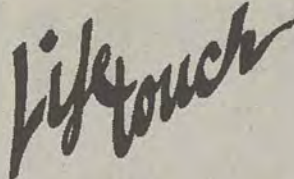
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Announcement - Student Media Positions Selection 2005-2006

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

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

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

THE GEORGE-ANNE

Executive Editor -- The executive editor should have completed two years of college work, at least one year at Georgia Southern. The executive editor should have served on a student publications staff one year and should display capabilities required for the position, including demonstrable knowledge of basic journalistic and business practices and an understanding of media law and ethics. The executive editor is responsible for the preparation of a commentary section for each edition. The executive editor serves as the chief executive officer of the newspaper and is responsible for the total content of each edition in consultation with editors in chief of companion publications.

Managing Editor for News -- The managing editor for news should have completed at least one year at Georgia Southern and should have served at least one semester on a student publications staff. The managing editor for news should be familiar with basic journalistic practices such as newsgathering and reporting practices, news and feature writing, copy editing and proofreading, photojournalism, layout and design and media law and ethics. The managing editor for news will be responsible for coordinating the editorial content in all sections of the newspaper, such as news, sports, features, companion publications or related media and other duties as assigned by the executive editor. The managing editor for news (with the assistance of the news editor) will be responsible for the preparation of the front page.

Managing Editor for Operations -- The managing editor for operations should have completed two years of college work, at least one year at Georgia Southern. The managing editor for operations should have served on a student publications staff one year and should display capabilities required for the position, including demonstrable knowledge of basic journalistic and business practices and an understanding of media law and ethics. The managing editor for operations is responsible for the overall day-to-day operations and office management of the newspaper, its subordinate divisions (advertising, marketing and production), and all companion publications or related media. The managing editor for operations serves as the chief operations officer for the newspaper.

News Editor -- The news editor should know basic news writing and should be familiar with news sources on campus. The news editor should demonstrate news judgment and should have served at least one semester on the staff of the paper. The news editor will be responsible for all newsgathering and reporting operations of the newspaper, including recruiting reporters, writers,

and photographers, provided training in the basics of newsgathering and writing, working in cooperation with the managing editors on staffing the news, features, sports, photography and related departments, maintaining an assignment calendar for the benefit of all departments of the newspaper, and other duties as assigned. The news editor assists the managing editor or news in the preparation of the front page for each edition.

MISCELLANY

Editor in Chief -- The editor in chief should have completed two years of college work, at least one year at Georgia Southern. The editor in chief should demonstrate both the interest and the talent to create a quality publication which showcases the arts -- literary, visual, and, to the extent practicable, performance arts -- on behalf of the university's students, and to promote the arts in the university community through the staging of various arts-oriented events. The editor in chief will select contributors for the magazine. The editor in chief should be familiar with basic editing and design duties, as well as media law and ethics. The editor in chief is responsible for all editorial operations for each edition, which will be published as a supplement to the student newspaper, and will coordinate its publication with the executive editor of the student newspaper. The editor in chief will be responsible for the total content of the magazine.

SOUTHERN REFLECTOR

Editor in Chief -- The editor in chief should have completed two years of university work, at least one year

at Georgia Southern. The editor in chief should have served at least one year on the staff and should be familiar with magazine copy writing, magazine photojournalism, layout and design of pages, and media law and ethics. The editor in chief is responsible for all editorial operations for each edition, which will be published as a supplement to the student newspaper, and will coordinate its publication with the executive editor of the student newspaper. The editor in chief serves as the chief executive officer of the magazine and is ultimately responsible for the total content of each edition.

DEADLINE: The deadline for the receipt of all applications for any of these positions is **Monday, April 4, at 5 p.m.** Applications should be sent to Bill Neville, chairperson, Student Advisory Media Board, in care of Box 8067, or delivered in person to Room 2022, Williams Center.

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

INTERVIEW DATE: All candidates for board positions **MUST APPEAR PERSONALLY** for interviews as follows: Candidates for the George-Anne, Miscellany Magazine, and Southern Reflector must appear Friday, April 15. All interviews will be held at 3 p.m. in Room 2007 of E.I. Williams Center (Upper Floor).

APPLICATION FORM AND WAIVER

INFORMATION: Questions regarding these positions should be directed to the advisors of the media: Ryan Honeyman (The GEORGE-ANNE) at 681-0172 or Box 8055; Mike Mills (MISCELLANY) at 681-0154 or Box 8026; or Laura Kaloniatis (REFLECTOR MAGAZINE) at 486-7450 or Box 8026. Additional information and interpretation of the qualifications may be obtained from the chairperson, Bill Neville (681-0069 or Box 8067).

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

GEORGE-ANNE

- () Editor in Chief () Managing Editor/Operations
() Managing Editor/Operations () News Editor

MISCELLANY

- () Editor in Chief

REFLECTOR

- () Editor in Chief

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

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

Signed _____ Box No. _____

Eagle ID No. _____ Date _____

E-Mail address _____

This (1) application/waiver form (or facsimile), together with a (2) resumé and a (3) letter of application for each medium in which a position(s) is sought, is due by Monday, April 4, 2005, by 5 p.m. delivered to: Student Media Advisory Board, Bill Neville, chair, Room 2022 Williams Center Box 8067, GSU, Statesboro, GA 30460. Interviews are Friday, April 15.



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The
Southern

Reflector



What's Up
with the **Yellow**
Bracelets?

Inside:

What Not To Do
Message Tips
Become the Next Iron
Chef
Night in the Boro
Take a trip to Sapelo
Island

The Reflector Staff



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Useless Facts

Compiled by Alston Arras

They may not help you graduate but
dang it they might just help you win
Jeopardy one day.



During his or her life-
time the average adult
human will grow 500
miles of hair.



Time magazine's
'Man of the Year'
in 1938 was Adolf
Hitler.



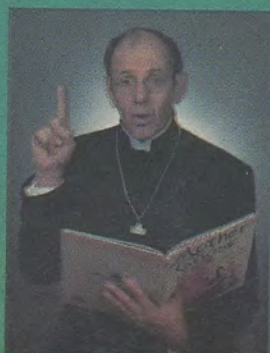
The only insect that
can turn its head 360
degrees is the praying
mantis.



Men have more
blood than women.



A man named Ed
Peterson is the
inventor of the
Egg McMuffin.



The first man
to distill bourbon
whiskey in the
United States was
a Baptist preacher,
in 1789.

Mosquitoes
prefer blonds
or brunettes.



Prissy Purses for Picky People

Brianne Butts



Amidst the diversity of girls on the Georgia Southern campus, there is one thing that many of us have in common—we like to go shopping. The blatant truth, however, is that Statesboro, GA isn't exactly the shopping Mecca of the east coast. Despite this unpleasant fact, which may have some girls going through withdrawal, there is one store in particular that is able to fill most of our shopping needs.

Prissy Purses, located at 405 S. Zetterower Ave., offers an array of unique accessories and gifts at inexpensive prices. This store caters to brides, special orders, and provides monogramming.

"We're trying to bring New York to Statesboro," said owner Freda Johnson. Along with decorative purses, matching wallets and colorful jewelry, Prissy Purses offers stylish lanterns and other accessories to bring flare into the home. "Prissy Purses keeps you informed of the latest styles," Johnson said.

