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#### **HOPE Scholarship in danger of extinction**

Melissa Spielholz Staff Writer

ecipients of the HOPE scholarship may be losing their funds. The Georgia General Assembly began its sessions on Jan.12, 2004. Among other issues, the General Assembly must decide the fate of Georgia's HOPE scholarship program. From its inception in 1993, the HOPE scholarship has helped an estimated 748,000 college students, awarding more than \$2.1 billion. Of those students, 19,512 attend KSU totaling an estimated \$76 million. That is an average of \$3895 per student recipient at KSU.

With its current offerings, the HOPE scholarship fund will be depleted by 2006. This problem leaves the General Assembly with a tough question: "What must be done to save the HOPE scholarship?"

Numerous proposals by the HOPE Commission have left lawmakers in a predicament, while many of these suggestions have upset both students and parents statewide.

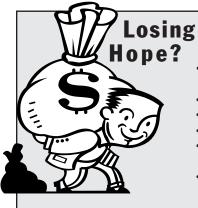
Lt. Gov. Mark Taylor proposed a 3-year tuition freeze, as noted in the press release from the annual breakfast conference. According to the AJC, University of Georgia President Michael Adams does not agree with Taylor's proposal. "We have a very high quality at low cost," Adams said. "The worst thing we could do is get caught in a position of lowering quality. There is a correlation between cost and quality."

On the other side of the political spectrum, Gov. Sonny Perdue suggests the incorporation of SAT scores as a factor in determining HOPE scholarship recipients. His proposal raises the issue of grade inflation.

"Knowing that there is a perception of grade inflation, I got to thinking about where our SAT scores would be today if, 10 years ago, they had been a component of the HOPE scholarship," said Perdue. "My theory is, we would not be 50th out of 50 states. Kids ought to take a certain pride in earning a HOPE scholarship, and I think as they take that pride in earning the HOPE scholarship, they will take pride in their scores on the SAT, regardless of where they go to college."

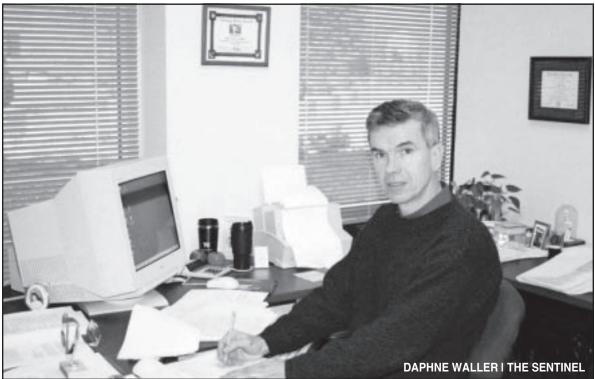
Many parents and students are opposed to the proposal of incorporating SAT scores. Geronimo Lluberas, a freshman at KSU, disagrees with the proposal. "It would be somewhat unfair," said Lluberas. "Not everyone scores well on tests, but that does not mean they are not good students."

At the same time, some students feel that incorporating test scores will help limit the number of recipients. "Although I do not think this is a cure



According to The Atlanta-Journal Constitution, some of the HOPE Commission's recommendations are as follows:

- Eliminate payment for books and fees, effective in the 2004-2005 school year
- · Require a minimum SAT score
- · Use end-of-course tests, now in development, to determine eligibility
- · Raise the required grade-point average
- · Pay a flat grant to all HOPE recipients, not to exceed expenses for
- Cap the number of eligibility hours for the HOPE grant at 95 quarter hours (63 semester hours), effective in the 2004-2005 school year



Dr. Terry L. Faust, Director of Student Financial Aid.

all, it is certainly a step in the right direction," said Mike Montgomery, a junior at KSU. "It will at least tie the HOPE to something more reliable than what has become a very subjective 'B' average."

Another proposition to save the HOPE scholarship is the removal of HOPE funds to cover the costs of books and fees. "Mandatory fees are just that, they're mandatory," said KSU Student Government Association Secretary of Business and Finance, Tony Stokes. "You can not

attend without paying the fees."

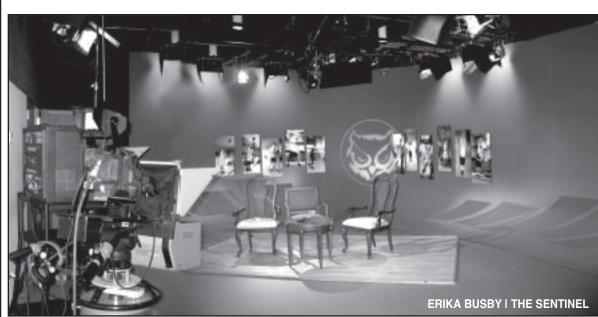
In addition to his feelings on the removal of the funds, Stokes, with the support of SG, has written a resolution that has been submitted to the Student Government Senate. The resolution explains that "we (the we are trying to organize and let our students) support a merit-based, complete HOPE scholarship.'

SG has contacted many other Georgia universities and honor-societies in hopes to rally support across the state. "The goal is to come up with a plan and once we can all

speak as one voice," Stokes said, "to go down to the capital and find someone from the Higher Education Committee and present our ideas, our views as students, a students prospective...students work hard and voices be heard."

With a sensitive issue at hand, SenatorBillHamrick,ChairmanoftheHigher Education Committee along with State Representative Louise McBee, are actively fighting to save the integrity of the

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**RICHARD L. JOHNSON I THE SENTINEL** 



Clockwise from top left: The set of Courtside with Tony Ingle at CTC; Ian Feinberg in the control room at Chattahoochee Technical College; Head Coach of Men's Basketball Tony Ingle.

# **Ingle in the zone**

#### Coach produces show

**Erika Busby** News Editor

SU is climbing the ladder and extending their boundaries. With new buildings and new students come big steps for KSU organizations.

Tony Ingle, the head coach of the men's basketball team, has rolled up his sleeves and tackled something that is huge for KSU. The arrival of the Convocation Center/Arena paves a road for the men's basketball team to share their games with a local audience.

"When I was hired to be the basketball coach here, one of my responsibilities was to enhance the program in every aspect we could," Ingle said. "Part of that was to increase the awareness of the basketball program throughout our community."

Ingle has been working hard to do just that. He has raised money to be able to televise his show, Courtside with Tony Ingle.

After searching for someone to produce the show, he found Ian Feinberg and the students of the **Entertainment Technology** program at Chattahoochee Technical College. Feinberg has agreed to produce 10 episodes of

Courtside with Tony Ingle this basketball season with plans to televise next season's games and extra shows if the team makes the playoffs.

"All the students man all the different positions," Feinberg said. "They do everything."

The studio and control room at CTC are very well equipped to produce Courtside with Tony Ingle. The students that are directing and producing the show are in the latter half of the program.

Feinberg says the basis of their program is work ethics. The students work on a lanyard program which Feinberg describes this as "a belt program in karate." Students who take more initiative and volunteer themselves in leadership roles move up.

"From week to week, we start moving people up," Feinberg said. "So, they do all of the aspects of the production. They shoot the game, bring them back and edit the highlights together, and [they also] shoot one feature per week."

"I have been very impressed with Chattahoochee Tech and the quality of the people involved making sure it is run properly," Ingle said. "Ian, I think, is a master because he is the one

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# **Protect your computer from viruses, trojans**

**Tony Sarrecchia** 

Staff Writer

ast week was a busy week for computer viruses. Win32.Bagle.A@mn made the rounds by disguising itself as a file sent by a system administrator or a friend.

Once executed, by the user clicking on it, it opened the Window's calculator and embedded itself onto the users hard drive.

After changing a few lines of code in the Windows Registry (i.e., the brains of the PC), the virus was e-mailing itself to everyone in the users' address book. While the initial infection spread quickly, most anti-virus software companies (CA, Symantec, Sophos) responded quickly with antidotes, preventing a repeat of the Sobig virus.

