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## Harassing caller disturbs staff

### Alleged sexual harassment via telephone sweeps campus

AMY STOREY  
NEWS EDITOR

An anonymous caller has been making harassing calls to female campus employees.

According to campus officials, the offender has called numerous telephone numbers, as well as the campus operator and is demanding various university information. The caller encourages the female to talk for as long as possible without interruption. Some staff members felt that the purpose of the phone call was sexual in nature. In one case, the caller called Information. When the operator transferred him to an appropriate source concerning his questions, he hung up and called the operator again.

When asked what to

do in this situation, Dr. Bob Mattox, director of Counseling, Advising, and Program services, urged victims to hang up the phone once they realize what is happening.

"By staying on the line, all you're doing it assisting the caller," Mattox said.

A police investigation, headed up by Public Safety Sergeant Elliot, is under way.

"Sgt. Elliott is doing everything she can to resolve the whole situation," said Bernadette Haynes, public safety officer.

Anyone who feels as if they have received a threatening or harassing phone call can contact Campus Police at 770-423-6206, for officer assistance.

"I know that they are still trying to identify this person. I would advise anyone who has an encounter like this to immediately call campus police," said Luetta Hassis, Assistant Director of Telecommunications.

## Student has big plans for Georgia

### History major runs for Georgia House of Reps

KAYLA PRESS  
STAFF WRITER

History honor student, senior Zachary Smith, has announced that he will be a candidate for District 41 of the State House of Representatives. Smith will be running against Sharon Cooper. Cooper is the Republican House Caucus Leader and has run unchallenged since 1996.

Smith's campaign is entitled "A Better Day in Georgia." It will focus on three main areas of legislation: education, energy and the economy. There are several problematic areas in education, according to Smith.

"There is a 44 percent high school dropout rate, and that is too high," Smith said. "We need to reduce class sizes."

Smith also points out that teachers are spending \$600 of their own money on classroom expenses.

"There is a bill in the House introduced by Governor Purdue to give sixty-five cents of every dollar given to the school system to teachers to use for these expenses. That is good for now, but we need to push for more," Smith said.

Other issues he plans to tackle are the high price of textbooks for college students, preserving the HOPE scholarship, and improving Georgia's SAT scores, which are among the lowest in the country. The improvement of education is a top priority for Smith, who dubs his solutions as "authentic reform." The reforms plan to "bring institutions of higher education, Georgia business and industries together and offer mentors and leadership into our public



House of Representatives

According to the State's Constitution, the House is to be made up of no fewer than 180 members. Elections are held the first Tuesday after the first Monday in Nov., in even number years. The House can be accessed on the web at <http://www.legis.state.ga.us>

schools." Smith has taken this position because he feels as if this issue is a community-centered problem that requires a community-centered solution. He has high hopes that local businesses will "roll up their sleeves and get involved." Smith feels that by improving the school system, students will be better able to compete for jobs.

Smith also wants to develop greater interest in the use of bio-fuels. Georgians must look to new sources of energy because of deteriorating air quality and foreign oil dependency, he said.

Smith's web site quotes him as saying, "We can no longer let rising oil costs and unstable foreign governments shut down our schools and take money from our families with rising oil prices." Although similar legislation known as "Clean Fuel Use" has been introduced, it has thus far failed to be approved. Smith says he offers a solution

to the problem of rising fuel costs.

Smith has resolved to answer this problem by working with local schools and city governments to start using straight bio-diesel or bio-diesel-blended fuel.

According to Smith, "Georgia annually produces about 55 million gallons of oilseeds and animal fats from which bio-diesel could be produced. Further creating a market for these alternative fuels will in turn create more jobs as well." Smith says he wants to work on offering tax incentives to those Georgians who purchase and drive hybrid vehicles, therefore adding price competition to non-hybrid cars.

Smith also has big plans in the works for the economy. He is quoted on his web site saying that "without thriving business, there is no way for those Georgia citizens below the poverty level, over 1/5 of the state,

to find relief."

He wants GA to become the nineteenth state to offer a state-level Earned Income Credit (EIC). The combination of business involvement in education, a state-level EIC and the creation of jobs through a bio-diesel market all come together to form Smith's solutions for our economy.

To campaign, Smith is talking with a variety of groups in Cobb County, regardless of partisanship, such as the East Cobb Democratic Alliance.

"Our issues see no party lines. People are tired of parties and politics, especially the youth," Smith said.

Smith earned the rank of Eagle Scout and is an active member at the Center for Student Leadership [CSL]. Currently one of his projects with CSL is coordinating a program called Leaders in

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## Quality over quantity Lower minimum daily requirement easy to meet

KATE SANTICH  
THE ORLANDO SENTINEL

When the government spelled out new dietary and fitness guidelines last year, calling for up to 90 minutes of exercise per day for those trying to maintain a weight loss, a lot of Americans were ready to throw in their gym towels.

"That's a wonderful thing for athletes, but probably not for the average person," says Joan Snyder, a 37-year-old Orlando, Fla., guidance counselor. "It doesn't sound realistic."

But experts say the message got lost in the backlash. Yes, those who have lost a radical amount of weight need to put in extra time to keep from gaining it back. But that doesn't mean the average person requires an hour and a half per day.

Instead, there is a sort of minimum daily requirement for exercise, if your goal is simply to lessen the risk of chronic disease.

"By far, the best-supported public-health guideline on physical activity calls for adults to accumulate at least 30 minutes of moderate physical activity on most days of the week," said Russell Pate, a professor of exercise science at the University of South Carolina's Arnold School of Public Health. Pate served on the advisory committee that helped revamp the government guidelines on nutrition and exercise last year.

Research shows that a half-hour per day of moderate physical activity, walking briskly, swimming laps, even mowing the lawn or dancing lowers risks of suffering such problems as heart disease and diabetes. But, Pate adds, the evidence for how much exercise you need to



lose weight or keep it off is less clear-cut, because it can vary among individuals, depending on age, metabolism and current fitness level and eating habits.

"The first thing we have to do with people when they come in is sit down and talk to them about their goals," says Molly Faust, personal-training coordinator at the downtown Orlando YMCA. "Then we get an exercise and health history and see what they've been doing, or not doing. For some people, even 30 minutes of exercise is too much at first."

That may mean starting with only 10 minutes or so a day if you've been sedentary for a long time or are seriously overweight. Or you might start with 10 minutes in the morning, 10 minutes at lunch and perhaps another 10 minutes after dinner.

"Except if you're training for some specific event," says Walter Thompson, a professor of exercise physiology and health at Georgia State University. "We'd rather have people doing something at a pretty good intensity for 10 minutes three times a day than push themselves for a half-hour nonstop and not be able to walk the next morning."

The latter, Thompson said, is one of the main reasons people tend to quit exercise programs soon after starting. They push themselves too hard too fast and get injured, discouraged or both.

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## All about chemistry

### New organization has potential energy

SARA ZEIMET  
STAFF WRITER

The National Organization of Black Chemists and Chemical Engineers is in the works to become KSU's latest student organization. Dr. Leon Combs, a KSU chemistry professor and the department chair, originated the idea of a NOBCChe chapter at KSU several years ago but began initial work on the chapter last fall. Combs hopes that through this organization, the university will be able to "help minority students and to help recruit more minorities into our science programs as well as help minority students we have majoring in science to continue to succeed."

As a campus organization, NOBCChe has a mission to "build an eminent community of scientists and engineers, by significantly increasing the number of minorities in this field," as stated in the organization's national mission statement.

"I joined this organization because black women in science are far and few. When you need some mentoring, encouragement, or even help with your chemistry homework I know I can get

those things from being a part of NOBCChe," said Kristina Love, biology major sophomore.

The KSU chapter has a commitment to "constantly motivating and enhancing the minds of all African Americans in the fields of Science and Technology."

"The organization encourages group studies, guides students to sources of financial assistance, provides help with summer internships, and links graduated students with prospective employers. It is very fitting to have a support system at KSU that truly encourages student retention," said Dr. Huggins Msimanga, associate professor of chemistry and advisor of NOBCChe.

The organization already has 24 members and is continuously growing. It holds meetings twice a week on Tuesday and Thursday. Ibijoke Akinjobi, NOBCChe president, helps lead students in course studies and tutoring at the meetings.

"The NOBCChe will contribute to KSU by allowing more advantages to minorities in the chemistry and physics compartments," said Pre-Med student William Beadle, another member of the new organization. "I got involved in NOBCChe because I am a pre-med student and I am always in competition with 1,000 other pre-med students in Georgia."

Aside from the time spent



KSU has the highest number of chemistry and biochemistry majors in the state with 493 students, leaving Tech in the dust with 266.

in study groups, members have been planning numerous events for the semester. Tentatively planned for February and March NOBCChe will partner with Greek honor society Phi Lambda Upsilon to offer tutoring for students taking chemistry courses. They also hope to partner with the African American Student Alliance to assist in programs planned for Black History month, and the chapter plans to attend the Regional Chemistry Olympiad in April.

A meeting for official campus approval will be held on Feb. 14, and once approved the chapter will be presented with their charter at the national meeting

held in Los Angeles, Ca. this April. Once NOBCChe is officially approved, it will be one of only three chapters in the state of Georgia [the other two are at Georgia State University and Clarke-Atlanta].

If you are interested in getting involved in this organization or would like to know more about it, contact Dr. Leon Combs in the Chemistry and Biochemistry Department or visit their website: <http://science.kennesaw.edu/chem/NOBCChe/>.

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# POLICE BEAT

CHAUNTRELL LOFTON  
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Four people who were arrested recently for illegal drugs and domestic disputes were at it again.

The female who first contacted KSU police to report domestic violence contacted them again on Jan. 31 to report illegal drugs in her apartment at the University Place Apartments. She met with the officers to inform them of her find. The complainant said she walked into the apartment and noticed the drugs on a plate on a table.

The responding officer searched the apartment and located one of the roommates who was arrested previously. The roommate told the officer she did not know where the drugs came from. She speculated that the officers may have left the drugs when they were in the apartment previously. She also gave the officer some drug paraphernalia,

but claimed she did not know where it came from. The officer did not arrest either of the girls. The drugs and paraphernalia were taken and logged into evidence.

Two underage students were arrested for consuming alcohol while at a party at University Place Apartments on Feb. 4. KSU police were dispatched to University Place because of noise complaints at the apartments.

Upon arrival, the officers checked all of the attendees' identification and determined that two of the attendees were underage. While speaking with the two students, the officer smelled alcohol on their breath and persons. One of the students consented to the Alco-Sensor test, and it was determined that he had consumed alcohol. The other student said he did not want to consent, because he had been in trouble for a DUI previously. Both students were arrested for underage drinking, and judiciary forms were completed on each of them.

Police intercepted a teen runaway at the Swifty Save Food Mart on Feb. 1.

The teenager is a resident of Lucie County, Fl., but was en-route to Michigan with an older friend. The two had been traveling from Florida since the afternoon of Jan. 31. They were headed to Michigan to meet the older female's son, and stopped at the Swifty Save to rest. However, the teenager became frightened after speaking with a sibling on the telephone.

