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### SGA approves \$35 fee increase for fall

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NEWS EDITOR

The Student Government Association (SGA) approved a \$35 increase in student fees for the fall 2010 semester in order to complete the Owls Nest Recreation and Sports Park on George Busbee Parkway.

During the KSU Vision 2010-2015 forums held Oct. 12-15, President Daniel Papp presented information about projects the university planned to complete in the future. He told attendees that he and other university officials would be requesting that SGA approve the \$35 fee

increase, the only increase for the fall semester.

"The additions to the sports park would include about 7 new fields, a possible track, an 8300 seat stadium, additional parking, walking/jogging trails, possible volleyball courts and other amenities," said SGA president Daniel Street.

The stadium would be used for KSU women's soccer in the fall and professional soccer in the spring. It would also be a venue for concerts, holding up to 15,000 and would have a "killer sound system," according to Papp.

SGA president Daniel Street pre-

sented statistics about the forums to SGA members at their Oct. 21 meeting. According to his presentation, 415 people attended the Vision forums, not including the people who viewed online. Following the forums, SGA conducted an online survey, which 396 students completed. The results showed that most students were in support of the plans outlined during the Vision forums.

"I strongly believe that the numbers you've seen support a positive vote," said Papp to the SGA before it held its vote.

The SGA then approved the fee

unanimously.

The fee increase will be presented to the Student Fee Committee for approval Nov. 3 and then, if approved, will be submitted to the Board of Regents either in November, December or January.

Papp said the stadium would be ready to use by May 1, 2010, and the additional fields would be built in summer 2010.

"We will [eventually] be voting on an additional fee in regard to the planned Student Recreation Center, which is in its first stages of planning," said SGA senator Kevin Hagler.

### KSU Housing hoping to add 500 bedrooms by 2011-2012



The 100 Building, shown above, is part of Phase Two of KSU Place. KSU's master plan calls for these buildings, which were built in the early 1980s, to be torn down to make room for more efficiently-built student housing. They currently house about 200 students, but KSU Housing hopes to eventually replace them with a building that could house 600-700 students.

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KSU Housing hopes to make 500 new rooms available to students in 2011-2012 next to University Place (UP).

UP currently has 700 rooms. The addition of 500 more rooms on campus would further develop the residential areas on the south side of campus.

Campus housing is in high demand among students; students often have to be placed on waiting lists to lease rooms.

KSU can accommodate a maximum of 3,044 on-campus residents, with 3,034 students living on campus.

The plans for KSU Place are another area of concern about student housing.

KSU's master plan calls for KSU Place Phase Two to be torn down to make way for more efficiently-built student housing in its place.

Located on the north side of campus, KSU Place features Phase One and Phase Two, offering a total of 582 beds.

Both phases were built in the early 1980s and were formerly called College Headquarters and University Manor.

They were apartments leased by a private company to students and non-students. The KSU Foundation, an organization committed to the development of the university, purchased the buildings.

In 2002, KSU Phase One became the first on-campus housing available to students; Phase Two became available in 2004.

"Where those four build-

ings are now, where only about 200 students live, we could tear those four down, we could build a building where maybe 600 or 700 students could live," Director of Residence Life and Interim Dean of Student Success Services Michael Sanserviro said.

KSU Housing would have to ask its 200 Phase Two residents to vacate their apartments and relocate off-campus.

However, the 500 new beds made available next to UP would give Phase One residents the option to continue living on campus.

KSU Housing also plans to build more suites for additional freshman housing.

"As we build more housing, we would like to build more suites, that way we could eventually have

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### Monster Ball to be held Saturday



Caitlyn Van Orden | The Sentinel  
RA Shellie Floyd, right, and friend dressed as Juno and Bleeker for last year's Monster Ball. The event will be held again this year on Halloween night in the Student Center.

HEATHER COOK  
STAFF WRITER

Residence Life will host its 8th annual Monster Ball Halloween night in the Student Center.

The event will begin at 9 p.m. and end at 1 a.m.

The Monster Ball is a big costume party, and there are contests for costume design. This year there are 15 different categories with prizes in each one. The ball also provides a safe environment for students to enjoy themselves.

"Students should attend Monster Ball because it is the place to be on Halloween night," said Justin Koonz, coordinator of Residence Life. "Each year we have hundreds of students show up throughout the evening dressed up and showing off their cre-

ativity in costume design. They can get free items, of course, and hang out with friends, but overall it creates an atmosphere like no other. The Department of Residence Life puts forth a lot of effort to convert the University Rooms each year into a Halloween-themed ball, and the decor is amazing. Supporting KSU related events is always important, no matter what, where and when, but this is one of Residence Life's events of the year."

There will be T-Shirt giveaways (while supplies last) and tons of dancing. There will also be a snack bar and candy strewn across tables.

"The best part about Monster Ball is just the atmosphere of having such a large event on

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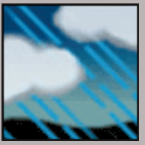
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Where: Clendinin 1009  
Details: Presentations, free food, prizes

What: Literary open mic night  
When: Wed. Oct. 28, 6:30 - 9 p.m.  
Where: Student Center Room 213  
Details: Hosted by Share Art & Literary Magazine

What: Magician Brian Brushwood  
When: Wed. Oct. 28, 7 p.m.  
Where: Social Science Room 1021  
Details: Presented by KAB

What: Fall Fest & Thriller Dance Off  
When: Thurs. Oct. 29, 7 p.m.  
Where: Student Center Main Dining Room  
Details: Hosted by KAB, featuring KSU Dance Company

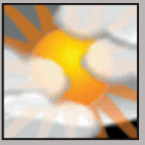
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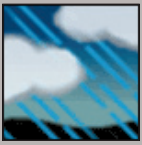
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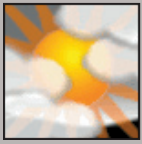
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For The Sentinel

**Making a difference one yogurt top at a time**  
Omega Phi Alpha raised over \$600 for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation Thursday, Oct. 22, in the student center atrium. (right to left) Gaberiel Miller, Savannah Clark, Molly Flageolle, Jessica Bowron and Courtney Coughlan.

## Residence Life wins 3 housing awards

ALAN MOORE  
STAFF WRITER

Officials from Residence Life took home several top honors at the Georgia Housing Officers (GHO) statewide conference, which was held at Georgia Tech.

According to GHO, a total of six awards are given each year to residence life professionals throughout the state.

Members of the association make confidential nominations each year that are evaluated by a judging panel comprised of residence life directors, coordinators, students and similar individuals.

KSU staff members won three of the six annual awards. Interim Dean of Student Success and Director of

Residence Life Michael Sanseviro said, "In our short history, the department has received many statewide honors from GHO, but this is the most awards we've won simultaneously. We were particularly honored because of the competitive pool this year with dozens of nominees from over 20 institutions."

Sanseviro received the group's Excellence in Housing award in 2008, which honors individuals who have served in residence life throughout their careers and made significant contributions to the profession.

KSU Residence Life Associate Director Jeff Cooper was honored with GHO's Outstanding Professional award in recognition of contributions to residence life, student success, the institution as a whole and membership, as well as involvement in professional service at the state, regional and/or national levels.

Cooper was cited for quickly developing a comprehensive staff development program less than a month after coming to KSU and for researching and implementing a pilot First Year Residential Experience program.

The department as a whole took home the "Georgia Gee Whiz" award for its weekly "Tea Time" program. GHO judges found that the weekly staff development program contributed to progress in the areas of department efficiency and overall effectiveness.

Sanseviro said Tea Time came about by accident: "Residence Life had grown rapidly and expanded into five separate offices across campus, so we were discussing ways to help connect students to their resident assistants and the professional staff. A new Jittery Joe's coffee shop had just opened in the freshman suites, and the manager,

a delightful British woman, shared stories of grand tea times back in England, so when we opened the new main office location, we had Jittery Joe's cater a 'high tea.' The event was so well received that we decided to make it a weekly event."

Justin Koonz, coordinator of Residence Life, received the Vickie Hawkins Outstanding New Professional Award, presented each year to a staff member in the first three years of full-time professional residence life work. Koonz is responsible for managing the activities and work of staff members in the first-year student building in KSU's first suite complex. His work has extended outside of the building as well, leading to in-

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volvement and logistical oversight work with the "Get In Gear" programs hosted at the outset of each semester.

Other past KSU honorees include LaShandra Little with the Hawkins New Professional Award, T.J. Greggs with the Contribution to Campus honor in 2006 and Amy Gallimore Wrye with the Contribution to Campus award in 2004.

According to GHO, the organization "...exists to provide an opportunity to college and university housing officers for personal and professional growth through attendance at annual conferences and to facilitate an exchange of ideas and dialogue with professional colleagues."

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all freshman living in suites, so all the freshman could have the same type of experience."

Out of the 3,034 students living on campus, 1,400 are freshman.

University Village Suites were completed in August of 2008 and were specifically designed with freshmen in mind.

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campus that students want to attend," said Koonz. "Watching all the effort that each student puts into their costumes shows that true support they have for the event. The department puts in a lot of effort to creating the decor and providing the students with a night they will never forget."

KSU's Monster Ball began in 2002. The year preceding the first ball, the movie "Monster's Ball" starring Halle Berry came out in theaters. Amy Wrye, the first resident life coordinator,

decided to name the event after the movie, and KSU's Monster Ball was born.

"It began when housing first opened as the first signature event for residential students to have something fun and unique of their own, and over the years it has grown into a university-wide tradition," said Sanseviro.

"It has grown and improved every year since, with hundreds of students and their guests attending annually," said Sanseviro. "The crowd is big, the costumes are great and the music is loud."

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# \$8.9 million granted to create teacher program

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STAFF WRITER

The U.S. Department of Education awarded KSU an \$8.9 million grant to create a modern K-12 teacher preparation program for Cobb County schools.

KSU received the five-year grant earlier this month as an effort to prepare upcoming teachers to teach in diverse, urban areas of Cobb County, one of the largest school districts in Georgia.

KSU's Bagwell College, College of Humanities and Social Sciences and College of Science and Mathematics are working together to develop an Urban Education Emphasis within the undergraduate teaching program.

The program will be geared toward early childhood and elementary education, along with middle grades education and secondary education programs.

The university will offer reform programs and address issues such as literacy, technology and the importance of family support in the learning process. Concentrations of ESOL, reading, economics and special education will also be offered.

"The goal is to develop a model that could be replicated in similar

urban areas of the country," said Arlinda Eaton, dean of the Bagwell College of Education and co-principal investigator for the program. She applied for the program last year and was "ecstatic" when she discovered KSU was granted the funding.