Some anti-virus experts are concerned that a second, more

potent, variant is going to arrive on January 28, the day that Bagle.A is scheduled to expire. According to Daniel Zatz, Security Director of Computer Associates in Australia, "One of our biggest concerns is that if we look back a year ago at the Sobig variants, they all had drop-dead dates and every time one hit that drop dead date a new variant came out; a new and improved variant of it." (Andrew Colley, "Virus alert: Beware of Dodgy Bagle" January 19, 2004. http:// www.silicon.com/software/ security/ 0,39024655,39117841,00.htm).

On Jan.16, Sophos, an antivirus developer, released a warning of a Trojan called Mmdload, which attempts to find PayPal forms stored on a user's hard drive. If the Trojan finds a PayPal account, it



attempts to send the completed accounts to a Russian web site. At press time, this Trojan has not reached a critical infection

To lessen the chance of infection from a virus or Trojan (a Trojan infects computers, a

keep their anti-virus software movies.

virus infects files on the computer), computer owners should current, never open attachments from unknown sources, back up files regularly and never download pirated software, music or

**Compiled by Richard L. Johnson** 

On the evening of Jan. 14. officers responded to a fight at University Place. Officers were able to determine that a verbal dispute had taken place between the occupants of two different apartments followed by an assault. According to the police report, three males from one apartment began arguing with a 28-year-old man on the balcony of the apartment above them. They forced their way into the second apartment and attacked the man. A 19year-old female, who was also in the second apartment, was pushed down and injured.

The three suspects were arrested and charged with criminal trespass, simple battery and battery.

On Jan 15. at about 12:20 p.m., an officer responded to the Clendenin Building to check on the welfare of a young child who had been left alone in the hallway.

According to the report, the 9-year-old girl told the police "she did not go to school today because she was sick, and that she had come to school with her mom." The child was able to show police which

classroom her mother was in. When contacted by the officer, the mother was unsure how long she had left her child alone and that her class would be over in about 20 minutes. The officer explained that it was unsafe to leave a young child alone, and the child could not be left in the hallway while her mother attended class. The mother then left with the child.

At 1 p.m. on the same day, police responded to a parking dispute on Frey Lake Road. The responding officer determined that a property owner was upset over a student parking in his driveway.

According to the report, the house had previously been rented to a fraternity and the student was there to pick up some of his fraternity's items. Each subject claimed to have been battered by the other. Both parties refused to press charges.

On the evening of Jan. 15, a female reported that someone had drawn a gang symbol on her car. According to the report, she thought it could have been done by several men "she gave...the finger" to. The officer indicated that the symbol had been written in the dirt on the windshield.

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HOPE scholarship, but they are forced to agree that something must be done to save the state's funding.

"I feel very comfortable with turnouts of the many their (the HOPE Commission) recommendations," said Dr. Terry Faust, Director of the Student Financial Aid. "I support those recommendations, and I want us to preserve the HOPE scholarship program for generation after generation. In order for that to happen, we

have to make some significant changes."

Regardless of the assured students that, "If changes go through and if HOPE value is reduced, there will be a greater challenge on Financial Aid offices to help students replace their HOPE loss. This

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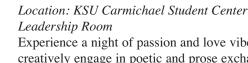
many alternatives to students for financial aid. Faust explained there are over 200 instructional scholarships available to students on the web through Feb. 15, 2004 for the 2004-2005 school year. Other than KSU offered scholarships, there are several other alternatives including numerous types of grants and loans."

To learn more about available financial aid go www.kennesaw.edu/financial\_aid or attend KSU's Annual Financial Aid Fair Feb. 26, 2004 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the University Rooms in the student center.

Now is the time to lift our nation from the quicksands of racial injustice to the solid rock of brotherhood.

FEBRUARY & MARCH EVENTS

~ Martin Luther King Jr.



Time: 7:30 PM

Experience a night of passion and love vibes as we creatively engage in poetic and prose exchanges of love from the Black perspective. All poets and expressionists are invited to feature work focusing on love past, present, and future during the open mic portion of this event. Our featured performance includes Ms. Kathy Matthews, who will share a story of Black love juxtaposed to the times. Our featured spoken word artists are the LivePoets Society, based here in Atlanta, GA.

LOVE THROUGH THE AGES: A SPOKEN WORD EXPERIENCE

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7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Location: KSU Carmichael Student Center

University Rooms

In honor of our oral traditions, join us for the sharing of events of legendary and factual proportions that have shaped our community. Local storytellers from the community will delight you with their vocal imagery of accounts of our past. Families are encouraged to attend this event.

#### **WOMEN OF COLOR: A FORUMULA FOR SUCCESS**

TUESDAY. MARCH 24. 2004 Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Leadership Room

Join us for a meaningful encounter with successful women from the Atlanta community. A panel of guest will share their stories of victory and challenge along their journey.

#### **KSU CELEBRITY SOFTBALL** MARCH 20, 2004

Time: 12:00 - 4:00 PM

Location: Kennesaw State University Intramural Field Join us for a family affair, as we host a KSU celebrity softball game between students, and faculty and staff! If you are interested in playing or cheering, please contact us as ksuaasa@yahoo.com.

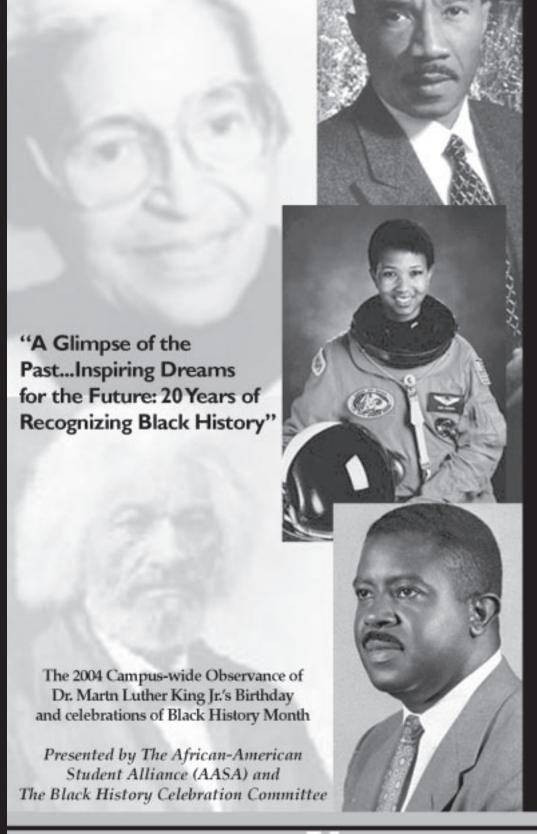
For more information on these, and other forthcoming KSU Black History Events, please visit the Office of Minority Student Retention website at www.kennesaw.edu/stu\_dev/msrs/.

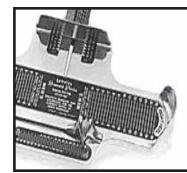
A pdf copy of the events brochure is also available at www.kennesaw.edu/stu\_dev/msrs/bh2004.pdf.

For updated information on AASA and the Office of Minority Student Retention Services programs, please visit the KSU Student Development Center Calendar of Activities at www.kennesaw.edu/stu\_dev/calendar.html

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Tony Ingle, coach for Men's Basketball - see the article on pages 1 and 9

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# **Sanctions for poor** attendance

Joel Guerra.

Viewpoints Columnist

hy would it count against me if I did not show up to class? The consequences for missing class are not just a slap on the wrist, but points deducted from my grade for not showing up to

Now mind you, personally I am not into skipping class, because I do not like the feeling of being left behind or missing out on important knowledge. I certainly do not like the feeling of paying \$1389.00 per semester and not getting anything good out of it. At the same time, I was the one who paid the money, so shouldn't I have the right to waste my money? It is MY money right?

If I were to go out and buy something like a nice armchair or even a car, and then proceed to take a sledgehammer and destroy it out of my own free decision, is there anyone there to punish me for it? Do I walk out of whichever store where I made the purchase with an additional \$5 deducted from my wallet?