The teenager told the responding officer that her sister told her she had researched the older female on the Internet, and found that the female was bipolar. She instructed her to exit the vehicle and contact the police as soon as possible. The teenager waited until her companion went to sleep, exited the vehicle and asked the clerk at the Swifty Save to call the police.

The officer contacted the teenager's mother, who informed the officer that she would make arrangements to pick her up the following day. The teenager was placed in custody and taken to Cobb County Youth Detention Center.

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# Dow posts best gain in fives weeks

GLENN BRAVY  
STAFF WRITER

For the week ending Feb. 10, Dow Jones stocks were big winners, finishing the week higher. Positive reports from large companies such as Cisco Systems [Nasdaq: CSCO], PepsiCo [NYSE: PEP], and Coca-Cola [NYSE: KO] helped pull the rest of the market out of a slump. Walt Disney [NYSE: DIS] shares rose seven percent on Tuesday as a result of greater-than-expected profits from its theme parks.

On another positive note, overall spending for Valentine's Day this year is expected to increase by 3.8 percent to \$13.7 billion, one study reported. Although stocks performed fairly well last week, many people are still very concerned with the future, which can be summed up in four words: Oil, Iran earnings and Japan, according to an S&P investment policy committee.

General Motors [NYSE: GM] has taken another step in reducing costs, this time for white-collar workers who will see less in health care coverage and pensions. Company executives are also taking pay cuts. Shareholders in general are absorbing reductions as GM reduces its dividend. Dividends can be seen as cash bonuses paid out to shareholders. For that reason, companies with larger dividends and increasing dividends are more attractive to investors.

GM Chairman and CEO Rick Wagoner told reporters that everyone is having to make sacrifices, some more than others.

CBOT Holdings Inc. [BOT] registered gains Friday as thirty-year bonds were reintroduced to the market. Success in the long-term bonds market was cited to have come from extraordinarily strong demand from U.S. pension funds and overseas institutions. While the bonds are not nearly as appealing to individual investors as stocks are, profit can be made from the bonds by investing in BOT because it is the largest marketplace for futures trading. BOT profits from increased trading volume, which is what we can expect from the bonds.

Sometimes we buy stocks as investments, where we are interested in the long-term. Other times, we are just speculating about the short-term movement in a particular stock based possibly on earnings, future news, and other factors. Either way, if we are speculating that Yahoo! [Nasdaq: YHOO] will have favorable earnings and that will drive the stock up, no matter what happens, we exit the trade when the earnings are announced. No matter if it moved the stock up or down, we are out. Keep this rule in mind, and you are sure to do better.

As we start becoming familiar with stocks and how they work, we find that

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they do not always make sense. It is no wonder why some of the richest investors are contrarians. For example, buy straw hats in the winter, sell them in the summer time. Buy a stock when it is low, when everyone is bearish about it and no one wants it. Sell a stock when everyone is bullish about it, when no one can live without it.

Peter Drucker says it so well in his book The Effective Executive. He says, "Our best decisions should be based on conflicting opinions." If everyone loves a stock and everyone is buying, eventually we get to a point where there is no one left to buy. At that point, all the buyers will turn into sellers. Do not be a lemming and follow the crowd. Still, be careful that you do not buy a stock simply because no one wants it. It may just be a bad stock with bad fundamentals. Every rule has its exception.

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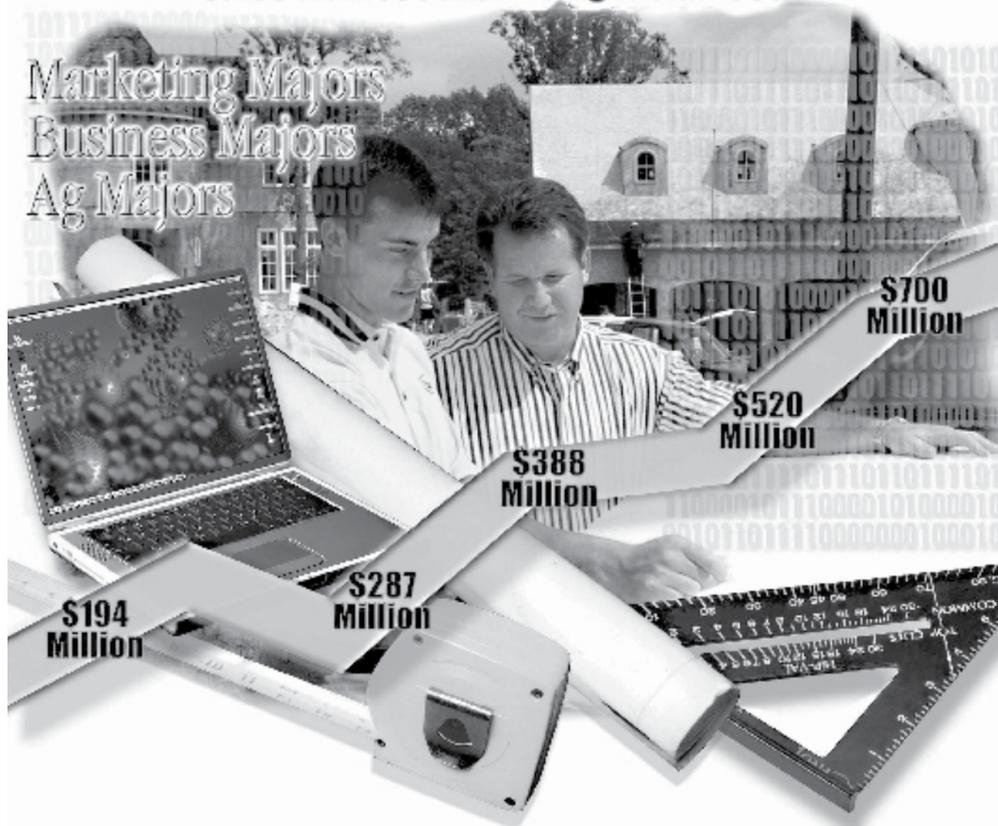
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"People who lose it and want to maintain that loss are probably going to have to be highly active."
On the other hand, Dr. William Roberts, who teaches family and sports medicine at the University of Minnesota, says less dramatic weight loss needn't be so time-consuming. He recommends as little as 40 minutes five to seven days per week.

working at a more comfortable level but for a longer period," Roberts says. "That way your metabolic rate stays up for a longer period of time. You sort of reset your thermostat at a higher level."

Exercise is a continuum. A little is good; more is better. Even if you don't lose a lot of weight, you can still benefit.

Research shows regular exercise can control high blood pressure, reduce your risk for type II diabetes, heart attack and colon cancer, ease symptoms of

depression and anxiety, lessen arthritis pain and disability and reduce the risk of osteoporosis, the thinning of bones. One recent study even showed that regular exercisers were at lower risk for Alzheimer's disease.

Some experts call it the true fountain of youth. Snyder, who started working out at Curves a year and a half ago, agrees.

"I think exercise is good holistically," she says. "I know it's a stress reliever, and it makes you feel good just to move around."



• Smith from page 1

Kennesaw [LINK] at Durham Middle School in Acworth, according to Nu'Nicka T. Epps and administrative secretary for CSL. The program works with nineteen KSU students teaching them to become better mentors to the students at the middle school.

because of his "fresh perspectives." He feels that once his constituency sees his stance on the important issues facing Georgia, his age will not matter.

Smith grew up in Hephzibah, Ga., a rural area just twenty minutes outside of Augusta. He is the youngest of seven children. His mother is an elementary school teacher and his father works for the Federal Government.

become involved because of "the state of affairs in Georgia, and the lowest SAT scores in the country," but also because of his father.

"My dad inspired me to get involved in the political process. He taught me to care for others and solve problems where they exist. His political savvy rubbed off on me," he said.

Smith was influenced to

Bobbie Bailey Awards held at KSU High school girls honored for talent in athletics

JESSICA ELLIOT STAFF WRITER

The 16th annual Bobbie Bailey Awards ceremony was held on Monday, Feb. 13 in the Stillwell Theatre. The ceremony was held in recognition of local women in sports. This year, 28 area-high school girls received an award.

The 28 athletes represent local high schools in Cobb, Paulding and Cherokee as well as Walker private school. The ceremony gave KSU a chance to show off what the women's athletic department has to offer. Current students and participants in various sports were also recognized.

Among these were: Keri McKee, an All-American softball player; Laura Tucker, the 2004 Div. I First Year Programs Player of the Year; and four seniors who were on the inaugural soccer team in 2002 and on the National Champion team of 2003: Janae Gzehoviak, Caitlin Jadlocki, Katrina Hirsch and Jessica Marek.

Roughly one decade ago, a decision was made to create a national day of recognition for females in sports. This decision was inspired by Flo Hyman, a former captain of the women's Olympic volleyball team notorious for having, "beat the drum for women and equality in sports," said the organizer of the award ceremony, Susan Whitlock, assistant professor of health, physical education and sport science.

Each year, a person considered prestigious regarding women's athletics is chosen to speak at the ceremony. This year's keynote speaker was Denise Killeen, head coach of KSU's new women's golf team. Killeen is a member of the Ladies Professional Golf Association and is currently on the Women's Pro-Golf Tour.

The Bobbie Bailey Awards [named after Dr. Bobbie Bailey], supporter of women's sports in one of KSU's most generous donors, are valued awards received by high school female athletes. Criteria such as outstanding exhibition of athletic skills, excelling at a high level in multiple sports and academic excellence are used to determine the nominees.

While speaking about the awards themselves, Killeen encouraged the young women to further build their character by continuing their progression in athletics. Killeen also spoke about her road to the LPGA.

"They [the young women selected] also have already been recognized by their schools as being a positive role model of high character and having been good leaders, as well as good athletes," Whitlock said.

This year's ceremony has taken place alongside the 2006 Winter Olympics where the U.S. sent 211 athletes, 89 of whom being women. Of the seven medals that the U.S. possesses currently, two have been won by women.

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## Jihad against free speech in today's America



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President Bush meets with Danish Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen in the Oval Office.

### Violent protests are fulfilling stereotypes

The recent violence in Europe and the Middle East over the Muhammad cartoons that were published in the Danish newspaper Jyllands-Posten is the equivalent a jihad against free speech. Interestingly, the reason Carsten Juste, the Danish paper's editor, gave for the publishing of the cartoons was that they would serve as a test of whether the threat of Islamic terrorism had limited the freedom of expression in Denmark.

I think it's safe to say his hunch was correct. The paper's cultural editor Flemming

Rose says that the purpose was not to provoke Muslims. "It was a reaction to the rising number of situations where artists and writers censored themselves out of fear of radical Islamists," he said at brusselsjournal.com. The senseless, violent reaction to the cartoons is doing nothing but proving the editors correct with remarkable accuracy.

