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THE GEORGE-ANNE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2006

Georgia recognizes roadside memorials

Memorials honor those who have died in car accidents

By Russ Bynum
Associated Press

STATESBORO — Teri Shene knelt by the highway and said "I love you" to her son whose name, surrounded by blue stars, stood out on the new state road sign off the shoulder of Interstate 16.

Donny Ray Harris Jr., or "D-Ray" as the 17-year-old's mother called him, died May 26, 2004, on this rural stretch of I-16 while riding shotgun with an intoxicated friend who lost control and flipped his car.

Now Harris is the first drunken-driving victim in Georgia to have an official highway marker erected in his memory under a state law the governor signed just 13 days before

it had to happen like this, I think Donny would be proud his was the first one to be put up," said Shene, who traveled to Georgia from her home in Sapulpa, Okla., for the unveiling Jan. 30. "He wasn't a statistic."

Small wooden crosses, flowers and other homemade memorials to casualties of drunken drivers are common, and sometimes controversial, sites along U.S. highways.

But Georgia is among a small number of states to officially recognize such crash sites as grim landmarks.

Advocates hope the state's memorial signs — which are the size of a typical speed limit sign — will send motorists a message that's more personal, and more sobering, than mere statistics.

"They'll say, 'Well, there really was somebody killed by a drunk driver,'" said state Rep. Ben Bridges, a Cleveland Republican, who sponsored the law.

Bridges saw his share of carnage caused by drunken-driving during his 30 years as a Georgia State Patrol. His measure raised fines for driving under the influence by \$1 to pay for the \$150 memorial signs.

The markers, which will be taken down after five years, read: "In Memory Of," followed by the person's name and "DUI Victim."

"I feel that the state of Georgia owed it to a DUI victim because we failed in one way to keep a DUI driver off the road," Bridges said.

The memorial signs Bridges pushed

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GRE is changing

Several changes to the GRE should appear on the test by fall 2007

By Jerriod Grizzle
Staff Writer

The required entrance exam for graduate level programs, the Graduate Record Exam or GRE, is undergoing many changes.

The test changes were originally scheduled for this October, but they have been postponed until fall of 2007, giving students who plan on taking the test more time to prepare for the changes or take it early.

"The GRE is changing because of ETS for security and better testing of skills that students need to have, such as critical thinking and complex reasoning," said Matt Fidler, GRE program manager for Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions.

Students taking the GRE next October can expect untried question types along with changes in the verbal sections and essay sections. Verbal sections that require critical reading and analyzing will become two 40-minute sections from the previous one 30-minute section. Essay timing will be changed to two 30-minute prompts.

"Verbal reasoning answers rely too much on vocal knowledge and not enough on reading comprehension and verbal problem solving. Based on feedback from the graduate community, less concentration is needed on analogies and antonyms and more questions on things like passages. It will make having a good vocabulary alone not sufficient to do well on the test," said David Payne, the executive director for the GRE program educational testing services.

Fidler said changes in the essay section are due to students who memorize practice essays and rewrite them for the test.

The timing of the test is also going to change. The GRE test time now is two and a half hours. With the changes being made to the GRE the time to take the GRE will increase to at least four hours to take the test.

see **GRE**, page 5

Georgia House passes new immigration bill

Georgia House OKs surcharge on wire transfers from illegal immigrants

By Greg Bluestein
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Georgia's House on Tuesday passed the first of a flurry of immigration bills, approving a proposal designed to tack a 5 percent surcharge on wire transfers from illegal immigrants.

The "Illegal Immigrant Fee Act" requires customers to show a pay stub, driver's license or other proof they are in the U.S. legally. Failure to do so would result in the surcharge.

It's the first of several attempts to toughen the state's immigration standards to reach a vote this legislative session. Across the Capitol, state Sen. Chip Rogers is drumming up support for a broader bill that would deny state-administered benefits to adults who cannot show they are legally in the United States.

Opponents from both sides of the aisle tried to delay Tuesday's vote, but Republican leaders seemed intent on passing the wire transfer surcharge bill. House lawmakers approved, 106-60. It now moves to the Senate.

State Rep. Tom Rice, R-Peachtree Corners, said the bill seeks to offset the financial burden of the state's estimated 225,000 illegal immigrants.

"It's the idea of giving these

see **BILL**, page 5

Bush takes on V-Day sugar

Bush administration takes Valentine's Day swing at sugar industry

By Libby Quaid
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The high cost of sugar in the United States has driven thousands of candy jobs abroad, the Bush administration said in a Valentine's Day report.

The Commerce Department re-



port blames federal farm programs that keep sugar prices higher in the U.S. than in other countries.

"Increasingly, all of those wonderful chocolates we're buying our sweet-heart are manufactured in Canada instead of the U.S., where they've traditionally been made," said Frank Lavin, the

department's under secretary for U.S. trade.

"Our point is, the vast majority of those job losses took place because of sugar prices," Lavin said.

Food companies pay more than double what their foreign competitors pay for sugar, the Commerce Department said. High sugar prices have cost the U.S. at least 6,400 jobs since 2000, according to the report. There

have been 10,000 job losses in candy, breakfast cereal and other sugared food since 1997, the report said.

The losses hit the Chicago area particularly hard, according to the report. There, the confectionary industry has seen employment drop 30 percent since 1991, the report said.

One example in the report is Brach's Confections Inc., maker of

see **SUGAR**, page 5

'Happy to be Nappy' celebrates black history

By Tiffany Colston
Staff writer

It's time to celebrate Black History Month and recognize the contributions that African Americans have made to positively impact modern day society. It is time to reflect upon these contributions and ponder about where you would be without them. Where would you be as a member of the human race if Martin Luther King, Jr. did not stand solidly for the equality of all mankind?

Some people would not have the opportunity to attend this university or get the education they are striving for. Students who would like to discuss various racial issues and adversities should attend Happy to be Nappy, a program to discuss problems.

This month the Multicultural Student Center will be hosting a program entitled Happy to be Nappy as a contribution to Black Awareness Month.

It will be held Feb. 15 in room 2047 at the Russell Union.

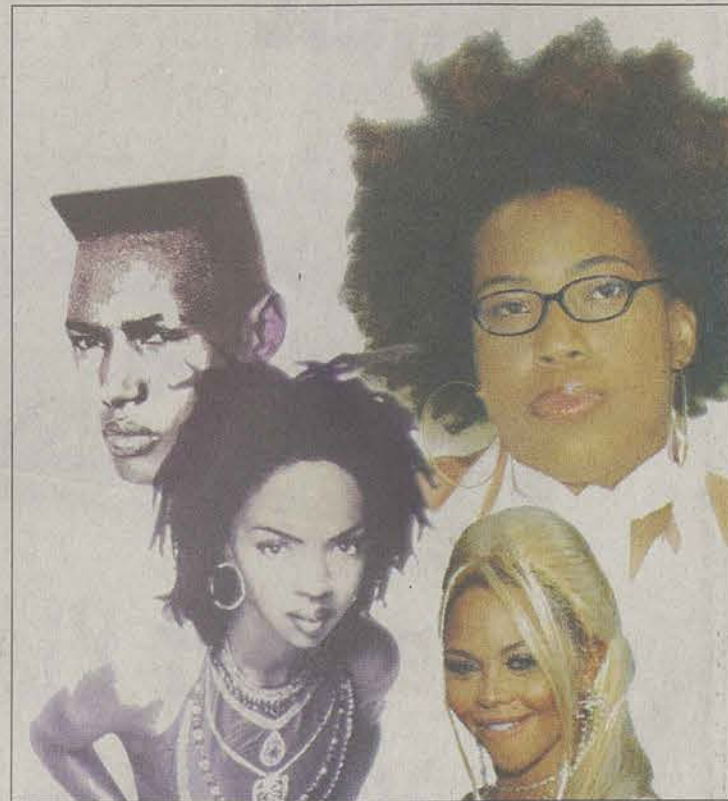
This program will give everyone an opportunity to discuss various perspectives that African Americans have on a number of political issues and other issues such as racial profiling, different hair textures and on one of the most prevalent and controversial issues within the African American community, skin color. These are some of the primary issues that will be discussed at the program that often divide the African American community.

Amy Anderson, the organizer of the event heavily emphasizes that the program promotes diversity and is open to people of all races. This is the third consecutive year the program has taken place and student participation in the event increases every year, she said. "The goal of the program will be reached, which is to promote unity between different groups of people," Anderson said.

The atmosphere will be lighthearted and less stressful because of the Battle of the Sexes competition that will take place. Males and females will get the opportunity to communicate and discuss different perspectives concerning their gender differences. Also, the manner in which the different genders interact in relationships will also be discussed.

Director of the Multicultural Student Center Consuela Pender believes the main goal of the program is to give everyone the chance to discuss different ideas about various issues and gives people of other races insight into the problems and issues African Americans face.

The program accomplished its main goal for student Amanda Staples, who attended the event last year. "It is excellent because it puts different ideas on the table about stereotypes and perceptions we have of one another and we are able to discuss these issues in a mature way," said Staples.



Clark crowned Miss Black & Gold

By Koelling Borneman
Staff writer

The Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, hosted its 26th annual Miss Black and Gold pageant Sunday night.

Eight contestants competed this year and 20-year-old Kyla Clark won the Miss Black and Gold title and scholarship. Clark is a junior sports management major from Stone Mountain who won Miss Spirit, Best in Swimsuit, Best in Eveningwear and Best Question and Answer.