"This grant is a significant achievement for Kennesaw State as we continue on the path toward becoming a research intensive university," said Lendley C. Black, KSU provost and vice president for Academic Affairs. "Going forward, we expect to continue tapping into various sources of external funding and attracting grant monies that fund valuable research and initiatives such as this."

Research has shown that teacher quality is the prime factor for improving student achievement in school. It is in public elementary and secondary schools that children need the most support in order to excel in the classroom.

"We know that among all the variables that affect student achievement, the quality of the classroom teacher is the most significant," said Steve Constantino, associate superintendent for the Cobb County School District and co-principal investigator. "This grant allows Cobb and KSU to

produce better quality teachers through a professional development school model where teachers not only learn about effective teaching, but are able to apply that learning almost immediately."

KSU has the second largest education program in Georgia, recommending 837 students for teaching certification last year. Seventeen percent of Cobb County teachers are KSU graduates.

The Cobb County elementary schools affected by the grant are Birney, Fair Oaks, Hollydale, LaBelle, Milford. The grant also affects Smitha Middle School and Osborne High School.

The grant supports the Teacher Quality Partnership (TQP), which awarded \$43 million to 28 universities in the U.S. The grant is paid for through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, which was signed into law February 2009 by President Obama.

"The Teacher Quality Partnership grants will improve student academic achievement by strengthening teacher preparation, training and effectiveness and help school districts attract potential educators from a wide-range of professional backgrounds into the teaching profession," said U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan.

# U. of Illinois chancellor resigns in wake of admissions scandal

(MCT)

Embattled University of Illinois Chancellor Richard Herman announced his resignation last Tuesday, marking a near-wholesale turnover of the university's most senior leadership.

University and state leaders lauded Herman's departure as a significant move that will allow the university to move beyond an admissions scandal that rattled the Urbana-Champaign campus and caused other universities nationwide to re-examine their admissions policies.

"There are few universities in the country that have ever taken comparable steps to turn the page," said former U. of I. president Stanley Ikenberry, a nationally renowned educator who will return as the interim president Jan. 1. "What we have here is the opening of a new chapter with most of the trauma of the last four or five months behind us."

Herman's resignation follows that of President B. Joseph White, who will step down at the end of the year. Six university trustees also have been replaced after revelations by the Chicago Tribune of preferential admissions practices that allowed applicants connected to trustees, lawmakers and other powerful people to get admitted over more-qualified students.

During the past three weeks, Herman negotiated a plan to resign on his own terms: He'll give up the top campus job Monday and forgo a \$300,000 retention bonus he was due to receive in June. However, he will step into a newly created position, special assistant to the interim president, and retain his nearly \$400,000-a-year salary through June.

Then, he will take a \$244,000 sabbatical next year, as allowed in his original contract, before returning to the faculty in 2011 to teach two classes a year. His contract had called for him to teach four classes if he returned to the faculty.

A mathematics professor by training, Herman, 68, will move to the College of Education to focus on an ongoing national program to improve the number and quality of teachers going into the fields of science, technology, engineering and math. The university's board of trustees is expected to act on Herman's resignation Friday.

"It seems like a very generous arrangement," said engineering professor John Prussing, a member of the faculty Senate and president of the campus chapter of the American Association of University Professors. "But I think it's good that he stepped down. The campus can get moving forward and not have to worry about that. Everyone was sort of waiting for the other shoe to drop and now it has."

Herman was at the center of the

controversy over the university's irregular admissions practices. He oversaw a system that tracked hundreds of politically connected applicants, known at the undergraduate level as Category I, at times overruling admissions officials who thought the students should be denied.

When he pushed the law school dean to admit subpar students, he offered scholarship money to recruit better students to offset the damage. He also helped secure a high-paying university job for a former trustee's future son-in-law, a Dutch citizen seeking work in the United States. Herman created a position without a search, dipped into campus reserves to cover the \$115,000 annual salary, and suggested offering him a spot in a Ph.D. program if it would help the employee obtain a visa.

A state commission, formed in response to Tribune stories in May, investigated U. of I.'s admissions abuses and concluded that Herman was "the ultimate decision-maker" for the clouded applicants. The faculty and student Senate voted last month to urge the trustees to replace him.

Herman has apologized repeatedly for his role in the scandal, and said in a speech last month that he had "seriously considered" resigning during the summer but instead decided "to fight doggedly for the chance to stay at my work."

Ikenberry said White's resignation in late September changed the calculation. "That certainly helped set a pattern, set a framework for his thinking about this," he said.

In an e-mail Tuesday to faculty, students and staff, Herman, who has worked at the university for 11 years as provost and then as chancellor, called his tenure "the great privilege of my life."

"I will not reiterate the complicated and agonizing steps that have brought us to this place, except to say that I regret the circumstances. I'm confident that Illinois will be stronger for all that we have learned from the controversy," he wrote.

Herman did not return calls from the Tribune.

His resignation is sandwiched between two events in which he played a significant role. Last week he celebrated a \$14 million donation to establish a Brazilian studies institute, and this weekend he will host a major conference on the future of higher education.

Michael Ross, director of the university's Krannert Center for the Performing Arts and an outspoken supporter of Herman's, said it was hard to accept the resignation.

"Richard is one of the most deeply soulful, intelligent, imaginative, empathetic and creative leaders in higher education. His Renaissance-type spirit ... has been both inspiring and highly aspirational for those

of us who have had the privilege of working with him and under his leadership," Ross said.

As chancellor, Herman created the Illinois Promise scholarship program that has provided more than 1,000 low-income students with financial aid and a pledge to graduate debt-free. He has enhanced ethnic and multiracial studies programs, and created a Faculty Excellence program to help recruit and retain 100 top professors. He led the effort to create the Institute for Genomic Biology.

Gov. Pat Quinn, a U. of I. trustee who appointed the state commission to investigate admissions practices, said the resignation is "important for the university to keep moving forward."

"I just think the university will do well with new leadership," he said. As for the details of Herman's new employment deal, Quinn said: "The board should examine all of that and decide what's appropriate."

U. of I. trustee Timothy Koritz said the resignation spared Herman and the school from a difficult termination hearing.

"I don't know that his position would have survived that inquiry," Koritz said. "It's nice that the university does not have to go through that painful process."

U. of I. Board Chairman Christopher Kennedy agreed the university will benefit from the top administrators leaving on their own accord instead of facing contract battles or other adversarial outcomes. He praised Herman's accomplishments and said the consulting position will allow the university to draw on his expertise during the transition.

"We are very lucky to have Richard available to us to consult and direct and opine on the issues that we are going to face," Kennedy said. "When somebody criticizes this deal, try to imagine the university ignoring somebody with that stature and that thoughtfulness and it's crazy. ... There are very few people who have his track record in the United States."

The university does not plan to appoint an interim chancellor, Kennedy said. The duties will be split between Ikenberry and interim provost Robert Easter, who has been in that position since the former provost left earlier this year. The new president, expected to be named before the start of next school year, will lead the chancellor search, Kennedy said.

Bernard Judge, who served on the state's Admissions Review Commission, said he thinks Herman's resignation could mark the end of the fallout from the scandal.

"With the other reforms they have put in place, I would say this brings it to the end," he said. "Assuming the reforms have been implemented, there's nothing left to do but wish them luck. It's a great university."

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# OPINIONS

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## Univ. preparing for future, will students follow?

News flash folks, KSU is looking ahead and it seems many students are reluctant to follow its lead. Dr. Papp led a series of forums focusing on KSU's outlook for the next five years, stressing the need for more funding to keep up with our enormous growth. In case you haven't noticed, KSU is on the verge of becoming a major university. This is where we can choose to embrace the future, or permanently situate ourselves in some sort of no-man's land, not quite a commuter college yet not quite the major university we're striving to be.

Understandably many students are wary of increasing student fees to help cover the costs of the new athletic complex and other endeavors the university pursues, including football. As Dr. Papp notably pointed out during one of the Vision forums, KSU ranks 11th in the state in student fees. While no one likes fees, they are a necessary part of KSU's growth.

As construction pushes forward on the new \$60 million health sciences building and the continued development of the athletic complex, KSU could quickly leave a stubborn student body behind. What is currently under construction is only the beginning of what will one day be a destination campus for Georgians, others across the Southeast and the nation. For this to happen, KSU requires funding.

Many students may argue that it's not their place to pay for something that will not be finished before they graduate. Tell this to the alumni associations throughout the country that provide so much to their respective universities. This growth isn't something that students should simply accept, it is something that we should embrace as KSU starts its rise toward becoming a major university in the state. This is something that should be embraced not just by those at KSU, but by the state of Georgia, as it welcomes a new, growing, developing and good university to its repertoire.

KSU's trajectory will continue to rise as an increase in the student body allows it to demand more from students and be more selective in the admissions process. This selectivity will help bring determined and focused students to KSU and the ever-expanding list of programs it offers. The high school GPAs and SAT/ACT scores of entering freshmen will continue to rise, helping to build a reputation for KSU that is not solely focused on growth, but on success in and out of the classroom.

With a reputation built on striving for educational greatness, KSU can lure students from other major universities to our fine campus, which allows for the additional growth we seek. What we cannot do

is simply stand by idly, wait for football and let this great opportunity slip away.

Football. Yes, it's what we truly want. Students who usually sleep late on Saturdays could wake up, don their black and gold and head to that new in-development stadium to watch the Owls take the field. Football would be a great addition to KSU and truly help build the school spirit that is starting to develop now.

Many students think an increase in student fees indicates that football is on the way, and that everything else will simply fall in line. Unfortunately, that's not the case. New fees mean building a brighter future for KSU, and once that future begins to build, everyone's dream of football may in fact come true.

A larger student body and a moderate fee increase allows for sustained growth at KSU in the short and long term. Those increases will help fund, at least in part, the stadium, a new fitness center, additional athletic fields and the ability to build the new "east campus" that Dr. Papp and the KSU Foundation are promoting.

So yet again, I am making a call to action among the KSU student body, let's embrace the growth, development and change KSU is yearning for, and together we can truly build not just a better campus, but



JOEL MENDELSON  
GUEST COLUMNIST

also a better university, and prove that we can compete with our neighbors (I'm talking to you, UGA). KSU is no longer the commuter college it once was, but a major force in higher education for Georgia and the entire region.

If you can't accept these changes to your beloved KSU, I'm sure there are plenty of community colleges now accepting applications. As for me, bring it on KSU, I'm ready, let's give it all we can and grow beyond our wildest dreams.

## Dawn of the (Brain) Dead

Halloween is, and shall always be, my favorite time of year. Whereas a majority of the time I consider myself a staunch anti-consumer, every October, I make an effort to surreptitiously stroll down the aisles of Big Box Mart America, soaking in the sheer joy that is the All Hallows Eve display aisle. Really, where else in the world are you going to uncover a copy of the first "Friday the 13th" movie situated betwixt a package of fake blood capsules and ocher cake topping? Verily, the entire year would resemble Halloween time if I had total and complete jurisdiction over the universe and its workings.