If I were to witness someone

doing that exact same thing (especially being from a developing country), in all honesty, it would absolutely break my heart. The fact would still remain that they DID pay for it, and after the exchange of money for product, the chair or car is their's to do whatever they like with it, as long as it does not impose on anyone else.

How could the person be imposing if they helped the store achieve what they wanted to do, which is sell the product, and helped the person in question achieved what they wanted to do, which was to buy the product. No one is hurt in the process, but the person in question would no longer have a perfectly good chair or car to use.

If I were a professor, and I

saw students that consistently did not show up for class, it would allow me to weed out the ones who were really interested in learning and doing well in the class. The absentees would not really bother me. I would even go as far as to reward the students who had perfect attendance. The way I see it, the students with poor attendance are already punishing themselves by wasting their money.

# Diversity carries hidden bias

**Tracy Turner**,

Viewpoints Columnist

iversity. Since arriving at KSU three years ago, every professor I have had has made it a point to insist in some way that diversity is important. From literature to biology and education to history, these professors have expounded the idea that we must gather a wide variety of choices from a wide variety of sources in order to better understand the world in which we live and those we share it with. They are certainly right, aren't they? Isn't it true that we understand others better when we learn about them and accept them as they are, each one different yet equally valuable in the quest for knowledge and understanding?

Yet there is an area of our lives in which those in power would like to keep us from embracing diversity. Most students don't see it even though they must witness it, as I do, in so many classrooms and textbooks. That area is intellectual diversity. It is no secret that a vast majority of college professors are liberal in their dogma. It is also no surprise when some of that philosophy shows up in their teaching. Some professors blatantly advocate liberal ideals, occasionally to the exclusion of any other position, but what may surprise you is the extent to which this is true.

At the beginning of my college experience, there was an occasional reference to conserving the environment or an offhand remark about the right to a living wage. Various textbooks assigned had decidedly leftward slants. Over time, however, in class after class and book after book, the collected mass of liberal influence has become so great that I can no longer sit quietly in class and hold my tongue. When I began to speak out and offer different points of view, my opinions were sometimes ignored, sometimes dismissed, but rarely heard and taken seriously.

To give some examples, in an education class, students are required to join a teachers' union or purchase mandatory insurance at their own expense. In a different education class, our professor told us that homeschooling our children would damage them psychologically. In an American government class, we had a guest speaker from the Green Party. In a theater class, our professor proclaimed the unfairness that the budget is so small for the NEA (National Endowment for the Arts). I recently received a blanket e-mail reminder from the head of a department that declared "Howard Dean for President."

Apparently, I'm not the only one who has noticed this imbalance. I recently discovered that the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor & Pensions has had an oversight hearing on the subject, http:// www.labor.senate.gov/bills/031\_bill.html. Also, David Horowitz has founded an organization, Students For Academic Freedom,

studentsforacademicfreedom.org, that advocates more diversity in higher education faculty. In an article on the website, "Missing Diversity on America's Campuses", Mr. Horowitz lists studies done at various universities. In all of those studies, at least 90% of the faculties are liberal.

Think about it. What would happen if KSU had such a ratio of white to minority or male to female? We would be outraged. There would be protests, petitions, and calls for action. In a pluralistic society such as ours, educators should be as representative of the population as the students. While this country has made great strides and continues to work toward equal opportunity in areas such as race and gender, it has done nothing to politically diversify the faculties at colleges and universities. I don't know about you, but I want to understand issues from as many angles as possible so I can then make informed choices of my own.

# A green November?

hen thinking about the issue that will be the focus of the 2004 Presidential Election, the most obvious candidates are national security and the economy, however we cannot forget the underlying second-tier issue: the environment.

There are signs that environmental issues could play a key role in what will most likely be a close race. It is likely that Bush's views on environmental regulation and those of the ultimate Democratic nominee will clash dramatically. Bush's abhorrent track record on environmental concerns has already angered many Americans who value our natural treasures.

Bush has already weakened the Clean Air Act and eased restrictions on logging in the name of "healthy forests," but now he has his sights set on something even bigger – the gutting of the environmental regulatory process itself.

In 1970, President Richard Nixon signed into law the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), which basically directed federal agencies to "prevent or eliminate damage to the environment."

Yes, the language is more than a little broad. The statute obligates all federal agencies to examine and report to the public any and all ways in which a project might harm the environment. It requires impact



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and public input on any project that could potentially damage the environ-

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is the cornerstone for all other environmental regulations cur-

rently in place. More importantly, NEPA is democracy in action. For over three decades, NEPA has provided citizens with information about the projects that federal agencies are considering and has given those citizens a voice and a forum for their concerns.

The open process that NEPA creates insures that the final decision balances economic, environmental and public health issues. Because of NEPA, the people in the affected area have a say in whether there can be oil drilling in Alaska or whether a new highway can be built beside their neighborhood.

Unfortunately, Bush's Council on Environmental Quality, which happens to be headed by James Connaughton, a former oil industry lobbyist, has proposed rollbacks of NEPA. This would not only open up many of America's last wild places to development; but would also limit public input in the decisions. Whether you agree with the decision being made or not, you would be cut out of the process. Decisions regarding public welfare should involve the public.

The bottom line is that environmental standards are a good investment. Bush's very own Office of Management and Budget recently found that, on average, each dollar spent on environmental regulation this past decade returned more than six dollars in health care savings and increased worker productivity. So it seems that what is good for the envi-

#### **10 Key Values of the Green Party**

- 1. GRASSROOTS **DEMOCRACY**
- 2. SOCIAL JUSTICE AND **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY**
- 3. ECOLOGICAL **WISDOM**
- 4. NON-VIOLENCE
- 5. DECENTRALIZATION 6. COMMUNITY-BASED **ECONOMICS AND**

**ECONOMIC JUSTICE** 

- 7. FEMINISM AND **GENDER EQUITY**
- 8. RESPECT FOR
- **DIVERSITY**
- 9. PERSONAL AND **GLOBAL RESPONSIBILITY**
- 10. FUTURE FOCUS AND **SUSTAINABILITY**

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ronment is also good for the economy. In November, Bush will have to attempt to defend his track record; all Democratic candidates favor mandatory programs to cut carbon dioxide emissions and all

want to reverse Bush's easing of the Clean Air Act.

Howard Dean, Joseph Lieberman, and John Kerry all share an energy platform that would mandate generating 20% of the country's electricity from renewable resources by 2020. Such a program would have far-reaching positive repercussions. A strong national renewable energy infrastructure would create a multitude of jobs and help wean the country off foreign oil, giving a boost to the economy and increasing national security.

Environmental policy will not take center stage in November. Nevertheless, it remains a pertinent issue that impacts every individual in a personal way. The last presidential election was decided by a very small number of votes (five Supreme Court justices), and the environmental issues could pull swing voters either way. Regulations such as NEPA help ensure that future generations will still have resources and a healthy place to live. Contrary to what some believe, you don't have to choose between a healthful environment and a healthy economy, but you do have to keep the right to choose.

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## Response to "Democratic Demise"

Dear Editor,

While I must admit that most politicians give me a chuckle as well, I had an all out laugh while reading Tony's article on the "Democratic Demise."

