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Expensive homecoming

Questions about spending may have led to second resignation of the semester

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A Student Government committee chair resigned Friday, Nov. 12 after inquiries were made regarding expenditures, including the purchase of Halloween costumes for members of Student Government.

Melissa Goulden, the former chairperson of the Student

Government Publicity and Public Relations [PPR] committee, declined to comment on her mid-semester resignation. Stewart Adams, the acting PPR chairperson, refused to confirm or deny Goulden's resignation to "...protect the members of SG..." Kathy Alday, the director of student life and acting faculty advisor to SG, confirmed Goulden's resignation via an e-mail message, Monday,

Nov. 15.

Goulden is the second SG member to resign this semester. Justin Wagner, the former president, resigned Aug. 16 after articles of impeachment were brought against him.

Records obtained by The Sentinel revealed SG spent \$343.95 for Daredevil, Superman, Batman, Supergirl and Wonder Woman costumes and over-

night shipping for homecoming. Additionally, Goulden was reimbursed \$92.60 for items, including hair glitter, spray paint and a strobe light.

According to SG documents, PPR has a budget of \$3,000. Goulden said, in a Nov. 11 interview, the committee decides how the budget is spent without approval from the larger SG body. She said no one on the com-

mittee expressed any concerns over spending the money on Halloween costumes.

Goulden said student government was disputing shipping and costume costs with the supplier, but could not disclose the amount of money that may be in dispute.

Wagner, in a Nov. 13 online interview, expressed concern over the cost of the costumes.

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Melissa Goulden was the Publicity and Public Relations chair for Student Government.

Let's dance

Team strives for excellence

Olivia Noland
Staff Writer



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The dance team practices their routine they perform at many events.

games." Ambra Letner, sophomore graphic design major said, "Being a spirit squad for KSU helps get everyone more involved in supporting our athletic teams and brings students together as a whole."

The team was founded less than 10 years ago and has undergone many changes since Fields took over in 2002. "I wanted the team to appear uniformed and glamorous, all while demanding an increase in technical difficulty and energy in their routines," she said.

Vera Lukens, senior communication major, said the dance team has benefited from structure and discipline within the past few years. "We've improved immensely as a team and as individuals," said Lukens.

Fields said the team has evolved profoundly as a direct result of the motivation each dancer has for their passion, their program and their school.

The dance team has a new agenda planned for the 2004-05 season. They will compete

regionally at the Peach Belt Conference in March 2005, where they won second runner up in 2004. They will also compete nationally at the NDA National College Dance Team Competition in April 2005, where they hope to place in the finals.

"One thing that I look forward to during competition is the adrenaline rush and excitement of being in front of tons of people and then nailing the routine," Rachel Hildreth, junior nursing major said. "We get so much gratification out of performing."

Liz Stott, sophomore communication major said, "I look forward to competition, because we have a strong team this season and with confidence--we could go all the way."

The dance team conducts two auditions per year in late April and August. Criteria for the team includes, but is not limited to, experience in technical elements, a well-rounded background in dance, a minimum 2.5 GPA and a positive attitude.

Stressed out

Depression and suicide common among college students

AJ Barnett
Staff Writer

Many people across the nation will be recognizing Saturday, Nov. 20 as National Survivor's of Suicide Day.

At KSU alone, there have been two suicide attempts since the beginning of the fall semester.

"Suicide is a very serious problem around the nation and the world. It is a problem that is getting worse, not better. It is the second leading cause of death among 18-24 year olds," said Dr. Bob Maddox, director of the CAPS Center.

Monday, Nov. 8, CBS's



Bob Maddox

Early Show covered the topic of "Suicide on Campus." Correspondent Tracy Smith said, "A study by the American College Health Association showed that 15 percent of students meet the criteria for clinical depression."

Of those, the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention said, "90 percent of college students who take their own lives have a diagnosable mental illness, usually depression, even though it is highly treatable."

With the help of different organizations, universities and colleges across the nation are beginning to pay more attention

to the seriousness of depression and suicide among college students.

Locally, Emory University has taken a positive stance on the subject. CBS reported that "...students at Emory are required to take a health class during which they watch a film that features friends and relatives of college suicide victims."

Director of Counseling Services at Emory, Mark McLeod told CBS, "It takes a lot of courage for students to come and seek mental health services. Still, even though I think it's better than it used to be, it's still a difficult decision for college students to make...it is a sign of weakness to ask for help."

Among those presented on CBS was Phil Satow from The Jed Foundation. Satow formed the Foundation in 2000, with his wife Donna, after their 20-year-old son, Jed, committed suicide in 1998. They focus specifically on college students and

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A time of giving

Program focuses on helping the community

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Signs the holidays are officially upon us are all around. The days are shorter. Store lines are longer. For most, the holidays are a time to reunite, eat and be merry.

For others it is not as festive. Reality may be a little harsher, and the holidays can be a time of disconnect or even isolation from others. Help is always needed. The Volunteer KSU program aims to do just that--help.

Volunteer KSU [VKSU] is a campus-based community service center. "Our mission considers the needs of the community and the holistic development of the students when matching them to service group projects," said Sylvia Inman, assistant director for Volunteer Kennesaw.

Community service learning experiences are designed to allow students to serve as volunteers within or outside their discipline.

"The emphasis is on service," Inman said, "but reflection on that service should promote learning about the community served."

The center was established in 1984 as an integral program within the Student Development Center. The center has more than 300 non-profit community service agencies in their database. The agency completes a form that specifies their need for volunteers.

"It is my responsibility to find projects that meet the requirement for those professors who require community service hours in their curriculum," said Inman.

VKSU has projects lined up through December, giving students and faculty the chance to help during the holidays. The most recent project was the



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Volunteers and KSU students were hard at work on the Habitat for Humanity housing site.

Habitat for Humanity housing project Nov. 13 in Smyrna. More than 30 students signed up to help build.

Other community service projects include a partnership with the Zion Baptist Church in Marietta. "KSU has been helping Zion build houses for the past six years," Inman said. The construction will continue through November and December pending weather conditions.

There are service events taking place for the Thanksgiving holiday. VKSU along with the African-American Student Association are collecting non-perishable food donations for Families First.

Families First is a 100-year-old agency that provides counseling and other supportive services to individuals and families.

AASA will also sponsor the Giving Thanks Luncheon Tuesday, Nov. 16 at 12:30 p.m. Students, faculty and staff are asked to donate three cans of food or \$3. All donations will go to Families First.

Nov. 22 and 23, students will help the Center for Family Resources and the Department of Family and Children Services [DFCS] distribute food to more than 200 families for the Thanksgiving holiday.

DFCS provides foster care

for children who have been displaced from their families and adults who have been abused and are not able to care for themselves.

VKSU has also set up a blood drive to be held on campus Dec. 2 and 3 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the University Rooms of the Student Center.

"KSU and the Red Cross have had a partnership for 10 years sponsoring blood drives on campus," said Inman.

VKSU also sponsors Adopt a Family services for the holiday to help serve two agencies. Students, faculty and staff volunteer to adopt a mentally challenged adult from the Cobb/Douglas Community Service Board and the women and children of the YWCA shelter.

The Cobb/Douglas Community Board is a public agency providing a full range of services in the area of mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse. More than 40 adults will be adopted.

The YWCA provides shelter for women and children who are victims of domestic abuse. More than 25 families will be adopted for the Christmas holiday.

Students, faculty and staff can volunteer year round. For more information on VKSU community service projects call 770-423-6700.



Habitat for Humanity volunteers use building materials from Home Depot to build homes for the less fortunate.

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A place where everyone knows your name

Colleen Wells
Staff Writer

"It is a home away from home for me," Janese Thompson, administrative coordinator of the Adult Learner Programs said. Thompson is speaking of the Lifelong Learning Center, a place where non-traditional students can find a sense of connection and belonging amidst a sea of traditional college students.

Non-traditional students are college students who are returning to school after at least five years away, and who may have employment, a family and extra-curricular activities in addition to schooling. These multi-tasking students sometimes have difficulty juggling the many aspects entailed in being an adult learner.

"There are special difficulties that you walk in with as a non-traditional student, because your perceptions are different," Thompson said. The LLC is a

place that aids in all areas possible, helping non-traditional students "get over the hurdles and be successful," said Thompson.

Thompson, who also graduated from KSU, lights up as she speaks of the LLC. She was also a non-traditional student who can remember the feeling of anxiety "just walking across the main dining room with younger people." At the LLC, located in room 261 of the Student Center, students can drink a fresh cup of coffee from their own coffee mug, instead of waiting in the long line of students at Starbucks.

The fresh aroma of coffee and friendly smiles greets the students who enter the LLC. Any negative feelings a student may feel internally instantly convert to optimism after encountering the positive atmosphere within those four walls. The relaxed frame of mind can be related to the feeling one gets after coming home from a long day at work.

"The Lifelong Learning Center is a good place to go to find solitude when I need to get something done," said Natasha Paracha, a senior communication major.

Much of the setting of the LLC can be attributed to the supportive and welcoming staff. "Student assistants are trained to help you so you don't have to run all over campus to find answers to your questions," Thompson said. And they are more than happy to assist students, because many of them are also non-traditional students who "may have mutual situa-

tions and concerns in life. They too had the pressure of learning how to get studying integrated into their lifestyle," said Thompson.

The center has a wide variety of resources and programs to aid in making the college experience smoother. "We are trying to meet all the different needs non-traditional students have, and we are always trying to adapt to new needs," said Thompson.

The LLC resources include a satellite computer lab of the Information Technology Services, where students can work on papers and labs with the help of the staff, if needed. There is a fax machine, a free telephone, audio-visual equipment, hook-ups for laptops and typewriters for check-out.

Another area of the LLC contains the Adult Learner Resource Library, which includes books, audio and videotapes for students to check out. A magazine rack stocked with specialty magazines is also housed in this area.

Campus information racks are located in the LLC displaying a variety of brochures and flyers of student services and programs. Some helpful services displayed include the Odyssey Peer Mentoring Program, where students can sign up to engage in a one-on-one learning relationship for any subject--and a childcare listing of discounted childcare for students in the Atlanta area, among many other brochures.

There is also a kitchenette



Mellisa Spielholz | The Sentinel

Students use the equipment available in the Lifelong Learning Center to work on projects and papers for their classes.

area that includes a refrigerator, microwave, toaster oven, sink and always, a full pot of coffee. Students can prepare food from home or bring food from the dining hall to eat peacefully away from the loud, high-traffic cafeteria.

"The whole idea behind the LLC is for there to be a place here for adult learners to network together," said Thompson.

The LLC offers numerous academic support and hospitality services to achieve this goal. A program such as Re-Entry Support Training [R.E.S.T.], includes seminars to help adult learners alleviate the anxious feelings school can cause. "The R.E.S.T. program doesn't just

have to be re-entry students," Thompson said. "It can be anybody who might have difficulties adjusting back to school."