Adorned with lime green walls trimmed in dancing purses, this store is unlike any other in Statesboro. "You might say I'm a trendsetter," Johnson said. Johnson's trademark colors, lime green and pink, filter throughout the cozy shop, creating an exciting and eccentric atmosphere. "It's very prissy," Johnson says, and for the guys who may be feeling left out, she adds: "We can make any guy prissy."

Johnson says that she draws a lot of her ideas from the student population and has great support from GSU.

"We try to find unusual things and are very interested in what art students have," she said. Any art student is welcome to bring in their art work because she is always taking consignments of art students.

Ms. Johnson has been in business in Statesboro for thirty years and likes bringing new ideas to the area. Prissy Purses has been around for nine years, and was originally located in Bodyworks which Ms. Johnson owned. She left Bodyworks to start Prissy Purses as a specialty store for fun and updated fashion.

The mother of three girls, Johnson said, "It's more fun to try and cater to girls and their likes." Her store appeals to women of all ages, from 8 to 80. They have everything from little girl bags to the most fashionable jewelry and trends. If you like to be in style, no matter what age, Prissy Purses will compliment any home or wardrobe in a fun and stylish way.

Having her three daughters having gone to college, Johnson understands the attempt to look good at inexpensive prices. Prissy Purses gives girls the chance to look good and not spend over \$100 on any single item; stating that she will match anybody else's prices.

Prissy Purses is the first pocketbook store in Statesboro, and it has had great success. "They know me all over, in New York, Atlanta, Dallas..." says Johnson, who leaves a lasting impression on everyone she meets.

If you haven't met Ms. Freda Johnson, I would recommend making a visit to her store just to have the pleasure of knowing her. Friendly and charismatic, her outstanding qualities radiate throughout her store and customers are given a one-on-one shopping experience. Johnson holds charity drives where she opens up her store at night. Johnson and her employees have great personalities, like to have fun and are kind and open to everyone that walks through the door.

Johnson has a second store in Savannah, on Liberty St., and one day hopes to franchise. For more information on Prissy Purses you can email prissypurse@yahoo.com or call (912) 536-4247 or (912) 764-7778. Prissy Purses is open Monday through Friday from 10-6.

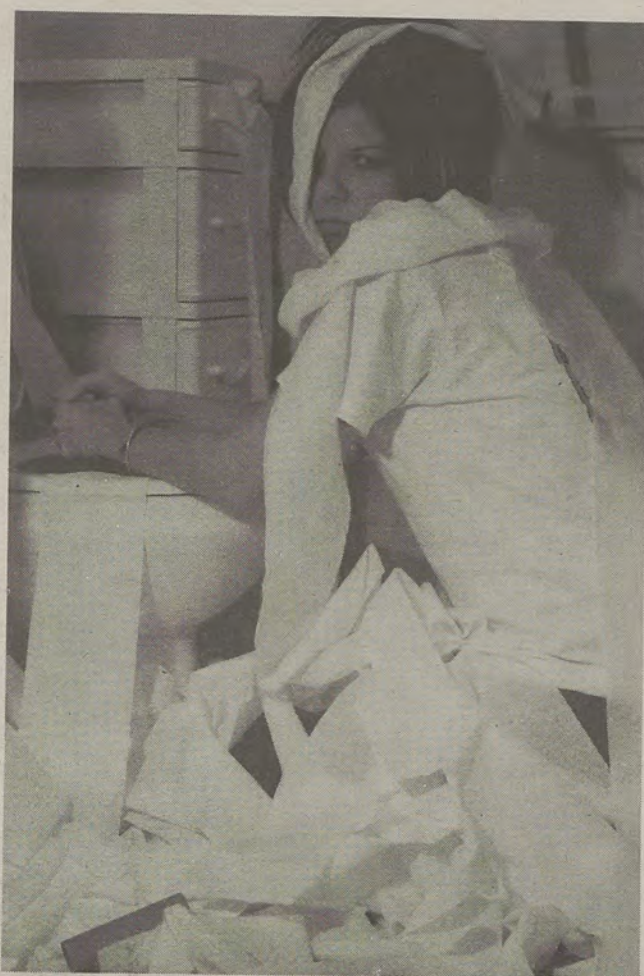


WHAT NOT TO DO...

Jessica Luber

ON A DATE

- * BELCH, AND THEN SCORE IT ACCORDINGLY.
- * FEED IMAGINARY FRIENDS YOU BROUGHT WITH YOU.
- * TAKE YOUR NAPKIN, WIPE OFF YOUR ARM PITS, SNIFF AND SAY, "DON'T YOU JUST LOVE BODY ODOR?"
- * ASK THE PEOPLE AT THE NEXT TABLE IF YOU CAN TASTE THEIR FOOD.
- * SLIDE UNDER THE TABLE AND TAKE YOUR FOOD WITH YOU.



IN A BATHROOM STALL

- * SAY LOUDLY "OH MY GOSH! I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING THAT BIG BEFORE!"
- * CHEER AND CLAP LOUDLY EVERY TIME SOMEONE BREAKS THE SILENCE WITH A BODILY FUNCTION NOISE.
- * SAY, "INTERESTING...MORE SINKERS THAN FLOATERS."
- * SAY, "WOW, I DIDN'T KNOW PEE COULD BE RED."
- * SAY, "THIS TOILET IS WAY TOO SMALL FOR MY BUTT."
- * SWITCH THE MEN AND LADIES SIGNS.
- * COME OUT OF THE STALL DRIPPING WET AND SAY, "THAT WAS A DOOZY!"

LIVESTRONG



THIS ISSUE IS DEDICATED
TO ALAN LUBER 1951-2004

"I knew something was wrong the minute I came home from my last chemo treatment. I started puking before I even got into the house. As the days went by, I got sicker and sicker. By the following Monday, I was so dehydrated I could no longer move. I was so certain that this would be the day that I died that I called each of my daughters to say goodbye to them. All the while, I'm thinking to myself, 'You know, death by chemo is probably a lot faster and less painful than death by cancer.' Meanwhile, my wife was calling the ambulance. I was in the hospital until yesterday being dehydrated. I've lost 15 pounds."

Fifteen months since being diagnosed with stage-four colon cancer, my father, the bravest, strongest, smartest man in the world suffers from what I to refer as the "Inevitable Beast", a monster or brute if you will. Alone in his solitude, during one of the many nights this "Inevitable Beast" would not allow him to sleep, my father wrote me these words. In fact, my father writes a lot of words, all which pertain to his health, how he is feeling, and how he is dealing with it.

Cancer, obviously, is not something anyone should take lightly. As a twenty-two year old college student, I have been dealing with cancer for over a year. Yet it is not directly, it still affects you.

For those of you, walking the streets, watching the Olympics, or even the MTV Video Music Awards, you may have noticed what local radio personalities are referring to as the "Yellow Bracelet Cult". Where does it come from? What does it stand for? Are there annual conference meetings?

Nope! Not for this cult. In case you have been left out in the cold, this, "Yellow Bracelet," better known as the "Live Strong Bracelet", has brought people nationally, together.

Founded in 1997 by champion cyclist and cancer survivor, Lance Armstrong, the Lance Armstrong Foundation (LAF) exists to enhance the quality of life for those living with, through, and beyond cancer. In its goal to refine and improve services rendered to those dealing with cancer, the LAF have provided the information and tools needed in awareness, education, after-treatment support, and research.