He states the "current Democratic leadership consists of socialists whose outrageous comments and behavior make Howard Stern seem tame." Wow. Does he realize that the President has posed the question, "Is our children learning?" during campaign speeches? We also cannot forget this is the same President whose explanation of the difference between The Episcopal and Methodist churches was "We don't have as much kneeling. I'm sure there are some heavy doctrinal differences as well, which I'm not sophisticated enough to explain." (Quotes courtesy of irregulartimes.com) What about his admitting to drunk driving and cocaine use? Outrageous? Absolutely! Then you have his politics of sending our troops somewhere they don't belong and the business of sending our economy straight into the toilet. It could maybe be considered outrageous that during a major recession Bush thinks there should be mas-

sive tax cuts (that didn't work), or gee golly whiz, Bush's support to ban gay marriages as well as a woman's right to choose on the abortion issue. Who is calling who outra-

Tony goes on to attack Howard Dean, stating that he believes tax cuts are bad. Maybe he should have done some more research. Dean doesn't think all tax cuts are bad, just massive tax cuts for the upper class during a

Tony states that the "Dems" have shown a general disregard for what the majority of Americans believe. Well, I must be in the minority, because I believe in a freemarket with a strong economy, good leadership, and the right to make decisions about my health and happiness. The republicans sure aren't listening to \*ME\* when I tell them that's what \*I\* want. Float a little to the left, Tony. The air is a little less righteous there...seems like you could

> **Ginny Newton** Senior, Sociology Major

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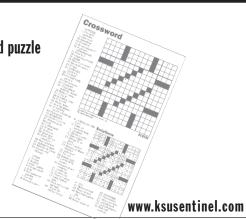


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# Roaming Reporter

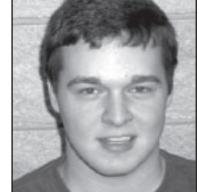
# KSU speaks out

Complaints. Everyone has them, and they are as much a part of life as death and taxes. Sometimes it is surprising what people complain about, and other times it is not. So KSU: If you had one complaint about Kennesaw, what would it



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- **Sports Management**
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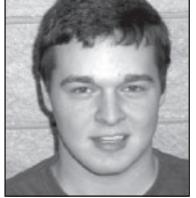
I did not get a call, like all my other friends, to inform me of my MMR form, so I got late registration.



- Stephen Touset
- **Computer Science**
- Junior
- Marietta

rant.

The state of information technology on campus is very poor. Online registration is fraught with problems, very limited searching and a substandard interface, among others. Sadly, I don't have room for a full





- Kerry Luczaj
- **Early Childhood Education**
- Junior

be?

Marietta

Parking is very bad.



- Sam Wilburn
- **Psychology**
- **Sophomore**

 Marietta No football team.



- Mahsa Masoudi
- English
- Sophomore
- Marietta

Construction is absolutely terrible at KSU. The temporary detours are even more bothersome. There are many cars going around and around campus trying to find parking spots and traffic is bad enough, so all the obtrusive speed bumps are not necessary. All the good spots are gone, but there are always spots by Waffle House. honestly though, who wants to park there? No one!

# Remembering a friend

Editor's note:

Freshmen Joseph Hawley approached The Sentinel staff last Thursday to inform us of a friend's death, undeclared freshman Aaron Larson. Hawley volunteered to write a few words about his friend.

#### **Joe Hawley**

**Guest Commentary** 

aron Larson has been the most honorable human being, I may ever meet in my life. He has been the greatest loss in my life to date as well. Aaron adored every aspect of humanity and his immeasurable humility was that of a Godsend. He had no idea his life would serve as such a turning point in so many lives. Aaron made an everlasting impression of decency, morality, spirituality, love, kindness, compassion, dignity and nobility on every single person with whom he made eye contact. Aaron had those eyes, angelic almost.

Aaron and I would speak about God. He wanted to become a minister after college. Girls, he finally got the phone number he wanted in Freshman Seminar on Tuesday (way to go buddy), and my favorite topic of conversation, our wonderful childhoods.

Strong families build strong children, and Aaron exemplified this. Aaron left me Tuesday evening so he could go spend time with his family. These types of things were not typical with all of my friends, but Aaron was different.

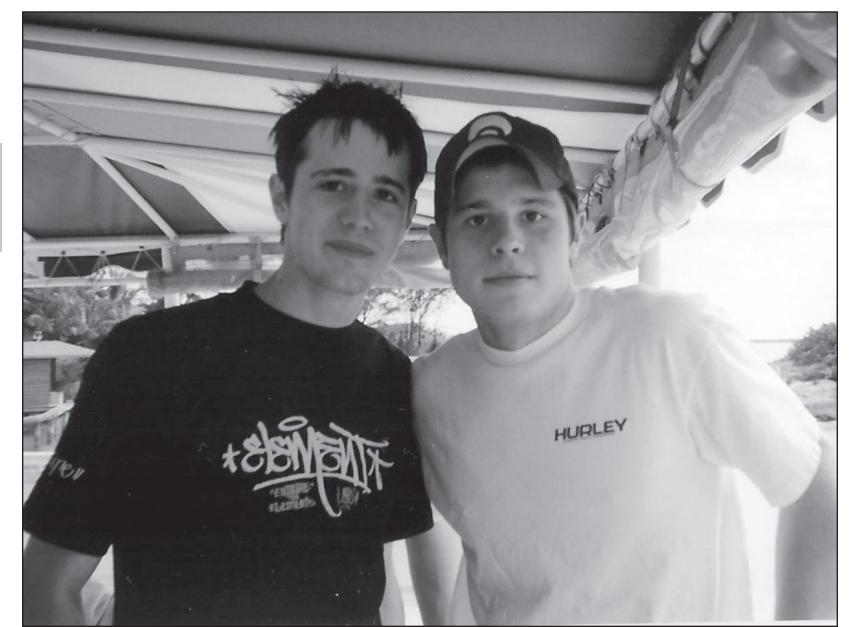
On Wednesday, I left Aaron so he could hang out with the

girl he liked from a class. Aaron told me he did not like girls who kiss on the first date. He called me later that evening, and we said we would see each other in the morning. Aaron passed on in an automobile accident Jan. 21. That is how quick it happened.

My right hand man is gone, and I still do not know what to do. Do not wait until tomorrow. Be here now, it is all you have. Live to your fullest every second you have been granted, you are on a time limit. Aaron left me on Wednesday, and I am still waiting for him. He will never leave my phone, because I will be waiting for him.

Aaron was 19-years-old, and graduated from Harrison High School in 2002. This was his first semester at KSU. He will forever be remembered in the thoughts and prayers of everyone he touched. I love you buddy. I will try harder in English so I can write you a better homage. I love you buddy. Thank You. You are a gift from God. I love you Aaron.

~ Understand that as the mighty wind, blowing everywhere, rests always in the sky, all beings rest in Me. ~ Bhagavad Gita





Clockwise: Aaron Larson (right) with his brother Brandon (left). Aaron takes his dirt bike out for a spin, Aaron enjoying a dip. Photos courtesy Joe Hawley.



# A real-life hero tells all

#### **Herman Boone's visit to KSU**

Erika Busby News Editor

SU was very lucky to have one of the best motivational speakers visit campus. The university was closed in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s 75<sup>th</sup> birthday, however a passerby would have never known while strolling by the Stillwell Theater. The seats were filled and some of the local media were present to enjoy the inspirational words of Herman Boone. He was invited by the African American Student Alliance to speak at KSU.

Boone is the former head foot-School in Alexandria, Virginia. He is legendary for his accomplishments of bringing rival football players together and making them a championship team. In fact, his accomplishments inspired the making of Rememberthe Titans with Denzel Washington portraying him.

Boone was hired as an assistant 1969 after the school where he was coaching decided they "were not ready for a black football coach." T. C. Williams was totally integrated in 1971, and Boone became the head coach of the Titans' football team.

He took that team, African-American and Caucasian members, and made them work together. He not only brought the football team together, he brought the whole town of Alexandria together. This was a major accomplishment considering the amount of civil unrest occurring in the United States at that time.

"Dr. King truly believes that all communities must enter into a covenant that we shall build a society in which all people: black people, white people, Native Americans, Christians, Muslims and Jews alike, will be able to walk tall without fear in their hearts."

Boone explained his trials and ball coach of the T.C. Williams High tribulations, and those that people face today, and related them to Dr. King's

Boone began his speech by remembering the tragic events of Sept. 11, 2001. He asked the audience: "Who is it among us here this morning who can not forget the ash-covered fire-fighters as they offered a hand of suffer to strangers in New football coach at T. C. Williams in York, stumbling in the rubble-strewed streets that morning. I asked you that because I was there."

On his way to deliver one of his remarkable speeches that day in New York City, Boone ran an errand for a



Boone is the former head football coach of the T.C. Williams High School.