Childcare and parenting resources are also available. Jacqueline Hand, senior secretary for the LLC, leads in putting together creative activities for student-parents and children. "Family Fun Days" is a program that offers children a fun day of lunch, arts and crafts and a movie. This semester movies included "The Haunted Mansion" and "Brother Bear" and crafts included making crowns and personalized bookmarks. The LLC also has a lottery drawing that gives the opportunity for 10 lucky student-parents to win a

\$300 childcare subsidy per semester.

The LLC is a valuable place that houses resources and services that not only help boost non-traditional students' achievements in school, but also their achievements in life. It is a comforting place that welcomes all who enter. No matter what separate walks of life non-traditional students have taken before coming to KSU, the students who use the LLC walk together, supporting each other as they achieve goals for their separate paths in the future. As the banner on the wall reads, "Sometimes you just want to go where everybody knows your name." The LLC is that place.



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SG: Questionable homecoming expenditures

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"...\$343.95 for costumes? This is so ridiculous," he said. "You can get costumes cheap from Wal-Mart or just make them."

"We did not have the time, nor the talent, to actually make...a costume," Goulden said. She also said the purchase of the costumes was "based on three weeks of research on the best way to get the costumes."

SG also picked up the \$110 tab for several of their members to attend the homecoming dance held Oct. 29. Additionally, SG paid for five non-member guests of the attending members.

Goulden characterized the purpose of the homecoming dance as a morale-building event for the members of SG.

"We all sat at the tables together," she said. "We actually did have some nice conversations. There were even times where we got out and danced together, so it was very morale-building."

"In the past, SG members always had to buy their homecoming tickets," Wagner said. "I, and other SG members, in the past bought their [sic] ticket at full price at the door...paying for members to go, in addition to five non-SG members, is ridiculous."

SG is budgeted \$5,100 to conduct a fall and a spring retreat.

"The retreats are just kind of to boost morale and break down barriers so that we can work more efficiently together," said SG Secretary/Treasurer Jenny Cotton.

Cotton said they have get-to-know-you and team building exercises along with a planning session during these retreats. Instead of having two, multi-

day retreats, the members of SG decided to have two, one-day abbreviated retreats each semester with social activities for the SG members each month.

Cotton said the homecoming dance was one such social activity. "We have just found it more effective to do more social activities on a smaller level," Cotton said, "like we'll go out to dinner."

Cotton said SG will be having the fall retreat on campus this year and estimates it will cost only \$200, rather than the approximately \$3,000 that has been budgeted. A similar savings in the spring would save approximately \$2,000. It is unclear, however, where the unspent \$5,000 will go. Cotton said some of the budgeted money pays for SG's monthly social activities. Cotton also said some of SG's money may be used to purchase a microwave for the student dining area.

When asked if the money requested in the budget could be re-allocated at SG's discretion, Goulden said yes, but "within reason." She said the SG executive board and senate must approve the expenditure, unlike the money allocated to the PPR.

The Student Activities and Budget Advisory Committee, or SABAC, recommends the division of the student activity fees among the registered student organizations. SABAC student members comprise 50 percent of the committee and are appointed by the student government president.

Each student is charged a student activity fee of \$69 each semester. According to the KSU Web site, more than 17,000

students are enrolled at the university. This means SABAC advises the administration on the control of more than \$1.2 million of student money each semester.

Munzir Naqvi, the SG president, said SABAC does not oversee movement of money within SG. "We don't have to go to SABAC to ask for specific things," he said.

"There has been no control in [SABAC] to oversee groups spending money in frivolous manners," Wagner said. "Why? Because the SG president has the power to appoint its mem-

bers."

The majority of SABAC student members are also SG members. Currently, SG members hold four of the six occupied SABAC student positions. They are Naqvi, Robert Connelly, Khaled Kabbara and Kenyon Moore. Connelly is the SG vice president. Kabbara is the SG secretary of technology. Moore is the SG secretary of academic affairs.

Referring to the budgets of all of the student groups, Connelly said, "We're about middle of the road. We're just doing the same thing other groups do."

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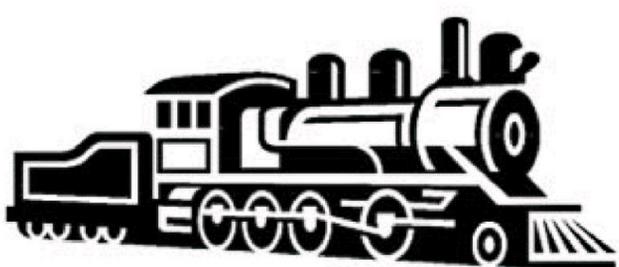
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Don't throw the football team under the bus

Dave Dalton
Columnist

I have been watching the debate around here over whether or not KSU should pursue a football team. I have also been listening to questions about a shuttle bus. In fact, as the debate wears on, it sounds more and more like it is a shuttle bus versus a football team. On the street, at 45 miles per hour, I would put my money on the shuttle bus. I do not think those football players would stand a chance. But as a business decision for the university, I would have to bet on the football team.

Let us face it. Virtually no one is going to use a shuttle bus. Despite the "scientific" polls and the pretty six color pie chart on the front page of this newspaper, the wait will be longer than the walk would be. Besides, as our country gets fatter and more out of shape would it not make sense to walk a little bit? The university requires that we take HPS 1000 if we want to graduate, but they are going to send a shuttle bus around to our cars to pick us up? Hello? Is there anyone out there?

What is that? Security benefits you say? No, I doubt it. What you are actually doing by designating bus stops is telling the bad guys [or gals] where you are going to be standing, and when you are going to be standing there. And it is only going to operate from 6:00 p.m.

to midnight? You are going to raise everyone's fees to pay for a program that only half of us could use? What about the security of the other half?

The Sentinel's estimate of \$50,000 per year to operate the shuttle system, plus the salaries and benefits of two full-time employees, seems a bit conservative. Only two? I hope no one gets sick. You better plan on four. So let us see four drivers at \$8 an hour for forty hours a week for 52 weeks--that comes out to about \$65,500 [not counting benefits.] So the actual cost of operating a shuttle bus might be closer to \$115,000 per year.

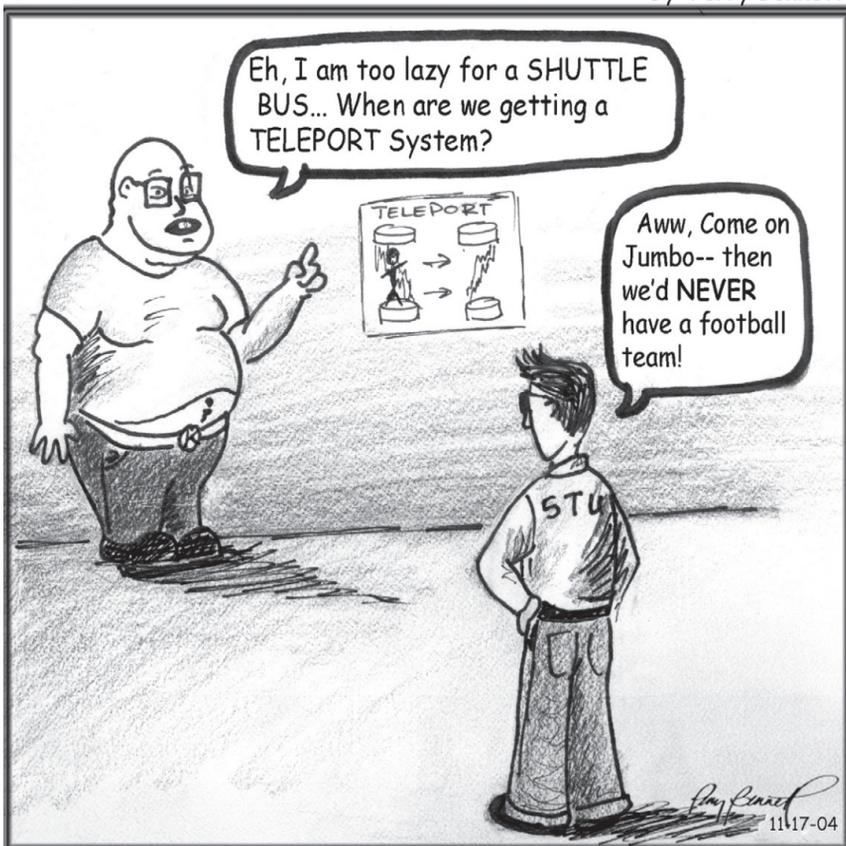
That is a pretty good chunk of change. Why, with \$115,000 I bet we could install some pretty nifty security cameras in the parking lots. Pipe that footage into the security offices and your campus cops can immediately have their eyes on suspicious persons. They would be able to see ugly situations unfolding and get there in time to make a difference. Dispatchers could keep eyes on fleeing suspects and vector the responding officers to intercept. Now that sounds like a security solution to me, and it serves to better protect all students instead of just night time students.

Now, on the subject of a football team: organized team competition, whether athletic or academic, is a good thing. It takes a hell of a lot of work to get 11 guys who all weigh close to 300-lbs. moving in tightly organized formations. It takes

hour after hour of practice for a soccer team to execute plays and respond to fluid situations as a unit. It is directly comparable to all of the choreography and rehearsal that goes into a successful play or dance recital. If you have never experienced it, there is something magical about the synergy of truly coordinated team work. That magic does not just wash off with the sweat. It leaves an indelible mark on the character and personality of each member of the team. As a manager, I have always found that it is easier to work with people who have played sports or had some other background in group activities. The reason is pretty straightforward--those folks already knew how to work as a part of a team. I did not have to train that. Fine tune it maybe, but that is a lot easier. It sounds kind of corny, but teamwork really is the key to success in most situations.

Make no mistake about it--a football team is going to be a big initial investment. Like any sound investment it will pay off in the end. The cost of equipment, facilities and insurance is high but, unlike the shuttle bus [which would be a constant drain on our financial resources since busses wear out, tires get bald, people want raises and so on], the football team could actually generate some income. Here I go, sounding like a capitalist pig again, but after the initial investment, the football team has the potential to bring

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in hard cash from ticket sales, concessions and merchandizing. This income, which will immediately begin to offset the operating cost of the program, will eventually pay for the team.

Not swayed yet huh? Still want to know what is in it for you? In terms of prestige, exposure and name recognition, a successful football program will enhance each and every KSU degree. We have several excellent sports teams here, as well as a fantastic art program and top notch faculty

but, like it or not, football is the crown jewel of college activities. The increased media coverage from the "Atlanta Journal-Constitution," "USA Today," and ESPN that comes with having a football team will make your college degree worth more. The spotlight of national exposure will highlight every other thing we do here. Without any additional effort on your part, your resume will be more appealing to employers just because they will have heard of KSU.

I do not know about you,

but all this seems like a no-brainer to me. I see a clear choice here between a responsible way to make money and an ineffective way to waste it. The football team will generate revenue and prestige for the school as it improves the lives and characters of everyone associated with it. The shuttle bus will siphon off much needed capital from our already scarce operating funds. It will not increase the safety of students, and by generating a false sense of security, it could actually be harmful.