Is violence over a non-violent caricature justified? Should a secular country exempt

**It is quite peculiar how a non-violent drawing can be used to justify violence by those who supposedly follow a non-violent religion.**

religion from being targeted by free speech? Denmark's Prime Minister Anders Rasmussen is 100 percent correct for refusing to apologize to Muslim leaders and extremists, saying "the government cannot make apologies on behalf of a Danish newspaper," according to wikipedia.org. This is the material of which the bonds of free speech are made. Rasmussen should be praised for his unwillingness to appease Muslim extremists who think it's OK to act out violently over a harmless cartoon. His strong stance is crucial to the survival of a truly free media. The outrage by Muslim leaders who have demanded apologies shows that the concept of free speech is absent in their native countries. If democracy is ever going to develop in the Muslim world, the notion of a free press must be prevalent. Rasmussen is giving the Muslim world a free lesson on how to guarantee a free press and free speech for their citizens and the only thing he is getting in return are death

threats. It is quite peculiar how a non-violent drawing can be used to justify violence by those who supposedly follow a non-violent religion. That concept may never be understood, but neither will the notion of justifying a pro-life stance by bombing an abortion clinic or murdering abortion doctors.

The correlation here is that these violent protesters are the Eric Rudolphs of the Muslim world. They do not represent Muslim values any more than Rudolph represents Christian values. Those who kill in the name of a peaceful religion are the exception and not the rule. Sure, many Muslims might be upset over the depiction of their prophet, but the Muslim solution is not to run to the streets and cause violence.

These violent actions are damaging the credibility of progressive Muslims because they seemingly fulfill the stereotype of violent extremists who have no respect for the lives of those they do not agree with. It is hard to get traction in proclaiming Islam as a non-violent religion when some of its more radical followers start fires and deliver death threats over a simple cartoon. Instead of being outraged at the Danish government, leaders in Muslim states should be outraged at the poor representation of Islam that these reckless protesters are presenting. They should also be outraged that their own governments have done a terrible job of controlling individuals who promote violent actions. The blood is on their hands, not the cartoonists'.



Dominic DiCecco  
Columnist

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## James Frey deep fried in the eyes of the public

Oprah Winfrey, website try to give new definition to the factually challenged memoir and author

AMY STOREY  
NEWS EDITOR

What do a self-proclaimed drug addict, a stereotypical alcoholic, a liar and a self-made writer all have in common? He produces one hell of a story.

On Jan. 8, popular, controversial website thesmokinggun.com, published a six-page exclusive on James Frey, author of "A Million Little Pieces." This exclusive hit media waves and blogs almost immediately, claiming Frey's work to be filled with "fabrications, falsehoods and fakery."

I bought "A Million Little Pieces" back in October, a month after its release. I could not put the thing down. As cliché as this sounds, it made me laugh, cry and above all, think about life. This near 400-page memoir was one of the best I have ever picked up. I loved the way he structured the dialog, the chapters and the context sequence. I loved reading this book that was written by someone experienced, someone who isn't a "writer." I felt like I knew the characters personally. Frey's descriptiveness gave me a whole new outlook on the life of a drug and alcohol addict.

So naturally, when I first took notice of the Smoking Gun controversy, I was confused. Had I been betrayed by this new book? Did I seriously just waste \$14.95 plus tax? After many hours of deliberation, I made a decision, a decision that I think the American public needs to take into consideration.

A memoir is defined by google.com as "the account of an author's personal experience."

This was Frey's book. Frey's account. He should be able to do what he wants with it. Lies, no lies, the book was incredible. I don't care if he made up the first word to the last word of the entire book. It did something to me. I was entertained. Obviously if you read it and care enough to be following this whole ordeal with Oprah Winfrey and The Smoking Gun, you're either one who prefers controversy or the book did something to you too.

I think the only people that have the right to be angry about this issue are the people who bought the book as research for a project or paper that they were writing about the life and times of Average Joe, James Frey. Hopefully, though, that does not pertain to many students. I do not buy too many books to read for pleasure and then go and research them to test the accuracy. I have better things to do.

The Smoking Gun approached this, saying that, "Frey appears to have fictionalized his past to propel and sweeten the book's already melodramatic narrative and help convince readers of his malvolence." So what? I think that the more interesting, bloody, nasty details the better. Fact or fiction, the book's content

is Frey's own depiction.

The only place where he messed up, and screwed himself over for probably all of eternity, was when he first appeared on Oprah Winfrey's show and claimed his book to be 100 percent honest. He told her back in October 2005, "I was a bad guy. If I was gonna write a book that was true, and I was gonna write a book that was honest, then I was gonna have to write about myself in very, very negative ways."

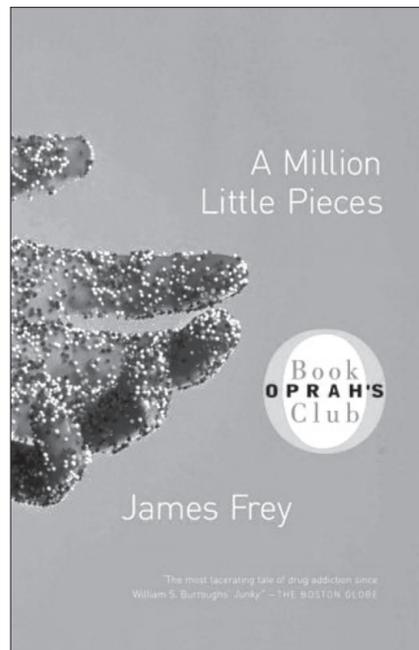
Late Jan, Oprah invited Frey back onto her show to confront him about the hullabaloo. On the show a rather shaky, nervous Frey admitted to fabricating certain details in his book. Oprah then announced that she regretted adding him to her book club, and personally apologized to her audience.

These details, while to some may seem significant, are not what makes the book. So what if he made some stuff up? It only made that \$14.95 plus tax seem even better spent. Frey is a writer who wants his books to sell and be read? Shame! Shame on him!

Attention smokinggun.com and Oprah, we've got hundreds of people who lie to

their public audience daily to catch and blame! Maybe by the time we are done chastising them, Frey will have another book ready for your destruction.

**The only people that have the right to be angry about this issue are the people who bought the book as research for a project or paper that they were writing about the life and times of Average Joe, James Frey.**



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Tom Toles by Tom Toles



# Power of the Press: use it wisely

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The cartoon here was published in the Washington Post on Jan. 29, 2006. It is meant to make a mockery of Secretary of Defense, Donald Rumsfeld. Lately, Rumsfeld has developed a reputation as an insensitive man who lacks human emotion. But the original intentions of cartoonist Tom Toles seemed to be sidetracked. Of course, like many, Toles is using the right of a free press to pursue a far left-wing agenda that has gone off the deep end.

**Just because the press has the right to print it, does not mean it is the right thing to print.**

Nobody has to agree with the war in Iraq. Nobody is forced to like it or even support what we are fighting for, that is what makes America the great country that it is. Clearly Toles is attempting to portray Rumsfeld as being insensitive, and whether or not that is true, that aspect of the cartoon is legitimate. However, besides poking fun at Rumsfeld, Toles has also insulted the brave men and women of our armed forces. The far-left has stooped low before, but congratulations to Toles, an all time low.

It is not the attack on Rumsfeld that is offensive. The president, the cabinet and

politicians are fair game for any journalist or cartoonist, but since when is it OK to degrade the men and women who are fighting for the very same right that Toles is exercising to draw this cartoon? That right is the right of freedom of the press.

This cartoon can be looked at through two different scopes. The first perspective encompasses the belief that the press has the right of freedom of speech and therefore this cartoon is legitimate. The second perspective looks beyond what is allowed by law and focuses on the discretion of the press,

especially when their reach is more widespread than ever before.

The First Amendment reads in part, "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the

free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press." What this means for Toles is that he does have the right to his opinion and the right to get it printed in the Washington Post.

So if he is not in violation of any laws, codes or regulations, what is the problem? This can be answered by looking at this issue from a logical standpoint, but naturally I would not expect a guy like Toles to understand the concept of logic.

The problem put simply is just because the press has the right to print it, does not mean it is the right thing to print. Toles is implying that Rumsfeld who lacks sensitivity, but the

hypocrisy in this claim does not be more evident. Toles is the one who lacks sensitivity for our troops and their families. Showing a soldier who is a quadruple amputee at the mercy of the U.S government may be funny to some, but it is not funny to the soldiers or their families, many of whom have actually dealt with severe injuries as a result of fighting in this war.

This controversial cartoon and its implications are not something that will be resolved anytime soon. With the war on terror in Iraq, America is fighting another war, a heated battle between liberals, conservatives and everyone in between. It is unfortunate that the troops who are fighting so America can keep the great freedoms that are often taken for granted come under fire by guys like Toles who forget how much power they have as members of the press. One sentence, one comment and even one cartoon can influence public opinion on a national level.

It is not censorship that is being advocated here, it is discretion. Toles is not the only member of the press who has made this mistake. These days the press has forgotten how much influence and spread they can have on a nation and its people.

The press has a right to freedom; however the press has power, and with power comes responsibility. It was irresponsible of Toles to put a soldier in this context. This cartoon is another example of how the abuse of the power of the press can hurt the morale of the ones who are fighting so that we do not have to.

# On Religious Freedom

DAVID BEAUMONT  
COLUMNIST

It is fairly common in this day and age to hear of religious tolerance. The idea is that each person should be free to practice the religion of his or her choice without hindrance and that people of different beliefs can live peacefully together, which is a worthy goal.

On the surface, tolerance claims to promote harmony and give each religion its own voice. Yet in practice, tolerance is the muzzle on the truly religious spirit. It accomplishes harmony by silencing the voice of virtually every religion and calls that "equal."

But when a Hindu speaks of the four classes of the caste and a Christian speaks of the Ten Commandments, neither is looking for equality of these ideas any more than two mathematicians are looking for equality between the ideas of two plus two equaling four and two plus two equaling five. They are looking for the absolute standard which makes all men's opinions on any matter valid or invalid. And if they discuss religions, they do so not to decide which is more preferable, but which is right.

The tolerant person seems to miss this fact completely. He comes along and suggests to both groups that the remedy to their disagreement is for the differing parties to accept each other's religion as equally valid, which is really to ask that neither take their own position seriously. This makes the proponent of tolerance the most intolerant of all people, as well as the most deceptive, for he has succeeded in deceiving even himself.

He doesn't realize that the only way he can make all religions equal is to raze the very foundations which they are built upon and cause both religions to dilute their potency. Yet this, he says to himself, is the spark of genius. He fools himself into thinking that dilution is the satisfactory solution to all religions everywhere.

Not only this, but he is also heartily convinced that he is

somehow not promoting absolutism or dogmatism by suggesting that all absolutists and dogmatists should regard one another's ideas as equally legitimate. Does he not see that by being tolerant of everything he is not really tolerant of anything? And that this belief is in fact one of the most absolute and dogmatic positions one can take?

The moment the tolerant person brings the word "should" into the conversation, he has made an appeal to some absolute which is imperative that all concerned parties. And with this particular imperative, he is essentially suggesting that all religions be eradicated but his own: his religion of equality, in which no one has a voice but other "tolerant" people and the

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only thing anyone can say for certain is that we should not say anything for certain because all opinions are the same [that is, except for the opinions of tolerant people]. Apparently, only they are enlightened enough to preach that everyone else should conform to their philosophy.

But this isn't elitism. This is "open-mindedness." I have my suspicions that an open mind can only remain open for so long before it becomes like an

open house: allowing anything to come in, yet retaining nothing.

There is a subtle, "tolerant" belief running amuck in our culture that what is meant by "religious freedom" is that those who are religious have the right to believe in their religion like they have the right to believe in the next American Idol. Perhaps this is exactly the kind of belief that tolerance expects of us.

