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## 'ShuttleGus' aims to keep students safe

Two GSU students develop a safe rides program for Statesboro, hoping to keep students from driving home drunk from the bars

By Jenny Miller

Assistant news editor

Starting at the end of August, Georgia Southern students will have one less thing to worry about when planning a night out in Statesboro.

ShuttleGus, a safe rides program, was developed by GSU student leaders and has been in progress since

fall 2005.

Matt Jones, a graduate student, and Jon Simpson, a logistics major, introduced the concept of the ShuttleGus to the Student Government Association members at their fall 2005 leadership retreat.

They began researching similar programs at other universities, including Texas A & M, Colorado State,

and the University of Georgia's safe rides program called Watch Dawgs.

According to a recent survey done by the ShuttleGus program, 47 percent of students surveyed had driven a car after consuming alcohol and 72 percent of the students surveyed had been a passenger in a car when the driver had been drinking.

"Drunk driving is a huge problem

for our country and our community, so it makes sense that a program such as ShuttleGus starts as soon as possible in order to make Statesboro and Georgia Southern as safe as possible," said Simpson, director of the ShuttleGus program.

The ShuttleGus program will work on a "no questions asked" policy on see SHUTTLE, page 2

## Creating a new GSU

University anticipates record enrollment, most highly qualified freshman class in its history

Compiled by staff

Georgia Southern may begin the 2006-2007 academic year with the largest enrollment and the most highly qualified freshman class in school history.

President Bruce Grube made the announcement during his eighth annual State of the University Address, which was part of the Fall Convocation Ceremony held on Wednesday, Aug. 9, in the Performing Arts Center.

Preliminary figures suggest that 16,850 students are enrolled for the start of the fall semester, according to Grube.

That number would break the record of 16,646 students established in Fall 2005. In fact, it would mark the fifth year in a row that Georgia Southern has set a new record for enrollment.

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Grayson Hoffman/STAFF

Georgia Southern's 'Southern Express' buses are ready to start the semester Monday after a quick paint job.

## Southern Express fuels up

By Rachel McDaniel

Executive editor

Southern Express will debut six new energy efficient buses this semester. The compressed natural gas (CNG) buses will start the semester Monday beginning at 7 a.m. and run until 9 p.m. Last year, the transit system carried students on over 800,000 trips to and from campus.

"We are putting the finishing touches on the buses now, and we are

really excited," said Transportation Services Director Bob Chambers. "We have six brand new CNG buses that will have lower emissions and are quieter than the old buses. They also have brand new AC units."

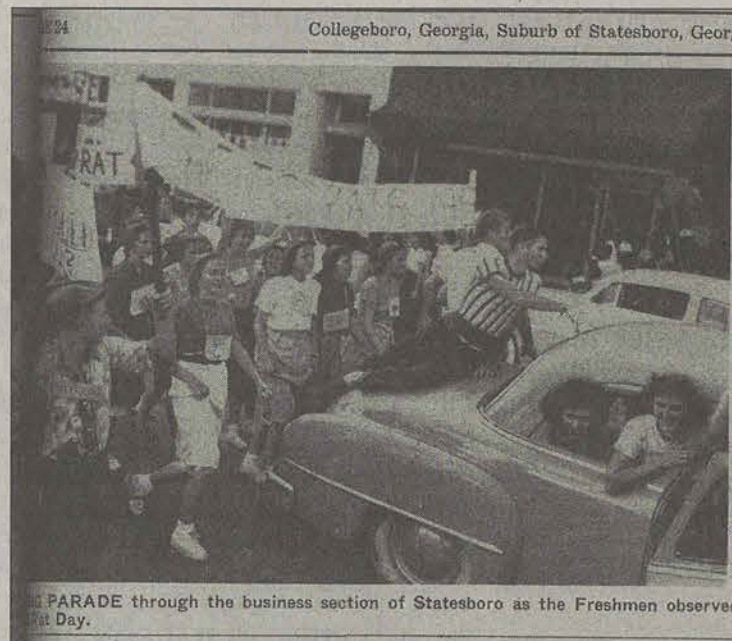
The new buses will seat 34, with standing room for about 20 more students. All of the new buses are handicap accessible, and there will be another bus added to the route this year to cut down on wait times. "We are adding a bus, so we'll be

running eight buses at the busiest time of day," said Chambers. "We'll have four buses that we used last year to use as back ups and to fill in when needed."

Buses are usually fuller as students come to campus in the morning and leave in the afternoon, so an extra bus will be added to the route from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Students should be at the bus stop about 45 minutes before class time for the first few weeks.

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## LOOKING BACK



In this George-Anne news clip from 1967, students march in a parade during "Rat Week."

## 'Rat Week' initiates freshmen

By Morgan Marsh

Managing editor for news

In position, Rat!

If the year were 1967, freshmen would be bowing and falling to the floor, waiting for permission to stand again.

Until 1968, when Georgia Southern ended the long tradition of "Rat Week," all freshmen were required to endure a week full of underclassmen versus upperclassmen activities and follow

rules laid out by the year's sophomore class, plus spend an entire semester wearing their "Rat Caps."

Rat Week, which was a school-sanctioned event that began around 1926, kicked off at the beginning of each fall semester with a new set of freshmen and rules for them to follow.

"[Rat Week] was a way for college students to initiate freshmen," said campus historian Del Presley.

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### A few freshmen rules from "Rat Court Ceremonies":

- The freshmen boys must carry with them all day a shoe brush and matches. They are required to polish the shoes of any upperclassmen who might ask. They are also required to light all cigarettes.
- When an upperclassman yells "Air Raid" the freshmen boys must hit the ground and stay there until the person gives an "All Clear."
- Every freshman girl must wear her hair parted in the middle, having one side with ten pigtailed and letting the other be straight. She must wear her "rat cap" over this and have no bobby pins in her hair.
- Every freshman girl must wear a tennis shoe on the left foot and a low-heeled shoe on the right foot. She will wear socks with these.

## For those who went home for break, here's the summer's biggest news you missed

### Dingus employee's checks bounce at the bar

A 21-year-old man was arrested after trying to buy drinks with a checkbook he found at Dingus Magee's Friday night.

Jody Brian Minor was caught using the stolen checks by a bartender who recognized his co-worker's name on the checks, Hubble Beasley, a Dingus cook.

Bartender Bill Greenwald said he didn't think much of the checks when Minor wrote the first couple because Beasley is a common last name. After watching Minor's behavior, Greenwald became suspicious.

"He told everyone his dad was a millionaire," said Greenwald.

Minor is out on bond, and his case will go before a grand jury in August, said Briley.

Beasley said he has no hard feelings toward Minor.

"He was drunk and made a mistake," said Beasley. "He apologized

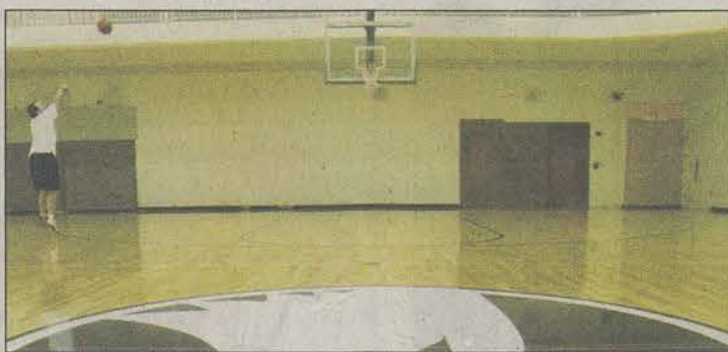


Grayson Hoffman/STAFF

Dingus Magee's bartender Bill Greenwald, left, stands with the checks' real owner, Dingus cook Hubble Beasley.

and said it was a mistake."

Briley said Minor's father has paid the delinquent \$129 bar tab.



Grayson Hoffman/STAFF

Zack Henderson shoots a basket on the RAC's new basketball courts.

## RAC courts completed

Sporting a shiny new gloss and three defiant freshly painted GSU Eagle emblems, the RAC basketball courts are finally in full operation.

The courts had been going through renovations for the past several months due to a flooding that occurred during a storm in the previous winter.

Geoff Sherry, a CRI manager, stated that the damage was a result of incomplete construction that left the courts unprotected from the

elements.

The disaster that resulted in warped boards, a foul smell, and a general shabby appeal has been corrected after months of hard work provided by Turner Construction.

As of June 1st the last semblance of saturated and soured wood will exist only in memories.

The court has been completely refurbished and is reflecting the ceiling light with a splendid new face, a shiny new GSU logo.

## GSU biologist says Tybee sand dollars threatened

A Georgia Southern biology professor, Professor Sophie George, is encouraging student beachgoers to think twice about gathering sand dollars along Georgia's barrier islands.

Although these sand dollars are fun to search for and make interesting decorations, George asks that beach patrons help preserve the sand dollar population by using caution and collecting only non-living sand dollars.

"Because sand dollars look so

unusual, a lot of people don't realize that they are alive," George said. In comparison to other Georgia barrier islands, George has observed a significant decline in the adult sand dollar population on Tybee over the last 10 years.

For safe instructions on how to properly search for sand dollars and keep biologists happy, refer to [http://www.ehow.com/how\\_17517\\_find-sand-dollars.html](http://www.ehow.com/how_17517_find-sand-dollars.html).



Special Photo

Live sand dollars collected at Tybee Island are left on the beach to die in this 1999 photo from GSU biologist Sophie George's homepage.

TODAY

High: 90 | Low: 75  
Partly cloudy

FRIDAY

High: 92 | Low: 76  
Mostly cloudy

SATURDAY

High: 91 | Low: 76  
Partly cloudy

SUNDAY

High: 88 | Low: 74  
Partly cloudyCampus ..... 2A, 3A  
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PROJECT RUNWAY

GSU alum Michael Knight is one of the stars of Project Runway. Season 3 on Bravo. Learn about Knight on page 1B.





## Shuttle

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Friday and Saturday nights from 10:00 PM to 2:00 AM.

Volunteers at a dispatch center will answer phone calls, record information about the person calling and communicate about the area of pick-up for the driver.

The volunteer dispatcher will then call a driver and a navigator, one male and one female, to pass along the information about where to pick up the party of callers.

The vehicles, two cars and two

vans, will be provided by Enterprise Rent-A-Car.

Directors and volunteers with the program will hold a drive for sign-up at the Russell Union every day until the official training day of August 20.

"The program's resources are limited so keep in mind that not everyone will be able to receive a ride home, although everyone is welcome to call the hotline," said Simpson.

Varsity Lodge Apartments will be providing the hotline number for callers every weekend. Just call 912-681-3709.

ShuttleGus receives financial support from many GSU departments such as Health Services, Student Government Services, Off Campus Housing, and the Dean of Students Office and other community businesses.

ShuttleGus is currently running a campaign for sponsorship throughout the community and university in hopes they will donate to the program.

If you are interested in supporting the ShuttleGus program, join the Facebook group "I Support Safe Rides" or check out their web page at <http://www.shuttlegus.org>.

## Transit

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The route will run from Paulson Stadium, stop at Cambridge/University Pines and Eagle Village on the way to the University Store, and then stop at the College of Education and the RAC before returning to Paulson.

Buses will no longer have to stop in the middle of Lanier Drive, be-

cause areas were created for the buses to pull off the road at Cambridge and Eagle Village over the summer.

"Last semester, people were passing the buses at Stadium Walk and that was very dangerous," Chambers said. "So we moved the stop from Stadium Walk to Cambridge. It's going to be much better. The buses will be able to pull off of the street in both locations."

If you leave an item on the bus, call Transporation Services at 681-5234.

Cognisa will still provide transportation services for GSU. Cognisa owns the compressed natural gas fueling station and the buses. They take care of hiring and training drivers in return for an hourly wage from the university.

The buses are still being painted by Crocketts, but they should be on the road by Friday, when the buses will shuttle students from residence halls to Sweetheart Circle for the Welcome Week Cookout.

## Rats

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The "ratting" often lasted past Rat Week through homecoming, but could last to Thanksgiving break or even all the way through the semester to Christmas.

Freshmen were required to wear their rat caps (blue and white beanies) every day to mark themselves as freshmen "rats."

Unless the freshmen beat the sophomores in a tug-of-war during Rat Week, they had to wear their rat caps every day until Christmas break.

During Rat Week, freshmen girls and boys were required to follow certain rules laid out by the sophomores, such as wearing their clothing inside out and holding doors open for upperclassmen.

"Females had a rat court that was called together unexpectedly

sometimes at midnight," said Presley. "Guys would be pulled out of dorm rooms late at night and march around Sweetheart Circle wearing only their underwear."

"It was pretty tough times to be a freshman," said Presley.

Presley said people did protest rat activities from time to time, but most students enjoyed ratting because, "if they survived as a freshman, they wanted to dish it out on the underclassmen," said Presley.

## GSU

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Preliminary numbers also reveal that the average SAT score for the members of this fall's freshman class will exceed 1,100 for the first time in school history.

Last fall's freshman class had an average SAT score of 1,098, which was the highest such figure ever at GSU.

This fall would mark the 12th consecutive year that the average SAT score of the incoming freshmen increased over the previous fall semester.

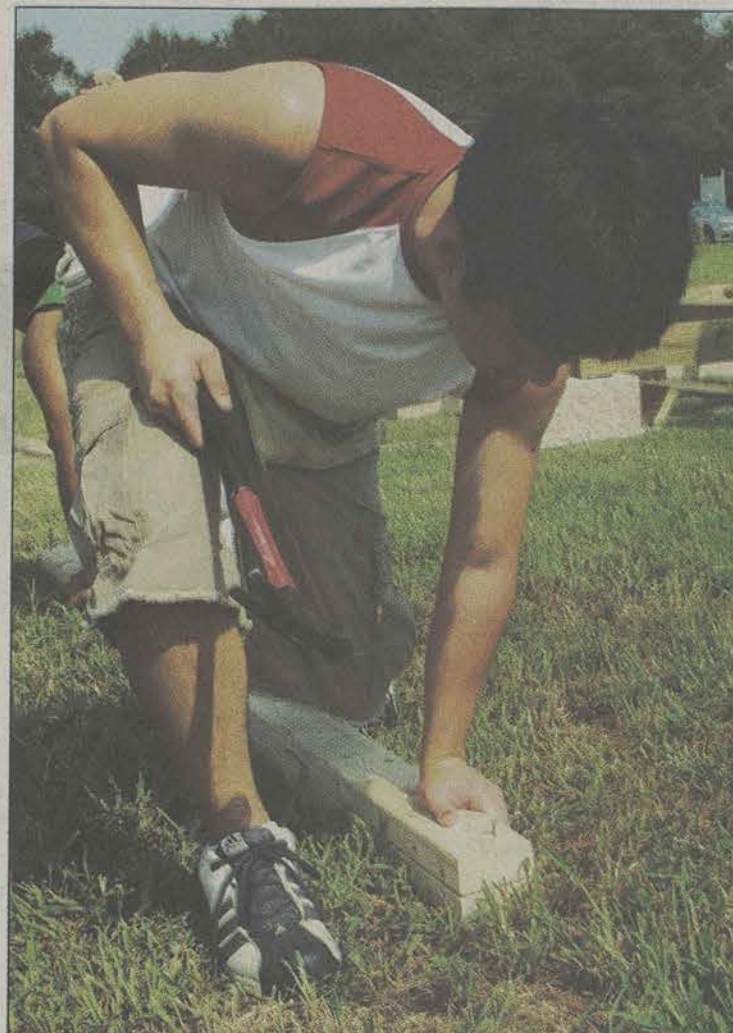
Georgia Southern is the only one of the 18 four-year institutions in the University System of Georgia to report such an increase in every fall since 1995.