A few weeks ago, I was doing my seasonal furtive prowling when I entered into the antechambers of a certain shopping mall stalwart (hint: it rhymes with Not Tropics), and I was simply aghast at what was displayed before my very visage. Like a soul walking into a room and uncovering the gruesome post-mortem remnants of his betrothed, I too felt as if I stepped foot onto the murder site of my beloved.

Plastered, from wall to wall, were the butchered and fragmented remnants of my childhood, the torn and molested husks of that which defined my trying adolescence. There was the prostituted shell of Sonic the Hedgehog, his mug engraved upon a bright blue hoodie for the rather reasonable price tag of \$44.99 American.

In a display case, the battered and beaten frames of Ren and Stimpy lie stretched out upon a velvet satchet, their once respectable forms reduced to wristband relegation. And in the back of the establishment, crucified on a faux chain link fence...the poor, defenseless body of Jack Skellington. With vengeful tears welling up in my bright claret sockets, I stamped my feet, startling the Lilliputian patrons of the horrid house of corporatized memories and shouted "You monsters!" at the zenith of my lungs before barreling my way out of the housing.

Not long after that, I encountered a female sporting a T-shirt emblazoned with the cast of the early 90s television series "Twin Peaks." Never one to pass up on the opportunity to engage in public discourse on the topic of "Eraserhead," I approached the young woman and asked her what her favorite David Lynch film was. Much to my chagrin/horror, the dame with the beehive hairdo rĉposted by saying that not only did she not know who Lynch was, she had no idea what "Twin Peaks" was, either.

Imagine that, if you will: a person promoting something that the individual knows absolutely nothing about. Now, that would be all fine and dandy regarding meaningless stuff like religion or politics, but when you start blasphemously cavorting about in my nostalgic recollections, I have no option but to point the entirety of my body's umbrage at the trespasser in question.



JAMES SWIFT  
COLUMNIST

Of course, I cannot blame the hipster in this scenario; he or she is just a simple sack of meat to show off the corporate apparel, and earnestly, that is what all of this boils down to. We live in a world of corporate synergy, of high-speed, big-budget, youth-oriented marketing. Us college folk, ostensibly, are the target audience for all of the weasel-like ad execs on the planet, and since we have minute understandings of things like "credit" or "consequences," why not exploit us to the fullest?

How else do you think Michael Bay managed to cajole the film studio out of forking over the gross national product of Zimbabwe to finance two "Transformers" movies? It is because we are feeble-minded and lemming-like. We see something that is vaguely familiar, and we follow, no questions asked. But really, what do you expect from a generation that was practically weaned on "Rocko's Modern Life" and Ritalin?

Focusing upon the youth, preying upon their unwavering allegiance and revising history in the process: Hey, what could be more "retro" than the marketing ploys pioneered by Joseph Goebbels and Otto Dietrich? The SS did it with the Hitler Jugend and jackboots; in America, we did it with Disney movies and Invader Zim shirts.

That is what we have become, my brethren, unthinking consumers stretching our wallets out like shambling zombies. We know not what is truly important, but only that which is routine and formulaic. Our apparel, our dietary selections, our verbiage and, most distressingly, our thoughts have all become marginalized and trademarked. We are the resultant of a total capitalistic state, the Nintendo insignia-branded brainlessness of the free market.

We spend the other 364 days of the year wrapped up in corporatized costuming; what makes Oct. 31 any different?

## Flat tax now

America desperately needs a new tax code. The U.S. Constitution can fit in my pocket, while the U.S. tax code is more than 60,000 pages long and counting. With so many deductions, rules, compliances and other arbitrary mumbo jumbo, the IRS could essentially arrest anyone for violating the tax code; but then where would they get their revenue?

Besides its complex and lengthy regulations, our progressive tax code is simply not fair. The top 10 percent of income earners in this country carry the burden for about 71.22 percent of the income taxes as of July 2009 according to the Tax Foundation. The top 10 percent of income earners include those who make \$113,018 or more annually. These are the productive members of society who create jobs and keep the economy running, yet they are forced, under this tax code, to bear the weight for more than three-quarters of the taxes collected in the U.S.

We cannot expect to have a productive economy under this burdensome tax code. Many people demonize tax cuts, especially on high-income earners, but there are substantial benefits for reducing tax rates. Most of these people are small business owners, which means that a tax cut could help them hire more employees, invest in new capital to expand, increase the wages of current employees, and/or decrease the costs of their products to consumers.

There are plenty of alternatives out there. In Georgia, especially, it is hard to have a conversation about taxes without someone mentioning the FairTax. For those who don't know, this is a plan that would eliminate the income tax and replace it with a national retail sales tax of about 23 percent on all new goods and services. This is actually a good plan, but a cumbersome one to pass. Because the FairTax requires that the 16th Amendment be repealed, it would have to receive approval by a two-thirds majority in both the House and the Senate as well as receive ratification by three-fourths (38 out of 50) of the state legislatures.

The most practical alternative to the current tax code would be the adoption of a flat tax. Under a flat tax plan proposed by economist Dr. Arthur Laffer, Social Security, corporate profit, capital gains, estate and gift taxes would all be eliminated. These would be replaced by two flat tax rates of 12.1 percent. One would be on businesses and the other would be on personal income. This rate would also be revenue neutral for the government's budget according to Laffer's study. Such a low rate would also create little incentive to evade the tax, unlike our current system.

The Laffer plan retains mortgage interest deduction, charitable contribution deduction and some Social Security Income deductions. It also includes a tax credit for rental expenses to benefit lower-



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income taxpayers who rent rather than own a home. This would discourage some people from falling into sub-prime mortgage traps and spending beyond their means on housing.

Currently, around 24 countries have flat taxes. Even former communist Russia moved from a top tax rate of 50 percent to a flat tax of only 13 percent in 2001. Since then, the country has experienced greater growth and more tax revenue. Many of its former Iron Curtain neighbors also have flat taxes such as Latvia, Lithuania, Georgia and the Ukraine. Why hasn't the U.S. jumped on board?

We haven't made any effort to change our tax code because the politicians in Washington like control. It is not about raising revenue to pay for public expenses. It is about redistributing wealth and regulating behavior. There are tax breaks for homebuyers, giving an incentive for home ownership, which helped cause the housing bubble. On the other end, we are taxed for saving money while one of the major problems with our economy is that we don't save enough.

Many of our economic problems could be solved if the politicians would stop tinkering and experimenting with our spending behavior. According to the framework of the tax code, Americans just aren't smart enough to make wise decisions. Yet, at the same time, we have bureaucrats spending \$1.8 million for swine odor and manure management research in Ames, Iowa. That money could have been used for a million other, more effective things, but who are we to decide? If we can free up the economy's movers and shakers, the economy will grow and so will our freedom.

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# Can we be good without God?

Can we be good without God? Conventional wisdom would say no. Indeed, there seems to be a strong cultural bias in favor of the notion that old-time religion is an indispensable part of an ethical society. This bias is quite ecumenical. Consider this doctrinal matter for a moment. Both a Muslim and an atheist will state that the Christian belief in the divinity of Jesus is wrong. It seems rather odd then that the atheist will be accused of intolerance more readily than the practitioner of a different religion. Many atheists will merely laugh at absurd religious belief. Religious people often condemn those of a different faith to eternal damnation. Who is more intolerant here?

Whenever I ask why atheists are the most hated minority in America, more so than any religion, theists of all faiths will quickly state that atheists don't believe in anything supernatural and therefore have no moral compass. Of course, this is a total non-sequitur. Religious belief most certainly does not result in good behavior.

Gregory Paul, a psychologist writing in the journal "Evolutionary Psychology," studied indicators of social dysfunction in democratic countries (since data is more readily available in these countries). These indicators included abortions, homicides, teen pregnancies, STDs, poverty and unemployment. His study found a strong correlation between religiosity and social dysfunction in almost

every category. Of course, correlation is not equal to causation. Does religion cause social dysfunction? Does social dysfunction result in religious belief? Are both of these factors really just the products of some third factor? This study cannot answer these questions, but it does demonstrate that religion doesn't significantly improve society.

What of the arrogant self-righteousness displayed by the religious crowd? Don't spiritual-minded people have some sort of profound insight that is lacking in those without such beliefs? The controversial book, "IQ and the Wealth of Nations," by Dr. Lynn and Dr. Vanhanen tells a different story. The book gathered statistics on religion provided by the Pew Global Attitudes Project, and then compared these statistics to average IQ levels among 80 countries for which such relevant data was available.

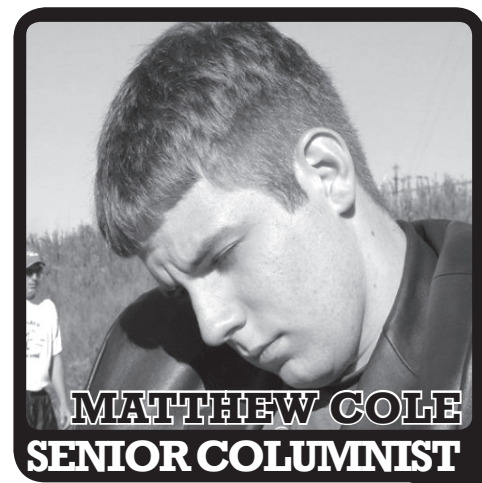
This study found a strong negative correlation between religiosity and IQ. This means that the more religious a country, the lower its average IQ. Senegal was one of the most religious countries, with 97% of the population claiming that religion is "very important" to their lives. The average IQ in Senegal was found to be 64, but the extremely religious nation of Equatorial Guinea fared even worse with an average IQ of 59. The very secular country of South Korea had an average IQ of 106.

This very strong negative correlation doesn't

prove that religion makes people stupid, but that conclusion can certainly be inferred. Faith is usually defined as belief without supporting evidence or logic. Faith is therefore an impediment to critical thinking. Parents who indoctrinate their children in faith-based beliefs are essentially handicapping these children by teaching them to shut off their brains. Such willful mindlessness has tragic consequences.

The Bible teaches us that the Earth is "fixed" and "immovable." When Galileo came up with his hypothesis that the earth revolves around the sun, he was persecuted for being a scientific visionary. Galileo had data drawn from observations to back up his claims. The Church had the Bible on their side. The Bible automatically won, and scientific progress was set back once again.

