

Students, staff “jump, jive, an’ wail” with veterans

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On Saturday, Nov. 15, 2008, the Museum of History & Holocaust Education at KSU held the “Jump, Jive, an’ Wail” event in the Carmichael Student Center.

The event featured swing dance lessons and had the Peachtree Jazz Edition play music from the 1940’s. Students and their families, staff members and the general public were invited to join the event at Kennesaw. Dr. Jennifer Dickey, who is a history professor at Kennesaw, had some of her students

conduct educational activities related to WWII at the event.

According to Anna Tucker, the Assistant Museum Manager, and Heather Howell, the Exhibit and Program Coordinator, the purpose of the event was to, “commemorate Veterans Day and to remember those who served in World War II and supported the war effort at home,” as well as give non-perishable food items to contribute to the KSU’s Feed the Future program. KSU’s Feed the Future program provides food to struggling university students.

Howell said that the “Jump, Jive, an’ Wail” event tied directly into the

exhibit on loan from the Atlanta History Center called, “V for Victory: Georgia Remembers World War II.” It is on display at the KSU Center currently. The Museum also has an exhibition that tells the stories of local veterans.

According to Tucker and Howell, one of their priorities was to ensure that veterans were present and recognized at the event. They invited the local American Legion Posts, Georgia Department of Veterans Service, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, and KSU’s own Army ROTC organization.

Veteran Ben Alexander, 88, and his

wife, Miranda, 77 attended the event. They are originally from England and experienced the Blitzkrieg, or the bombing of Britain first hand. “I saw London on fire,” said Mr. Alexander. Ben was 19 when he enlisted in WWII. “Sixty –two years later I received my metals.”

Another vet, John Moynihan, and his wife Jackie, attended the event. He was 17 when he enlisted and was sent to train in Maui, Hawaii. Mr. Moynihan was to be sent to Japan, but, luckily, he did not have to go because he said, “Harry dropped the bomb,” meaning the atom Bomb in Hiroshima.

According to Mr. Moynihan, it was an experience that “matured him.”

Howell said the “Jump, Jive, an’ Wail” was even personal for many of the staff members and volunteers at the Museum of History & Holocaust Education. Many of them had a connection to WWII. Some of the staff are veterans themselves, or have relatives who are veterans and even Holocaust survivors.

According to Tucker, a lot of hard work went into bringing this event together. Howell said she was so happy with the success and the turn out that she hopes to do this more often.

Pontiac to hold carnival on green

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On Nov. 19 and 20, the students of Dr. Lester’s Promotional Strategies class and the people of Carl Black Pontiac are bringing a unique event to KSU.

The event is titled “Pontiac-a-Palooza” and is designed around two of the new 2009 Pontiac cars. The two featured cars are the 2009 Pontiac Vibe and the G8. Dr. Lester said that, “The objective of Pontiac-A-Palooza is to create awareness for cars that are available at Carl Black Pontiac in Kennesaw. There is a misconception about American cars vs. foreign cars, and this event is designed to show what these American cars are all about.”

There are many events planned to happen on both days. There will be a carnival on the Campus Green, a scavenger hunt designed after the Amazing Race, a Freestyle Musical Competition, a Picture contest and a charity event called “Stuff-A-Pontiac G8.” Carl Black will also provide food and drinks for students

who participate.

Carl Black will have many Pontiac models around for the event other than the G8 and the Vibe. Dr. Lester said that, “The Solstice, G6, and G5 will all be there as well. These are all the cars that would be appealing to students and grads. We made it two days so everybody could participate, both students who have classes on only Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday.”

There will be locations around KSU on both days of the event to collect cans for Must Ministries. All the cans that are collected will be stuffed into a G8, and participants will have a chance to guess how many cans are in the car.

The carnival on the green will consist of many games. Lester said, “Pimp my Ride is one of the games. Students will guess the price of the add-ons for the cars.” Also, “The Price is Right” will be a game on the green where you guess the price of the cars. Carl Black will also be supplying a mechanical bull ride.

Prizes will be awarded at each

event, with the grand prize being “A Date with the G8” which includes a night out on the town, a complementary dinner for four people and a 2009 G8 to drive for that night.

Gilbert Ramos is a student in Dr. Lester’s Promotional Strategies class and was involved with the planning and execution of this event. Ramos said that, “The class is focused on letting students implement all the knowledge that they have received in previous marketing courses.”

When asked about the cars, Dan Giguere of Carl Black Pontiac said that, “The Vibe is directly marketed towards college students. It’s very versatile and stylish. Also it has a very quick and peppy engine.”

With these new cars Pontiac is working toward a brand image that resonates with a younger group of buyers. With the help of Carl Black Pontiac, and the students of KSU, steps are being taken toward achieve a goal that both Carl Black and Pontiac want, while giving college students real-world experience along the way.



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If you’ve been to a mall lately, you know that the holiday season is quickly approaching: with Thanksgiving just over a week away, retailers prepare for the onslaught of shoppers searching for the perfect gift, or the perfect bargain. But for college students, this time of year is marked by deadlines and sleepless nights—and the stress can literally make you sick!

Everyone knows that when you haven’t rested enough you are more likely to catch a cold; but as final exams get nearer, it is more important than ever to make sure you are taking care of yourself by eating well, getting enough sleep, and exercising on a regular basis. Students who are sleep deprived are more likely to feel sluggish; have difficulty concentrating or making decisions; feel overwhelmed; have automobile accidents; and perform poorly in school. But what you may not know is that insufficient sleep is associated with more serious physical conditions, such as diabetes, heart disease, obesity and depression. Still, some stress is normal, but prolonged periods of excessive stress can do major damage to your overall health.

Since you probably won’t be able to convince

your professor that getting your beauty sleep is a valid reason for her to accept your overdue paper, there are some steps you can take to make sure that you make it through to finals without feeling completely overwhelmed:

- Make a schedule and stick to it. You’ll be amazed at how much you can do during daylight hours if you’re not wasting time playing Halo or looking at facebook.
- Embrace bedtime. Go to sleep and wake up at the same time every day—even on the weekends. And turn off the t.v., lights, computer or anything else that might distract you from sleep.
- Keep active. As little as 30 minutes of walking per day can improve your mood, keep you focused, and increase your sense of overall well-being. Work out with a friend and double the benefits: talking about anxiety with those you trust is also a great way to deal with stress.
- Resist the urge to caffeinate. You may think that fourth cup of coffee at 3 a.m. is a good idea at the time, but the effects of caffeine can take up to eight hours to wear off fully: and when it does, the crash can leave you feeling sleepy and sluggish.
- Eat well. Meals made up of all the food groups keep you fueled to do your best on everything that you have going on. Well-balanced meals can also prevent cravings for junk-food, and fruits and veggies are naturally portable and help maintain energy levels.

More than anything, a good attitude can do a lot to help you stay positive when it feels like there are more things to do than hours in a day. Being self-critical can foster unnecessary distress, so be realistic about what you can tackle in a day, and don’t beat yourself up if everything doesn’t go exactly as you planned. Be aware that stress can lead to depression, so if you feel a prolonged sense of helplessness, have a loss of appetite, or experience other symptoms of depression or other anxiety disorders (which can be found at the CDC or WebMD Web sites), counseling is available to the KSU community on campus through the CAPS center.

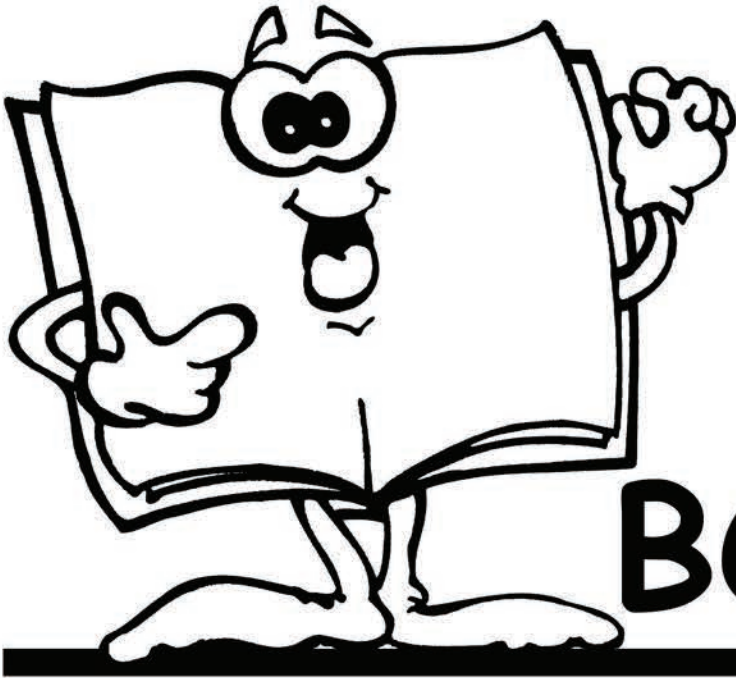
CORRECTION

In the Nov. 4 issue, track and field was incorrectly referred to as a club sport; it is, in fact, a Varsity sport. It is the policy of The Sentinel to correct all mistakes of fact.