The average SAT score of the incoming freshmen at Georgia Southern has increased by more

than 110 points since Grube became the University's 11th president in 1999.

Final enrollment figures and average SAT scores for Fall 2006 will be announced in October.

"Setting the Stage for a New Georgia Southern University" has been the theme for Fall Convocation Week, which began on Monday, Aug. 7, with a series of departmental meetings, workshops and orientation sessions.



Jared Siri/ staff

Freshman Issac Lee drives a nail into a post on Wednesday's Habitat for Humanity build, sponsored by GSU.

## Freshmen BUILD for Habitat for Humanity

### GSU News Service

While many college students are packing their belongings in preparation for school, a group of students at Georgia Southern University will already be hard at work.

Approximately 40 incoming freshmen are taking part in the BUILD leadership development workshop. BUILD (Building Undergraduate Involvement and Leadership Development) is part of the Southern Pathways pre-semester leadership programs.

"The Southern Pathways Leadership Program strives to help incoming freshmen with their transition to college life by introducing them to concepts that will enrich their education both in and out of the classroom," said Kellie Pickett, assistant director of student leadership.

"The philosophy behind this [BUILD] project is to help students understand that leadership begins with service. We want them to leave with purpose in life and at Georgia Southern. We hope that we are shaping the future leaders at the University through this program."

BUILD students will be constructing playhouses Aug. 7-11 for the Statesboro Habitat for Humanity affiliate. The playhouses will be auctioned off later in the year as a fundraiser for Habitat. "Since we have 40 students we are going to try to build two playhouses, hoping to raise more money for Habitat," Pickett said.

"We are very excited about having this group working on our playhouse,"

said Vicki Davis, executive director of Habitat for Humanity of Bulloch County.

"It is going to help us a lot, and I think it will be fun for the students to see the project go from a pile of wood to a completed playhouse. We hope that this might become an annual project."

During the day, the students will be building the playhouses in Statesboro Pointe, the Habitat subdivision. In the evening they will be involved in small group discussions led by current student leaders at the University.

"Each day will have a theme that has to do with leadership," Pickett explained. "Their first day is 'Building Communities' and throughout the week they will create a vision statement, talk about ethical leadership and about being servant leaders."

The students will reside in the Recreation Activity Center for the week, even sleeping on mats on the floor.

"We decided to do this because we want everyone in one common area to have great discussion," Pickett said. "By the week's end the students will have logged over 1,000 combined service hours and will have a stronger sense of self, their friends and their new community."

Throughout the week of experiential learning, students will gain communication skills, self awareness, responsibility, stewardship, tolerance for adversity and uncertainty, a sense of selflessness and compassion, and learn the relationship between vision and action.

### CALENDAR

#### Friday, August 11

Operation Move In  
All residents of on-campus housing can pick up key at the RAC.

5pm - 7pm  
"Blues, Beads and the Bayou"  
Welcome Cookout  
Sweetheart Circle

#### Saturday, August 12

2pm-6pm  
Welcome Week Carnival  
Russell Union

8pm-10pm  
Movie: Mission Impossible 3  
Russell Union Theatre

#### Sunday, August 13

7pm-10pm  
Eagles Night Out,  
Mardi gras Madness  
RAC

#### Monday, August 14

First day of classes for all students

9am-10am  
Bayou Breakfast  
Russell Union Rotunda

11am-1pm  
Free henna tattoos  
Russell Union Rotunda

### POLICE BEAT

07-15-2006

- Julian J. Carter, 17, of Rackley Street, Statesboro, was charged with criminal trespass and giving false information to an officer.

07-17-2006

- David Frederick Neef, 27, of Herman Park Court, Houston, Texas, was charged with DUI and failure to maintain lane.

07-23-2006

- David Lee Anderegg, 26, of 1 Friar-tuck Trail, Statesboro, was charged with DUI.
- A window was broken in a vehicle that was parked at the Henderson Library.

08-04-2006

- Several items, including a laptop, a pearl ring and a bottle of Crown Royal Liquor were reported missing from a Garden District Apartment. The investigation revealed that two brothers, Keith Warley, 20 and Kevin Warley of 18 of Atlanta, were responsible for taking the items from the apartment. The two were arrested and charged with Theft by Taking.

08-06-2006

- Justin Russell Moore, 21, of Chandler Road, Statesboro, was charged with public intoxication.

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# Eagle's survival guide



Getting started at a new school can be a complicated and frustrating thing. These are a just a few tips and pointers to make your life a little simpler.

## FIRST DAY

Walk through your schedule at least once before the first day. Visiting your classes early will help prevent you from getting lost. Go to class! This makes a good first impression on your professors. This is also a good day to find out how demanding your classes will be, and can make the decision to drop or add classes easier to make. The first week of classes is the add/drop period, during this time you can shuffle your schedule around to fit you a little better. Don't be afraid to ask for directions if you get lost.

## GET INVOLVED

There are more than 200 clubs and organizations at GSU. Most have their first meetings within the first week or two. Check out the GSU website under current students.

Shameless plug! George-Anne Daily is now offering a campus calendar where clubs and organizations can post their events.

Check out our website, [www.gadaily.com](http://www.gadaily.com)

## HOUSING ISSUES

Go to your introduction meetings. These are meant to help you learn the ropes. They are also a good way to get to know your neighbors.

Read the papers that are in your room when you move in, read TWIRL, look for flyers posted around your building, and check the facebook group for your hall for activity notices.

If you have questions or problems talk to your RA. If they can't help talk to the Building Director for your hall.

Roommate change is the 3rd week of class, the process is complicated, but if you need to change roomies, you can.

## STUDENT FEES

You can check your balance on WINGS and pay your fees online or in Deal Hall. Deadline to pay fees is August 14.

## STUDENT ID

Don't lose it! Your first one is free but the next one will cost you some hard earned cash.

- It gets you into home games for free.
- Gets you discounts on concert tickets.
- Allows you to pick up packages at Landrum.
- Your meal plans and your financial aid, and EAGLEX-PRESS are on your card.
- You can use it at over 40 locations off-campus to get discounts. [www.gsufoodservice.com](http://www.gsufoodservice.com)



Jared Siriz/staff

## HEAT ADVISORY

South Georgia is HOT. This is something you either already know or you are just finding out. The humidity is higher here than in other areas of the country.

The heat index, which reflects the combination of air temperature and relative humidity, determines how hot the weather actually feels.

Recently, a heat advisory warned people to stay out of the sun if possible. Extended time in this weather can lead to heat exhaustion, which can be fatal if not properly treated.

Stay hydrated.

Wear loose and light colored clothing.

Wear a hat.

Symptoms of Heat Exhaustion

Dizziness

Nausea

## FINANCIAL AID

As long as your financial aid is authorized you don't have to worry about paying out of pocket, unless your balance isn't covered. You can check your balance on WINGS.

From the money that is left after your tuition and fees has been deducted, \$500 is automatically applied to your Eagle ID where it can be used to buy books at the University Store through August 22.

If you don't spend all your money on books a refund check will be sent to your Landrum box. Look for it August 29.

The Financial Aid Office is located in the Rosenwald Building on the second floor.

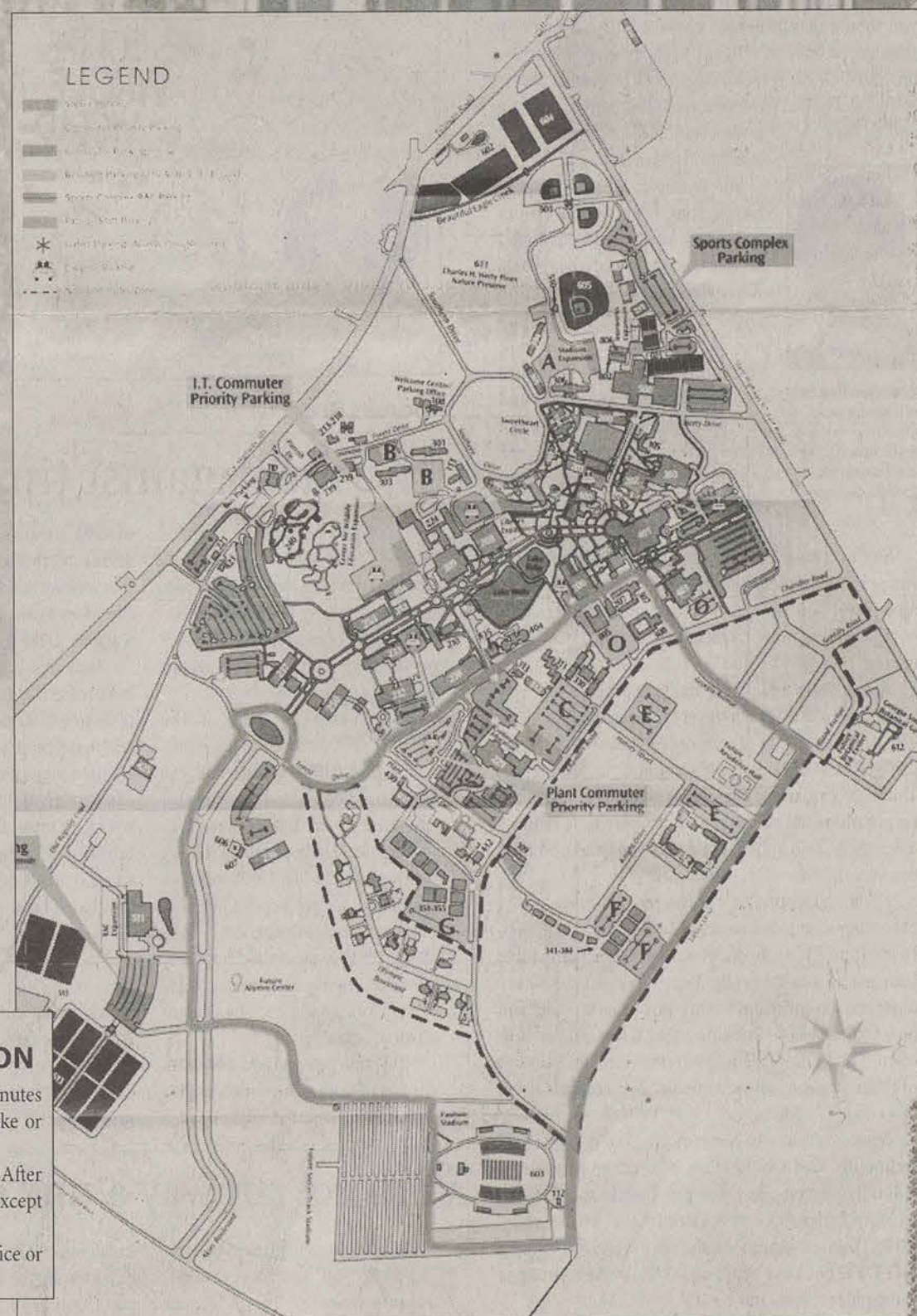
Be prepared to wait in line.

## PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION

You should leave your apartment at least thirty minutes early, whether you are driving, walking, riding your bike or catching the bus to class.

The buses run from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays. After 4 p.m., a reduced number of buses will run until 9 p.m. except on Fridays when the buses only run until 5 p.m.

Parking passes are available in the transportation office or online. Several lots are sold out so hurry.



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# OPINION

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Summer is the time when one sheds their tensions with their clothes, and the right kind of day is jeweled balm for the battered spirit. A few of those days and you can become drunk with the belief that all's right with the world.

- Ada Louise Huxtable

## OUR VIEW

# ShuttleGus gets students home without DUIs

AT ISSUE: Student Government and campus leaders helps bring Safe Rides to Georgia Southern

For the hundreds of students at Georgia Southern who enjoy partying on the weekends, the new safe rides program, ShuttleGus, looks to be a positive solution towards decreasing the number of drunk driving incidences on or around campus.

Two vans and two cars, donated by Enterprise Rent-A-Car make up the GSU Safe Rides fleet. Two volunteers will drive revelers home from bars or house parties. One will drive, and the other will help with directions.

The Safe Rides program has been a popular program at other schools across the nation, including UGA, who reports that over 30,000 free rides were

given since the founding of their program.

The program is a great option for students who might otherwise choose to drive home, especially since local taxi companies close long before the bars close. Offering an option for drinkers makes other drivers on the road safer too, because there will not be as many intoxicated drivers.

The students in the Student Government Association who have been planning out this program for over a year now should be commended on taking such a positive step in the direction of cutting down on drunk drivers. With gas prices being as high as 3 dollars or more, it is admirable that GSU departments

want to help fund such a expensive endeavor.

Students who take advantage of the program should appreciate volunteers who run the program, like director Jon Simpson, Director of Volunteer services Calli Preast and other faculty, staff and students. Students who are interested in helping out on nights when they are not going out can contact Volunteer services.

Because the ShuttleGus program will run on Friday and Saturdays from 10 p.m. until 2 a.m., patrons of the bars and house parties will have plenty of time to utilize the safe rides system. Every bar in the area closes down by 2 a.m. at the latest.

Students should take full advantage of this option after a night out at the bars - and will hopefully take a few nights out of a semester to be a volunteer driver.

We think this is a great program and hope that ShuttleGus is a success here at GSU. As the program will first only run four vehicles on Fridays and Saturdays we look forward to it expanding, because we all know that our fellow students don't wait until Friday to get their party on.

The next time you're stumbling out of a bar after a few too many drinks, remember: "ShuttleGus keeps it between the lines!"

**Brandon Smith**  
**AGAINST THE GRAIN**

## Digital Restrictions Management

You should hate DRM. Do you own an mp3 player? Then you should hate it. Do you own a CD player? Then you should hate it. Do you own a DVD player, or a computer, or any other digital media player? Then you should definitely hate it. What is DRM and why should you hate it? Digital Right Management, abbreviated DRM, is technology used to control access to digital data and hardware, including software, music and movies. A better description of DRM is "Digital Restrictions Management."



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For example, when you purchase a song from Apple's iTunes music store you purchase a digital file that can only do what Apple allows it to do. You can put it on a limited number of mp3 players (only iPods), and you can listen to it on a limited number of computers (only through iTunes). Try and play a song purchased through iTunes in Windows Media Player, or WinAmp. It won't work. Or try putting the song on a friends mp3 player. It won't work.

So if you have a library of iTunes songs, know that you're locked into Apple. Purchasing another brands mp3 player isn't an option unless you're willing to repurchase all of your music all over again. Goodbye liberty.

A few years ago when you purchased a CD you knew it would work wherever you wanted it to. Play it in your Sony CD player, or a friends Phillip CD player, or a neighbors Apple computer. It would work. Those days are over. These days you play it where the corporations tell you that you can play it. For us as users there is no light at the end of the tunnel when it comes to DRM.