"That morning I saw people: not black people, not white people, not Native Americans, not Asians," Boone said. "I saw people badly in need of help.'

As his presentation progressed, he related what happened on Sept. 11, 2001 to what Dr. King had preached

so many years ago.

Boone showed everyone on Dr. King's birthday that people helping people, no matter what ethnic background they came from, "was part of Dr. King's dream, service to mankind," Boone said.

## The ultimate parking spot

**Heather Croas** 

Features Editor

I have found the ultimate parking spot. It is in Gary, Indiana. To be honest, I was surprised to discover that there really was a Gary, Indiana. Wondering how I came upon such a choice parking spot? Granted I doubt my car is still there. It happened three years ago, when I was trying to merge on to the interstate and hit a patch of "black ice."

I freaked out when the car started to swerve and was scared oncoming traffic would hit me so I slammed on the brakes. Rule number one when driving on ice, I have since been told, never slam the brakes when you hit a patch of ice. It causes the car to spin out of control. The next thing I knew my

car was headed straight into the side of an 18wheeler

As this occurred, I remember thinking two things: "Oh \*\*it I'm going to die" and "Oh \*\*it Dad is going to kill me." I do not actually remember hitting the side of the truck, but apparently the car ricocheted off and went through the guardrail on the side of the road. What little I remember of the events is probably as big a blessing as the fact that I walked away with only a few bumps and bruises and a separated shoulder.

This accident was the most serious I have had behind the wheel of a car, and there is no good reason why I should have survived, but I did. It has provided me with a new perspective on life, and the parking situation on campus.

Life is too short to spend it arguing over parking spaces or having to walk too far. Trust me, without a car, walking is the best way I know to get around. It does irritate me that I have to pay \$70 a semester for parking, and I have not had a car for the last three years. What irritates me more are some of the stupid things people do in cars.

#### **BIRD'S EYE VIEW**



**Heather Croas** Features Editor

or around campus in general. There are speed limits for a reason, and hitting pedestrians is not a sport. Bad parking jobs, I mean really bad parking jobs, the little white lines on the ground are not there as guidelines. Parked cars

For example,

speeding through

the parking decks

are supposed to be placed in between them.

I have a challenge for anyone brave enough to accept it. Last semester we offered prizes to anyone who provided us with pictures of improperly parked cars. We are back.

Over the next three weeks I want everyone to go out and take photos of badly parked cars. We will choose the top three photos to run in the paper. That is not all, each of the winners will also receive a copy of MTV's Punk'd Season 1. E-mail the pictures to hnc1140@students.kennesaw.edu, or drop them off in The Sentinel office, room 227 in the student center.

#### Tauheedah Hasan

Staff Writer

Jan. 21-Feb. 26 The KSU School of the Arts hosts the second Rodolfo Morales Exhibition. The collages displayed are by Rodolfo Morales, and they are from the Collection of Nancy Mayagoitia. Gallery Hours are Monday-Thursday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. & Wednesday and Thursday 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. For more information, call 770-499-3223.

Jan. 29 ABLE is setting up a Coffee House in the Leadership

## campus shorts

Room above the cafeteria. All faculty, staff and students are invited to attend. There will be an open microphone, so everyone who attends will be able to share his or her talents. The coffee house is from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and refreshments will be provided.

Jan. 30-31 "Southern Order of Storytellers 22nd Annual Winter Storytelling Festival" takes place at the KSU Center. Admission prices range from \$2-\$25. This event will kick off on Friday, Jan. 30 at 1:30 p.m. The featured

Storyteller is Gayle Ross, a descendant of John Ross, the Principal Chief of the Cherokee

For more information visit www.SouthernOrderOfStorytellers.com, contact soswsfcmt@aol.com or call 770-587-2735.

**Jan. 31** The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Black Alumni Society's Scholarship Gala to raise money for the Wilkes/Burnett Black Alumni Society Scholarship.

The event begins at 7 p.m. in the student center University

Rooms A-C.

For more information contact Rosalyn King at rking@kennesaw.edu or call 770-499-3484.

Feb. 2 The Atlanta Chamber Players performs at 8 p.m. in the Stillwell Theater.

Tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for general admission.

For more information go to the Box Office, located in the J.M Wilson building next to Stillwell Theater, or call 770-423-6650.

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# THE SENTINEL

## Dear Dad, I think about you everyday

Luke Perry and Malcom-Jamal Warner star in Jeremiah

#### **Heather Croas**

Features Editor

ifteen years ago the Big Death killed everyone over the age of puberty, leaving behind a world of chaos and a bunch of kids to fend for themselves. Jeremiah was one of those children. He has since been searching for information about his long-lost father and the place his father called the Valhalla Sector.

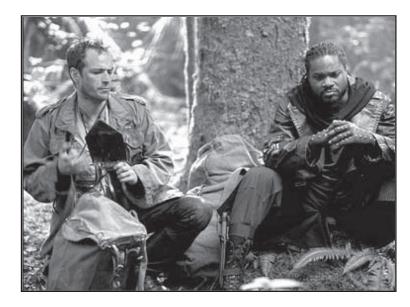
Along the way he meets Kurdy, another traveler just looking for a place to belong. When the two of them find themselves in Claresville, the sadistic leader Theo captures Jeremiah. While being held captive he meets Simon, who is from the "end of they discover that the Valhalla the world," a place be-

lieved to be a myth.

After escaping, Jeremiah and Kurdy return to Thunder Mountain to deliver a message from Simon who was shot and killed in the attempt. When they reach Thunder Mountain, they discover a

highly structured, well-run organization with some of the comforts from the Old World: electricity, running water, plenty of food, civilization and it is run by show's tone is serious overall, a brilliant leader, Marcus but there is subtle humor that Alexander.

Despite the reluctance felt on both sides, Jeremiah and Kurdy find themselves being brought



Marcus to use the resources of Thunder Mountain to help people on the outside while keeping their existence a secret.

As the journey progresses,

Sector exists. It is being run by the military and someone is trying to prevent Jeremiah from finding it. They also discover that they are adults survivors from the Big Death, and the plague may return worse than be-

DVD

Review

For those who enjoy science fiction drama, Jeremiah is a must-see experience. The makes it enjoyable to watch. The interactions between Jeremiah and Kurdy are often similar to that of an old married couple,

occasionally, but they genuinely care about one another.

The box-set allows viewers to sit down and watch the entire season at their own pace without having the weekly wait what happens next. The season ending cliffhanger leaves the viewer longing for the DVD release of Season 2.

While there are some special features, they are limited to a few deleted scenes found on the first disc. The problem with the deleted scenes is that they all run together, and there is no indication of which episode they came

It would have been nice for there to have been a few more extra features, possibly a documentary on the back story of Jeremiah, but it did not lessen the enjoyability of the DVD experience. Overall this is a must-own for fans of Jeremiah or the science fiction drama genre.

#### into the fold. Jeremiah convinces they get on each other's nerves Grade: A-

What happens when a funny guy gets serious

Review of the Butterfly Effect with Ashton Kutcher and Amy Smart

#### Tauhedah Hasan

Staff Writer

MTV's personality Ashton Kutcher stars in the new thriller The Butterfly Effect. The title comes from the theory that all events have unforeseen consequences; a butterfly flaps it's wings in North Dakota and a monsoon happens in Africa. Kutcher is known for his roles in the movies Dude, Where's My Car and Just Married. He is also know for the hit television series Punked and That 70's Show.

Kutcher's co-stars include Amy Smart (Varsity Blues) who plays his girlfriend Kayleigh,

E 1 d e n Henderson (She's All That) and Eric Stoltz (Jerry Maguire). It is directed by Eric Bress and J. Mackye Gruber, who brought you Final Destination 2.

first dramatic

Review For his

Movie

role, Kutcher plays Evan Treborn, a 20-year-old college student whose childhood is filled with blackouts and bizarre incidents. Evan is told by his psychologist to keep journals on his memories.