Ignorance, mysticism and absurd superstition often manifest themselves in ways that threaten world peace and often result in what a coroner could jokingly call "death by religious idiocy." Almost all of today's civil wars or inter-state wars are either religiously motivated or are perceived in religious terms by the participants. Of course, certain secular ideologies, such as communism, have resulted in plenty of bloodshed, but this was because these ideologies were too much like religions in their anti-intellectual and faith-based nature. I don't know of any society that has ever suffered



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due to their insistence on evidence and logic to back up their beliefs.

Even when a religion doesn't expressly preach violence, it still leaves sinister opportunities with plenty of vacant and ready-to-mold minds. During World War II, fanatical Japanese soldiers became kamikaze pilots in service of an Emperor who they believed to be divine. Similar fanaticism was seen in Muslim countries after the publication of Danish cartoons. When is the last time an atheist blew himself up while shouting "God is not great!" in the pursuit of rational goals?

## Afghanistan is not ready for democracy

Afghanistan's recent elections, and more importantly, the controversy and fraud surrounding them, are not embarrassing for the U. S. because of our long and still on-going attempt at helping the country become a successful democracy. They are a long shadow cast over the future of new democracies in war-torn areas, and an example of the blight such failed elections can bring onto the nations who helped try to make them legitimate.

Though U.S. presidents have long held democracy dear, and throughout the Cold War they each promote it endlessly, it was not until President George W. Bush that American presidents advocated the spreading of democracy as a goal that needed to be achieved by toppling a corrupt and authoritarian government and replacing it with a democracy.

The U. S. now has obligations to "democracies-in-training" in Afghanistan and Iran. The recent fraud in the August elections in Afghanistan, though called a triumph by American leaders, proved that democracy has not quite matured in the Middle Eastern country.

Now President Barack Obama has called for Hamid Karzai to accept the results of an audit of the elections by the Electoral Complaints Commission (ECC), which threw out nearly a third of his votes and forced a runoff election. And Karzai agreed to do this, with a runoff scheduled for Nov. 7.

But this doesn't fix everything. The whole issue has raised too many questions for a runoff to immediately answer all of them. Highest on the list of problems is how the U.S. adjusts its new

policy toward democratizing authoritarian nations.

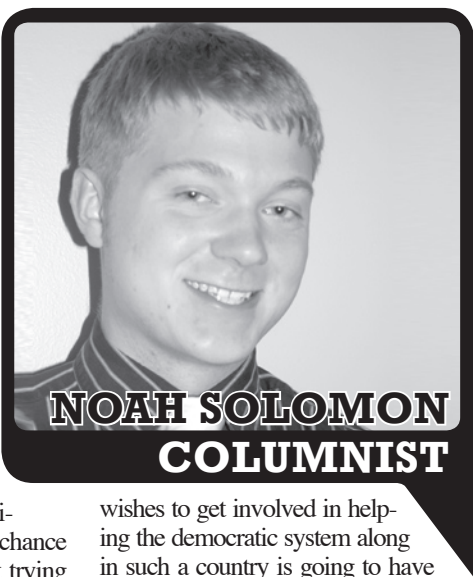
Love him or hate him, President Bush established a clear and defining goal for the U.S.: when an authoritarian regime threatens the U.S., it is not only the U.S.'s job to eliminate that immediate threat, it is also the United States' job to actively encourage democracy as they spend time in a foreign land.

Clearly, this has run into problems in Afghanistan with fraud, meaning that the U.S. has a lot more to do before the country is ready to hold legitimate elections in 2014, the next chance they get. That is 13 years spent trying to democratize Afghanistan. That is an incredibly long time.

So, do we continue to try to democratize authoritarian countries to which we send troops? The benefits of doing such are very evident. It both permanently removes the regimes responsible for offending the U.S., and establishes a stable and peaceful form of government.

But if Afghanistan is any indication, the costs are quite high: time, money and manpower are spent in droves making this transition happen. And authoritarian regimes tend to have pretty large and well-entrenched power bases that don't give up power easily.

While democracy is a beneficial system of government, the situation in Afghanistan shows how it still can and will get taken advantage of as it develops from a formerly authoritarian country. Because of this, anyone who



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wishes to get involved in helping the democratic system along in such a country is going to have to commit large amounts of resources to make it happen.

I am skeptical that this is being considered a good use of U.S. resources. Though countries who desire democracy should surely be helped, the problems with democracy in Afghanistan show that if a country is not ready for democracy, trying to give it to them will be problematic. Even at this point, there is still no indication that when we leave Afghanistan, democracy will stand on its own.

I am not saying America should leave authoritarian regimes in power over an oppressed people. I am merely saying that when we decide to get involved in nation-building, we need to study the costs first. We have gotten in over our heads in Afghanistan. That much is clear. Let's make sure to keep better tabs on the situation next time.

## Star-studded stupidity

Poor Little Wayne [sarcasm], added another qualification to his resumé this week and joined a distinguished club of celebrities. Too bad it had nothing to do with having a tattoo on his face (that would be halfway cool).

Lil' Wayne, the Grammy-winning artist, was arrested in 2007 in New York City for second-degree possession of a firearm after NYPD searched his marijuana smoke-smelling tour bus outside a Manhattan concert.

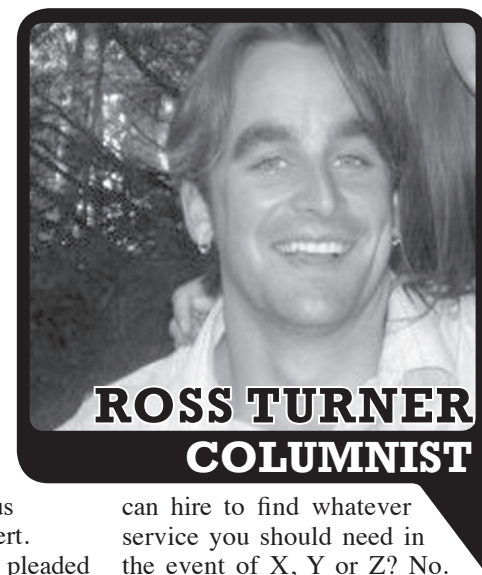
Two years later he pleaded guilty and is likely to serve eight months to a year in jail—a similar sentence that Plaxico Burrence received for a related offence. The one thing that is remarkable is that whether you agree with New York City's gun laws or not—which are too harsh, can we please agree that these guys do not seem able to use common logic?

I'm sure that as a star-studded artist there are certain things you give up and acquire when you elevate yourself beyond normality. One of the things you give up is access to general privacy and the ability to conceal yourself in public. On a down note, the two things you do attain are creeped-out stalkers and enough cash to save Darfur.

Now I know cash doesn't grant you access to true happiness, but it can buy reliable bodyguards and a limo service to cart you to and from the watering hole. Ok, let's say a limo is a bit gaudy; how about cab fare? It may be rather pretentious of me to assume, but there shouldn't be a legitimate reason for a celebrity to A) need to carry a firearm in New York City, or B) ever get a DUI.

In an effort to keep this piece brief, I am not even going to tackle political figures and how they have more than adequate resources to behave responsibly. I know there are four other stories in this very paper that will tackle some aspect of that subject.

The one thing that surprises me is that some people actually take sides with the stars based on their own conceptions of that celebrity's life. I find that completely impossible. For one, do you have the exorbitant amount of cash that these artists have access to? No. Do you have people you



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can hire to find whatever service you should need in the event of X, Y or Z? No. So why don't these people wise up and use their brain and spend their money?

I will say that some stars have gotten it right over the years. My favorite example, one that also proves that rock 'n' roll is better than anything else, is Slash, former Guns N' Roses lead guitarist and current member of Velvet Revolver. Back in the 80s and early 90s, during Slash's more

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## THE OWL FORUM

### Don't Make Halloween a Nightmare on DUI Street!

October no treat for drunk drivers

Dear Editor,

Unless you party responsibly, Halloween can quickly become the most devilish of times on our roadways. Crash stats from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) consistently show Halloween is a particularly deadly night due to drunk drivers. Last year, a frightening 58 percent of all highway fatalities across the country involved a driver with a Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) of .08 or higher. In Georgia, one in three fatalities on Halloween night was alcohol related.

It's a party that's just not worth dying for. That's why we're joining our statewide highway safety partners again this Halloween to stop impaired drivers before they can kill. Because in recent years, Georgians who drive drunk have transformed Halloween into one of the state's most deadly holidays. In 2005, five people died and 22 were seriously injured in 1,005 Halloween crashes in Georgia. In 2006, three people died and 10 were seriously injured. And in 2007, Halloween crashes claimed the lives of seven Georgians and 15 others were seriously injured.

These numbers are frightening. Drinking and driving on Halloween can turn a night of festivities into something scarier than any horror movie. But unlike the assorted ghouls who frequent TV fright nights on Oct. 31, real people don't walk away when they're hit by a drunk driver. Luckily, there are a few simple precautions partygoers can take to keep Halloween from turning into a real-life nightmare: Designate a sober driver before drinking, plan a safe way home before

festivities begin, call a taxi or a sober friend if you're too impaired to drive, and don't hesitate to call your local law enforcement if you suspect another motorist is driving impaired.

One foolish decision can turn Halloween in a real-life horror story. Most people think it's all about candy, fun costumes and adult beverages. But NHTSA says more than half of all fatal Halloween crashes are now alcohol-related. So this holiday isn't all fun and games. It's also an occasion to watch for impaired drivers and for young trick-or-treaters who might dart into the roadway in search of their next treats. Many local law enforcement agencies will be stepping-up high visibility patrols on Halloween weekend to promote increased pedestrian safety.

With Halloween falling on a Saturday this year, we want to make sure Georgia revelers aren't taking the party to our roadways, or putting young trick-or-treaters and responsible motorists at risk. From now through Halloween, highway safety officers throughout Georgia will be out in force, sending drunk drivers straight to jail.

Even motorists who aren't planning on indulging Halloween night need to keep the following few safety tips in mind: be extra alert when pulling out of driveways; drive below the speed limit; watch for darting children, especially between parked cars; don't use cell phones when driving through residential areas; and don't pass other vehicles stopped in the roadway...they could be dropping off children.

For more information about the dangers of drunk driving, visit StopImpairedDriving.org and for more information about Halloween traffic safety, visit nhtsa.gov.

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# FEATURES

You ate Bessie AND Porky!

## New African-American fraternity debuts

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The brothers of Tau Zeta, the newest Greek organization at KSU, descended the staircase of the student center Oct. 25 for their Chartering Ceremony. Tau Zeta is not your average fraternity chapter—they are now initiated as KSU's first African-American band of brothers.

Tau Zeta is the offspring of the national fraternity, Alpha Phi Alpha, which has done more than render the voice for the African-American community since 1906—it has the distinction of being the first of all African-American Greek letter organizations. The fraternity has privilege of calling Martin Luther King Jr. and W.E.B. Dubois brothers, as Alpha Phi Alpha has followed in these remarkable men's footsteps as they inspire progress for their communities.