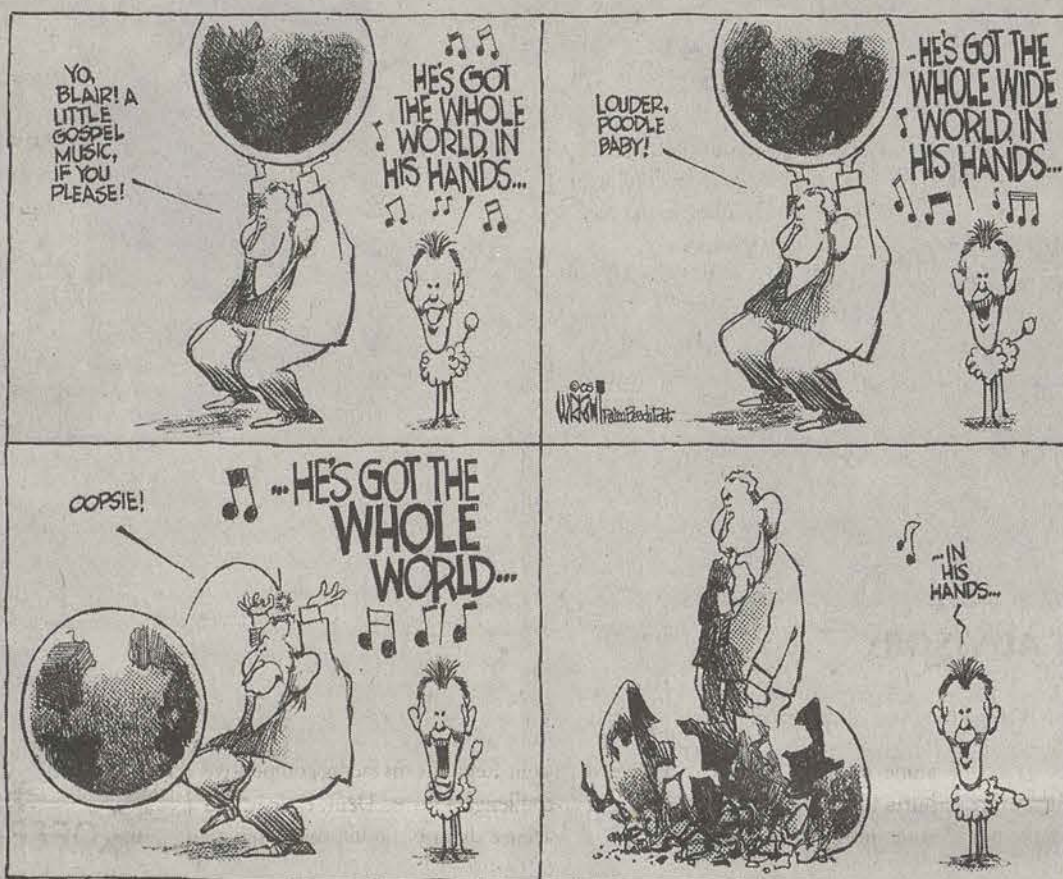
Creating proprietary software and hardware is becoming easier and easier everyday for companies. In the future your media players won't be compatible with media you currently own today. In the future digital media companies won't only tell you where and how you can use your media - they'll also tell you how often. DRM allows manufacturers to limit the number of times you can use your media. For example listen to a song only 300 times.

Sony has already announced that it has DRM technology that would allow it to create games that will only play on one video game console. Goodbye to letting friends borrow games, or to even renting them. The new generation storage devices Blu-ray and HD-DVD both have built-in DRM. DRM is already a rampant problem, and it's still in its infancy stage. If people don't start to take a stand against DRM we will soon be stuck in this technological world without any liberties or freedoms.

Bruce Sterling from Wired magazine said it best: "You may not be interested in the digital rights war, but that doesn't mean you'll have the luxury of sitting on the sidelines. Because the other side is very, very interested in you."

Help fight DRM and help yourself in the process. Purchase music from online vendors that sell .mp3 files and don't use DRM. Join organizations that fight for electronic freedoms and privacy, and that call for action to stop DRM from crippling our digital future - like the Free Software Foundation's "Defective By Design" campaign (defectivebydesign.org).

Write Brandon at [atimeat03@gmail.com](mailto:atimeat03@gmail.com)



**Thomas Bray: YOUR TURN**

## The race against time in the middle east

Concern is mounting by the hour in New York that the Bush administration is wavering on the diplomatic front, particularly at the United Nations, as Europeans step up pressure on Israel to stop its battle against Hezbollah.

**Thomas Bray** is a columnist for the New York Sun. This is the moment for Secretary of State Rice to stick with the administration's stated position that any cease-fire in Lebanon must be sustainable. Ms. Rice spoke of seeking the cease-fire in "days, not weeks," a statement that put her out ahead of the government in Jerusalem, which, after all, is the seat of the democracy whose citizens are under attack by one of the world's most vicious Islamist terrorist organizations.

It's illuminating of the double standards at play. Iran, the world's leading state sponsor of terrorism, has gotten

months, no, years, to abide by its commitments to nuclear nonproliferation. It may never feel the consequences of President Bush's post-September 11 warning to the axis of evil.

Bush has been fighting off demands from Democrats for a timetable to withdraw American troops who have been fighting terrorists in Iraq for more than three years. But Ms. Rice gives the Israelis "days, not weeks" to finish the fight against the terrorists who have been launching a rocket attack on civilians of a scale that hasn't been seen since the Nazi blitz of London.

The race to a cease-fire could be seen in the statement by European appeasement ministers calling for "immediate cessation of hostilities" and in a speech by Prime Minister Blair in California. "Instead of Muslims seeing this as about democracy

versus dictatorship, they see only the bombs and the brutality of war, and sent from Israel," winged Mr. Blair.

But the rest of Mr. Blair's speech - asserting, "the issue of Israel is just part of the same, wider struggle for the soul of the region" - underscores the failure of logic of those calling for a premature cease-fire. Mr. Blair says the war can only be won "by showing that our values are stronger, better, and more just, more fair." He is correct that Israel's struggle is the same as America's and Britain's.

But America wouldn't think of a premature cease-fire with Al Qaeda after September 11, nor has Mr. Blair's Britain retreated from the fight in Iraq.

There is no fairness or justice in forcing Israel to a premature cease-fire that only postpones the eventual reckoning.

## Project runway a mix of supplies and fashion

A casting special in the manner of "American Idol" precedes the third-season premiere of Bravo's "Project Runway," which was nominated for three Emmys last week, and airs at 10 p.m. on Wednesdays. The hourlong special is hosted

**Pamela Sitt** is a columnist for The Seattle Times. by fan favorite Tim Gunn and introduces the

15 new designers, as well as catching up with past-season stars including Nick Verreos (teaching), Austin Scarlett (designing wedding gowns) and Wendy Pepper (looking 10 years younger).

Everyone's looking for the new villain to love to hate, and the first episode offers a contender in the form of Jeffrey Sebelia, or, as I like

to call him, "8 Mile." You shall know him from his gray hoodie, tattoos and potty mouth.

"I look around the room, and it's just a blur of remedial intermediate bull ...," 8 Mile says during the first challenge. "I don't see any design in the room that inspires me, aside from mine."

Ten of the 15 designers are from New York or California. The designers overall are more experienced than in seasons past, shifting the focus to the more subjective matter of design aesthetic rather than technical aspects of construction. In other words, less "the sleeve is falling off" and more "does a cap sleeve really work with that dress?"

"I would say what's so compelling

about this season's drama is that it's all centered around the design work," Gunn says. "It's full of surprises, it's going to be full of conflicts. ... The winner and loser will be determined by people's tastes."

As a result, the judging process was more controversial and often took longer than in previous seasons. Although it appears only to take moments and a commercial break for judges to question designers and make their decision, in real time the process can take five to seven hours.

Klum says the designers are really what make it different. "They had all seen Project Runway 1 and 2, and they think they know everything by now, but I still shock them a lot."

**Rachel McDaniel**  
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## Student Media goals for 2006

At a recent Student Media meeting, staff members from the George-Anne discussed this year's goals for the newspaper, the campus and the community.

As a group, we talked about the issues that affect students and how we should cover them. We agreed that covering news right away is of utmost importance. News events often lead to policy changes, and students are often affected in the process. Keeping the campus informed will give students information that gives them the power to understand their rights.



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The George-Anne Daily pledges to promote coverage of issues that promote the university being a marketplace of ideas, protect student citizenship, student health, safety and well-being, stewardship of the environment and student culture and creative arts.

Every university should have an open marketplace of ideas, which means that students and faculty should be able to help each other and the school by discussing issues and solving problems. The George-Anne staff wants to promote and attend

open forums for students or faculty to raise issues and offer solutions.

The Student Government Association plays an important role in keeping the marketplace of ideas in business. Students can take concerns to SGA, and their representatives take the concerns to administrators and work toward enacting policies that resolve the concerns.

Keeping an open forum for opinions and ideas means that all ideas should be represented equally. Our editorial page is a way for students to share their perspectives on any campus issues.

Student citizenship is an issue that we can promote by coverage of student government, local government and faculty senate meetings. Letting students know who is making the decisions gives them the opportunity to attend meetings and share their own views of the issues. We can promote student citizenship by sharing volunteer opportunities in the community. Help is always needed at animal shelters, blood drives and for clothing or food fundraisers.

We will promote student health, safety and well being by covering car accidents that raise issues like the safety of campus pedestrians. We will cover changes in student insurance, student fees.

We will promote stewardship of the environment by letting students and the community know about places and ways to recycle. Every year, thousands of students move, and in the process, they create a lot of waste. There are ways to reduce your impact by donating items that can be used again to places like Good Will and the Salvation Army. In this time of energy crisis, we will share ways to save energy and money.

We will promote coverage of student culture and creative arts by covering local bands at local bars and student and faculty arts and performances. Myspace and Facebook are web-based social networks that have raised issues of safety on campus. The advances in electronics are also an area of interest for students.

Student culture includes new fashions and fads, like the ugly, but comfortable, rubber crocs that are the lowest step in the shoe world.

Overall, our goal this year is to inform the community of local issues, while keeping the campus entertained.

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The Cuban government provided no official word today on the condition of Fidel Castro, a day after he had surgery to correct intestinal bleeding. Castro surrendered power temporarily to his brother, Raul, No. 2 in the chain of command, shown here in a 1991 file photo.

## Castro said to be in stable condition



MIAMI — Cuban President Fidel Castro is in stable condition and recovering from surgery to stop intestinal bleeding, Cuban officials said Tuesday.

A cryptic statement attributed to Castro and read on an evening news program in Havana suggested that physicians were uncertain about his prognosis.

"I cannot invent good news, because that wouldn't be ethical," the statement said. "And if the news were bad, the only one to benefit is the enemy."

"I wish to say that the situation is stable, but a real evolution of the state of one's health requires the passing of time," the statement said. "The most I could say is that the situation will remain stable for many days before a verdict can be delivered."

The lack of detail left room for speculation about whether Castro will

stage a full recovery or whether Cuba might be on the cusp of change after 47 years of one-man rule.

U.S. officials said they believed that Castro was still alive, and Cuba's Parliament Speaker Ricardo Alarcon said the "final moment is still very far away."

Castro's brother and the inheritor of his power, Raul, 75, remained out of sight amid reports of unusual troops movements in Havana and on the eastern end of the island. However, most residents of the capital appeared

to be going about their daily business normally.

Cuba had announced Castro's surgery Monday night in an uncharacteristically detailed announcement, saying he was suffering from "sustained" intestinal bleeding and was ceding power to Raul. But there was no further news until the evening Round Table news program where the Castro statement was read. Specialists in the United States said the symptoms could describe cancer, peptic ulcers or a variety of other problems.

### FACTOIDS

By Brandon Smith

- 1 Cuba is the largest island of the West Indies group (equal in area to Pennsylvania).
- 2 Cuban Americans can return to the island only once every three years.
- 3 Cuba banned the use of US dollars in response to the tightened embargo in June 2004.

## Studies reveal the benefits of coffee



PHILADELPHIA — Over the centuries, coffee has been cursed for making soldiers undependable, women infertile, peasants rebellious and worse.

Coffee has always been more than a beverage, and its health effects have always been controversial. After all, coffee is chock-full o' the drug 1,3,7-trimethylxanthine — better known as caffeine — plus a whole lot of other chemicals and additives.

Recently, the buzz on brew has been good. Glug enough of it, research suggests, and you'll lower your risk of diabetes, liver cirrhosis, Parkinson's disease, gallstones and suicide. You'll also sprint better.

But not long ago, in the 1970s and '80s, coffee's name was mud. It was connected — tenuously or incorrectly, experts now say — to pancreatic cancer, heart attacks, birth defects, miscarriage, osteoporosis and other ill effects.

The surprising thing is that even after a thousand years, this ubiquitous liquid remains quite mysterious.

## Web gaming addicts face legislated fix



WASHINGTON — With online gambling on the rise in the United States, and the perceived threat it poses to vulnerable teens, college students and families, efforts to curb Internet gaming have gained new steam.

In July, the House passed a bill 317-93 to make Internet gambling a federal crime.

"The Internet is addictive for many people anyway, and online gambling can be doubly addictive," Rep. John Duncan, R-Tenn., a co-sponsor of the bill, told the House. "We need to put modest and reasonable limitations in place on Internet gambling, and this bill does that."

Since these gambling sites are

operated outside of the U.S., critics have said that a ban on Internet gaming would be difficult to enforce.

Internet gambling can be especially addictive, the bill's supporters say, because gamblers can avoid the embarrassment of losing in public.

One online poker player, Greg Hogan, 20, a former class president at Lehigh University in Pennsylvania, pleaded guilty in July to robbing a bank in order to pay off \$5,000 in online poker debts he'd accumulated.

But opponents label the legislation hypocritical, saying it unfairly rewards horse racing and state-operated lotteries by applying standards that would make online betting or wagering legal for these industries. Some have suggested that rather than outlawing Internet gaming, the U.S. should devise regulations for taxing it.

## House of Representatives moves to approve minimum wage increase



WASHINGTON — Anxious to protect vulnerable Republicans facing voters in November, House GOP leaders gave the go-ahead for a vote early Saturday on raising the minimum wage to \$7.25 an hour.

But the leadership's decision to combine the legislation with a cut in estate taxes for millionaires sparked an outcry from Democrats, who complained it was a cynical strategy to

ensure that the bill never becomes law. The Senate has consistently opposed House efforts to reduce inheritance taxes.

"Unfortunately, what they are bringing to the floor looks more like a political stunt than serious public policy," said House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., calling the bill a "sham" and "political cover" for "cowards" who refused to allow a vote solely on the minimum wage issue.

House Majority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio, countered that the tax proposals provide a balance

to the small businesses hurt by the wage hike.

"I have always opposed a stand-alone increase because I believe it hurts those we're trying to help and stifles job creation," he said.

Republican leaders said they believed the measure had enough support to pass.

Public opinion polls have shown that more than 80 percent of Americans support increasing the minimum wage, which is \$5.15 an hour and has not been changed in nine years.

According to the Center on Budget

and Policy Priorities, the value of the minimum wage is at its lowest level since 1955 after adjusting for inflation. Republicans facing competitive challengers feared Democrats would accuse them of taking thousands of dollars in pay raises while allowing 6.6 million workers at the bottom of the economic ladder to languish.

"It's as popular as apple pie and Republicans are afraid that it will be used against them in the fall," said Marshall Wittmann, a senior political analyst. "It's ultimately about jobs — their own."