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and do something to challenge those because, when you really boil it down, they're just like us," says Hill.

"We are trying to have a person to person relationship to understand each other as people first, not as nations or representa-

tives of the United States or representatives of Iran. Our goal is to get to know each other as people," says Paracka.

The video conference between both groups of students will be facilitated by Paracka and Hill in University College at 11a.m.

Barnes said.

Barnes said the restaurant was not a popular place for students to drink compared to Los Reyes or Taco Mac, but it still had a friendly attitude toward KSU students and would accommodate large groups of students with no wait times.

"The restaurant does not have a loud party atmosphere," Barnes said. "It's a quiet family place, which is why it's very surprising that this has happened."

• **HOMECOMING** from front page

achievements, community engagement, poise and appearance. The categories were as follows:

First-year students: Lord and Lady

Second-year students: Duke and Duchess

Third-year students: Prince and Princess

Fourth-year students: King and Queen

The male winners were Andre Williams representing the University Village Suites for Homecoming Lord, Philip Stephenson representing Kappa Sigma fraternity for Homecoming Prince, and Ben McCullough for Homecoming King also representing Kappa Sigma. "It feels great to be elected by the fraternity and to have all the Greeks on my side" said McCullough. "At Kappa Sigma, we pride ourselves on being gentlemen, and I think this sets the standard for the fraternity."

The winners for Lady, Duchess, Princess, and Queen were Lexie Ware, Abigail Thompson, Katherine Lastufka, and Mallorie Fisher, respectively. All represented Phi Mu Fraternity. "I feel great representing the university [as Homecoming Queen]" said Fisher. "Phi Mu has always had a great turnout at homecoming. We have been involved in campus activity for twenty years, and we currently have around 134 active members."

Teams also received 25 Spirit Points for each team sponsored, with a maximum of two candidates per category. In addition,

50 points were earned if a candidate was elected to the Court.

On Friday night, students took to the streets in the first-ever parade in downtown Kennesaw. Floats began to line up at 5:15 in Adam's Park, and students were once again given the opportunity to earn Nest Fest Spirit Points based on the adherence to the "Enlightenment" theme, originality/creativity, school spirit, and quality of work.

The parade began at 6:30 p.m., and proceeded down Main Street, continued on Watts Avenue, and ended in Adam's Park. Various groups handed out candy to the many onlookers on Main Street. The parade also featured the KSU pep band. "I thought the parade went well" said Patel. "Hopefully the weather will be better next year, but it can only get better from here."

The parade was sponsored by the Office of Alumni Affairs and in part by Student Life. "Hosting the parade in downtown Kennesaw has enabled us to strengthen the relationship between the city and KSU while enhancing the student and alumni Homecoming experience," said Lisa Duke, director of Alumni Affairs, in a press release.

On Saturday, KSU welcomed back its alumni for a reception at the KSU Center. The Distinguished Alumni Award was given during this reception to Shealynn Harris, Janice Walker and Ashlie Wilson. Recipients of this award must be a graduate of KSU, exemplify the ideals and mission of KSU, and has dem-

onstrate achievement in his or her local field.

Three students were also awarded scholarships from the university: senior Katherine Martin, junior Seth Austin and sophomore Rachel Ayers.

The final award for the evening was the Betty L. Siegel Award, given to a faculty member who represents Dr. Siegel's philosophy of "excellence in teaching." This year, the award was given to Dr. Hope Torkornoo of the Coles College of Business. Torkornoo teaches an Applied Global Business Strategies class which gives students the opportunity to deploy theories learned in the classroom in a global business environment.

Festivities came to a close with the men's homecoming basketball game against the University of Maine Black Bears. At the half-time show, the Homecoming Court was introduced, and winners of the Nest Fest Spirit Competition were announced. The top three Greek organizations were Phi Mu Sorority, Gamma Phi Beta Sorority, and Delta Phi Epsilon Sorority. The top three RSOs were SGA, AASA, and Gamma Beta Mu. In the Residence Hall category, University Village Suites came in second place, and KSU Community Place Council took first. The "All Spirit Award" went to SGA. Despite their best efforts, the Owls were defeated 60-47.

"Overall, the entire week was successful" said Punit Patel. "Nest Fest had a great turnout, which will hopefully continue in the years to come."



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OPINIONS & EDITORIALS

Bailout bonanza

It's been little over a month since the Troubled Assets Relief Program or TARP passed the Congress and was signed into law by President Bush. Just last week Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson announced that he wasn't going to use that bailout money to purchase the trouble assets as originally planned. Now King Paulson is going to use the money to encourage investment in shaky nonbank financial companies, non-housing debt and home foreclosures.

The truth is that the taxpayers have no idea where this money is going, and many Congressmen don't either. The Washington Post reported, "Yet for all this activity, no formal action has been taken to fill the independent oversight posts established by Congress when it approved the bailout to prevent corruption and government waste. Nor has the first monitoring report required by lawmakers been completed, though the initial deadline has passed."



Eric M. Thorson, the Treasury Department's inspector general, even said that he doesn't "think anyone understands right now how we're going to do proper oversight of this thing."

Is it any wonder that Forbes magazine reported, "According to CreditSights, a research firm in New York and London, the U.S. government has put itself on

the hook for some \$5 trillion, so far, in an attempt to arrest a collapse of the financial system."

The auto industry is next to try and get its chunk of free money by asking for \$25 billion. We are told that they are too big to collapse, but our money is only going to prop up failed business plans. People misunderstand why the auto companies are in such trouble. Many believe it is because they didn't move to make smaller, fuel-efficient cars like foreign automakers. But those cars are exactly the problem. Sure, we would like those companies to make more fuel-efficient cars instead of the lumbering, but profitable SUVs, but it makes for unsustainable business. Foreign companies can afford to make the small cars, because they aren't trapped into a labor monopoly that forces American companies to take a loss on those very vehicles.

There are still plenty of businesses lining up at the public trough, but even state and local governments are petitioning for their share. Mayor Shirley

Franklin of Atlanta has written a request to Paulson asking for help with pension costs, infrastructure investment, and cash-flow problems. Atlanta is currently cutting hours and pay of their employees while facing a budget shortfall of \$50 to \$60 million.

Speaking of budget shortfalls, California also has a minor problem. It seems they have a shortfall of \$28 billion. States that want a bailout blame the federal government for their budget problems, but California's hole shows just how fiscally irresponsible that state has been. There are plenty of states that have kept their fiscal matters in order, even in such tough times.

As for the states, it shouldn't surprise anyone that the states with the worst fiscal problems are true blue states such as California and New York. The states that managed to completely avoid a budget shortfall are Texas, Alaska, Montana, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Indiana and West Virginia. Georgia faces a shortfall, but has cut spending and has a rainy day fund to help cover debts. South Carolina Governor Mark Sanford hit the mark at a House hearing when he said, "There seems to be no consequence, and indeed a reward, for



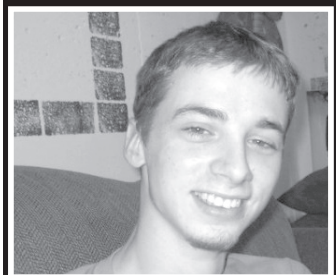
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unsustainable spending growth by states."

In a Wall Street Journal column, Sanford also noted that in the past ten years, California increased state spending by 95%, so bailing them out would be unfair to fiscally prudent states.

The larger problem is that the federal government, which is currently in debt by \$10.6 trillion growing by \$4 billion a day, is fixing a credit problem by borrowing money and loaning it out to private companies and other governments. Where will this madness end?

Stupidity – 1, Georgia – 0 *And the evidence keeps coming in*



GAGE THOMPSON
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You've probably heard lately that Obama is a Socialist or a Marxist; but whether you heard it in an email from your crazy aunt (as I did) or around the office, the assumption on your part should be that the person you are talking to is simply uneducated or willfully ignorant on the subject. Obama is a fairly moderate liberal in this country, and in some countries in Europe he would be considered a conservative. Calling him a socialist is exaggeration and calling him a Marxist is blatant hyperbole.

Exaggeration and hyperbole are a part of politics though, and should be expected. What shouldn't be expected is a US congressman comparing Obama to both Hitler and Marx in essentially the same breath. A recent article in the Atlanta Journal-Constitution reveals that is exactly what Rep. Paul Broun of Georgia's 10th congressional district did. He is quoted as saying, "You have to remember that Adolf Hitler was elected in a democratic Germany. I'm not comparing [Obama] to Adolf Hitler. What I'm saying is there is the potential of going down that road". He also says that we, "may have a problem with that type of philosophy of radical socialism or Marxism."

Did you hear that? That sound was everyone who has ever cracked a history book collectively beating their head against the wall in disgust. That was the sound of the relatives of the millions of people Hitler killed in the Holocaust gnashing

their teeth, and that was the sound of Rep. Paul Broun's poor high school history teachers sobbing as they realize they are miserable failures.