In addition to receiving a \$500 scholarship, the new Miss Black and Gold will also represent the Xi Tau chapter at the district competition, with a chance to advance to the national pageant.

Clark's platform is C.H.E.E.R. for

LIFE (Choosing Healthy Endeavors and Eating Right).

Clark said winning the pageant is just the beginning. "It means that I can start increasing campus awareness about healthy living," she said.

Sean Bethune, member of Alpha Phi Alpha and the pageant's host, said "The event is a scholastic as well as achievement pageant, showing off what GSU has to offer."

Contestants were judged in swimwear, evening gown, talent and extemporaneous speaking during the pageant, but GPA and essays that contestants wrote in order to be a part of the pageant were also taken into consideration.

Last year's Miss Black and Gold, Nelldra Beecham, was on hand to congratulate Clark. Beecham's platform was promoting education in the areas of

math, reading and technology.

Since being crowned last year, she has advocated her platform through work with organizations like the Boys and Girls Club and several middle schools in Bulloch County.

"[Kyla] will immediately begin implementing her platform and will go on to compete in the district pageant," said Beecham, senior education major who currently student-teaches in Screven County.

The First runner-up, with the title of Miss Black, was Kimberly Richardson. Shalisa Davis won second runner up, Miss Gold, and third runner-up, Miss 1906, went to Shamira Bailey.

The pageant's theme was Egyptian Dreams and the band Soul Purpoz provided musical entertainment.



Special Photo

Miss Black and Gold pageant winner Kyla Clark stands with several supporters holding poster-size photographs of her.

LET US INTRODUCE...

Jamie Randolph, working it out

Name: Jamie Randolph, 18
Hometown: Atlanta
Major: Public Relations freshman

Why did you choose GSU?

Because it's a big school without the big-school feel and it's close enough to home without being too far.

What does Statesboro need the most?

A Publix or a Target store.

When you aren't in class, how do you pass the time?

I work out, hang out with friends, and do things that make me happy.



Jamie Randolph

Where do you see yourself in five years?

I'd like to be married, doing something community involved.

What's the best cheap thrill in the area?

Throwing eggs at signs.

What's the best meal in Statesboro?

Kyoto Express.

What is one thing every student needs to know about college?

Decide who you are and don't let anyone change you.

Students reunite in New Orleans

By Natalie Pompilio
Knight Ridder Newspapers

NEW ORLEANS — They didn't have to go back. Many of them had no ties to the area, no property, no relatives nearby. The city they would return to would be very different from the one they fled months earlier. The carefree attitude was gone, and the physical beauty that captured the imagination of legions of writers and artists had been altered, perhaps forever.

But thousands of college students from across the country, have returned to Hurricane Katrina-battered Louisiana in recent weeks.

The large numbers of students returning to the city's four main private universities surprised even administrators. All of the campuses had been affected.

That meant traditional student life, across the city, would be changed; Dillard students, for instance, would live and take classes in a hotel. Some Tulane University students would sleep on a cruise ship or in trailers.

Still, Tulane reported that 10,000 of its 12,500 students returned in January. Loyola University said 87 percent, 4,880 students, came back. Xavier has 3,188 students, about 75 percent of its pre-Katrina size. About half of Dillard's 2,155 students returned.



File Photo

Georgia Southern history students played roles of the 1940's era British in last year's TimeShop program. Pictured above (l-r) are Paulette Thompson, Katie Carlberg and Don Guillory.

Students share scenes from a different time

By Jenny Miller
Staff writer

If you have ever wanted to go back in time and explore the sounds, sights and smells of the past, TimeShop for adults will now give you that chance Feb. 16.

TimeShop, which was created initially to get children interested in world history, has been expanded to a program for adults.

"It's not every day you get to travel in time," said Annette Laing, the director and creator of TimeShop.

At TimeShop, participants will visit Letchworth, England in 1940 during World War II.

The event will feature seven rooms that vary from a cinema to a British pub. The event promises plenty of fun, with games and books from the time period as well as authentic music played by Michael Braz on the piano.

The TimeShop committee decided to put on TimeShop for adults after hearing the reactions of parents who attended the original TimeShop with their children. "Ever since we first did Wartime England two years ago, we've had adults wistfully say how much they wish they could go," said Laing.

In addition to playing games and listening to the music, participants can also sample British foods along with the catered hors d'oeuvres. You can even smell the smells of the time period, thanks to a system created for British museums.

Laing said the program is unique for a number of reasons, mainly for its approach and subject. "Most living history programs either have American military or agricultural themes," said Laing. "We focus on

civilian life in England during World War II, which was both a scary and yet exciting time for many people."

TimeShop for adults will be different from the program offered to children in that it offers a more light-hearted and less serious tone.

The program even gives you a chance to purchase items in the TimeShop store and interact with several special guests who actually lived in England throughout the 1940s. "At TimeShop we try to evoke the past, because re-creation is impossible," Laing points out.

The event is a great opportunity for students to have a fun and educational night out, but they are encouraged to purchase tickets in advance because of the expected popularity of the occasion.

TimeShop is put on by Laing, as well as a staff of almost 40 students who have been preparing for the event since last August and building the collection of props for nearly two years.

The main sponsor for the event is The Georgia Humanities Council and Faculty Service Committee, as well as the GSU History Department and several local businesses.

TimeShop for adults will take place on Feb. 16, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Nessmith-Lane Continuing Education Building.

All ticket sales will benefit disaster relief. Tickets are \$10 for Georgia Southern students with ID (\$15 at the door, if available) and \$20 for adults (\$25 at the door, if available).

Send checks to TimeShop, P.O. Box 8054, and made payable to Georgia Southern Foundation (please write TimeShop FGU #0719 in memo line). For more information, e-mail timeshop@georgiasouthern.edu.

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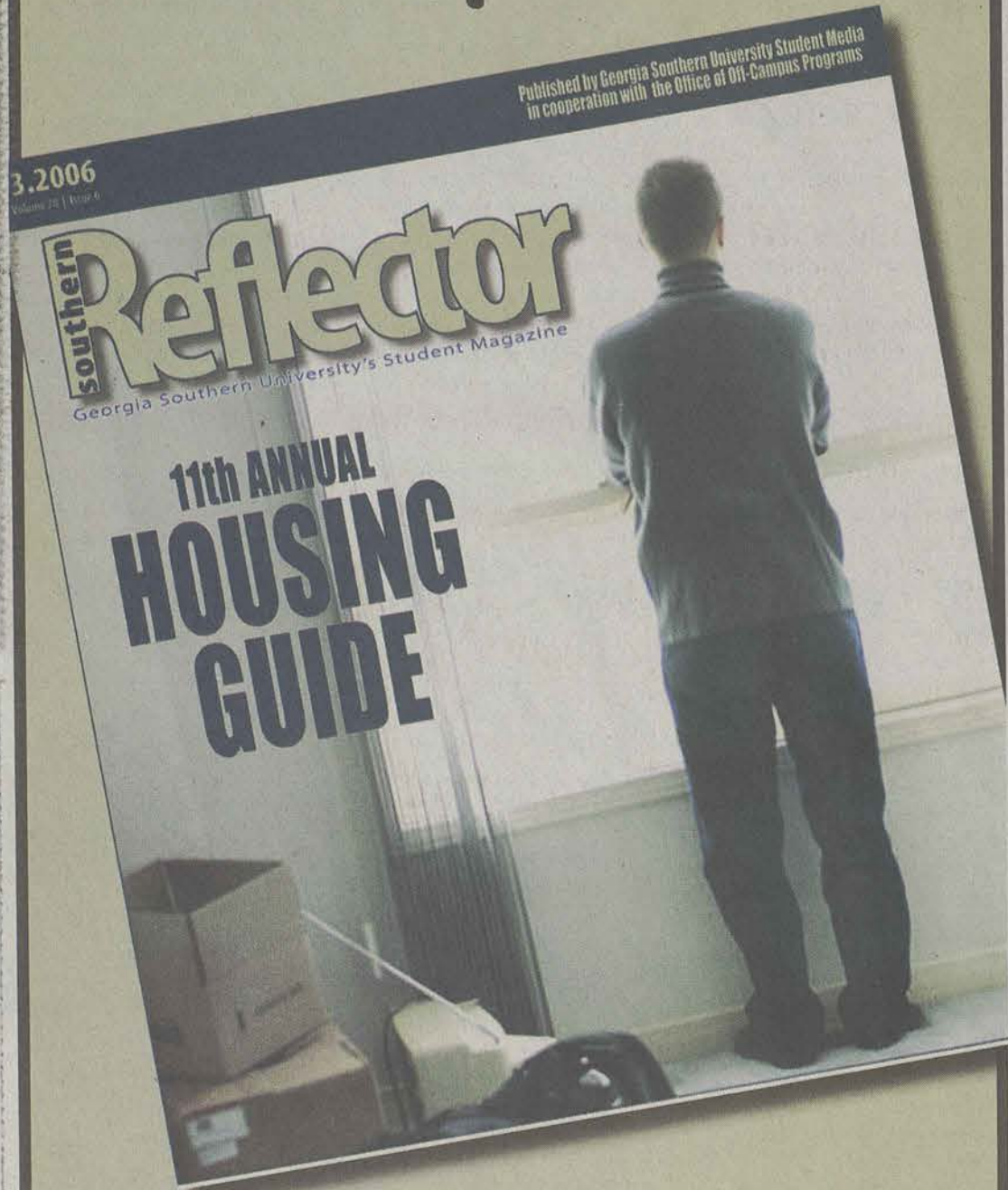
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CALENDAR

Wednesday, February 15

6 p.m.
SGA Meeting
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7 p.m.
NAACP General Body Meeting in
Russell Union 2080

7 p.m.
Happy to Be Nappy: Learn about
and discuss the different perspectives
of African Americans' lives.
Russell Union 2047

Thursday, February 16

8 a.m.
TimeShop: Wartime England in
Nessmith-Lane Bldg.