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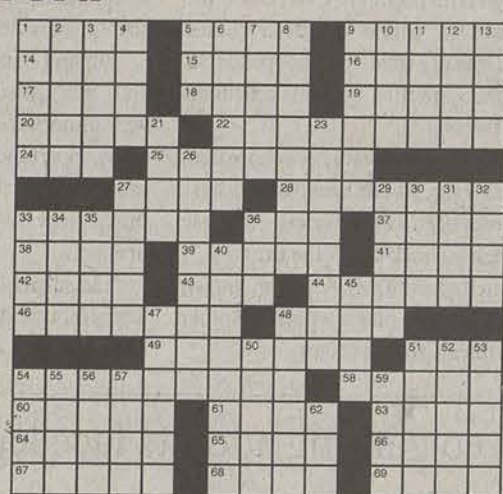
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## Mystic Arts Horoscope

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**ARIES (March 21-April 20)** An unexpected social triangle may be annoying this week. Before mid-week, expect a friend or co-worker to reveal misleading or incomplete romantic information. Don't be unnerved: over the next few days, close companions may feel a strong need to create minor tensions between workmates or loved ones. Remain philosophical. After Thursday, a rare family discussion may lead to increased financial support, sudden home proposals or revised legal documents: stay alert to small details.

**TAURUS (April 21-May 20)** Old friends or lovers may reappear this week and demand revised agreements. Over the next few days, many Tauruses will end almost three months of social isolation and private reflection. Let yesterday fade: valuable progress can now be made by refusing to repeat the unproductive social or romantic patterns of the past. Later this weekend, ask loved ones for business, property or financial advice. At present, deadlines and legal rights may be poorly defined: respond quickly.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21)** Important documents now need to be scrutinized. Before Thursday, authority figures may attempt to rush assignments or provide limited resources. Be assertive and ask for added explanations: this is not the right time to shy away from controversy or avoid complex business negotiations. Stay dedicated to established goals



and all will be well. Friday through Sunday, a delightful romantic flirtation may become briefly passionate. Avoid triangles, however: emotions will be high.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22)** Monday through Thursday, expect loved ones to ask for public displays of social loyalty or reaffirmed promises. Group approval, gentle expressions of affection and private acceptance are now a vital concern for friends and lovers. Provide obvious indications of trust: your response will not be forgotten. After mid-week, watch for a complex business proposal from managers or work partners. Shared resources, new duties and creative expansion are highlighted: stay focused.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Plan extra outdoor, group or social activities before next week. At present, fitness and emotional creativity need to increase. Some Leos will now feel strongly drawn toward exotic relationships, brief affairs or unique hobbies. If so, expect fast reversals and unusual romantic overtures in the coming weeks. After Friday, a

close friend may reveal an unexpected romantic or family triangle. Power struggles, traditional roles or revised home agreements may be at issue: remain detached.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Bold workplace confrontations may this week arrive without warning. After Tuesday, expect previously silent colleagues to voice their own ideas, insights or criticisms. Ineffective leadership may be a central theme. Listen, gather information and remain diplomatic: employment routines may dramatically change in the coming weeks. Wednesday through Saturday accents invitations and fast romantic proposals. Don't avoid strong emotions: new relationships will prove rewarding.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Group plans are now easily derailed. Over the next two days, expect colleagues and friends to doubt their own needs or quietly cancel recently planned events. Probe for subtle answers: emotional support and diplomacy will prove helpful. After Thursday, pay special attention to the comments or observations of a close friend. Romantic triangles, social ethics and rare power struggles may be briefly bothersome. Late this weekend, rest and pamper the body: physical energy may be low.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Early this week, a younger friend or relative may require delicate social advice. Areas affected are inappropriate business relationships, flirtations with older colleagues or unexpected

romantic proposals. Advocate careful progress and deliberate decision: before next week, minor workplace controversies will quickly escalate. Wednesday through Saturday, employment roles and daily duties may dramatically change: expect revised team alliances and a quick reversal of policies.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Business discussions or job negotiations will now offer a fast route to expansion. Early this week, many Sagittarians will receive an unexpected glimpse into the decision making process of key officials. Take time to study obvious signals and guidelines: at present, much can be learned by examining the criteria for advancement. Later this week, friends and lovers may be privately listless or socially nostalgic. Encourage fresh activities or new group plans: change is healthy.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)** Over the next five days, family routines and daily obligations will demand careful planning. Close relatives or romantic partners may this week feel frustrated with time limitations or neglected chores. Little will change before early September: remain patient and ask loved ones for special consideration. Improved habits will soon take precedence. After Thursday, financial mistakes are unavoidable and may involve group promises or failed funding: revised agreements are needed.

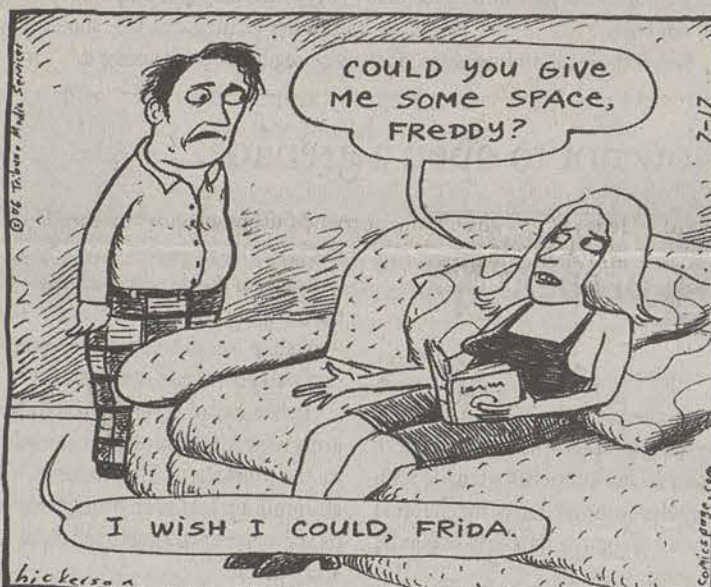
**AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)** Lovers or potential friends will this week

openly discuss their long-term hopes and desires. Over the next few days, delicate proposals should be taken seriously. Someone close may be highly motivated to express renewed social dedication and romantic optimism. Offer new ideas: your creativity will be welcomed. After Friday, many Aquarians will begin a brief phase of business expansion and rekindled career ambition. Remain open to fast contracts and rare partnerships.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** A close friend may this week reveal a previous romantic or social indiscretion. Areas of concern involve past business relationships or brief encounters. No serious or lasting affects can be expected here, so not to worry. Rather, take all such admissions as a sign of newfound trust. Honesty and open discussion will be quickly rewarded. Thursday through Saturday, a powerful insight may trigger a new awareness in a difficult relationship. Go slow: much is changing.

If your birthday is this week: Complicated relationships will not be easily resolved over the next three weeks: expect continuing social disagreements and minor home interruptions. After Sept. 3, however, intimacy and trust will sharply increase.

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# SPORTS

Mike Anthony  
PLAYIN' FOR KEEPS

## Learning how to lose

Well Braves fans, it may have finally happened. After 14 years of nothing but good times, the Braves will likely be calling for tee times come the first week of October.

As a lifelong Phillies fan, I would love to be the first to rub in the fact that Atlanta's luck has finally run out. The only problem is that I've been beaten to the punch by half of the Braves' fan base.

After watching win after win for so long, it's painfully obvious that Braves fans have forgotten what it's like to not win.

Now that I've seen the reaction, I'm not sure whether to pile on or feel bad for those who don't know how to react.

Maybe I'm just used to seeing my team fail every year, but I can't believe the combination of entitlement, denial, and depression that is evident among Braves fans these days.

Why is it not possible that a team that's been good for so long is just not that good anymore?

It's part of sports. You always want to win, but you can't win all the time.

Why do so many Atlanta fans feel that they have someone or something to blame when the obvious truth is that they're not good enough this year?

Within two hours of the Braves' bullpen blowing another lead and losing 9-3 on Wednesday, radio shows and websites everywhere were taking numbers to bash their team.

Worst of all was the reaction of the players.

After giving up the lead, the entire team went into the tank along with its fans. Willy Aybar watched a routine grounder go through his legs, most of the bench looked on with what can only be described as indifference.

Andrew Jones did his best Tanner Boyle impression, throwing his glove down and pitching a fit after a bases-loaded walk.

All in all, I think the collective force of everyone jumping off the bandwagon may have registered on the Richter scale.

Have Braves fans really become so spoiled that you'll all throw your team under the bus like this?

As a loyal fan of the team with the worst record in professional sports in the 20th century, perhaps I can be of some help.

I'm not asking you to hold out hope. Rest assured, the Braves are all but dead in the water. The point is that there's no reason for fans to act like this is the end of the world.

The fact of the matter is that the Braves, after having one of the best stretches in history, are simply a mediocre team.

It's not all that bad. Without having to worry about witnessing their annual playoff choke, you can get outside while the weather is still nice.

You can get a head start on your favorite football teams, and the stress that is saved on late September games is immeasurable.

That being said, I invite all of you over to my place.

We can just relax, turn on the game, and watch our respective teams go down in flames together.

It's really fun if you just accept it.

You can contact Mike at [mantho1@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:mantho1@georgiasouthern.edu).

## Lawyer to run against Duke lacrosse prosecutor

The chairman of the Durham County Republican Party said he would launch a write-in campaign against the district attorney prosecuting three Duke University lacrosse players charged with rape.

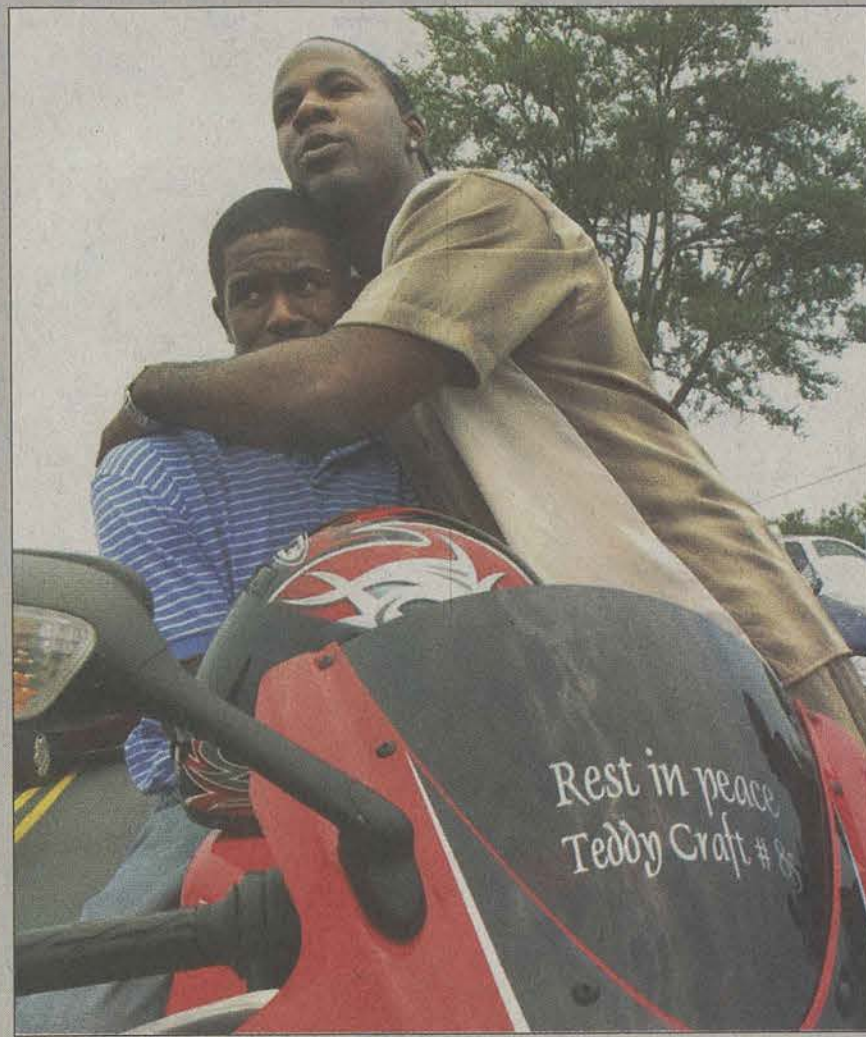
Steve Monks needs only 100 signatures to qualify as a write-in candidate. If the county elections board verifies the signatures, a line will appear on the ballot.

No Republican sought the office in May's primary, when incumbent District Attorney Mike Nifong beat two candidates in the Democratic race and appeared headed for election without a challenger in the November general election.



During a punt return, Teddy Craft stiffarms an opponent from Western Carolina. GSU won the game 45-7. Craft died as a result of a motorcycle crash on July 4.

Grayson Hoffman/STAFF



Georgia Southern senior linebacker Devron Jefferson, right, hugs former GSU running back Kevin Anderson before riding in a convoy of motorcycles in a funeral procession for motorcycle crash victim and GSU wide receiver Teddy Craft July 10.

AP Photo/Ken Ruinard

# Motorcycle accident kills Craft

By Mike Anthony  
Staff Writer

This week, as with the start of any new semester, there is an air of excitement among students.

The new school year brings with it a feeling of growth, progress and good times that are sure to be had. Sadly, however, as we return to Statesboro, one member of the Georgia

Southern family will not be rejoining us.

On the evening of July 4th, the Eagle nation lost a very important member of both the football team and the student population when Teddy Craft died in a motorcycle accident.

Craft, who was one of the most feared wide receivers and kick returners in the Southern Conference, was looking forward to his senior season before the tragic accident.

Although Teddy will no longer be with us in person, his spirit is sure to live on in the hearts and minds of Georgia Southern athletes, students and faculty alike.

Please make sure to pick up an issue of The Reflector, which will be available August 28. In the issue, a proper tribute to Teddy will be given from the friends, teammates and coaches who knew him best.

## GSU Rugby banned from play due to alcohol violation

By Eric Robinson  
Assistant sports editor

There will be no Georgia Southern rugby next year.

This decision followed an investigation by the Georgia Rugby Union after the team's last playoff game on April 23.

The Eagles were among the top eight teams in the country, winning the Rugby South, finishing the regular season undefeated and beating I-A schools like Georgia, Georgia Tech, Florida State and Ole Miss.

The team lost 28-27 on April 22 at the Division II Collegiate Nationals in Orlando, Fla. to Humboldt State, a team who would eventually progress to the finals.

During the hard-fought game, some off-the-field antics would become a cause for concern.

"[Officials] had some trouble with some alumni on Saturday that evidently had tried to bring beer into the park," said Steve Sanders, director of Club Sports at GSU.

They told me on Saturday that Georgia Southern players were great on the field, it was alumni that they had some problems with."

Because of the loss, the next day's game was nothing more than a consolation game.

According to a written letter from the Georgia Rugby Union, an SUV was parked near the complex fence during the game and beer was passed into the area out of a keg in the back of the vehicle.

Several GSU players were also allegedly seen drinking beer on the sidelines.

"The immediate concern is not only GSU's blatant disregard for policy at a public venue, but also how their behavior reflects rugby in general toward the adults and children who bore witness to the behavior," a GRU representative said.

The GRU has issued sanctions against GSU rugby, stating that the team is ineligible for any collegiate matrix play or national playoff game for one year.

GSU will also not be allowed to hold the Black Rose Tournament for one year.

The team can continue matrix matches in 2008 but will still be unable to compete in the collegiate national championships.

The Rugby team will also be placed on probation during this time, and any further misconduct could result in longer sentencing.

GSU players were also banned this year from any all-star play.

In addition to the sanctions issued by the GRU, the GSU Club Sports office has stated that each player will be required to perform

40 hours of community service at Georgia Southern.

Player-coach Mark Maholchic and other captains have been suspended from GSU rugby for five years. All seniors identified in the incident will be suspended longer than juniors, sophomores or freshmen.

The Eagle rugby team has been no stranger to off-the-field problems in the past.

The team was still on probation following an incident last year, when alcohol containers were found in the team's van following a rugby invitational at Auburn.