Valuable lessons for the left and right

Jesse Velarde
Columnist

The presidential election of 2004 is behind us. The countless ads, campaign stops, stump speeches and heated debates are finally over. To the dismay of some and relief of others, President Bush has been re-elected and has already set out an agenda for the next four years. Although the campaign is over, the mood of the voters reflected in exit polls is important to ponder for those on the left and the right. Prior to Election Day, many pundits and observers predicted that terrorism, Iraq and the economy would be the main issues driving public opinion, and they were.

However, most were shocked to find out that just as important to voters were moral values. A little more than 20 percent of voters said that it was the most important issue that influenced

their decision. Of those voters, almost 80 percent voted for President Bush. Bush's chief political strategist, Karl Rove, sought to mobilize the evangelical community, which comprises about 23 percent of the electorate. The huge turnout by this community helped offset the large number of newly registered Democrats, which many felt would put John Kerry in the oval office. Now as these results are examined, I have an important message for both sides of the political spectrum.

For those on the left, there is a reason that much of America's heartland and south was covered in red on Election Night. For many years people of faith who live in so called "fly-over country" have been looked down on by many liberals. Often these evangelicals have been described as backward, stupid, hateful fanatics by those in Hollywood and much of the liberal establishment.

And why? Because they dare to disagree with gay marriage? Come on, let us get real, these evangelicals are not hateful or homophobic, but they take serious issue with a court in Massachusetts imposing their will on an institution they hold sacred. They have serious problems with the mayor of San Francisco performing gay marriages in city hall. This does not mean they want to return to the Crusades, or that these evangelicals are a rehash of Puritans waiting to execute a witch. Quite the contrary, most in the evangelical community are hard working, loving people who desire to raise their families in a place where there is still right and wrong, not a relativist society that not only encourages immoral behavior, but uses the government as a tool to sanction it.

As they try to pick up the pieces, many on the left are bitter, and outraged that this band of "zealots" would keep

Bush in the White House. This mindset totally misses the sentiments of those in the red states. Most of them do not hate or fear gays, they just feel like the homosexual community should have to use the same democratic process the rest of us use in order to advance an agenda. If gay marriage is that important, let us debate it. Put pressure on state legislatures and other elected officials, but do not force your will on the rest of us via court order.

Additionally, many have tried to explain moral values away as just abortion and gay marriage. While many find those issues important, they are only a small piece of the puzzle. Trustworthiness and being genuine and sincere also play a part of the moral values equation. Quite frankly, many people, including his supporters, felt that John Kerry was seeking to please people too often--that he would say whatever necessary

to make others happy, even if it meant compromising his principles. In this time of uncertainty and threats from abroad, we cannot risk someone who leads by public opinion or a consensus of the UN. That is not leadership, that is pandering, and many felt that having someone without a backbone would leave our nation like a ship being tossed to and fro in the sea of international terrorism and put lives at risk. In President Bush, they saw a man that stuck to his guns, who let his yes be yes and his no be no. They identified with his folksy manner and saw someone who did not ridicule their faith, but was a man of faith as well, and not ashamed of it. Which bring us to those on the right.

The message for us evangelicals is that moral values are not something we bring out every four years, flexing our political muscle and shouting hallelu-

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Sacked for a loss

Football program would waste valuable resources

Grant Voyles
Viewpoints Editor

It is this time of year that brings about the most whining concerning KSU's lack of a football team. This institutional inadequacy complex comes from a vocal minority of football fans that believe KSU students are missing out on a valuable experience that a football program would bring. They seem to think that having a football team would increase school spirit and give us something of which to be proud. I do not detest football more than any other sport, and I realize that in the future KSU will have a football program. But is football really needed right now? No.

In the rush to transform KSU into a "traditional" university, people are forgetting the main roadblock to a college football team—money. For many schools, a football program is a gaping money pit, and there is little chance that they will ever see a positive return on their investment. The Chronicle of Higher Education had it right when it stated "if you want to compete at the highest level, it's going to cost you a lot of money" [11/12/99]. While KSU may not be at this "highest level" that does not mean football will be a cheap venture. It is hard for a mere columnist to create an estimate of the start-up costs, it is beneficial to look at some parallel programs. In 1995, Florida International University built a 7,000-seat football stadium to the tune of \$3

million. Keep in mind that is just the stadium—do not forget those pesky details like land and additional parking. And even if KSU sets aside \$3 million, expect to pay more—cost overruns are very common in stadium construction projects. A cost overrun is when the actual cost exceeds the approved cost. How big a difference is cost overrun? According to the Denver Post, the average construction cost overrun for a stadium project is 73 percent [Coors Field and the State of the Art]. That turns a \$3 million price tag to \$5.19 million. And how much does it cost to keep a football team running? The Colonnade reported that Valdosta State University spends \$2 million dollars a year on football [Sill Undeclared 11/2/01].

With football being such a high priced venture, KSU will have to rely on money from alumni and grants to get the program started, but it is unlikely that will be able to pay for it all. That leaves the door open to passing the burden onto the students via higher athletic fees. So at a time when tuition hikes are being attempted every semester, we are looking at another possible raise in fees? But all this will pay off in the end, because a football team will bring in money, right? Wrong. The athletic director of the University of Indianapolis, Sue Willey, said only five percent of football programs make revenue [The Alestle 9/30/04]. In his book Unpaid Professionals, economist Andrew Zimbalist breaks it down further, stating that "of the 933 schools of

the NCAA, there are maybe 50 or 60 schools where men's football or basketball teams produce a net revenue" [71].

The money that would go to a football program would be better spent improving the university. While a shuttle bus may or may not be the best use of funds, KSU would benefit more from better parking, more professors and an expanded undergraduate [or graduate] program. It is the responsibility of the faculty to safeguard the academic interests of KSU. While a football team will someday become a reality, for now, the academic standards and curriculum need to be in the forefront. Some believe a football team is necessary to a university's pride and prestige. Is it really? Is the prestige of Dartmouth or Berkeley based on sports? The prestige associated with a learning institution is based on the quality of the students who attend and graduate from that institution. While football is a way to increase pride in the university, it is certainly not the only way. KSU sports brought home three national championships last year—men's basketball, cheerleading and women's soccer—when was the last time you supported one of those teams? And school spirit is not solely connected to sports teams. The Anne Frank exhibit, the rare book room and the Stillwell Theater are all facilities that too few students take advantage of, and utilizing what your school has to offer is showing school spirit. Of course, to some, if it is not football, it is not praiseworthy.

From the office of
Erika B. Neldner

EDITOR IN CHIEF - THE SENTINEL

Unfortunately for me, it is time to say "good-bye." Being a part of The Sentinel has been an amazing experience for me. I have enjoyed working hard to make your student newspaper a better product. I would like to say "thank you" to the Student Publications Board members for seeing something in me and giving me your vote.

Above all, I would like to thank you, the reader. You are the most important part of our paper. If it was not for you picking up the paper each week, my staff and I would not have anything to create. I also want to thank you for making it possible for us to tell our printing company we need more copies. By the third issue of the semester, the papers were going like hotcakes. Thank you for increasing our print and online readership. I also want to thank all of you who took the time to write letters to the editor. Although not all were published, each and every letter was read.

I am also gracious for the staff I worked with during the past two semesters. I could not have done this without each and every one of you. Each of you taught me valuable lessons I will take with me. Matt, you taught me how to be a better friend, and week after week, you helped keep

my spirits high. Melissa, you taught me sometimes you just have to nip things in the bud, and you cannot sugar-coat everything. Grant, you taught me there is more to life than just work, and I cherish the times you told me to chill out. LaToya, you taught me life experience can be one of the best personal qualities, and just because everyone else thinks it is age that matters, we really know it is the experience that comes with it. Richard, you taught me a lot about the law—without your help, I would have been lost when it came to the legal stuff. Meredith, you taught me that life does not stop when your schedule is full, and I really appreciate you taking time out of your busy schedule to help better our newspaper. Nick, you helped me broaden my horizons, and you showed me a different side to running a newspaper. Thanks for letting me annoy you with all my little InDesign questions. Hannah, you taught me that we cannot do it without the money. Thank you for working hard to increase our ad revenue, so we could publish something great. Miki, thank you for doing all you did to take care of all of the little things. Unfortunately, those are the things that most often get overlooked, but you deserve better.

And Ed, you have taught me the most of everyone. I want to thank you for all of the advice you gave me during the last two semesters. Without you, I would have been blind to all the little things in the newspaper world. I also want to thank you for letting me venture into your office and vent when things got so hectic. And I cannot forget Ms. Jeanette—not only did you make sure we all had gas and dinner money each and every week, but you consoled me in my greatest time of need [you know what I am referring]. I want to thank you for your Vitamin H—I cannot tell you how many times just coming to see you brightened my day. And I cannot leave out my wonderful husband, Michael, who helped keep me sane every week. Thank you for consistently encouraging me to do better.

And last but not least, I would like to thank the faculty members [you know who you are] who e-mailed us throughout the semester acknowledging our hard work. You helped keep us motivated to get better each week.

In my [almost] two years with The Sentinel, I have grown from a young, insecure writer to a leader with stronger values, a better sense of dedication and a lot of life-long friendships. It is to the people of The Sentinel with whom I have worked that I owe all of this. I could not have asked for a better experience. I hope each and every one of you enjoyed the product we put out. We did our best to publish a student newspaper worth reading.

For all of the students out there, whether you are someone who is right out of high school or someone who is starting all over again, my one piece of advice is to get involved. I did not choose to get involved until the latter part of my college experience. Involvement will improve your grades, your people skills and your overall college experience. The Sentinel gave me some of the best days of my life, and I leave with a better understanding of what life is all about and some incredible memories I will cherish for the rest of my life. I am a better person from my time with The Sentinel.

Good luck to the next group of people who will make up The Sentinel staff. I hope you all learn as much as I have and leave KSU with the same encouraging sense of accomplishment that I am.

Sincerely,
Erika B. Neldner
Editor in Chief
May 2004–December 2004



Something smells fishy

Where does all their money go?

Quick! Can you name the Student Government president? If you are like many KSU students, you have no idea. Most students regard SG with apathy—and one cannot really blame them. But the apathy has given way to unnoticed problems within SG, which is desperately in need of reform.

SG's purpose is to represent the best interest of the students. The SG Oath of Office states members are to "represent the interests of the students over [their] own self interests." The oath also states members should "be available to listen to concerns of students." Well, now it is time for them to listen to our concerns. Is it any wonder that federal government spending is out of control—they learn it in college.

SG's entire budget comes from our student activity fees which is, in essence, money out of the student's pockets, and therefore, should be used to represent the students best interests and enhancing the university community.

Unfortunately, all they seem to be enhancing is their own checkbook. SG's total budget for the 2004-05 year is \$46,153.94, not exactly chump change now is it? So let us take a look at how this money is being used to "represent the interests of the students." The president himself brings home a stipend

of \$2778 for the year. In fact, about 72.75 percent of the SG budget went to stipends for the SG members. So our faithful civil servants are bringing home a little cash, but that is okay as long as the rest of the funds go to benefit the students. If only that is where they went.