5:30 p.m.
Mathematics Public Lecture in
College of IT 1005

5:30 p.m.
International Club Meeting in
Russell Union 2042

6 p.m.
African Student Association
meeting
Russell Union 2047

7 p.m.
Southern's Next Top Model Elimination
Russell Union 2084

7 p.m.
Movie: Glory
A dramatic account of the American
Civil War's first all-black
regiment
Russell Union Theater

7 p.m.
TimeShop: Wartime England for
Grown-Ups Tickets are \$20, \$10
for students with ID and benefit
disaster relief.
Nessmith-Lane Bldg.

Friday, February 17

8 a.m.
TimeShop: Wartime England in
Nessmith-Lane Bldg.

11:30 a.m.
International Conversation Hour
Russell Union 2080

7:30 p.m.
Vienna Choir Boys
Performing Arts Center

Saturday, February 18

8 a.m.
TimeShop: Wartime England in
Nessmith-Lane Bldg.

11:30 a.m.
International Conversation Hour
Russell Union 2080

Sunday, February 19

8 a.m.
TimeShop: Wartime England in
Nessmith-Lane Bldg.

10 a.m.
Bridgeway: The Church on Campus
in Russell Union room 1085

Monday, February 20

Early Registration for Summer &
Fall 2006

Deadline for M.Ed. students to register
for Comprehensive Exams

12 p.m.
Lost Boys of Sudan: Two orphaned
refugees who were forced to leave
their villages as children share
their stories
Russell Union 2080

8 p.m.
Movie: Look in Me (France)
Russell Union Theater

POLICE BEAT

02-09-2006

• Kyle William Thompson, 18, of Olliff Hall, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.
• A camera was taken from Winburn Hall.

02-10-2006

• Latoya Quinnchelle Lanier, 30, of Walden Way, Statesboro, was charged with speeding and driving with a suspended license.

THE BIG STORY

Episcopal Church's first openly gay bishop in treatment for alcoholism

By Anne Saunders
Associated Press

CONCORD, N.H. — The Episcopal Church's first openly gay bishop, V. Gene Robinson, has started treatment for alcoholism.

"I am writing to you from an alcohol treatment center where on Feb. 1, with the encouragement and support of my partner, daughters and colleagues, I checked myself in to deal with my increasing dependence on alcohol," Robinson wrote in an e-mail to clergy.

Robinson's assistant, the Rev. Tim Rich, said Tuesday there was no crisis that led to Robinson's decision to seek treatment but rather a growing awareness of his problem.

In his letter, Robinson said he had been dealing with alcoholism for years

and had considered it "as a failure of will or discipline on my part, rather than a disease over which my particular body simply has no control, except to stop drinking altogether."

The Rev. David Jones, rector of Robinson's home church, St. Paul's in Concord, said he had never seen any sign that Robinson had a problem with alcohol.

Robinson was elected bishop of New Hampshire in 2003 and confirmed by the national church, causing an upheaval not only in the Episcopal Church, but the worldwide Anglican Communion of which it is part.

He will spend four weeks in rehabilitation. Spokesman Mike Barwell said the diocese would not disclose the location.

In the Episcopal Church system, such matters are handled within

the diocese. Between sessions of the diocesan convention, the "standing committee," an elected panel of priests and lay parishioners, normally decides supervision of the diocese during a bishop's absence and other questions regarding his administration.

The national church gets involved only in rare cases of formal charges involving misconduct.

The diocese's standing committee said its members support Robinson "and we commend him for his courageous example to us all, as we pray daily for him and for his ministry among us."

In addition to touching off protests and struggles for control and property in the Episcopal and other Anglican churches, Robinson has found himself a celebrity.

At New York's gay pride parade last spring, marchers and spectators



AP Photo/Lee Murriner

Episcopal Bishop V. Gene Robinson discusses his feelings during a 2004 interview.

crowded around him for more than three hours, reaching out to touch his hand, crying and thanking him.

Quick, what's new

IN GEORGIA

Bill would require more fire-safe cigarettes

ATLANTA — Cigarettes sold in Georgia would have to become less likely to cause fires under a bill being pushed by a leader in the state Senate. Sen. Don Balfour, R-Snellville, chairman of the chamber's influential Rules committee, says requiring retailers to sell cigarettes with bands that can stop them from burning would help prevent fires that kill about 1,000 people and cause \$400 million damage in the U.S. each year.

School clubs proposal to reach House

ATLANTA — The state will debate Tuesday on a bill that says students should have to notify their parents before joining school clubs, a measure opposed by gay rights advocates who fear it will discourage students from joining gay-friendly clubs. The legislation also allows parents to block their children from joining clubs they don't approve.

THE REGION

Banjo exhibit traces instruments roots from Africa to Appalachia

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Banjo maker Dave Ball says you can't tell how a banjo will play by its looks, but to see an old banjo is to dream of where it's been. Instruments on display at the University of Tennessee's McClung Museum have been picked and plucked around the world — from African villages to American slave quarters, from minstrel shows to Victorian parlors, and to the hills of Appalachia where bluegrass was born. Curators say the exhibit features the largest collection of pre-bluegrass banjos ever assembled in the South and brings what many thought only as a "hillbilly" instrument full circle.

One-time Clinton foe puts that role behind him in bid for Arkansas governor

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — As one of the House managers in the 1999 impeachment case against Bill Clinton, Asa Hutchinson went before the Senate and pleaded with it to turn the president out of office for lying in the Monica Lewinsky scandal. Now that Hutchinson wants to be governor of Arkansas, his role in Clinton's impeachment doesn't even rate a footnote in the Republican candidate's official campaign biography or a mention at most political gatherings.

THE NATION

Hunter shot by Cheney has heart attack

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas — The 78-year-old lawyer who was shot by Vice President Dick Cheney in a hunting accident has some birdshot lodged in his heart and he had "a minor heart attack" Tuesday morning, hospital officials said. The victim, Harry Whittington, was immediately moved back to the intensive care unit for further treatment, said Peter Banko, the administrator at Christus Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi-Memorial in Texas.

Government to up trade law enforcement

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration says it will step up enforcement of U.S. trade laws governing China after a report that America's deficit with the Chinese rose to \$201.6 billion last year, the largest ever for a single country.

O'Brien meets Finnish president he endorsed for re-election

By Matti Huhtanen
Associated Press

HELSINKI, Finland — Conan O'Brien finally met his match.

The "Late Night" jokester, who ran a mock ad campaign endorsing the re-election of Finnish president Tarja Halonen — because of her strong resemblance to him — had a face to similar face meeting with her Tuesday in downtown Helsinki.

O'Brien handed the Nordic country's first female president a box of chocolates in the shape of a red heart as they posed for photographers before their 15-minute meeting. Halonen gave him Finnish troll dolls to take home.

Last year, O'Brien caused a political stir when, based on their resemblance, he endorsed the 62-year-old Halonen for a second six-year term. His mock ads not only backed Halonen but attacked her opponents.

On his arrival Saturday, O'Brien quipped that he expected to be re-

warded with a Cabinet position as inspector of saunas, but the issue was not discussed in the meeting.

On Saturday, some 2,000 fans waited hours in subfreezing temperatures to catch a glimpse of the quirky, self-deprecating NBC network host, whose show is unusually popular in this taciturn nation of 5 million on the northern fringe of Europe.

Finns are very aware of their image abroad and when O'Brien poked fun at the small country, he was overwhelmed by cards and mail, and Finns started appearing in the New York audience of his nightly NBC show.

The program air on a Finnish cable channel, with a few days delay, and every time he mentions Finland or Halonen, local media report it prominently.

The president's spokeswoman said Halonen had wanted to thank O'Brien for making Finland better known, and the two had agreed they "might, indeed, resemble each other."



AP Photo/Antti Aimo-Koivisto

TV talk show host Conan O'Brien, left, hands a Valentine's Day present to Finland's President Tarja Halonen at the presidential palace in Helsinki, Finland on Tuesday before their closed-door meeting. O'Brien caused a political stir last year when he endorsed Halonen for a second six-year term because "she looks like him," using mock ad campaigns that backed her and attacked opponents. Halonen won the election in January.

ONLY IN AMERICA

stories by The Associated Press

Woman tries to buy pot from police

1 WEST FARGO, N.D. — A North Dakota State University student is facing charges after allegedly trying to buy marijuana at the police station.

Saturday's incident was "about the craziest thing I've ever come across," Officer Ken Zeeb said. "This is something that you couldn't even make up."

The 20-year-old woman called the police station about 3:15 a.m. Saturday, asking where she could buy marijuana, authorities said. The dispatcher, after repeatedly telling the woman it was illegal to sell and possess marijuana, then told her that police had some of the drug in the station's evidence locker.