"We're going to start over as a program," said Sanders. "I think this is a clear message that we need to clean up the act, that we need to make some changes. I look forward to the changes we will make."



Rugby alum Will Lord, left, conducts a drill where a rookie works on rugby fundamentals. The rugby team was suspended for a year during the summer.

Brian Prussa/STAFF



An Eagle soccer player steals the ball from his opponent in the final moments of the game.

File Photo

## Interim men's soccer coach hired

GSU News Service

Kevin Kennedy has been named interim men's soccer coach at Georgia Southern University, announced by Director of Athletics Sam Baker on August 1. Kennedy replaces Kevin Chambers who resigned to take a position in the Georgia Southern Office of Admissions.

For the past six years Kennedy has been the Director of Coaching and Club Director of the Augusta Arsenal Soccer Club.

He oversaw a coaching staff of 25 and business operations of the club, in addition serving as a staff coach for the Georgia Olympic Development Program.

Since January 2002, Kennedy also served as head coach of Augusta Aquinas High School, leading that squad to the 2005 AA/A State championship.

The Augusta Chronicle 2005 'Boys Soccer Coach of the Year,' Kennedy coached Aquinas to three consecutive Region 7-AA/A titles from 2003

to 2005.

During those same three years received the Team Academic Award by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America.

Kennedy was an undergraduate at Augusta State, received his master's degree from Georgia Southern, then went back to work as a men's soccer assistant coach during the 1999 season.

He was a three-year team captain during his playing days at ASU, twice was named to the Peach Belt Conference Presidential Honor Roll and in 1995 received the Tommy Werrick Scholar-Athlete Award.

A member of the NSCAA, he owns a United States Soccer Federation 'A' license and received from the NSCAA an Advanced National diploma and Director of Coaching diploma.

Under Kennedy, the Georgia Southern men's soccer team has begun its fall preseason practice schedule and is working towards an exhibition match this weekend.



# Quarterback Quandary

## Who will be under center on September 9?

By Will Adams

With the home opener against Central Connecticut State only a few weeks away, new head football coach Brian VanGorder and his staff have yet to name who will be the Eagles starting quarterback.

Last season's starter Jayson Foster didn't fit very well with VanGorder's new offensive scheme and has gone back to taking snaps at wide receiver and practicing kick returns. Chris Griffin, a standout during the Blue/White spring scrimmage game, has been declared academically ineligible for the season and is currently not listed on the roster, which leaves the rest of training camp for about half dozen freshmen and transfers to compete for the starting job.

As players start to define their roles during training camp and prove themselves to the new coaching staff, VanGorder wants the quarterbacks to "focus on what it takes for them to get better," and not "get caught up in who's first or second."

Offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach Darin Henshaw believes all of the young quarterbacks have great potential. "There's a learning curve and we've got to really focus on the little things and see how the young guys progress out here."

The competition supported by the coaching staff has created new homes and second chances for some of the quarterbacks on the roster.

Freshman Chris Rogers had originally signed to play baseball at UGA, but transferred to GSU because "it's just a great opportunity and it doesn't matter what the situation is, Coach VanGorder gave me a chance, so I had to take it" Rogers said.

Sophomore Travis Clark, a transfer from Southern Mississippi, has already caught the eye of the coaching staff during fall practice, but VanGorder won't go so far as to say he's the starter. "I think Travis [Clark] has established himself as a leader right now, but again we want to encourage competition," VanGorder explained.

With a completely different coaching staff, new players and other guys changing positions, training camp is where VanGorder and Henshaw want to get back to basics by setting an aggressive tempo during practice and stressing fundamentals.

Henshaw explains that "one of our goals is to finish blocks, runs, catches, drives and whatever because we are continually stressing and talking about finishing every play."

The main thing we do is break down each play and [evaluate] the effort, fundamentals, and how they finish," said Henshaw, who also had high regards for young quarterback Clark, saying that "he got here this summer and worked himself into really good shape and put himself in a position to start."

As for Jayson Foster, training camp is just like another day at the office. The former Freshman of the Year is back to his natural position at wide receiver after quarterbacking the Eagles to a playoff berth last season under former head coach Mike Sewak.

Excited about the opportunity to catch passes from Chris Rogers or Travis Clark, Foster acknowledged that "they both make great throws and know the playbook, so I think they can both get it going."

The next few weeks will decide who has what it takes to lead the Eagles to another run at the postseason, but expect some growing pains.

The home opener on September 9th marks the 25th anniversary of Georgia Southern Football as the Eagles take on Central Connecticut State at 7 PM.

WTOC Savannah contributed to this story.

## Eagles begin season ranked 12th

The Sports Network preseason football poll was released Monday, and Georgia Southern enters the season ranked 12th. Three Southern Conference teams were picked in the top 12: Appalachian State (1st), Furman (5th) and the Eagles.

Five other 2006 opponents were ranked or received votes: North Dakota State (19th), Coastal Carolina (25th), Chattanooga (13 votes), Wofford (9 votes) and Western Carolina (7 votes).

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1. App State (68 )	2,306	1	13. Hampton	939	10
2. New Hampshire (14)	2,153	5	14. Eastern Illinois	865	16
3. Montana (5)	1,954	12	15. Richmond	835	8
4. Northern Iowa (3)	1,936	2	16. Delaware	815	NR
5. Furman (1)	1,928	3	17. Southern Illinois	809	7
6. Cal Poly (3)	1,846	6	18. Texas State	770	4
7. Youngstown State	1,446	14	19. North Dakota State	713	NR
8. James Madison	1,338	25	20. Eastern Kentucky	709	NR
9. Illinois State	1,297	22	21. UC Davis	576	NR
10. Massachusetts	1,170	19	22. Montana State	550	18
11. McNeese State	1,006	NR	23. Grambling State	511	11
			24. Nicholls State	378	1

## Braves fall after disasterous eighth

By Charles Odum  
Associated Press

With Chase Utley leading the way, the Philadelphia Phillies are moving up in the NL wild-card race.

Utley hit a go-ahead, three-run double and scored from second on an infield grounder during an eight-run seventh inning that led the Phillies past the Atlanta Braves 9-3 Wednesday.

Completing a 6-3 trip, the second-place Phillies approached .500 at 55-58.

"People have given up on us about 10 times, but you never know with the wild-card race," left-hander Randy Wolf said.

Philadelphia won two of three from the Braves and is 15-11 since the All-Star break. The Phillies began the day 3 1/2 games back in the NL wild-card race.

Wolf gave up three runs — two earned — and five hits in 5 1-3 innings. He made his third start since elbow-ligament replacement surgery on July 1, 2005.

Phillies manager Charlie Manuel said the return of Wolf "is very big." Wolf combines with Cole Hamels to give the Phillies two left-handers in the rotation.

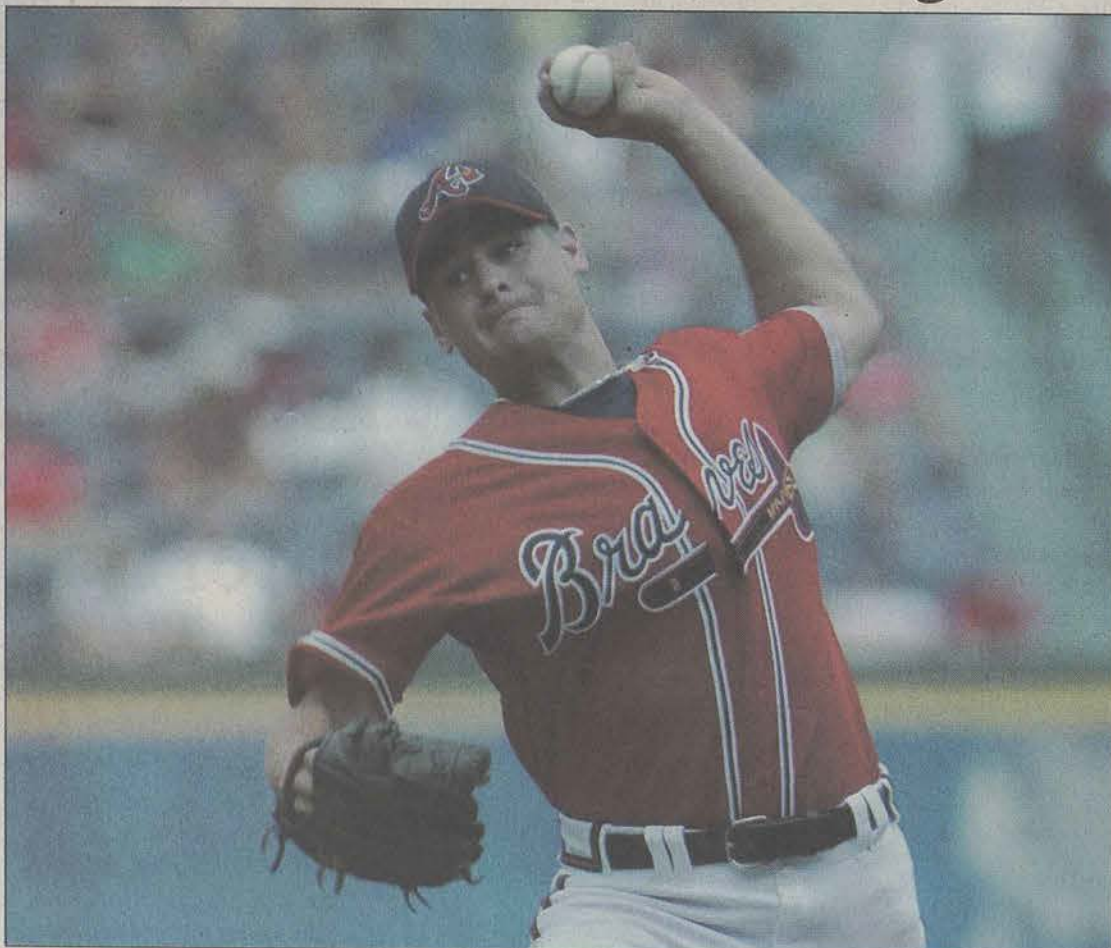
"I like what I see of Randy," Manuel said.

Trailing 3-1, the Phillies sent 14 batters to the plate in the seventh, getting six hits and four walks. An error by third baseman Willy Aybar led to three unearned runs.

Philadelphia set its season high for runs in an inning.

"Who gives up eight runs in an inning?" Braves manager Bobby Cox asked. "Nobody."

Actually, it was the second time this season the Braves allowed eight runs in an inning — they did it July 7 in a 10-5 loss to Cincinnati.



AP Photo/Gregory Smith  
Atlanta Braves pitcher Chuck James throws against the Philadelphia Phillies during the second inning of the game Wednesday at Turner Field. James gave up one run over six innings of work. The Braves lost the game, 9-3.

The half-inning lasted about 45 minutes.

"It seemed like two hours," Braves second baseman Marcus Giles said.

Rick White (2-0) got the final two outs in the sixth inning after taking over for Wolf.

Tyler Yates (1-3), the first of four Atlanta relievers in the seventh, gave up four runs, one hit and three walks. Andruw Jones homered for the Braves, and starter Chuck James struck out six in six innings, allowing one run, five hits and no walks.

Jones' 28th homer put Atlanta ahead in the fifth, but Pat Burrell's 23rd

homer tied the score in the sixth. After Wolf allowed a pair of singles in the sixth, Jeff Francoeur hit an RBI single off White with two outs, and third baseman Abraham Nunez bobbled Matt Diaz's grounder for a run-scoring error that made it 3-1.

Yates forced in a run when he walked Shane Victorino with the bases loaded in the seventh, and Utley doubled off Macay McBride for a 5-3 lead.

Running from second on the pitch, Utley scored on Ryan Howard's groundout.

"I think he always amazes every-

body," Wolf said of Utley. "He's just that type of player. He plays hard every inning, every out."

Utley was behind in the count before hitting the double to center.

"When the bases are loaded, there's no place to put you," Utley said. "They have to pitch to you.... Those three runs were pretty big at that point."

Mike Lieberthal's grounder bounced past Aybar for an error, allowing Burrell to score. Nunez added a run-scoring single for his second hit of the inning, and Jimmy Rollins drew a bases-loaded walk from Chad Paronto.

## Price hires two assistant coaches

### GSU News Service

Georgia Southern men's basketball head coach Jeff Price announced two assistant coach additions to his coaching staff.

Nolan Myrick is promoted from his previous role as administrative assistant while Elwyn McRoy joins the coaching staff.

A 2002 graduate of North Carolina, Myrick has spent the past two seasons working for Coach Price.

He was a part of last year's Southern Conference South Division championship squad which made an appearance in the NIT Tournament.



Nolan Myrick

Myrick spent three years as an assistant coach at Graham (N.C.) High School prior to joining the Eagle basketball program.

McRoy brings eight years of collegiate coaching experience to GSU.

Most recently, he was an assistant coach during the 2005-06 season at Northwood University.

He helped develop players for that program, which is set to begin competition this year.

He spent two years at Southern University as an assistant coach then a year prior to that as head coach at Frank Phillips Community College.

McRoy also coached at Redlands CC, Independence CC and Butler County CC.

While coaching at the junior college level, McRoy coached 28 players that went on to play at the NCAA Division I level.

McRoy was influential in the early development of current NBA players Stephen Jackson (Indiana Pacers), Lee Nailon (Philadelphia 76ers) and 2004-05 Big 12 Conference Newcomer of the Year Taj Gray (Oklahoma Sooners).

In addition, 90% of the players under his tutelage went on to earn their degrees.

McRoy's team at Frank Phillips CC boasted the third highest GPA among all two-year institutions in 2002-03.

"Nolan has been a key part of our program the past two years and has done a great job for us. He certainly earned this promotion," said Price.

"Nolan was vital in accomplishing things on and off the court and we are looking forward to having him help us move the program forward."

"Elwyn is a relentless recruiter. He's developed contacts in a lot of different areas, especially areas where we have had success in the past," Price said.

"He will certainly help us recruit highly talented student-athletes to keep our program among the elite of the Southern Conference."



Elwyn McRoy



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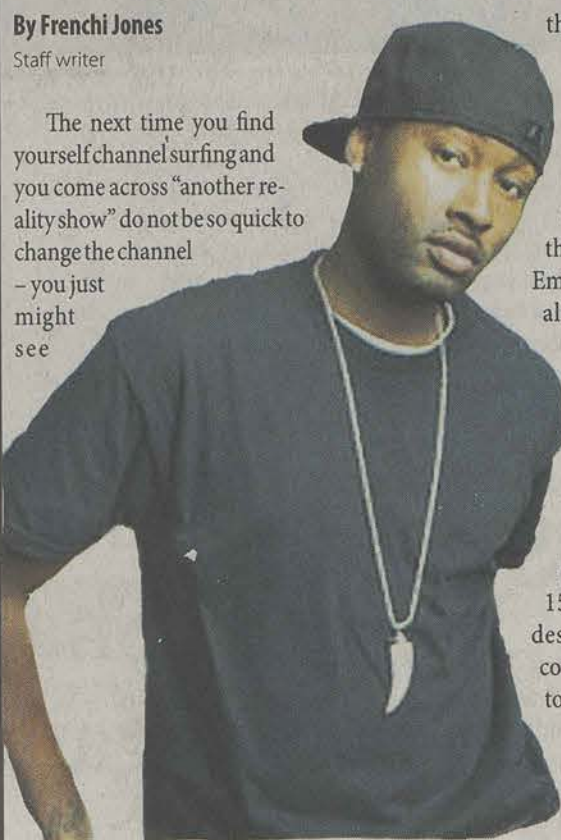
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# Georgia Southern alum competes on Bravo's hit 'Project Runway'

By Frenchi Jones  
Staff writer

The next time you find yourself channel surfing and you come across "another reality show" do not be so quick to change the channel — you just might see



Special photo

Michael Knight, a Georgia Southern alumnus, is one of the designer contestants on Bravo's hit reality series "Project Runway."

the face of a GSU alumni.