In a tolerant world, you are free to say anything you want so long as it is nothing that you expect other people to take seriously. You can preach that everyone should obey the laws of a religion so long as you only mean it in the same way as when you say that everyone should see the latest movie, or try a new recipe. But the minute you make any statement about the way things are, or the way things should be, you are deemed "narrow," or "close-minded" which I've come to discover are synonymous terms for "heretic," in a strictly tolerant sense. Which really means in a nonsensical sense. At least heretics of past religions were punished for thinking contrary to a standard. But it seems that heretics in this new Age of Tolerance will be punished for thinking at all. The truly unforgivable sin will be to think that there is a standard by which all mankind is obligated to act in accordance with.

If one truth is certain, it is this: the truly tolerant person does not understand the truly religious person. Tolerance makes out the religious search for truth in this world to be a kind of grown up make-believe or wishful thinking. The philosophy of tolerance is not tolerant enough to take anything any religion says into any real consideration.

If the tolerant person expects the religious person to simply put aside his religious opinions for the sake of "real" matters, he has only proven that he has completely misunderstood what the religious person means by "religion" in the first place. For religion, to the truly religious, is not simply a way, but *the* way.

# Metaphorically speaking

A medical milestone was reached in France recently when doctors successfully performed the world's first face transplant.

Initial results are positive and while doctors are a bit wary that the transplanted face could potentially reject its new abode, they, and the newly-faced Isabelle Dinoire, are satisfied with the operation.

Dinoire's procedure was predicated by a disfigurement to much of her lower face brought on by her pet Labrador, who ripped apart her face while she was passed out from a sleeping pill overdose last May.

While this not only gives hope to all those who have...

- a) had their face mangled by an unruly pet
- b) a hideously ugly mug
- c) a wish to continually stalk their ex-boy/girlfriend without being noticed and thus ordered to vacate the premises per their restraining order
- d) all the above

...it also begs to be played with metaphorically.

THE "TRANSPLANT-AS-AMERICAN-MILITARY" METAPHOR

Dinoire's situation, though heartwarming and awe-inspiring, is one that carries with it some dire uncertainty. Her doctors are still unsure if her newly acquired face will reject its new habitat.

The same can be said for our military in Iraq, sans the

heartwarming and awe-inspiring aspect.

Those professionals and experts and politicians and lay-people and anyone who feels our forces in Iraq are ill-placed can act as the doctors' uncertainty in this instance. Dinoire's placement is versatile because she can represent either the Iraqi citizens or everything that is wrong with our global civilization, depending on your stance. The Labrador acts as--you guessed it--Saddam Hussein.

Concerning Dinoire's overdose, one can surmise that the pills represent Hussein's power which, for our purposes, "drugged" the Iraqi citizens into submission and opened the door for a transplant.

THE "TRANSPLANT-AS-BUDGET-PAN" METAPHOR

The president has suggested a \$2.77 trillion budget to Congress. He placed heavy monetary emphasis on the military and homeland security while decreasing funds for Medicare and education.

With the budget plan in place as the transplant, Dinoire can be Congress or US citizens affected by the budget or both. The Labrador can be a plethora of different ideas or situations [i.e. terrorists, 9/11, the need for heightened security, etc.] that you, the subjective reader, can position freely, but for these purposes let us place the Lab's metaphorical rights

into the hands of the president, Bush being the one who suggested the budget and the cause for increased spending, and lack thereof.

The doctors are talking heads who feel the budget does, or does not, mesh well with our national situation.

The convenience of this metaphorical perspective is the moot point created by the Bush budget. The sleeping pill overdose angle is nullified if the budget is passed for two reasons: 1) decreased educational funding creates a lack of doctors prescribing medications and 2) decreased Medicare creates and lowered need for medications. Why use the sleeping pills as a metaphorical object when their lowered prominence is imminent?

If anything can be learned from Dinoire's situation, it is that a bad predicament can have a silver lining or a remedy, but that remedy and that silver lining can prove to be detrimental to the cause it is meant to bandage.

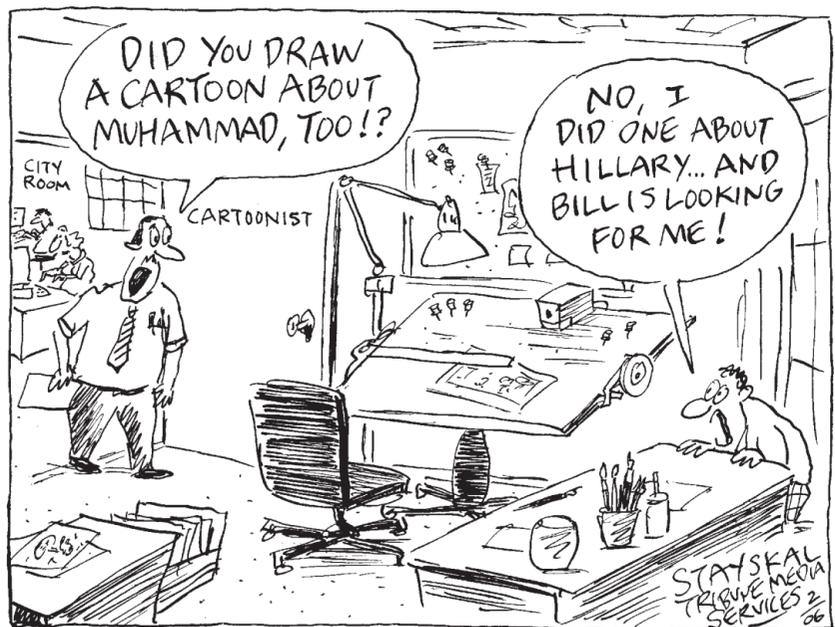
Also that there will always be nay-sayers who feel the means are not justified. There will always be individuals and groups who will voice opposition to any and all occurrences, regardless of their local, national, or global prominence. But, perhaps most importantly, the life lesson here is: the avoidance, at all costs, of purchasing or acquiring a Labrador.



Michael Miracle  
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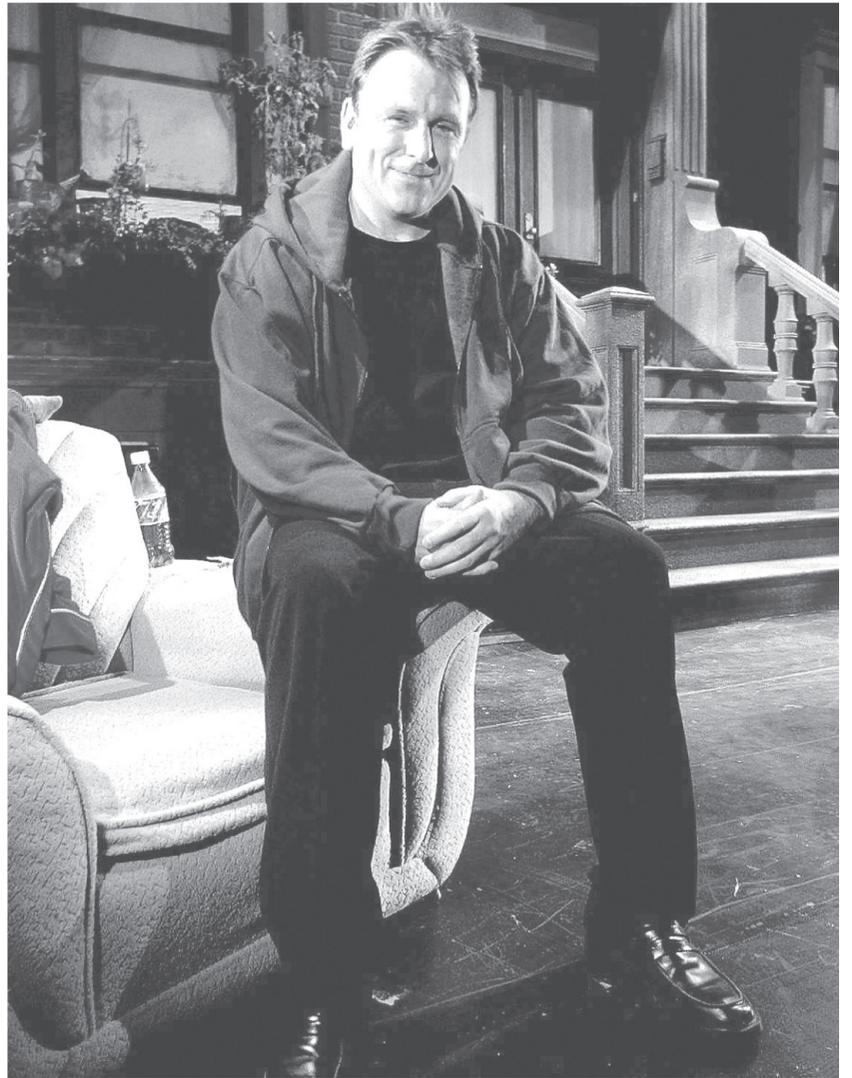
## Rolling with the punches Colin Quinn speaks after appearing at The Punchline

JASON NIMER  
VIEWPOINTS EDITOR

From Brooklyn, NY, Colin Quinn began a 12-year stand-up comedy career before going on to Saturday Night Live in 1995. He has hosted shows such as "2Hip4TV," "Manly World" and "Tough Crowd." Quinn also appeared in several movies, including "Who's That Man" and "Married to the Mob."

**Q:** How do you come up with your material?  
**A:** I make it a point to keep aware of everything that's going on. Flipping through the channels, ya know? I keep an eye out for what is typical of today, what's indicative of what going on right now. Whatever is in the news I try to throw it in that week. Sometimes it only lasts a week; sometimes it goes on for longer.  
**Q:** How long have you been on tour?  
**A:** It's really a kind of a constant thing. There's never really a "tour" per se. It's just me going out on the road. There is never any rhyme or reason to it.  
**Q:** So you have been on Saturday Night Live and had your own show. Who were the best and worst hosts on "SNL?"  
**A:** The regular hosts are always good. People like Steve Martin, Alec Baldwin and Tom Hanks are always good. Kevin Spacey was great. He did all these impressions and sang. He was like a real actor. The worst one? I can't think off-hand because when you are doing the news, you aren't with the regular sketch people. Athletes are always tough. The biggest surprise, as far as being good, was the Rock. The best ones are the ones that you don't expect to be good then they surprise everybody. The ones I didn't like where the ones that didn't do my sketches. Christopher Walken, who everybody loves and is a great host, I was pissed because he didn't do a sketch I wrote for him. That's how you judge; the ones who do your sketches and the ones who don't.  
**Q:** Do you keep in touch with any of the people you've worked with?  
**A:** No. Not really, no. It's kind of funny really.