How can a person who thinks that Marxism and Nazism are comparable get elected to high office in this country? I'm a college student with only a moderate amount of knowledge on this subject, and even I know that Nazism and Marxism are polar opposites. This man was elected to run our government and write our laws; his knowledge should certainly surpass mine on this subject. There is no excuse.

Of course, Broun apologized later, saying that he "regretted" his inflammatory comments. I'm sure he regrets the intellectual spanking he got afterwards. I'm sure he regrets allowing everyone to know how blissfully ignorant he is about government and lawmaking, and I'm sure he "regrets" shoving his foot so far into his mouth that it will have to be removed surgically. That's really what he regrets. He's not sorry about any of this, and this wasn't a slip of the tongue. He really is that ignorant.

Northeast Georgia, you can do better. Kick this bum out of office and replace him with someone with something resembling intelligence. I can understand this conservative district wanting a republican in office, but being a conservative republican and being smart are not mutually exclusive. The district this man presides over contains Athens, which contains the University of Georgia. Plenty of very smart conservatives dwell within or were produced by that university, and any one of them would be more qualified than this man to write and vote on legislation.

Georgia needs to quit rewarding and glorifying stupidity. Our education system is already one of the worst in the nation, and our lawmakers are starting to receive the same dubious honor. This really shouldn't surprise anyone though. Garbage in, garbage out.

Equal rights? Don't be gay

I need you to calm down, okay? I wanna tell you something, and I know you're smart enough to understand what's about to come out. Of my mouth; not out of the closet. Now, if the topic of gay people gets your goat, I have to ask you why A) you keep a goat on your person and B) why you let me "get it" so easily? Please, just hear me out and I'll buy the next round, mate.

It's not that interesting to most people, but, by a very narrow vote, California viciously spiked the gay-marriage ban back into the faces of a few thousand lovebirds who thought they'd finally found some protection from Uncle Sam. Guess not. That's okay, though, 'cause we tend as a nation to take babysteps. Nothin' new. Do me a favor, love, and download this attachment:

We've got to get a grip. This whole intolerance mess is so passé. Even the word tolerance is unsettling when used to describe what happens when someone can "deal" with gay people. You tolerate a red light that lasts too long. You tolerate the heat of our summers. You tolerate the fact that you need a Kroger card to get the yellow-sticker price; but baby dolls, you don't tolerate another human being. You either recognize them as your equal or you don't. Currently, it appears that there's not much recognition going on, and while it's really not cool at all, your gay brethren will be fine. We're a tolerant bunch and as far as being second-class citizens goes, and we're totally used to it. Truly part of the pack, we can handle that fact that if most of America says no, then no it is... but you'll pardon us if, like your six year old cousin who just learned you smoke cigarettes, we ask "how come?"

How come, in a land that promises liberty and justice for every last one of us, your mostly passive and midtown-centric friends are denied the right to a federally-recognized "marriage" because some people aren't comfortable with the idea of two like-genitals in one relationship? You're thinking, "Whaaat? Did she just say like-genitals?!" Yeah! I did! And it sounds so strange, doesn't it? Genitals! But it all comes down to that, if you think about it. Okay, you can stop thinking about it.

Ahem. If getting hitched was about love, darlings, as it should be, this marriage ban wouldn't be an issue. But instead, we had/

have hit shows like "Married by America"; "The Bachelor"; "The Bachelorette"; "Who Wants to Marry a Millionaire"; and a few others that made/make a mockery of the "sanctity" of it. The outcry? Nowhere to be found. That's because it didn't matter how ridiculously staged and without sincerity the courtships were. In the end, the genitals were different shapes so it's cool. Think about it... you'll see that I'm right.

But no, how come, if I pay the same taxes as my hetero pals, my end of the deal doesn't even afford me the same rights as someone who has hetero-sex? We're not all that different, you know? We live the same lives, laugh at the same jokes, shop at the same Wal-Mart, and hate the same turn lane when we're about to get on 75 from Chastain. It's just that us hell-bound and degenerate gay folk for some weird reason fall in love with the same sex. Hey, I don't get it, either, okay? But that's the way it is and trust me, it wasn't a choice. Why would anyone choose a path of discrimination? For almost everyone, gay or straight, you just kinda... knew what was up. It was already "decided" for you.

So then, if the genitals idea seems silly to you, then what's your explanation? Because frankly, I'm not going to buy that someone's deity, that someone's god has anything to do with this blatant bigotry. That'd be absurd. What's next, you're gonna tell me they used the Bible to justify slavery? To keep women from voting or owning land? To keep black people from marrying white people or... oh. Right. Yeah, about that, too...

No, really, though... if it's so important to the religious to "protect the sanctity of marriage" and to diminish the "threat" that gay people pose to traditional marriage, then why aren't they attacking the real threat to their marriages: Divorce. If you want to protect the sanctity of your hallowed marriage, then go protest divorce, 'cause THAT'S the real wrecking ball for marriage. Don't tell me that it's my relationship that cheapens the overwhelming numbers of failed marriages. I've got the solution, sweetcheeks: You can better protect them by banning divorce, not gay marriage. Otherwise, you're just bein' a hater and I didn't read anywhere that hate was part



BERLIN VALLENCOURT
COLUMNIST

of the plan.

While I'm here, lemme add that most gay people really couldn't care any less about being married under the Christian/Muslim/God-of-Choice religion whose exclusive followers sometimes, but not always use them as spiritual vehicles to oppress. Most of us homos really don't care about having our love ordained by someone's heavenly hero. Not so much because we're morally bankrupt due to homosexuality, but more so because it's impossible to grovel before a group of people who think they've got the right to tell us that God doesn't recognize our love. Give me a break. Keep your cheap tradition, 'cause I don't have to go through you to get to Heaven. There's a more earthly bottomline that isn't met and it's simple: There are over 1100 benefits that a married couple receive from our government and most of those are taken for granted by people who have never had them threatened. If gay people can't get "married" in your church, fine. Whatever. But can't we have our own kind of "civil union" that protects the life and the property that we live in and earn together? No? Sheesh.

But hey, like I said, it's nothing we can't handle, so feel free to go push an old lady down the stairs or find some other fish in a barrel to throw your weight on. You're wasting time trying to make us reverse your superiority. We know how to make the best of this kinda thing, and besides, didn't you hear? Stripped rights are the new taupe, darling! This all goes perfectly with our genitals.

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The big three: bailout or Chapter 11

So another bail-out, excuse me, hand-out, is under consideration. This time it is the Big Three automakers (GM, Ford, Chrysler) who have their greasy little hands out for a pull on the taxpayer teat. Let us take a few minutes to talk about why this is yet another bad idea that politicians, specifically Nancy Pelosi and Harry Reid, are going to support.

Management of the Big Three have been clueless about the needs of the buying public for decades. While imports have been sensitive to market realities, providing quality autos with camel-like gas mile; American carmakers have responded by building what I call ELMVs (extra large mega vehicles) that provide some psychological compensation for their owners and fiscal compensation for foreign oil sheiks. Should you and I bail out companies who, for the past 20 years have built inefficient, poor quality, oversized vehicles? Why not just send millions of dollars to the typewriter repair companies or other anachronistic companies?

Labor unions are as much to blame for the Big Three's dire straights as management. Union demands for almost free medical insurance and extraordinary hourly rates, in some cases as high as \$79 per hour,

render American companies uncompetitive with foreign auto makers whose top labor rate hovers around \$30 per hour. Greed, it would appear, is as big a factor for blue-collar Main Street worker bees as it is for white collar Wall Street Gordon Gekkos.

If we are going to participate in another round of corporate welfare, let us at least put some qualifications that the automakers must meet before they can sponge off the taxpayers:

- The CEOs of the Big Three must resign their positions—without bonuses, parachutes or stock options. The mistakes of the companies lay at the feet of the CEO—man-up and step down. Why would you bail-out a company when the executive who drove it into the ground is still at the helm?
- A performance bonus to the new CEO only after the company becomes profitable and the company pays back the taxpayer unwritten loan.
- All union contracts are rewritten to match the best contracts that Toyota, Nissan, etc, offers their employees. If that means a \$40 an hour pay-cut, then so be it. Congress will need to lean on its union buddies to make this happen, but we can lean on Congress until it does. Of course, if the unions strike over this, then I suppose the



problem will solve itself.

The other option is the Big Three go to Chapter 11 bankruptcy. Chapter 11 does not mean the end of a company, it just gives the company some breathing room from it's creditors while it has a opportunity to refocus its efforts and create a good business plan. Chapter 11 can be a win for consumers

because carmakers will be forced to cut prices on current inventories. Chapter 11 will also give management an opportunity to remove the burdensome union contracts and renegotiate. It would also be a PR win because the world would see that a private company can fix itself rather than relying on the government to reward bad behavior.



TONY SARRECCHIA
COLUMNIST

Given the choice, I select Chapter 11. Rewarding poor management and out of control labor unions with taxpayer money is like giving the town thieves the house keys. A handout will do nothing more than allow the current incompetence of the US automakers to continue. If these companies are circling the drain, a handout is only staving off the inevitable while sucking our tax dollars. If the Big Three are serious about their solvency, Chapter 11 will provide them the ability to back off the drain. Either way, it is time for Congress to draw a line and say the cash feeding frenzy ends now.