Michael Knight has been showcasing his latest fashion designs on Bravo's third season of the Emmy-nominated reality show "Project Runway."

Knight, who graduated from GSU in 2002 with a degree in apparel design and merchandising, was one of 15 up and coming designers chosen to compete for a chance to strut their "stuff" in front of an audience of exclusive fashion designers at the New York Fashion Week in September.

As the first African American

man to be cast as a contender for the show, the Germany-born designer said he moved to Atlanta after graduation and began breaking into the design business. He auditioned for last year's season of the reality show, but did not make the cut.

This year, Knight said he is ready to take on the opposition.

"I wanted to win the competition and take over the world," the 28-year-old is quoted as saying on the show's web site.

Knight's competitors include Uli Herzner, a 35-year-old physical therapist who has been designing clothes since she was two years old; Stacy Estrella, a Harvard graduate with 40 years of a fashion sense and 49-year-old Vincent Libretti who graduated from California's Parsons School of Design.

So far Knight's competition has been fierce and he admits that the show has been challenging. "We are really making the garments in a short time period," he said. "Everybody is really sweating."

Inspired by the late Gianni Versace, Knight is a self-employed designer

who based his designs for this year's show off of the designers' challenges from the previous season.

"I try to design evening wear, sports wear, swim wear, a little of everything," he said in an interview with his hometown paper, the Montgomery Advertiser. "That's what I do."

During the show, Knight and the others are expected to follow a weekly theme. At the end of the week each contestant goes before a panel of judges with their designs and are critiqued. The contestant with the weakest design is voted off.

The final three will show their collections at the Fall Fashion Week in September giving them only a few weeks to create their collection. In previous seasons, the final three were given months to create a collection.

Season 3 also introduced a new set of sponsors with Macy's replacing Banana Republic. The episode Road to Runway Season 3 featured casting auditions at Macy's stores.

In this season, designer Keith Michael became the first designer to be asked to leave the show for multiple rule violations. He was in possession

of prohibited materials, including a pattern-making book, and left the production for several hours during which time he used the Internet.



Special photo

Outfits such as this one are made by the "Project Runway" contestants.

## A word of welcome and caution for the freshman class

Dear freshmen,

I pretend not to have any anxieties about college, but in truth, I suppose I'm a little nervous. Scared, actually.

To the upperclassmen, that may sound a little childish, but nevertheless it's true. I call these feelings the "Lunchroom Aspect." If you ever moved when you were younger, you know what I'm talking about. When a child moves to a new school, they're fine when they first enter.

In their own little world they stay focused on what they need to do in order to blend in and survive. Then, there's the lunchroom. Everything was fine up until that point.

Now that child is scared and alone, standing in front of a whole school full of people he doesn't know, looking for a place to sit.

So, I suppose that's the type of anxiety that I feel; either that, or the

feeling of standing in front of a firing range. I can see how the two would be so easily confused.

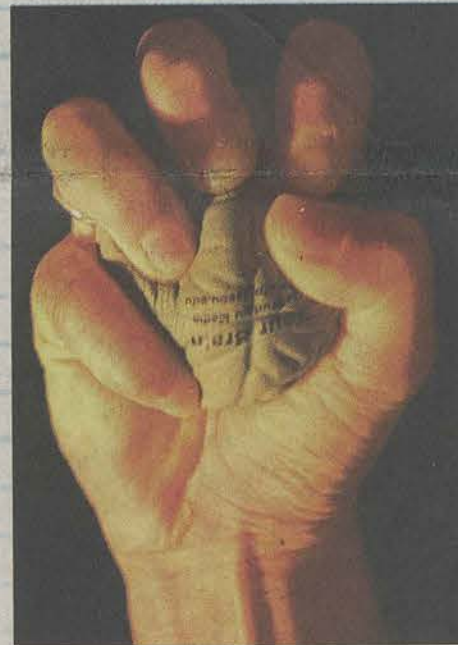
To some, the fear of not having any friends isn't really all that uncommon. After all, some of us are fine with no friends. We ate lunch in the library... alone.

Realistically though, an incoming freshman can look forward to at least one of the following anxieties:

1) Classes - A full schedule because we feel, of course, that we can take anything that this college can throw at us. We want to get our entire core out of the way. Now!

2) Roommates - Little do we know, instead of these people being the "best friends we've ever had," they might become our mortal enemies.

3) Flunking out - OK, so this is a fear all of us face. It should speak for itself.



Grayson Hoffman

Stress is a common part of college life, especially for freshmen, many of who are on their own for the first time.

4) The Party Atmosphere - Yes friends, this isn't as much as fear as it is something I should address. Nothing says, "I'm going to miss class tomorrow," quite like being surrounded by a bunch of friends, enjoying loud music that blares in the background of some badly lit room that you're in, and your indescribable feelings of weightlessness as you hang upside-down in the air, while being encouraged to chug down half of a keg. Twice. And of course the night before that big psychology final.

I am worried for our freshman class. However, I get the feeling that all of the research in the world

couldn't prepare me for my next four years in college.

I suppose I will just have to roll with things as then come, much like everyone else. I wish my class luck in our new experiences. I plan, much like they do, to be successful, happy and socially accepted.

So, ready or not, here I go into Georgia Southern University's freshman class of 2006. I'm sure we'll all do fine. Maybe even great.

Take care, fellow freshman of 2006.

Your friend,

*Michael Bevill*

Michael Bevill

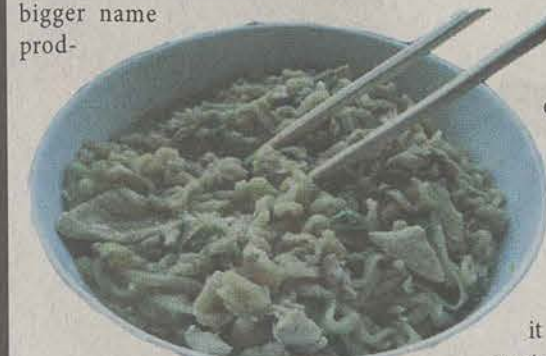
## Making adjustments to living independently and on a budget

By Nick Abney  
Hiatus editor

Many new faces are on campus this semester as new freshmen and transfer students. For most, this is their first time living on their own.

Living on your own can be a big adjustment. Money goes pretty fast and the next thing you know, your bank account is in the red. However, there are ways to conserve what you have.

First, there are off-brand foods out there that are almost just as good as their name-brand counterparts. Instead of buying Coke or Pepsi, consider purchasing the store's brand of soda. It's usually half the price of the of the bigger name prod-



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ucts. So instead of getting one two liter for a dollar you can get four two liters for the same buck.

Also, there is no need to eat out for every meal. Fast food can really kill your funds, so eat in as much as possible. Not only is it usually more healthy to cook your own food, it's also cheaper.

Don't just go out and buy things without a list either. Make a list before leaving home so you don't forget things. I can't count the times I've had to run back to Wal-Mart because I forgot a few things I needed.

Plan what you want to eat for the week. Eating the same thing over and over again can get bland very quickly. Vary what you eat. Mix it up

with chicken, vegetables, fish, red meat, and so on.

Another good option to fast food is a sandwich. It doesn't take long to make, it's incredibly cheap, and it tastes good. Sliced meat ranges from less than a dollar to just a few bucks and

you can get several meals out of one pack. But don't forget the bread and other things such as cheese, mustard, and other condiments that you may want on your sandwich.

There are also the venerable ramen noodles. These things come in a variety of flavors and can be a lifesaver if you find yourself a week away from payday with only change you found under the couch. They cost about a dime a pack and don't taste too bad. But you will get sick of it if you eat enough of them, so save these as a last resort.

Even gas can be had for cheaper. With prices being so high and climbing, visit Enmark. If you pay with cash you get three cents off the pump price. If you have to use premium grade like I do, go to Enmark on Tuesdays and receive seven cents off per gallon. So if you go on Tuesday and pay for premium with cash, you get a total of a dime off of a gallon. It may not be much, but it can add up fast!

Of course video games, movies, and music are an essential part of college life. So with all that money that you've saved buying off-brand food and sandwich meat, you can afford a little bit of entertainment to take a break from hitting the books.

Scrap the idea of buying things new. Browse around the used section of stores like EB Games and Sam Goody. More often than not, there are some great finds on those pre-owned racks that won't break your wallet.

When the weekend rolls around, you can also save a few bucks by buying Natural Light or

Key-stone instead of Bud or Miller Light or whatever your beer preference may be. So there you have it, several ways to save money and still have a good time. And keep looking around for ways to save money. Go to yard sales, go to the store with coupons or when they have sales and always keep your eyes open for a good bargain.

Shop around, even on the Internet, when it comes time to buy those books for class.

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## THE BOTTOM LINE

By NICK ABNEY

### Textbooks

Textbooks are a necessary evil. They may not be the most interesting of reads, but they are an essential part of passing those classes you signed up to take this semester.

The University Store is not the only place to get these tomes of knowledge. There are two book stores located across the street from campus on Chandler.

But don't stop there. Books can be found for cheap on Ebay as well. They may not arrive in time

for class next week, but keep this option in mind next semester.

There are also a myriad of websites out there that buy and sell college books as well. Most of the time, these websites can be the cheapest alternative.

Shop around, even on the Internet, when it comes time to buy those books for class.





# Dredg's latest album is best one so far

By Nick Abney  
Hiatus editor

Good music can always make things better, whether it's a good party or just hanging out alone.

That's where Dredg comes in. This band has been around for a while, but they haven't gotten the attention they deserve.

The latest album to spew forth from their ingenious minds, "A Catch Without Arms," is by far their best interpretation of music to date. Sure their other two albums were awesome, but on this one they show off just how much they have matured on their junior work.

The CD opens up fast and hard with "Ode to the Sun." The song is a great example of vocals, percussion, and guitars coming together to form something that is both beautiful and a work of art.

But don't let the first song scare you off if you don't exactly like music like that. The whole album is a mix of

hard, heavy, fast, soft, slow, happy and sad. It seems that there is something for everyone.

Some of the songs on the CD even seem contradictory. While the music in the background is hard or happy, Gavin Hayes' (the lead singer) lyrics and vocals are sad and elegiac. It may not seem like a good concept at first but Dredg has the musical talent to pull it off smoothly and make it sound almost perfect and natural in the process.

The second song on the album, "Bug Eyes," has a fast driving beat with slow vocals. The real treat of the song is in the middle when the driving beat slows down and Dino Campanella, the drummer, plays a simple yet beautiful piece on the piano while at the same time keeping a single-handed beat on his drum set.

This isn't the only example of just how talented the band is. All throughout the CD the guitarist, Mark Engles, uses feedback and static from his amp combined with several effects pedals

to get a plethora of unique sounds out of his instrument.

Drew Roulette, the bassist, also deserves some credit here as well. His bass riffs are infectious, seemingly reminiscent of old Nintendo games at times.

The album may have some funny sounding song names such as "Jamais Vu" and "Matroshka," but don't let that fool you because this album is all business.

Dredg also isn't just good on plastic either. They put on a killer live show. I can attest since I've seen them twice already. I highly recommend putting forth the cash for a ticket. It's definitely worth the money and the time to see a highly energetic band that plays great music.

And if you like what you hear on "A Catch Without Arms" then pick up their other two albums "El Cielo" and "Leitmotif." The earlier albums are much different, with Leitmotif being a basement-produced sound and both CDs being having interludes



"A Catch Without Arms" is a refreshing break from today's stagnant music scene. Dredg is, from left to right, Dino Campanella, Gavin Hayes, Mark Engles, and Drew Roulette.

and instrumentals.

Both previous albums are still very good, but have a different flavor and variety than the new work. They show more of where the band came from and how they formed their sound and evolved into what they are now.

All in all the new CD is probably one of the best ones I've heard to date. It's fresh and original, nothing at all like some of the newer bands out there trying to cash in on the success of another band's sound by way of being a carbon copy. Hopefully all

of the other up and coming groups will take notice and try to form their own sound through hard work and experimentation.

It's not the newest album, but it's worth a listen.

## Clerks 2 fails to impress

By Jeff Martin  
Assistant Hiatus editor

There is only so much one can say about Kevin Smith's newest film Clerks 2.

It has been ten years since the original Clerks, and to be quite honest, not much has changed. Smith has gone back to his old stand-by of making movies about New Jersey and his drug addled alter ego Silent Bob.

The new film has a slightly different feel to it than the first Clerks. The main characters Dante and Randall have moved on with their lives and yet they've found themselves back in the same rut.

The movie chronicles Dante Hicks' last day working for local fast food restaurant Mooby's. Hicks plans to move to Florida with his bride-to-be and start a new life for himself. The only problems are that he doesn't love the bride and he's obviously in love with his boss, Rosario Dawson's character, with whom he has not so innocent sexual tension. Wacky antics ensue.

The film feels more like a series of corny vignettes than an actual cohesive movie. The humor is very

similar to the original film. However, this movie tends to be less subtle and more knock you over the head with it.

The film tries to evolve past its low budget origins with the most notable difference being that the

movie is in full color.

Artistically speaking, the transition from black and white to full color is absolutely pointless. For some reason the humor doesn't seem to work this time. The aimless geeky discussions lose a bit of their charm and more than a little of their wit.

The only worthwhile scene in the entire movie is the impromptu dance routine, which manages to bring a smile to the face like a well-needed breath of fresh air. This scene is probably Smith's best use of his newfound budget.

The climax of the film is executed a lot like the finale of a fireworks display.

play: brilliant and shocking. Rosario Dawson's character puts it best when she says "I'm horrified and yet I can't look away."

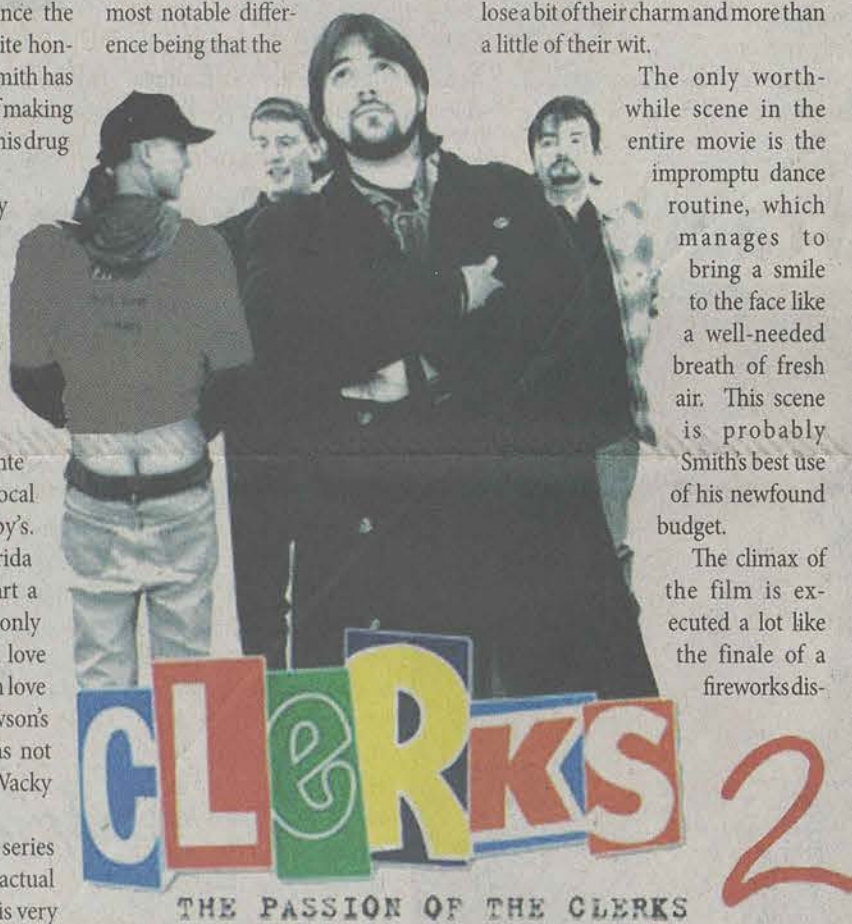
Its probably best described as not for the faint of heart. The movie definitely earns its R rating in just that one sequence. In fact the scene is so outrageous and more than a little out of place that it feels like Smith specifically thought up the most offensive scenario he could in order to warrant the rating.