In a way it's strange that we don't keep in touch. We were together on couches for, like, five years. On "SNL" we weren't that kind of crew. We didn't really all hang out together. Nobody really hangs out too much after "SNL." I don't know why.  
**Q:** Out of the three things you have done, "SNL," "Tough Crowd" and stand-up, which is your favorite?  
**A:** Stand-up by far. No one tells you what to do. "SNL" was great. Tough Crowd was great. What I really want is just an hour every week to say whatever I want. It's what every comedian wants.  
**Q:** I have to ask about my favorite thing you have ever done: the lion on "Weekend Update."  
**A:** That was my favorite thing! When I first did that on "SNL," right afterwards I thought to myself, "I can die now." I did that character based on guys I knew growing up. Guys who got into drugs, they'd be talking to you and that's what they would sound like. After I did that, everything's been great. I got something I thought was funny onto "SNL." It made me really happy.  
**Q:** What do you think of the new cast and how they are doing the news now?  
**A:** I don't know. It seems fine to me. You never look at it like the audience looks at it once you've been there.  
**Q:** Can you talk about taking over for Norm McDonald after he screwed up?  
**A:** It was a tense time. Not only did I take over for him, we lived in the same building. I'd see him in the elevator. Norm was such a gentleman about everything. He half-wanted to leave anyway. He even said to me, "When I leave, you should do the news." When I went on, everyone was talking about how the message boards were brutal about me. Everything from unfunny, talentless, fat-faced, you name it. Then you have to go out there and do it, thinking about all this stuff. It was a good lesson in 'you can't let that stuff hurt you.' It can bother you, but if you're really affected by it get out of the business.



MISHA ERWITT | NEW YORK DAILY NEWS  
Saturday Night Live News Anchor Colin Quinn relaxes on the set of his one-man show "An Irish Wake" at the Helen Hayes Theater in New York. The Broadway show pays homage to the Brooklyn neighborhood where Quinn grew up in the late 70s.

## Weather or not, boots are hot every season

MADELEINE MARR  
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NEWSPAPERS

Don't hate them because they're beautiful. Hate them because they're hot, and not necessarily in a temperature kind of way. Not all boots make your legs feel like they're roasting. Can I get a yeehaw for cowboy boots?

Cowboy boots are the perfect, cool ensemble-maker, able to amp up winter garb--and even warm-weather clothes, including bland sundresses, denim minis, prairie skirts, shorts. And we do mean cool, so long as the boots are made for walking. Literally.

"A good, sturdy all-leather boot will absorb wetness as opposed to a synthetic material, which is made with gobs of glue that heat up and clog ventilation," said Howard Shaffer, owner of Otabo Inc., a custom fit shoe manufacturer in Pompano Beach, Fla. He adds that moisture-wicking high-tech athletic socks will save you from a destiny worse than the Wicked Witch of the West's.

In other words: Go cheap and your feet will get revenge. Nab a quality pair and you'll think you died and went out with Johnny Knoxville.

"Cowboy boots are one of the most comfortable shoes out there," said Todd Rauchwerger, owner of J.W. Cooper, a Western apparel store in Florida whose sales of supremely handcrafted boots shot up 25 percent over the holidays. "When people find out just how much, there's no going back."

But it's not just the comfy-cozy factor that's been lassoing 'em in. "The trend is like a roller coaster," Rauchwerger said. A coaster that gathers speed when boot-centric movies like "Dukes of Hazzard," "Walk the Line" and "Brokeback Mountain" come out.

Rauchwerger, who's run the store for almost three decades, breaks down his customers into two categories: the diehards who've had the same pair since they were old enough to see "The Electric Horseman" without parental escort and the flash-in-the-panners who liked the way Jessica Simpson's legs looked in her vintage red Miss Capecios in the "Made for Walking" video. Demand was so great for Daisy's sexy calf huggers that the newly separated songstress came out with her own line. They're \$158.95 at www.jessicastyle.com.



WILLIAM SNYDER | DALLAS MORNING NEWS  
Bamboo-motif silk jacquard sheath dress from the 40s, \$150, from Puttin' on the Ritz. Silver star inlaid cowboy boots, \$695, from Back at the Ranch, Sante Fe. Asian influence has been filtering into Western designer collections and cutting-edge closets for several seasons now and is considered to be a long-term trend because of growing emphasis on multiculturalism.

Whichever category you fall into, there's no denying that cowboy boots are firmly back in the saddle. Jessica's wardrobe choices aside, the reasons for an uptick in sales are many-fold. "The more you wear them, the better they look," said Maggie Gallant, a lifestyle expert who has appeared on NY1, NBC's "Today" show and HBO's "Chat Zone." "When you get a pair that you've worn in, they become totally you, a signature item."  
And unlike say, the knee-high wedge boot, the timeless cowgal boot sends a message to the world that you're not a slave to trends and don't take fashion too seriously.  
"This is an article of clothing that has a sense of humor to it," said Gallant. "Unlike a no-mess-around shoe, like a Manolo Blahnik stiletto, the casual cowboy boot expresses a different side to your personality. That you don't have to be fancy

to have style."  
Women aren't the only ones hooking onto this bandwagon. Guys, and we're not just talking about the Bush brothers, are stepping up, too. "For us, it's a way of dressing down slacks and a sports coat or dressing up jeans and a T-shirt," said J.W. Cooper's Rauchwerger. Although he advises against cowboy boots with a suit. "Way too Larry Hagman on "Dallas.""

### HOW TO WEAR 'EM

The all around shoe: "Women down South and out West have always known that wearing cowboy boots with a cocktail dress is as acceptable as wearing them with jeans," said fashion consultant Maggie Gallant. "I'm from Atlanta, and everyone I know has at least four pairs in their closet."  
In or out? "I'm not a fan of boots being tucked

into jeans," Gallant said. "It's a little too early 80s, a little too dated. Personally, my favorite way is with vintage Levi's and a white T-shirt; it can even be Hanes. The classic way."  
Look to the stars: In doubt over how to pull off cowboy boots? Check out your favorite fashion and celebrity magazines. A shining example: Cowboy boot junkie Sienna Miller "is a fashion icon; she never looks contrived in her Fryes," said Gallant. "Incorporate how someone like that dresses and then mix it up with your own style."  
A place in the sun: "When you're in warm weather, cowboy boots are best mixed with dresses, either feminine floral prints or lightweight whites," says Khajak Keledjians, CEO of Intermix, which will roll out super chic butterfly and scalloped leather Yins [\$495-\$595] in February. "Embrace unexpected combinations and new ways to interpret familiar classics."



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# Why women drive men crazy

## You will never win

JOE PETTIS  
COLUMNIST

Why is it that girls are never interested in a guy until he is dating someone else? It puzzles me every time. I will go months, ok, more like years, without a single date. Then the moment I find a girl who actually hangs out with me without charging an hourly rate, women start coming out of nowhere asking for my phone number. So why do girls do this to us guys? It's all part of their master plan to drive men crazy, a plan they have been conjuring up since the beginning of time.



Busting a gut

For thousands of years they have kept this a secret. So how do I know, you ask? I watch hours and hours of programs on the Lifetime and Oxygen channels. Not only do they offer intriguing stories of women overcoming adversity, they offer us men a deeper glimpse into the female psyche. So what have I learned from watching these programs? Namely the fact that women are vindictive, and their main goal in life is to drive us men nuts.

This should not come as a surprise to anyone; the signs have always been there. First off, examine the way women question us. No matter how beautiful they might look, they always feel the need to ask "how do I look?" This of course is a trap, because no matter what you say you will always be wrong. ALWAYS. No matter how many times I've told a girl she is beautiful, she will always find something wrong with what she is wearing. They don't really feel this way, they just do it because they know it bothers us. Why else would they take four hours to prepare for a two hour date.

Speaking of the way women dress; many women wear provocative clothing, often revealing large sections of flesh. You will often see them

wearing low cut shirts revealing cleavage. Yet, if they catch you even taking a glimpse at their rack they will mace you until your eyes are on fire. They do this because they can. They know that if they dress a certain way, we are going to look at them, which then gives them an excuse to attack us with pepper spray. Don't think for one second that this is not all part of their master plan.

You can't even say hello to a girl without her calling you a creep. Not a day goes by that I don't say hello to a woman without her rolling her eyes at me. It is not that I'm trying to get into her pants, after all, I like the way mine fit. I'm just trying to be polite, but they take it as an insult. At least that is the way it appears. You see, the real reason they do it is to keep us confused. It is an age old technique. The easiest way to defeat your enemy is to confuse them into submission, and that is exactly what they do.

Women appear to be complex characters, but in all reality they are just as simple as we are. They only act complex to throw us off. The moment you think you have finally figured one of them out, they will make a complete 180. All in the name of making us crazy.

So what can we do? We have to fight fire with fire. So next time you are preparing to go out with your girl, spend five hours in the bathroom. When you are done, ask her how you look. No matter what she says, start crying. Tell her she cannot possibly understand what kind of stress your go through in order to look good for her. Anytime a women even looks at you, act offended. If they say anything, just blow it off, or better yet, claim you have been sexually harassed.

If we do not do something now, we will one day find ourselves being dominated completely. Women will not stop until they have complete control over us. Speaking of which, I must now go help my girlfriend redecorate the bathroom.

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# Horoscopes

LINDA C. BLACK  
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## Today's Birthday [02/15/06].

Fix up your place this year, with an eye to luxury. You can have a cozy nest, and you should. It will help you relax.

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### Aries [March 21-April 19]

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### Taurus [April 20-May 20]

Today is an 8. If you are flirting on company time, take care. The boss will not be amused. Set up a date for later.

### Gemini [May 21-June 21]

Today is a 6. Clean up your

place. Fluff up the pillows. Romantic conditions are going from OK to fabulous, for the next couple of days.

### Cancer [June 22-July 22]

Today is an 8. Surround yourself with love. That is the most important thing. If you do not have the human kind, get a dog or a cat or a bird. Or even a fish or a plant.

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

Today is a 6. Doing work you love pays especially well now. They say the money follows when you are happy, and it does.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Today is a 6. Buy something for your home to increase your comfort level. This should not be hard. Just replace whatever is causing pain.

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

Today is a 7. A critic forces you to examine your premise and check for errors. This will help you become even more perfect.

Compiled by Tara O'Shea

## MUSIC

**What:** Bon Jovi  
**When:** Feb. 15, 7:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Gwinnett Arena  
**Cost:** \$47-\$89  
**Information:** 770-813-7600

**What:** Hip Hop: the Common  
**When:** Tue Feb 21, 8:00 pm  
**Where:** The Tabernacle  
**Cost:** \$28.50-\$30  
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## ENTERTAINMENT

**What:** Ringling Bros. Barnum and Bailey Circus  
**When:** Feb. 10- Feb. 20; 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Fridays; 11:30 a.m., 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturdays-Sundays. Feb. 10-20. Also 7:30 p.m. Feb. 14-16; 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Feb. 20.  
**Where:** Philips Arena  
**Cost:** \$12-\$130  
**Information:** 404-878-3000

**What:** Chocolate: the Exhibition  
**When:** 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Mon-Sat. noon-5 p.m. Sun. Feb. 11-Aug. 13  
**Where:** Fernbank Museum  
**Cost:** \$12; \$11 senior citizens and students; \$10 ages 3-12; 2 and younger free  
**Information:** 404-929-6300

**What:** Orchid Daze  
**When:** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Sundays. Feb. 4-April 2.  
**Where:** Atlanta Botanical Garden  
**Cost:** \$12 adults, \$7 children, \$2 off Tuesdays  
**Information:** 404-876-5859

**What:** Andrew Wyeth: Memory and Magic  
**When:** 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tues.-Wed. and Fri.; 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Thurs.; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sat.; noon-5 p.m. Sun. through Feb. 26.  
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# What the Superbowl really meant to me

I watched it for  
the ads

ADAM STEVENS  
STAFF WRITER

Who are all these wackos who watched a TV show just so they could see the ads? I find this to be an important question. It is of no small interest to me that millions of people made a conscious decision on Superbowl Sunday to endure four hours of potentially tedious football in order to watch a few dozen advertisements. This is something of a concern to me, because in the first place, none of the ads were very good, and secondly, they're just ads.