A quick look at SG's transaction register show they are fond of "petty cash." They used this cash to pay out \$77.57 for "supplies" and \$147.38 for "pizza and supplies." They also paid out \$110 for their own homecoming tickets. This was said to be a "morale-building event" for SG. With what they are being paid, morale should already be pretty high. Why are they building morale for themselves and not the student body? All this seems comparatively frugal against the \$343.95 SG spent on costumes—that is right costumes—that members of the SG wore to a pre-homecoming costume contest [which they did not even win]. Now, as much as we would all like to see SG president Munzir Naqvi in a Daredevil costume [\$59.99], this seems to represent self interests over student interests. The student body



paid for these expenditures without any tangible benefits for the students.

Now, while SG members did not have to pay for costumes or homecoming tickets, they did pay out of their own pockets to fight the state budget cuts. According to Melissa Goulden, the former SG Publicity and Public Relations chair, the organization spent a total of \$35, \$20 for leaflets and \$15 for an overnight shipping charge, to fight state budget cuts. Talk about a selfless act, that only leaves \$33,546.10 left for their stipends!

The wasteful and eccentric spending practices will continue as long as students are unaware of them. SG cannot represent the best interests of KSU when they are busy representing themselves. Perhaps they should invest in air fresheners, because something in SG stinks!

Lessons: After the election

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jah. Far too many of us consider moral values those things we are against such as abortion and gay marriage. We must show everyone what we are for. Does the rest of the world know that evangelicals are for loving their brother, helping the poor, and reaching out to the community and beyond? If those of us in the red states truly believe moral values are as important as we said on Election Day, then we have a unique opportunity to truly make a difference beyond the campaign of 2004, or beyond the world of politics for that matter. Not by overturning Roe v. Wade, but living a lifestyle of morality at work, in class, and everywhere we go.

The most important part of this equation is love. Of course, we will always have political disagreements, but those with whom we disagree are not evil, communist or of the devil. In fact they are our neighbors, and if we truly believe what the Bible says, then they are our brothers as well. To miss this important truth in the pursuit of politi-

cal power would be tragic. Today there are many hurting and lonely people of all faiths, backgrounds and ideologies. Every day is an opportunity to let those around us know that moral values are not just a tired political cliché, but they are rooted in substance and full of conviction.

Perhaps the silver lining of the Sept. 11 tragedy was that it brought us together, with a realization of how short and fragile life is. For a brief time we were not liberals or conservatives, we were Americans. There were no red states and blue states, we were the United States, and despite all of our divisions, we still are. During the next four years, we will debate and argue points of public policy, but we must not forget that no matter how bitterly we argue, we are still citizens, countrymen and friends, and we all desire the same thing—that America would remain strong both here and abroad. As President Reagan once said, "a shining city on a hill."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Clearing up a few issues

Dear Editor,

It seems that over the past few weeks, things have gotten a little out of hand. Recently, it was brought to my attention that the relations between SG and The Sentinel have been discussed on the Web site KSUTalk.com. After reading numerous claims of The Sentinel being anti-SG, I wanted to take this opportunity to clear up a few issues.

First of all, I would encourage students who have any questions or concerns to come and talk to us. Our office is located on the third floor and is typically open from 7 a.m. to

5 p.m. We also have open meetings every Thursday at 3:30 p.m. and our Web site, www.ksusg.com, contains a wealth of information. We are always more than willing to answer any questions the student body may have. Second, I would like to thank you and your staff for your interest in our organization. At times, it has been frustrating with our organization feeling singled out, and the feedback your paper has collected from the students has not always been the most positive. However, I would like to commend your paper on their professionalism and willingness to work with SG. This past semester, SG has experienced one roller coaster of a ride dealing with various issues. However, as a result we have grown as an organization, [but] we are still dealing with some growing pains, yet we are striving to do our best to represent the students and their interests. At the same time, we have managed to overcome some difficulties and get a lot accomplished this

semester with plans to do even more next semester. In dealing with any governmental organization, accountability should always be a priority. The very name Student Government implies that we are indeed a student-run organization. As students, we are prone to making mistakes just like anyone else, and we should be held accountable for all of our actions. Yet, this administration has not made one decision that I would consider to be a mistake. Your paper has set the precedent for questioning our actions, and I encourage the students to follow in your footsteps. As student organizations, we are here to learn. As students, we should question the process, get involved, and if we do not like it, we should do something about it!

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Features & Entertainment

CAMPUS TRADITIONS

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There is a broad spectrum of unique rituals that different colleges across the country do for celebration before, during and after sporting events.

For example, at the University of Tennessee, "the Volunteer Navy" consisting of at least 200 riverboats, all travel up the Tennessee River to Neyland Stadium, forming a huge floating tailgate party. "The Volunteer fans prove every week that they are the most dedicated fans and will stop at nothing to get the game," said Matt Gammon, senior communication major and die-hard Tennessee fan.

At Georgia Tech, the use of the "Rambling Wreck" car has led the Yellow Jackets onto the football field ever since Sept. 30, 1961. The white and gold car is a sight for sore eyes and truly gets the crowd and the athletes revved up for the start of the game. "The Yellow Jacket fans show true school spirit and make game days at Georgia Tech memorable experiences," said Georgia Tech alumnus, Joe Waldschmidt, Alpharetta, computer software support.

Every time the chapel bell is heard at the University of Georgia, it means the Bulldogs were victorious in their sporting events. "I think the Bulldogs are top 'dawgs,'" said Jeanette Eberhart, administrative secretary of the Student Life office. This tradition dates back to the 1890s when the football field was only yards away from the chapel, but has continued to be practiced since that time.

During halftime at an Ohio State home game, the Ohio State Marching Band takes on the formation of a script "Ohio." The dot on the "I" in "Ohio" is always a different fourth or fifth year sousaphone player. In rare occasions, the "dot" has been placed by the well-known Bob Hope and Woody Hayes.

At Navy, both the cheerleaders and the football players will do a push-up to represent the amount of points scored--seven push-ups for a touchdown, three push-ups for a field goal and two for a safety.

At Ben Hill Griffin Stadium or "the Swamp" as Florida Gator fans refer to it, fans lock arms together between the third and fourth quarters and sing "We Are the Boys of Old Florida." The University of Florida also has the "Gator Growl," which is one of the largest student-run pep rallies. This event packs nearly 70,000 people for Homecoming each year.

For the last 30 years at the intersection of College Street and Magnolia Avenue, Auburn Tiger fans flee out



Nick Mracek | The Sentinel

Carrying on a long time tradition, ecstatic Auburn fans rush to Toomer's corner to celebrate their victory over the University of Georgia, Saturday, Nov. 13, by rolling the intersections with toilet paper.

of the stadium after a hard-fought victory to celebrate. Fans gather at "Toomer's Corner" [a large tree, located adjacent to the city's well-known Toomer's drugstore] and celebrate by chanting victory cheers and rolling the intersection with toilet paper. This tradition has become routine for whenever the Tigers are victorious.

Florida State started a tradition in which they take sod from teams they beat at away games, including Bowl games. This tradition began in 1962, following Florida State's 18-0 win over the University of Georgia. After Florida State removes the sod, each piece is buried in a cemetery next to the practice field along with a tombstone, including the date and score of the game. So far Florida State has buried approximately 70 pieces of turf. "When I lived in south Florida, I went to many football games, and it really was the fans that [sic] cheered the team to victory," said avid Florida State fan, Alicia Lane, a junior marketing major.

Although universities practice these rituals to fire up the fans, sometimes fans and alumni can get too riled up. After the University of Minnesota won their second straight NCAA hockey title, the fans celebrated a little too hard. Fans began to set couches, cars, beds and dumpsters on fire in an act of excitement about the victory. The police had to put a stop to what was happening before anyone got hurt. Other than in extreme incidences, traditions are practiced in fun and celebration and do not cause anyone harm.

Are their any traditions that may hit closer to home? KSU's sports teams have proven to be very success-

ful, and with their recent move to Division I, should there not be any traditions starting up? Tip-off 2004 is the beginning of what could be a university tradition. Students, coaches and athletes traveled down the road to Buffalo's Wild Wings and watched the video of the men's basketball team and women's cheerleading squad winning their championships. For something like this to continue and form a tradition, KSU will have to continue winning championships. In the future, alumni and fans are sure to form a ritual to celebrate a hard fought victory or championship, what that ritual will be is unknown and lies in the hands of the future Owls out there. This college is growing quickly and with the desire and passion for victory celebration, traditions here at home will only continue to blossom.



[above] Kendyll Pope, #9, removes some grass after Florida State defeated Florida in "The Swamp."

[left] Florida State University's "Sod Cemetery" is a tradition where the team takes a little of the turf from the home field of the team they beat.

Courtesy of <http://www.fsukxaz.com/ToddsNolePage.html>



Courtesy of <http://www.mylivingtree.com/Sabrina>
The Volunteer Navy heads down the Tennessee River for a home game.



HOLIDAY CHEER

Since this is the last article of the semester before exams and winter break and such, I feel like I have a duty to let you know what is going on for the holiday season. Now, it does not matter whether you are celebrating Christmas or Hanukkah or whatever, we can all enjoy some of the same things. For example, lights.

The ten-year anniversary of the Lake Lanier Festival of Lights is sure to be a crowd-pleaser. This year, there will be a six-mile driving tour of holiday lights, and if you so please, you can visit Santa's Village if you have kids--or you can be like me and go by yourself, because Santa Clause is real. Anyway, another way to catch the lights this year is to go see the Centennial Olympic Park Holiday in Lights. This is a relatively recent holiday tradition, and the downtown area even has an ice-skating rink. Centennial Park Lights is open from Nov. 22 through Jan. 5 and closed on Christmas Day. You can kill two birds with one stone this holiday season by visiting Lenox Square Mall in Buckhead for your shopping, as well as seeing the beautiful tree they will be lighting Thanksgiving Day. It is not Rockefeller Center, but apparently, it is a big deal around here. The 57th lighting of Rich's Department Store's Christmas tree will take place Nov. 27. Pre-show festivities begin at 6:30 p.m. They have not announced who will be the musical headliner at this year's event, however, last year, it was Lee Ann Womack.

Another Atlanta tradition is the Festival of Trees, held annually at the Georgia World Congress Center. This festival is always fun to go to, with events the whole family can enjoy. If you are going to be in the downtown area this holiday season, you definitely need to stop by and see some of the 200 trees festively decorated by some of the best designers in Atlanta. This event started as a charity event for Children's Healthcare, and is a nine-day event. This event will last Dec. 4-12. The Festival of Trees also features a gingerbread house, specialty

shops [oh goodie, more ornaments] and lots of kid-friendly activities. There will also be live entertainment. The festival hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Sundays noon to 6 p.m.

The holiday season is all about giving, which is why I definitely think you should go and visit Rock City's Enchanted Garden of Lights, which benefits Christmas for Kids. This will be Rock City's sixth year hosting the event, and a portion of all ticket proceeds will go toward "Christmas for Kids/Forgotten Child Fund." This event will be open to the public from Nov. 17 through Dec. 30, [except for December 24] from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. The Enchanted Garden of Lights features more than half a million twinkling lights that enhance 25 holiday scenes throughout Rock City. Apparently this is quite a big deal, because more than 50,000 people from across the globe came to see it last year and more are expected in '04. I hope you all have a great winter break and I will see you next semester!



