

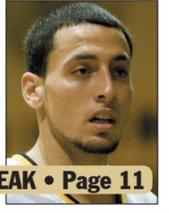


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**HOPE**  
cuts  
costs  
*Change could  
penalize students*  
Jennifer Garrett  
Staff writer

A cap on covered credit hours may soon slam HOPE Scholarship recipients. Georgia House of Representatives Higher Education Committee Chairman Rep. Bill Hembree [R-Douglasville] recently introduced House Bill 299.

This bill would cap HOPE covered hours at 127, regardless of the hours required for the desired degree. If passed, bill 299 would affect students enrolled after July 1. The Georgia House of Representatives is currently waiting to see if it is passed.

The Georgia Student Finance Commission Communication Specialist, Wagers Chenault, said, via email, "GSFC's Board of Commissioners has officially endorsed the legislation at its Feb. 11 meeting. The Board feels that this is a matter of equity, and that all HOPE recipients, regardless of their program of study, should have equal access to HOPE."

Currently, only Kennesaw State HOPE recipients seeking degrees in Art Education and Music Education would be affected. Both Art and Music Education degrees require 131 credit hours. All other degrees at Kennesaw State require between 123 and 126 hours for completion.

"I haven't had to pay for anything other than extra for books throughout my four years at KSU," said Ryan Garner, senior, communication.

The possible cap on HOPE credit hours does not bother Garner.

"Even if it did affect me, I don't think that it's really a problem because if my education was paid for that long, only having to pay for a small portion of my education would be worth it. I wouldn't complain," Garner said.

The HOPE Scholarship began in 1993 and is funded by the Georgia Lottery. According to www.galottery.com, "Since inception, more than \$3 billion has been appropriated and distributed to more than 830,000 HOPE Scholarship recipients."

The HOPE Scholarship provides eligible students with tuition, fees and also a book allowance provided they are attending one of Georgia's public colleges, universities or technical colleges. Students attending a private college or university in Georgia are awarded \$3,000 annually.



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**Hank Wu, junior, Math, presents a plaque of appreciation to the KSU police department.**

## Police recover stolen laptop

*Student honors officer for recovered property*

Olivia Noland  
Sr. Staff Writer

A student was reunited with his laptop, with the help of KSU police, after a three week search ended at a Douglasville pawn shop.

Hank Wu, junior, Math was studying in the Student Organization Office on the third floor of the Student

Center on Dec. 10, 2004. He went to the front desk to make a phone call and within five minutes, his laptop was gone.

He submitted a claim to the KSU Police Station around 9 a.m., and campus police arrived at the scene minutes later. Wu's information was recorded and he was told to wait to

hear from an officer. They would contact him if they had any leads.

Several weeks passed before Wu knew anything about the search for his laptop. He received a phone call from Sergeant Edward Stephens, primary investigator at KSU, during the first week of the new year. Stephens delivered the good news.

"With the help of the Marietta and Douglasville Police Departments, we were able to locate the stolen laptop at a Douglasville pawn shop," Stephens said.

"After reviewing Mr. Wu's information, we thought the laptop could be his."

Wu provided the serial number and original purchase order information of the laptop in order to expedite the identification. He remembers feeling very doubtful about it being his.

"Everyone knows that once an electronic device like a laptop is stolen, it isn't likely that it will be found, and if it is, there is a possibility of extensive damage to the inner and

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## SAFE SEX?



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**Amanda Backman [left], senior, Exercise sports science, assists the Wellness Center in their safe sex awareness efforts.**

## KAB sponsors week of 'Hot Lovin'

### Condoms spark debate

Stephen Valdes  
Staff Writer

The controversy was not about candy hearts or love notes, but about sex education.

The Center for Health Promotion and Wellness decided to tie into the theme and distributed condoms and information about sexual health and awareness. Students on campus had varied reactions to the center's offerings.

"I don't know if it will be effective, but I think it's a good idea," said Ashley Barton, junior, English.

"It encourages the destruction of the institution of marriage," said Bethany Nall, freshman, communication. "Sex outside of marriage is morally wrong. Most students are not married and distributing

these products encourages them to be sexually active."

Josh Liley, president of the Gay, Lesbian, Straight Alliance said that he thinks the information table was a great idea. The GLSA will be distributing condoms at their own informative event later this month. They hope to answer students' questions about safer sex, STDs and HIV.

"It's not just a condom give away," Liley said. "We're going to interact with students and talk with them about the issues."

The discussion of sex education was not limited to the KSU campus last. It was a topic that was being addressed all over the nation.

The Kennesaw Activities Board declared Feb. 7-11, "The Week of Hot Lovin'."

Students were offered the opportunity to participate in a number of

events. Monday, students were given the opportunity to have t-shirts airbrushed. Tuesday, students hand-crafted picture frames and jewelry for Valentine's Day gifts. Thursday morning, KAB cooked a free pancake breakfast, which they called, "The Morning After Breakfast."

"The Week of Hot Lovin'" was scheduled to lead up to Valentine's Day. The week, however, brought students on the KSU campus, as well as political lobbyists in Washington, into controversial discussion.

On Feb. 7, the first day of KSU's "Week of Hot Lovin'," President Bush proposed a federal budget. Budgets are often controversial, and this one has not been an exception. With many spending cuts in the proposal, Bush asked for an increase in funding for sex education programs that focus on abstinence.

According to the Washington Times, spending for these programs has more than doubled during the Bush administration, and this proposal adds another \$39 million to their funding.

The Wellness Center's information table at fered pens with contact information for Planned Parenthood, an international organization that advocates women's interests, sexual awareness, abortion rights and many other issues. This organization strongly opposes Bush's



### Things to consider:

- Sexually transmitted diseases [STDs] affect 12 million men and women in the United States each year.
- Anyone can become infected through sexual intercourse with an infected person.
- Two-thirds of all STDs occur in people younger than 25- years-old
- Changing sexual partners adds to the risk of becoming infected.
- Sometimes, early in the infection, there may be no symptoms, or symptoms may be easily confused with other illnesses.

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**Tisha Waller [left] spoke at the Feb. 7 ceremony in honor of National Girls and Women in Sports Day.**

## Olympian proves that it is more than a game

*Female athletes urged to take a stand*

Kim Everhart  
Assistant News Editor

In honor of National Girls and Women in Sports Day, Kennesaw State University honored 28 female athletes at the 15th annual Bobbie Bailey Awards ceremony in Stillwell Theatre on Feb. 7.

"KSU recognized the athletes for their accomplishments in sports and for the positive manner in which they have represented their school," Susan Whitlock said.

Each of the honorees was chosen by her coach to represent her high school as an outstanding athlete. The high schools represented were from the following counties: Bartow, Cherokee, Cobb, Douglas and Paulding.

Tisha Waller, a 2004 Olympic track and field athlete, was the keynote speaker. In her speech, Waller said that it was important for female athletes to grasp that being an athlete was about more than just competing.

"It is about creating a path that young girls can follow," Waller said. "You are paving the way for the young girls who are watching you."

The ceremony included a video, "Celebrating the Past Shaping the Future 1899-1999," which featured clips of female athletes competing in sporting events over the last 100 years.

Waller's individual success was applauded by the crowd when a clip showed her clearing the high bar at 6 feet, 7 inches, breaking her own high jump record.

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# Business school takes a field trip

## Coles College of Business partners with Romanian school

Ashley Williams  
Staff writer

A formal partnership between the Coles College of Business, and ASEBUSS, the Romanian Post Graduate School of Business, resulted in 50 executive MBA candidates gaining the opportunity to get a first-hand look at how business is conducted in Romania.

After an eight-day stay in the Eastern European country, students returned home with a new perspective on international business and culture.

"Our partnership with Romania is a unique experience for executive MBA students," said Dr. Deborah Roebuck, Chair of the Department of Leadership and Professional Development.

"For approximately eight months students from KSU and ASEBUSS interact and make decisions virtually on issues facing their organizations. Students learn the importance of international communication and decision-making."

Students from the Coles College of Business and ASEBUSS work together in virtual teams to discuss

the companies they work for and the problems they face. As the students share their experiences, they will eventually pick one experience to focus on and it will become their project, according to Nancy Barnes, Administrative Secretary of Leadership and Professional Development. Topics include the impact of the drop of the US dollar, international corporate cultures, and customer relationship and performance management.

In April, the Romanian students will visit Atlanta and the International Virtual Teams will make presentations of their projects.

Working in virtual teams provides hands-on experience for students in the field of international business. The students gain many long-term benefits from the program, including international travel and the importance of virtual teamwork.

They learn to communicate long distance through email and video conferencing, and also how to plan around many different schedules and time zones. This provides a solid foundation for students



Coles College of Business students gather in the snow in Romania.

Courtesy of Verway Scott

to step into the business world.

"I look forward to building strong relationships that will last well beyond graduation," said Executive MBA student Mike Jones. "I'm already looking for another opportunity to go [sic] back."

Romania is taking strides to boost their economy. The most significant is they are applying to join the European Union. The benefits this will have for the economy are tremendous.

"The Romanian business environment is intriguing," said Alison Smith,

executive MBA.

"With the recent growth in its growth domestic product, the future is bright. As changing norms are molded into business-friendly standards and privatization is embraced, Romania will become attractive to the world of investment opportunities," said Smith.

Though this is the third class to be involved with this learning exchange, each class learns something different.

"On this trip our students discovered how technologically advanced Romanian

companies are and how they are applying sophisticated business practices to their daily operations," said Dr. Rodney Alsop, Senior Associate Dean, Coles College of Business.

Some of the companies visited by the KSU students were Interbrew, URBB [Tuborg] and Coca-Cola Romania.

ASEBUSS also hosted a conference at the Romanian World Trade Center where representatives from a number of companies, such as The World Bank and Price Waterhouse Coopers were present.

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# Laptop

outer components," Wu said. "Until I actually touched it, I wasn't confident the laptop was mine."

Stephens received the laptop from officials in Douglasville on Jan. 19, and that same day he returned it to Wu.

"I was relatively positive that it was his," Stephens said.

Wu was astounded when he met with Stephens. The laptop was Wu's. After reviewing his

files and information, he found that most of his documents were preserved.

"It was in good shape and only a few icons were deleted," Wu said.

Charges were pressed against the individual that sold the laptop to the pawn shop.

"The action that Sergeant Stephens and the KSU Police Department took was phenomenal," Wu said. "They did a fantastic job."

To show his appreciation, Wu prepared a plaque to present to the department. The

Chinese inscription on the plaque reads: "To KSU Police Office - Appreciation for your perseverance, intelligent investigation service to protect the KSU community - Hank Wu."

The search for Wu's laptop uncovered a much larger situation at KSU.

While investigating Wu's case, Sergeant Stephens was contacted by Detective Henson of the Marietta Police Department. Henson was suspicious of some computers and equipment found at a Marietta pawn shop and thought they

belonged to KSU.

"Once I received the phone call, we started to put a bigger case together," Stephens said. "I gathered the information on previous thefts around campus within the past year."

As the case unfolded, nearly \$25,000 in computers and equipment was recovered from pawn shops throughout Cobb County and surrounding areas. Stephens finalized the remaining components of the case during the first week in February.

He stressed the importance

of students keeping the serial numbers and purchase order information to their electronic equipment.

"It speeds up the process of locating it if we have all the necessary information," Stephens said.

Stephens was very pleased to have helped in recovering these stolen items.

"We could not have had such success without the help from the Marietta and Douglasville Police Departments," he said.





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## Safe sex

budget increase for sex education. On their web site, Planned Parenthood said, "Abstinence-only curricula, such as those being pushed and funded by the Bush administration, aren't just riddled with errors — they clearly have no positive effect on the behavior of teens."