Lotto numbers run twice in 10 days

2 MADISON, Wis. — Here's a reason to keep playing the same lottery numbers. The numbers four, five, 10, 16, 25 and 29 won Wisconsin's SuperCash game on Jan. 30 and Feb. 9.

The odds of that string showing up twice in 10 days is 1 in 326,262, said state lottery mathematician Jon Michael Rasmus.

On Jan. 30, no one had all six numbers. The game divided \$45,500 among those who had some of the numbers.

But on Feb. 9, three people had all six numbers. Each won \$350,000, and the game paid out a total \$1,080,027, he said.

Couple marry in funeral home

3 PRINGFIELD, Ohio - Daisy Judy and John Franko are getting married at the same place where they mourned the death of their spouses. The couple, both 62, selected Richards Raff & Dunbar Memorial Home as the place to get married.

They met there in 2004 while attending meetings of a grief-sup-



port group. Each was mourning the death of a spouse of more than 40 years.

"It sounds odd, but we've grown so accustomed to the place," Judy said.

Judy's husband, Joe, died about three months after being diagnosed with leukemia. Franko's wife, Kathy, had battled breast cancer for 20 years.

After attending the group meetings, the couple became bicycling partners and later passed evenings talking on Judy's porch.

"It just really grew from there," Judy said.

"We kind of are disappointed that we're not going to be attending the grief-support group, but we're not grieving anymore," she said with a smile.

Man heads for hills after losing bet

4 BASIN, Wyo. — A man staged his own disappearance in the Bighorn Mountains after losing \$40,000 on a Super Bowl bet, police said Monday.

Marvin Hackworth, 46, of Gillette, was reported missing on Feb. 6, the day after the Super Bowl, according to the Big Horn County Sheriff's Office.

Search and rescue teams spent two days looking for him in the rugged Bighorn Mountains in north-central Wyoming where he had told his wife he was headed to "clear his head" after losing the money, the sheriff's office said in a statement.

Only Hackworth's pickup truck and a trailer with one of the two snowmobiles missing was found.

On Friday, police received a call from a person identifying herself as Hackworth's daughter, saying she had received a voice mail message from her father saying he was OK, police said.

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- Jimmy Carter
Former U.S. President

OUR VIEW

Policy to drop students from classes is in poor taste

Monday's Faculty Senate meeting raised a few eyebrows in regard to a new policy proposed by the administration that would drop students from classes if students do not attend class on the first day. The main reason for the eyebrow raising was due to the fact that the policy was presented in a way that made it seem an already done deal.

When Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs Nancy Shumaker stood to present the proposal, she did not say she was presenting it for debate, but rather said she was there "to inform the faculty that students who don't attend the first day of classes will be dropped."

That's some mighty presumptuous language. By using that language, Shumaker and those she was

representing (read: The Dean's Council, The President's Cabinet and the Enrollment Management Committee) were disregarding what the Faculty Senate had to say on Monday.

Similar language was used on a form presented to the Senate Executive Committee for a motion request, where Shumaker wrote, "this is an item of information... rather than a motion."

What's scarier than university administration assuming they can operate without the approval or consent of the Faculty Senate is the fact that students were some of the last to be informed about the new change. The Student Government Association had not been informed, and there was no information available

anywhere to students of a policy that, according to Shumaker, was to take effect in fall of 2006.

We can understand that policies that deal with the budget or faculty tenure can be kept away from students' knowledge with little to no opposition, but to keep students in the dark about a plan that would directly have an impact on them is just wrong.

All red tape related issues aside, the idea of the proposal is just plain perplexing. Not only does it punish students who may have a hard time finding their way to class (especially confused freshmen or transfer students) or those that may be overlooked by a professor in a large classroom, it punishes the professors as well, requiring that they verify the attendance of all

their students on the first day of class. But what if the professor forgets to verify a few students in the class? What happens if the professor just plain forgets? The repercussions of this policy are far reaching, and the only ones who have to deal with the holes in the plan are students and professors.

Luckily, the policy was sent back to the Enrollment Management Committee for further research. We hope the opposition of the faculty senators is enough to make the committee reconsider implementing the plan in fall of 2006 — or ever — and we hope that it makes them realize that ideas that sound good to those in the large offices are not always what's best for those of us who have to actually deal with bad decisions.

Brandon Smith
AGAINST THE GRAIN

Pet care requires brains, research

Having an animal companion can be an extremely rewarding experience. Pets have proven to reduce stress, fight depression, and even lower blood pressure.

We've all heard that people who have pets live longer lives. I never had a pet growing up, but I took every dog and cat sitting job simply so I could be around the loving animals.

This past year I finally decided that since I was on my own and self-sufficient it was time to go get a pet. After a few hours of research and a short trip to the Statesboro animal shelter, my life was changed. I now have an eight month old cat named Mr. T.

All of the rumors are true — "T-Man" definitely gives me one more thing to live for. Not a day goes by where I don't think about running by the animal shelter again, but I know that there is no way I could care for another animal.

Having a pet can be an expensive and sometimes daunting experience. While I know most college students have the same desire to purchase or rescue an animal, I too know that most students don't do their homework before swinging by the shelters and pet stores.

Being as Mr. T was my first pet, I made sure to study up on what to expect. This way the costs for fixing him, getting his shots like rabies and feline leukemia, and other miscellaneous medical expenses came as no surprise. I also looked into how much items like cat food and litter would cost so I could know exactly what was coming.

This large step — researching and triple-thinking — is a step I know nearly all students skip when looking in getting a pet. It truly saddens me to see some of the living conditions students around this campus put their pets into.

Dogs seem to be the pet of choice, but dogs are also one of the most time and attention-requiring pets. A lot of people pick up a puppy and enjoy its company for a few weeks or months, then simply lose interest. After that the dog finds itself spending most of the time in its cage, or going for hours upon hours without going to the bathroom, or eating or drinking.

It seems like many people don't take the time to think about just how much work owning a pet is. The post-gazette.com reported that every year when students go home for the summer, many of them leave something behind: their pets.

Nancy Peterson of the Humane Society said "college students' abandoning pets is a perennial problem." While I feel rescuing an animal is one of the best things a person can do, I think students need to ensure that they are ready to be a pet owner before running out and picking one up.

If you're thinking about getting a pet, the Humane Society offers a few questions you should ask yourself first: Why do you want a pet? Do you have time for a pet? Are you prepared to deal with the special problems a pet can cause? Will you be a responsible pet owner? Are you prepared to keep and care for the pet for his or her entire lifetime?

Stop and truly think about whether or not this is the right time to own a pet. Think about everything from parasite protection to dental care.

Pets can be the best roommates ever, but they require a large amount of responsibility that hundreds of students are continuously proving they don't have.

Write Brandon at Audi143@hotmail.com.



Michael Smith: YOUR TURN

Helping others does not require ulterior motives

Jerry Johnson from the Baptist Student Union wrote a very bright and reasonable reply to Mike Kennedy's dissent about non-Christians not being able to participate in the Mission Trip to New Orleans ("BSU trip to N.O. open to everyone, regardless of faith," Monday, Feb. 13). Within this reply, Johnson mentioned how "all GSU students, Christians, Buddhists, atheists and agnostics have been invited to participate." He also stated that "if the anthropology group wanted to go and help out hurricane victims, while having meetings each night to discuss the sociological and cultural impact of the tragedy, I would applaud their efforts."

On Feb. 1, a friend and I made a personal visit to Johnson to discuss the mission trip and the theological issues involved. Coincidentally, we were representing students of the exact same religious views and educational pursuits that Johnson referred to in his article. Naturally, I feel we have been involved.

Well Jerry, it is true: the anthropology club actually is in the process of organizing a 100 percent secular trip to aid the victims of Hurricane Katrina. This trip

involves no ulterior motives; who we are has nothing to do with it. It is a chance for students to see with their own eyes the catastrophe in New Orleans, and to make a difference in the collective effort to aid those in need. If there are evening discussions, they will be about what we plan to do, not about what we believe. In the ideal situation, students will be free to choose their own form of evening diversion, as far as this is permitted by our accommodations at FEMA Camp Algiers.

To interested parties, time is of essence. We have four totally committed individuals at this time. Ideally, we need two more professors to lead the trip and six more students to participate. If many more emerge who want to participate, accommodations can be made to include everyone.

To Johnson, I have one reply: it is possible for someone to do a good thing for the wrong reasons. We are very much delighted that people are going to help with the effort. A good cause, however, is not enough to make us sacrifice our religious beliefs. Good luck on your mission trip.

Write Mikko at jimi421@yahoo.com.

Marietta Daily Journal: OTHER VIEWS

Politics at King's funeral make for an even sadder day

Coretta Scott King was a woman who, perhaps more than anyone else of her generation, embodied class and dignity.

So it was sad to see a couple of political has-beens use her funeral as a boorish excuse to call attention to themselves at the expense of her memory and accomplishments.

We're talking, of course, about former President Jimmy Carter and the Rev. Joseph Lowery, co-founder with the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

The funeral was attended by two other ex-presidents (George Bush Sr. and Bill Clinton) as well as by current President George W. Bush in addition to Carter.

The ex-president from Georgia was one of many speakers during the marathon six-hour funeral, and couldn't resist a couple of swipes at Bush. He began with a hint that the federal government's response to Hurricane Katrina

was slow because so many of the victims were black. While there's no question that the federal response was not what it could or should have been, that's equally true if not more so of the city and state governments in Louisiana. And to suggest that race had anything to do with the tardiness is an insult — but it's about what Americans have come to expect from the man who used to be known as "America's greatest ex-president."