As a tribute to Armstrong's unbelievable fight and survival against cancer, LAF and Nike have together launched a "Wear Yellow Live Strong" campaign. With an early donation of one million dollars, Nike is leading in efforts to raise another five million through the proceeds of the yellow bracelets with Armstrong's mantra engraved on it, "Live Strong".

As for finding this fashionable merchandise, they can only be acquired at Nike Outlets, Niketowns, and Footlocker locations. Or if you are more of a high roller, you can buy these synthetic silicon-rubber wristbands in bulk at Armstrong's website.

These golden goods only cost a dollar and 100% of the proceeds go directly towards LAF's effort in helping people with cancer and their families to Live Strong.

Being in a cancer fighting family, I proudly wear the bracelet day in and day out. In fact, just a few days after I bought my bracelet at the Nike Outlet near my house, I went with my father to his chemo session. It seemed as though there was an explosion of Live Strong Bracelets throughout the room. Patients, nurses, and doctors alike were all sporting the goods. (Please keep in mind that I had never seen anyone wearing the bracelet nor had I heard much about it.) This is the time I like to refer as "before they were cool".

Seeing everyone around the room, my father concluded that this was the "cool, hip" thing to do. And even though he had the bracelet before this day, he excitedly put it on the second we got home.

Dealing with cancer on a day to day basis, seeing someone you love so much going through the pain and turmoil that comes along with it, tears your soul apart. When I first found out about my father's cancer, I didn't know what to think or how to act. I could see my whole world fall apart right before my eyes.

I wanted to know how this could have happened. Why hadn't the doctors been able to catch this sooner? And I wanted to know why it couldn't be fixed.

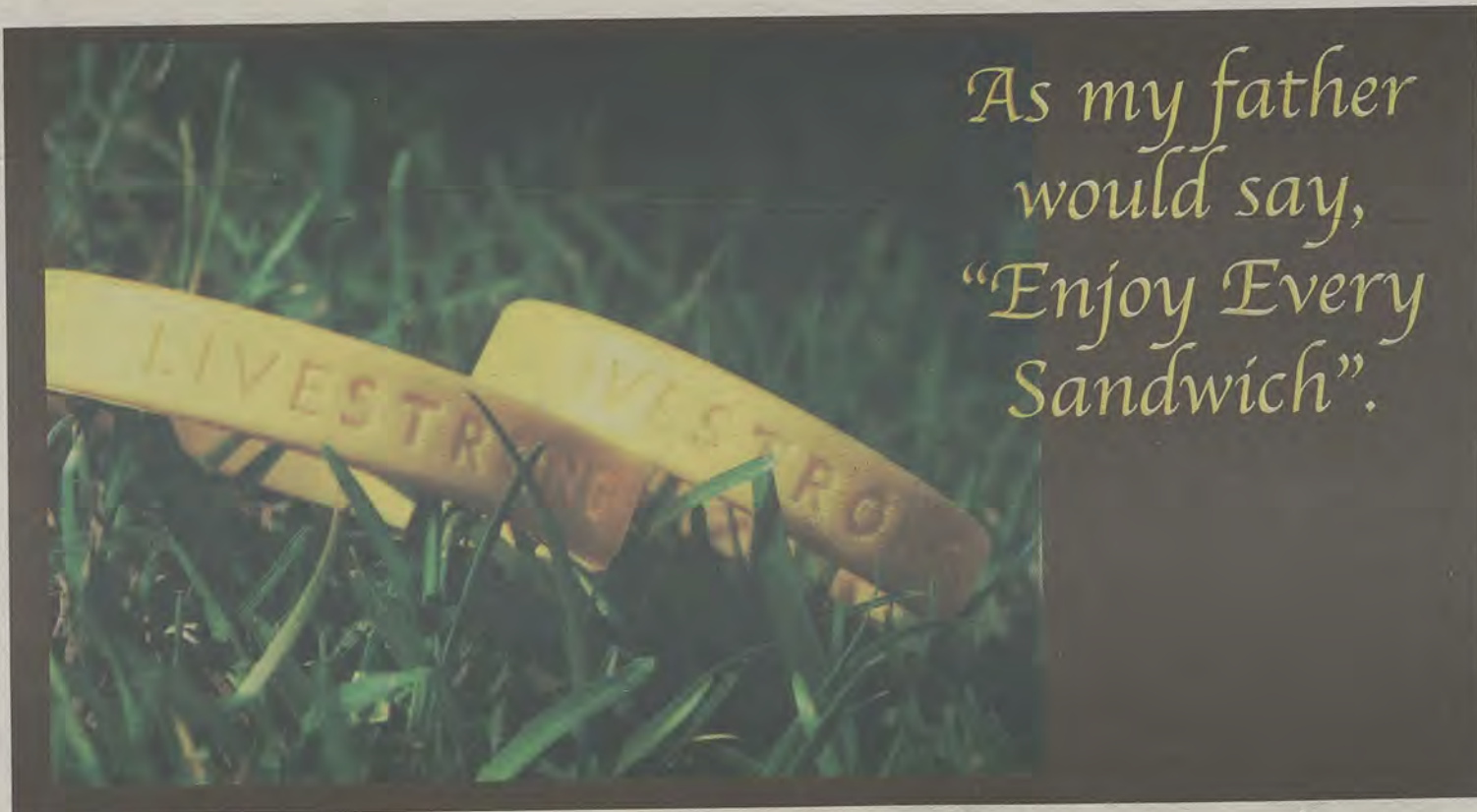
I wear my Live Strong Bracelet because of these questions. Because I hope some day, a cure will be found. According to the National Cancer Institute (NCI), between the years of 1991-2001, combined cancer rates have amazingly dropped 0.5% per year while the death rates from cancers combined have dropped 1.1% each year, from 1993 to 2001. While cancer deaths are still declining, there is still an astounding amount of research to be done.

Colon cancer, just one of many different forms of cancer, is a disease in which cancer cells (malignant), are found in the tissues of the colon. According to the NCI, as of 2004 an estimated 150,000 new cases of colon cancer will be diagnosed, and an approximate 1/3 of those diagnosed will pass away.

Being a daughter of a colon cancer fighter, you would think I should be pessimistic. But if there is anything I have learned from this experience, it is to be optimistic. My father, the greatest inspiration in my life, had been a pessimist to the extreme. He was always a worrier, saw the glass half empty; and it wasn't until the "Inevitable Beast" that he changed his ways.

Growing up, we were never allowed to have pets in the house. Recently, my older sister, who is married now, got a puppy, an Australian Sheppard mutt to be exact. My father, always a dog lover, loves the fact that she has this puppy, "She's really a wonderful, smart dog, and the best thing about her is she can come to visit and then I can send her home!"

This puppy, which he loves so much, has recently peed on our white Berber carpet. Before being diagnosed, he would have killed the dog, and probably my sister. He writes, "Sophie - my most recent source of delight - peed on my carpet the other night. A year ago I would have killed her. Instead I just laughed. My daughter and son-in-law were mortified and apologetic. I wasn't the least bit upset. Puppies pee. That's what they do."