One of the leading advocates of abstinence based sex education is Focus on the Family. The goal of their organization is to promote and defend traditional Christian family principals. They are fully supportive of Bush on the abstinence issue. On their web site, Focus on the Family said, "Modern contraceptive inventions have given many an exaggerated sense of safety and prompted more people than ever before

to move sexual expression outside the marriage boundary. This site is dedicated to calling society back to abstinence until and marriage."

Students also found themselves with different opinions concerning the budget for abstinence focused sex education.

"Abstinence in sex education is important and vital. With abstinence, I believe that we will see a decrease in STDs, unwanted pregnancies, and even divorce rates," said Justin Woelk, sophomore, communication.

"I think Bush's intentions are good, but if abstinence based education leads to the exclusion of other forms of sex education, I don't think it will be effective in reality," said John Rhinehart, senior, exercise and health science.

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## Waller

Waller has been the national high jump champion 10 times and won the 2003 Visa Humanitarian of the Year award for USA Track and Field.

The first National Girls and Women in Sports Day was held in 1987. Flo Hyman, an Olympic volleyball player, was honored posthumously for her athletic achievements as well as her work for equality in women's sports.

After 19 years, NGWSD has evolved and is celebrated in all 50 states. Athletes past and present are honored for their achievements, positive influence of participation and continued effort to advance equality for women.

Waller encouraged the recipients of the

Bobbie Bailey Awards to take a stand for future female athletes.

Waller told a story about an athlete who did just that. In order to further equality in women's sports, Jackie Joiner Kersey refused to compete in a competition when she discovered that the men were being paid for the competition and she wasn't.

"Kersey demanded respect, a contract and pay, just like the men," Waller said.

"Although it was a sacrifice, Kersey knew she had to make a difference for the female athletes after her."

Each of the recipients was presented with a plaque and a single red rose from Waller. Their personal achievements and success in

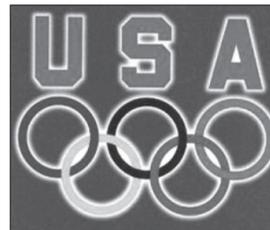
the classroom was announced by Whitlock.

NGWSD was sponsored by the Health, Physical Education, and Sport Science Majors Club and The Georgia Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.

Bobbie Bailey is a long-time supporter of KSU. She was instrumental in the success of the Bobbie Bailey Athletic Complex.

Bailey supports the Owls Softball team and the Sam Wilhoit Music Scholarship. She is also on the KSU Foundation Board of Trustees. She was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Letters from KSU in 1998.

Bailey was unable to attend the ceremony.



## Prevent sexually transmitted diseases

Preventing a sexually transmitted disease is easier than treating an infection once it occurs.

### Practice safe sex

Talk with your partner about STDs before beginning a sexual relationship. Find out whether he or she is at risk for an STD. Remember that it is quite possible to be infected with an STD without knowing it. Some STDs, such as HIV, can take up to six months before they can be detected in the blood. Ask about the following:

- How many sexual partners has your new potential partner had?
- Has he or she ever had an STD?

### Be responsible

- Avoid sexual contact or activity if you have symptoms of an STD or are being treated for an STD.
- Avoid sexual contact or activity with anyone who has symptoms of an STD or who may have been exposed to an STD.
- Don't have more than one sexual partner at a time. Your risk for an STD increases if you have several sexual partners at the same time.

### Condom use

#### Male condom use

- Condom use may reduce the risk of becoming infected with an STD.
- Condoms must be put on before beginning any sexual contact.

#### Female condom use

- Even if you are using another birth control method to prevent pregnancy, you may wish to use female condoms to reduce your risk of getting an STD.
- Female condoms are available for women whose partners do not have or will not use a male condom.
- In a long-term monogamous relationship, partners may choose to quit using condoms to prevent STDs. However, using some form of birth control is important to prevent an unintended pregnancy.
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# Viewpoints

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## Consensus Editorial

### Drunk dialing

It is 2:00 a.m. You and some friends have been drinking in your dorm room. All of you are under 21, but you've just been hanging out, watching DVDs and sipping a few cold ones. You decide to walk over to the Waffle House for some breakfast, but on your way, the police stop you. You can almost hear the theme from "COPS" playing in the background. Now you know you are in the wrong and you are completely ready to do the community service and pay the fine. It's underage drinking, not vehicular homicide, right? You are an adult and you are taking responsibility for your actions. The University of Georgia is not quite ready to let you.

Under a policy recently approved at UGA, underage students who commit certain alcohol related offenses will be stripped of their adulthood. The school is going to call the parents. The UGA President's cabinet approved the new policy because no one wants college students to experience the problems associated with underage drinking, least of all the faculty and administrators who work so hard on behalf of those students. One student recently suffered severe burns in such an incident. The intentions are both noble and good, but as proverbial wisdom tells us, the road to Hell is paved with good intentions.

There are three major problems with this concept. The first is simple privacy. If the police are contacting the next of kin, that's one thing, but for a third party to start making notifications is a potential can of "legal worms." These students are adults, no matter how long it takes for their common sense to catch up with their chronologies. Adults get a certain amount of privacy just for being adults. Perhaps the school will consider calling the parents of faculty members who get into some sort of trouble. Is there much of a difference?

The second problem deals with the parents. Most parents know that their children are going to partake in the occasional adult beverage while off at college. Even if parents have done their job correctly, the student will probably experiment with alcohol. If the parents haven't taken the previous 18 years to parent their children, then it's probably too late once they've gone away to college. What's the point?

Finally, and perhaps most importantly, the students in question are adults in the eyes of the law. At the magical age of 18, one can join the armed forces, vote, enter into binding contracts and accept consequences. The policy of parental notification is a stranglehold on the process of maturation and it begs the question, "At what age will UGA consider one an adult?" The school is an extension of the state. Will the state begin taking on additional supervisory roles in our lives? Where is the line?

It is the opinion of this editorial board that the line is here. If students are ever going to become responsible members of society, they will have to be given the freedom to make mistakes. They will have to be held accountable for those mistakes. They will have to learn to recover from those mistakes. Let's face it; we all make mistakes, even the powers that be at UGA.



## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

### Dear readers,

The Sentinel regrets to announce that on Wednesday, Feb. 9, we received notice that one of the page one stories, "Advertising Excellence," was plagiarized and contained fabrications.

The reporter was assigned the story and used a press release. However, he did not attribute the story to the release and he rewrote quotes in his own words.

Plagiarism is using others' ideas and words without clearly acknowledging the source of that information.

Know that the writer, Derek Wallace, is being disciplined. In addition, he is suspended from The Sentinel for one month. Upon discussion with the advisor and editorial board a piece previously written by Derek for the Features and Entertainment section will

run this week. We feel it is important not to punish the subject of the story for the writer's mistake. The story has been fact-checked with the subject.

The Sentinel is a student newspaper and students make mistakes, which is why the response is not as harsh as some might wish. There will continue to be much discussion with him and all of the Sentinel staff, as well as training and greater diligence to avoid a re-occurrence.

Plagiarism is one of a journalist's deadly sins and cannot be tolerated in any form. A news outlet's credibility is dependant upon the good faith of its audience. Readers must be able to trust in the accuracy and truth in our pages.

I wish to apologize personally and on behalf of the Sentinel staff to Frances Weyand,

the subject of the story, and to the author of the news release that was stolen. I take personal responsibility for this violation of ethics and my dereliction in preventing the story from making it to print.

A heavy apology to you, the readers, as well. Your trust in us is a fragile thing and we will do everything we can to earn it back.

I hope that we can recapture your confidence in this newspaper. Do not hesitate to let all of us know how you feel. Call us at 770-423-6278 or email us at sentinel@students.kennesaw.edu.

Sincerely,  
**Melissa Spielholz**

Editor in chief

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## Freedom and dumber

*Students support government censorship and fail to comprehend the Constitution*

Grant Voyles  
Columnist

The press is not an institution that is easy to love. The power to do a great deal of good comes with it, also the ability to do a great deal of harm. The press can destroy a career, say things no one wants to hear, and, as bittersweet as it often is, expose the truth. While a free press is vital to any society, many high school students are prepared to forge a "Brave New World" to make sure the press stays in line.

The University of Connecticut recently conducted a survey revealing that 36 percent of high school students believe newspapers should have to receive "government approval" of stories before publishing. Only 51 percent believe newspapers should be able to publish freely. These statistics should be shocking to anyone who believes in a free society and the free exchange of ideas.

A free press is one of the cornerstones to a healthy democracy. Holding the government and individuals accountable, while not exactly glamorous, is one of the most important roles the free press plays in a democracy. The ab-

sence of a free press directly results in the suppression of people's ability to communicate and express opinion. This would have a dire effect on the quality of American life.

Imagine waking every day and not reading a newspaper but "The Newspaper." Government approval of news stories does not simply mean a wink and a nod from Uncle Sam, it means complete control of the press, or more accurately, the entire media. The press would no longer be an independent organization. It would become a ministry of propaganda designed to keep the powerful in power. Incidents such as Monica Lewinsky, the Enron scandal, and the falsified Iraq uranium deals would have never surfaced to the public. The media is a necessary evil in exposing the actions of the ruling class. Giving the government the ability to control what the media reports destroys the purpose of the media entirely, all that would remain is a state-sponsored PR network.

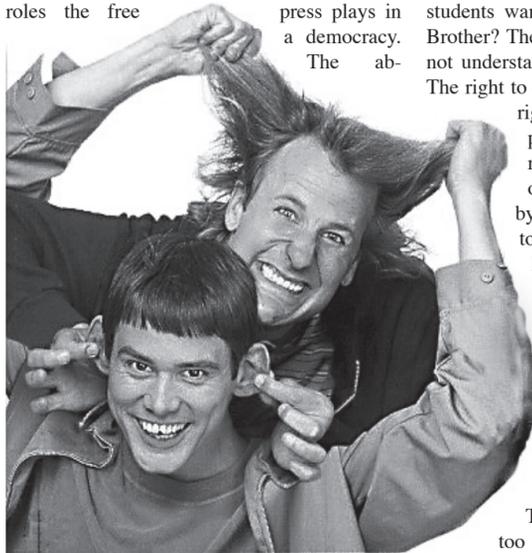
So why do over one-third of high school students want to turn the media over to Big Brother? The answer can only be that they do not understand what the role of the media is. The right to communicate is the most essential right. Without the freedom of expression other rights will deteriorate. The right to free speech is not only exercised by speaking out, but by providing a forum for the public to us to convey their message. We have reason to want [or need] to communicate with each other in order to better understand the world we live in. Press freedom is paramount for our capability to do this.

The forum of the free press also provides an important protective function by giving a voice to the oppressed and/or neglected. The ruling class of a country is all too often immune to the plight of the

lower classes. They can float through a national disaster, from war to depression, without sharing the same fate as the lower class. If those in power face public criticism via the media [especially if they are elected officials], they will have a price to pay and be much more likely to take action to remedy such disasters.

In order for the public to make informed decisions about the government, an open forum for both communication and argument must be present. Once again freedom of the press is a cornerstone to this process. Should presidential debates be censored? Should campaign contributions be a secret? One-third of high school students say "yes." Imagine electing government officials in a police state. Is there anyone out there who truly believes this would improve the quality of government? Of course if the media were controlled by the government, all the public would hear is how flawless the government is.

The recent domination of corporate media makes it easy to lose faith in the free press. This makes the role of independent media and anyone who can provide alternative views, increasingly important. A key problem is far too many believe the media to be an untouchable institution. Letters to the editor or a bumper sticker on your car are both forms of media, as they convey a message. Restricting freedom of the press is a restriction on the freedom of speech, it is impossible to separate the two. I believe that the 36 percent of students who want a government controlled press are not making an educated decision, they simply don't know what "government approval" of news stories would mean. The public needs to be educated on the role that free speech plays in a free society and of the dire consequences that would result if that freedom were removed. One of the basic rights of society is the right to report, to express opinion, to argue, in essence, to communicate. What could possibly be more important than that?