Dimestore Journeys

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Roaming Reporter

Q: What are the best and worst moments in pop culture of 2004?

text & photos by

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Debra Szanyi

Sophomore, Undeclared

Best: Ashlee on SNL
Worst: Hilary Duff's second album

Stan Wyatt

Junior, Communication

Best: Garden State
Worst: Ashlee Simpson on SNL



Mandy Delamater

Freshman, Nursing

Best: Bush getting re-elected
Worst: Lindsey Lohan releasing an album

Amanda Potter

Freshman, Nursing

Best: Simple Plan's new CD
Worst: Britney's "Pregnancy"



Mandy McCarthy

Freshman, Art

Best: Howard Dean scream
Worst: Super Bowl "wardrobe malfunction"

John Semler

Junior, English

Best: Janet flashing everyone
Worst: Hilary Duff releasing second album



Olga Petaki

Senior, Music

Best: "Mean Girls" and the CD "Underneath"
Worst: Britney turning into white trash

David Su

Sophomore, Networking

Best: Eminem video
Worst: Britney Spears' two weddings



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- ACROSS**
- Parkway fillers
 - Church assembly
 - Foundation
 - Chills and fever
 - Nettle
 - Coffee servers
 - Rational
 - Sadat of Egypt
 - Sacred bird of ancient Egypt
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 - Played again
 - Approximately
 - Laying asphalt
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LOSING CIVILIZATION

Some several weeks ago, I wrote a bit of a diatribe excoriating you Americans for your lack of wilderness, and how hard it was to go to beautiful places and actually be alone instead of dealing with fat kids running everywhere. Granted, I did not choose a very good time or place on that particular occasion [Cloudland Canyon on a weekend]. But perhaps this particular experience made me think a little about how our countries vary just in terms of space, and how it is used or taken up. A couple of weeks after that article, there was a letter published in the newspaper recommending I visit somewhere a little less crowded, such as The Pocket.

Well, I took the advice of this kind person and visited The Pocket with my Slovakian friend, and it was indeed much quieter than Cloudland Canyon, even though it was a weekend. Being rural Georgia, the only sound we could hear aside from ourselves was the reverberations emanating from a firing range – but that is another thing altogether. It was very nice, but there was one thing, which I still did not feel, and that is the feeling of really being in wilderness.

There is a big difference, I think, between the circumstances of life in Georgia as opposed to living in Victoria. For one thing, Georgia has twice the population crammed into an area about two-thirds the size of my state. And another thing – at least three-quarters of the people in Victoria live in Melbourne, the big smoke, whereas only about a half, or perhaps less, of Georgians lives in Atlanta.

So, that means more people in rural areas in much less space. Driving down the country roads on the way to The Pocket, while most definitely rural and quiet, you never got the feeling you had gotten away from it all. I will use a couple of examples to illustrate the different feeling I sometimes got at home – and perhaps to emphasize a subtle difference between where I am from, and where I am now.



DOWN UNDER
By Adam Stevens

There is a small town in Victoria called Marysville, a beautiful village of about a thousand people in a small valley. I definitely recommend it. I have taken a few day-trips by myself up through here, and there is a particularly striking region near Marysville if you are on the hunt for hiking trails, as I was. There is a road that strikes out west toward the town of Wood's Point. In the 60 miles between Marysville and Wood's Point, I am not aware of a single building aside from the ruined logging facilities at Cumberland. If you take the turn-off to Warburton on the way to

Wood's Point, you will travel about 30 miles of twisting, turning road until you see any buildings.

Another thing that you will not see is another car. Driving to The Pocket, there was a pretty regular, constant stream of traffic – it is really not all that far from Rome, or indeed several other reasonable-sized towns, plus you have all the folks taking time out from their Saturday morning to drive to the local shooting range. I drove the 55 miles from Warburton to Marysville twice, [and got two headaches from all the twisting and turning!] and I probably saw two or three cars on both trips.

I am not sure I can conceive of this existing in the United States, and certainly not in little Georgia. The whole state is covered with houses and people, nevermind how spread out they might be in some places. The mountains of Georgia are pretty well populated – the real ones that actually get snow on them in the winter, are basically unpopulated. I went camping once, not long before I came here, up in these mountains, and the thing that you notice is how vast they are, not in size but in scope, and also how deathly quiet the place is. To get there, you have to travel through the densely populated Latrobe Valley, but once you leave that area, there is nothing. The small town of Licola, population 12, was the only town I saw in a hundred miles of driving. If you want to know where the middle of nowhere is, spend a night there. Besides, it is a very pretty town.

This week's horoscope

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 17). Stability is important to you, but technology may be baffling. Use part of the money you've stashed away to hire an expert to help you.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) Today is a 6. Your friends are about to come to your rescue, and not a moment too soon. You'd do it for them, so don't get all goofy when they do something nice for you.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) Today is a 7. A person with high ideals is good to know, if somewhat amusing. You provide the practical touch he or she is sadly lacking.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) Today is an 8. A pleasant distraction could make you late for an appointment or for meeting a deadline. Take care, the boss is watching.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) Today is an 8. Money's tight, so go over your budget carefully. You're the perfect person for this job. You're a master at saving money.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Today is a 6. Your mate or partner has an idea that seems, at first, quite inspiring. Don't rush right into agreement, though. It may have a fatal flaw. Investigate.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today is a 7. Paperwork interferes with what you'd rather be doing. Dig into it now and be better prepared for a meeting the day af-

ter tomorrow.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Today is a 5. You yearn for a quiet, yet meaningful conversation with one who truly understands. Don't do it on company time, however. That would be too expensive.

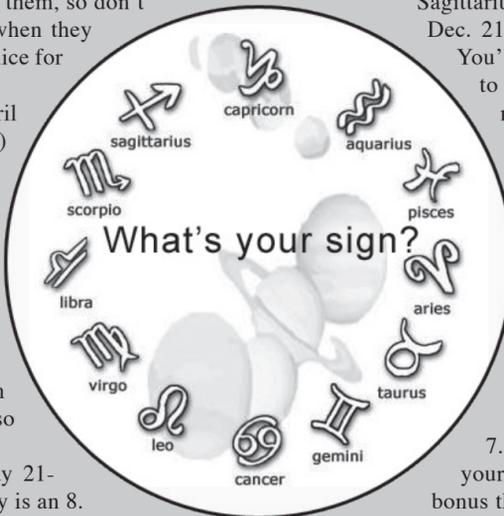
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Today is a 6. Don't schedule lots of outside activities for tonight. Stay close to home and mull over all the stuff going on in your head.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Today is a 7. You'll find it easier to study for the next couple of days. It's also easier to fix things, because it's easier to read instructions.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today is a 7. Don't brag to your friends about a bonus that may or may not be coming. Wait until the check clears before you discuss it or spend it.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Today is a 7. You're growing in power, but this doesn't necessarily make your life easier. A person who'd like to dominate you is getting a little worried.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) Today is a 7. Take care of paperwork for the next couple of days. Postpone travel and fun. Well, you can have fun, but use it as a prize to keep yourself motivated.



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1. Who decided to make Thanksgiving a national holiday?

In the mid-1800s Sarah J. Hale, a poet and editor, lobbied for a national Thanksgiving holiday. But it wasn't until 1863, when President Abraham Lincoln — looking to unite the nation during the Civil War — gave his Thanksgiving Proclamation. Lincoln declared the last Thursday in November a day of thanksgiving.

2. How much turkey do Americans eat on Thanksgiving?

More than 45 million turkeys (about 535 million pounds) are cooked and eaten on the holiday.

3. How much turkey should I buy for Thanksgiving dinner?

For generous servings and leftovers, Butterball recommends:

- 1 to 1½ pounds per person when buying a fresh or frozen whole turkey.
- 1½ to 2 pounds per person for a frozen stuffed turkey.
- ¾ pound per person for a bone-in breast of turkey.
- ½ pound per person for a boneless turkey roast or a boneless breast of turkey roast.

4. How can I find the best-tasting turkey?

Age is a determining factor in taste. A turkey younger than 16 weeks is called a fryer, and a "young roaster" is 5 to 7 months old. A yearling is just over a year old. Any bird 15 months or older is considered mature. Since old females generally have tough meat, hens are eaten when they are young and small. But young male birds generally have stringy meat, so older, large males are preferred.

5. What is the best way to thaw a frozen turkey?

The best and safest way to defrost a turkey is to thaw it in the refrigerator. Never thaw a turkey at room temperature. Put the turkey in its original wrapping on a shallow baking sheet in the refrigerator. The following chart provides good guidelines for thawing times in the refrigerator.

Turkey weight	Days needed for thawing
8 to 12 pounds	2 to 2½ days
12 to 16 pounds	2½ to 4 days
16 to 20 pounds	4 to 5 days
20 to 24 pounds	5 to 6 days

6. How do I know when the turkey is done?

The turkey is done when the meat thermometer reaches 180 degrees F deep in the thigh and 170 degrees in the breast. Juices should be clear, not reddish-pink, when the thigh muscle is pierced. Pop-up timers provide a good indication, but you should always use a meat thermometer to confirm that the turkey is done. A stuffed turkey is done when the meat thermometer reaches 160 degrees F in the center of the stuffing.

7. What is brining?

Brining involves immersing the turkey in a salt-water solution to provide the breast meat with a moisture cushion in case it is overcooked. Brining also seasons the meat, which eliminates the need to do so before or after roasting. A brined turkey will also cook faster than an unbrined bird by about 30 minutes because the absorbed water conducts heat.

8. How do I do it?

Here's a brining recipe for a 10- to 12-pound turkey from chef Emeril Lagasse:



Lagasse

- 1 cup salt
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 2 oranges, quartered
- 2 lemons, quartered
- 6 sprigs thyme
- 4 sprigs rosemary

Dissolve the salt and sugar in 2 gallons of cold water in a nonreactive container (such as a clean bucket or large stock pot, or a clean,

heavy-duty plastic garbage bag.) Add the oranges, lemons, thyme and rosemary. If you have a bigger turkey and need more brine, use ½ cup salt and ½ cup brown sugar for every gallon of water.

Remove the neck, giblets and liver from the turkey, and rinse it inside and out under cold running water. Soak the turkey in the brine, covered and refrigerated, for a minimum of 4 hours and up to 24 hours. Rinse the turkey well after removing it from the brining solution to prevent it from being too salty.

9. Besides the meat, what parts of a turkey can be used?

A mature turkey has about 3,500 feathers, most of which are composted or disposed of. But some are used for such things as American Indian costumes and pen quills. It has even been reported that Big Bird's costume on "Sesame Street" is made of turkey feathers. Turkey feather down is also used to make pillows.

Giblets are the edible internal parts of a turkey, including the gizzard, heart, liver and neck. They are usually removed, placed into a plastic bag and reinserted into the body cavity. Many people, particularly in the South, use the giblets to make gravy.

As for the turkey's skin, it can be tanned and used for cowboy boots, belts and other accessories.