It's amazing to me now; the things that amuse him, that make him happy. All people have their different ways of coping. Some see psychiatrist others write in journals. In coping with his sadness, he writes his "cancer chronicles", usually at night, and mails it to everyone on his distribution list. It is his way to be true, to be real.

Unlike my father, I do not have any true way of dealing with my feelings. Sure I could write like he does or talk to his doctor like he does, but I don't see these fitting my needs. I have spoken to my younger sister about the "Inevitable Disease" and her feelings are basically, "don't ask, don't know". I, on the other hand like to know what is going on. I feel as though if I know exactly what is happening, then I have some control, almost like it lessens the severity. When dealing with something you cannot manage, it is nice to think you have a leash around its collar.

Some people don't have siblings or other family members to talk to, there are support groups out there. There are therapy groups, peer support groups, and telephone support groups, along with many others.

While most days my father feels fine, usually the off days of the chemo, there are still those in which he wants to give up, makes him wonder if it is all worth it. Confession: "Sometimes I just want to give up. There. I said it and I feel better. The feeling usually passes quickly, especially when I have lots of distractions. But I have to admit, the thought has crossed my mind on more than one occasion to turn off the damn computer for good and set up an automatic reply to anyone who tries to contact me. What would I do? Read, watch movies, listen to music, play the piano (learn some new and old challenging pieces), spend time with the wife kids, and nieces; baby-sit my daughter's dog. Maybe take a vacation with my wife. At a certain point, I might even find a certain medicinal benefit to staying mildly inebriated at all times. I do like Margaritas."

The reaction from chemo, radiation, immunotherapy, and vaccine therapy is different from patient to patient, cancer to cancer. Some lose their hair, and some throw-up. My father, like many others, has suffered great weight-loss. I use to be able to poke his belly and call him fatso, now I am fatter then he and I weight all of 95 pounds.

Cancer fighters and their families need to know that they have someone to talk to; that there is hope out there. When I walk down the street and I see someone wearing the Live Strong Yellow Bracelet, it makes me feel absolutely amazing. I feel like we have a common bond, like we are fighting for the same thing. It makes me proud when I see someone on TV, such as the Olympians or Movie Stars, sporting the bracelet. I love seeing people of all different shapes, sizes, and race wearing them. I feel united, like I am part of a group. I praise Lance Armstrong for all that he has done. I support him as an athlete and as an individual. He has shown through his courage and persistence that anyone can do anything. It doesn't matter how sick you are or how different you are. As long as you put your mind to something, nothing is impossible.

Winning six Tour de France races, and surviving testicular cancer proves to be two unbelievable accomplishments. Without the support of others, this would not have been possible. Realize that alone, you are just one person, but with many, you are a team. Bring part of a team is important. It builds confidence and assurance. My father is one man, but part of a team. A team of people who love him and care about him, whether he is in the hospital, getting chemo, or laying around the house. While I wear my yellow Live Strong bracelet with pride, I know that I am not only one woman. I am yet, part of a team. Part of the "Yellow Bracelet Cult". As my father would say, "Enjoy Every Sandwich".

Jessica Luber Photos by Ryan Moore



Massage Tips 101... They don't teach you *this* in class.

Leah Bendig

Some say that food is a way to a man's heart. Other's say it doesn't really matter what you feed them; it's what's in the "desert" that gets their heart ticking. As for women, some like gifts: diamonds, jewelry or even those overpriced flowers. However, for college students, sometimes gifts just aren't in the budget. So my advice to all you economically challenged people, and the secret to fill the void in your empty wallet, is the art of the sensual massage. So get ready and

all lathered up for some hot, steamy massage secrets.

The following massage tips are provided to relieve tension and stress commonly associated with school, relationships, parents, or whatever else that may cause your panties to get in a knot. However, before attempting to show-off your techniques as a talented masseuse, I have a few reminders...

First, you need a hard, smooth surface, such as the living room floor. One of the most common misconceptions is that a bed is a good place for a massage.

Secondly, toys are a masseuse's best friend.

Finally, good quality SCENTED oils contribute to the relaxation of your client.

Tips from the Masseuse

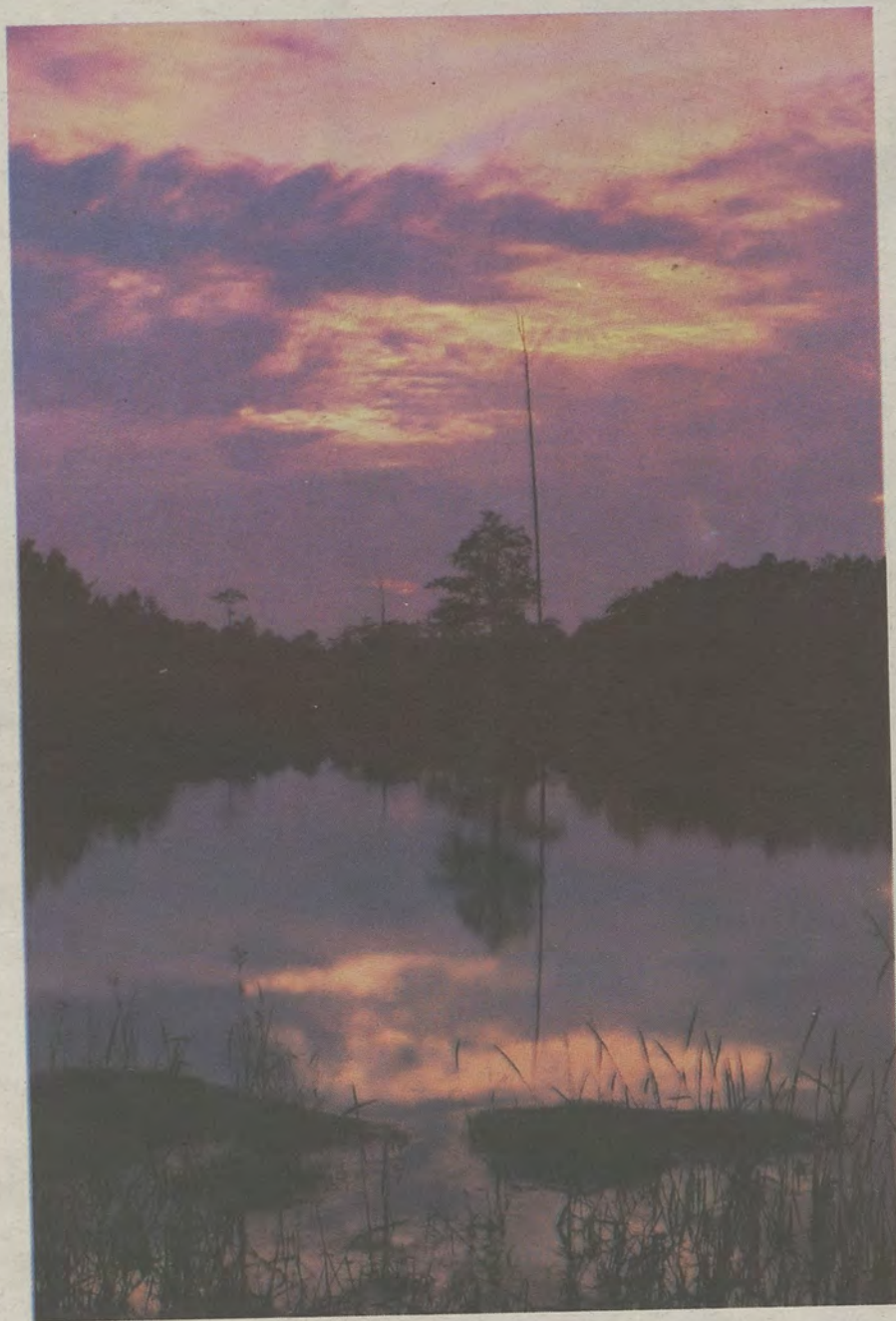
1. Start with light strokes- working the entire muscle from beginning to end.
2. Use your knuckles, fingertips, or fists (or a combination of each) and tap up and down on the area targeted for the massage.
3. On areas such as the calves and arms, move the muscles by spreading them apart and then pushing them back together. When using this method, you're aiming to massage the increases of the muscle.
4. Also, when massaging the arms and legs, pick up the muscles with your fingers and gently squeeze.
5. Continually ask for feedback from your client- focusing on their likes and dislikes and the areas to be targeted.