## Putting our money where his faith is

### Social services compared to faith based initiatives

Jon Edman  
Columnist

Citing the "litigation climate we live in today," Governor Perdue has announced a planned constitutional amendment to allow the state of Georgia to contract with faith-based groups to provide support and social services to the needy.

Currently, our constitution prevents the state from providing funds for the aid of any "church, sect, cult or religious denomination or of any sectarian institution." The state has

often bypassed this exclusion by providing funding to institutions that, while affiliated with churches, are legally separate entities. Governor Perdue feels that this loophole is in serious jeopardy and that it needs to be made a law.

During a rally held Jan. 28, Perdue said that it was, "just a matter of time before this provision becomes the basis of a lawsuit that could end any state partnership with all these organizations." His concerns may be well founded. From the social service side, the critics of government funding for faith-based initiatives are quick to point out deep concerns. Equal opportunity hiring practices, the direct use of these monies

to proselytize, and the fear that faith-based service providers will discriminate against service recipients based on their religious affiliation or coerce them to profess a faith they wouldn't otherwise. From the religious community, there are fears that government monies can only come with governmental strings, or that dependence on state funds will unalterably change the shape and mis-

sion of faith-based institutions. All of these concerns are real, examples of each of these do exist. The fact that there are no structures in place to provide oversight of the disposition and use of these funds is a barrier, but perhaps more important is the fact that there are no struc-

tures in place to evaluate the effectiveness of the programs in question, which may cut closer to the core issue.

Conventional wisdom has long held that the caring, committed programs built out of religious faith are far more effective and efficient than other versions of similar programs, but that may not be true. Dr. Mark Chaves, head of the Sociology Department of the University of Arizona, said this is among the, "Ten Myths About Religiously based Social Services and Faith-based Initiatives."

He first points out that, while a majority of congregations are involved in some sort of social outreach, most of these programs can best be described as peripheral activities involving a small volunteer group perform-

ing well-defined tasks, like preparing and serving a meal at a homeless shelter. These activities are generally of a relatively short duration and are periodic. Further, he suggests that, while congregations may be very effective at working with specific populations, they do not have the technical know how to provide broad based support programs without substantial assistance, and that there is no clear indication that such resources wouldn't be more effective if distributed directly to nonprofit service providers that already have those skills. It is clear that churches are an important part of the social net, but they may not be the best answer to the problem.

So, perhaps the question isn't really "should the government give our tax money to faith-based service organizations?" but, "given the choice of non-profit service organiza-

tions and faith-based service organizations, where is our tax money best spent?" Of course, all of this presupposes that there are non-governmental service organizations in place to provide necessary social services.

Given the cloudiness of this picture, I am hard pressed to see how Governor Perdue can be so sure that this amendment is the best answer to the question. Rather than weighing our disposition toward faith-based initiatives, perhaps we should consider legislation allowing us to test our conclusions about some of these questions. Let us compare social services as provided by government, nonprofits and faith-based providers to see which really comes out on top. Considering this question is sitting before the rest of the nation, Georgia could become the model of success. That would be a nice change.

# DEAN OF THE DEAD

*When the government is dominated by Republicans, the Democrats shall walk the earth*



Jesse Velarde  
Columnist

Winston Churchill once said, "If you're not a liberal at the age of twenty, you don't have a heart. If you are a liberal at the age of forty, you don't have a brain."

Apparently, the folks at the Democratic National Committee are in serious need of a lobotomy.

Angry and frustrated after the re-election of President Bush, the Democratic Party is desperately trying to find some way back to political relevance. When you're bitter and still trying to regain your senses after having been knocked silly, your judgment is not at its best.

Case in point: this week the Democratic National Committee is set to name former Vermont Governor Howard Dean to be its chairman. You may remember Governor Dean from the last presidential campaign. He's the one who was breathing fire after losing the Iowa caucus to John Kerry. His face was as red as a beet, and his head looked like it was about to combust. As he concluded, re-assuring his supporters that he would not give up the fight, he screamed at the top of his lungs, "YAAARGH!" He looked like a cross between a professional wrestler and a televangelist hopped up on crystal meth. This incident wasn't the only one to grab headlines for Governor Dean.

While discussing how the Democratic Party needed to reach out to voters in the south, Dean said, "I still want to be the candidate for guys with confederate flags on their pickup trucks."

I'm not sure if he was reaching out to southerners or African-Americans with that quote.

All the gaffes aside, something that Dean was able to succeed in was tapping into all the anti-Bush rage in the Democratic Party and using it as a fund-raising source. Dean successfully raised millions of dollars online and actually gave Senator Kerry a run for his money as he

pursued the presidential nomination. The Democrats are hoping that Dean will be able to continue as a powerful fund-raiser and rally the extreme left in their party. The downside for Democrats is they are a big party with a wide variety of views, backgrounds, and agendas, and Howard Dean has very limited appeal. He is the embodiment of the crazies in the far-left that run groups like Moveon.org, People for the American Way and Americans Coming Together. These groups oppose using any military action to defend our nation, are eager to raise taxes to fund a welfare state, believe that the only place to say God is in a church and are eager to proclaim the United States is the source of all evil in the world. This is in stark contrast with the moderate and conservative Democrats who have had the most electoral success.

Moderate Democrats include such individuals as Governor Bill Richardson of New Mexico, Governor Mark Warner of Virginia and Senator Joe Lieberman of Connecticut. Despite running in heavily Republican states, Richardson and Warner have managed the rise to power. They didn't do it by embracing the Howard Deans of the world. As the extreme left element of the party gains influence, these moderates will be pushed further and further away. Remember

Zell Miller?

What Democrats must realize is that they didn't lose the last election because they weren't angry enough. They lost because they lacked mainstream appeal. Having a loose cannon like Dean in charge does nothing to tell moderates and independents that they are welcome in the Democratic Party. Though energetic and full of passion, Howard Dean is not the face you want to put on a party that's trying to broaden its appeal. Are you going to take seriously a man who at a recent meeting of Democrats said, "I hate Republicans." Today's Democratic Party is on life support, and it looks like they've called in Howard Dean to pull the plug.



## Racial profiling: *A little common sense, please?*

Alex Danaila  
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Recently, I received an e-mail that sparked my attention. It was one of those forwards that are supposed to be humorous, with a political agenda in mind. Of course, that should not be a surprise for anybody. We live in a world of politics, agendas and bureaucracy whether we choose to or not.

The e-mail started out with a multiple-choice test about actual events from the history of the world. Before we continue our discussion, please take a look at a few sample questions:

In 1998, the U.S. Embassies in Kenya and Tanzania were bombed by:

- a. Richard Simmons
- b. Hillary Clinton, to distract attention from Bill's women problems
- c. The Lutheran Church
- d. Muslim male extremists mostly between the ages of 17 and 40

In 1988, Pan Am flight 103 was bombed by:

- a. Mr. Rogers
- b. The NFL
- c. Billy Graham
- d. Muslim male extremists mostly between the ages of 17 and 40

In 2002, reporter Daniel Pearl was kidnapped and murdered by:

- a. Harry Potter
- b. The Boy Scouts
- c. Mother Teresa
- d. Muslim male extremists mostly

between the ages of 17 and 40

The last question has Mother Teresa as one of the possible answers. Since she was not alive in 2002, I think it's safe to assume she could not be part of the answer to the kidnapping and murder of Daniel Pearl. The author of the e-mail, which contained about 30 similar questions, ended with a sarcastic finish: "No, I really don't see a pattern here to justify racial profiling, do you?"

People have different views on different issues and that's what makes life interesting. I am just guessing here, but I think the person who compiled the e-mail is for racial profiling. I, on the other hand, am not. I think profiling based solely on race is wrong. So maybe we should forget about racial profiling and move forward to common sense profiling, which



includes using, "yes, you guessed it," common sense. Of course, not all people of Arabic descent are terrorists. Take a look at the bombing of the Federal building in Oklahoma. Those perpetrators were

White Anglo-Saxon Protestants [WASPs]. The 1996 bombing at the Olympic games in Atlanta was executed by Eric Robert Rudolph, also a Caucasian. There are numerous other similar incidents. In my opinion, millions should not be suffering because of thousands.

Currently, in our airports, a

random check system is set up. The computer generates a random number, which gets assigned to a passenger standing in line. That person is then taken aside and searched, asked questions, etc. Now, what if that person is a grandmother, 80-years-old, flying out to Texas to see her grandkids? What if it's a little kid, a member of the president's security detail or a Congressman?

I am 21 years old. I am young, full of life and in decent physical shape. I have no problem being searched. Let's start using at least a little common sense, especially in airports and move those lines along. If a number happens to fall on a senior citizen, or a senator, please let them go on through. Of course, anything can happen. A bomb can be strapped to a 90-year-old lady, but not only has it not happened yet, the chance that it will happen is very slim. At the same time, we shouldn't be searching anyone just because they are of Arabic descent, or Muslim. Although there is no perfect solution, we can at least start using common sense in our decisions.

**Potentially a bomb can be strapped to a 90-year-old lady**

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

*Think for yourself unless we don't agree with your thoughts?*

Dear Editor,

In response to Jesse Velarde's commentary about Evolution's sticky mess: First, I want commend Mr. Velarde's unnamed favorite professor for reminding students to think for themselves. It is important, especially in these critical times, to weigh the facts without checking with your parents, your preacher, your friends or popular opinion. After you have made a reasonable conclusion on your own, only then is it a beneficial option to create a debate within your circle of friends, in order to question why you feel the way you do.

I have often asked people why they feel strongly about something, and I am met with a blank look and "because that's how it is!" Sorry kids, you must come back with something better than that. Why Mr. Velarde would value a professor's stance on thinking for yourself, yet backs a Board of Education for superceding students from this, frankly baffles me.

The reason the stickers came to be was to pacify a religious sector in Cobb County that feared evolution and its scientific explanation making more sense than 'one man, a rib, a speaking head in the sky, a talking snake, and a woman you cannot trust.' Despite his notion that the ruling killed the classroom debate, in actuality it sparked students to wonder what all the fuss was about. I will agree that the stickers did not promote Christianity, but they did taint the book's credibility. If the Board of Education in Cobb County is so concerned with the content of a textbook, why would they not throw them out and find a publisher that will print what is acceptable to them? Was it necessary to vandalize a

book by disclaiming its content before the student even had a chance to weigh the facts for themselves? Mr. Velarde was on the right track when he exalted his professor's suggestion. I would encourage him to allow that same benefit to other students that are preparing for a college experience.

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*Dalton on a high horse*

Dear Editor,

In Dave Dalton's article Nautical Nonsense, he compared Dr. James Dobson to a Nazi. I think this was over the line. In addition, he blasted Dr. Dobson for being narrow minded and intolerant. The last time I checked, we still live in the United States. That means that everyone can have their own view and opinion. I think that the First Amendment said something about free speech. Get off your high horse Mr. Dalton. In America, everyone has the right to say whatever they want, even if it is something that you don't agree with. This is what makes America great. Focus on the Family is not a whacko fringe group. They are an organization that is dedicated to protecting the family. Dr. Dobson was not objecting to the movie per se, but the fact that the movie has just strong themes that are targeted to such a young and impressionable audience.

On a side note, God does have the authority to limit our free will but chooses not to.

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Waller is the first American to rank second globally in the high jump.

## On track with Tisha Waller

*United States Olympian motivates female athletes*

Olivia Noland  
Sr. Staff Writer

Echoes from the crowd roar throughout the dome as if to wake America from slumber.

Millions of eyes are on you, watching as you take in a deep breath before dismount. You are a competitor at the United States Indoor Track and Field Championships and have prepared your entire life for this brief moment that will soon pass. As you exhale, you begin to focus on what you are there for, to win.