Recognize rights of Israelis, Palestinians

FRIDA GHITIS
MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS

These are tough times for cynics. America's goosebump-inducing elections had people cheering across much of the globe. Cynics, however, die hard in the Middle East.

Here in Jordan, skepticism reigned, with jaded Jordanians saying they expect little change from the soon-to-be occupant of the White House. And yet, even those who assume great depths of understanding by declaring "nothing will change" had to take notice on that historic day. Now is when the entire world is paying attention.

This, as Barack Obama might say, is his time. And this is his moment.

When he visited Jordan last July, Obama vowed to start working for peace in the Middle East, "from the minute I am sworn into office." He also recognized that an American president cannot simply snap his fingers and expect to magically untie such a tight, many-stranded knot. Still, parts of that thread could start loosening up if the president-elect uses this moment, when the world is entranced by his historic election, to make a few crucial points to some key audiences.

Consider the dilemma of two peoples fighting over one small piece of land. For years, many (not all) on both sides of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict argued the other side had no legitimate claim on the territory. Although some voices always called for compromise, others always maintained that only We, (Palestinians or Israelis) have a valid demand on that narrow strip on the edge of the Mediterranean sea. Then, amid

tears and bloodshed, moderates on both sides agreed to divide the land.

In order for moderates to prevail, both Arabs and Jews must accept the reality that their adversary's claim has real merit.

In Israel, the vast majority of the population now accepts that view. While Jewish Israelis understand the strong historic links of the Jewish people to territories lying on the West Bank, most now also agree that Palestinians, too, have a right to the land.

A small number of very religious people believe the land was given by God, and to them that settles the question. That position, however, is in the minority. The government and most of the people have already agreed that Israel will relinquish land in exchange for peace and security. The tough part, however, is securing the peace portion of the transaction.

Even moderate Israelis have no interest in letting go of territory if it will become the operating headquarters for those seeking Israel's destruction. If Israelis were convinced that Palestinians will not turn their new state into a base for attacks on Israel, they would probably stand up to the settlers, whose methods and ideology put them far from the Israeli mainstream.

For now, most Israelis dislike the deeds and ideas of the far right, but they have little enthusiasm for fighting them. A recent poll showed that more than two-thirds of Israelis support the creation of a Palestinian state, but an even greater number fear that their families will be harmed by Arabs. The fears are based on realities, such as the 35 rockets fired into Israel as America counted

the votes.

The situation makes life tough for Palestinians, leading them to become even more suspicious of Israelis.

Israelis hear the words of Palestinians speaking of peace in English and know that their speeches often sound different in Arabic. They know that when Arab leaders speak to their own people their message is much less conciliatory.

Many deny the history of a Jewish presence in this part of the world for thousands of years, claiming Jews only recently thought of this as their home. Millions of Palestinians and other Arabs still believe Jews have no business in the Middle East.

Here in Jordan, for example, one can see maps of Palestine everywhere, dangling from the rear-view mirror of a taxi; hanging on a shop wall, on T-shirts, hats, tourist souvenirs. Everywhere. There is one small problem with these maps of Palestine: They include every millimeter of the state of Israel. Israel has already been wiped off the map, to paraphrase another Middle Eastern leader. To the millions who refuse to believe the Jews belong in the Middle East, the map of Israel, all of it, is the map of Palestine.

Which brings us back to Obama. Today, he has the world's ear. If he wants to advance the chances for peace, Obama must speak to all who claim the others have no right to live here. Let them hear from the man who triumphed using his extraordinary capacity to persuade and inspire. Let them hear from him that the two peoples really do have a right to live in the Middle East. Make it even harder on the cynics. This is the time. And when it comes to peace, this is the place.

Republicans must regain principles

MCCLATCHY-TRIBUNE NEWS

Elections have consequences. Republicans can choose theirs.

They can make excuses. They can blame outsiders: the "liberal media," duped youths or identity politics. They can continue the fratricide that boiled up as the diminishing McCain campaign ran out of straws to grasp.

Or, they can stand up and be the adults they always insist they are and take a hard look at themselves. What they see should not please them, but it could encourage them.

If polls are to be believed, Republicans still live in a center-right nation, with far more Americans self-identifying as moderate or conservative than liberal. If Tuesday's election results are to be believed, fewer Americans in fewer states believe Republican candidates offer real answers to real problems.

A two-party nation with dozens of strains of political philosophy naturally necessitates coalition parties that make room for dissenting views while organizing around a set of core beliefs.

In happier times, Republicans understood that. They roared back from far bleaker days to regain the White House and Congress.

Each time they then lost their way. They allowed the exercise of power to exceed their reliance on the principles that got them there. When they asked voters for one more chance, they were given President-elect Barack Obama and stronger Democratic majorities in Congress.

If they use their heads, this could be the best thing to happen to them.

They have an opportunity to regroup as the loyal opposition to a Democratic Party in charge of every lever of elected federal government. Now's the time to reorganize around the key principles of fiscal discipline, personal responsibility, "conservation" in environmentalism, frugality over flamboyance and a strong but pragmatic national defense.

Every policy they propose, every stand they take, should grow naturally out of these principles. They even have an example in the United Kingdom, where David Cameron and the Tories, after years in the wilderness, are one election from regaining power.

There is a difference between conservative and Republican, as Republicans have made abundantly clear. The latter is only the application of the former, and the former is where this political party can rediscover itself.

THE OWL FORUM

Using what you got

Dear Editor,

In the article "Two KSU beauties featured in nationwide contest," I was happy to see that two of our own were chosen for the Absolute 52 playing card models contest on College Mansion. I know that some people, both men and women, see contest like these as degrading women, but I really think that is something that has to be determined by the individual participating. I know that some may not agree with what these two beautiful young women are doing, but it is not all done in vain. They are raising awareness for the Susan G. Komen foundation that uses donations in the fight against breast cancer. No matter the part you play in finding a cure or donating to your charity of choice all that matters is that you are playing a part.

Blakley Satterfield
Communications
Junior

Re: Chancellor Davis, Papp address tuition and mandatory advisement

Dear Editor,

In reference to the recent article "Chancellor Davis, Papp Address Student Tuition and Mandatory Advisement," I am relieved to hear that Kennesaw State University is implementing a policy to offer advisement to students in academic trouble starting in early 2009. In my opinion, this alert and intervention program will be a good way for students to get the help they need to prevent them from dropping out of school due to academic difficulties. Students facing problems with their grades should be alerted to the fact that there are numerous resources at their disposal on campus, and they should take advantage of them.

Andrea Porter
Communications
Senior

Human Trafficking and Disease Awareness

Dear Editor,

Thank you for writing the article about the African Union and for putting it on the front page! It is a wonderful organization that not only brings awareness to serious problems but tries to find solutions to them. "Out of sight, out of mind" is an unfortunate truth in American society. Africa needs help! We should be educated and involved with the country's struggles. I'm proud that KSU is so involved with global issues. I look forward to looking into student organizations such as Model African Union.

Courtney Chambers
Communication
Junior

Duck, duck, goose

Dear Editor,

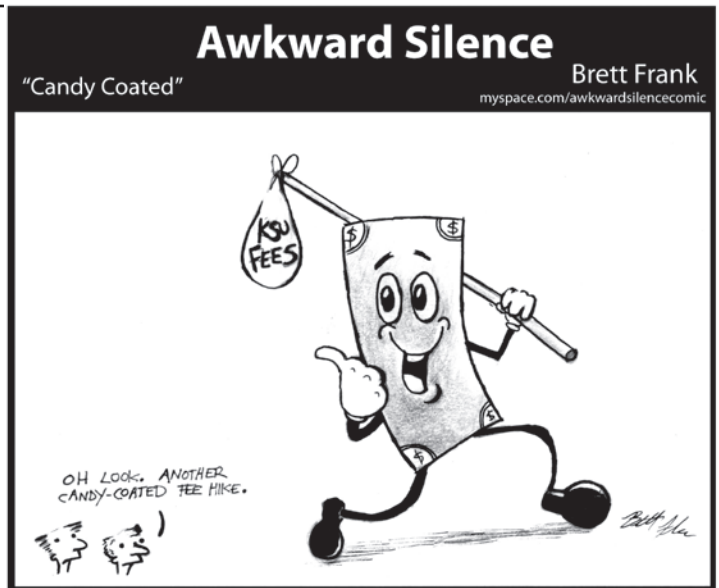
I really enjoyed reading the article entitled "Gaggle of students holds fundraiser for Central Asia Institute" by Andy Nelson. I thought it was a very positive article and I am glad to hear that a class is not only dedicated to learning curriculum, but helping out others in another country that need a school. I think that creating awareness about conditions in other countries is a great way for students to better understand the world around them. The class came up with a very creative way to involve other students by playing duck, duck, goose and raised money, all while having fun.

Katie Sewell
Communication
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A view of the Grande Canale (Grand Canal) in Venice. The canal forms one of the major water-traffic corridors in the city.