When giving stress- relief massages there are a couple of cautions to be aware of...

First, stray away from a client's "Danger Zones." These areas include the throat and abdomen.

And lastly, do not massage the actual spine or rather any other bones. The purpose of a massage is to assess the muscles, thus stimulating the parasympathetic nervous system, which in turn releases chemicals within oneself advising the body to relax.

All tips and information were provided by Teresa Leudke from Serenity Day Spa and Salon.



Bulloch Sunset

Lee Pond- Bulloch County
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Hail to the Chef!

Bill McDaniel

Let's face it, going out to eat gets expensive. And if you really want to impress that date, you may want to spring for a little more than the all you can eat pizza buffet at Bubba Leone's, or the occasional McNuggets to go. Ever think about doing it yourself?

Don't worry; cooking is not an exact science. In most cases one simple rule applies: 'If it tastes good, do it!'. So squeeze into that apron, dust off that chef's hat, and pick up a wooden spoon. The Reflector Culinary Institute is about to share three meals for three occasions which are easy, quick, and most importantly, under \$10.

Dinner for two...

Baked Salmon on a bed of Wild Rice with Steamed Vegetables.

Here's the shopping list: 1lb Salmon filet (\$3.97), 1lb bag of frozen mixed vegetables (\$1.07), 7oz box of Zatarain's Long Grain & Wild Rice (\$1.28), 1 Lemon (54cents), and a pat of butter (come on, if you can't afford that...)

First off, the Zatarain's rice and the frozen vegetables have their own instructions on the box, simple and easy, if you know how to boil water that is. The only tricky part is timing everything so it's ready at the same time, that way you don't have items getting cold while you're finishing up.

First, get your rice going. Once you turn it down to simmer for 25min, you can leave it running and start on the salmon.

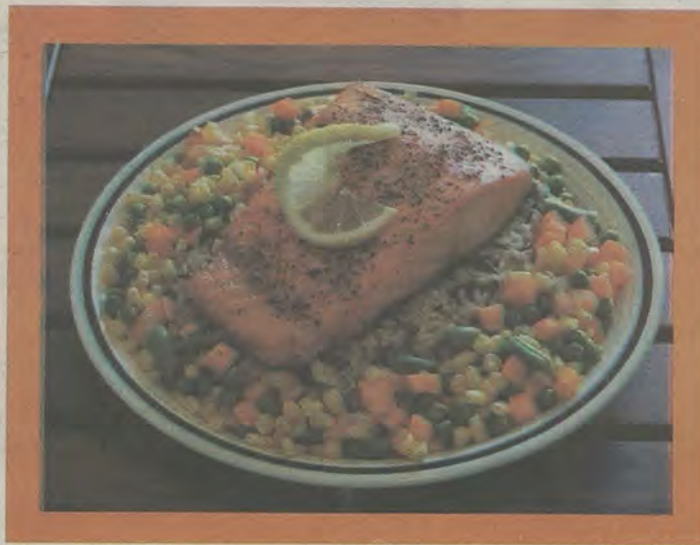
Pre-heat your oven to 450 degrees. Take your salmon filet and place it skin down on a non-stick baking sheet. Cut your lemon in half, and lightly squeeze some juice on the filet. We aren't trying to marinate the salmon, just coat the top. Now, just sprinkle some salt and pepper onto it. Once the oven is pre-heated, or when you have about 15 minutes remaining on your rice, put it in. The salmon should only take about 15 minutes to cook.

A simple way to do the vegetables is to put them in a covered microwave safe dish and nuke them. Microwave them on high for three minutes, stir, high three minutes, stir, high three minutes. Done.

Now, for the presentation. On a large plate, pile your rice up in the middle and pat it down to roughly the same shape as your salmon filet, only a little larger.

What we are doing is making a 'bed' of rice to lay the salmon on. Put your salmon on top of the rice, and then fill in the empty spots on the plate with the vegetables. Cut up your remaining half of the lemon to serve with the meal, and BAM!

Now, you've made a dinner fit for a queen (or king) for under \$10. Assuming this very meal will run \$40 to \$50 dollars at a restaurant, you've got some cash left over. My suggestion: a pair of lit candles, a bottle of wine, and a Barry White CD. Who knows where the night may lead?



ANOTHER ROUND!

Bettina Dennis

Photo by: Adam Bonner



Statesboro is a rural college town of a population approximately 22,000. The return of 16,000 college students has pumped life back into the sleepy town. By day, students attend classes, meetings, work, practice... you get the idea. But, being a college student isn't all work and no play! Every weekend the night sky lights up, music is blasting, there's laughing, dancing, friends, bands, and of course the infamous alcohol. Local establishments provide safe social atmospheres for GSU students. Being away from the hustle and bustle of the hectic classes and on campus congestion is relaxing. It's fun listening and dancing to the music or catching the latest movie at the cinema. Students spend their sparse dollars on entertainment, providing business for nightclubs, theaters, and restaurants, boosting the local economy. Some students can take the nightlife to the extreme, fighting, becoming intoxicated, or being irresponsible. Partying too hard can sometimes lead to illness, injuries, incarceration, or even death. This article will venture inside the many faces of the Statesboro nightlife.