This is what Tisha Waller remembers on the day she set the American Indoor High Jump Record in 1998 at 6 feet 7 inches, where she became second in the world. Only six women before her had set such a record.

"It was a way to make

my mark," Waller said, "I've watched Olympians before me and it was amazing for me to be able to compete at that same capacity."

She grew up around extraordinary people and extraordinary things. Her older sister, Petra, was a high school track and field star, in Halifax County, Virginia. Petra's athletic career ended when she broke her leg during her junior year.

Petra was her inspiration for the great things that were to happen in her future. "My sister was so influential to me while growing up," Waller said. "She was such a lady, beautiful and graceful."

Waller continued to train for track and field events and discovered her talent for the high jump. "People told me that I couldn't do the high jump because I was a girl, so I knew I wanted to try that," Waller said.

The qualities she learned from her sister allowed her to achieve what others deemed impossible. She had a passion for the high jump and knew that if she trained

hard enough, she could make a difference in other women's lives.

Waller became the 2004 United States Olympic Trials Champion and participated in the 2004 Olympics in Athens, Greece. She made her first appearance at the Olympics in 1996, in Atlanta, where she tied for ninth place.

Waller describes herself as talented, feminine and classy. Her mission statement is to support female athletes while she stands strong behind her values.

"I believe that young girls and women need to know who they are," she said. "They should embrace all opportunities and challenges and believe in themselves."

Waller hopes that one day she can help young women break standards and records of their own by following in her example. Track and field, in particular, has a recently accepted female participation, as stated by Tom Jordan in an article at [www.scholastic.com](http://www.scholastic.com).

"In 1921, representatives from

six countries formed an athletic federation for women, which merged with the International Amateur Athletic Federation, in 1936. Participation by women has grown rapidly in many countries in recent years, particularly in the United States, where many schools have added women's track and field to their athletic programs."

Waller was named the 2003 Track and Field VISA Humanitarian Athlete of the Year. She is a four-time USA outdoor champion and a five-time indoor champion. She holds the bronze medal for the 1999 World Championships and she is the 1998 Goodwill Games champion.

Not only has Waller won countless awards, but she takes pride in her love for children and learning. She is currently a third grade teacher at Ashford Park Elementary School in

DeKalb County, Georgia. Teaching young children allows her to be the best role model she can be as a person who can make a positive impact in another's life.

"I believe that to teach is to touch a life forever," Waller said, referring to a famous quote she keeps with her.

Waller's long-term goal is to become principal at an elementary school. She loves the field of education. "I would love to help administrators to encourage children at a greater level," she said.

Her contributions to the community include being a regular guest speaker and reader at the

Starlight Holiday Drive, Wal-Mart's "Literacy on Wheels" program, and at an Anti-Drug program during Red Ribbon Week.

Waller was the guest speaker for the National Girls and Women Sports Day on campus where female high school athletes were recognized for their excellence in sports. "You must embrace the talent that you have – the one that has gotten you this far today," she said during her speech.

Waller is dedicated to creating a path for younger athletes to follow. She wants people to someday say, "Wow, what a woman," to each young lady recognized at the award ceremony.

"I believe this was a great forum for girls and women in sports," Waller said.

She supports athletics in schools and feels that if you have the talent for a sport, then you should go for it.

"I've been there, and I know what it takes," Waller said. "I have confidence that the young women today will take their talents to new heights."



## MARDI GRAS 2005



Courtesy of Sarah Goheler | The Sentinel

Mardi Gras has come and gone for 2005, falling earlier in the year than usual. Having the celebration so early hurt the overall turnout for the event, but that did not stop the debauchery. There were still parades, booze, beads and of course, bare skin. If you have never had the chance to go to Mardi Gras, you should find the time.

Entertainment is everywhere. Families can watch the acrobatic performers on Canal Street, couples can take a romantic stroll through the river walk, or singles can search Bourbon Street for someone worthy of their bead collection. If none of that sounds good enough, catch a parade or check out Jackson's Square, where there are always interesting characters. Throughout the day the square is full of evangelists, mimes and salesmen all trying to get your attention. There is a lot to see in New Orleans during Mardi Gras. -Sarah Goheler/Staff Writer

## Behind the lines

*Reading into the life of Cheryl Stiles*

Colleen Wells  
Features Editor

Cheryl Stiles is an Assistant Librarian and a member of the reference staff in Sturgis Library at KSU, she is also a published poet.

She has the ability to evoke compelling emotions from many people not with singing or acting skills, but with combinations of words.

Stiles has been a librarian for over 20 years, the last seven at Sturgis Library.

"I love working here at Kennesaw State," Stiles said. She obtained her masters degree from the Master of Arts in Professional Writing Program in 2003 while working at KSU.

In previous library positions she provided library services to nursing homes, created libraries for county jails, worked as a librarian for the blind and physically handicapped and also co-produced videos about the shrimp industry on Georgia's coast and

about the history of the St. Simons lighthouse. But long before Stiles was a librarian, she was a poet.

"I've been serious about poetry ever since I was a teenager, both reading it and writing it," Stiles said.

She discovered the poetry of Shelley, Byron and her favorite, Coolidge at a young age, and she soon after began creating her own. Poetry was an outlet for Stiles that aided in finding her own voice

during the period in life when striving to establish her own identity.

"As teenagers we're looking for what makes us unique from others. Other people may have been making music or playing sports, but I was writing poetry," she said.

Her writing not only helped her through her teenage years, but also assisted her in gaining acceptance into Duke University.

"Poetry is, in a way, what helped me get into college. It

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Cheryl Stiles

# Rhythm Nation

From  
downtown to  
Motown

Eric Reinhardt  
Staff Writer

Most of us are familiar with how pop music fell on hard times in the late 1950s. We are reminded of it when we step into a Waffle House and hear that dreadfully long and overplayed Don McClean song about a fateful day in 1957, when Buddy Holly, Ritchie Valens and the Big Bopper took off in an airplane from Detroit and arrived just in time for that Great Gig in the Sky. Whether or not the American public realized it at the time, the plane crash signified a major shift in the way Rock n' Roll would be produced and heard over the airwaves.

1957 was also the year the world saw Elvis purchased by the corporate big-wigs at RCA Records, sedated, tightly suited-up [less glitter and sequins, mind you] and set to bake beneath the scorching light of television studios. Simultaneously, news broke that Jerry Lee Lewis had just married his 13-year-old cousin. This created further instability in pop music's moral reputation with the nation's concerned parent populace.

While Dick Clark was busy licking the beaters of various American dance crazes, one man struggled to save rock music's integrity and deliver it from the hands of white, corporate pimps of the rebuffed recording industry. Almost single-handedly, Alan Freed, the zealous disc jockey and concert promoter from Cleveland, who originally coined the term "rock n' roll," would, for a short few years, play Atlas to the crumbling world of pop music. He was a lover of rhythm and blues and a visionary who saw the magnanimous, youthful spirit of rock music as a force naturally generated by the human soul. Freed was

hip to the dynamism inherent in the shape-shifting face of rock music, and he sought to stimulate the public perception of the phenomenon by turning his audience to the latest in fresh, new records and artists. It would be Freed's discovery of the streetside doo-wop subculture while walking through the streets of Cleveland that would give rise in popularity to black vocal groups such as The Platters, The Coasters and The Drifters, preparing the public for the next major phase of popular music.

Now, enter Berry Gordy, Jr. and William "Smokey" Robinson.

In 1960, Gordy established a record label that would usher a new group of African-American songwriters and performers into view of the American public. Backed by two major contributing songsmiths, Robinson, Mary Wells [well-known for her 1960 hit "My Guy"] and a loyal group of studio musicians with a vision and a knack for combining blues, jazz and pop-rock, Gordy launched the label that would be responsible for producing a variety of legendary acts which virtually dominated the American pop charts throughout the decade.

Motown Records, in its diversity and love for exhilarating showmanship, created a new breed of pop music that paved a mainstream path for funk, R&B, and soul which led straight into the living rooms of middle-class America. The early Motown sound would be defined by crafty lyrical wit, contagious vocal melodies, and most importantly, heavily emphasized rhythm sections of bass and drums. This combination generated strong, guttural dance beats that beckoned audiences to get out of their proverbial chairs.

Smokey Robinson and the Miracles were the first major Motown group to release a string of chart toppers in the early 1960s. With Smokey's buttery falsetto and light-hearted laments, he crooned and howled his way into legendary status as a gifted vocalist and



The Supremes are the sirens of soul.

songwriter. Aside from being prolific recording artists, the Miracles were dazzling stage performers, playing a number of Detroit clubs and dining halls. Led by the adorable, boyish Robinson, the group sang full, harmonic vocal arrangements and presented a unifying element of loosely choreographed dance moves. At showtime, the group would emerge from backstage wearing primly polished tuxedos, only to shed the jackets like skins and loosened ties, cuffs and collars as sweat poured and the atmospheric heat rose above an electrified crowd. Classic Miracles' songs such as "Tracks of My Tears" and "Shop Around" are still in the rotations of oldies stations nationwide, but check out Smokey's Otis Redding-like wail on 1963s "Who's Loving You."

In contrast to the hype generated by male vocal acts like the Miracles, the Temptations and James Brown, the rising popularity of the all-girl group and the success of the Shirelles and the Marvelettes in the early 1960s inspired Gordy to sign Motown's most successful group to date. America fell in love with the Supremes at first sight. It might be more accurately stated that an unexpected America fell victim to the seduction of the Supremes. They ruled us in, initially calling the world to attention with a moder-

ate marching rhythm, subtle and steady handclaps and then that plea in the form of a question: Baby, where did our love go? Hell, most of the world had never even seen Diana Ross' huge doe-like eyes before the release of this first single, but after hearing it, the world suddenly felt sorry for having left her all by herself. The Supremes swayed and gyrated just enough to tease us, bearing their shoulders and begging for attention with an expression that resembled something between a pout and a smirk. Yet underneath the soft and sweetly helpless exterior, there was a strength and righteousness of posture, foresight of ultimately getting the upper hand. The sultry sirens of soul sat upon their Detroit rock and sang 14 number one hits that appeared on the R&B charts of America in the 1960s.

Motown would go on to sign a slew of acts including Stevie Wonder, The Jacksons, The Temptations and Marvin Gaye, who would eventually equal Smokey as one of the label's most successful performers and songwriters. Each artist contributed to the success of the first exclusively African-American record label by writing and performing a brand of music they loved, and each record testifies to the uncompromised purity of the soul music that Motown Records still represents.

# Legends of the Outback

Lions, Tigers and Bears; Aussie style

It is considered something of an initiation rite for many tourists upon entry to Australia, particularly for those from North America. There is apparently so much to fear on the dry continent down under that it seems necessary to warn newcomers of a secretive and potentially dangerous presence that is generally kept a secret in the Antipodes.

The legend of the Drop-bear is one of the most humorous you are likely to hear, but time and time again I have heard of people being caught out, indeed even believing every word said by jibing natives. The drop-bear, so the tales tell, is a dastardly critter of the bear variety, not quite koala but not quite grizzly, that inhabits the eucalyptus forests along the coasts. These Drop-bears have a particular taste for the blood and screams of Americans.

Their method is a stealthy one – using the safety and coverage of their tall homes, they will lie in wait for an unsuspecting victim to pass beneath them, often on a lonely track somewhere out the back 'o Bourke. Upon detecting the scent of our Northern Hemisphere friends, the Drop-bear lies in readiness until their prey's head comes into view. Then, using its remarkable agility, the Drop-bear plummets onto the poor soul's head – and the rest, as they say, is history.