Three years later, he finds his journal and when he reads what he wrote, he is projected back into the past. Evan has inherited the power of going back in time



and altering history.

He tries to save his girlfriend from her suicide, his besieged mother from cancer and his friends from the bad

things that have happened in their lives. Evan's childhood crammed with abuse that contributes to his mental state. Going back in time not only changes the past, it also affects present.

When Evan wakes up from his blackouts he does not remember or recall what has occurred and his surroundings are different. Smart plays his girlfriend, who is a happy sorority girl with no worries, but the havoc that Evan prevented in the past has changed the present. Kayleigh (Smart) is now a drug addict that cannot get her life together.

Kutcher deserves credit for attempting to play a seri-

ous guy, but some people are just destined to be funny. Kutcher is one of those people. He had a few moments where you could see that he was genuine in his quest for acceptance, but then the Punked star came out and was not believable.

The storyline was enjoyable and the directors of this movie were trying to do something different. The movie could have been a potential hit if Matt Damon or Brad Pitt had played the main part.

Why should Kutcher veer away from the comedic roles that have made him who he is today? There was a possibility that he could have been a good dramatic actor, but based on The Butterfly Effect this is not the case. Smart, who plays two different characters in the movie, adds depth to this film. All Smart needed was a magnificent actor to co-star with and the film would be in the Golden Globe category.

Grade: C+

# **Reel News (Movies/DVD)**

Editor in Chief

#### **Mindhunters (movie releases 01/23/04)**

The film takes place on a remote island where the FBI has a training program for their psychological profiling division known as "Mindhunters." Their job is to profile and track serial killers.

There are seven trainees on the island, and it seems that one of them is a serial killer who is slowly killing off fellow agents. In a race against time and logic, the group must flex their skills to figure which one is the killer and stop them before it is too late.

The movie stars Val Kilmer, LL Cool J, Christian Slater and was directed by Renny Harlin.

#### Trivia:

• Even though Kilmer is reputed to be hard to work with, Roger Friedman reported on FOXNews.com that Renny Harlin said Kilmer is a changed man, because Harlin changed him.



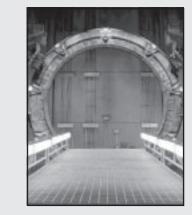
#### **Stargate SG-1: Season 5 (1/20)**

The fifth season of this popular sci-fi show originally aired in 2001. The DVD set offers all 22 episodes, including the 100th episode spoof Wormhole X-treme. Extras provided with the box set include commentaries for every episode, three video diaries created specifically for the DVD, featurettes including Inside the Tomb and Dr. Daniel Jackson - A Tribute and a galley of photo stills from the season.

#### Trivia

• The SG-1 visual effects team (James Tichenor, Mark Breakspear, Adam de Bosch Kemper, Shannon Gurney, Robin Hackl, Kevin Little, Krista McLean, and Craig Van Den Biggelaar) won a Gemini (a Canadian award for television excellence) for the episode *Revelations*.

Richard Dean Anderson (Colonel Jonathan "Jack" O'Neill and executive producer) originally wanted to be a professional hockey player, but that changed after he broke both of his arms in separate collisions.



#### **Radio (1/27)**

Cuba Gooding Jr. and Ed Harris star in this real life story about James Robert Kennedy a.k.a. Radio and Coach Harold Jones. Radio is a mentallychallenged and illiterate man from South Carolina whose heart and determination inspired a small southern town. The film explores the relationship between the two men that started in 1964 as Radio grew under the mentoring of Jones as an assistant for the high school team.

James Robert "Radio" Kennedy still works at T.L. Hanna High School in Anderson, S.C., and in the 40 years that he has been there, he has been head cheerleader, assistant coach and team manager.



#### **Thirteen (1/27)**

This film shows a darker side of being a teenager, and it also takes on a subject not often discussed.

Tracy (played by Evan Rachel Wood) is an 'A' student, but she has a secret that nobody knows. To relieve her of the stress and pressures of life, Tracy cuts herself and always wears long sleeves to hide it.

If that is not dark enough, she lives with her single mother who is a recovering alcoholic, and Tracy also falls in with a bad group of kids. Even though Evie, played by Nikki Reed, takes Tracy under her wing like a sister and gushes over Tracy's mother, she proves to be manipulative and troublesome

As the movie progresses, Tracy begins to spiral out of control and it will be up to her mother to rescue her. It is a powerful film, and the raw emotions that are tapped into by the cast will see leave viewers stunned.

#### Trivia

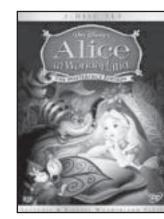
• Not only did Hardwicke direct the film, she was a co-author of the script with actress Nikki Reed, who plays Evie. Reed was only 13-years-old when she started the screenplay.



#### **Alice in Wonderland (1/27)**

The film was first released in 1951, but this adaptation of the 1865 novel by Lewis Carroll is still a family classic. It begins when Alice follows the white rabbit into a wonderland of her imagination. There she meets the Mad Hatter, the Chesire Cat, the Queen of Hearts and many more memorable characters.

Disney is releasing it as a remastered two-disc special edition, and it will have lots of extra materials including Virtual Wonderland Party activities, Thru the Mirror (an animated short with Mickey Mouse), "I'm Odd" a never before heard song, two Sing-Along songs, a set-top game, two featurettes An Alice Comedy: Alice's Wonderland and Operation Wonderland, the documentary One Hour in Wonderland, deleted materials and more.



#### Trivia

This was the first Disney animated film to have ending credits.

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#### You think this column is funny, but it's snot

as anyone ever noticed their index finger size is in direct proportion to that of their nostrils? It is true. Have you ever seen a person incapable of jamming their finger up their nose to dig out a little morsel?

Even my one-year-old son, who has hands like oven mitts and nostrils like B.B. shots, can get his finger up his nose. Here are some more interesting facts about picking your nose.

According to Sciencedaily.com, nose

# The



**Leslie Thompson Humor Columnist** 

the nose with the finger, also called

matter or mucus from

rhinotillexomania.

Emedicine.com claims that 91% of adults pick their noses, although most do it in private. Nose picking usually stems from childhood habits most children did to annov their mother. However, nose picking has been linked to habit disorders. (The subject specifically named no disorders.)

Intrigued, I have

gone forth and made some observations of nose picking in general and those who do it. I have listed each style and the most dominant character traits of those who engage in the habit.

**Delicate Dippers**: A single well-manicured fingernail is gently inserted just inside the nostril; where upon whatever is lurking inside the threshold is removed.

Common traits: Delicate Dippers are often well-mannered and well-groomed individuals who would much rather pick their nose than be caught with a cliffhanger. These individuals are self-possessed and wear expressions of haughtiness. Beauty queens, the social elite and most anyone often employ this style on a date.

Gold Diggers: These individuals often insert their finger into the nostril to the first knuckle and rotate ensuring complete removal

Common traits: These individuals are a

determined lot. Expressions of intense concentration cover the face while their posture is hunched and aggressive. This style is commonly used by professional types and perfectionists.

**Searching For My Brain**: The individual's finger is inserted into the nostril to the second knuckle. The hand moves back and forth in a scratching motion as if the picker is searching for something important.

Common traits: These individuals possess an air of relaxed contemplation. Their expression is picking is defined as the act of removing foreign slack and their posture is one that sprawls over furniture. Those who use illegal substances excessively and those who do not get enough sleep employ this style.

Flickers: Removal of matter from nose can range from the "Digger" to the "Dipper." It is the flick of finger against thumb that defines this particular style of picking.

Common traits: The individual possesses expressions of either complete oblivion or of intense rage. In the case of oblivion, the flicker is often engaged in some other activity while picking and is simply removing the booger.

In the case of the enraged, the picker is often driving and has a large mass of mucus prepared as a weapon. Posture varies from relaxed to stiff, but the arm is always held away from the body. Those who are studious and/or susceptible to road rage most often employ this style. Oblivious flickers are benign and difficult to spot. Angry flickers employ an "If you tailgate me I'll flick a booger on your windshield" bumper sticker.