Confessions of a Barhopper: Every weekend, local bars overflow with GSU students. Nightclubs have great music and are a perfect source for meeting new people. There is always "the barhopper", one who pays frequent visits to various bars, enjoying the nightlife to the fullest. To help define the Statesboro bar scene, I interviewed a diehard barhopper. His name is Beaver, Chase

(according to his last 3 fake IDs). As Chase confessed about his partying lifestyle the Cheers theme song popped into my head. You know, the one that goes "sometimes you want to go where everybody knows your name. and they're always glad you came. You want to be where you can see, our troubles are all the same, you want to be where everybody knows your name!" Yeah, that's him! Chase is your typical 23-year-old frat guy, exercises regularly, and majoring in pre-law. Though Chase is taking a semester off, this aspiring lawyer works full-time by day. At night Chase is a diehard barhopper. The Statesboro native made his entrance onto the local bar scene at the age of 17 after receiving his first fake ID. Chase admitted to knowing 70 to 80% of the bar crowd and meets 4-5 new faces a night. Chase says, "barhopping is all about being happy and having fun. My first priority is having fun, then school and work." When asked to describe his typical night, Chase explained, "I only go out six times a week. I go wherever the drink specials are!" On a typical night, Chase goes to 2 or 3 bars. He makes it to the first

bar around 7 o'clock (at the time of this interview he decided to start partying at 5 o'clock). He works his way to the smaller bars first where he orders his favorites, Beam and Coke, Natural Lites, and Jager Bombs. After walking to a larger bar, Chase dances and hangs around till around 1 am "because that's when they stop serving alcohol!" After barhopping he usually goes to a house with a keg and that's where the night ends. I asked Chase if he had any concerns about his extreme partying habits. He replied, "I'm not an alcoholic, I'm a 'college alcoholic'. I drink for now, but will eventually grow out of it." He did express concern about his developing beer belly. He reaches his

full drinking compacity after 2 cases of beer (48 cans of beer) or as he puts it, "when I pass out." I began to believe he was partially immune to alcohol! Chase usually passes out on a friends couch (except for the time he passed out in the bushes) and never sleeps past 11am. As far as establishing a relationship, Chase also likes to meet girls in bars; "...that way, I know we have something in common, we both love bars!" Wow. When asked about his hangover remedy, Chase simply replied "drinking another beer."

Alternatives: But wait! There's hope for the faint at heart. If nightclubs and bars don't appeal to you, there are alternative sources of entertainment.

Pittman Park United Methodist Church's "College-aged Body of Christ (CBOC) isn't your average bible study group. I paid a visit to the local church the same day they'd returned from a weekend beach trip. "The weather was great and we stayed in a beachside hotel", explained Anna Kelly, adviser of the CBOC. The group also takes part in drama ministries, hosts weekend put-put, movie night, bowling, pool parties, card night, and Christian rock concerts. When asked about their thoughts of Statesboro nightlife, surprisingly all of the students didn't bash the local bars and nightclubs or alcohol consumption. "All good things in moderation," explained a CBOC student. Some students preferred not to be apart of the bar scene because of their morals and beliefs and chose instead to put-put or even hang out at the Eagle Diner with friends.

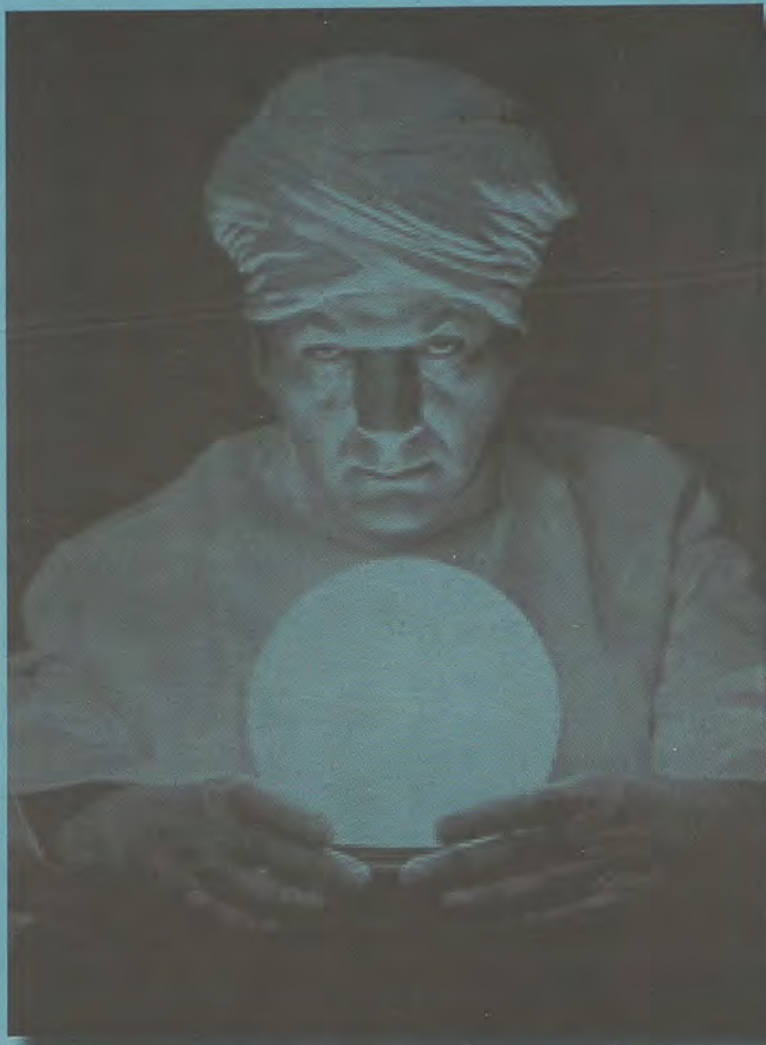
If the religious scene doesn't interest you either, there's still hope! Eagle Entertainment and various clubs and

organizations plan several events right on campus each week. Its hard to miss the many flyers and banners promoting concerts, talent shows, free movies, games, and fashion shows. Check out the Russell Union and visit the cluttered bulletin boards, you'd be surprised of what you might find.

On the other hand there is always Wal-Mart. Many students will admit to hanging out at "Wally World" at night. There are endless amounts of useless things to buy, no huge crowds or long lines. Wal-Mart is always open and you always see somebody you know!

Your options are endless, so get involved!





But Do You Know the Winning Lottery Numbers?

Leah Bendig

Aries (March 21st – April 19th) - This month is full of surprises- some good, some bad. Be cautious and alert! Watch out for students on bicycles, for they possess the power to reveal the true you. However, by the end of the month expect shiny fortunes to come your way.

Taurus (April 20th – May 20th) - Stay away from your cell phone, for it only brings bad news! Neon orange is your lucky color for the month so flaunt it proudly, boldly, and spice it up with some funky accessories.

Gemini (May 21st – June 21st) - An exotic getaway is in store for you this month, whether it be in the fiction section of the campus library, or in one of Statesboro's finest hotspots. However, don't forget your umbrella, for it might rain on your parade!

Cancer (June 22nd – July 22nd) - This month, count on your friends to get you through tough times and long days. Plan a girls or guys night out and forget about your lack of finances, or the three tests you have next week, or your break up with your significant other, and have some good ole' college fun!

Leo (July 23rd – August 22nd) - This month you're the hit of the party! Your ability to perform MC Hammer's "The Running Man", will not only improve your social status, but also attract members of the opposite sex.

Virgo (August 23rd – September 22nd) - To ward off unexpected quizzes, eat tons of pickles and garlic this month, preferably together. By the end of the month, your energy level dramatically plunges; however, daily doses of hopscotch and mud pies will keep your mind in balance.

Libra (September 23rd – October 22nd) - Your outgoing charismatic attitude allows you to get anything you ask for! Take advantage of this Libras and don't forget to thank all the little people who helped you get there!

Scorpio (October 23rd – November 21st) - This month your pheromones are racing- expect a trail of love interests wherever you go. Moderate the oysters or whatever other aphrodisiac you may be eating.

Sagittarius (November 22nd – December 21st) - The planet Venus is in your path- expect candlelight dinners and moonlight walks. This month your natural charisma and body odor attracts countless romance opportunities! However, shy away from a full moon, for it has the ability to bring the werewolf out of you.