Yet another enduring Aussie legend is that of the Bunyip, one that was begun by the Aborigines and continues to this day in order to scare small children into submission. The Bunyip is thought of as an ugly

take-no-prisoner Boogeyman with a habit of residing in rural billabongs, which are lakes formed from rivers changing their courses. Statistics have been unable to determine how many folks have fallen prey to this creature, but estimates place them as being somewhere between drop-bear casualties and fatal Tiger snake bites. Ah yes, and if you are thinking the Tiger Snake is an unaccounted-for legend too, you might get a nasty surprise if you were to walk through some long grass in the summertime.

The Bunyip is a shadowy creature that comes out during the night, or so the stories say, and has sent many a child cowering beneath their beds or hiding in the cupboard as it stalks past their window. I have not experienced this myself, fortunately, but by all accounts it is a little unpleasant. It's unlikely that the Bunyip has yet gained the intelligence to team with a similar creature, the Yowie, but evolution is an odd process.

The Yowie is yet another Aboriginal tradition – it is said to take the form similar to a Yeti, but since it does not live in the mountains and cold weather as the Yeti does, it has a darker and less insulating coat. According to legend, they live in caves and other hidden places in some of the river valleys in remote regions, coming out to harass pastured animals and farmers. The likelihood of them venturing near large

towns is small due to their reclusive nature – but many otherwise sane people say they have seen an ape-like creature stalking about rural roads during the night. Not only that, but the many mysterious deaths of sheep and cattle in some country areas have lacked explanation. Spooky, huh?

I leave it up to all of you judge the veracity of these legends, but I'd best leave you with a final warning – take extra care when venturing down dusty trails and obscure paths next time you visit Down Under, because the Drop-bear is waiting for you. It is a very embarrassing demise.



**DOWN UNDER**  
By Adam Stevens



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# Healthy fun

Feed your hunger for diet and exercise

Still feeling a little down in the dumps because you didn't have a Valentine? Well buck up, neither did I, and I'm fine. I don't like candy anyways. Just kidding. On Feb. 26 you can do something nice for a child that needs your help. This annual run will take place in Centennial Olympic Park in downtown Atlanta. The weather should be ripe for this event, not too cold, not too hot [yet]. This is a good opportunity for you and your friends to come out and run, or walk, off those extra heart-shaped cookies you ate! You can do a 10K run, a 2K family walk/run or a 5K run. Afterward, there will be food, live music, awards and a dose of healthy fun for everyone involved. Contact Children's Healthcare of Atlanta for more information.

Ok, so I'm really excited about this next place of interest. The Flying Biscuit Café is an absolutely wonderful place to eat. Also, it's extremely cheap. The Biscuit features natural food, and even if you are not the usual tofu-eating hippie, give it a spin. I had never eaten tofu before but thoroughly enjoyed the "scrambled tofu."



**Dimestore Journeys**

By **Tara O'Shea**

I'm still a little fuzzy as to what exactly tofu is, but does it really matter in the end? All you need to know is it's good for you and goes great with the homemade biscuits they're famous for. They serve breakfast all day long. When I was there, I had the "organic oatmeal pancake" topped with warm peach compote, and for \$6, it was absolutely wonderful.

Are you still unsure about the whole "organic" thing? Well, make your way down to Candler Park, located at 1655 McLendon Ave. The number is (404) 687-8888. Two people can eat for under \$12. I know I'm definitely going back. And if you're a single, attractive male, perhaps we can go together. Just kidding.

In the same general area is a place called Atlanta Belly Dance, and after eating all that organic food, you're going to need a workout! Belly dancing was originally a North African/Middle Eastern tradition, however, it has really taken off here in the US since the 1970s. Belly dancing has many physical rewards such as increased flexibility, balance and overall fitness. Belly dancing is primarily a female activity, however, it's a great way to meet friends. A six-week course, costs \$50. This is the cheapest belly dancing class in the Atlanta area. They offer classes to beginners through intermediate, all the way to advanced. They have a policy where, if it is your first time, just pay a ten dollar fee, and if you like it, come back but if not, all you lost was \$10 and probably a pound or two. They sell all their own belly dance equipment at a discount price, 20 percent cheaper than the other stores in town. So go do your body good at all these interesting places.



Sasha Bailey | The Sentinel

Andrew Langer, Logan Baren, Justin Baren and Ben Greeno of the Redwalls

## Bands rock out at the Roxy

The Redwalls, The Zutons, and Keane perform

Sarah Goehler  
Staff Writer

The Roxy hosted an eclectic group of performers on Saturday night. In front of a sold out crowd The Redwalls, The Zutons and Keane took the stage and rocked out. First to appear was a group of Chicago natives, The Redwalls. Putting on their first show here in Atlanta, these guys got an awesome response from listeners. With kind of a Beatles type sound, the music was very easy to get into and they were an instant hit with the crowd.

To get an idea of what the show was like, picture this: Andrew Langer and Logan Baren energetically play guitar while Ben Greeno flips his hair and bangs the drums and Justin Baren puts on a show of his own with bass in hand. The position for vocals in this group is split up among the guys. After they finished their act on stage they came

out to sign autographs for their fans. This is where it became obvious that these guys know how to sell their band to the masses. All the members were laid back and very entertaining on-stage and off.

When asked if there was anything he wanted the public to know about The Redwalls, Justin Baren comically responded, "Just tell them that we are incredibly handsome and good in bed." Well, there you have it everyone, straight from the mouth of the band. You can check them out for yourselves. The Redwalls' full-length album is set to drop soon, so keep an eye out for these talented guys.

There was a sudden change in pace when The Zutons played. A mix of jazz, funk, soul and country, this group definitely has an original sound. The Zutons did a great job combining several different instruments into one fun show.

The band consists of Dave McCabe on vo-

cal and guitar, Boyan Chowdhury on lead guitar, Abi Harding on saxophone, Russ Pritchard on bass, and Sean Payne on drums and percussion. By watching the crowd it was apparent that they were very entertained by these performers. Everyone in the theater was dancing or at the very least smiling and bobbing their head to the beat. All the members of the band were dancing and having a good time as well. The show was a success.

"Who Killed the Zutons," the newest addition to their collection, is out now and is getting rave reviews. Watching them perform some of the tracks from the new album it is clear why The Zutons have been nominated for the British Breakthrough Act award.

Headlining the show was Keane. Tom Chaplin, the lead singer for Keane, has an amazing voice. His flawless performance must be what keeps the fans

coming back for more. Since the group lost their guitarist in 2002 they have managed to continue bringing their music to listeners everywhere.

With only a lead singer, a set of drums (played by Richard Hughes), and a piano (Tom Rice-Oxley) these three men manage to make beautiful music. The performance was pretty mellow though. If you have ever heard Keane before, you know that the music is generally down tempo, which can make for a low energy show.

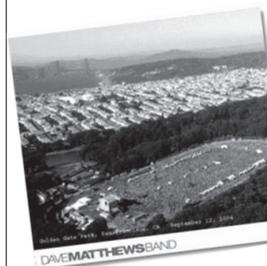
The crowd at one point had so many individual conversations going on it was almost as if no one was really there to watch Keane. As far as performing their music well, Keane did an awesome job but it didn't seem that the crowd appreciated it for what it was. Perhaps the mistake was booking a group that makes mainly slow songs with such high energy openers.

## Long and strong

Dave Matthews Band releases 'Live Trax'

Alex Danaila  
Sr. Staff Writer

They formed in early 1990 in Charlottesville, Virginia. Their first gig was at a private party on May 11, 1991. They released the first album, "Remember Two Things," on Nov. 9, 1993. Seventeen albums later, they are still going strong. Dave Matthews Band includes a bass player, a violin player and a drummer in addition to Dave Matthews, who often plays acoustic guitar. Dave Matthews Band has a following of millions and was named the top grossed band for the year of 2000.



The recent work of the band includes the "Live Trax Volumes 1-3." Volume 1, recorded in Worcester, MA on Dec. 8, 1998, and Volume 2, recorded at the Golden Gate Park in San Francisco, CA on Sept. 12, 2004, have already been released and are now available for purchase. Volume 3, recorded in Hartford, CT on August 27, 2000, will be available in stores March 17, 2005.

The three CD sets include seven discs and feature almost every song written by Dave Matthews Band in the last 14 years. The three recordings, all from live shows, were chosen by the listeners and members of the Warehouse, a club created by the band exclusively for its fans. The decision made was based on the song selection, venue and the energy of the concert itself. The set includes classic Dave Matthews' songs like "Seek Up," "What Would You Say," "All Along the Watchtower," as well as some of the recent music like "Where Are You Going" and "Loving Wings."

"Live at the Golden Gate Park" also features Carlos Santana playing alongside Matthews. Every song is full of energy, includes at least one piano, guitar, violin or drum solo, and averages about seven minutes.

The entire set is available for sale for \$49.99 at [www.davematthewsband.com](http://www.davematthewsband.com). Also check out [www.dmbnewstudioalbum.com](http://www.dmbnewstudioalbum.com) for the new studio album progress. The site features new audio and video commentary by the band members.

Grade: A+

## campus shorts

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<b>Lokel Yokel: Hard Nights</b>	Wednesday, Feb. 16 8:00 p.m. - 10:00p.m.	University Rooms A-E
<b>The Birthday Party</b>	Wednesday, Feb. 16-20 8:00 p.m.	Stillwell Theatre
<b>S.A.F.E.</b>	Thursday, Feb. 17 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.	KSU Dept. of Public Safety Office Annex; call ext. 6206 to register
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**“What’s the best gift you’ve ever been given for Valentine’s Day?”**

Sarah Goehler, *Staff Writer*



**Tsen-Tsen Diya**

junior, Biology

“I didn’t have a Valentine so my friend brought me an ice cream cake to work. It was shaped like a heart.”

**Terri Greene**

freshman, Math education

“The time I finally said yes to my husband asking to marry me. It took three times, but I said yes. I think I surprised myself more than him.”



**Stephen Conti**

sophomore, Exercise and health science

“I think all I got last year was a card and some pictures my girlfriend sent me.”

**Yusuk Yamamoto**

freshman, Undeclared

“The best gift I’ve been given was chocolate.”



**Ade Adelakun**

senior, Information systems

“In 2001, this girl took me to a strip club and got me a few lap dances. Let’s just say it got a little steamy after that.”

**Candice Black**

freshman, Undeclared

“My mom always gives me a teddy bear and some candy.”



**Building the future**

*Jenny Cotton, a student who does it all*

Derek Wallace  
Sr. Staff Writer  
Colleen Wells  
*Features Editor*

There is a political powerhouse on the rise. Jenny Cotton, senior, political science, has a deep passion and respect for the realm of politics.

“A lot of people view politics as dull and boring, but it is really interesting. I think people are just intimidated because they don’t understand it,” Cotton said.

Cotton wants others to take greater interest in politics.

“This country was built on democratic principles. It is of the people, by the people, for the people. If it is only one or two people who are running this country, then it’s not fair. That’s why people should get involved,” she said.

It was a trip to the State Capitol during high school that ignited Cotton’s interest in the inner mechanisms of American democracy. She was a part of the KSU’s Student Government for two years, holding the position of Secretary and Treasurer upon resignation.

“I do miss being in the Student Government. It is hard to leave something that you have been involved in for so long, but I am excited about the future,” Cotton said. She encourages others to join Student Government to become better involved in campus life.

Cotton resigned from SG due to a current internship as the legislative aid to Calvin Hill. As legislative aid, she responds to emails, schedules meetings and attends meetings when Hill is unable to be present.

In addition to Student Government, Cotton participates in other organizations on campus, and feels it is important for every student to do the same.

“K S U has a lot of great opportunities,” she said. “[Getting involved] helps students learn to deal with a lot of different situations. I believe students really benefit from their involvement on campus.”

Cotton is a member of LINK, which stands for Leaders in KSU. LINK is about developing the self while also helping others. Cotton will receive a leadership certificate upon completion.

She is also a member of the Mock Trial team, with whom she recently traveled to West Point in New York to attend a leadership conference.