10. Does turkey really make you sleepy?

After a big meal of turkey and trimmings, most people want to nap. Studies have associated the essential amino acid L-tryptophan, a natural sedative, with drowsiness. Although L-tryptophan occurs naturally in turkey, you would have to eat a lot on an empty stomach with no other protein for it to make you sleepy. If you get drowsy after a big turkey dinner, the culprit is probably your high carbohydrate intake as the blood rushes from your brain to your stomach to help digest the large meal.

TURKEY TIDBITS

Facts, tips and trivia about our feathered friends



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12. How should I store my leftovers?

Within two hours after roasting, remove the stuffing from the turkey and carve the meat off the bones. Chill the leftover meat in the refrigerator before wrapping for storage. For refrigerator storage, wrap the turkey and stuffing separately, and eat them within three days. If you're storing leftovers in the freezer, wrap the turkey and stuffing separately in heavy foil, freezer wrap or freezer bags. For best flavor, eat the stuffing within a month and the turkey within two months.

13. How can I use the leftovers?

The five most popular ways to serve leftover Thanksgiving turkey are:

- Sandwich
- Soup or stew
- Casserole
- Stir-fry
- Salad



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14. What states produce the most turkeys?

Minnesota, Iowa, North Carolina and California are the leading turkey producers, and most states have at least one major operation.

15. Where do turkeys come from?

Turkeys originated in North and Central America and are believed to have been around for more than 10 million years.

16. How did the turkey get its name?

There are several theories on the origin. Some believe that Christopher Columbus thought he had discovered a land connected to India and that the bird was some kind of peacock, so he called it tuka, which is peacock in Tamil, an Indian language. Others believe it got its name from the American Indian word for turkey, firkee. Others theorize that it got its name from the noise it makes when scared: "turk, turk, turk."

17. Can turkeys fly? What other special traits do they have?

Turkeys raised on turkey farms can't fly because they're too fat and weak. But wild turkeys can fly for short distances at up to 55 mph and can run at speeds up to 25 mph.

Turkeys have great hearing, but no external ears. They can also see in color, and a wide field of vision (about 270 degrees), which makes sneaking up on them difficult.

18. Is it true that the turkey was considered for the national symbol of the United States?

Benjamin Franklin argued passionately on behalf of the turkey and was unhappy when the bald eagle was chosen instead. In a letter to his daughter, he said the bald eagle had "bad moral character" and the turkey "is a much more respectable bird, and withal a true original native of America."

19. Why do some people view turkeys as silly creatures?

Well, turkeys have been known to drown if they look up when it's raining. They are also known to drop dead from the shock of passing jets.

But at one time the bird did command enough respect to have a ballroom dance named for it — the turkey trot. (Although, the dance was named for the short, jerky steps a turkey takes.)

20. Why do turkeys gobble?

Actually, only male turkeys gobble. Females make a clicking noise. Male turkeys, or toms, gobble to attract a mate, when they hear loud noises and when they settle in for the night.

— Compiled and written by Cheryl Neely, Fort Worth Star-Telegram

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11. How do I carve a turkey?

Turkey carving is easy, with the right tools and technique.

1. Spoon out stuffing. Let turkey cool for an hour after roasting so the meat can "set." Pull legs away from turkey; cut through hip joint without removing leg.



2. The first cut into the breast meat goes horizontally, all the way to the breast bone, just above wing joint.



3. Next cut downward, making thin slices of breast meat. Repeat on other side of breast. Slice meat off thighs.



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Survival of an Affleck Christmas

A holiday flick lacking Christmas cheer

Derek Wallace
Sr. Staff Writer

“Surviving Christmas” [released Oct. 22], starring Ben Affleck, Christina Applegate and James Gandolfini will not be in the running for box-office success of the year.

Drew Latham, played by Ben Affleck, is a wealthy executive who leads a shallow life. With Christmas right around the corner, Drew wants to relive some of his old childhood holiday memories by returning back to his old home for the holidays. The house is now inhabited by another family, and Drew makes an offer to buy back his childhood home to make his Christmas bright again.



Will the family be willing to pick up and leave for a person who believes Christmas will come to him by buying his old memories?

Although the story is kind of believable, at no time was this movie funny like it was portrayed to be. This movie gives holiday movies such as “A Christmas Carol” and “A Miracle on 34th Street” a bad name. The fact that this movie is hardly drawing an audience and bombing in the box office is far from a surprise. Staying and watching this movie was considerably painful, when it should have been entertaining and fun to watch with the family.

Why does a talented actor such as Ben Affleck have to waste his time with mindless dribble like this? It seems as though ever since “Gigli” came out, he has been on some sort of a downward spiral from which he has yet to recover. To quench the usual holiday movie thirst, skip this movie and go see the almost life-like “The Polar Express.” “Surviving Christmas” does not deserve a stay in the box office, so do not bother, or even think about, going to see this rubbish.

Grade: F



Still in the spotlight

They Might Be Giants keeps on jammin’

Sarah Goehler
Staff Writer

How long can one band continue to stick together and produce crowd-pleasing tunes? For They Might Be Giants, quirky hits have been flowing from their finger-tips since 1982. Band members, John Flansburg and John Linnell, started creating music before they even had a band to back them up. They later added to their member list Dan Hickey [drums], Dan Miller [electric guitar] and Danny Weinkauf [bass]. That’s right a, a band with two John’s and three Dan’s, pretty bazaar right?

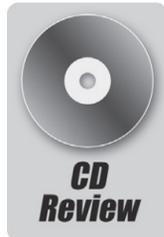
The peculiarity does not stop there. They Might Be Giants are famous for songs with odd topics and off the wall lyrics—you may have been exposed to them and not even known it. The John’s made the theme for “Malcolm in the Middle,” “Boss of Me” and for nostalgia’s sake ev-

eryone probably remembers “Particle Man” from “Tiny Toon Adventures.” Their latest efforts have been with a group of locals that have a quite popular flash Web site on www.homestarrunner.com. These guys have collaborated to make some pretty humor-

creativity goes through the roof. This original and up-beat music makes it hard to listen and not want to bounce around and sing along. “Damn Good Times” is one of the more bubbly songs that make “The Spine” fun to listen to. TMBG has something to be proud of here, but they need your support.

If you are a newcomer to the band, head out and grab this latest release and prepare to be amazed. Even if you have every one of their records up to now, “The Spine” is one that should be added to you TMBG collection. Either way, get out there and promote the band that has been true to the masses since the beginning.

Grade: A



Pixar does it again

“The Incredibles” proves to be “totally wicked”

Melissa Spielholz
Features Editor

With the past box-office success of “Finding Nemo” and “Monster’s Inc.,” animation giant, Pixar teamed up with Disney for another round and heated up the box office with the Nov. 5 release of “The Incredibles.”

“The Incredibles,” featuring the voices of

Samuel L. Jackson, Jason Lee and several other Hollywood long-timers, tells the story of being extraordinary in an unwelcoming time and place. Moviegoers are taken on an adventure through the hardships of “Mr. Incredible/ Bob Parr” [voice of Craig T. Nelson] and his super-power endowed family.

Due to the city’s current political circumstances, those with super-powers are forced to deny their powers and act like normal civilians—how-

ever, this movie shows that old habits are often hard to kick. Mr. Incredible elects to go against the order and finds himself and his family in several compromising situations at the hand of his nemesis, “Buddy Pine/Syndrome” [voice of Jason Lee].

Despite this movie’s “PG” rating, it is fun for those of all ages. “The Incredibles” builds suspense and strongholds the audience’s attention as the well-developed plot unfolds. Numerous one-liners are sure to be remembered and keep the audience laughing through the movies entirety.

This movie is highly recommended for those in need of a light movie that is full of excitement and laughter.

Grade: A



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Alex Danaila
Staff Writer

“Moments in Grace”

An Interview with Jake Brown [bass]

Q: What attracted you to playing music?

A: When I was in my early teens, I went and saw 238, a local band from Florida, perform...since that moment I could not lay down my guitar. I started playing electric at the age of 13 and then picked up bass 3-4 years later and actually joined 238. They made me fall in love with music.

Q: How did you end up in Moments in Grace?

A: I met Jeremy Griffith [vocals, guitar] in the late 1990s when I played a couple of north Florida shows. Griffith eventually moved to Boston, but we kept in touch and in 2001, when he moved back to Florida, Moments in Grace was born.

Q: Do you ever get tired of being in a band?

A: No. Even though, it has its negatives, and there are many of them, I love it. I chose this lifestyle and I am sticking to it. I like traveling, I like meeting people and, most importantly, I love playing music.

Q: Who is your all time favorite band and/or musician?

A: I would have to say Tears for Fears. I have their every single album. They are actually doing a reunion

tour right now, and if I was not on the road with Moments in Grace, I would definitely be at every one of their shows. I guess when you really get excited about a band, all you want to do is listen to their music and go to their shows. Two years ago, I was spending 3-4 hours on eBay looking for Tears for Fears stuff. Finally, I ran out of money.

Q: Being on the road literally 24/7, have you come to love or hate any place in particular?

A: My favorite place of all is St. Augustine, Fla. It is a very small town that has the friendliest people and the best food. I guess all bands have good and bad experiences. Sometime you play a show in one place, and you hate it. Come back the second time around and you love it. That happened to us in Albuquerque, N.M. But I think the worst place for us is Tallahassee, Fla. The people there must hate us. We played four or five shows, and every time we did horrible. Either a technical difficulty or we do something wrong or we break something. We just have a bad vibe about that town.

Q: Moments in Grace just came out with a new album “Moonlight Survived.” How did it come about,

and are there any plans for another album?

A: “Moonlight Survived” was released Aug. 18, 2004. We spent most of 2003 in the studio recording, writing music, as well as lyrics. Many don’t realize it but making an album is a lot of hard work and time put in. Currently, we are writing new songs here and there, but for now we are just on the road a lot and there are no plans for recording.

Q: The dream of every band out there is to get signed. You guys made it. Any advice?

A: You know, it’s really hard to say. I played in many different bands and what I discovered is it’s not just one thing. Personally, for us it was a combination of luck, as well as talent. Create a demo record and put it out there, keep trying and don’t give up. You have to be dedicated.



[above] **Jeremy Griffith [vocals, lead guitar] jams out** in front of a packed house. [below] **Jake Brown [bass] casually plays** along with rest of the guys.



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Tim Kilpatrick keeps the beat on drums for the rest of the band.



For more information about the band or to purchase their new album “Moonlight Survived” please visit www.momentsinagrace.com.

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Dazzling Owl

Former All-Star goes pro

Nathan McCreary
Sr. Staff Writer

Friday, Nov. 19 could be a significant date for the Owls' family, as the Roanoke Dazzle will play the Fayetteville Patriots in the season opener for the National Basketball Developmental League, and former Owls' stand-out Terrence Hill will become the first former Owl to play in a professional basketball game.