Ciao studenti! *Spending the fall in Italy*

AUDRA PAGANO
STAFF WRITER

Audra Pagano here, concluding my column on Study Abroad in Italy. For those of you who are reading my column for the first time, I am using it to document some of the experiences I had in Italy. To those of you who have read some of my previous articles, welcome back for the exciting conclusion of my journey!

The trip was one that I will never forget. Departure day was so hectic with last-minute details, and I barely slept the night before in anticipation for the coming day. The group arrived at the airport for our 6 p.m. flight to Frankfurt, which was about nine hours long. Once in Frankfurt, we had a two-hour layover and then flew straight from Germany to Rome. In Rome, it took everyone an hour to collect all the luggage and get on a bus to Montepulciano, which some people consider one of the most attractive hill towns in Tuscany.

Generally speaking, the geography of Italy is mountainous, and the country is full of rolling hills. Every city has its own unique beauty, of course. Venice has its canals and waterways, for instance. Sorrento has the sea. The region of Tuscany, where I lived, was especially beautiful. Tall Cyprus trees, olive groves and vineyards line the Tuscan terrain. It is truly something you have to see with your own eyes.

Tuscany holds many ruins of the Etruscans, an ancient people who predated the Romans. The town that I lived in, Montepulciano, is full of history dating to the Etruscan civilization.

Classes were held regularly Monday through Thursday. During the first five weeks, I had an advanced Italian language course every morning, which helped me greatly. After class I could go out into the town and immediately use what I had learned. This helped me memorize words and phrases quickly.

I learned a few formal salutations and the appropriate time to use each one. In the morning, one says “Buon giorno,” which means “Good day”. In the afternoon, one says “Buona sera,” meaning “Good evening”. And when one is ready to retire for the night, one says “Buona notte.”

The other courses I took—Medieval and Renaissance Italian History, Roman History, and History of Italian Art—alternated days during my school week. These courses were for the duration of my ten weeks in Italy. Between the two history classes I learned a great deal about Florentine society and the rise and fall of the Roman Empire, including the rulers that guided it over the centuries. I gained a great deal of knowledge of Italian patronage and artists in my art history class. I also learned about the different techniques and innovations used by artists such as Bellini, Michelangelo and Mantegna.

My days in Italy were very stress-free. A typical day consisted of going to classes in the morning and returning to my apartment around 2:30 or 3 for a nap. Before dinner I had time to do chores or study.

As you can see, one of the most important lessons I learned was how to live life to the fullest.

Photo by Audra Pagano

Gushing over mushing *KSU student competes in dogsled races*



Photos courtesy of Ryan Kennedy

Two of Ryan Kennedy's purebred Huskies await their chance to run (above). Kennedy, a student at both KSU and Georgia Tech, uses a bicycle in place of a sled (right) when competing against other teams in dryland races.



MARLENE JAECKEL
STAFF WRITER

Roger Caras, former president of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA), once said, “If you don’t own a dog, at least one, there is not necessarily anything wrong with you, but there may be something wrong with your life.”

This is especially true for Ryan Kennedy, a 22-year-old KSU and Air Force ROTC student with a rather unusual hobby. Growing up in Kentucky in a family of animal lovers, he always wanted a Siberian husky and vowed to get one as soon as he left home.

Not long after Ryan moved to Georgia and got Klondike, a big, gray male, he discovered information about dryland mushing on the Internet. The term mushing originated from the French word *marche*, meaning to go or run, the command given to a team of dogs to start pulling a sled on snow. In

parts of the world with little or no snowfall, mushing evolved into dryland races with competitors using special scooters, bikes or sleds called racing rigs or gigs. When Ryan decided to start racing, he also began to acquire more huskies. They took to mush training with ease, despite the fact that Klondike is not quite as enthusiastic as the rest of his teammates.

Needless to say, sled dogs are no ordinary canines. Because they have exceptionally high energy needs, Ryan consulted with two local veterinarians who helped him develop a special homemade diet of raw meat, fish, eggs, rice, pureed vegetables and vitamin supplements. His boys (and a girl named Maya, who’s currently pregnant with her first litter) also get the royal treatment in other ways; the entire pack happily shares a bed with their owner.

Ryan is the only professional sled dog musher in Georgia and in all of the Southeast. Because his dogs are all purebred, a rare occurrence in sled dog mushing, the Continental Kennel Club (CKC) offered him a sponsorship, which will

allow him to take part in more out-of-state events. The team’s first race took place in Kirtland, Ohio, on Nov. 8, and although they didn’t win, it was great fun meeting some of the other competitors.

Georgia’s hot, humid summers make it impossible to train year round (teams in states like Wisconsin and Michigan have a definite advantage), but from late fall through early spring, Ryan trains the dogs daily at parks in and around Kennesaw. He and his fiancée are not only active in sled dog mushing but also participate in Siberian husky rescue efforts, often fostering dogs for adoption. This in itself is an enormous undertaking because huskies are notorious for their ability to destroy anything that resembles a toy and sail over fences as high as eight feet in search of adventure. Still, Ryan believes huskies are by far some of the most intelligent and loving pets that one can ever hope to own. He encourages anyone with big, energetic dogs to join him at the next dryland sled dog race. Just don’t expect to beat him.

Nigeria pitted against Haiti in home-cooked competition



Ben McCrary | The Sentinel



Nigerian and Haitian food was served for students and a panel of judges to taste, in a cook-off sponsored by the International Student Assn. (ISA) and the Haitian Student Alliance. The event was held Mon. Nov. 17 in the University Rooms, and pitted two friendly student rivals against one another.

During a recent trip to Puerto Rico, students from Nigeria and Haiti were riding in two different canoes when the Nigerians' boat knocked the others askew. Thus, the rivalry began.

"We finally said, 'Let's do something official,'" said Nechama Hilaire, secretary of the Haitian Student Alliance, who had been a passenger in the "Haitian" canoe. The competition took form, and all the various dishes were home-cooked. The result of the judging was announced at the end of the meal: Nigeria won by a narrow margin.

The event was held to also raise awareness about Haiti, a Caribbean nation that students have found to be overlooked.



Maria Yanovsky | The Sentinel

Small and cheap

On Friday, Nov. 14, a group of KSU students traveled to Atlanta for the Small and Cheap art show. Not only were faculty members featured in the show, but many art students had work for sale, too. As the name implies, the Small and Cheap show exhibits artwork that is small in size and reasonably priced (everything must cost less than \$100). "It's a good way to get your work out there for people to see," said Nicole Starz (above). "It's a great show because there's a lot to look at and the art itself is affordable." Professor Robert Sherer was among the crowd and observed that it was the first art show a number of the students had attended.



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1 campus, but 2 homecomings: separate festivities highlight social segregation

MEGAN TWOHEY
MCT

The homecoming football game had just ended, and students clad in orange T-shirts were swarming the quad in search of post-tailgating festivities, but the nearly 1,700 African-American students packed in a nearby auditorium at the Downstate campus barely noticed.

They were engrossed in African-American Homecoming, a separate celebration complete with its own pageant, fashion show and step performance that has stirred controversy and highlighted social segregation at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

With pep rallies and parades, homecomings are designed to unify students and alumni in school spirit. But some black students at the University of Illinois and elsewhere say they do not feel welcome in their school's traditional homecoming activities, nor in the broader social scene on campus — a result, they say, of racial tension and clashing tastes and backgrounds.

There has long been a separate African-American homecoming pageant at Ohio State University. For the second year, the Black Student Union at the University of Minnesota planned its own homecoming events, which took place last weekend.

"The university has taken steps to recruit us, but that doesn't mean that we're socially welcome," said sophomore Ashley Williams, who helped organize African-American Homecoming at the University of Illinois. "It's nice to go to events geared specifically at African-American students."

Despite the administration's diversity efforts, racial tension persists at the university, students and administrators say. Last spring, controversy erupted when members of predominantly white fraternities and sororities dressed in costumes that portrayed stereotypes of Latinos and blacks.

And because the student body is only 7 percent African-American, many black students say they simply don't feel part of the mainstream. African-American Homecoming, they say, offers them a chance to celebrate their culture and presence on campus.

But some white students complain that separate homecomings foster more racial divisions. The complaints have swirled on the Web site of the student newspaper and in conversations on campus. For the first time, organizers are



Members of the Southern Illinois Iota Phi Theta fraternity perform in the step show during the African American homecoming at the University of Illinois in Champaign, Illinois, Saturday, October 11 2008



Candice C. Cusic | MCT

contemplating removing African-American from the title.

Many African-American-named events started decades ago when black students were not invited to participate in the homecoming courts of predominantly white universities.

"For a long time, African-Americans were not encouraged or invited to participate in homecoming," said Clarence Shelley, special assistant to the chancellor, who was hired by the University of Illinois in 1968 to recruit low-income minority students. "Today, African-American Homecoming is still important. ... African-American, Latino, Asian and Native American students have found that it's more useful to make their own activities that are fun for them and to worry less about integrating activities."

Step shows, in which performers stomp, clap and shout in unison, have long been an African-American tradition. The one during homecoming in mid-October drew participants from other schools and packed the auditorium. "You guys excited?" shouted the host, a charismatic young man with a shaved head, who took the stage.