Cotton is a Resident Assistant for 70 occupants at University Place apartments. As RA, she schedules events for the residents to partake in and resolves conflicts that may arise in the apartments.

“I love it because we have a good department and I have great residents,” Cotton said.

Recently, she displayed her love for traveling and politics as she went to Washington D.C. to experience the Presidential Inauguration in person despite the cold weather.

“Not a lot of people see it live,” she said. “It is something you’ll remember forever.”

Cotton is also contemplating soon traveling on a mission trip to Slovakia with her church, Midway Presbyterian.

Cotton is an extraordinary



Courtesy of Jenny Cotton

**Jenny Cotton is a model leader for others.**

student and citizen, but she still loves common things. She enjoys spending time with her family and friends, watching episodes of “The West Wing,” collecting free t-shirts, listening to country music and amusing people with her impersonations of Mad TV’s Stewart and Miss Swan. She integrates her love for animals and politics by having a pet fish named Washington and a puppy named Jack, the nickname of John F. Kennedy.

In the future, Cotton wants to continue a career in politics, but not as a front-runner.

“Eventually I might move to Washington D.C. to work. But I couldn’t stay because my roots are deep in Georgia,” she said.

“Ultimately, I want to get paid for my opinion,” Cotton said. She recently had an opinion piece published in the Marietta Daily Journal.

So as we citizens look upon various congressmen, representatives and presidents in the future, remember Jenny Cotton, for if not leading, she may be the proactive intellect behind them, aiding to steer the direction of our democratic nation.

**Game holds up to title**

*The Punisher delivers only punishment*

Jason Nimer  
*Staff Writer*

Since I’ve started writing these reviews, I’ve only chosen Nintendo products. Even though Nintendo always puts out great games, I felt I needed to branch out. Most people seem to play on the other two systems, Playstation 2 and Xbox. So, for a change, I’ll review a game that is available for play on either of the two systems, THQ’s The Punisher.

In the world of gamers, a few rules always hold true. Princesses need rescuing, holes need to be jumped over, Final Fantasy games are always excellent and comic book games are always sub-par. This last rule was shattered with last year’s excellent Spider Man 2. Now every developer under the sun is trying to capitalize on hot comic properties. THQ picked up the rights to The Punisher shortly before the awful movie was released. Instead of rushing to put out a game to coincide with said film, they took this year to put together an honest effort at capturing The Punisher in game form.

First off, let me say that Playstation 2 and Xbox do publish an enormous amount of third party garbage. This game does not fall into that category, but it is in no way anything more than a game that you’ve already beaten a thousand times before. Max Payne and Dead to Rights come to mind as the source material for this clone of a game. You take the role of Frank Castle, the Punisher. The story is interestingly told through a series of flashbacks, as Frank recounts his crimes to two police detectives. His crimes are many, varied and for a short time, very entertaining. Special interrogation techniques add to the fun. Holding a man’s face over a piranha tank was a personal favorite. Though your victims don’t give up any information of real use, it is fun to maim and murder them in these extremely creative ways.

The problems of this game come to light after about 20 minutes of play. Environments are often too dark for you to even see the way out. Enemies react like they ride the short bus and often fire at each other rather than you. But most of all, this game just gets boring after a while. You feel like you’re doing the same thing over and over, with no real incentive to play through to the end. The aforementioned interrogations do break up the monotony, but it’s not enough to save the game as a whole.

I’d say rent this one first. You may like it for its brutal violence, but it’s not enough to warrant shelling out \$50 for a purchase. Though the game has its good points, overall it’s like ex-girlfriends and tequila: good in small doses.

**Grade: C**



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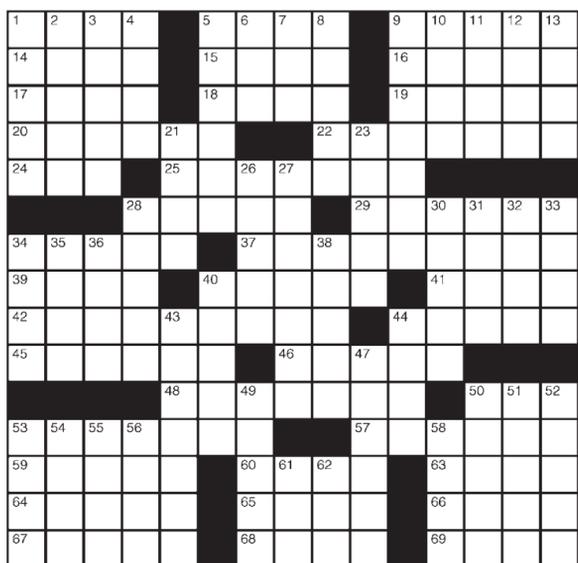


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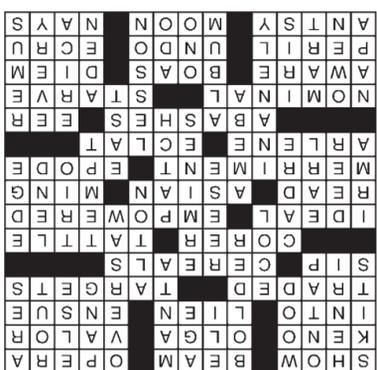
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  - 18 Legal claim
  - 19 Follow
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  - 24 Liquid sample
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  - 28 Kitchen gizmo
  - 29 Tell secrets
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  - 37 Authorized
  - 39 Peruse
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  - 44 Old-style poetry
  - 45 Francis or Dahl
  - 46 Dazzling success
  - 48 Discomposes
  - 50 End of command?
  - 53 Titular
  - 57 Suffer from deprivation
  - 59 Watchful
  - 60 Feathery accessories
  - 63 Per \_\_\_ (for each day)
  - 64 Danger
  - 65 Reverse an action
  - 66 Hosiery shade
  - 67 Fidgety
  - 68 Earth orbiter
  - 69 Dissenting votes
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  - 2 Painter Matisse
  - 3 At hand
  - 4 Lumber
  - 5 More daring
  - 6 Actor Wallach
  - 7 Mature
  - 8 Kind of ray
  - 9 Supervised
  - 10 Sharp spasm



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- 27 Some weasels
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- 31 Small combo
- 32 Give temporarily
- 33 Advantage
- 34 "\_\_\_ la Douce"
- 35 Ruminant of the woods
- 36 Actor Holliman
- 38 Temporary fix
- 40 Single-celled organism
- 43 Senselessly
- 44 River of NYC
- 47 Practice session
- 49 Photo collection



- 50 Writer Jong
- 51 \_\_\_ so often
- 52 Story-telling uncle
- 53 California valley
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- 55 Trade center
- 56 Eye part
- 58 Middle Eastern gulf
- 61 Lennon's love
- 62 Bother

# Horoscopes

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### Virgo [Aug. 23-Sept. 22]

Today is a 6. Learning to delegate is a skill you'll get to practice now. This will make it possible for you to do much more.

### Libra [Sept. 23-Oct. 22]

Today is an 8. You're very smart and very good at getting the message out. Move up a notch in effectiveness by listening carefully now.

### Scorpio [Oct. 23-Nov. 21]

Today is a 6. Sort through your bills and the other paperwork that's been stacking up. You'll want to know how much you can spend on your romantic outing this weekend.

### Sagittarius [Nov. 22-Dec. 21]

Today is an 8. Conditions are improving, and so are communications. Compromise will be required, however. Set priorities.

### Capricorn [Dec. 22-Jan. 19]

Today is a 5. Your workload increases for the next few days. For heaven's sake, don't complain. You've already thought of at least one very good use for the money.

### Aquarius [Jan. 20-Feb. 18]

Today is a 9. You've worked hard, but don't despair. Some things are about to get easier. Rearrange your schedule to make more free time with the people you love.

### Pisces [Feb. 19-March 20]

Today is a 7. Nobody really understands how the learning process works, but in the next few weeks your knowledge increases substantially. Take care.

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### Today's Birthday [02-16-05]

After a rough beginning, conditions change in your favor. Travel and romance look good. Love and friendship are abundant, in whatever form you choose.

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 an 8. Your curiosity will soon be piqued by an author recently discovered. Study well, you'll have a chance to use this information soon.

### Taurus [April 20-May 20]

Today is a 5. Authority figures are likely to be in a generous mood and you know just what they need. That's the clue. Provide it.

### Gemini [May 21-June 21]

Today is a 9. Don't let a rejection or two slow you down. Being respected is actually better in the long run, than being liked. Stand up for what's right.

### Cancer [June 22-July 22]

Today is a 7. For the next several weeks, you'll be obsessed with dreams of far distant places. For the next two days, you'll be stuck here, cleaning up old messes.

### Leo [July 23-Aug. 22]

Today is an 8. For the next few weeks, you'll become more interested in how you save your money. This is good, since you've been paying more attention to other things for a while.

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## Behind the lines

was the way I wrote my essay for the application."

Stiles became a published author while she was an undergraduate at Duke.

"I was published for a literary magazine and the editor really became my mentor. He saw something in my writing and he strongly encouraged it," Stiles said. "It really meant the world to me."

Because of the encouragement she received, Stiles is eager to go out of her way to help encourage, mentor and befriend any student writer.

"I'm genuine when I say I really like to help people who are in any

way aspiring to be in the writing, publishing and editing fields," she said.

Stiles seems just as passionate about helping others with their writing as she is about her own writing. Upon reading her poetry, you can feel how passionate she is about her work. It is as if "the poems themselves have lives of their own," filled with the essence of drama and emotion.

Stiles is not seeking a profound intellectual response from the readers of her poetry. Instead, she wants the reader to feel the words and have "an emotional response."

"I want people to feel things. My poetry is very narrative with dramatic elements that create many emotions," she said.

Much of her poetry is non-fiction and reflects her background as a Southerner, but it is evident that nature is the most common inspiration if her works.

This becomes obvious as you step into her office in Sturgis Library. Her love for nature is brought indoors as live, lush greenery flourishes everywhere, almost concealing the notion that there is an office somewhere in the room. Art pieces from her trip to Bali and Indonesia are also present among the massive plants. She stressed that some of her primary concerns are about nature and environmental advocacy.

"I am very concerned with over-growth and over-development," Stiles said.

Although she has brought the feel

of the outdoors inside, she mostly writes outside, "while sitting on my porch or going for walks with my journal or laptop," she said.

In addition to literary events such as conferences and readings, she enjoys hiking, yoga and adores animals.

Stiles plans to start teaching part-time and possibly apply to a PhD program.

"The past three or four years I have begun to publish a lot more. Publishing requires constantly sending things out and keeping material in circulation," Stiles said.

"If I get a rejection letter for a batch of poems, I already have in mind where I'm going to send them next."

Stiles is currently seeking a pub-

lisher for her first book length volume of poetry, "Ball Lightning."

"The book is hard to get published because there is not a large market for books of poetry," she said.

The past 15 years, Cheryl Stiles has written essays, interviews and reviews of books, audio books, videos and music.

"Root Cellar," an essay published online at Kennesaw Review, is a part of a book of essays she is completing.

Her poems, along with her essays, interviews and reviews are featured in over 20 literary online and print journals including Atlanta Review, Poet Lore, Red River Review, Kennesaw Review, Storysouth, Ink Pot, POEM and Pedestal Magazine.