Carter also pointed out that the Kings had been "victims of secret government wiretapping." That was a thinly veiled dig at President Bush's domestic wiretapping program, which is focused on conversations between U.S. residents and overseas terrorists.

So what was President Bush's reaction to being made the butt of such inappropriate remarks last Tuesday? Like the gentleman he is, he laughed them off, appropriately enough.

Garrison Keillor
THE OLD SCOUT

I did it in my sleep

That big low-fat-diet study that was front-page news a week ago has blown over now, and people are back to spreading butter on their bread and still feeling good about themselves.

What the study said (in case you've forgotten) is that grandmas who eat fudge sundaes don't face significantly greater risks than grandmas who eat parsnips. For this the government paid \$415 million.

Meanwhile, the male urinary tract remains a dark mystery, like the upper Amazon or Northwest Passage, and psoriasis breaks the hearts of thousands, and my sinuses are a ticking time bomb. Where is the justice here?

I realize this column is Not About Me, but if Washington has a half-billion to pay researchers to watch post-menopausal women eat Little Debbie Snack Cakes, then why can't someone look up my nose and tell me what is going on? I am in my extremely late fifties and am not in a mood to dawdle.

We are talking about a feeling of congestion and pressure and frequent sinus headaches, even though I take so much antihistamine that I talk in my sleep.

I am married to an insomniac, that's how I know. She says I talk about technology stocks and seem to know my stuff.

I also eat in my sleep. I was not intending to go public with this, but after the low-fat headlines, maybe it's time. I woke up one morning and found an empty quart carton of butter brickle ice cream in the bed and brickle stains on my pajamas, and I realized that I must seek help.

Sometimes it is water chestnuts. Sometimes frozen waffles. Chicken nuggets. Pistachios. The list goes on and on. Pimentos. Anchovies.

And once I ate a dozen White Castle double cheeseburgers. The empty cartons were under my pillow in the morning, the car keys lay on the floor with the sales slip from the drive-thru, and the car was in the driveway with the door wide open. A binge eater turned sleep driver.

Thank goodness for Google. You do a search on "sleep eating" and "therapy" and among the 23,457,863 sites it finds in .85 of a second is a Nocturnal Excess Eating Disorder group where you are not made to feel like a monster just because you have consumed a large quantity of Girl Scout cookies during deep slumber.

My N.E.E.D. group met in the undercroft of St. Titus, in a little room under a big banner that said, "MISTAKES MAKE BETTER ARTISTS OF US ALL AS WE WEAVE NEW PATTERNS IN THE FABRIC OF OUR LIVES."

I plopped myself down in the ring of folding chairs full of weepy people drinking coffee out of Styrofoam cups, and I was all set to stand up and say, "My name is Gary and I went to a drive-thru in my sleep," and then the group turned out to be not my group but Anger Anonymous, a group for parents who have yelled at their children.

Out of politeness, I stuck around and listened to their stories, though I myself have never raised my voice to my children or treated them with anything but kindly respect.

I stood up then and said, "My name is Gary and I may have eaten too much but I am not an abusive parent." Of course they accused me of being in denial, but I'm not.

The way to overcome sleep eating is to face up to the truth about yourself. I did it and so should you. Has anyone told you that you could stand to lose a few pounds? Well, you could.

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Illinois university editors who decided to run disputed Islamic cartoons suspended

Associated Press

CHAMPAIGN, Illinois — Two editors at the University of Illinois student-run newspaper were suspended for their decision to run a series of cartoons that have sparked outrage and violence throughout the Muslim world.

Daily Illini Editor-in-chief Acton H. Gorton said on Tuesday the newspaper publisher suspended him and the paper's opinions sections editor, Charles Prochaska, for two weeks pending the outcome of an internal investigation.

"I'm very disappointed. I think this is nothing more than a cover-up," Gorton said.

Managing editor Shira Weissman would not comment on the situation Tuesday. A telephone message left with the newspaper's publisher, Mary Cory, was not immediately returned.

The paper's editorial staff told readers in Monday's editions that the decision to run the cartoons was made by Gorton and Prochaska without their knowledge.

While the staff apologized to the Muslim community, it stopped short of saying it disagreed with the decision.

"We want to make it clear that while we do not necessarily disagree with the decision to print these cartoons, we disagree with how they were run," the editorial reads.

Violent protests swept the Muslim world after the cartoons were pub-



AP Photo/Nasser Nasser

Egyptian students pray during a demonstration organized by the Muslim Brotherhood group at the campus of Al-Azhar University in Cairo, Egypt, Monday. Thousands of students demonstrated inside the campus next to Al-Azhar Mosque in Cairo and in the university's branch in Assiut Monday, denouncing cartoon drawings published in several European countries considered by Muslims as an insult to Islam's prophet Muhammad.

lished, first in a Danish newspaper in September and then by other European and international papers this month. Depicting the Prophet Muhammad as forbidden under Islamic law. The drawings included one showing Muhammad wearing a turban shaped like a bomb.

According to the editorial, Gorton and Prochaska ran the cartoons without consulting the staff or the publisher and "behind the backs of those who

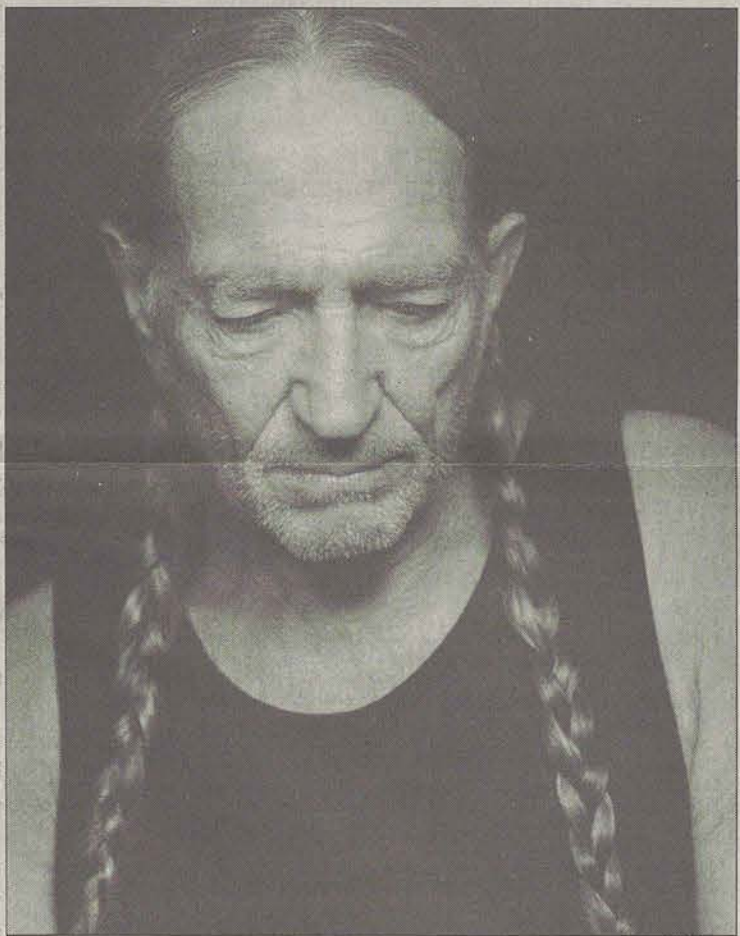
are being significantly affected by its fallout."

Gorton and Prochaska ran their own editorial Monday, defending their decision to reprint the cartoons, and even called "irresponsible" the decision by major newspapers around the country not to publish the cartoons.

Gorton said on Tuesday that other editors were in the same room when the cartoons were laid out on

the newspaper's pages and did not object. He also said he continues to stand by the decision to publish the cartoons.

The Daily Illini, which is independent of the university, ran six of the 12 cartoons first published in September in Denmark's Jyllands-Posten. In the Daily Illini's Feb. 9 edition, it led with the cartoon that has caused the greatest furor: with the prophet wearing the bomb.



Special Photo

Willie Nelson releases homage to gay cowboys

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Country music outlaw Willie Nelson sang "Mammas Don't Let Your Babies Grow Up to Be Cowboys" and "My Heroes Have Always Been Cowboys" more than 25 years ago.

He released a very different sort of cowboy anthem this Valentine's Day.

"Cowboys Are Frequently, Secretly (Fond of Each Other)" may be the first gay cowboy song by a major recording artist. But it was written long before this year's Oscar-nominated "Brokeback Mountain" made gay cowboys a hot topic.

Available exclusively through iTunes, the song features choppy Tex-Mex style guitar runs and Nelson's deadpan delivery of lines

like, "What did you think all them saddles and boots was about?" and "Inside every cowboy there's a lady who'd love to slip out."

The song, which debuted Tuesday on Howard Stern's satellite radio show, was written by Texas-born singer-songwriter Ned Sublette in 1981. Sublette said he wrote it during the "Urban Cowboy" craze and always imagined Nelson singing it.

Someone passed a copy of the song to Nelson back in the late 1980s and, according to Nelson's record label, Lost Highway, he recorded it last year at his Pedernales studio in Texas.

Nelson has appeared in several Western movies and sings "He Was a Friend of Mine" on the "Brokeback Mountain" soundtrack.

publicly identify themselves. Fellow Republican Austin Scott expressed concern that the proposal is not a long-term solution.