Clerks 2 feels like a movie that wants to have a heart-warming message, but instead produces some sort of primordial ooze that somehow creeps forward and snowballs into two hours of film.

The message is there, but the real irony of the situation is that the characters come completely full circle and effectively end up back in the same sort of rut only with a more positive outlook.

Fans will love this movie because it pays homage to the original. Critics will love this movie either because they are afraid of Kevin Smith's wrath or because they want to pander to the fans.

Unless you're a fan of the original, steer clear of Clerks 2. Overall, this movie really just is not worth the time or money.



## Emotions run high over 'Shadowrun' video game

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For months leading up to the annual video game convention E3, rumors were flying through the gaming community that a new "Shadowrun" game would be unveiled at the show.

Those rumors turned out to be true.

At Microsoft's press conference, the company unveiled the new game in the long-dormant franchise to spotlight Live Anywhere, the new extension of Xbox Live that will link 360 and PC players.

Microsoft wants to let players choose for themselves which platform they prefer to play on, and "Shadowrun" is one of the first games to allow console and PC gamers to play together.

### "Shadowrun"

Format: Xbox 360/PC  
Style: Single-player action (up to 16-player via Xbox Live or PC Online)  
Publisher: Microsoft Game Studios  
Developer: FASA Studios  
Release: 2007

choose one of two sides in the "Shadowrun" world of magic and technology. The first is the RNA, a mega-corporation that seeks to restore order to a world thrown into chaos by the sudden return of magic to the planet after a 5,000-year absence.

The second is the Lineage, which fights to keep magic wild and unfettered by human constraints. Obviously, the two teams will play quite differently, with the RNA able to upgrade themselves with new technology, while the Lineage can gain new mystical abilities. On display at E3 were the tech ability of the glider, which allows for limited flight; and the teleport ability, which allows a character to suddenly jump several meters in any direction.

There will be a host of other skills for each team, including the ability to see through walls, resurrect dead characters, plant a healing "Tree of Life," and many more. There will also be distinct races like elves and humans, so players will definitely have a lot of choices to make when they pick up this game.

"Shadowrun" is still a way off, so FASA has a lot of time to continue polishing this title until it shines. Balancing cross-platform play sounds tricky, but a PC vs. 360 match was on display at E3, and things seemed to be going smoothly. With a lot of interesting concepts at play and two consoles to choose from, "Shadowrun" looks like it will catch the eye of many gamers.



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Microsoft's interpretation on the popular "Shadowrun" tabletop RPG has many traditional and devout fans of the series up in arms about the road the company has taken. However, the game has many cool and unique features such as allowing Xbox 360 owners to battle owners of the PC version of the game.

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# Mel Gibson talks trash and high profile couples split



Jenny Miller is a senior journalism major from Statesboro. She is assistant news editor of The George-Anne Daily.

What in the world has happened to Mel Gibson?

The 50-year-old Oscar winning actor and director of 2004's "The Passion of the Christ" was arrested and charged with two misdemeanors driving under the influence counts

in Malibu, CA on July 28.

Gibson was pulled over after being spotted speeding at more than 85 mph with an open bottle of tequila in his Lexus LS 430.

Not only is the arrest shocking, but also the incident report that was released on the actor's arrest stated that he tried to flee from arresting officers and then went on a drunken tirade, railing on the Jewish community who he said are "F—king Jews...The Jews are responsible for all of the wars in the world."

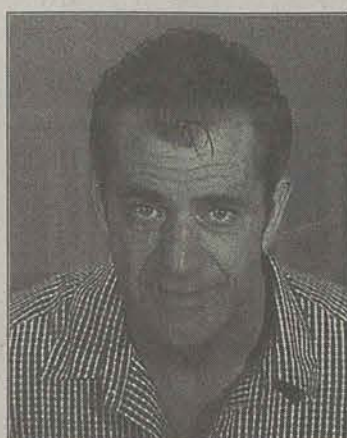
Gibson also went on to say that he

"owned Malibu" and that he would spend all of his money to "get even" with the arresting officer. It seems to me that we all probably say some pretty dumb things when we are drunk, but Gibson's blood alcohol level of 0.12 (the legal limit in California is 0.08) does not excuse the hateful and beligerent words he used.

While Gibson is only an actor, he is also a public figure who put himself in spotlight of the Christian community when making "The Passion of the Christ" and he has a responsibility to behave as such. Gibson did issue an apology, numerous times, and specifically claimed he is not anti-Semitic or a bigot.

Alcoholism is a serious disease and Gibson made a smart move when he checked into rehab. Let's hope that he finds a way to beat the bottle, so no other religious group or Malibu road has to bear his drunken wrath.

Lately, it does not seem that "all you need is love." Celebrity break-ups seem to be the new fad in Hollywood, with couples un-coupling right and left. Sir Paul McCartney and his wife,



Special photo

Mel Gibson after being arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol in July.

Heather Mills-McCartney have called it quits after four years of marriage. The ex-Beatle, who does not have a pre-nuptial agreement to protect his estimated \$1.5 billion fortune, married Mills-McCartney in 2002 and have one child, Beatrice.

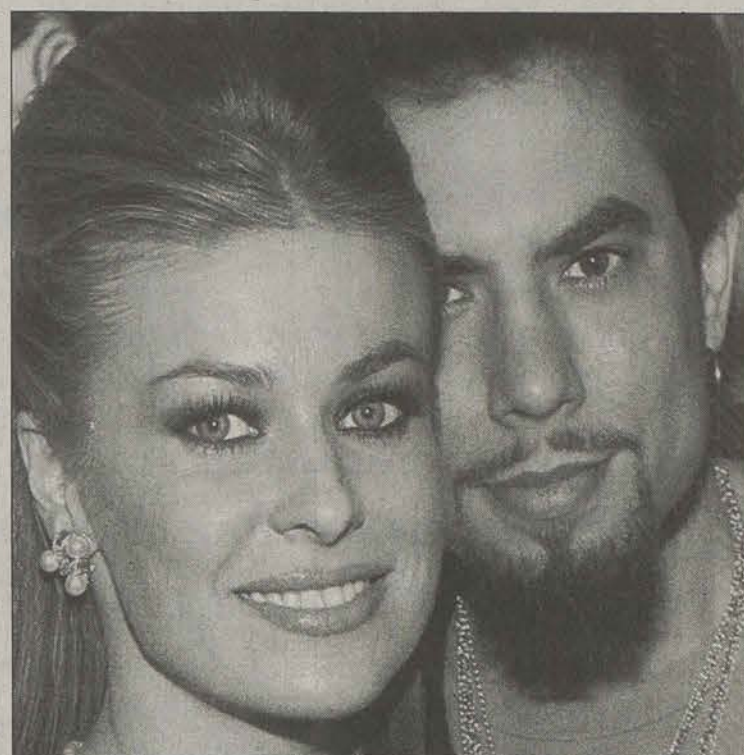
Christie Brinkley, world famous supermodel, also seems to have trouble holding on to her man. She and her fourth husband, Peter Cook,

have separated after 10 years of marriage. The separation comes following reports of Cook cheating on Brinkley with his teenage employee.

Three MTV reality show couples have also called it quits. Carmen Electra and her rock star husband Dave Navarro have separated after rumors of his infidelity for three years of marriage. The couple appeared on the reality show, "Til Death Do Us Part: Carmen + Dave", which chronicled their relationship and planning of their nuptials.

The "curse of MTV" has also claimed the relationship of Blink-182 drummer Travis Barker and former Miss USA wife, Shanna Moakler. The couple appeared with their three children on the MTV reality show, "Meet the Barkers."

And finally for all you "Laguna Beach" and "The Hills" fans, it has been confirmed that Lauren "LC" Conrad and her boyfriend Jason Wahler have broken up. It looks like next season of "The Hills", which was recently picked up for a second season, will have as much drama as the last.



Special photo

Carmen Elektra poses with husband Dave Navarro. The couple, whose highly televised wedding recently aired on MTV, separated over rumors of infidelity. The two starred in the reality show "Til Death Do Us Part: Carmen + Dave."

## Reasons you should have stayed in Statesboro for summer

By Jeff Martin

Assistant Hiatus editor

So, you went home for the summer. Maybe you assumed that Statesboro would remain completely complacent while you were gone. Well this town still has some spirit even when most of its students have fled to cooler and less gnat ridden environs. Those of us who stayed in town whether for summer classes, for summer jobs, or because we live here have kept this town rocking and rolling. With that in mind a recap of the summer's highlights is in order.

First and probably most exciting was the free Blues Traveler concert out in Savannah held by the SCAD alumni association. The show was held in Forsythe Park and was an amazing success. The band rocked out with both new and old songs while the crowd had the time of their lives.

Another band that came to town was Outformation. These up and coming country stars played at the French Quarter Café and rocked the house. The group's front man Sam Holt was a guitar technician for Widespread Panic for about seven years, so his playing style is remarkably familiar

with new twists.

Next, you missed waiting in insanely long lines to see all the summer blockbusters. Pirates of the Caribbean 2 managed to keep the theater hopping for a full week and a half. Over the summer that parking lot was almost never empty.

Also good times were had dodging moving merchandise at the Wal-Mart. As you may have already noticed it has been remodelled to better suit your needs. However, over the summer the place was well ordered chaos especially when you wanted to find the good bread.

Another cool event was the Lego Ocean Adventure that came to the Georgia Southern museum. Using 183,000 Lego blocks they created a huge display of marine environments.

On July 27, President Grube held the 59<sup>th</sup> annual watermelon cutting. This is a fun tradition for students and faculty alike that dates back to 1948 when former President Zach Henderson began the tradition.

Splash in the 'Boro was an excellent way to cool down during the hottest days of the year. The park is only open for another month, so you'd better

check it out quick.

Finally, I'd like to shamelessly point out that the Hiatus has been putting out new Food Corners every week, so you definitely missed out on some



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Spectators watch President Grube slice watermelon.

great recipes for tasty morsels. Also in the Hiatus over the summer we gave you the low down on the hottest summer movies, planned out a Superman themed road trip, and went bargain hunting around town.

While you may have missed all of the action over the summer you won't be suffering too badly because a few of the attractions are heading back into town this August like the Lego display and Outformation.

Next time you have to decide whether or not to stay in Statesboro give it a shot because this city never stops.

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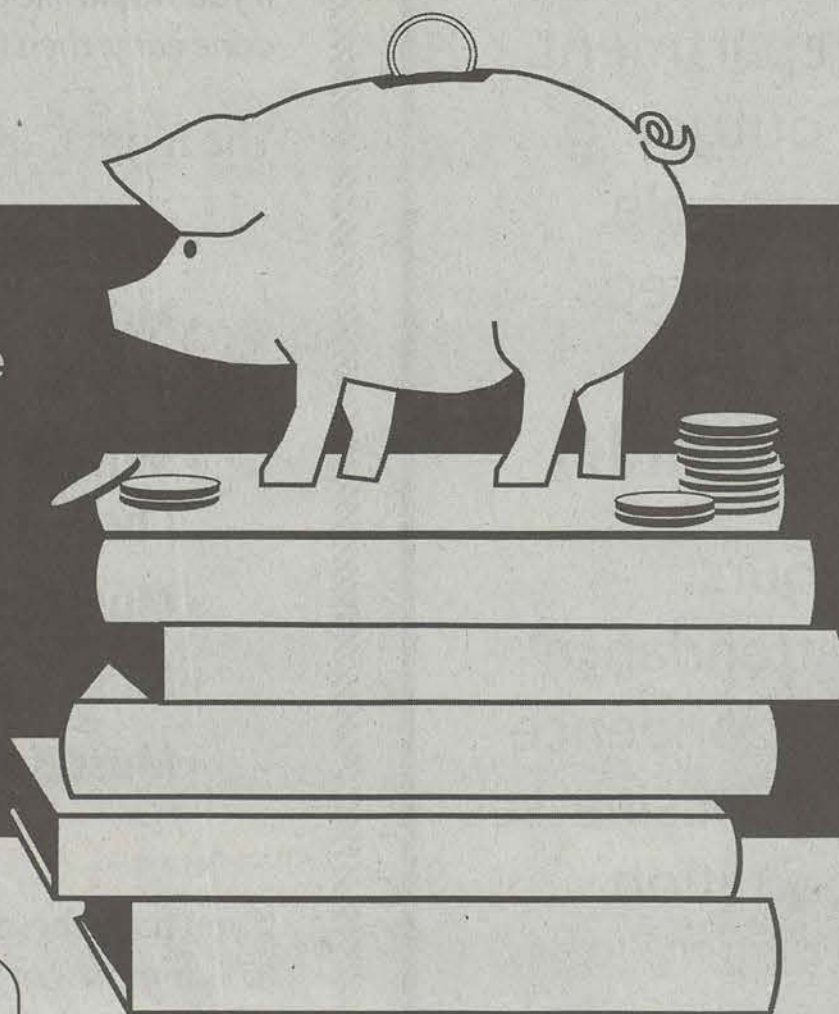
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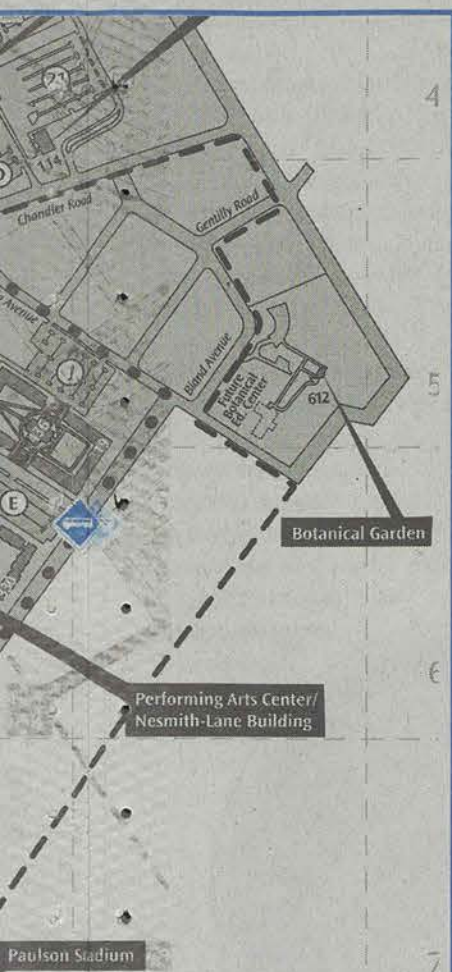
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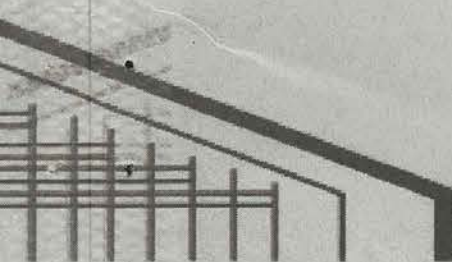
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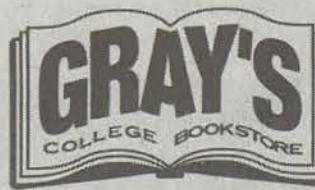


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# Weekly Eagle Buzz



Please view the entire Welcome Week 2006 schedule at [www.eagleentertainmentonline.com](http://www.eagleentertainmentonline.com)

## Friday, August 11th

"Blues, Beads, and the Bayou Welcome Cookout" - Eagle Pride Cookout at Sweetheart Circle from 5pm-7pm. Free food, prizes, and more for all Georgia Southern students, faculty, staff, and families. Live jazz music and food with a little New Orleans flare. Enjoy crawfish, jambalaya, and much more.