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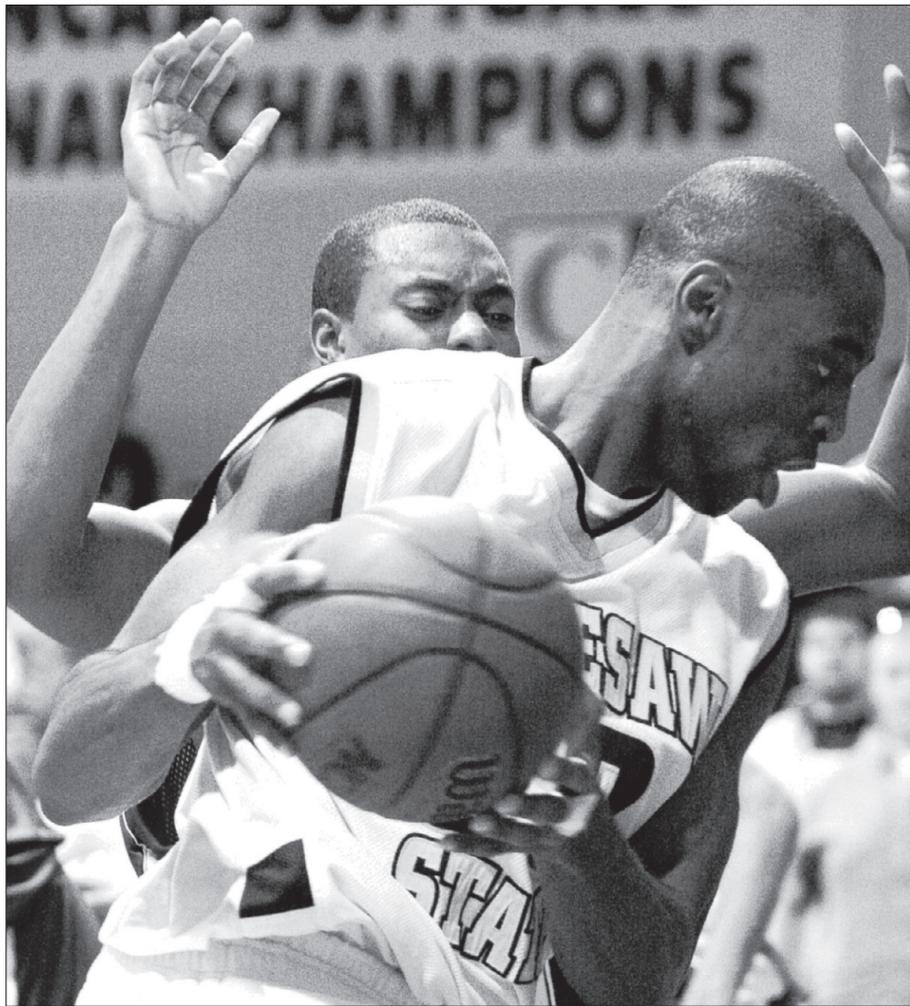
# Sports

## Next 3 Games: Men's Basketball

**Columbus State FEB 16**  
7:30 p.m. - Columbus, Ga.

**UNC Pembroke FEB 19**  
4:00 p.m. - Kennesaw

**Clayton State FEB 23**  
7:30 p.m. - Morrow, Ga.



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**Georgy Joseph, forward, had 15 points and nine rebounds Feb. 9 against Clayton State. The Owls won 62-52.**

## Men's team extends streak to seven

*Owls defeat Peach Belt rivals Clayton State and North Florida*

Matt Gammon  
Staff Writer

The KSU men's team knocked off the Clayton State Lakers last Wednesday night at the Spec Landrum Center with a 62-52 victory and defeated North Florida 60-57 on Saturday.

The Owls improved their record to 20-3 as they further displayed their dominance over the Peach Belt Conference.

"Our defense is the best it has been all year," said Owls' guard, Tommy Thompson, who contributed eleven points and three rebounds against the Lakers. "We put together two halves, our offense came when we needed it to and we made free throws-- that's how we won the game."

In the first half, Owls' forward Georgy Joseph scored almost half of the team's points. Joseph went 5-7 from the field, 2-3 from the free throw line and had nine rebounds. Senior guard Rey Luque was second to Joseph in points with 14.

"We played a good game defensively," Luque said. "Coach was stressing that all week. He said we have to play good defense. We just got after them tonight and locked them down. The big key was our defense."

In the second half, Luque hit back-to-back three-pointers and gave KSU a 12 point lead with 9:53 left on the clock. Thompson also stepped up, going 5-5 from the free throw line in the second half.

Clayton State's Craig Butts led his team and the game in scoring with 23 points. Butts succeeded in closing the gap to four points with 4:50 left on the clock, but it was not enough to do the job. The Lakers got into foul trouble and the Owls drove it home for the win.

"I think we played good, but there is still room for improvement," Joseph said. "Our defense was tight and our offense was running pretty well. I think it was a good win and it was against Clayton State, I think that made it an even better win because they are one of our bigger rivals."

This rivalry pushed other Owls to play hard as well.

"Clayton State is a good team and that is our rival, so everyone was pumped," Luque said. "All the guys have been talking about it all week. We just came out here, put on a show and showed them who was number one."

Owls Head Coach Tony Ingle is excited that the team is playing so well and establishing an identity for itself.

"We really went after it yesterday in practice and my hat is off to the team because of the focus of that practice," Ingle said. "People are starting to talk about this year instead of last year. We don't want to let last year go, it will always be in our memory, but you don't defend a National Championship, you pursue the next one."

Players and fans alike say that team chemistry and level of play have both drastically improved as the season has progressed.

"We are 20-3 right now, and we hold our own destiny," said Thompson. "The team has one goal, and that's to get back to where we were last year, to go back to back. I can feel that same feeling I felt last year when we won."

Coach Ingle is proud of what the team has accomplished thus far and believes that the KSU fans are integral to the success of the team.

"When people come, it's like eating one potato chip. They want more, and we work hard to give the people a good product," he said.

The Owls play tonight at Columbus State at 7:30 and will host UNC Pembroke Feb. 19 at 2:00 p.m. at the Spec Landrum Centre.

## Baseball team splits weekend doubleheader

*Owls take first loss of the season in game one shutout*

Tommy McNulty  
Sports Editor

The Owls hosted the Anderson Trojans last weekend at Stillwell Stadium in a Saturday doubleheader. Anderson surprised KSU by shutting out the home team 5-0 in game one, but the Owls salvaged the day with a dramatic 6-5 win in game two.

Freshman pitcher Matt Eckardt started game one for the Owls [4-1], giving up four unearned runs, all in the top of the fourth inning. Anderson [2-4] tacked on one more run off Casey Rogers in the fifth when Trojans first baseman F.A. Vildosola singled and came home on a sacrifice fly.

The Owls seemed to have trouble reading Anderson pitcher Desmond Robson's style and delivery. Third baseman Scott Hendrix was the only Owl who had any success against the opposing pitcher, going 2-3 with two singles. Robson held KSU to just four hits and pitched the full seven innings for the Trojans, sealing the victory.

"He was keeping the hitters off balance and threw a lot of off-speed pitches," said Eckardt. "We just couldn't get the timing down. He kept changing his arm angles."

Game two started off even rockier for the Owls. Freshman pitcher Mike Bohana started for the home team, allowing the first three hitters he faced to reach, loading up the bases for Anderson's big man, Vildosola. Vildosola connected on Bohana's first pitch and blasted the ball over the right field wall and into a tree for the grand slam, putting the Trojans up 4-0.

This time, however, the Owls answered back on offense. In the bottom of the second inning, there was one out when Jon Love hit a single. Love then moved to third when both Andy Hudson and Jay Morrow walked, loading the bases up for the designated hitter, Mahal De'Castro.

De'Castro struck out, and with two outs and the bases still loaded, the task was left

to KSU shortstop John Kokotajlo.

Kokotajlo pulled through for the Owls and hit a line drive past Anderson's second baseman, scoring Love and Hudson and putting KSU on the board for the first time that day.

The Owls then proceeded to tie up the game when, with two outs in the fourth inning, KSU left fielder Adrian Colton and Hendrix were both hit by pitches with the bases loading, allowing two more runs to come home.

Anderson pushed hard for the series sweep and scored immediately upon batting in the sixth inning, giving them the lead 5-4.

The Owls had one last chance to avoid losing two games when they came to bat in the bottom of the seventh. Jon Love led the rally with a leadoff triple. Then, with a little help from opposing pitcher Will Cheatham and a self-destructing Anderson team, KSU made its comeback.

The Trojans starting pitcher walked in Love, who tied the score at 5-5. KSU catcher Derrick Tucker then drew a walk and made it to third base on a botched pickoff attempt by Cheatham.

Anderson gave the Owls their final present when KSU centerfielder Jay Morrow hit a sharp grounder to the Trojans third baseman, who bobbled the ball and threw it past first base, allowing Tucker to score from third and cap off a much needed win for the home team.

"It was pretty big how we bounced back from game one," said Owls' sophomore pitcher Kyle Muschara, who pitched in the sixth inning of game two. "It showed that we can come back and win after a tough loss like that."

The KSU players will put their first loss of the season behind them as they get ready to play Carson-Newman on Wednesday Feb. 16 and two home games against Francis Marion on Feb. 19 and 20.



Sasha Bailey | The Sentinel

**Kevin Gergel, first baseman, looks for a hit against Anderson pitcher, Desmond Robson. The Owls had only four hits in the first game.**

## Softball team kicks off home opener with KSU Classic

*Owls sweep in four game tournament*

Jessica Sibley  
Staff Writer

The 2005 KSU Classic Softball Tournament featuring the No. 2 ranked Owls, Georgia State Bobcats, Limestone Saints, Mars Hill Lions and the Tusculum Pioneers, was held last weekend at the Bobbie

Bailey Athletic Center

KSU had an outstanding performance and swept the competition, winning all four of its games. The Owls played in two games Friday and beat Limestone 9-4 and crushed their later opponent, Tusculum, 11-0.

The girl's team kept the momentum going for the games that awaited them on Saturday.

Janet Kearns was the starting pitcher for the Owls in game three against Mars Hill.

Kearns started and ended the game strong with great movement around the plate and her impeccable fastball.

In the second inning, center fielder Amy Middleton stole home to put the Owls ahead by one, while Danielle Morton hit a double to bring Jen Nolan around the bases, adding to their lead.

Keri McKee had continued success with her batting and drove Lori Cassell to home plate after a line drive up the middle. The Owls ended the second inning with five runs on three hits and no errors. The team played great defense and shut the Lions out 7-0.

Freshman Brittany Mathews pitched the final game against Tusculum. She struck out

the first two batters and kept Tusculum on its toes the entire game. At the end of the third, Kerri McKee doubled and received her first RBI of the game, putting the Owls in the lead by one.

"We swung the bats well all weekend," said Middleton. "From the top of the line-up all the way down."

The Owls sealed the win when Jen Nolan stroked a homerun over the left field wall.

"We were very sound offensively and it seemed like we had a lot of confidence," said Nolan. "We worked well as a

team, and I can't wait for the winning season to begin."

The final score was 2-0, and Head Coach Scott Whitlock said he was proud of his team as a whole.

"We won all four games and got a little better each time. Janet Kearns is our ace and won us two ball games. Lisa Lamb pitched well in relief and Brittany played a fine game tonight. We can improve our batting but I'm not worried, I have a great group of hitters. I'm just really proud of the entire group," Whitlock said.

KSU will play at North Florida, Feb. 19 at 2:00 p.m.

**"We can improve our batting but I'm not worried, I have a great group of hitters."**  
Coach Whitlock

# Women's team slammed by Clayton State and North Florida

## Owls struggle to stay out of Peach Belt cellar

Jessica Sibley  
Staff Writer

The Lady Owls basketball team hosted the Clayton State Lakers last Wednesday night at the Spec Landrum Centre. The last time these teams played each other, KSU walked away with an easy win, however, the outcome was different in the teams' most recent meeting.

The Lakers, No. 1 in the Peach Belt, dismantled the Owls 91-63 in another tough loss for the home team.

Clayton State [17-6, 9-3 PBC] took an early lead, beating the Lady Owls back on defense and showing them up under the basket. At the closest point in the game, KSU [12-11, 4-8] tied the Lady Lakers, but could never take the lead.