Unfortunately for those who did decide to torment themselves in such a manner, it was not a very good game. So, we all wasted four hours, although I did manage to polish off a twelve-pack in that stretch of time, so I suppose it wasn't a total loss.

I'm all for seeing a few good ads. If I'm going to sit down and subject myself to being zapped by various microwaves and whatever else that the television is throwing at me I might as well have a

laugh or two. Unfortunately I'm getting the impression that the advertising people would rather gross me out than make me laugh. Perhaps I overestimate the marketing man's sense of humor, but if I wanted to see a big slimy green thing like Mucinex Man [I'm sure you all know what I'm talking about], I would pick out a few cucumbers from the local veggie patch. Nor do I really want to think about what happens when people eat too much or feel a trifle under the weather, but thanks to the kindly folks at Pepto-Bismol I am not left to die wondering. I am also deeply indebted to the people from GM, Ford, etc. for showing me their little fantasy worlds - you know, the realms of imagination where strange people take their SUVs off-road and into that nasty dirt stuff. What's that all about?

I do admit to being overly cynical about Madison Avenue's products, as my wife or indeed anyone who has ever set me in front of a TV will tell you. Ads are a necessary evil, so I tolerate them, but that doesn't mean I won't tear strips off them if I am in the mood. And in case you're wondering, no, I do not have a life, but I must enjoy what few pleasures I can, and if one of



**DOWN UNDER**  
By Adam Stevens

those pleasures is to talk to the TV in a belittling fashion then so be it. If I didn't hate the whole idea of marketing and branding so much, I would probably get into advertising myself. I'm sure it can't hurt to have a different perspective on things in that rarefied world, and anyway, they pay out the nose.

If there is one thing to be said for the 'Superbowl Adstravaganza', it is that the ads are new, and there is something to be said for new, even if they were not very good. So I suppose until this time year next year I'll put up with repeated imprecations to buy lurid pink liquid stuff [stuff that makes me sicker than I already was, of course], but if I have to see another slow-motion shot of an SUV I think I might well put my fist through the TV.

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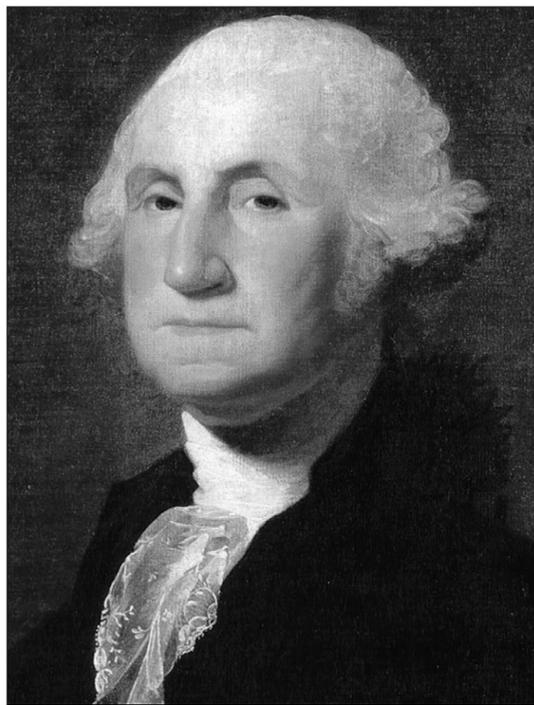
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# Getting to know the Constitution

How much do you know about the historic document that established the United States government? Take this quiz to find out. And don't miss our recommendations for Constitution books and Web sites, as well as a trip down memory lane with 'Schoolhouse Rock.'

- 1. The Constitution set up political parties and presidential primaries.  
A. True  
B. False
- 2. The Constitution does not define a single crime.  
A. True  
B. False
- 3. There were only 11 states when George Washington became president.  
A. True  
B. False
- 4. The Great Compromise at the Constitutional Convention appeased large states by basing Senate representation on population, and small states by giving them an equal number of House members.  
A. True  
B. False
- 5. The Seventh Amendment sets a \$20 threshold for the right to a jury trial in civil cases.  
A. True  
B. False
- 6. The Constitution set up four cabinet posts: attorney general, secretary of war, secretary of the treasury and postmaster general.  
A. True  
B. False
- 7. Only one amendment expressly "repealed" another one — and both referred to "intoxicating liquors."  
A. True  
B. False
- 8. There is no part of the Constitution that it forbids amending.  
A. True  
B. False
- 9. The Equal Rights Amendment, guaranteeing equality for women, fell three states short of approval when the 1982 deadline expired.  
A. True  
B. False
- 10. The most recent amend-



This portrait of founding father George Washington was painted by Gilbert Stuart in 1796.

- 11. Thomas Jefferson and John Adams did not attend the Constitutional Convention.  
A. True  
B. False
- 12. All sorts of amendments could be passed by two delegates to a new Constitutional Convention, if two-thirds of the states called for having one.  
A. True  
B. False
- 13. Delegates signed the Constitution in geographical order of their states, from north to south.  
A. True  
B. False
- 14. The Constitution's main

- 15. Initially to calculate House membership, each slave counted as three-fifths of a person, while "Indians not taxed" were not included at all.  
A. True  
B. False
- 16. The word "women" never appears in the Constitution, but the word "men" appears four dozen times.  
A. True  
B. False
- 17. The first national "Thanksgiving Day," established Nov. 26, 1789, was originally created by George

- Washington as a way of "giving thanks" for the Constitution.  
A. True  
B. False
- 18. More than 11,000 amendments have been introduced in Congress. Thirty-three have gone to the states to be ratified.  
A. True  
B. False
- 19. The U.S. Constitution is the newest — and longest — of the written national constitutions.  
A. True  
B. False
- 20. The Constitution was written in 1787 and signed Sept. 17 of that year. It wasn't until 1788, however, that it was ratified by the nine necessary states.  
A. True  
B. False

- years to be ratified — says a pay raise voted by Congress cannot take effect until after an election.
- 11. A. True. They were away on governmental duties.
- 12. B. False. Such delegates could propose, not pass, amendments. Three-fourths of the states would still have to ratify.
- 13. A. True.
- 14. A. True. It was his mother's maiden name.
- 15. A. True. This was changed by the 14th Amendment.
- 16. B. False. Neither term is used. "Person" appears four dozen times. "Male" is used only in the 14th Amendment.
- 17. A. True.
- 18. A. True. Twenty-seven have received the necessary approval from the states to actually become amendments to the Constitution.
- 19. B. False. It is the oldest and shortest.
- 20. A. True.

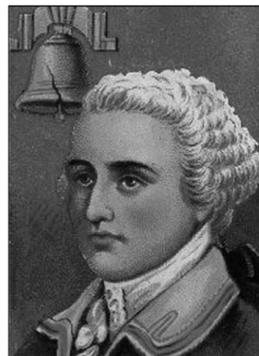
### ANSWERS

- 1. B. False.
- 2. B. False. It does define one, treason, in Article III.
- 3. A. True. Rhode Island and North Carolina refused to ratify until Congress passed a bill of rights.
- 4. B. False. Every state has two senators; the apportionment of the seats in the House of Representatives varies by population.
- 5. A. True.
- 6. B. False. The closest mention refers to "principal officers" of "exclusive departments."
- 7. A. True.
- 8. B. False. Article V, which covers the amendment process, states that "no state, without its consent, shall be deprived of its equal suffrage in the Senate."
- 9. A. True. It was first presented to Congress in 1923 but didn't win Congress' backing until 1972.
- 10. A. True. The 27th Amendment — which took 203

— Peter Mucha  
The Philadelphia Inquirer



The National Constitution Center in Philadelphia is dedicated to increasing public understanding of, and appreciation for, the U.S. Constitution.



John Hancock is shown in this historic trading card.

### BOOKS

- Certain subjects, such as the Bible or the plays of William Shakespeare, inspire vast bodies of literature that lifetimes of reading and reflection could never satisfy. The U.S. Constitution is such a subject. These books are a fraction of the resources available for understanding the living legal heritage of America.
- "The Debate on the Constitution," Bernard Bailyn, editor; Library of America (two volumes, \$35 each)
- "A Brilliant Solution: Inventing the American Constitution," by Carol Berkin; Harcourt (\$26)
- "Miracle at Philadelphia: The Story of the Constitutional Convention," by Catherine Drinker Bowe; Little, Brown (\$16.95)
- "The Bill of Rights: Creation and Reconstruction," by Akhil Reed Amar; Yale University Press (\$17.95)
- "The Words We Live By: Your Annotated Guide to the Constitution," by Linda R. Monk; Hyperion (\$23.95)
- "Democracy in America," by Alexis de Tocqueville (translated by George Lawrence); Harper & Row (\$20)
- "If You Were There When They Signed the Constitution," by Elizabeth Levy; Scholastic (\$5.99)

### WEB SITES

- National Constitution Center: [www.constitutioncenter.org](http://www.constitutioncenter.org)
- The United States Constitution Online: [www.usconstitution.net/const.html](http://www.usconstitution.net/const.html)
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- Congress for Kids: [www.congressforkids.net/index.htm](http://www.congressforkids.net/index.htm)

— Ed Voves,  
The Philadelphia Inquirer

## 'The first part of the Constitution is called the preamble ...'

"I'm just a bill  
Yes, I'm only a bill  
And I'm sitting here on Capitol Hill ..."

If this sounds familiar to you, you're part of a generation that may have found out how a bill is passed, and learned the preamble to the Constitution, from "Schoolhouse Rock."

"Schoolhouse Rock" was born in the 1970s as a catchy way to teach children the fundamentals of government, along with math, grammar and science.

The three-minute cartoons aired on ABC from 1973 to 1985 and are now

on videocassettes and DVDs.

Along with the more famous "I'm Just a Bill (How a Bill Becomes a Law)," "Schoolhouse Rock" also provided insight into the Constitution in "The Preamble":

"Hey, do you know about the U.S.A.? Do you know about the government? Can you tell me about the Constitution? Hey, learn about the U.S.A.

In 1787 I'm told  
Our founding fathers did agree  
To write a list of principles

For keepin' people free.

The U.S.A. was just startin' out.  
A whole brand-new country.