The audience roared. Chavia Jackson, a junior in the crowd, said she has had a difficult time adjusting to the university coming from a predominantly black high school in Chicago. She is the only black student in some of

her classes.

The insensitive costumes worn by white students last year were an example of why she doesn't feel comfortable in the mainstream social scene, she said.

"There aren't a lot of African-American parties here," Jackson said. "This is our time to find companions and let loose."

Timotheus Gordon Jr., a junior at the University of Minnesota, helped launch homecoming events through the Black Student Union last year after finding the universitywide homecoming events, such as a lip-sync contest and square dancing, unappealing and the broader campus socially segregated. Last year, there was a step show and dance party with hip-hop and R&B. This year, in addition to the dance, the Black Student Union helped organize a "Boondocks" marathon, among other events.

"People of color are included on paper here, but most of us feel like we're not part of the broader university experience," Gordon said. "We're creating an alternative to mainstream homecoming."

But some white students see no point in creating such an alternative. The effect, they say, is more separation.

"People say that it's exclusive and wonder what the purpose is," said senior Paul Schmitt, who used to question the event but has come to see its appeal.

Lights, camera, action! Students strike a pose at KAB's premier homecoming fashion show

NADIA ABDULAH
STAFF WRITER

The foyer to the University Rooms buzzed with excitement as attendees waited to see the premier Kennesaw Activities Board (KAB) Homecoming Fashion Show on Wednesday, November 12.

The doors opened around 8:30 p.m. and guests entered to witness a spectacular set-up. The impressive catwalk rose about six feet off the ground and strobe lights set the mood. Also, white folding chairs helped make guests feel comfortable and created the typical fashion show scene.

The lights dimmed signaling the start of the show and the audience eagerly anticipated what was next to come. The opening scene titled "Black Out" (all models wore black attire) started with model, Chinara Freeman. With her dancing skills, Freeman did a wonderful job in setting the pace for the show while striking fierce poses.

Not only did participants get to strut their way down the catwalk, but they also got to display their acting skills as well. From the get-go, the audience could sense a rivalry between models, Lydia Abdulahi and Shannon Carter, as they

glared at each other in the opening scene.

The two ladies appeared to have cooled things off until the summer segment. However, the two surprised the audience with a little catfight over model, Mark Pilgrim. "My favorite scene was summer where the male models waited on the stage for the girls to come choose them," junior biochemistry major LaMesha Moore said. "I also liked the little fight for Mark as well."

Other themes included KSU spirit ("In the Ayer" by Flo Rida), single ladies ("Single Ladies" by Beyonce), and debonair gentlemen ("Swagger Like Us" by TI). Overall, the fashion show was a force to be reckoned with. It is obvious that event coordinator and emcee Joylond Byrd worked diligently to put forth such a spectacular show. From the outfits to the amazing music, the show sets a fine example for future KAB fashion shows to come.

"It was a wonderful fashion show," said KAB member Christen Engels. "I was proud of the turnout because it was higher than what we expected."

"It was a great learning experience and all the models were fun to work with," said Lydia Abdulahi. "I hope we will do it again next year."



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The "Tina: Live in Concert" tour rolls in

The queen of rock & roll energizes Atlanta

YHAIRA ARIZALETA
STAFF WRITER

The golden legs of Tina Turner twisted and shouted in Atlanta on Monday, Nov. 10, for the second night in a row.

Turner's return to the stage was unexpected, an announcement she made on the Oprah Winfrey show in April. Her eight years of early retirement elapsed without taking an obvious toll on the talented entertainer: a vibrant Turner easily fitted back into her familiar stilettos and shiny miniskirts. The penetrating, raspy voice towered above the delighted multitude—men and women of all ages and races, including several young adults and teenagers—who gathered in Phillips Arena. The crowd returned the favor, showering Turner with screams of adoration, respect and gratitude—a thank you for one last chance to see the untiring performer.

Turner, now a living legend, was as charismatic as ever. With her commanding vocals, she delivered an enjoyable show filled with the ballads, soul hits and rock classics her fans have come to anticipate. The show rocketed at full speed when Turner sang 1989's "Steamy Windows"; the first set of the night covered several hits from her thirty-year career, including "River Deep, Mountain High" and "The Acid Queen." Turner's passion for movies was evident throughout the night in an elab-

orate and over-the-top homage to her days as Auntie Entity from the film "MadMax Beyond Thunderdome" and a theatric performance of James Bond "Golden Eye," the 1995 film for which she recorded the title track.

During the concert, Turner, now 69, exhibited the energy of a woman half her age, but it was clear she could not dance for two hours straight like she used to. The show was designed with her slight loss of mobility in mind; the seven-piece band, eight

her world-renowned legs, and her distinctive mane shook rhythmically and energetically.

The extravagant production had all the bells and whistles most live performers dream of, and it was a sound complement to Turner's overpowering stage presence. The stage was elaborately reinvented several times during the night with moving podiums, platforms and pyrotechnics that enhanced the mood of the show. But the night wasn't entirely flashy; during the show's second half, the performance was scaled down to an unplugged set that included "Undercover Agent For the Blues" and The Beatles' "Help." The dynamic set list included other contagious sing-along hits such as, "Private Dancer," "We Don't Need Another Hero," "Proud Mary," "Addicted to Love," and The Rolling Stones' "Jumpin' Jack Flash" among others.

The two-hour-plus show began to close with a lengthy and energetic interpretation of "Nutbush City Limits," which had Turner towering over the crowd on a 30-foot-long platform. The final song—an emotional rendition of "Be Tender with Me Baby"—was sweet and subdued, a soft good-bye.

Tina Turner's 2008 world tour won't disappoint anyone. Those who wanted a return on every cent spent for the experience got more than they bargained for. After all, the Queen of Rock and Roll, a little bit older and a lot wiser, is still simply the best.

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dancers and two backup singers ensured there was never a dull moment for the audience. During the pause between sets that allowed for one of Turner's many wardrobe changes, the backup performers took center stage and presented theatric inspired choreographies that kept the audience engaged, if not on its feet. The mini-routines featured the backup dancers in acrobatic performances of a spy movie plot and apocalyptic warriors, which featured an unmistakable imitation from a Cirque Du Soleil performance.

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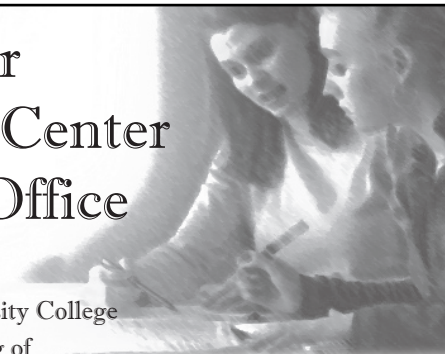
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Supercon promises to be, well, super

“Clerks” star to appear

CARL KRENDEL
STAFF WRITER

If coming face to face with the creative forces behind Aqua Teen Hunger Force, Wolverine, The Venture Brothers, Clerks, and many other icons responsible for spinning their own subcultures, be sure to put aside some quality time from Nov. 21 to Nov. 23.

The Renaissance Atlanta Hotel will be the scene of the Atlanta Supercon, where you, the fan, can get the inside scoop.

Among those appearing will be Brian O’Halloran, who plays Dante in the “Clerks” movies. In a recent interview, O’Halloran described the similarities between real life and the parallel universe of the Clerks movies.

“When Kevin [Smith, director of “Clerks”] was writing the characters of Dante and Randal, he was literally living that life; he was working that convenience store.”

O’Halloran commented on the archetypal nature of the clerks most fans know and love.

“Randal was the clerk he really was; Dante was the character he wanted to be.”

An unpretentious man not unlike the character he portrays, O’Halloran doesn’t hesitate to sympathize with convenience store clerks everywhere.

“People can relate to those feelings of frustration, while at the same time, the Dante character is polite...worried about moving on to his next station in life.”

In their interpersonal interactions, Dante and Randal do not discuss broad philosophical subjects or try to solve universal problems or existential questions. They speak like two good friends often do, musing on matters others might consider petty for a movie but normal in actual conversation. O’Halloran considers an important aspect of his character to be his ability to be entertained simply by strangeness.

“Mixed into all that conversation is the discussion about Star Wars and hermaphroditic porn.”

Everyone who has seen Clerks, regardless of his state of mind at the time, can remember the scene in which Dante’s ex-girlfriend has sex with a recently deceased older man. A description of the event as humorous delineates clearly the divide between actor and viewer:

“I don’t know how hilarious it would be if

one of your girlfriends had sex with a dead guy. I would be like, ‘You need to get some shots, see a doctor.’”

According to O’Halloran, Smith has filled his films with increasingly perverted erotica. On the bestiality that occurs in the second “Clerks” film, O’Halloran said, “I was like, what, so we’ve moved on to interspecies erotica? You might ask him [Smith] about his obsession with not-so-normal sex.”

The Atlanta Supercon may be just the place for such questions.