Junior Shavonder Clarke and freshman Lauren Harris each had six points while senior guard Danielle Bates led the first half in scoring for the Owls with 8 points. The girls fell behind primarily due to missed shots and the Lady Lakers' speed, but managed to stay within comeback range.

With 1:10 left in the first half, Danielle Bates drove to the

basket, drew the foul and sank one from the line to tie the game at 35-35. The Owls ended the first half trailing the Lakers 35-36, giving the yellow and black hope heading into the locker room.

CSU hit the floor in the second half with more intensity than before, hitting a 3-pointer just seven seconds in and adding to a lead that KSU would never have. After only three minutes of play, the Lakers led the Owls

by nine points.

"We weren't focused enough in the second half, nothing was executed well," said Owls' senior guard Dominika Mieszkowska.

When the Lady Lakers put their full court press into play, the Lady Owls fell even further behind. With only five minutes left to play, KSU was down 22 points, making the chances of a comeback nearly impossible.

The game consisted of KSU making mistakes and CSU tak-

ing advantage of them.

"We were flat out beat," said Head Coach Colby Tilley. "I am embarrassed for the family, friends and fans that came watch us play. I just don't know how to stop the bleeding. We lost our composure allowing CSU to outplay us. We couldn't regain it."

The Lady Owls lost to North Florida [10-13] on Feb. 12 by a score of 68-52 and play at Columbus State tonight at 5:30.

## Ice Owls ready to join new SEC division next season

Team stays warm with exhibitions in Tennessee

Jenna Provow  
Staff Writer

Although the regular ice hockey season has ended for the KSU Ice Owls, the boys just can't seem to get enough of the sport. Not only is the team already making big plans for next year when they will join a new SEC [South Eastern Conference] division with UGA and Georgia Tech, but they are also still playing games.

Last week, the Ice Owls made the journey to Nashville, Tenn. to play two exhibition games against the Middle Tennessee State University Raiders.

During the first game, Middle Tennessee shot ahead in the beginning, scoring two goals in the first period. But that did not stop the Ice Owls from getting one of their own. With just a few minutes left on the clock, forward Danny Droltz slipped one in on an assist by forward assistant captain Robert Farris.

In the second period, Ice Owls forward, captain Tony Lopez scored the team's second goal on an assist by defenseman Ryan Ferer.

Middle Tennessee, however, came back with two goals in response almost immediately.

Lopez, still determined to lead his team, managed to slip another goal by the Raiders with help from teammate Matt Kenck.

Relentless, the Raiders pushed forward and scored again. Farris stepped up and slapped the puck in on an assist by teammate Chris Cullen, making it 5-4.

The third period saw the Ice Owls completely stopped by Middle Tennessee's aggressive offense, and the Raider's scored one last time, making the final score 4-6.

KSU lost the second game the next day as well. The Owls struggled for three periods, and could not make anything happen on the ice. Middle Tennessee completely dominated the visiting team, winning the game 7-0.

"The boys really played their hearts out," said Bill Morrison, Director of Hockey Operations. "Our goalie, Nathan Heffley, did an outstanding job. I think that good times were had by all."



Tommy McNulty  
Sports Editor

### No. 7 Syracuse at No. 4 Boston College

Saturday Feb. 19  
7:30 p.m.—ESPN

The Orangemen's star forward Hakim Warrick gets better and better each time he plays. Averaging a nasty 20.6 ppg, Warrick and guard Gerry "G-Mac" McNamara [16.1 ppg] have led the surprising Syracuse team's offense all season. They will be facing the No. 4 ranked Eagles and forward Craig Smith [18.3 ppg]. BC is 21-1 but has had a far too easy schedule to warrant its current No. 4 ranking. The Eagles will get a 'citrusy' taste of reality in this one.

### No. 23 Texas Tech at No. 10 Oklahoma State

Saturday Feb. 19  
3:30 p.m.—CBS

Bob Knight's Red Ryders have competed very well since he came from Indiana to Lubbock four years ago. But as is always the problem with Tech, they have not quite broken the bubble as far as top-class recruiting goes. Senior guard Ronald Ross [17.1 ppg] looks like a totally different player than he was last year, and his leadership has made the Ryders a scrappy team. But they will be too undersized and overmatched when they go up against Joey Graham [18.5 ppg] and the multi-talented Cowboys. The Red Ryders will get branded, and if we're lucky, we might see Bob Knight throw a chair.

### Auburn at Georgia

Saturday Feb. 19  
4:00 p.m.—televised locally

Well both of these teams' seasons are definitely shot, no doubt about that. But the bitter SEC rivalry in this one should make a good game for the schools' faithful. The Tigers' guard Toney Douglas is making his case for SEC Rookie of

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the Year by averaging 18 ppg. The Dogs' lone bright spot this season has been guard Levi Stukes, who has nearly doubled his scoring average from last year at 15.4 ppg. Both teams have had jokes for schedules, yet still have managed to embarrass themselves. Georgia will win this one because they lost to No. 5 ranked Kentucky 60-51 last week. Yes, I said the Dogs will win because they LOST to a top-five team by only 9 points. Pathetic, I know. Moving on...

### No. 6 Wake Forest at No. 8 Duke

Sunday Feb. 20  
6:30 p.m.—Fox Sports Net

Duke is the last ranked team the Demon Deacons have to play in the regular season, and Wake Forest has been flat-out dominating with a trio of starters averaging roughly 16 ppg. While J.J. Redick and the Blue Devils have beaten No. 2 North Carolina, so have the Deacons. Wake Forest also beat Duke in the teams' only match up so far this season, making the Deakes the only team to take down both 'tobacco road' powerhouses this season. Duke's embarrassing loss to Maryland last week makes them the underdogs heading into this one.

### Notre Dame at No. 14 Connecticut

Monday Feb. 21  
7:00 p.m.—ESPN

I can't get the Horrible Huskies off of my weekly list until they fall out of the rankings, and it looks like that won't be happening since the season is nearing its end. That being said, UConn still has plenty of time to prove that they are the most overrated team in the rankings. The Irish are no joke, and just last week gave Boston College its first and probably last loss of the season. Irish senior guard Chris Thomas leads the tough Notre Dame team who, by the way, already beat the Huskies back in late January. Connecticut has benefited from a ridiculously easy schedule, and Notre Dame should uncover their true identity, that of frauds, on Monday. Rainbows will soar, leprechauns will jig and the UConn Huskies will bury their heads in the snow.



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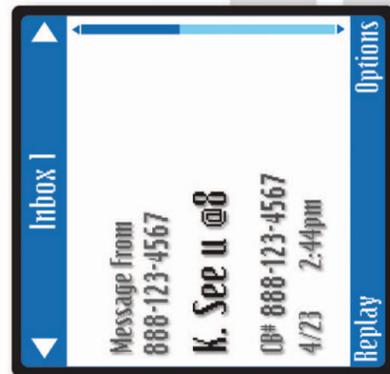
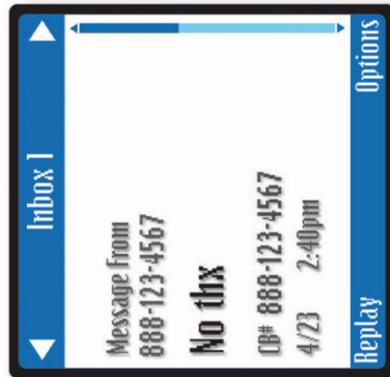
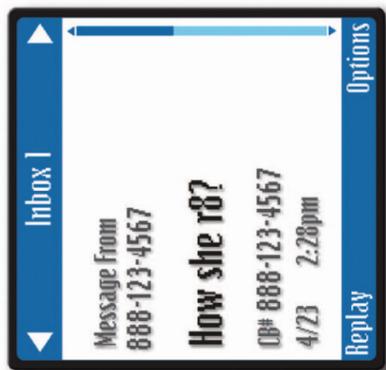
**This Week's Events for**  
**The 2005 Black History Month Celebration**

- **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Symposium on Jewish Life in the South** (Business Leadership and Philanthropy) \*2/24 - 25/05, 7-9 PM on Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup>, 8:45-1:30 PM Friday the 25<sup>th</sup>, KSU Center 400. Sponsored by the Center for Regional History & Culture, Thomas A. Scott  
This symposium on the history of southern Jewish business leadership and philanthropy will begin with a Thursday evening program on the Julius Rosenwald Fund and the Rosenwald Schools built for African Americans in the South in the early years of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. On the evening of Thursday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, one of the speakers is Dr. Susie Wheeler, a former student in 1923 when the Noble Hill Rosenwald School opened in Cassville, GA, who later led the successful effort to preserve the building and turn it into a museum. On the morning of Friday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, speaker Dr. Susan Glisson, the Director of the William Winter Institute for Racial Reconciliation at the University of Mississippi, will speak on her institute's efforts at racial reconciliation in Philadelphia, Mississippi, where three civil rights workers (one black and two Jewish) were brutally murdered in 1964. Other noted speakers for this event include Jeanne Cyriaque, the coordinator of African American programs for the Georgia Division of Historic Preservation.  
*NOTE: The conference starts on the evening of Thursday, February 24, and ends with a lunchtime panel Friday, February 25.*
- **The Meeting of Malcolm X & Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.** (2/28/05, 7:00 PM, Stillwell Theatre)  
Have you ever wondered what it would have been like to witness an exchange between two prominent Black leaders from diametric positions on the advancement of the Black community? Join us for a theatrical interpretation of fictitious dialog between Malcolm X and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. We guarantee that this event will leave you with much to think about and discuss with others.
- **Hip Hop & Politics (3/2/05, 12:30 PM, UR A&B)**  
There is much talk about the political potency of Hip Hop culture and the youth vote. Is Hip Hop culture a viable political instrument? This lecture will examine Hip hop's political legacy and the challenge of relevance in contemporary culture. Our speaker Dr. Carlton Anthony Usher comes to us with an in-depth understanding to both political science and Hip hop culture.
- **Stepping up to the Plate** (3/17/05-3/19/05, Location: Crowne Plaza Hotel, 6345 Powers Ferry Road, NW, Atlanta, GA 30339) Sponsored by the Office of Institutional Diversity, Office of Academic Affairs, and the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning ([www.kennesaw.edu/diversityeducation/](http://www.kennesaw.edu/diversityeducation/)) In the past decade, more and more colleges and universities have "Stepped up to the Plate" and diversified their curricula to better prepare students to live and work in a complex world. Take stock of where we are and learn how institutions have grappled with the intellectual, social and pedagogical challenges of curricula change and campus transformation. There will also be a Spoken Word Café scheduled Friday, March 18 from 8:30-10pm.
- **AASA Block Party!** (3/25/05, 11 AM, Intramural Field) \*\* Subject to Change to 3/25/05\*\*  
AASA celebrates the official return of the spring season with our first annual Old-School Block Party! All members of the KSU community are cordially invited to come out and partake in the fun, games, and food of early youth! Does kickball, softball, and Slip & Slide ring a bell? If so, join us for a day of old-school and "new skool" music, fun, and various activities. While you're working up your appetite with games, our AASA grill masters will be preparing hot dogs and burgers (beef, turkey, and veggie) to feed you! All participants are automatically eligible for a door prize just for being there! We can't wait to see you there!
- **AASA Accolades '05** (4/16/05, 7:00 PM, KSU Center, Room 400)  
AASA Accolades is an awards ceremony designed to recognize all faculty, staff, and students who have assisted AASA in "Creating a Paradigm" throughout the year. AASA Accolades is also designed to give recognition to students who have excelled in academics and has dedicated their time to AASA and the KSU community. The attire for this event is semi-formal wear. There will be dance and music for your enjoyment. Please join us in this celebration.

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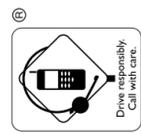


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