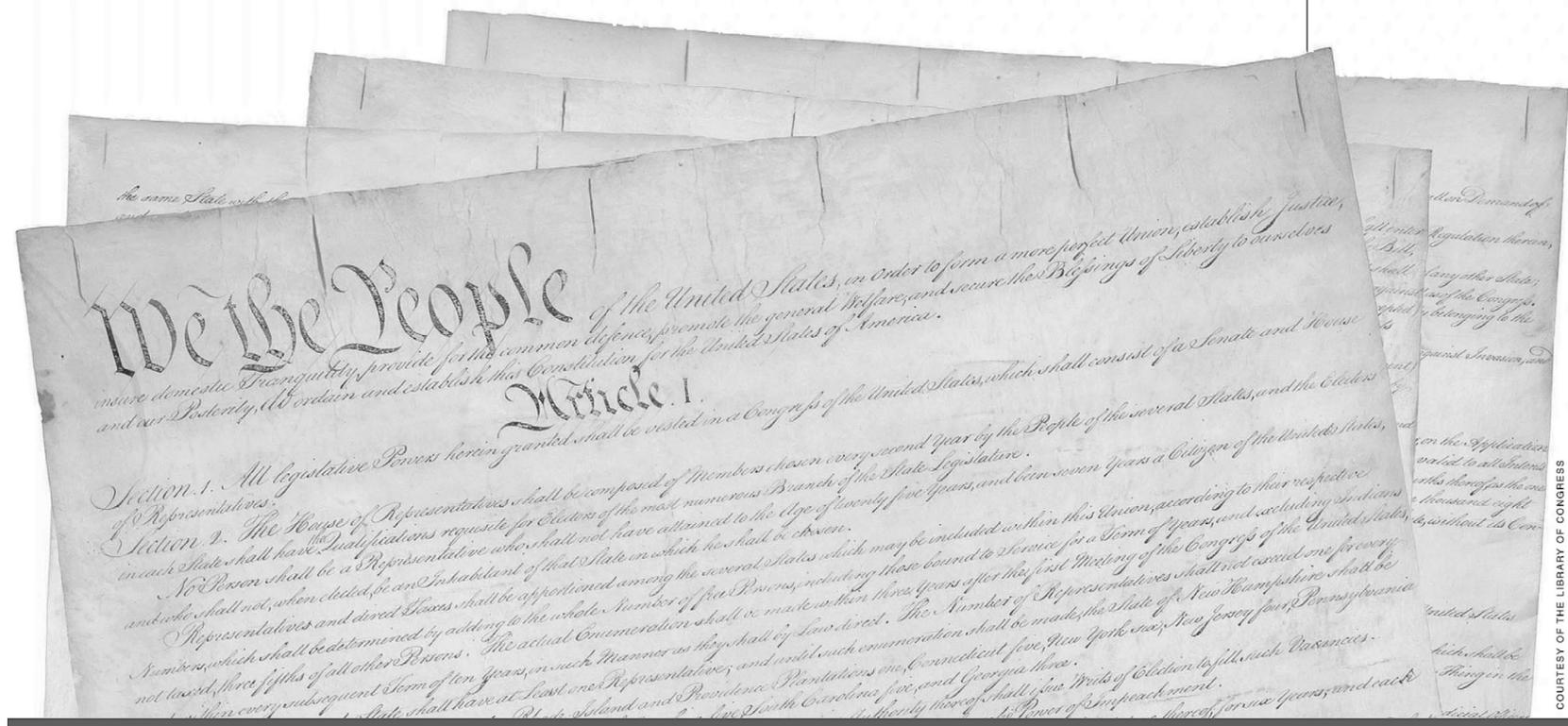
And so our people spelled it out  
The things that we should be.

And they put those principles down on paper and called it the Constitution, and it's been helping us run our country ever since then. The first part of the Constitution is called the preamble and tells what those founding fathers set out to do.

We the people

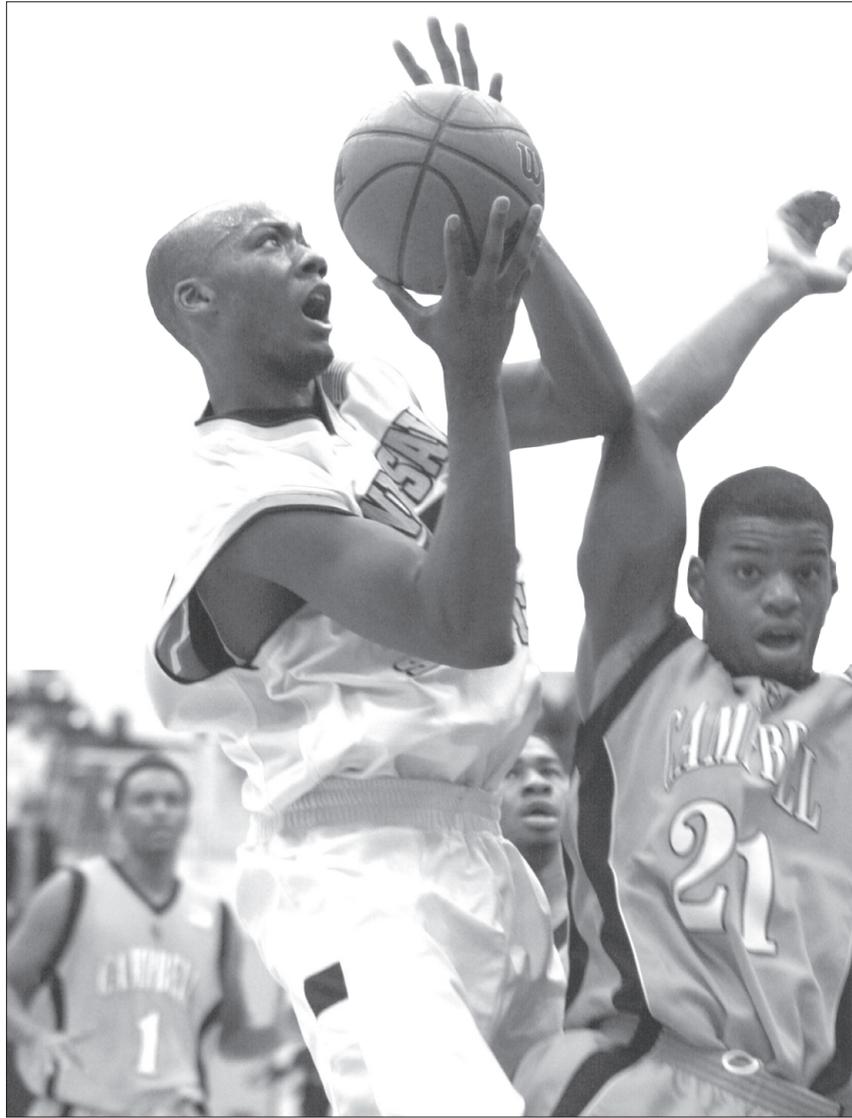
In order to form a more perfect union,  
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Promote the general welfare and  
Secure the blessings of liberty  
To ourselves and our posterity  
Do ordain and establish this  
Constitution  
for the United States of America. ..."

— Tiffany Black,  
The Philadelphia Inquirer



# SPORTS

## Men's basketball falls in last home game of the season KSU honors seniors Kenan Knight and Israel Ingle with a ceremony before the game



RICK WINTERS  
SPORTS EDITOR

The KSU Owls lost a tough game to the Campbell Camels, 86-78, on Feb. 11. The Owls, who were playing without Golden Ingle for the second straight game, fell behind early and at one point trailed by 16 points in the first half. However, led by Ronell Wooten, KSU mounted an eleven-point run and pulled the game to within four points going into the half.

In the second half, KSU

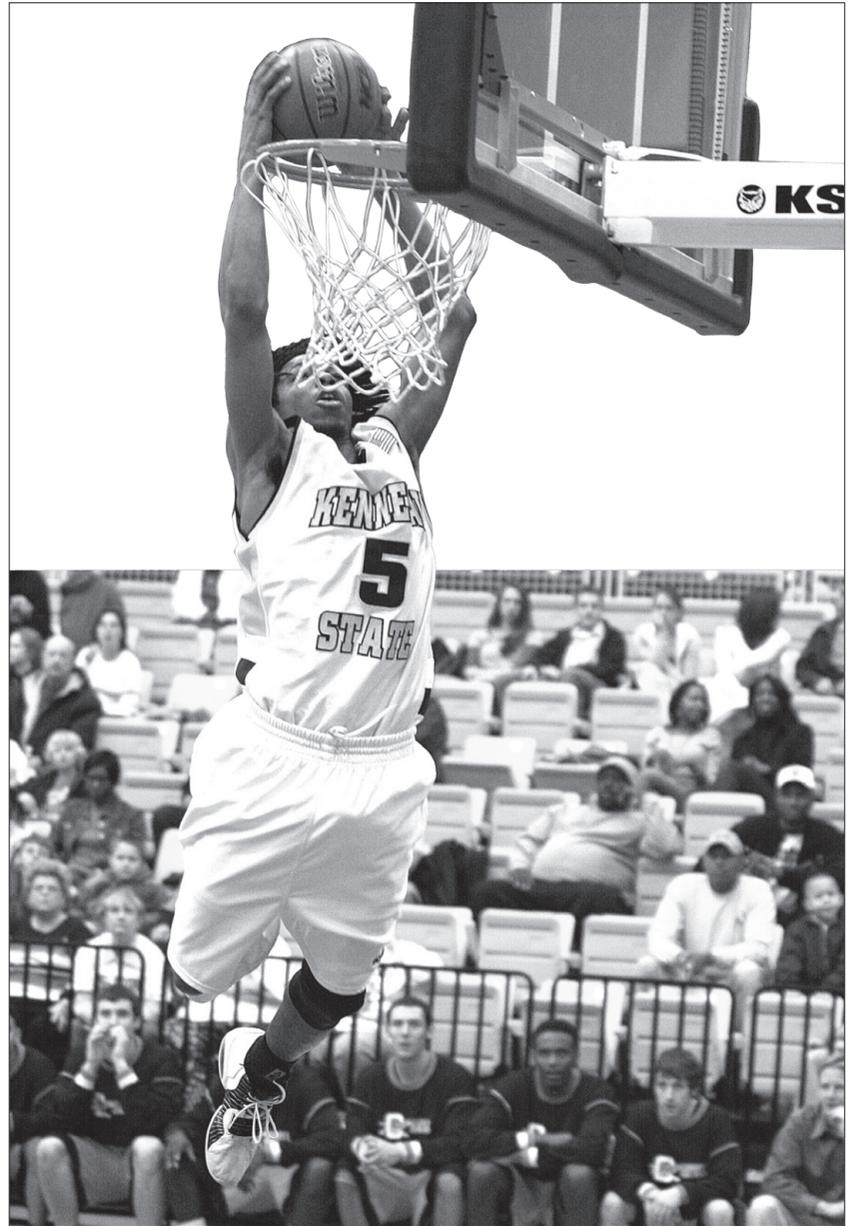
managed to cut the lead down to one point when Brent Ragsdale drove into the lane for two points. Unfortunately, Campbell then went on a run and the Owls never got to within four points the rest of the game.

Campbell shot 56 percent in the first half and 53 percent for the game and forced KSU to play from behind. Wooten kept the Owls alive scoring 17 points in the first half and 27 points overall. He also managed a game high ten rebounds.

Before the game, KSU

honored seniors Kenan Knight and Israel Ingle. Ingle would start the game and had four points and four assists. Knight entered the game for the first time in the middle of the first half and had five points, four rebounds and six assists.