When asked what would happen if the roles of Dante and Randall were superimposed on the convenience store from the opening scene of “From Dusk Till Dawn,” O’Halloran replied thoughtfully, “Um, hmm. I think they would have made it to Mexico. I think we would have been so entertaining that they [Tarantino and Clooney] would have spared us.”

Another artist slated to attend, Carey Means, who plays the role of Frylock, keeps his character so close to his own personality that he doesn’t mind being called by name.

“A lot of what we do is ad-lib,” said Means. “Some actors have their scripts advanced to them. I don’t use a script.”

When asked about the entertainment business and publicity, Means commented on the incident in which an Adult Swim sign became a target of the War on Terror in Boston. The Aqua Teen team then made an episode

about the fiasco in Boston and the paranoia associated with the War on Terror.

“It hasn’t gotten past ‘Standards and Practices’ [the public censorship branch of the FCC]. There’s cloak and dagger stuff going on here.”

Relating other publicity strategies to his own, Means mentioned what happened recently with rapper T.I., who was caught buying guns in broad daylight at a major Atlanta intersection.

“Quote me on this: That was something his publicist cooked up.”

If you want to know something only an insider can, go to the Supercon; if you just want to know what you’re told to know, stay at home.

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Brian O’Halloran as Dante in “Clerks 2”

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Owls on the road

JEROME WOOLEY
STAFF WRITER

VOLLEYBALL Owls Stampeded by Bisons

A triad of KSU volleyball players produced seven kills each, but it was hardly enough for the Owls as they were swept by the Lipscomb Bisons 3-0 (25-11, 25-23, 25-16) on Fri., Nov. 14, in Nashville, Tenn.

Juniors Asjia Stokes and Chelsey Denesha, and redshirt sophomore Sabrita Gulley, each obtained seven kills at Allen Arena. The trio combined to record 24 of the team's 37 points.

The second set was the Owls best of Friday night's match. The team jumped to an early 6-1 advantage with blocks from Gulley and freshman Callie Churchwell. The tables turned after an Owl 22-21 lead. The Bisons went on a 4-1 run to win the set 25-23, which later allowed them to win the match.

"We played hard and together as a team, but it didn't result in a win," said Stokes. "I felt good about having seven kills. The team looks for me to produce kills and to contribute to points. I try to be there for my teammates as often as possible."

Although the Black and Gold lost the match, they out-blocked their opponent 7 - 4. The Owls are now 6-23 overall, and 5-14 in the Atlantic Sun Conference.

O'Leary and Gulley Break Records in Season Finale

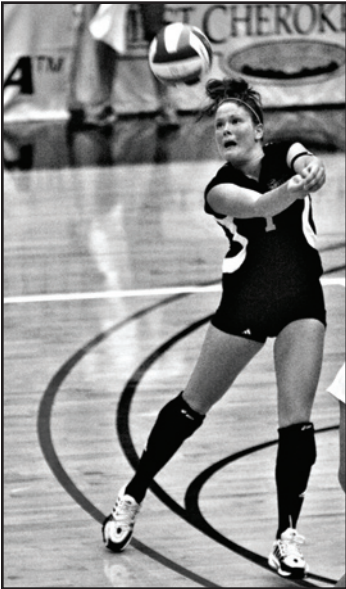
Junior Selina O'Leary and redshirt sophomore Sabrita Gulley were monumental at the Curb Event Center in Nashville on Sat., Nov. 15 as they both broke two distinct records for the KSU volleyball team.

O'Leary led the Owls with a match-high 13 digs, giving her a total of 307 digs for the season. O'Leary is the first KSU player to surpass the 300 mark. Gulley's eight kills on the afternoon gave her 284 total kills on the season, securing her for the Owls' single season kill record.

O'Leary and Gulley's record breaking performances could not quite help the Owls to a win in their season finale. The team fell to the Belmont Bruins 3-1 (25-16, 25-18, 22-25, 25-23).

The Owls lone win came in the third set of the match. Trying to avoid a possible sweep, Gulley had a critical attack to boost the Owls to a 24-19 lead. The Owls went on to win the set 25-22 after a joint block by freshman Callie Churchwell and junior Chelsey Denesha.

The Owls finished the season with an overall record of 6-24, and an Atlantic Sun's ninth best record of 5-15.



Christine Morales | The Sentinel
Selina O'Leary

Women's Basketball Lady Owls lose in season opener

The Lady Owls suffered an opening night loss to Richmond, 79-62, on Fri., Nov. 14 at the Robins Center.

The Lady Owls struggled from the field, hitting on just 35 percent of their shots. Senior Jennifer Baker had a double-double for the Owls in the loss, scoring a game-high 17 points and pulling down a game-best 11 rebounds. Redshirt junior Greteya Kelley had 11 points in the loss.



Freshman Kurtis Woods led all scorers with 19 points in his collegiate debut.

Courtesy of SID

Woods set on fire at 100 Club Classic

JEROME WOOLEY
STAFF WRITER

Freshman Kurtis Woods had a game-high 19 points in his college debut as KSU annihilated Western Illinois, 85-63, in the season opener and first round of the 100 Club Classic on Fri., Nov. 14 at the KSU Convocation Center.

Woods, a native of Huntsville, Ala. shot 6-7 from the floor and connected on 5-6 three point field goals. The 6-foot-3-inch guard also shot 2-2 from the free-throw line. Not only did Woods shoot spectacularly, he also had two rebounds and two pace-changing steals during his 26 minutes on the court. The high-jumping Woods also had a two-hand power slam dunk off an assist from teammate Kelvin McConnell in the first half of

play.

"I wasn't worried about starting, but more so concentrating on the team and winning the game," said Woods. "I respect Coach Ingle for starting me. It felt good to be the leading scorer of the game. My teammates were confident in me and I need my teammates. Tonight's victory was a team's effort."

Junior forward Jon-Michael Nickerson and senior guard J.D. Pollock also reached the double-digit scoring mark on Friday night. Nickerson scored the team's first four points of the game and would go on to finish the game with 17 total points, shooting 6-9 from the field and 2-3 from three-point range. "Tonight was a good experience for the team and we played well in the season opener," said Nickerson. "Some

things weren't executed perfectly, but this game was a good stepping stone for the season. Coach Ingle and my teammates put me in a good position to score tonight and I did my best to score in the position that I was given."

The sharp-shooting Pollock, who made the 20th start of his career, connected on 2-5 three pointers, 2-2 free-throws and shot 5-10 from the field; giving him 14 points on the night."I think we came out extremely strong and aggressive tonight," said Pollock. "We were ready to play from the beginning of the game until the end. I think it was a good team effort overall and everyone contributed. I had fun going out there and playing tonight. My role is different from last year, and I am looking to be more of a scorer."

The (1-0) Owls outscored the Leathernecks (0-1), 51-26, in the first half, shooting 60 percent from the field and from behind the arc and 100 percent from the free-throw line.

The second half was just as exciting as the first half for the Black and Gold. Sophomore walk-on Zadrian Gibson had three monstrous blocks for a game-high and freshman guard Spencer Dixon dished out a joint game-high six assists and drained eight points to boost the team in the second half of regulation. Every member of the Owls received playing time and had scoring opportunities.

The Owls would go on to score 34 points in the second half, shooting 11-24 from the field, 7-13 from three-point distance, and 5-8 from the free-throw line.

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	Mercer	13	7	.650	18	10	.643
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	ETSU	7	13	.350	11	19	.367
	Campbell	5	15	.250	7	22	.241
	Kennesaw State	5	15	.250	6	24	.200
	USC Upstate	4	16	.200	8	21	.276
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Upcoming events

Tues. Nov. 18	Wed. Nov. 19	Fri. Nov. 21		Sat. Nov. 22	
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Reigning Atlantic Sun Conference Player of the Year Brittney Henderson (above) led all players with 24 points and 11 rebounds while reigning A-Sun Defensive Player of the Year Greteya Kelley (right) had 19.

Henderson leads team to exhibition win over CSU

JUSTIN HOBDAY
STAFF WRITER

The Lady Owls showed off a potent offense in a 101 – 79 exhibition victory over Columbus State University on Tuesday night at the KSU Convocation Center.

The Lady Cougars kept the game tight but KSU ripped of a 49 – 28 run late in the second half to comfortably beat CSU. Brittney Henderson finished with a double-double, scoring a game high 25 points and pulling down 11 rebounds while Greteya Kelley and Gia Lockett added 19 points apiece. Kelley also showed off her defensive prowess, finishing with four steals.

“Offensively, I thought we played as good as we can play,” said head coach Colby Tilley. “We’ve got a long way to go defensively if we are going to win our conference, and [the team] knows that.”

The Lady Cougars jumped out to a quick 9 – 4 lead but back-to-back three pointers from Jennifer Baker and Kelley gave KSU the lead for good at 10 – 9 with 15:44 left in the first half. The Lady Owls extended their lead to 14 points after going on a 15 – 2 run that was fueled by six points from Lockett and two steals by Kelley.