## Saturday, August 12th:

"Carnival at the Russell Union" - Enjoy a fun-filled day of free activities at the Russell Union.

2pm-6pm: Inflatable games, carnival concessions, music, prizes, and more between the Russell Union and University Store.

6pm-10pm: Stop by the Dancing Head vendor outside of the Russell Union theatre and make your own free dance DVD.

8pm-10pm: Mission Impossible III in the Russell Union Theater.

"FYRE/RIGs Ceremony" - for all students in Olliff Hall and Eagle Village at 5pm in Nessmith-Lane. Directly following the ceremony, dinner will be at 6pm in the Russell Union Ballroom.

"Residence Hall Socials" - will take place at 6pm in your hall lobby or clubhouse (except for Eagle Village and Olliff.)



## Sunday, August 13th:

"Eagles Night Out - Mardi Gras Madness" - at the RAC from 7pm-10pm. Enjoy inflatable games, laser tag, prizes, free food, RAC sporting facilities, and more. All Georgia Southern students are encouraged to attend.

"Campus Tours" - will leave at 3pm from each residence hall. Need helping finding your classes for Monday? Contact your RA for more information.

"Residence Hall Floor Meetings" - will take place in each residence hall. Contact your RA or Building Director for your floor's meeting time.

## Monday, August 14th

"Pop Into Career Services" - anytime between 10:00am-2:00pm for more information about their services and part-time jobs. Career Services is located in the Williams Center 1047.

"Bayou Breakfast" - will take place between 9:00am-10:00am at the Russell Union rotunda. Enjoy a little bit of New Orleans culture with some famous Dixie Bread Pudding.

"Henna Tattoos" - anytime between 11am-1pm at the Russell Union rotunda. Stop by to get your real Henna tattoo for FREE!! Also, enjoy some Cajun and Bayou favorites from Popeye's.

"Out-of-state and International Student Welcome Reception" - will take place at 5pm in Lewis Hall. Stop by to meet other faculty, staff, and students.

## Tuesday, August 15th

"Pop Into Career Services" - anytime between 10:00am-2:00pm for more information about their services and part-time jobs. Career Services is located in the Williams Center 1047.

"Happy Hour" - at the Russell Union bus stop area between 11am-1pm. Enjoy an open bar with Mocktails and other drinks to cool off in the Georgia heat. Receive a crash course in D.U.I. prevention from the Bulloch County Sheriff Department and Health Services. Watch the students, faculty, and staff as they attempt to maneuver through an obstacle course under the impairment of beer goggles.

"Transfer Student Welcome Reception" - will take place at 5pm in Lewis Hall. Stop by to meet other faculty, staff, and students.

"Residence Hall Leadership Kickoff" - will take place from 5pm-8pm in the Eagle Village courtyard for all residence hall students. Come enjoy free food, games, and fun learning about getting involved in your residence hall. For more information visit [www.gsuhousing.com/tha](http://www.gsuhousing.com/tha)

"FAT Tuesday Laughter" - Enjoy the crazy comedian Adam Ace in the Russell Union Ballroom at 9pm. This event is free, but seating is limited. Check Adam out on his website at <http://www.adamace.com>.

## Wednesday, August 16th

"Fire on the Bayou" - sponsored by the Russell Union and Student Life offices. Enjoy spicy eats, chicken fingers, snacks, and much more at the Russell Union rotunda from 11am-1pm.

"Multicultural Student and Faculty Reception" - will take place in the Russell Union Ballroom at 4pm. Join the Multicultural Student Center and University Administrators as they welcome diverse students and faculty to campus. This annual event introduces new students and faculty to a snapshot of the multicultural experience at Georgia Southern. It is an opportunity for those new to campus to meet continuing students, faculty, and staff from various backgrounds. Don't miss this opportunity to connect and build bridges that can last for years.

"The Break Up" - will be shown on the big screen as an outdoor movie at the Russell Union rotunda. The movie starts at 9pm. Bring a chair or blanket and enjoy this free movie under the stars.

"Ice Breaker 2006" - Come and party with the Ice Cold Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated in the Third Annual Ice Breaker Party from 10:30pm-1am at the Williams Center.

## Thursday, August 17th

"Eagle Entertainment wants U" - on their team!! Join Eagle Entertainment and be a volunteer. Help plan all the activities on-campus. Stop by the Russell Union rotunda area and pick up an application between 11am-1pm. FREE LUNCH will be provided!

"So You Want To Be A Leader-Prove It" - stop by the Russell Union rotunda between 11am-1pm to learn how to develop your leadership skills at Georgia Southern! Come see how the Office of Student Leadership can make your Mission Possible!

"Cajun Crazy in the Boro" - all night long at The French Quarter Café. All students, faculty, and staff receive 50% off any food items from 6pm-close with their GSU ID. Enjoy live entertainment and the casual Mardi Gras atmosphere. For more information you can view their website at <http://www.frenchquarterstatesboro.com>.

## Friday, August 18th

"Create Your Mystic Mardi Gras Mask" - at the Russell Union rotunda from 11am-1pm. Eagle Entertainment will provide all the free supplies! Make your stylish mask so you are ready for the Masquerade Ball.

"Step Into Statesboro" - is a chance for students to volunteer with agencies in the Statesboro community. Registration is from 1-1:30pm at the Russell Union rotunda, then volunteer from 1:45-3:45pm and end the day with a free dinner at 4:00pm.

"2nd Annual Halo 2 Tournament" - will take place in the Russell Union Ballroom from 5pm-11pm. Stop by the Office of Student Activities and pick up a registration form or download it online at [www.eagleentertainmentonline.com](http://www.eagleentertainmentonline.com). You could win \$500.00 or more in prize money. Several systems will also be set up so participants and guests can enjoy Nintendo, Sega, Gamecube, Playstation, and much more. \* \$5.00 registration fee, per person. Registration will be \$10.00 per person day of event. Sign up online for the \$5.00 discounted rate.

"Intrigue Masquerade Ball" - will take place in the Williams Center from 8pm-11pm. Live music and a taste of some New Orleans Carnival. Pick up a free ticket in the Office of Student Activities by Thursday.

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# Online social networks offer ways to keep in touch

By Jeff Martin

Assistant Hiatus editor

In the modern world students have a lot of choices: used books or new; on or off-campus housing; and MySpace versus Facebook.

OK, so you don't really have to choose between the two. However, some people feel that it's simply too much effort to maintain more than one.

Just in case you've been living under a rock, MySpace and Facebook are online social databases. Using these websites, students can keep a searchable list of their friends, relatives, acquaintances and people from class. Plus, profile pages often include pictures so that you can find that one guy you studied with that one time without actually remembering his name.

Even Wal-mart has their own new social network that allows students of all ages to communicate with the retail giant about new fashions trends and interests. In fact social networks are beginning to crop up in a lot of sales related businesses in order to network with clients more efficiently.

So, you've decided to create a profile on one of these sites, but can't choose between the two. Now it's time to do a little research.

MySpace is the number one Internet community today and boasts more members than Facebook could ever dream of. This is because to register for MySpace all you need is an e-mail address.

MySpace is ideal for people looking to use the Internet for dating, meeting people or finding old friends that you lost touch with. Another perk of MySpace is that users can create their very own webpage with the built-in software and, for those users who are more computer savvy, using HTML code. This means that bands can post their music, videos and pictures.

MySpace is a great way for bands to

get publicity, whether they play out of their mom's garage or out of a studio. It's an easy alternative for musicians and groupies alike. Sure beats buying space on a web server, registering a domain, and paying a monthly fee for bandwidth.

The best part is that as more bands join the community, the users start using the system more often to find music. It's a great way to discover new music.

Unfortunately, MySpace has its flaws.

Recently, there have been a number of complaints about Internet predators using the site to stalk users, molest children and solicit sex from minors. There is a lawsuit being filed by a 14-year-old girl that alleges another user pretended to be a football player from her school and sexually assaulted her. This stems from the very freedom that MySpace celebrates. On MySpace you can lie about who you are. In fact most people do.

Facebook has a different approach to the problem of Internet privacy. To register for a Facebook account, you must have a school e-mail address. While you can still lie about your identity, your personality, interests, classes, major and pretty much anything, you are limited to the

fact that you must go to the school you say you do. Not only that, but users can only view profiles of other users who go to their school. You can, of course, still view the profiles of your friends at other schools but only after they confirm your friendship. This makes for a slightly safer environment on Facebook.

Facebook, unfortunately, does not offer nearly as much functionality as MySpace. Bands can't post music or videos or a publicly viewable profile. This limited functionality and viewability can be stifling, which is why Facebook still hasn't grown as fast as MySpace. However, the folks at Facebook are trying new things every day, including the debut of a new search feature about a month ago.

Both programs have their advantages and disadvantages, which is why mostly people who use one also use the other. So, the moral of the story is that both are good for what they were designed for, which means we should use both.



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## FOOD CORNER

## Sit down to enjoy seasonal and traditional summer time treats

By Jeff Martin

Assistant Hiatus  
editor

My gift to this years incoming freshman is this guide to quick and easy recipes. To be perfectly honest you should know how to prepare most of these without me telling you, but just in case here are some of the most downright simple dishes to make. Whether you're on the go, lazy or just completely inept in the kitchen these beauties are for you. Peanut butter and jelly alone has saved my life more times than I can count, toasted cheese is a nice switch, spaghetti is on my menu every week, broccoli casserole is good for veggies, and cookies are every college kid's best friend. So, eat up and enjoy.

## Broccoli Casserole

4 cups water  
4 oz spaghetti  
1 can (10.75 Oz) condensed cream of mushroom soup  
1/2 cup french fried onions  
Place 4 cups water in a 2 quart microwave-safe dish. Heat on high until bubbling, about 15 minutes. Break pasta in half and drop into heated water. Microwave on high for 10 to 15 minutes, or until tender. Drain and set aside.



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(Keep warm).  
Cook broccoli according to microwave directions. Add cooked broccoli to

noodles, reserving liquid. Stir in 1/4 cup fried onions and mushroom soup. Add reserved broccoli liquid. Toss thoroughly, and top with remaining onions. Cover and microwave on high about 15 minutes, or until top is crunchy. Let stand for a few minutes.

Source: www.collegerecipe.com

## Classic Peanut Butter and Jelly

2 slices of bread  
2 tbsp of peanut butter  
2 tbsp of grape jelly  
Slather peanut butter liberally on bread. Try to coat one entire side. Wipe knife on other slice of bread. Spread jelly on the other slice of bread. Sandwich the two pieces of bread together. Excellent with milk and chips.



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## Peanut Butter Cookies

1 cup unsalted butter, softened  
1 cup crunchy peanut butter  
1 cup granulated sugar  
1 cup light brown sugar, firmly packed  
2 eggs  
2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
1 1/2 teaspoons baking soda  
1/2 teaspoon salt

and sugars. Beat in eggs. In a separate bowl, sift together flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt. Stir into batter. Put batter in refrigerator for 1 hour. Roll into 1" balls and put on baking sheets. Flatten each ball with a fork, making a criss-cross pattern. Bake in a preheated 375°F oven for about 10 minutes or until cookies begin to brown. Do not over-bake. Makes 4 dozen cookies.

Source: www.peanutbutterlovers.com

Cream together butter, peanut butter



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## Spaghetti with Meat Sauce

1lb ground beef (extra lean preferred)  
1 can diced tomatoes with onions  
1 6 oz can of mushrooms  
1 jar of spaghetti sauce (any brand you like)  
1 package spaghetti noodles.



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In a large skillet cook ground beef over medium heat until brown. Drain grease from the skillet and place the cooked beef into a medium sized pot. Add mushrooms, can of diced tomatoes and onions, and spaghetti sauce to the pot and simmer on low heat for 30-45 mins stirring occasionally. Cook spaghetti noodles according to package directions. To serve, pour sauce over noodles. You can also add salt or garlic salt, pepper, Italian seasoning, and parmesan cheese to your liking.

Source: www.subleaser.com



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## Toasted Cheese Sandwich

2 slices of bread  
2 slices of american cheese  
2 tbsp of butter  
Butter one side of a piece of

bread and place it on an ungreased skillet. Put on stove on medium heat. Place cheese on the bread in the skillet. Butter one side of the other piece of bread and place on top of cheese butter side up. Let bottom piece of bread turn golden brown then flip entire sandwich. When the other side turns golden brown the sandwich is ready to serve. Other suggestions include using different kinds of bread and/or cheese.

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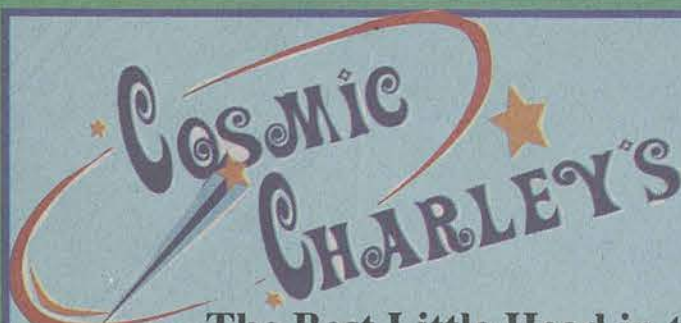
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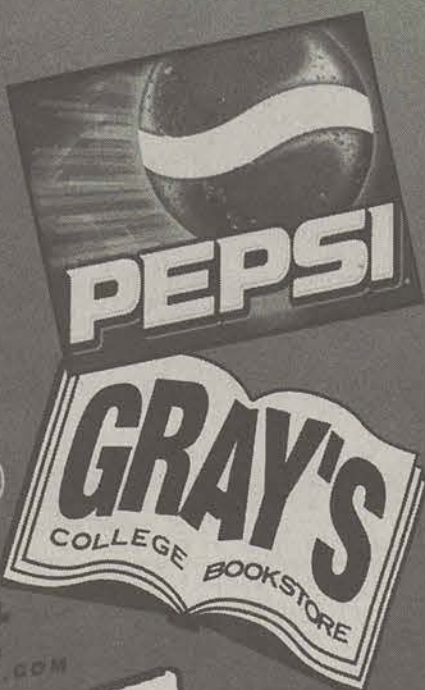
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