Liars: Deny, deny, deny.

Common traits: These individuals have clean hands and faces. Their complexions are clear and their nasal passages are in a state of general wellbeing. These individuals wear expressions of disgust and their postures demonstrate contempt. Individuals who claim they have never picked their nose most often employ this style. They are also known as "Belchers," "Farters" and "The Smelly Guy."

Editor's note: To those who are considering taking this seriously: It should be noted that this article is mostly based on casual observations made by the writer and, should in no way be regarded as anything scientific, observant or in

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Grisham."

American Idol: "I have great respect for many leaders both living and not, but it is difficult to pick just one."

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"This team does not need motivation from last year; we are selfmotivated"

~ Coach Whitlock on upcoming softball season

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#### **2004 Hockey Schedule**

2/5	&UGA	9:30p
2/13	@Tulane	TBD
2/14	@Tulane	TBD
3/20	#Middle Tenn. SU	9:30p

- # Denotes at Ice Forum @ Town Center \* - Denotes at Ice Forum @ South Lake
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#### **2004 Basketball Schedule**

1/28	@Georgia State	5:30pm
1/31	Francis Marion	2:00pn
2/4	@Armstrong At.	5:30pn
2/7	@Lander	5:30pn
2/11	@Clayton State	5:30pn
2/14	North Florida	2:00pn
2/18	Columbus State	5:30pn
2/21	@UNC Pembroke	2:00pn
2/25	Clayton State	5:30pn
2/28	@North Florida	2:00pn

\*Times denote women's games \*Men's games start 2 hours after women's times

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Senior, Forward, Reggie McKoy. He had 27 rebounds against Augusta State on Sat., Jan. 24th.

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**KSU Softball on the prowl** Owls looking for redemption after questionable season end **Nathan McCreary** 

Senior Staff Writer

SU's softball team is pre paring for the 2004 sea son and a chance to redeem last year's snubbing by the NCAA South-Atlantic Region, who abruptly ended KSU's 2003 campaign.

On April 20, 2003, the KSU Owl's (35-11) were ranked 15th in the nation and had finished runner-up in the Peach Belt Championship losing out to North Florida. The Owls had the top softball player in the south, and maybe the nation, in freshman

Janet Kearns, who in 16 starts finished with 12 complete games and a 1.54

Kearns got the attention of the NCAA softball world, as she threw a perfect game in her first collegiate game to open the 2003 season against Tennessee-Wesleyan. The Owls also had power-hitter Cambria McKay, who led the Owls in home runs (16), runs batted in (53), slugging percentage (.803) and on-base percentage (.506).

On May 6, 2003, the South Atlantic Region selected six teams to participate in the NCAA tournament and KSU was not one of them. The South-Atlantic Re-

gion selected North Florida, Georgia College and State University, Columbus State, Armstrong Atlantic, Wingate and Longwood to represent the region.

Columbus State and Armstrong Atlantic both share the Peach Belt Conference with KSU; however, they finished behind the Owls in the PBC rankings. In headto-head games, the Owls' won two of three against Columbus State and Armstrong Atlantic.

The feeling among KSU's athletic department, coaching staff, players and fans was sick confusion. The Owls' season was over and they would not get a chance to bring a championship

back to KSU.

Jan. 23, 2004, KSU's Softball Head Coach Scott Whitlock is running drills and intense practices with his team in preparation for the new season. Whitlock has not forgotten what happened last year.

"We will never forget what happened last year," Whitlock said, "but we are not using it as motivation. This team does not need motivation from last year; we are self motivated. Last year will always remind us that there are no guarantees, and we did not



Janet Kearns sustained a 1.54 ERA last season and

do what it took to get it done."

In 2003, the Owls freshmen were the driving force behind the 35-11 season. This year, KSU has three more freshmen that will contribute throughout the season, Jennifer Nolan, Kelly Cowart and Keri McKee.

Nolan is an infielder from Woodstock High School, where she was voted Most Valuable Player her freshman, junior and senior years. She was chosen to the All-Cherokee County Team in each of her four prep seasons and was also selected as the Atlanta Journal Constitution's Offensive Player of the Year.

Cowart will play in the out-

Cowart was a Scholar Athlete Award winner. McKee comes to KSU from North Gwinnett High School and will play in the infield. McKee's was recognized as the Gwinnett

field and pitch for the Owls. She

was a 2002 First Team All-State

selection, and she was a member of

the 2002 North Georgia High

School All Star Team. In 2002,

County Player of the Year in 2000, a Second Team All-State selection in 2000 and was named North Gwinnett High School's MVP in 2000. In 2001, she was

selected to First Team All-County, voted to the second team All-State and chosen as team MVP in 2001.

McKee was named a First Team All-County selection in 2000 and was a Second Team All-State pick and was named high school MVP in 2002. McKee finished her prep career with a .381 batting average and held the county record for career singles, doubles, triples and RBI's for Gwinnett County. Whitlock specifically named these three freshmen as players to watch for in 2004.

The Owl's returning key players in 2004 include pitchers Kearns and Lisa Macki, catcher McKay, outfielder Amy Middleton and infielder Lisa Lamb.

The Owls also return to KSU's campus to play home games at the new Bobbie Bailey Athletic Complex. "This place has not sunk in yet," Whitlock said. "It exceeds anything I could have imagined."

Whitlock wanted his players to understand who owns the complex in his eyes, "The alumni game is coming up in a couple of weeks, which is appropriate...the players that played here 13-14 years ago built this complex," Whitlock said. "We are just using it."

KSU will officially open the new complex with the first game of the season on Saturday, Feb. 7 against Tusculum.



**Junior Tommy Thompson** brings the ball down court to set up a play.

#### "A force to be reckoned with"

**Joseph Dollar** 

Senior Staff Writer

he men's basketball team dominated Armstrong Atlantic State University 76-61, Jan. 21, at the Spec Landrum Center, but the score was not indicative of the real outcome of the match.

Head coach Tony Ingle had pulled his main players with a 27-point lead earlier in the game. AASU then hit three shots from behind the arch, which narrowed the margin of victory for KSU.

The message that Ingle believes his team is sending to the rest of the Peach Belt Conference is that they are a "force to be reckoned with."

There were many respectable efforts on the Owl's team that night. Perhaps the most noted was senior forward Reggie McKoy. McKoy collected 22 rebounds and 14 points against AASU. "I came out in the second half with more intensity," Mckoy said. "They are known for being a good second half

Senior guard Terrence Hill said, "That is the best rebounding performance I have ever seen."

Hill showed his professional attitude by playing while sick. He had not practiced all

week due to illness, but was able to play 31 minutes and score 19 points. "I was just trying to get my teammates involved mostly," Hill said.

The game seemed to be a good match up during the first half, when the Pirates were able to hold the Owls to 29 points. The score was 29-20 at the half.

Tobias Seldon started the second half for the ailing Hill. Ingle was very impressed with the spark that Seldon provided for his team. "He was like a jackin-the-box for us," Ingle said.

Seldon finished the game with seven points, three rebounds, two assists, two steals and most importantly 21 crucial minutes played.

"Once Seldon gets on a roll he is hard to stop," McKoy said.

That was characteristic of the whole KSU team Wednesday night. They started to cruise and never let off the gas pedal until the game was won. Ingle describes his team as having a "stifling" defense. They nabbed 13 steals, while preventing the Pirates from getting a clear shot at the basket most of the night.

Ingle feels the team has really developed some great chemistry. The wins his team has accumulated over the last couple of weeks seem to back up his theory.

# Injuries in the nest lead to losses in tournament

The Gulf Coast Clash does not go well for Owl's hockey.

**Richard L. Johnson** 

Assistant Photo Editor

at the 2004 Gulf Coast ish fifth in the tournament.

the University of Central Florida, the Owls were defeated plagued by injuries. Dave 5-1. Bret Gibout scored KSU's only goal.