Democrats called for compassion for the migrant workers who help drive the state's economy.

"I can't go to bed at night saying, 'I will not do for the Hispanic community and the Mexicans what was done for the Italian community and the Irish and every other community looking for a better way of life,'" said state Rep. Al Williams, D-Midway. He added, "All I ask is that we live the code we tell people we live by."

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folks, who are hard working, the opportunity to pay back the services they receive but don't pay for right now," Rice said.

Several Republicans warily questioned the intent and impact of the legislation.

State Rep. David Casas, a Lilburn Republican and one of three Hispanics in the Legislature, said the bill would be hard to enforce because few illegal immigrants would be willing to

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top-selling candy corn and jelly beans, which closed its Chicago plant in 2004. Brach's kept a manufacturing plant in Tennessee but also opened one in Mexico.

However, company spokeswoman Julie Daniels said Tuesday the closure "was based on lots of factors and could not be pinned specifically on sugar pricing."

The company pays less in wages, health care and taxes in Mexico, a sugar growers' group said. The group pointed out that manufacturing jobs are disappearing across all sectors of the economy, not just in food and candy.

"Yet for some reason we allow one tiny sector to single out sugar farmers and use them as a scapegoat," said Phillip Hayes, spokesman for the American Sugar Alliance.

Unlike other farm programs, the government spends no money on U.S. sugar policy,

Hayes said.

The lawmaker who sought the report retorted that sugar growers extract the money directly from Americans.

"And they've done this, not only charging consumers higher prices but doing it at the expense of employers that process food," said Rep. Mark Kirk, R-Ill. "The federal government has mandated that one of the key ingredients cost more in the U.S. than anywhere else."

The government keeps sugar prices high by limiting imports and restricting how much sugar can be sold domestically.

The program protects farmers and ensures a steady sugar supply, but it also means that food manufacturers and consumers pay more than if there were no restrictions on imports.

The price of sugar is currently about 34 cents a pound. The world price is 18.58 cents a pound, according to the New York Board of Trade.

Most sugar is never traded on the open market, Hayes said; it's consumed in the country where it's produced.

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Roadside

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through the Legislature in 2004 have been slow to take off.

Georgia's Department of Transportation has erected only two so far — Harris' and another on U.S. Highway 17 near downtown Savannah in memory of 80-year-old Helen Heyward of Ridgeland, S.C., who died along with two other women when an impaired driver smashed into their car Nov. 4, 2004.

Only eight victims' families, including those of Harris and Heyward, have requested the memorial markers, according to the Georgia Crime Victims Compensation Program, which handles the sign applications.

There are several limiting factors. Only those killed by drunken-drivers since May 13, 2004, the date the law was signed, are eligible. The death must have occurred on a state or federal highway. And the markers go up only after the courts return a guilty plea or conviction in a crash.

Georgia had 450 drunken-driving fatalities in 2004, and state officials expect the number of memorial signs to increase now that word of the first markers is getting out.

However, not every victim's family would want a sign, said Shawanda Reynolds-Cobb, director of the state victims' program.

Roadside memorials to crash victims have become a contentious issue for states trying to keep public rights of way from becoming garish shrines that pose dangerous distractions to drivers.

Colorado bans homemade memorials, offering victims' families nonreligious state signs instead. Other states



AP Photo/Stephen Morton

Cynthia Hagain, victim services coordinator for Mothers Against Drunk Driving in Georgia stands next to Donny Ray Harris Jr.'s memorial sign Feb. 9 on Interstate 16 near Statesboro.

using some form of official marker include Texas, California, Florida and Wyoming.

In Georgia, how well the signs serve as a warning to passing drivers has so far taken a back seat to safety concerns.

The sign in Harris' memory along I-16 sits at least 15 feet off the roadside and faces parallel to the highway rather than toward oncoming traffic — making it difficult for drivers to see it without turning their heads.

Georgia DOT spokesman David Spears said the agency wanted to place the markers where visiting families wouldn't pose a risk to oncoming traffic if they decided to stop to look at it.

Spears fielded a number of calls about the program the week after the markers debuted. And the Georgia chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving is trying to contact the families of eligible victims.

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"The current test is computer adaptive in that you get the questions based on other answers you have already answered on the test. Now, it is changing to a linear test so that everyone gets the same questions," said Payne.

Payne also noted that the new item types take longer to answer and therefore require more time.

While Fidler shared the concern that students could develop test fatigue, he said most students who take the test will be in the exam mindset and he urged students to remember that the exam will include breaks so that it is not four continuous hours.

Scoring for the test will change dramatically along with the timing of the results. ETS is changing the grading of the test sharply. While the standard scale for the GRE is 200-800 the new GRE will include a grading scale of 110-150. ETS is then withholding scores from the first three sessions of the GRE starting in October. "This

is so that we can set a final high range of the scale and then we will release all scores promptly," said Fidler.

Payne said the current scale is in 10 point increments and with the new amount of questions, there needs to be a new scale of results. Payne also said ETS would need to collect 30,000 test scores from across the nation to create a more accurate version of the new grading scale.

Both Payne and Fidler said that while students may be out of luck requesting scores immediately, getting scores will not take much longer than what you would usually wait. "Students should have test scores before December when the programs make decisions," said Payne. "We would like to provide scores quickly but we have to be able to stand behind the scale."

Neither Payne nor Fidler would comment on the new cost of the exam saying only that the test revision will cost \$20 million and that it has been multiyear worldwide effort. Both said that when the new price is announced, it will be cheaper than others. The current cost of the exam is \$115.

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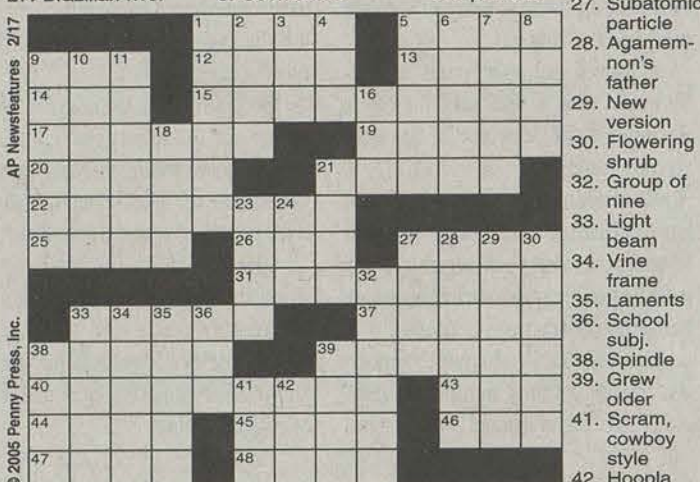
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 - Writer Uris
 - Inkling
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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

1. Me, to Miss
2. Piggy
3. Ontario
4. Indian
5. Hard trip
6. Sand-boxers
7. Related years
8. Subatomic particle
9. Agamemnon's father
10. New version
11. Flowering shrub
12. Group of nine
13. Light beam
14. Vine frame
15. Laments
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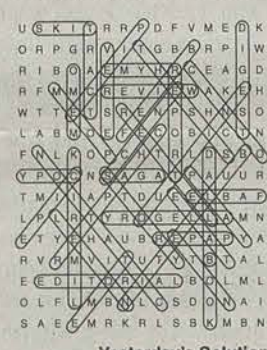
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Mystic Arts Horoscope

Today's Birthday (02/14/06). Although you're impatient to get things done this year, discipline is required. Set up a budget and stick to it by searching out the bargains.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 6 - The situation has a happy ending after all. You can work more and thereby accrue the extra money you need.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 7 - You're lucky now, so go ahead and push for what you want. You might get it just because you're so darned cute!

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 7 - No need to spend your hard-earned cash on cool antiques. Refurbish and recycle something you get for free.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is an 8 - The trials and tribula-

tions you've experienced lately soon vanish. In their place, you'll have great material for stories of triumph.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 6 - Conditions are much better now for increasing your income. You might even get more than expected, if you ask.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is an 8 - You should feel more confident, more assertive and less nervous. Now's the time to start, even if you don't know yet how you'll finish.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 6 - Finish a highly detailed task ahead of schedule and you'll increase your profits as well as your status. These are good things.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 7 - You'll be more effective if you ask your friends for help. One of them can get you through to meet an important person.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 6 - Concentrate on doing the best you can, as quickly as possible. Don't

try out a new method; do what you know will work.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

- Today is a 7 - Tranquility breaks through the clouds. All is happiness and sweetness again. Forgive and forget.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

- Today is a 6 - You can enjoy sorting and filing, once you get into it. Getting into it is the hard part. Be patient with yourself.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 7 - The hardest part is over now. You're either recuperating, or you dodged the worst of it. Allow another to take care of you.

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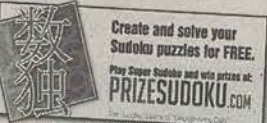
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130 Lost & Found

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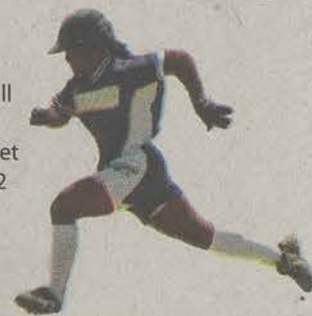
Friday
1 p.m. Softball-GSU Invitational
4 p.m. Baseball vs. St. Joseph's

Saturday
8 a.m. Golf at Gator Invitational in Gainesville, Fla.