Referring to themselves as "Kings of the highest caliber, honor, and courage," the fraternity is focused on developing young men by maximizing their greatest potential—an important focus as there is still a devastating rate of young African-American drop-outs and prisoners.

Brother Justin Hills, the welcoming speaker at the ceremony, said he "witnessed a need for an Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity at KSU," and with the help of his brothers, Chapter President Stephan Black, organization officials, and many pulled strings, Hills witnessed this vision come to life. However, the road taken for the Tau Zeta emergence at KSU was nothing less than tumultuous.

Some would consider Alpha Phi Alpha's Atlantan roots to have started on the SPSU campus, but reality is that the Tau Zeta chapter began here at KSU. When members of the chapter expressed their desire to relocate to the SPSU grounds, it took numerous fundraisers and long hours of bake sales, voter registration drives and community service events to facilitate its transition.

As of Oct. 22, the chapter is back at its KSU origins, eager to shed a new light within the university and commence on their new beginning.

Aside from all the accomplishments,

these brothers know how to have fun too. If their first motto is to be a beacon of light, then their second (as expressed by Hills at the ceremony) is "party hard, party late, but we graduate"—and that they do.

Tau Zeta has already been accredited with noteworthy undertakings, graduating three seniors on time—including Gray Akoegbe, the youngest person to ever graduate from KSU—and teaming with the NAACP to build foundations that provide scholarships to outstanding students and shelter to underprivileged families.

Brother Herman "Skip" Mason, the 33rd President of Alpha Phi Alpha, spoke at Sunday's ceremony, marking not only a momentous occasion for the chapter's initiation, but a significant juncture for Mason as well. As Mason commenced the chapter's initiation, he tells Tau Zeta members—seated before him and intently listening to his optimistic expectations for the chapter's future—of their "task" to "keep the fire burning" toward building on "what is good and right and to correct what is wrong."

He continued to explain that the new chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha and KSU not only represent the more than 200,000 brothers nationwide, but the goodwill of all mankind. His first chartering ceremony as president of the fraternity, Mason referred to the Tau Zeta men as the pearls of Alpha Phi Alpha. Mason employed this metaphor, describing the members of Tau Zeta as "very fine, very rare, very valuable," much like the actual gemstone.

"It is a wonderful day in KSU history to welcome this chapter—we now have all the historic black fraternities and sororities on campus," said President Daniel Papp. A milestone for KSU, the university prides itself on being a diverse campus for race, gender and age, and that should transcend to its diversity of Greek organizations as well.

The chartering ceremony hosted many speakers from around the state and nation who bestowed their approval and support on the young members of Tau Zeta. Of all the hopes and encouragements expressed during the ceremony, the poem read aloud by Brother Darius Robinson articulated the Fraternity's mission best as he read, "I am



All Alpha Phi Alpha and Tau Zeta brothers, locked arms to sing the Fraternity Hymn at the close of Sunday's Chartering Ceremony.



Photos courtesy of Walker Powell

University president Daniel Papp addressed the guests at the Tau Zeta Chartering Ceremony.

the college of friendship; the University of brotherly love; the school for the better making of men" and concluded by associating these virtues with, "I am Alpha Phi

Alpha." KSU should not only be proud to adopt this new Chapter, but should be more enthusiastic over the integration of such grand virtues to the university.

## Play makes audience laugh until they hurt

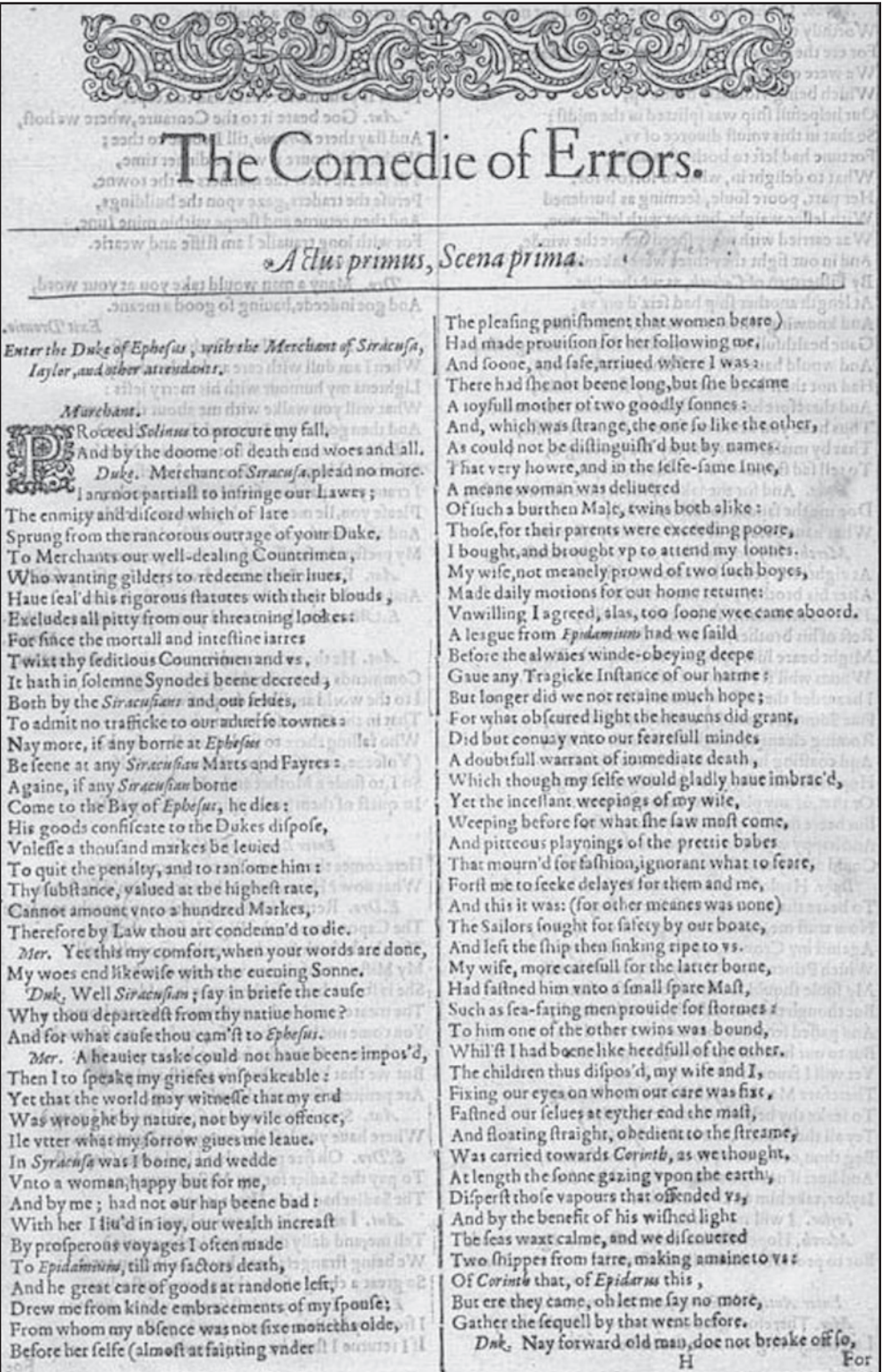


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KSU's Theater and Performance Studies department presented Shakespeare's "The Comedy of Errors" Oct. 21-25. Directed by Harrison Long, the performance ran about 90 minutes with a ton of laughter and an array of falling chickens. "This is our only Shakespeare title for the semester and the year," said John Gentile, chair of the department of Theater and Performance Studies. "The department works assiduously to feature the works of a variety of excellent writers—including established writers such as August Wilson, Flannery O'Connor, Herman Melville, Samuel Beckett and Brian Friel as well as new emerging talents. The most recent Shakespeare title we produced in our season before this one was 'As You Like It' in 2005, also directed by Professor Long."

"To people who really don't know Shakespeare, there is this idea that his plays are all stuffy, high-brow, 'Ren-Festy' and 'Ye Olde.' Nothing could be farther from the truth, especially with this production," Long said. "If you're expecting tights and English accents, you're going to be disappointed. If you want to laugh until you hurt, you'll be happy you came. If you like classic movies like 'Casablanca' or the Bing Crosby/Bob

Hope 'Road Movies,' you'll love this production. Also, if you're a Beavis and Butthead fan, this is right up your alley, so to speak."

"The Comedy of Errors" is about two sets of identical twins who were separated at birth. Antipholus and Dromio from Syracuse go to Ephesus, where the other set of Antipholus and Dromio lives. Because the two are twins, a lot of errors happen with mistaken identity. In the end, everything comes to a happy conclusion and the two sets of twins are not only reunited with their parents, but also with each other.

The play contained a lot of interesting spectacles such as the falling rubber chickens, the heavy use of a fog machine, a crazy conjuror who was familiar with Kanye West and Omar Sidiqi, who played Dromio's mistress, in drag.

Preparation for the production began two years ago when Long taught a class on physical comedy with clown Vincezo Tortorici. Long then taught this past spring with classical actress Cynthia Barrett in an advanced acting Shakespeare course. These two experiences inspired Long to choose Shakespeare's "The Comedy of Errors."

"Professor Long proposed this title for our season," said Gentile. "He brings to this project his expertise in perform-

ing Shakespeare and his love of comedy."

Auditions for the play began this past May and students analyzed the lines over the summer. A number of the cast members actually traveled to Morocco in the summer, which contributed to the members' ability to place themselves in the setting of the play, "Casablanca," which Long chose.

"Sort of by coincidence, we decided to set this production in 1939 Casablanca, like in the Bogart film," Long said. "I wasn't consciously thinking about the fact that many of the actors would actually go there over the summer. While in Morocco, the company conducted ethnographic research with local graduate students. That has been an exciting element of our preparation because the students returned with firsthand knowledge of the culture and the people. What a huge advantage."

In July, three days were devoted to rehearsal of the play and staging of the play began during the first week of this fall semester.

"We have rehearsed five days a week for the last eight weeks or so," Long said. "It's a lot of work but it has really paid off. On his death bed, the great comic playwright, George Bernard Shaw was asked if dying was hard. He replied, 'Death is easy. Comedy... comedy is hard!' He was right! But, by George, I think we've got it!"

# Family Fun Day gets student organizations involved

JENNY HARRISON  
STAFF WRITER

KSU students and their families packed the University Rooms with laughter and energy Saturday as they participated in the annual Family Fun Day event. Music filled the air and invited parents, children and members of the organizations who helped create this event to jump in and participated in the many crafts and games.