KSU is now 12-14 overall and 10-7 in the Atlantic Sun Conference. The Owls have only three away games left for the season, Feb. 18 at Florida Atlantic University, Feb. 24 at Belmont, and Feb. 26 at Lipscomb College.



### A-SUN STANDINGS

TEAM	A-SUN	OVERALL
1. * Lipscomb	12-4	16-8
2. * Belmont	12-4	14-9
3. * ETSU	12-5	15-9
4. * Gardner-Webb	10-6	13-10
5. * Florida Atlantic	10-6	11-12
6. ^ Kennesaw State	10-7	12-14
7. * Campbell	8-8	9-14
8. * Stetson	7-9	8-17
9. * Mercer	5-11	7-16
10. ^ North Florida	3-14	6-18
11. Jacksonville	1-16	1-23

\* - Clinched spot in 2006 A-Sun Championship  
^ - Not eligible for postseason during reclassifying years

**Andre Morgan [above]** drives thought the lane for 2-points during the Campbell game. Morgan managed seven rebounds and six assists.

**Ronell Wooten [right]** scored a game high 27 points and grabbed ten rebounds, while shooting 11-22 from the field and 3-12 from beyond the arc.

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## Lady Owls lose a heartbreaker to Jacksonville A late charging call by referees overturns the tying goal with only eleven seconds left in the game

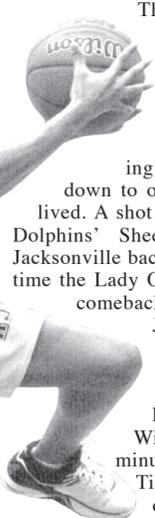
DAVID BEAUMONT  
STAFF WRITER

After a tireless chase and an exciting show-down, the Owls just couldn't pull out the victory losing at home 66-63 against Jacksonville on Feb. 11. The Lady Owls have suffered a string of close misses in the past week, but Head Coach Colby Tilley considers these a sign of how far his team has come this year. "We're playing better as a team and we're running our system a lot better. So eventually we'll start winning these games," Tilley said.

The first half started quickly for the Owls with three-pointers from Sr. Daniel Bates and Fr. Ashley Johnson. Struggling to outdistance the Dolphins, however, the Owls barely managed a six-point lead. The Owls then found themselves unable to make the quick passes to the inside that had given them the lead in the first half. With its stellar defense, Jacksonville was able to take the lead in the twelfth minute and then they put on the pressure by stretching the lead to ten points. The Owls managed to cut the lead down and went into halftime trailing 37-32.

Things were not going well for the Lady Owls in the first half, and the problems seemed to carry over into the halftime show. Technical difficulties nearly canceled

the performance of the KSU Rhythm Dancers for the second game in a row. Fortunately the problems were fixed and the dancers were able to proceed with their performance despite a ten-minute delay.



The Owls, hoping the tide had turned, came out shooting as Bates and Sr. Shavonder Clarke both made two-pointers bringing Jacksonville's lead down to one, but it was short lived. A shot and a lay-up by the Dolphins' Sheena Carpenter put Jacksonville back in the clear. Every time the Lady Owls tried to build a comeback in the second half, Jacksonville's defense would stiffen up and the offense would rebuild the lead.

With one and a half minutes left to play, Tilley called a time out in hopes of inspiring his Owls to overcome a five-point disadvantage. Clarke started the Lady Owls off by making two free throws to bring the score to 61-58. Carpenter, however, came along with a lay-up to buck the Owls once again and put the score at 58-63.

Right when the Owls needed a miracle, Sr. Dominika Mieszkowska swooshed a three-pointer, bringing the lead within two points. Jacksonville wouldn't have it, however, as Ashley Williams, assisted by Regina Omiote, put in a two pointer for a 61-65 score. Clarke

then came back with a two pointer, bringing the score to 63-65. KSU's Jennifer Baker intercepted a pass from Omiote and had a break away for the net with 12 seconds remaining in the game. She forced her way through the Dolphin's defense and put one up for the net for two points, tying the game.

The crowd cheered wildly, realizing the possibility of victory for the first time in the game. Unfortunately, the officials had a different perspective of the play and pinned Baker with a charging foul. A chorus of boos swept through the crowd and Jacksonville called a time out with 10 seconds remaining. The Owls ardently retook their places on the court

and after a free throw were able to regain the ball to make one last attempt. Clarke dribbled down court surrounded by defenders and struggled to put the ball in the air. The ball fell short of the goal and Clarke fell to the ground in disbelief. The final score was 66-63.

"Our kids fought hard. They played hard," Tilley said. "We're getting better. I just hate that the season's about over. You know, I think it'll carry over to next year."

The Lady Owls only have six games remaining in the season. Their next home game is Feb. 23 against Stetson at 7 p.m. and their following home game is against Mercer Feb. 26 and will be televised.



Photos by Rick Winters | The Sentinel

Head Coach Colby Tilley called a timeout to go over a play that he felt was not executed properly in the second half against Jacksonville.

# SPORTS UPDATES

## SOFTBALL



The Owls opened their first Division I season on Feb. 11 with a two-game sweep of Georgia Southern.

In the first game KSU scored eleven runs on 22 hits. Jr. Jen Noland went 2-for-3 with a home run, two RBIs and two runs and Sr. Jun Hunt went 2-for-3 with two stolen bases. So. Kelley Cowart went 5-for-5 in the game and Sr. Lisa Lamb picked up the win.

In the second game, the Owls took the lead early and cruised to a 6-3 victory. Four players, Sr. Cambria McKay, Jr. Kerri McKee, So. Sarah Hesterman and Cowart, had multiple hits in the second game. Andrea Moss took the win for KSU and Norrie Glazebrook earned the save.

## TENNIS

KSU dropped all three matches in their Division I season opener in Johnson City, Tenn.

The Owls fell to Radford College in the first match 5-2. In the singles competition, second seed Karen Ammann defeated Daniela Milano 7-5, 6-0 and fifth seed Jessica Fischetti defeated Cassandra Price 6-3, 6-4. KSU's only win in doubles play came when third seeded team Ashley

Schumacher and Caroline Page beat Price and Antonietta Losue 8-4. The Owls lost the second match against Alabama A&M 4-2. Fischetti picked up the only win for KSU winning both sets 6-0.

In the final match of the weekend, the Owls went down hard, losing to East Tennessee State University 7-0.

KSU's home opener was scheduled to play at 2 p.m. on Feb. 11, but was postponed due to weather and will be played later in the season.

## WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD



Sr. Patrina Hayes finished in first place in the 5,000 meter run with a time of 17:12.83, more than 30 seconds faster than the second place finisher. Hayes also took tenth place in the mile run with a time of 5:10.47.

Fr. Erin Sutton grabbed a third place finish in the 3,000 meter run with a time of 10:14.94.

The 4x400 meter relay team finished with a time of 4:10.84, which was good enough for tenth place.

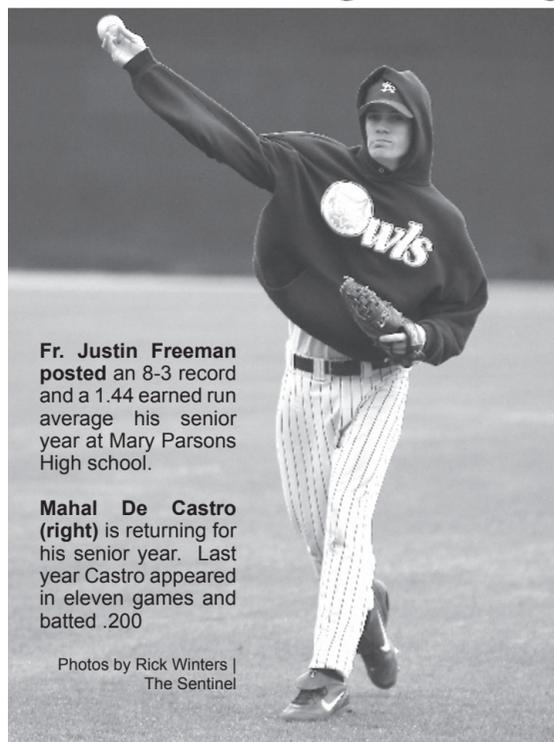
## MEN'S TRACK & FIELD

Sr. Jason Waters and So. Daniel Gormley finished first and second in the 5,000 meter run on Feb. 4 at the North Carolina Invitational. Waters had a season best time of 15:07.99 and Gormley followed shortly after with a time of 15:17.52.

The Owls took sixth place in the 4x400 meter relay with a time of 3:31.21

# Baseball team splits opener

## Team shows strength battling top opponents from behind



Fr. Justin Freeman posted an 8-3 record and a 1.44 earned run average his senior year at Mary Parsons High School.

Mahal De Castro (right) is returning for his senior year. Last year Castro appeared in eleven games and batted .200

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the eight inning, Sansing called Fr. Justin Freeman from the pen. Freeman was a lights-out pitcher for Mary Parsons High School in Macon, GA, where he ended his senior year with an 8-3 record and a 1.44 ERA. However, Freeman got off to a shaky start by walking the bases loaded, and then he committed the ultimate sin by walking in

the go-ahead run. A sac fly by Missouri's Jacob Friday scored the final run for the Tigers, as they went on to win 5-3.

KSU has an opportunity to come back to Georgia and face another top collegiate baseball organization this week. The Owls will face fourth-ranked Georgia Tech at Russ Chandler Stadium Feb. 17-19.

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The KSU baseball team entered its first weekend of NCAA Division I play and came out with a split in the Buccaneers Baseball Classic in Charleston, S.C. The Owls defeated Washington State 8-5, but fell in the second game to nationally ranked Missouri.

The first game for the Owls was decided on errors, as KSU took advantage of five Cougar miscues. A four-run first inning by the Cougars put the Owls in a deep hole thanks to an error by first-baseman Scott Hendrix that kept the inning alive for WSU. Bubba Blalock, KSU's starter, held the Cougars to just one earned run for five innings.

Head Coach Mike Sansing made the call to the bullpen and brought in So. Mike Bohanna. Bohanna held the Cougars to just one hit in his four innings of relief. The hit happened to be a lead-off jack by the Cougars' Jeff Miller in the eighth inning, but Bohanna stayed focused and turned out the lights on the Cougars.

The Owls scored most of

their runs in the third and eighth innings. A five run third-inning brought KSU ahead of WSU 5-4. An eighth-inning meltdown by the Cougars allowed KSU to score three more runs on just two hits, ending WSU's chances of victory and putting the Owls in the win column for the first time in D-I history. With the win came the reality of the tough competition, as the Missouri Tigers waited for KSU.

The Owls and Tigers had to wait 90 minutes for rain to pass before starting their game. The Owls fell behind early as the Tigers posted three runs in the third inning. KSU answered the challenge with a run in the fourth and fifth innings to pull within one.

Fr. outfielder Martin Baker reached on an error to lead off the seventh inning. Baker advanced to second on a sacrifice bunt by Ray Redden. Jake Robbins grounded to first and Baker advanced to third. With two out, Matt Dallas singled to left field, scoring Baker and tying the game at three. Dallas was picked off first to end the inning for the Owls.

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