10 a.m. Women's Tennis at Florida State in Tallahassee, Fla.
1 p.m. Softball-GSU Invitational
1:30 p.m. Baseball vs. St. Joseph's
3 p.m. Women's Basketball v. App. State
7 p.m. Men's Basketball at Wofford

Sunday
8 a.m. Golf in Gator Invitational in Gainesville, Fla.
1 p.m. Softball-GSU Invitational
1:30 p.m. Baseball vs. St. Joseph's

No love for GSU softball on Valentine's Day.
The Lady Eagles (1-5) get swept by Florida State 3-2 and 10-2.



Chad Bishop

THE WEDNESDAY SMACK

Diehard with a girlfriend

For those of you that regularly read my columns you probably know by now that I love Georgia Southern.

Why? Well, there's probably a few hundred reasons, but the main one is a term that was coined somewhere in that horrifying decade known as the 1950s: school spirit.

And since I have this terrible affliction known as "school spirit," it is absolutely necessary that I regularly attend every GSU athletic event in the realm of possibility.

Not just the home games, but the away games, the tournament games and the practices too.

So how, or better yet why, would any woman in their right mind agree to be my girlfriend?

It's a question that befuddles me every morning when I wake up, roll out of bed and stare at the most important thing in my life now taking advantage of an extra pillow in the bed.

For some reason, that early morning pillow snatcher puts up with me.

She puts up with my constantly having to be in attendance at every GSU football game (home and away), every home basketball game (and numerous away ones), every baseball game possible and the occasional volleyball match.

Add that to football practices, basketball radio shows, press conferences and anything else even remotely related to my Eagles.

She ignores my constant pre-game paranoia which forces me to show up to the venue at an insane time, hours before the start time for no other reason than "I don't want to miss anything."

And then come the losses.

Every now and then my Eagles come up short, and I come up angry. Very angry. I prefer not to be spoken to for many hours, maybe even days on the subject of Southern's shortcomings in said game. I need to simmer.

Who would deal with that amount of it's-not-just-a-game-edges?

Now folks, I know Valentine's Day was yesterday. But let's make it through this column and we can all be done with it until next year.

I just thought everyone should know that I'm the luckiest man in the world to have a woman who can make me smile after a loss to Furman.

A woman who rides endless hours through the god-forsaken South to watch our beloved Eagles on the road.

A woman who got me a Chicago Bears Adrian Peterson jersey this Christmas (jealous?) with a lot of money she doesn't have.

A woman who, raised in New Jersey, has to constantly put up with a bunch of crazed-rednecks who love country music and football.

A woman who accepts that the only way I remember our anniversary is by associating it with a 56-0 pounding of Gardner-Webb on Saturday, Sept. 7, 2002.

A woman who knows in the back of her mind that our eventual wedding can't conflict with a major GSU game that might be a distraction.

That woman is my girlfriend of now three years, five months and eight days: Ms. Christy McCullough.

There is something that I do love more than this school... it's her.



Chad Bishop is a senior English major from Snellville, GA. His sports column appears in The George-Anne every Wednesday.

GSU in first place with three left

SoCon leading Eagles led by Player-of-the-Week Nesbitt

From staff reports

The Southern Conference named Georgia Southern's Elton Nesbitt as the Anaconda's The Rock Player of the Week for games played between February 7-13. It is the second straight week that Nesbitt has won the award, and is also the third time this season that he has captured the honor.

Nesbitt, a 5-9, 165 lb. guard from Deerfield Beach, FLA., averaged 30.5 points, 4.0 assists, 3.5 rebounds and 2.0 steals per game in a pair of wins over The Citadel and College of Charleston.

He connected on 57 percent of his shots from the floor and 95 percent from the free throw line. In addition, Nesbitt was successful on 9-of-15 shots (60 percent) from beyond the arc. Nesbitt opened the weekend with a 31-point outing in a win over the Bulldogs in 25 minutes of action, going 8-for-11 from the field and 10-for-10 from the charity stripe.

He capped off the week with a 30-point performance in a road win over the Cougars, with 17 of them coming in the first half. Nesbitt has led the Eagles in scoring in 18 of the last 21 games, including four 30-point games in his last six contests and 15 games of 20 or more points.

Nesbitt and the Eagles currently hold the No. 1 seed if the SoCon regular season ended today.

GSU still has three games left, two of which will come on the road against Wofford (Saturday) and Furman (Sun., Feb. 26).

The Eagles' last home game is Tuesday against pre-season conference favorite Davidson, a team that handled GSU 83-58 on Jan. 21 in Davidson.

| SoCon Men Standings as of 2/15 | | |
|--------------------------------|------|-------|
| North Division | | |
| STANDINGS | W-L | W-L |
| Bon | 9-3 | 13-12 |
| Chattanooga | 6-6 | 15-12 |
| Western Carolina | 5-6 | 11-13 |
| Appalachian State | 5-7 | 11-14 |
| UNC Greensboro | 4-7 | 11-14 |
| South Division | | |
| STANDINGS | W-L | W-L |
| Ga. Southern | 9-3 | 18-7 |
| Davidson | 8-4 | 15-9 |
| Coll. of Charleston | 7-5 | 14-9 |
| Furman | 7-5 | 14-9 |
| Wofford | 5-7 | 10-15 |
| The Citadel | 0-12 | 7-18 |

| NCAA Scoring Leaders | | |
|--------------------------------|------|--|
| 1. Adam Morrison, Gonzaga | 28.8 | |
| 2. T.J. Redick, Duke | 28.7 | |
| 3. Andre Collins, Loyola (Md.) | 26.7 | |
| 4. Bronn Rush, Grandvaling | 26.3 | |
| 5. Kayden Clark, St. Peter's | 25.6 | |
| 6. Steve Burtt, Iowa | 24.8 | |
| 7. Quincy Douby, Rutgers | 24.3 | |
| 8. Rodney Stuckey, E. Wash. | 23.9 | |
| 9. Trey Johnson, Jackson St. | 23.8 | |
| 10. Tim Smith, East Tenn. St. | 23.3 | |
| 11. Alan Daniels, Lamar | 22.8 | |
| 12. Elton Nesbitt, GSU | 22.6 | |



Georgia Southern senior Elton Nesbitt, seen here earlier this season against UNC-Greensboro, is now averaging 22.6 points/game to lead the conference. Nesbitt also ranks 12th nationally in Division I in that same category.

2006 Football schedule complete

GSU News service

Georgia Southern football will play seven games at Paulson Stadium next fall, as announced by Director of Athletics Sam Baker.

Head coach Brian VanGorder will make his GSU debut on Sept. 9 as the Eagles host the first of three defending league champions.

September 2 - OPEN
September 9 - CENTRAL CONNECTICUT ST.
September 16 - COASTAL CAROLINA
September 23 - *at Chattanooga
September 30 - *at Western Carolina
October 7 - NORTH DAKOTA STATE
October 14 - *ELON (Family Weekend)
October 21 - *APP STATE (Homecoming)
October 28 - *at The Citadel
November 4 - *WOFFORD (Hall of Fame)
November 11 - *at Furman
November 18 - CENTRAL ARKANSAS

Track & Field results at UNC

GSU News service

The Georgia Southern Track & Field team tallied five top-5 finishes, including one overall win, at the Carolina Classic on Saturday (Feb. 13). The meet was hosted by the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill.

Junior Lauren Jacobs earned the first place finish in the Long Jump with a leap of 19'02.00" to win the event by nearly five inches. Jacobs also finished seventh overall in 60M Hurdles with a new personal best time of 8.85.

Coming in just ahead of Jacobs in the 60M Hurdles was teammate Brittany Chase with a time of 8.76 for fifth place.

Tallying two top-10 places for the Eagles was sophomore Amber Wilson with a fourth place finish in High Jump (5'04.25), and a personal best, seventh place finish in the 400M Dash (58.23).

The GSU throwers also enjoyed a successful day as sophomore Monique Pitts recorded a new personal best in her third place Weight Throw of 51'11". Junior Emily Greeson added a fifth place finish in Shot Put with a throw of 41'05.25".

Late rally by GSU falls short Monday night

GSU News service

It was Western Carolina's turn to get the lucky bounce.

Two short Georgia Southern shots in the paint in the final 13 seconds just wouldn't go in as the Catamounts held on for a 65-62 Southern Conference women's basketball win Monday night at Hanner Fieldhouse.

In the teams' first meeting this season Jan. 16 in Cullowhee, a WCU lay-up at the buzzer fell off the rim to give the Lady Eagles a 72-70 victory.

In last year's SoCon Tournament final, Western survived a 3-point attempt at the horn to preserve a 97-95 double overtime win.

GSU had another chance with 1.4 seconds left to tie the game after two free throws by Chevon Keith, but did not hit the rim.

GSU senior Nicole Newton led all scorers with 14 points, 10 in the second half, and grabbed a game-best

nine rebounds.

Freshman Nya Daley and sophomore Shawnda Atwood each tallied 11 points. Daley's total was a new career high.

"I thought Nya had a great game tonight," said GSU head coach Rusty Cram. "She came in and gave us a great spark off the bench."

The loss for GSU spoiled a 15-point first-half comeback.

Western Carolina won the rebounding battle for the game 53-44 but did not make a 3-point field goal, snapping a 33-game streak.