Florida Gulf Coast University vital component of the Owls ended in a 7-2 loss. Brian Wickstrom, the Owls points leader, scored both goals.

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, the Owls ended a he Owls ran into trouble four game losing streak with an 11-3 score to win. Wickstrom L Clash, when they lost posted four goals. Gibout, Bryan two of their three games to fin- Griggs and Robert Farris added two each and Ryan Falvai added In the opening game against one to put this game away.

The Owls continue to be Kudlats injured his right elbow and required eight stitches to The second game against close the wound. Kudlats is a defense and was unable to play in the remainder of the tournament. Alain Farag, offenseman, In the final game against remains sidelined by injuries incurred in the Wagner game.

"Bottom line, injuries are killing us," said head coach Craig MacDonald.

In both losses, the Owls played two strong periods but appeared worn down in the third. While the team has depth of talent, losing two players forces other players to play longer.

Coach MacDonald remains optimistic about the future of the Owls hockey program. "Lots of effort. We continue to build the hockey program through events such as this," said MacDonald about the Gulf Coast Clash.



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The Owls hockey season is slowly slipping away.

**Complied by Chris Lerstang** Senior Staff Writer

Saturday, Jan. 31

#### No. 1 Duke at No. 13 **Georgia Tech** 5:00 PM **Alexander Memorial** Coliseum Atlanta, Georgia

The ACC is brutal this season, and no one knows that more than GeorgiaTech. They beat No. 7 Wake Forest last week but then lost to NC State. Now they have to take on the top team in the nation, Duke. The Yellow Jackets must get a hand in the face of guard J.J. Redick, who leads the Blue Devils with 16.1 PPG., or it will be a long night. Duke could be eyeing their next game at North Carolina and overlook a very athletic Tech team. This one needs to go in the upset special category. Expect GT to get the big win.

#### No. 8 Kentucky at No. 22 **Vanderbilt** 12:00 PM **Memorial Gym**

Nashville, TN

The 'Dores of Vanderbilt got off to a hot start by winning their first

TONY INGLE, FROM PAGE 1

he is the one leading the way.

He is the one teaching them

[the students] how to do it."

According to KSU athlet-

ics, the men's basketball team

is currently 16-4, as of Jan. 27.

conference and ranked number

1 in the South Division of the Peach Belt Conference. The team has strong, committed

players and good fans. Ingle says they have a good thing

"We have been winning,

the cheerleaders add a lot to

the game, there is a lot of

enthusiasm and we have a

good pep band," Ingle said.

is a wild and crazy student

section... [but] this is their

be a part of that, it is defi-

nitely their decision."

university and if they want to

The men's basketball

team's home record goes to

show fans are inspiring the

team to win. The screaming,

"About the only thing lacking

going, but they are still

missing one thing.

They are 9-0 at home, 6-0 in

12 games but have struggled of late, losing three of their last four in the SEC. Forward Matt Freije, who averages 18.0 ppg, can score from down low and from the perimeter. UK will be playing its third game of the week and might not have the freshest of legs, but with guard Gerald Fitch hitting the outside "J" and Chuck Hayes cleaning the glass, the Wildcats will be too much. Expect UK to get a hard-fought vic-

#### Marquette at No. 6 Louisville 3:00 PM **Freedom Hall** Louisville, KY

After losing their opener, the Cardinals have ripped off 14 straight wins as of this writing and have beaten two top five teams in Kentucky and Cincinnati already. Rick Pitino does not really have a superstar, but he uses balanced scoring and tough defense to get his wins. Marquette is not as strong as its been in the past and needs a big "W" to get back in the Conference USA race. It will not happen at Freedom Hall. Expect Louisville in a rout.

#### **Francis Marion at Kennesaw** State 4:00 PM **Spec Landrum Centre** Kennesaw, GA

Assuming both teams won on Wednesday, these teams will be undefeated in the Peach Belt Conference and atop their respective divisions. The Owls can always count on Terrence Hill for scoring, but forward Reggie McKoy has taken his game into the stratosphere by averaging 24.5 rebounds in the last week. The Patriots have gotten off to their hot start by playing good, hard defense, leading the conference in most defensive categories. Should be one of the biggest games ever at the "Spec."

Monday, Feb. 2

#### No. 16 Syracuse at No. 4 Connecticut 7:00 PM **Gampel Pavilion** Storrs, CT

The Huskies will be happy to be back home after two straight Big East road games but will have their hands full with Syracuse. Emeka Okafor has emerged as the best player in the country, averaging a double-double for UConn: however, don't forget about Ben Gordon and his 17.7 ppg. The Orangemen counter with forward Hakim Warrick (19.8 ppg) who will have to battle down low to keep Okafor in check. UConn is at home and is just simply better. Expect the Huskies to roll.

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Coach Ingle with the seniors (from Lto R): #33-Justin Thompson, #24-Terrence Hill, #0-Reggie McKoy.

referees when a bad call is made makes Ingle's job much

With the debut of Courtside with Tony Ingle, Ingle is bringing the game into the fans' homes. He says he is very excited about bringing the game to people who are unable to leave their homes.

"I believe the true leader is one who serves others," Ingle said. "This is a way we can serve our community by putting something out there for

Ingle is building a foundation to make KSU athletics more prominent, and lighting a path for other KSU athletic

"The cake looks good," Ingle said. "We just have to light the candles."

Courtside with Tony Ingle is scheduled to air Fridays at 6:00 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. on channel 23.

# **Owls dominate Peach Belt**

Men's basketball improves conference record to (6-0)

**Joseph Dollar** 

Senior Staff Writer

eggie McKoy grabbed 27 rebounds Saturday night to keep the Kennesaw State men's basketball perfect conference record in tact.

The 27 rebounds eclipsed the former team and conference record of 24. McKoy shrugged off his accomplishment saying, "It just means I got 27 rebounds."

With the 77-45 win over the Augusta State Jaguars, KSU (16-4, 6-0) surpassed the team record for lowest points in a Peach Belt conference game. The previous record was 46.

Head Coach Tony Ingle attributes the point record to hard work on the defensive end of the floor. The Jaguars repeatedly tried to bait the Owls into a physical brand of basketball that would help deter their scoring output.

Junior swingman Rey Luque says that Ingle has a lot to do with KSU not straying from their game plan. "We work on that everyday in practice. Coach preaches to not bite into that type of play."

The Owls came out firing on all cylinders from the beginning of the game. They jumped out to a comfortable lead by imposing their will on both offense and defense. The Owls led 35-18 at halftime.

The second half was more of the same for both teams. KSU was



able to stretch their lead by holding ASU to 30% shooting from the field for the game.

It was nice to see the score tell the story of the game. Normally the Owls get out to huge lead, and then let the opposing team creep back in towards the end of the game. "Coach emphasized putting two halves together," McKoy said. "We're gonna need that going into the (PBC) tournament."

While McKoy was the defensive leader, Luque was the offensive catalyst. He led the way with 24 points. "It seems that Rey

is always covered," said Ingle, "but is still able to get his shot off smoothly."

The Jaguars were called for three technical fouls in the match. Each time Ingle chose for Luque to go to the line for his team. "Coach really trusts me at the free throw line," Luque said. He was eight for eight from the line that

The Owls are in Milledgeville on Jan. 28, for a game against Georgia College and State University at 7:30 p.m.

# **Circle of Honor induction to** highlight softball alumni day

Press Release

n Saturday, January 31 at 11:00 AM, the KSU Softball Program will celebrate its annual Alumni Day and Games. On a day to both reminisce and look ahead, many of the stars from past teams will join current Owl players and coaches to kickoff the 2004 season.

This year's event will feature two very special additions to KSU's great softball tradition. First, the day will see three former Owl standouts inducted as the inaugural class into the KSU Softball Circle of Honor. Secondly, the day will be the first official event held at the new \$3.5 million Bobbie Bailey Complex and newly renovated Owl Field.

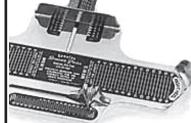




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