Capricorn (December 22nd – January 19th) - Expect marriage this month, yours or someone else's. This month luck is on your side, forget the rabbit's foot, shiny pennies, or old smelly socks, all you need is a smile!

Aquarius January 20th – February 18th) - Your lucky numbers this month are 5 - 2 - 19. Buy plenty of lottery tickets and be sure to share will those less unfortunate college students who must dine on Ramen Noodles. However, be cautious with your fortunes and your expenditures- easy comes, easy goes.

Pisces (February 19th – March 20th) - This month you feel like you are in a rut and can't find your way out. Keep digging and be patient, good things come to those who wait!

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ALL HAIL TO THE LITTLE GLOWING BOX!

Despite the return of class, higher stress levels and colder weather, there is one great thing about fall that doesn't involve football or drinking- our favorite T.V. shows are back! Soon enough, couch potatoes everywhere will rejoice as the summer slump of television viewing finally comes to an end.

The reality T.V. show epidemic kicks off again with the return of *The Bachelor* on Wednesdays at 9:00 p.m. on ABC. *The Apprentice*, an unexpected hit last season, kicks off another year, airing Thursday at 9:00 p.m. on NBC. FOX will introduce a new reality show *The Next Great Champ* airing Tuesdays at 9:00 p.m. Oscar De La Hoya hosts the search to find a new champion, with the winner receiving a boxing contract. *Fear Factor* (Monday, NBC, 8:00 p.m.) and *Survivor* (Thursday, CBS, 8:00 p.m.), will also be returning for more adventure and daring escapades.

The loss of *Friends* was heartbreaking to all, but NBC has come up with the next best thing- *Joey*. Premiering Thursday, September 9, at 8:00 p.m. the spin-off falls Joey Tribiani as he travels to L.A. to pursue an acting career. The success of *Joey*, however, will depend on how well it competes with the highly anticipated return of *The O.C.* on FOX, which airs at the same time.

Along with *Joey*, a lot of new shows will be on the lineup this fall. *LAX*, starring Heather Locklear and Blair Underwood, premieres Monday, September 13 at 10:00 p.m. on NBC. This drama follows Underwood and Locklear through the daily excitement of Los Angeles's most notorious airport. *Father of the Pride*, NBC Tuesdays at 9:00, is an animated comedy from the makers of *Shrek*.

Celebrity vocalists include John Goodman and Orlando Jones. A lot of the favorites are coming back on as well. *E.R.* is in its tenth season on NBC Thursdays at 10:00 p.m. *The Simpsons*, *That 70s Show* and *One Tree Hill* make their way back on primetime as some of the more popular shows for adolescents: HBO may have lost *Sex and the City* but with *Six Feet Under* (Sunday, 9:00 p.m.) and *Entourage* (Sunday, 10:00 p.m.), avid viewers will still have something to look forward to.

The West Wing (Wednesday, NBC, 9:00 p.m.), *24* (Monday, FOX, 9:00 p.m.) and *CSI* (Thursday, CBS, (9:00 p.m.) heat up the screen as some of the most popular dramas returning this season.

Instead of grabbing a book, grab your remote and relax with one of these and many other shows that will be premiering and returning this season. Check your local listing to find even more shows that will be hot this year.



Brianne Butts

Secrets of Sapelo

Alston Arras

Sapelo Island is among the chain of islands comprised as the magnificent Golden Isles, which run along the Georgia coast. This gem has endured human settlement and the shifts in weather and time, but it never needs polishing.

Within the perpetual cream-colored beaches, labyrinth of marshes and hammocks and the petrified remnants of ancient settlers, Sapelo Island is an equally beauty of significant value.

If a blind individual was to visit the island he or she would not need to see, for they could imagine and not be off track choosing the correct color and smells contained within the limits of Sapelo Island.

The trip I took to this island began on a day compromised with wet weather. The day before the trip I was supposed to go visit the island, but with a conflict of work, I postponed till the next day.

It had rained all that morning, yet I was reassured when the boat captain, Charlie Williamson, told me the trip was to go as planned. It began to get exciting, and I hadn't even left the dock yet. Encountering a few rain spells, made the boat



ride just a little wetter, but we docked without a hitch next to three other boats. From the dock, we hopped in Captain Williamson's rustic, 88i Ford Bronco. Williamson desperately tried to get the four-wheeler started. Then I heard the explosion of a firecracker; the truck had backfired a few times.

We then drove down a dirt road and Sapelo Island began to expose its hidden beauties. Like most trucks, Captain Williamson's Bronco did not roar. It sounded like the engine was choking on its own internal parts as it stubbornly cruised through the muddy, s-shaped road.

Seconds to spare, before a violent downpour, the exhausted vehicle came to a rest. Bud and Mary Alice Thomas were the two hosts of a tall, cedar built home on stilts. Introductions were exchanged with a few beers; then, I mentioned if I could discover the south end of the island. Captain Williamson obliged, and I was off tearing down the road, shoveling mud outward from the tires.

The south end of Sapelo Island is an area rich in southern history. The Main House or called by many islanders as the 'South End House' was once the home to three different men: Thomas Spalding, sugar cultivator, Howard Coffin, automotive engineer, and Richard J. Reynolds, North Carolina tobacco heir.

The South End is now the home to the University of Georgia Marine Institute. R. J. Reynolds established Hog Hammock, a community for African American residents, which a majority of them are descendants of Thomas Spalding's slaves.

Islanders who live in Hog Hammock make up a portion of 115 residents of the island. Most of the population is concentrated in this community, but others have homes on the north and south end of the island.

The next morning, Captain Williamson, Bud and Mary Alice Thomas and I loaded up the truck and headed out for a tour of Sapelo's northern end. Because Bud is an avid collector of old glass and Indian arrowheads, we stopped after about 20 minutes and came to an area of land strewn with abandoned objects of the past.

A large wood burning stove lay scattered, large quantities of bleached oyster shells and a tombstone where adjacent with one another. Tiptoeing through the high field grass and watching for snakes, I made my way to the shaded grave.

Because of climate and weather elements, the tombstone was too stained to identify the markings of name and date of birth and death.

Further down the road, we approached and stopped at Blackbeard Creek intersecting Blackbeard Island and Sapelo Island. Named after the raucous pirate Black beard, Edward Teach, who claimed to be the Devil's brother and when he was in battle, the pirate, tucked burning matches in his hair. Legend has it that Black beard buried his treasure on the island.

Venturing onward, the truck drove through a field on the most northern end of the island. I got out and smelled the fresh, field air. Somewhere on the island in a field like this many years ago Charles A. Lindbergh landed here in one of his airplanes when Howard Coffin lived on the island.

Other men of notoriety had visited Sapelo Island when Coffin resided on the island. Presidents Calvin Coolidge, Herbert Hoover and Jimmy Carter have all vacationed on this southern, barrier island.

The last chapter in this trip on the north end of Sapelo would be to Chocolate Plantation which endured prosperity and abandonment.

There is a barn, which stands at three stories and it overlooks Mud River. This is the only intact, tabby structure at Chocolate. Tabby skeletons were once slave quarters, but now they are ruins with palm trees growing around and within them, ghostly reminders of an antebellum south.



Sure my Financial Aid is going toward Books!