Tied at the half, the Catamounts took a three-point advantage two minutes in, but buckets from Daley and Newton gave the Lady Eagles their first lead of the contest.

Neither team led by more than three until a lay-up by sophomore Chequilla Jessie put GSU up by five, 51-46. Jessie's bucket finished off a 6-0 run.

Western had a rally of its own,

coming back from a six-point deficit.

A jumper by Daley gave the Lady Eagles a 57-51 lead, but the team proceeded to go over four minutes without a point as WCU ran off eight straight to go ahead 59-57.

The lead changed hands four times in a two minute stretch.

GSU senior Lee DuBose broke the scoreless drought with her only triple of the game (60-59) at the 3:03 mark, but Ashley Pellom answered with a jumper 1:04 later (61-60).

Newton nailed a turn-around jumper in the lane (62-61) with 1:27 left, but on the Catamounts' next trip down the floor, Amelia Miller put WCU on top for good (63-62) with 1:14 remaining.

On GSU's penultimate possession, two shots in the lane by Atwood wouldn't fall. Atwood got her own rebound on the first shot but was unable to convert.

Keith hit two free throws with six

| SoCon Women Standings as of 2/15 | | |
|----------------------------------|------|-------|
| | W-L | W-L |
| Chattanooga | 15 | 21-3 |
| Davidson | 9-5 | 13-10 |
| UNC Greensboro | 9-6 | 13-11 |
| Charleston | 7-8 | 10-13 |
| Appalachian St. | 6-7 | 10-12 |
| Elon | 6-8 | 11-12 |
| Ga. Southern | 6-9 | 9-15 |
| Western Carolina | 6-9 | 6-18 |
| Furman | 5-10 | 9-16 |
| Wofford | 3-11 | 7-16 |

seconds left and the tying 3-point attempt didn't go.

"I thought in the second half it was point-for-point," added Cram. "We'd get a run going and we'd have to rest somebody and we couldn't find that right combination on the floor to get it done. That's been our problem the last month of the season."

GSU (9-14, 6-8 SoCon) wraps up its three-game homestand Saturday against Appalachian State at 3 p.m.

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P.B.S. Pinchback, 1837 - 1921

Pinchkey Benton Stewart Pinchback was the free-born son of a white planter and a woman the planter owned and later freed. In 1862, he was assigned the duty of recruiting African-American volunteers for the Union Army forces, but resigned his captain's commission in protest of the discriminatory treatment of his men. During Reconstruction, he was a leader in the founding of the Louisiana Republican Party and was elected president pro tempore of the state Senate in 1871. Pinchback became lieutenant governor when the incumbent died. Then, the governor was suspended during impeachment proceedings, and Pinchback succeeded him, too, serving as acting governor of Louisiana from December 1872 to January 1873. He was the first African-American governor in history and, until L. Douglas Wilder became chief executive of Virginia in 1989, the only one.



THE ENTREPRENEUR
Madame C.J. Walker, 1867-1919

She was born Sarah Breedlove, daughter of a poor farm couple who died while she was still a little girl. She was married at 14; when her husband died, she supported herself as a washerwoman. In 1905, Walker perfected a formula for straightening the hair of black women; it was the beginning of a cosmetics empire that, by the time of her death would make her a millionaire — one of, if not the first black Americans to achieve that status. Walker denied herself no luxury — her mansion at Irvington-on-Hudson, N.Y., is said to have been a regal showplace. But the hair-care magnate was also a generous contributor to good causes; she funded scholarships and gave to the indigent and the needy.

4 WHO COUNTED

From politics to exploration,
Leonard Pitts Jr. profiles 4 influential African Americans you might not have heard of

Sometimes, history forgets.

Sometimes, the big names everyone knows crowd out the smaller ones fewer people recall. Sometimes, when it is time to apportion honor and assign recognition, men and women who ought to be singled out are not.

And so, those who inspired the dreams, fanned the flames and stood in the thick of revolutionary change can find themselves left out of the books, short-changed in the reminiscences.

In this annual season of black history's celebration, much will be said, and deservedly so, about giants like Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X, Frederick Douglass and W.E.B. DuBois. But here, in four fields of American endeavor, are four other names, lesser-known women and men whose contributions and heroism we should remember, always.



THE SOLDIER
Henry Johnson, 1897*-1929

Early on the morning of May 14, 1918, Henry Johnson and Needham Roberts were standing sentry on a bridge near the Aisne River in France when, without warning, they were attacked by a force of 32 Germans. Cut off from their regimental headquarters and armed only with pistols, knives and a few hand grenades, the two black soldiers somehow stood off the much larger force, pressing the fight even though Johnson was wounded three times and Roberts twice. At one point, the Germans rushed the pair and took Roberts prisoner. By now reduced to using only a bolo knife and the butt of his empty pistol, Johnson nevertheless charged the Germans. He managed to wound as many as 10 of them and to kill at least four more. The startled Germans dropped their prisoner and ran. Johnson and Roberts were both awarded France's highest military honor, the Croix de Guerre.

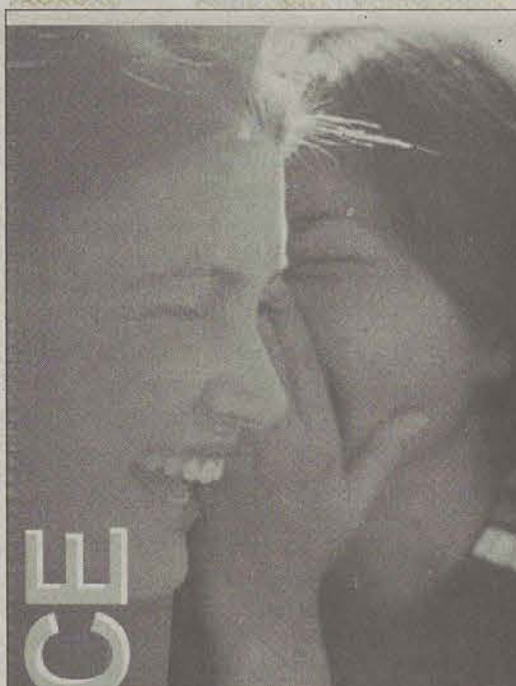
* Approximate year of birth.



THE EXPLORER
Matthew Alexander Henson, 1886-1955

On the day in 1887 that he first met Robert Peary, Henson, though only about 21 years old, already had experience as a stevedore, seaman, bellhop and coachman. Peary thought Henson might make a valuable valet on Henson's attempt to become the first man to reach the North Pole. But Peary soon discovered that Henson's abilities and experiences made him even more valuable as a colleague. As Peary once put it, "I couldn't get along without him." The men mounted seven expeditions to the Arctic, including the last, in 1908 and 1909, when they finally stood together at the top of the world, the first explorers to do so.

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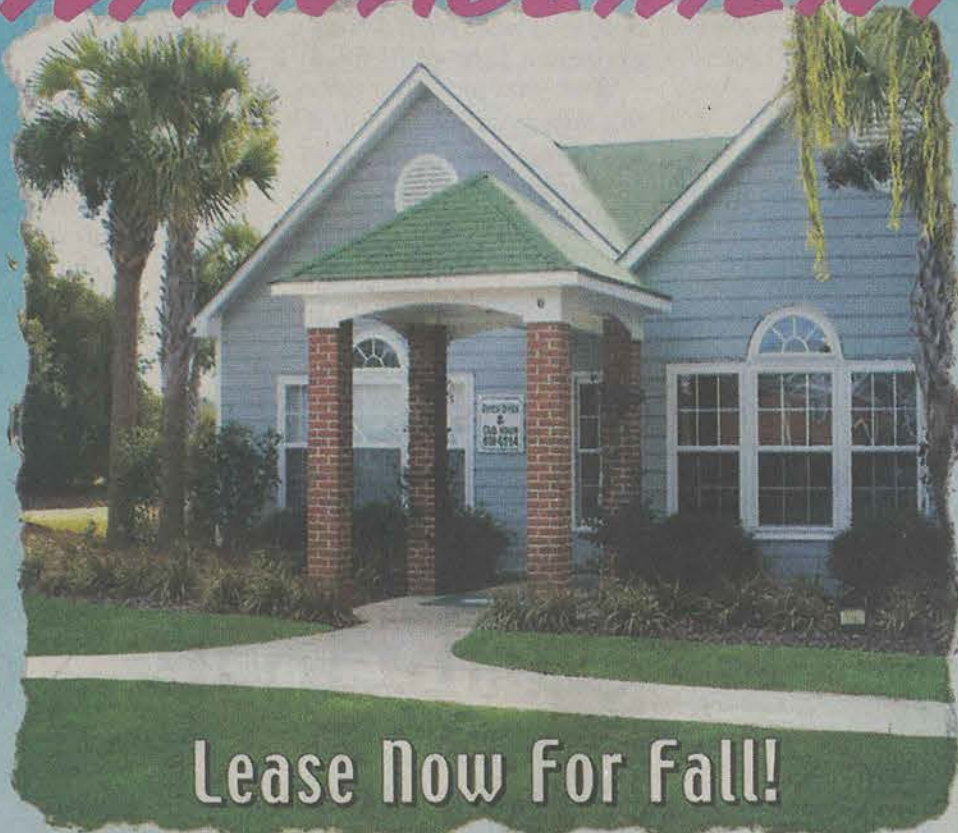
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