The NBDL, affectionately known as the "D-League" is a National Basketball Association sponsored minor league system, similar to baseball's minor league system. The D-League consists of six teams across the nation including the Asheville Altitudes, Columbus Riverdragons, Fayetteville Patriots, Huntsville Flight, Florida Flames [Ft. Myers] and Roanoke Dazzle. Although Columbus, Ga. and Huntsville, Ala. would have been a homecoming of sorts since he attended high school in Ft. Payne, Ala. and is a KSU alumnus, Hill should be proud to have made the team. Nov. 11, the Dazzle's roster had to be cut from 18 to 12. Hill made the cut but faces another cut day on Nov. 17 when two more roster spots are eliminated to get to a 10-man opening day roster.



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Terrence Hill was a two-time All-American at KSU. He also won two Peach Belt Conference Player of the Year awards.

Hill was a two-time All American at KSU. He also won two Peach Belt Conference Player of the Year awards. Hill's most memorable performance for KSU was in the National Championship game where he scored a season high 26 points against Southern Indiana. Hill

ended his collegiate career as the fifth all-time leading scorer for KSU [1,152 career points], the most in school history for a two-year player. He ranks second all-time in steals [162] and eighth in assists [187]. Hill averaged 16.1 points-per-game in his final season as an Owl and was chosen to play for the World Champion Detroit Pistons' summer league.

Hill wore number four for the Pistons during his tour with the summer league. In his first summer-NBA contest, Hill was scoreless, shooting 0-3 from inside the arch, however he did bring down two rebounds, a steal and an assist in twelve minutes against the Milwaukee Bucks. The Pistons

won the game 74-58. The next game, Hill played 10 minutes against the Philadelphia 76ers. He had one defensive rebound and an assist. The Pistons came out victorious 75-67. Hill saw his last playing time for the summer against the Sixers, as he did not play in the remaining three games for the Pistons. After the summer league, Hill became a free agent and entered the developmental league draft.

Nov. 5, Roanoke selected Hill in the tenth and final round of the draft. Hill's dream of playing in the NBA is still a reality. According to the NBDL Web site, 14 players were called up from the NBDL to the NBA 17 times last year. The number of players called to the big playground the past three years totals 28 players being called up 39 times. Fifty-two former NBDL players were in NBA vet camps this year.

Hill's future may be in the hands of the Dazzle's head coach, Kent Davison. Hill must make the final cut to remain in the developmental league. "KSU should be proud of Terrence," Davison said on KSUOWLS.com. "He is a great person and a talented basketball player." Davison also credited Hill with being a competitor and picking up the team's method of play. "He just needs to continue to do what he is doing," Davison said, "and try to make it to the next stage."



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Hill will be the first of the Owls' family to play in a professional basketball game.

New leaders

A look at the senior players of the championship basketball team

Tiffany Roman
Staff Writer

Basketball has been an exciting phenomenon at KSU. The men's team has done extraordinarily well with a national championship win last season. This year the Owl's are back and pumped for a new season with leaders Tommy Thompson, Rey Luque, Kevin McDonald, Cardale Talley and Tobias Seldon. The seniors are ready to lead and take the team back to the championship.

"We feel good about this season," Thompson said. "We have many guys coming back with the championship experience, so we are looking forward to a chance for a repeat of last season's success."

The seniors this year are all team captains, so they have the responsibility of working with the new players to show them the ropes of the program.

"The seniors right now are doing a good job," Head Coach Tony Ingle said. "They are trying to lead the way for the other players by setting good examples. They have adjusted to the system that we have in place and, to their credit, they have improved our system, so we feel like we are moving in the right direction with them."

With the move to Division I, the team has high expectations for this season. "We have high expectations this year, and we don't want to fall short," Luque said. "We are trying to go 36-0."

The team has a chance to go that far. "KSU has won 60 ball games in the past two years which is phenomenal," Ingle said. "It's more than many Division I schools such as Duke, UCONN [and] Kentucky."

The Owl's team has a collection of extraordinary seniors who bring different elements to the court making them an unparalleled team. A veteran and a guard, Thompson, is a player who has been in the program since his sophomore year and, in the words

of Ingle, he is "a winner."

The top three-point shooter of the team is guard Luque who has played for a year coming out of Miami. "Rey [Luque] has adapted well in recognizing his role on the team," Ingle said. "This year he needs to get more rebounds, and he will be asked to play more inside than he has in the past years."

Fan attendance helps the team stay pumped up during the game, and two of the key players help fill the stands. "Rey [Luque] is handsome just like Tommy [Thompson]," Ingle said. "They are really handsome guys who bring attendance to the games, because all the women like to look at them."

Characterized as electrifying, playing every position is Kevin McDonald also called "Snatchdog" by Ingle. McDonald has played for the Owl's for the past season. "Snatchdog is what I call him," Ingle said, "[because] he is just fun to watch, electrifying with big, long arms that make quick smart passes."

The spark plug for the team is Tobias Seldon who gives the team some instant shooting while penetrating the basket well. Ingle said Seldon can be "A little bit deceptive athletically sometimes-he walks slow around campus which would make you think he was a 90-year-old man, but when he gets on the basketball court and puts on the jersey, it is almost like superman putting on his cape."

Last but not least is the teddy bear for the team, Cardale Talley. Talley is a strong competitor but may not be playing too much this season because of problems with his chest and heart. "At this point, we are at the doctors mercy," Ingle said somberly. Talley is described as a strong shooter from the inside as well as the outside.

Well, there are the handsome players, the electrifying, the spark plug and the competitor, which make up the championship basketball team. Each senior has much to offer which should make this season an exciting one.

Lady Owls drop last preseason showdown

After being ranked seventh in the Peach Belt Conference preseason poll, the ladies hope to open the regular season with a win

2004-2005 Womens Basketball Schedule *All home games in bold

Date	Time	Team	Location
Nov. 11, 2004	W[104-46]	Ft. McPherson [Exhibition]	Kennesaw, Ga.
Nov. 16, 2004	7:00 p.m.	Southern Polytechnic	Kennesaw, Ga.
<i>SAC 8 / PEACH BELT CLASSIC</i> <i>Feat: KSU, USC Spartanburg, Tusculum & N. Greenville</i>			
Nov. 19, 2004	TBA	Peach Belt Classic	Greenville, Tenn.
Nov. 20, 2004	TBA	Peach Belt Classic	Greenville, Tenn.
<i>RON WALKER MEMORIAL CLASSIC</i> <i>Feat: KSU, GC&SU, N.C. Central & Virginia Union</i>			
Nov. 26, 2004	TBA	Ron Walker Classic	Kennesaw, Ga.
Nov. 27, 2004	TBA	Ron Walker Classic	Kennesaw, Ga.
Dec. 1, 2004	7:00 p.m.	West Georgia	Carrollton, Ga.
Dec. 4, 2004	7:00 p.m.	Alabama-Huntsville	Huntsville, Ala.
Dec. 13, 2004	7:00 p.m.	West Georgia	Kennesaw, Ga.
Dec. 30, 2004	7:00 p.m.	Alabama-Huntsville	Kennesaw, Ga.
Dec. 31, 2004	7:00 p.m.	Newberry	Kennesaw, Ga.
Jan. 3, 2005	7:00 p.m.	Tusculum	Kennesaw, Ga.
Jan. 5, 2005	5:30 p.m.	Columbus State	Kennesaw, Ga.
Jan. 8, 2005	5:30 p.m.	USC Aiken	Aiken, S.C.
Jan. 12, 2005	5:30 p.m.	Georgia College & State	Milledgeville, Ga.
Jan. 15, 2005	2:00 p.m.	USC Upstate	Kennesaw, Ga.
Jan. 19, 2005	5:30 p.m.	Armstrong Atlantic	Savannah, Ga.
Jan. 22, 2005	2:00 p.m.	Augusta State	Augusta, Ga.
Jan. 26, 2005	5:30 p.m.	Georgia College & State	Kennesaw, Ga.
Jan. 29, 2005	2:00 p.m.	Francis Marion	Florence, S.C.
Feb. 2, 2005	5:30 p.m.	Armstrong Atlantic	Kennesaw, Ga.
Feb. 5, 2005	2:00 p.m.	Lander	Kennesaw, Ga.
Feb. 9, 2005	5:30 p.m.	Clayton State	Kennesaw, Ga.
Feb. 12, 2005	2:00 p.m.	North Florida	Jacksonville, Fla.
Feb. 16, 2005	5:30 p.m.	Columbus State	Columbus, Ga.
Feb. 19, 2005	2:00 p.m.	UNC Pembroke	Kennesaw, Ga.
Feb. 23, 2005	5:30 p.m.	Clayton State	Morrow, Ga.
Feb. 26, 2005	2:00 p.m.	North Florida	Kennesaw, Ga.

Peach Belt Conference

preseason poll:

1. Armstrong Atlantic
2. GC&SU
3. Lander
4. North Florida
5. Columbus State
6. Augusta State
7. KENNESAW STATE
8. Francis Marion
9. Clayton State
10. USC Aiken
11. USC Upstate
12. UNC Pembroke



Fab Four Five

By Chris Lerstang
Sr. Staff Writer
Last week: 3-2
Season Total: 31-19

Auburn at Alabama

3:30 p.m. - CBS
Bryant-Denny Stadium
Tuscaloosa, Ala.



Well, Auburn proved me wrong again as they whipped up on No. 8 Georgia last week and just look destined to go undefeated. Tuberville's boys have a balanced offensive attack with two of the nation's best running backs in Cadillac Williams and Ronnie Brown and a Heisman candidate in QB Jason Campbell behind center. Alabama counters with a pretty stout defense, but a lackluster offense that struggles to put points on the board. This is one of the fiercest rivalries in all of sports, so anything can happen, but Auburn is on a roll and is much more talented, so expect the Tigers to stay undefeated.

Florida at Florida State

7:45 p.m. - ESPN
Doak Campbell Stadium
Tallahassee, Fla.



This game has lost some of the luster that it had in the 1990s, because neither team is that great, but it is still a heated rivalry that is fun to watch. Florida got bowl eligible last week, so they do not have to worry about that against Florida State and can play loose in Zook's last regular season game. Chris Leak, who is one of the most talented quarterbacks in the nation, had a monster game last week against South Carolina, throwing for six TD's, while Ciatrick Fason is a load to tackle coming out of the backfield. The Seminoles, on the other hand, looked very sloppy in a boring victory over N.C. State last week, and Papa Bowden is still searching for consistency from the QB position. But FSU is the better team, and they are at home, so expect FSU finish on top.

South Carolina at Clemson

12:00 p.m. - JP Sports
Death Valley
Clemson, S.C.



Clemson has ended the Gamecocks chance for a bowl bid the last two years, but this season, it is the Tigers who need to win this game for a chance to go bowling. Both teams are coming off disappointing defeats last week, including Clemson's embarrassing loss to perennial cellar-dweller Duke. The Gamecock defense is solid but does have some areas that can be exposed, while Clemson's offense, led by Charlie Whitehurst, has been surprisingly inconsistent. Rumors have been swirling about Lou Holtz retiring and the ol' ballcoach Steve Spurrier coming to Columbia, so the Gamecocks could be playing with some added incentives. Throw in that USC will be playing to avenge last year's 63-17 walloping by Clemson, expect the Gamecocks in a close one.