The Adult Learner Programs (ALP), Kennesaw Activities Board (KAB) and the International Students' Association (ISA) collaborated to produce the event as a way to provide a fun sense of community for non-traditional students and their families.

"We started it because a lot of our adult learner population's needs are a little bit different," said Janese Thompson, project coordinator for ALP. "Integrating the families into their school really helps all aspects of their lives and makes things a little bit easier for them. This is one way to bring our programming directly to them."

Thompson said that adult learners have many responsibilities and often cannot utilize all of the services on campus. However, the ALP took this into consideration when planning the event. By holding it on a Saturday, more adult learners could attend.

Thompson also said the event helps to provide a sense of community across KSU by establishing relationships between students, faculty and staff.

Because so many different age groups were present on Saturday, ALP, KAB and ISA had to plan to keep all participants interested and active throughout the event.

"We get the ages of children attending through the registration forms so we know how many to expect in each age group," Thompson said.

For the younger children, early childhood education majors set up an area filled with crafts and activities. In addition to providing assistance for the event, this also allowed the ECE students to gain real experience with problem solving skills as they developed ways to keep the children attentive and entertained.

The older children and any other guests who wished to participate were involved with the games section that ISA created.

Between games, members of ISA displayed a slideshow with images and information about their home countries.

"We went at it really academically," said Thompson. "Parents asked for more information about the countries. ISA is really on top of the whole thing and brings the cultural aspect in. They aren't just playing games. They're actually talking about their countries in the process."

Co-adviser for the International Student Retention Services Melissa McMahon said the program will continue to evolve each year as the members notice ways to change the event to appeal to more age groups.

"We're making the cultural information more age appropriate. It's been a work in progress," said McMahon. "Every year we tweak it and change it. If it's not working, we yank it and move on."

McMahon also said the ISA's involvement in Family Fun Day is beneficial to the organization's members as well.

"I think it's an opportunity for the ISA students to interact with families since a lot of them don't have families here," said McMahon. "It's really important that they do stuff on campus with other student groups. They have people get to know who they are."

Jerry Longtin, a senior nursing major, attended the event for his second time on Saturday. He brought his children – ages six, 10 and 14 – to participate in the event.

"It's a nice thing for kids to do," Longtin said. "The kids really seem to enjoy the games and they usually have a good movie."

Following the games and activities, families were provided with a lunch then preceded to the movie-viewing portion of Family Fun Day that was organized by KAB.

Thompson said both KAB and the parents want the latest movies shown at these events.

"There are so many good ones that come out that are appropriate," said

Thompson. "But we have to try to reach an age group of four and up and still have the parents interested in it."

This year, KAB felt the movie "Up" fit the bill.

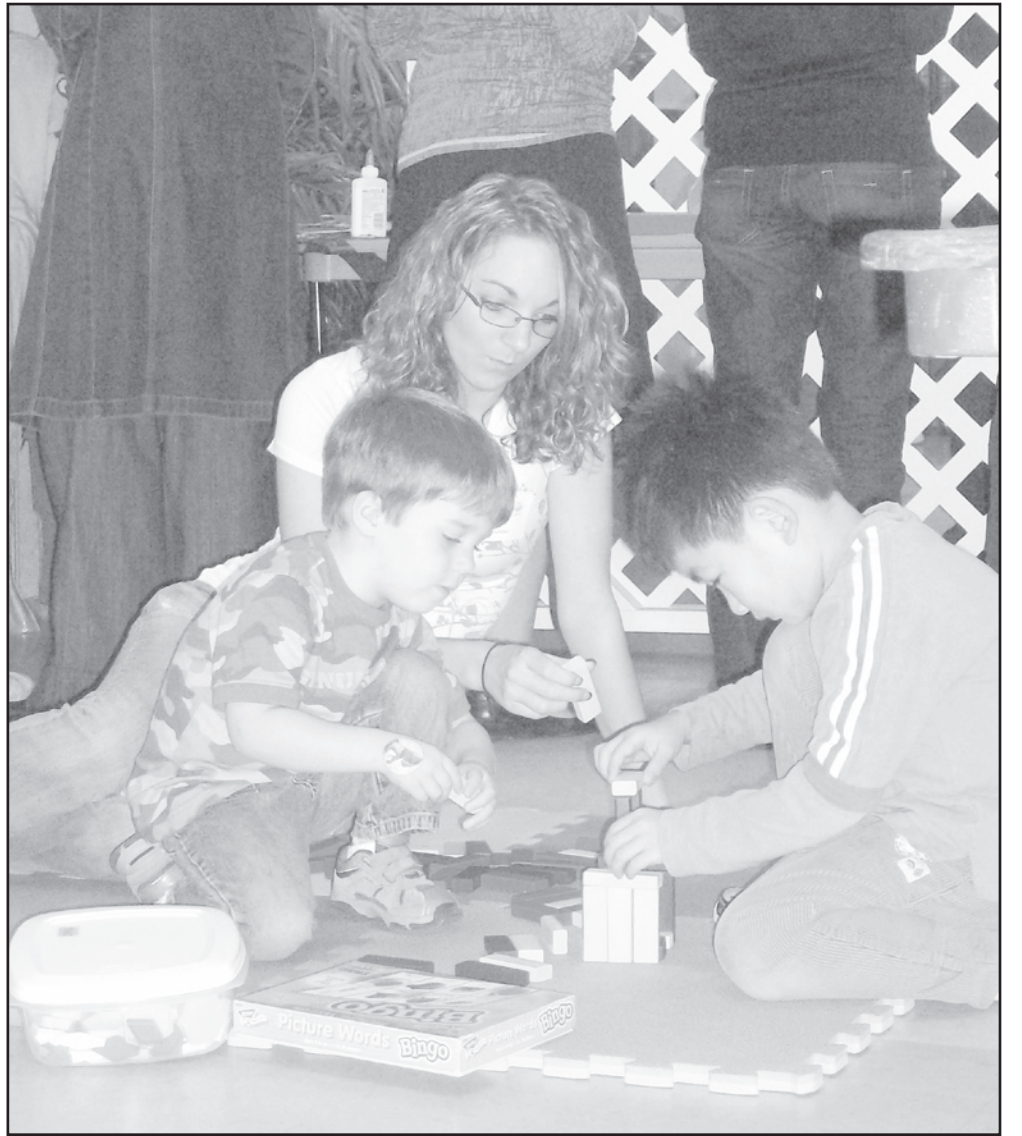
By the end of the day, participants received information about organizations they can join on campus, as well as a free lunch, face painting, coloring books and even possibly a free certificate to receive a copy of "Up." In addition, each person received goody bags with treats similar to items in the movie.

Thompson said Family Fun Day will

continue to develop as they observe new ways to improve the event each year.

"We have gone through a lot of different phases," said Thompson. "But it's always a fun day."

Any students interested in attending the event next year should keep an eye out for flyers dispensed by KAB. Pre-registration is strongly suggested and links to the reservation form can be found on each organization's Web site. Students may also register in the Adult Learning Programs office in the Student Center.



Karlee Gonzalez | The Sentinel

A Family Fun Day volunteer entertains three-year-olds with blocks.

# Program helps students keep weight under control

JENNY HARRISON  
STAFF WRITER

KSU students gathered in the Wellness Center last Wednesday to begin the second week of the Owl Watchers health and nutrition program.

The 8-week program provides KSU students with an easy way to learn how to improve their health and overall well-being. Each week, the Wellness Center dietitian, Brittany Slotten, leads a session covering topics from exercise to how to shop for healthy groceries while the students in attendance snack on a healthy meal.

"Since it's a new topic each week, you can come at any time and just jump into what we're talking about," Slotten said. "The meetings can be used together or separate."

Sophomore exercise and health science major Karletta McCoy first heard about the program through a presentation Slotten gave in her Introduction to Exercise and Health Science course. McCoy said that Owl Watchers sounded interesting. After one week, she was hooked.

"I think it is appealing to college students because first of all you get a pretty healthy meal once a week and free at that," said McCoy. "It also gives college students an opportunity to learn that you can eat healthy even when you are in college -- it just takes a little extra planning."

McCoy also said the group aspect of the program helps raise student interest in Owl Watchers.

"It is good to know that there are others out there who are trying to eat healthier," McCoy said. "It kind of builds your confidence to know that others may be struggling with some of the same unhealthy eating habits or weight gain that you are."

Body measurements and weight are recorded at the first

meeting to give students an idea of personal goals they should set for the future. At the end of the semester, the measurements and weights are recorded again.

"We can use this as an evaluation tool so we know if the program has been effective or not," Slotten said. "I use waist and hip measurements so we can get a different measure than just weight since weight may not change if a student is working out a lot."

Although this is Slotten's first semester overseeing the Owl Watchers program, she is determined to see the weight management program through to the end to see the results. Despite high drop-out rates in previous semesters, Slotten said the outlook for this semester looks more promising.

"This year we seem to have better retention," Slotten said. "Because I'm doing the program all the way through, I'm going to be able to see if there really is that improvement."

Since the Owl Watchers group meets only once a week, it's up to the student to remember the tips they learn at each meeting as they go through the rest of the week. Slotten said the improvements will revolve around what each student does specifically outside of the meeting.

At the end of each meeting, Slotten gives a suggested assignment for each student to complete to get the participants thinking about ways they could improve their exercise and nutrition habits. After Wednesday's meeting, which revolved around ways to enhance meals with nutritious components, the students were told to draft menus and make shopping lists for the week. Slotten said some students also complete food diaries and turn them in for her to review at the beginning of each meeting.

"They can hand their assignments in to me if they want and I'll look at them," Slotten said. "If the students come up with goals and challenges for themselves each week I'll comment on

them, encourage and provide suggestions."

McCoy said she has learned a lot about nutrition through these assignments and meetings.

"I learned that people tend to eat around three pounds of food a day; however, the three pounds one person eats may equal 1,500 calories while someone else's three pounds may equal 3,500," McCoy said. "It's all about eating more food with less calories than eating less food with more calories."

To register for the program, log on to computertrain.kennesaw.edu and search for the Owl Watchers program under catalog. Remember to register before 3 p.m. the day before each session to ensure a free meal for yourself during the program.

Owl Watchers has four more sessions this semester and will begin again in the spring.



Photo courtesy of Brittany Slotten

Dietitian Brittany Slotten meets with Katie Upshaw for a consultation.

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# Farmville: An addiction worth cultivating?

DENISE NEIL  
(MCT)

For weeks now, Farmville — the popular and excessively addictive Facebook game everyone's talking about — has been demanding my attention.

But not because I'm playing it. In fact, based on what I've learned, I'm going to do everything in my power to avoid playing it.