Sebastian Moore
Photo by Adam Bonner

Have you ever wondered what goes on at the University Bookstore when you aren't watching? Well, nothing devious or crooked happens. The University Bookstore, like any other business, wants to make a profit and satisfy its customers. There have been many rumors about the University Bookstore that just are not true:

they burn hundreds of copies of used books, so students are forced to buy new books which can be as much as 50% more expensive; they make secret deals with publishers to keep releasing new books every semester which forces professors to use newer more expensive books, and the list goes on and on. But the University Bookstore is not out to rip us off.

Selection of Books:

In speaking with Richie Akins, the Assistant Director of Stores and

Shops at the University Bookstore, I learned some very interesting facts about the store that will set the record straight. The faculty decides which books to use for each class. In some classes like Art, Anthropology, History, Political Science, and Sociology, the text books are chosen by a committee of professors. In other courses, usually graduate courses and courses that count toward a major, the text books or novels are chosen by each individual professor that teaches the class. The University Bookstore just provides the books the faculty requests.

Publishers and Editions:

Books that have multiple editions are released by the publishers. A very common rumor is that when a new edition of a book is released, the bookstore will automatically stop selling the older edition, forcing students to buy newer versions instead of using an older version that a student probably already has. But this is the fact: The publishers recall the older editions because they are considered obsolete and

outdated and only the newest edition of a book is sold. In this situation, an older edition of a book cannot be brought back to the bookstore because they are worthless since they are no longer used in class.

Sales and Profits:

The bookstore is one of the revenue-producing services of the university. The bookstore does not get money to budget, and they are self-supporting. They survive off register sales. They are allowed to make a profit. For example: If a college algebra textbook

retail price is \$75, the bookstore will sell the book to students for \$100, 25% more than the retail price. If the math committee decides to use the same college algebra book the next semester, students can sell back their books to the bookstore during buy-back week. The buy-back price is \$50. When the bookstore sells the book as a used book, the book is sold for \$75, the retail price of a new book and 25% more than they got it back from the student

for. The bookstore gains a 50% profit for each book sold, bought back and sold again as used. There are approximately 6-8 thousand students using the Algebra and Trigonometry textbook here at GSU. Three different classes use that book.

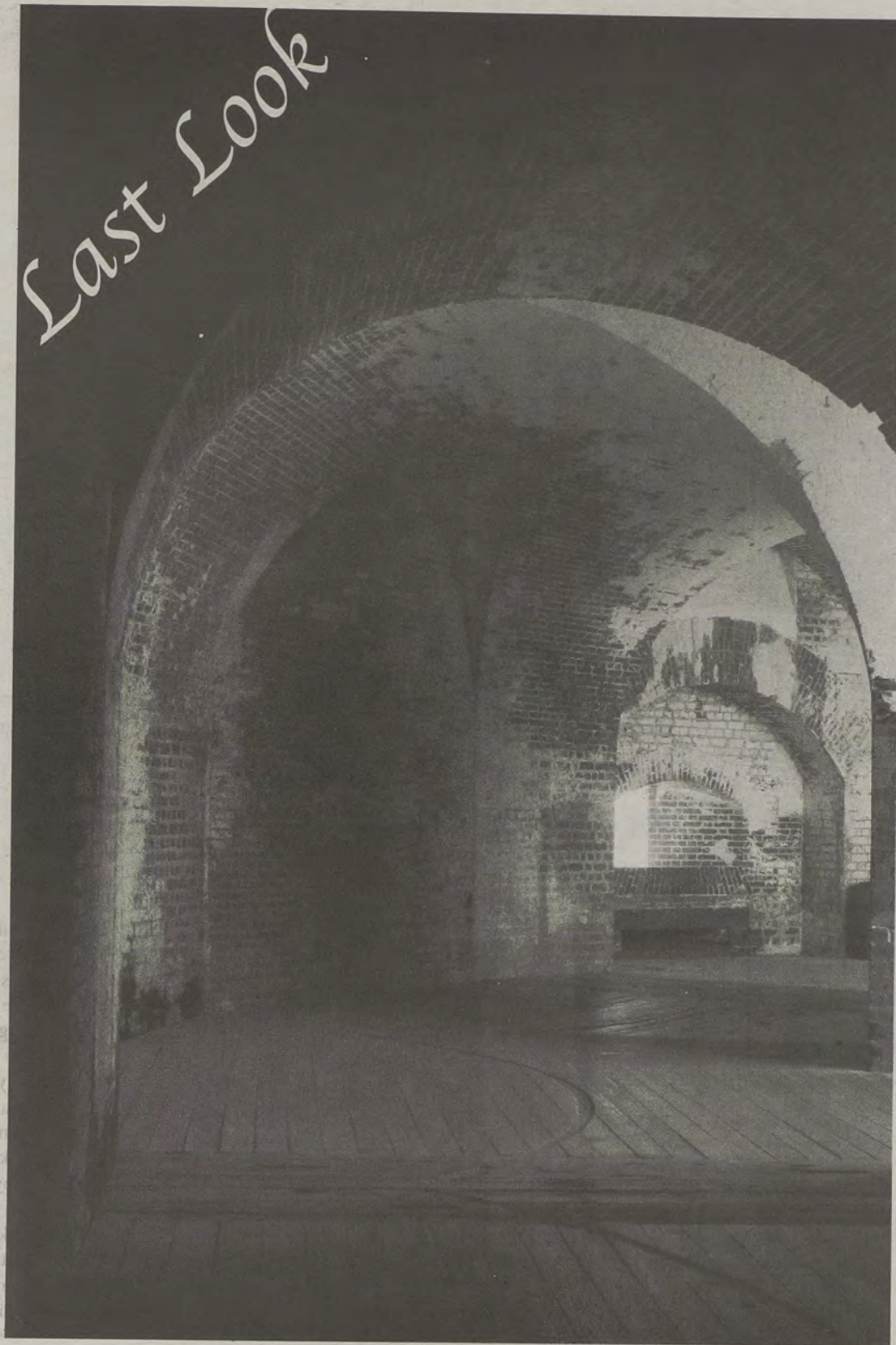
Another situation that students face which benefits the bookstore is the new online packages that come with certain textbooks. According to Mr. Akins, the bookstore does not like these packages: "We are forced to sell new (more expensive) books to students in the classes that require the packages. And because the professors use the software to put materials and information for the class online, each student is forced to buy the book." This really sucks because students in the same class cannot share books since the software can only be used by one person. To add insult to injury, students cannot sell these used books back to the bookstore because once each software package is used by one student, it cannot be used in the future by another student. So the bookstore saves money from not buying back the used books and earns extra from selling brand new books to different students taking the same course from semester to semester. But, according to Mr. Atkins, not all employees in the bookstore think this is fair for students.

Conclusion:

The University Bookstore just wants to make a substantial profit and satisfy its customers and most times in a business that can be impossible. The employees have nothing to do with the store policy. The University Bookstore is not a crooked business trying to stick-it to students. Hopefully this article has corrected any misconceptions about the University Bookstore and its procedures.



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Big Wheel Contest- Sure the speedy little imports get a lot of credit but can it go through a river or pull itself out of a mud pit? Send us your name and a picture of your big truck and let us judge who has the biggest truck on campus.

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