Michigan at Ohio State

TBA
The Horseshoe
Columbus, Ohio



Ohio State's Head Coach Jim Tressel might not have 100 percent concentration on this game with all the allegations brought forth by Maurice Clarrett about his program. However, his team needs to stay focused if they want any shot of beating Michigan. The Wolverines are more talented and have one of the most underrated quarterbacks in Chad Henne to go along with a powerful running game. The Buckeyes' season is in the tank after a three-game losing streak earlier in the season, but a win over hated Michigan would ease the pain somewhat. Michigan will be playing in front of a hostile crowd but will not be intimidated, so expect the Wolverines to roll.

Crying ice babies want more money

The leaves have changed and fall football is in full swing. The NBA season has just started and NCAA basketball will soon follow. So what is missing from this picture? This wonderful time of the season is when the average sports fan has a plethora of spectator sports from which to choose. Here is a hint--think "Slap Shot," "Miracle" or any other movie involving a slab of ice and toothless brutes skating on it.

Yes, we are about to witness our nation's first ever NHL hold-out, or more succinctly, rich hockey players who do not give a darn about the sport and its fans and will do whatever it takes to make more money.

Right now, we should be witnessing Dany Heatly building up his career stats, or Jeremy Roenick roughing around the New York Rangers. Instead, there is only silence. The NHL Players' Association has decided their skills on the ice are not being met with enough incentive to keep playing.

So why can the league not pay the players what they want or at least negotiate a reasonable settlement? Reports have shown the NHL lost \$273 million last season due to lower crowd attendance and the continuous drive for higher salaries by players. With these conflicting numbers, the league

has reached a peak where it cannot stretch its income any further.

In reality, the NHL is still a business and must operate just as any other business would, small or large. The little profit the NHL has made in the last few years has been eagerly spoken for by the Players' Association.

In the current situation, the players are demanding roughly 75 percent of all total profit. It is a given rule of economics that no business can operate with 75 percent of revenue going to salaries. Yet the dim-witted players are holding out, as if all of the sudden, NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman will come out of a magic box and say, "Oh I am terribly sorry about all this mess! Here, let me give you all a few million out of my own pocket to hold you over!"

The season was supposed to start Oct. 13, so it has already been more than a month of no play. Coaches and experts see no real solution to this player-imposed problem, meaning the loss of an entire season is quite likely. Not every NHL player is for the lock-out, but most of these players are young and not famous. If they took the chance to speak out, the NHLPA would be all over them in seconds, and per-

haps, run them out of the league.

If this whole situation feels vaguely familiar to you, that is, because it is. As a nation, our last major professional sports hold-out was in 1994, when the MLB Players' Union caused a huge headache. It seems as though NHL players have forgotten what our reaction was to the baseball players after the strike. Fan attendance plummeted when regular play began again the next season, and the MLB lost more money than it had before the strike. Only recently have crowd numbers begun to approach the old attendance records.

So with everything common sense telling these stuck-up ice babies not to strike, they continue to hold out for a raise that will most likely never come. America's fans have once again been shafted by the overpaid hockey players, and if the NHL ever returns, perhaps the players will realize the mistake they made when they see they are playing in front of empty arenas.

So are there any positives we can take out of this unpalatable saga? Sure, at least you will not be tempted to waste eight bucks on a beer at Phillips Arena this winter.



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Ice Owls split two big ones

Owls conquer Seminoles but cannot bite the Dawgs

Jenna M. Provov
Staff Writer

Last weekend was filled with mixed emotions for the Ice Owls as a 4-2 victory over the Florida State University Seminoles was distorted by a 3-1 loss versus the University of Georgia Bulldogs. This makes the Ice Owls record 8-2.

Friday, Nov. 12 the Ice Owls were ready to go despite some missing players and coaches due to illness and suspensions. Nonetheless, the Ice Owls jumped ahead quickly in the first period, as assistant captain forward Robert Farris led the way, scoring the first goal of the game. Farris' goal was soon followed by another score by defenseman David Kudlats. Things heated up rapidly in the first period after a highly disputed goal was chalked up for the Seminoles.

The second period gave way to a lot of pushing and shoving as both teams struggled to keep the puck. During all of this, forward Matt Kenck found the time to score KSU's third goal of the evening, but FSU also managed to score their second goal.

Although ahead by the third period, it was the most stressing for the Ice Owls, which resulted in numerous penalties. Despite all of the penalties, which seemed to happen all at once, the Ice Owls managed to hold FSU with just three men on.

As the Owls came back to full-strength, the offense set-up forward Kenck to score

the fourth and final goal of the game making the score 4-2.

"The penalties are still killing us," Farris said. "If we can just play smart and stay out of the box, then no one could touch us."

As the Ice Owls took the ice on Saturday night versus UGA, it was clear both teams were ready to battle. The first period started fast and furious with yellow and red jerseys flying, both teams chasing after the puck. Though UGA was first to score, the Ice Owls did not give up.

The second period brought two more goals for the Bulldogs as the Ice Owls seemed to be a little bit slower than their competition. Finally, the first goal for

KSU was scored by forward Stephen Baxter to the delight of teammates and fans alike.

After a much needed break, the Ice Owls came back ready to take a few more shots at UGA's net in the third period. Despite all of their efforts, however, they just could not seem to make it happen, no matter how hard they tried.

Coach Matt Hogan was not down after the game. "The game came down to three mistakes which Georgia capitalized on," Hogan said. "We need to learn from our mistakes. If anything, this game was a confidence builder, and we learned that we are just as good as UGA. Only one team goes from Georgia to nationals--the next two times we face Georgia, we must win."



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Defenseman Andrew Farrish was part of a brilliant secondary that kept the scoring chances of the Seminoles to a minimum.



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Defenseman Chris Cullen takes out the goalie in the 4-2 win over the Florida State Seminoles.

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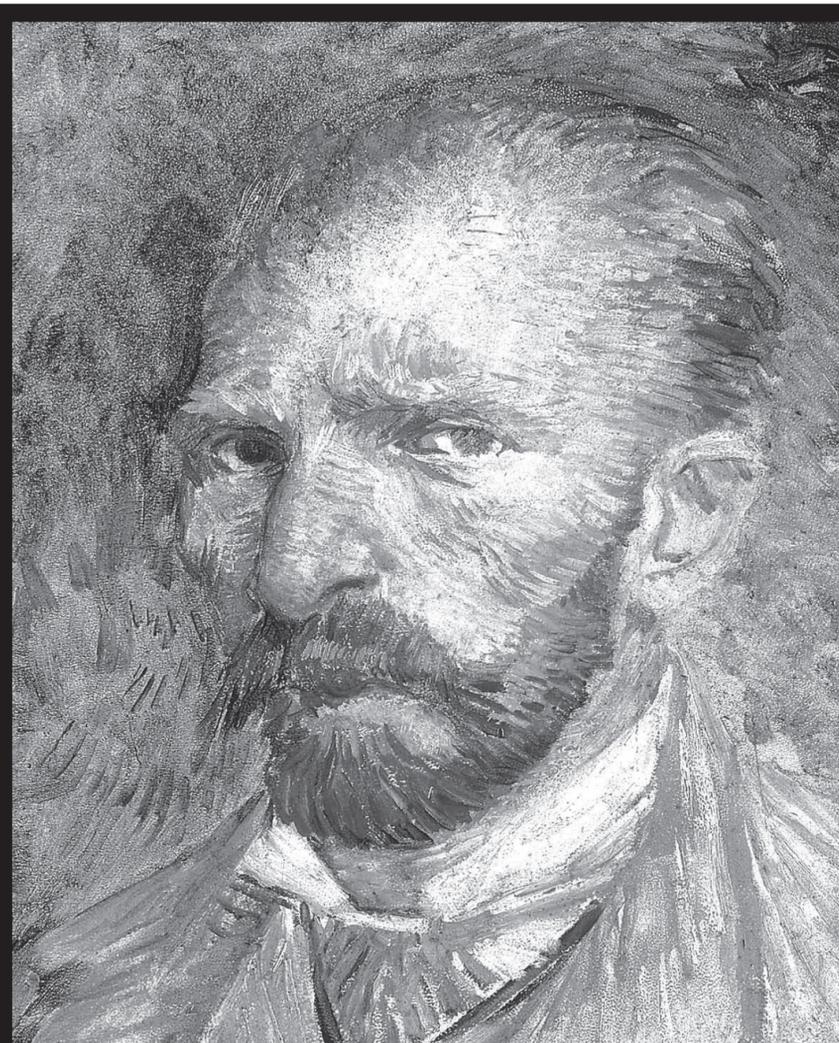
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Oct. 15, 2004	W	UNC-Charlotte	Town Center
Oct. 16, 2004	L	Florida Gulf Coast University	Marietta Ice Center
Oct. 22, 2004	W	Vanderbilt	Nashville, Tenn.
Oct. 23, 2004	W	Vanderbilt	Nashville, Tenn.
Oct. 29, 2004	W	U of Southern Florida	Town Center
Oct. 30, 2004	W	Citadel	Marietta Ice Center
Nov. 5, 2004	W	U of Florida	Town Center
Nov. 6, 2004	W	Tulane	Marietta Ice Center
Nov. 12, 2004	W	Florida Sate	Town Center
Nov. 13, 2004	L	U of Georgia	Marietta Ice Center
Nov. 19, 2004	9:30 p.m.	U of Tennessee	Town Center
Nov. 20, 2004	5:45 p.m.	U of Tennessee	Marietta Ice Center
Dec. 3, 2004	9:30 p.m.	Georgia Tech	Town Center
Dec. 4, 2004	7:30 p.m.	U of Georgia	Duluth Ice Forum
Jan. 7, 2005	9:30 p.m.	U of Central Florida	Town Center
Jan. 14, 2005	TBD	Compuware Gulf Coast Clash	Estero, Fla.
Jan. 15, 2005	TBD	Compuware Gulf Coast Clash	Estero, Fla.
Jan. 16, 2005	TBD	Compuware Gulf Coast Clash	Estero, Fla.
Jan. 21, 2005	9:30 p.m.	Emery Riddle	Daytona, Fla.
Jan. 22, 2005	5:30 p.m.	U of Florida	Jacksonville, Fla.
Feb. 5, 2005	6:30 p.m.	Georgia Tech	Marietta Ice Center
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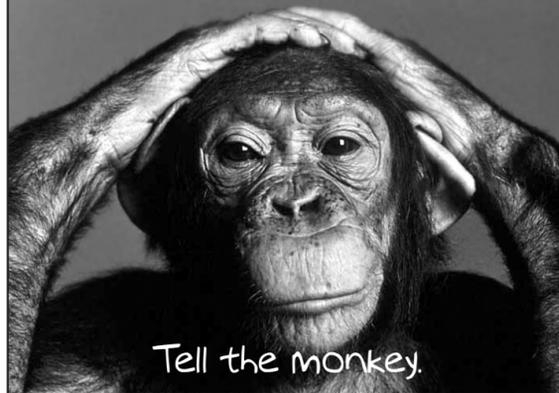
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