The Lady Cougars would not go quietly as they closed the gap to five points after a 24 – 15 run to end the half. The run started with back-to-back field goals by Phebe Smith, and Rosetta Hollis scored seven of her 11 points during the run to finish the last two minutes of the half. KSU maintained a 40 – 35 advantage at the end of the first half.

Smith and Hollis continued to contribute by combining for 12 points during a 16 – 12 Lady Cougar run to start the second half. The lady Cougars tightened the score at 52 – 51 with 14:34 left in the game, and had a chance to take the lead.

However the lady Owls finished the game outscoring CSU 49 – 28 behind 15 points from Henderson, and nine points from Lockett.

“We just started to gel together, and things came more smoothly,” said Henderson. “That’s usually what happens when we go on a run; everyone just gets into a rhythm.”

Kelley brought the fans to their feet when she broke the century mark by hitting a 3-pointer with two seconds on the clock.

“We’re going to be a team of runs,” said Tilley. “When we run it like we do there is going to be times that we’re going to put runs like that together.”

Hollis and Smith led the scoring for CSU finishing with 19 and 16 points respectively. Hollis, now a junior, was a member of the KSU squad as a freshman and was selected to the Atlantic Sun All-Freshmen Team. Smith is the younger sister of Atlanta Hawks forward Josh Smith who attended the game while nursing an ankle injury.

The Lady Owls go on the road Friday to take on the Richmond Spiders, and have two ACC foes to contend with next week when they travel to take on UNC and then Georgia Tech.



Lady Owls’ basketball clinic

Womens basketball team kicked off their season with a free clinic at Barber Middle



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JAMES RICHMOND
STAFF WRITER

There was definitely a hint of anticipation in the air this Veterans Day as a group of seventh and eighth graders at Barber Middle School awaited a visit from members of the KSU women’s basketball team.

To kick off their 2008 season, four of the Lady Owls, Tamasha Bolden, Asia Minter, Davia Harris and Angie Smith, held a mini basketball clinic for Barber Middle’s seventh and eighth graders on Tues., Nov. 11. With help from the event organizer, KSU communication major

Montye Edwards, the team was also able to excite those who attended to strive toward attaining a college degree.

The clinic started as the KSU athletes answered questions about their school experiences and informed the children about what it took for each player to have received, as well as maintain, their scholarships.

After the Q and A it was time to play ball. The team decided to demonstrate their pre-game workout to those willing to participate. The Lady Owls demonstrated everything from how to perform a correct lay-up to developing a proper defensive stance. Their audience undoubtedly became more skillful at the game of basketball as they en-

joyed their four temporary coaches.

“Wow that was fun,” said Barber Middle School Principal Lisa Williams after attempting a free-throw shot.

The program proved to have a positive effect on all those who were able to join them that day. “It was great,” said eighth grade basketball player Austin Jacobs. “We had fun and we learned a lot.”

Starting their season off on a good note, KSU has big expectations for their Lady Owls, and through efforts like this, one can only imagine the heartfelt cheers that are sure to surround the court as their season progresses.



CLUB SPORTS REPORT

Ice Hockey

LUCAS BIGHAM
STAFF WRITER

On Nov. 14 and 15 the KSU Ice Hockey team took on the University of Kentucky Wildcats in two games at the Kennesaw IceForum. The Owls came out on top in both games with a score of 7 – 2 and 5 – 2.

“I think we played strong,” said team captain Dylan Morrison. “We kind of came together as a team this weekend and were pretty excited.”

Dr. Wes Wicker, Director of the KSU Foundation and longtime supporter of the ice hockey club, dropped the puck on Friday to start off what would become a highly competitive and physical two games.

“They’ve been incredibly successful representing the university,” Wicker said. “The administration is very proud of what these guys have been able to do.”

For some players this was just another game, but for two others this was a rivalry that began in the family. KSU forward Nick North and his brother Kentucky forward John North both wanted to bring a pair of wins back home.

The Owls started off slow in the first period on both games, but the pace was set by forwards Jimmy Barry and Andrew Chlebek who scored early in their first meeting.

Moving into the second and third periods, the Owls began to pick up the pace offensively. Barry and Chlebek both added another goal along with Brett Lester and Morrison. KSU took the first game with a score of 7 – 2.

“We started off slow, but we picked it up in the second and third period,” said KSU head coach Ken Honeyman.

In Saturday’s game, the Wildcats opened up the night with a goal from forward Taylor Vit. However, Owls’ defenseman Hunter Gahl answered with a goal before the end of the first period.

Much like the game on Friday, the Owls hit the switch and turned up their play in the second and third periods. Forward Ricky Lirette began the scoring pattern, followed by Jerry

Holden and Morrison. The Owls had a 4 – 1 lead going into the third period.

In the third, Morrison captured his second goal of the night, assisted by Rod Johnson and Holden. Before the final horn sounded, Kentucky slipped in a second goal by forward Daniel Ampleford, but it would not be enough. The Owls took



James Richmond | The Sentinel

down the Wildcats in their second encounter with a score of 5 – 2.

“We got shots on the net, cycled well, and it worked for us tonight,” Chlebek said.

KSU goalkeeper Ben Powers remained sharp all weekend by keeping the score low, which enabled his offense to focus on scoring.

“Our goalie kept us in it until we came away with the lead,” Barry said. “We had a great game tonight and came out on top.”

On Nov. 21 at 10:00 p.m. the Owls will host the Atlanta Junior Knights who defeated them in their first match on Sept. 17.

“We’ve got some redemption, so it should be a really good one,” Morrison said.

CLUB SPORTS BRIEF

Kelly Blaine | Sports Editor

Wrestling

The KSU wrestling team had several outstanding performances last weekend at the University of Central Florida. The Owls placed fifth overall and second in Georgia. The team was lead by team captain Ross Cravens who won all of his matches. Cravens is now 8-0 and ranked fifth in nation overall in the 174-pound weight class. KSU is now ranked 14th in nation overall in the Nov. 17 NCWA coaches poll.

“We’re making improvements getting in better shape,” said team captain and head coach Ross Cravens. “We took fifth. Not bad overall.”

The Owls will travel to East Ga. this weekend for the E. Ga. Duel. “I think we’ll do alright this weekend,” said Cravens. “I’m not sure how many teams will be there but we should have some good individual matchups, so it’s a big weekend for everyone.”



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Ultimate Frisbee



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The KSU ultimate Frisbee team traveled to Orlando, Fla., last weekend where they competed in the Fourth Annual Kennel Kick-Off. The Owls took seventh place overall, going 3-3 against teams such as Florida, Emory, Miami and Eckerd.

“We were not able to win the big games Saturday morning due to a lack of mental focus,” said team president and captain Ben Magyer. “Too many dropped passes and defensive blunders put us on the losing side.”

Freshman Jimmy Dykestra played another outstanding tournament, which gave the veteran lines a needed spark. Noah Gamache and Scotty Gresch also came up with huge Ds to propel KSU over Miami, 13-12.

“After the Florida loss, we made some defensive changes like being more aggressive and working as a team which put us ahead of Miami in a 13-12 final,” added Magyer.

The Owls will return to action in late January when they will take on the University of Alabama. “We are expecting to bring a full and healthy roster to University of Alabama that will improve on our last year’s semi-final appearance,” said Magyer.

Rugby

After winning the Battleship Rugby Tournament in Mobile, Ala., the Rugby team traveled to Birmingham, Ala., last weekend, where they lost, 19-5. The Owls will return to action this Saturday at 1:00 p.m. against North Georgia College.

“It should be a pretty easy game,” said vice-president and team captain J.D. Price. “We played them once in the fall and beat them 56-0.”



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Owls bitten by the bears

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On Sat., Nov. 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Convocation Center, the men's basketball team took on the University of Maine Black Bears for the championship game in the 100 Club Classic. Both Owls (1-1) and the Black Bears (2-0) came into the contest with 1-0 records. The Owls defeated Western Illinois, 85-63, in order to advance to the championship; But their valiant efforts could not bring them the win against the Bears, and then fell 60-47 in the championship game. This marks the first ever meeting between KSU and Maine.

Coming off a stellar shooting night in their season opener, the Owls could not duplicate the performance, shooting only 27 percent from the field, while 5-29 from the 3 point line. The Bears went on to shoot an impressive 55 percent. This included their All-Tournament selection, Troy Barnies, who went on to shoot a perfect 8-8 from the floor.

In the beginning of the first half, Maine jumped out to an early 10-5 lead until KSU answered with a 9-2 run to take a 14-12 lead. Throughout the first half the game remained close until the Bears ended with a 5-0 run to lead the half 26-21.

The second half was dominated by Maine. The Bears came out with a 9-0 run, stretching their lead to 14 points. The Owls caused 23 turnovers but could not overcome the Bears' shooting efforts. Junior forward Jon-Michael Nickerson led the Owls in scoring with 14 points, and sophomore point guard Kelvin McConnell added 12 points. "Tonight's game was definitely a learning experience for this team. We're just going to take this loss and build on it," said McConnell.

Two players from KSU were recognized for 100 Point All-Tournament Team: Nickerson and freshman guard Kurtis Woods. The next game for the Owls will be Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. against Clark Atlanta University in the Convocation Center.



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