But even if you're not playing, you can't avoid it, mainly because your Facebook page is filled every day by odd announcements that your friends have just been "promoted to professional plower status" (um, congratulations?) or have just "found a lonely brown cow" (um, sorry?).

You might also, as I am, be hearing bizarre Farmville-related stories. One of my friends told me her mother uses a network of other people's Facebook accounts and a couple of fake ones for the sole purpose of growing her virtual Farmville farm. Another told me her brother requires her to tend to his virtual crops when his Internet is down.

Desperate to understand the draw, I harvested a little Farmville information this week.

Step one — I added the application to my Facebook page and attempted to figure out how it worked on my own. I planted some strawberries (I think) but couldn't immediately figure it out.

Step two — I read the Wikipedia entry on Farmville, naturally.

Step three — I interviewed Farmville addict DeAwn Whitchurch, who tried to explain the allure.

Farmville is a game created for Facebook by a company called Zynga that allows users to manage and grow a virtual farm. (Zynga has tons of other similar interactive Facebook

games, ranging from Mafia Wars to YoVille.)

Players earn money to build their farms by planting, growing and harvesting crops, but they can only succeed if they get help, and lots of it, from other Facebook friends.

Whitchurch got started with Farmville in August when a friend (who needed farming help) begged her to start playing.

She wanted to help her friend, so Whitchurch started a farm, then quickly forgot about it.

"And then, one night I was up kind of late and couldn't sleep and started poking around in there," she said. "And now, I'm on every day two to three times a day."

The game is truly addictive, she said, because the harder you work at it, the more exciting things players can add to their farms, (like houses and animals and seasonal decorations). Neglect the game for a few days, and all the work is for naught.

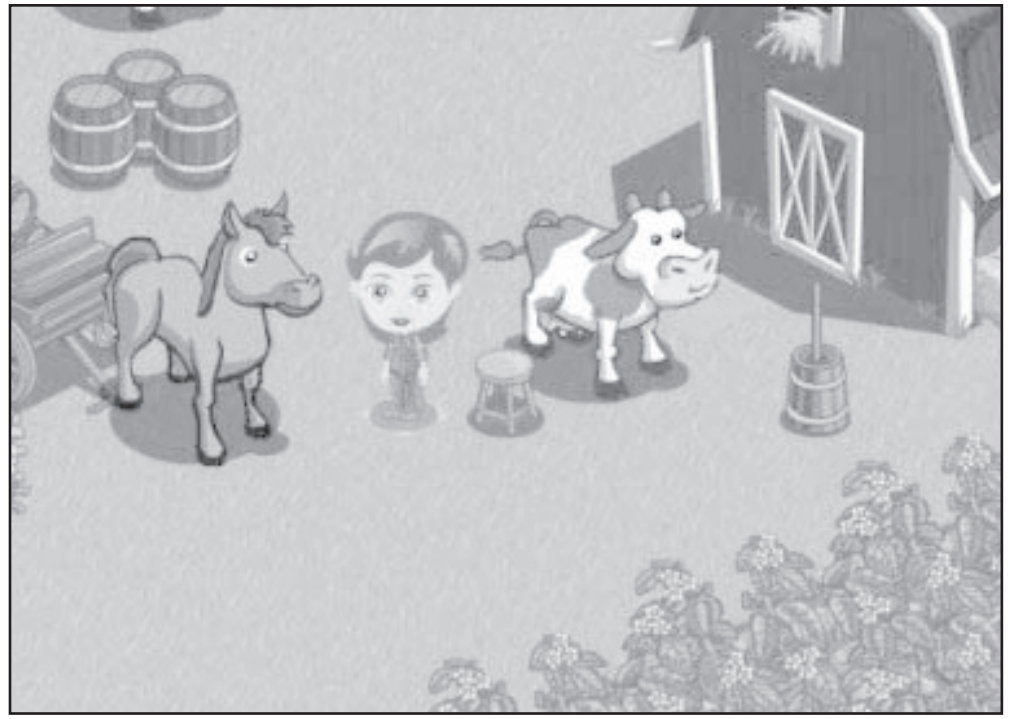
Whitchurch also likes it, she says, because she has struck up several Farmville friendships while playing. Players can communicate while cooperating on building their farms.

"I love the interaction part of it — chatting with people and meeting people from all over," she said. "I've probably made 10 friends in the short amount of time I've been playing. I hadn't made any new friends in years."

After poking around two or three times on Farmville, I've somehow landed at level 2, have about 161 coins and several fields full of 23 percent grown soybeans.

I'm not sure yet whether that's good. But I am sure that, with Twitter and Facebook Scrabble already sucking up too much of my time, I don't need another Internet addiction.

I'm selling the farm.



Photos courtesy of Facebook.com



# Movie review: Baader Meinhof Complex

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Haves and Have-nots. Rich and Poor. Facists and Communists. Young and Old. "The Baader Meinhof Complex," directed by Uli Edel and nominated for Best Foreign Language Film in this year's Oscars is a glance into the recent past, (the late 1960s and early 1970s) and warns about the dangers of miscommunication and unwarranted violence in the political arena as well as the idolization of political figures because they are never what they appear to be. Let's just say that this is no kiddie ride of a film and it definitely earns an 'R' rating.

Before someone watches this film, an

understanding of Germany's history will help clear up any confusion about the plot. Germany, after being carved up and divided into Russian and American controlled sections, was to say the least in political upheaval. Young people hated the old ways of government and the older generation hated the "free-love" and anarchist tendencies of the younger.

The (RAF) Red Army Faction, was a group founded by Ulrike Meinhof, a journalist and Andreas Baader, a high school drop-out and car thief/enthusiast. Originally intended to be a somewhat peaceful and outspoken group of young people, the RAF quickly became militant and unorganized and killed many

important figures in Germany's government as well as its civilians. Their aggressions instigated incidences such as the 1972 Munich Massacre in which Jewish athletes were murdered by Arab terrorists at the Olympic Games.

The film opens on a nude beach and the viewer meets Ulrike Meinhof, (Martina Gedeck) a loving mother of two and journalist. Immediately we relate to Ulrike and she is by far the most easily accessible character for the average viewer. Edel uses this scene to establish the free-love and hippie lifestyle of the early RAF members and their original goal of changing politics through their voices as opposed to violence. We're soon after taken to a protest by college students in Munich where fascist policemen begin to beat and attack protestors, resulting in the death of one student who tries to escape.

As the film progresses we see how the RAF begins to organize itself. We see more and more protestors assassinated and the RAF begins to retaliate by rioting, burning stores and breaking windows. This is the first time we see Ulrike begin any destructive behavior; beforehand she was a journalist who was a conscientious objector. The RAF then begins to act like the young, adolescent people that they are and kill and have sex at random.

As you watch this film, you begin to forget you're watching a foreign film and that you're reading subtitles

because of the well-scripted dialogue as well as the fast paced and well calculated editing. You may walk out of the theater feeling like you've learned a little German as well. On the other hand, some might forget they're reading subtitles (or thinking at all) because all they will notice on screen is the gratuitous nudity and sex as well as the Bonnie and Clyde, hit-and-run style violence throughout. This can be good or bad to some, but keep in mind who you take with you to this movie. (Grandma might get a little ticked.) Audiences will either hate or love this film and most will squirm in their seats at some point due to the politics, the violence or the sex.

Overall, this film is uncomfortable. It is well edited, well scripted and a great documentary/drama, but it's not an easy film to watch. Personally, sometimes the film seems to glorify the killings of innocent people as well as powerful government officials, but near the end the viewer sees the disillusionment of the RAF members in that their attacks are random.

However, the message of the film is clear: if we raise people up to a god-like status such as Hitler or the RAF members, we will most certainly be disappointed. We are reminded in this film that everybody is human and that we all make mistakes. This film isn't necessarily a must go for all, but it is a noteworthy film due to its



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**A K9 unit joins Dr. Kim Frazier's class for a civic engagement project** on the Campus Green Thursday, Oct. 22. Though part of the family, these are working dogs, with training in Missing Persons, Cadaver and Water Work and Disaster training. Left to right are Elly Mae and her owner Daisy Deems (her daughter Tara is a student in the class and coordinated the event), Wilhelmina and owner Rosanna Thompson, Zues and owner Mike O'Connor, Poco and owner Bill Hilsman.

## NATIONAL FRENCH WEEK, NOVEMBER 4-10, 2009

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

12:30-1:30pm, Pilcher 237. Lunch sponsored by the French Faculty  
2-3:15pm, Leadership Room. Belgian Consulate: La Belgique et sa Culture Presentation in English Mr. Benoît Standaert, Belgian Consul

7-10pm, SO 1021. **Film: Les Ripoux (Comédie)**

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Brief synopsis: Rene is a "ripou", a rotten cop who makes ends meet by accepting bribes, presents and free drinks from the people he should be putting in jail. (Movie in French with English subtitles)

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

9:30 - 12:15, University Room A. French Across the World. Francophone Students present their country. Sponsored by International Students Retention Services (in English)

4-6pm, Leadership Room. Poetry Reading by KSU students

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8-10am, Pilcher 237. Petit Déjeuner

11-12:15am, University Room A. Quebec Delegation Presentation. The province of Quebec. Dr. Ginette Chénard, Québec Delegate. Presentation in English

2-3:45pm, University Rooms. Cocktail Party and Talent Show. Sponsored by KSU French Club

7-10pm, Social Science 1019. **Film: Scout Toujours.** Sponsored by Horace W. Sturgis Library. Brief synopsis: France, 1965 - An aging mamma's boy becomes the replacement leader of a rowdy group of teenage boy scouts who make his life miserable. (Movie in French with English subtitles)

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

7-10pm, Social Science 1019. **Film: La Doublure.** Sponsored by Horace W. Sturgis Library. Brief synopsis: A porter and a top-model have to pretend to be a couple in order to salvage a CEO's marriage. (Movie in French with English subtitles)

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## SPORTS



## Atlantic Sun Regular Season Champions

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Seniors Maylee Attin-Johnson (left), Bridget Gaughan (center) and Caitlin Dingle have more work to do as the Owls host the A-Sun Tournament Nov. 5-7.

BEN HAMPTON  
STAFF WRITER

The KSU women's soccer team clinched their third Atlantic Sun conference championship in four years in front of a full house at the KSU Soccer Complex Saturday night.

The ladies defeated the Campbell Camels, 2-0, as the Owls celebrated Senior Night.

"It's great to win the conference championship again this year," said head coach Rob King. "Obviously, winning three out of four shows the consistency that we want in the program, so we're very excited about that."

Maylee Attin-Johnson, Caitlin Dingle and Bridget Gaughan were all recognized at Senior Night for all of their hard work and dedication over the past four years.

"In the days leading up to Senior Night I was really sad, I just didn't want to see it come and go," said Gaughan. "Now, we have won the conference, so we get to play here at home. We're just going to keep taking care of business and moving on, so it doesn't feel like the end quite yet."

Goals came early and often for the Black and Gold

(9-6-0, 7-3-0 A-Sun). Appropriately enough, two of the seniors provided the offense for the Owls on the cool fall evening.

Attin-Johnson started the scoring just three minutes into the match for the Owls. Dingle sent a great corner kick into the middle of the penalty box. Campbell keeper Jamie Panfil got her hands on the ball, but a determined Attin-Johnson found a way to get just enough of her head on the ball, sending it into the back of the net.

"During the season I really haven't been scoring a whole lot," said Attin-Johnson. "So to have a goal on my senior night, to close it off, it was great."

Three minutes later, Dingle was able to put her name in the scoring column with a terrific goal to double the lead against Campbell (9-8-2, 4-4-2 A-Sun). After collecting the ball near the top of the penalty box, Dingle blasted a shot that looked like a sure goal, if not for the crossbar. When the ball came back into play, Dingle found her own rebound and scored on a diving header.

"These have been the best years of my life," said Dingle. "I can't imagine spending four years anywhere else. It's kind of bittersweet. I just wish this

could last forever. For this to be senior night, winning the conference and scoring, it doesn't get any better than that."

Campbell had a few opportunities to get back into the game, but the KSU backline and keeper Staci Pugh were in good form as usual. No save was bigger for Pugh than the one she made in the 72nd minute. Camel midfielder Marisa Muller carried the ball left to right in front of the KSU goal and took a shot to the left corner of the net. With all of her momentum moving to the left Pugh reached back with one hand back to pin the shot to the ground.

"We put a lot of pressure on them early," King said. "We got our two goals early on and then we really didn't give them very many chances. They defended well in the second half and didn't give us many chances. We did enough to get the win and that's what it was all about tonight. Now it's time to get prepared for tournament play."

The Owls will host the 2009 Atlantic Sun Conference Women's Soccer Championships on Nov. 5-7 at the KSU Soccer Complex. The semifinals will be on Thursday, Nov. 5 with the finals taking place Saturday, Nov. 7. Times have yet to be determined.

## Building a foundation for the future

JUSTINHOBBDAY  
SPORTS EDITOR

The four-year transition period is over, and the men's basketball program is ready to set the foundation for a fledgling division I program.

"We are at the threshold," head coach Tony Ingle said. "This is the first year of a division I program the way I see it, and now we've got to go build."

The Owls are picked to finish last in the conference this year, and Ingle feels that the pick is fair, based on the other coaches' knowledge of the team. However, as a coach, he doesn't see his team as the worst in the conference.

"This team is going to be fun to watch because we can do more on the offensive end, but at the same time we've got to really concentrate on the defensive end," Ingle said.

An array of newcomers and the return of promising young players from last year's squad look to provide the base for the foundation of the future.

Sophomores Kurtis Woods and Spencer Dixon return following encouraging freshmen campaigns. Woods started every game for the Owls last season and earned Atlantic Sun All-Freshman Team honors, while Dixon provided a valuable spark off the bench all season long.

"[Dixon] is good because he brings a lot of energy, he plays real good defense and he's a spark plug, which is really important," Ingle said.

Redshirt freshmen Markeith Cummings and LaDaris Green are two very athletic players who played together at Beach High School in Savannah, Ga.

"[Cummings] has a presence about him. I'd put him in the top three or four athletes that we've ever brought in here," Ingle said. "[Green] sees the floor, has great instincts, passes well, shoots the ball well and LaDaris is also one of the top athletes to ever sign here."

Junior Cortez Irby is another newcom-

er that Ingle is excited to bring into the mix. Irby was named to the National Junior College Athletic Association All-Tournament team after averaging 14.3 points and 9.3 rebounds in the national tournament for Shelton State Community College.

"Our fans are going to like [Irby]," Ingle said. "He can really shoot that basketball."

Another junior, Matt Heramb, comes to KSU from Auburn University. Coach Ingle feels that Heramb's experience at Auburn and in the Southeastern Conference will help bring discipline to the team.

"[Heramb] is skilled, he knows the game and he is a good team player," Ingle said.

Seniors Jon-Michael Nickerson, Jonathan Whipple, Jay Mitchell and Junior Ajayi will be the cornerstone players for a team that lacks a lot of experience. Also, Kelvin McConnell returns for his junior season at point guard after leading the team in points, minutes and three-pointers made in his sophomore season.

"Coach [Ingle] is intense as always and this year we've got a lot to prove and we've got a lot of hard work to do to get what we want," Whipple said in an article on ksuowls.com.

Ingle knows that everything won't come together overnight, and that a tough A-Sun schedule should prove to be a daunting challenge for the team.

"It takes a blueprint, a little molding, the right ingredients and it takes time to put all of this together," Ingle said.

The Owls get started Nov. 3 with an exhibition game against Fort Valley State University, and the regular season gets started Friday, Nov. 13 against North Greenville.

The conference schedule gets started with Belmont and Lipscomb Universities on Dec. 3 and 5, and a tough non-conference schedule includes road trips to Maine, Western Michigan, Georgia Tech and Notre Dame.

The men's and women's basketball teams would like to invite everyone to the Black and Gold Scrimmage Wednesday, Oct. 28.

"It's just a fun night," Ingle said. "Fans get acquainted with us, we get acquainted with the fans and we do it with excitement and fun."



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Junior Kelvin McConnell returns to lead the team from his point guard position.



## Lady Owls ready to compete atop the A-Sun

Photo courtesy of KSU SID

Coach Colby Tilley and the Lady Owls hope to compete with the best teams in the A-Sun with a very young team.

JOHN MORBITZER  
STAFF WRITER

The Lady Owls basketball team is ready to get started on another season with high aspirations.

“Realistically, based on teams we’ve had in the past, I feel this team can do as well or better. I feel this team has a good chance, if they play well and play hard, there’s a good chance they can play for the championship,” Tilley said.

The team will compete with a young and talented roster. Freshmen outnumber the seniors 7-4, with two sophomores filling in the line-up. Senior leadership will play a role in the chemistry of the team this season, providing experience and balance.

“It all starts with the seniors providing leadership for the team. The freshman come in and look for the seniors to help guide them through these early days of practice and help them along as far as the things we want to do in our program. So it’s a good balance,” Tilley said.

Highlighting the roster is senior Gretaya Kelley, who was voted to the preseason All-Conference team. Kelley won Defensive Player of the Year her sophomore season and made a buzzer-beating jump shot against Campbell last season to

secure Coach Tilley’s 700th career victory.

“Well, it’s very deserving for her. She’s a very talented player and I believe it’s something very worthy for her because she is a great player. I think she is one of the ten best players in the conference so far,” said Tilley.

The Lady Owls tip-off their season starting Nov. 14, with four straight home games, before taking part in the Chattanooga Classic and beginning the conference schedule. The Convocation Center will host match-ups from local rivals Georgia Tech and Georgia State, as well as 10 conference games.

“I feel like it’s our year,” Kelley said. “We have four seniors coming back, two sophomores and we’re starting anew with seven freshmen, but I know we’re going to pull it out.”

The Lady Owls’ eligibility for post-season play seems to have brought in better caliber newcomers than in years past.

“I think these freshmen are a lot better than the freshmen in the past,” Kelley said. “They’re fast learners, they’re working really hard and they’re more focused than the freshmen in the past have been.”

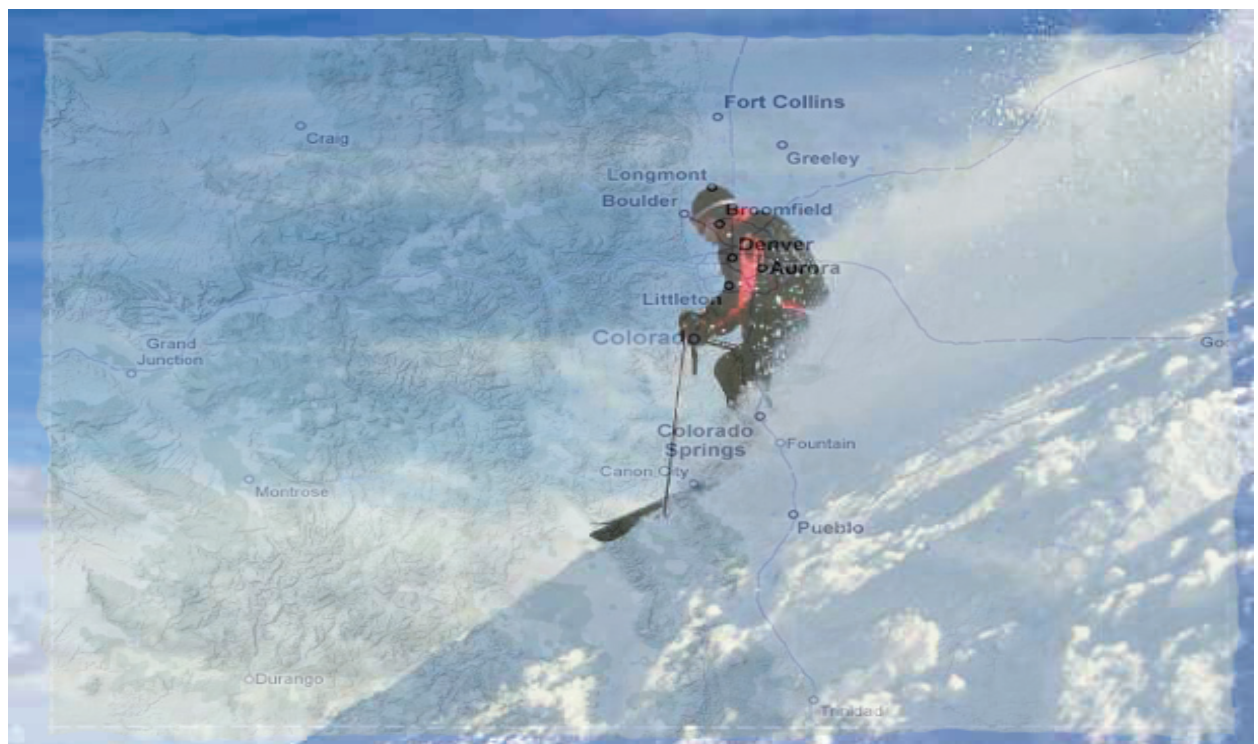
The influx of talent has Kelley believing the team will compete for a top conference spot. The Lady Owls look to parlay a top regular season finish into a strong showing in the conference tournament, which begins March 3.

**“If they play well and play hard, there’s a good chance they can play for the championship.”**

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