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GSU in 20: Grube talks about the university's future

By Jake Hallman
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"In 20 years, I should really be happily in retirement. Exactly 20 years from now, [wife] Katherine and I should be sailing right now off of St. Martin," Dr. Bruce Grube, GSU president, said.

In the meantime, he envisions great things for GSU.

"If you look at the rankings in the Southeast, Georgia Southern is at the top of the second tier right now. Our first goal is to move Georgia Southern into the first tier," Grube said.

"The interesting thing is that if you just look at academic reputation alone, Georgia Southern either exceeds or is equal to 40 percent of the tier one schools already."

GSU's strategic plan is working on admission standards, student retention and alumni giving, all of which are designed to help GSU reach this goal, which Grube estimates the university will reach within five to six years.

Those rising admissions standards have already brought GSU from a 987 average freshman SAT score in 1999 to 1008 last year. "I would expect us to be up somewhere around 1020 to 1030 this year," Grube said.

Within 20 years, GSU

should have an academic reputation to match its athletic prowess.

"I would expect to see the academic quality of the institution as very distinctive. I think that the quality of the faculty, which has been very good, will continue to get better and better over time," Grube said. "I think more of our programs will wind up with national recognition. We've got some that are there now, but I think we'll have other programs that will join them."

"We're striving to get into a position where we're considered one of the best public comprehensives in the country," he added.

Grube sees GSU growing in national stature during the next two decades, as well.

"I think Georgia Southern is going to emerge as Georgia's third prestigious university," he said. "Georgia Southern, more and more, will be regarded as a first choice for students, particularly at the undergraduate level."

Grube also hopes that GSU can send more students away—to other countries.

"I would hope, too, in 20 years, that at least half of our students would have some sort of an international experience

while they were undergraduates," he said.

This plan dovetails with recent developments on-campus. GSU has been asked to assist with the governor's trade mission to Mexico, and the university is set to sign a student exchange agreement with Fachhochschule Ingolstadt, a poly-technic university in Germany.

"There's a significant amount of coursework that will be offered in English on that end, so you don't have to be a fluent German speaker to participate," Grube said.

GSU's growth will continue throughout the next decade, he explained.

"Twenty years from now there might be 25,000, 30,000 students here if the population of Georgia continues to grow," he said.

"The trick for Georgia Southern, if it experiences that kind of growth, will be to maintain the high touch that it tends to have with students right now. You lose that at a certain size."

According to Grube, this year's enrollment is similar to last year's, with minor changes in the makeup of incoming freshmen.

"We're finding that we may be having some increases in enrollment that can be attributable to the information technology area and also the engineering GTREP programs," he said.

"There are some areas where enrollment is still a little soft. College of Education is one of those areas."

Creating a campus that is a microcosm of the entire state is another priority for the next twenty

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GSU announces four new deans for 2001-2002

• Part one in a two part series

By Shana Bridges
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The new semester brings not only new students to GSU, but four new deans in the colleges of Education, Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Business Administration and Continuing Education and Public Services.

Dr. Lucindia Chance, College of Education



Dr. Lucindia Chance

Dr. Lucindia Chance has been named the new Dean of the College of Education. She was hired this past spring and her effective date of employment was July 1. She found out about the position by reading an advertisement in the Chronicle of Higher Education.

According to Chance, "I had applied for the position two or three years ago. I liked the institution. When I saw that it was being advertised again, I was excited about another chance."

Chance was drawn to GSU because, as she puts it, "The institution knows what it wants to be when it grows up. It has a clearly defined mission and goal, and it is very focused on reaching that goal. The growth that is going to take place in the next few years to reach that goal is very exciting."

Chance is originally from a small town called McLemoresville, Tennessee, and still owns a farm there. She attended Lambeth College, a Methodist institution in Jackson, TN.

Chance received her undergraduate degree in elementary education. She received a master's degree in curriculum instruction with an emphasis in reading from University of Tennessee and a doctorate in the same discipline from Memphis State University.

Chance says that the only degree she worked on full-time was the bachelor's degree. After receiving her bachelor's, she went on to receive kindergarten certification, school administration certification, and a special teacher of reading certification. She was an elementary teacher, and eventually became the principal of K.D.

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Dr. Katherine Conway-Turner

McKellar Elementary School Tennessee for ten years, all while working on her master's degree and her doctorate.

She spent a total of twenty years in K-12, teaching kindergarten through third grade, and conducting a Title One reading program for all the non-readers of her school. She was also the project director for a reading grant before becoming a principal.

Later, she moved to higher education and was on the Dean's Council at University of Memphis. However, she missed the teachers and the students so much that she requested a position in the College of Education. Eventually, she became the Assistant Dean of the College of Education at University of Louisiana in Lafayette.

"I am one of the few people in the world who gets excited about change. That was a big turn-on to me about Georgia Southern," says Chance.

"The decision has been made to change the University and to move to

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GSU has a profound economic effect on Statesboro, Bulloch County

By Chris Brenneman
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Georgia Southern's economic impact ripples throughout the region.

Whether it's attracting consumers that will shop at area businesses or contributing expertise to regional development issues, GSU sparks the economic engine of Southeast Georgia in a variety of ways.

The university records a total annual economic impact of \$280 million—more than \$1 million each business day, according to the University's Bureau of Business Research and Economic Development (BBRED).

"That impact is just the impact of the daily operations of the university," said Dr. Phyllis Isley, BBRED director. "It doesn't include other economic impacts like the \$2 million impact in the local economy every time the Eagles play a home football game—or the uncounted impact when visitors attend conferences and other events held by the University."

As the 28th Annual "A Day For Southern" fundraising campaign approaches Sept. 11, the strong economic partnership between campus and community becomes clear.

Georgia Southern is a major motivator for the economy of Bulloch

County and the surrounding counties, creating more than 6,000 jobs, expanding and creating opportunities for business development and strengthening employment, accord-

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— JIM BRITT

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ing to Isley's research.

"A region without an institution of higher education in today's economy is like a region without an interstate highway 20 years ago," Isley said.

"The more that can be done to raise the stature of the University as a place of academic excellence, the more competitive the region becomes in recruiting good jobs to the region and the more competitive the region's firms become in meeting the challenges of the global market."

Isley said business expansion throughout the community can be tied to the university's prosperity.

"By creating opportunities for existing businesses to expand and

encouraging new businesses to locate in the area, the University is a strong and steady force in business development," Isley said.

For example, Georgia Southern's new School of Information Technology, which began classes this fall, is expected to significantly bolster the region's reputation in the technology marketplace.

"Technology businesses don't talk about the availability of labor, they talk about the supply of 'talent,'" Isley said. "We expect that the very presence of the faculty the program will bring and the supply of graduates will attract the attention of

technology business from around the country. The IT School is an investment in the type of infrastructure which will create a whole set of new economic development opportunities."

The IT School was initiated by Georgia Gov. Roy Barnes' plan for a high tech corridor from Statesboro to Savannah. Working with the Georgia Tech Regional Engineering program at Georgia Southern and in Savannah, it will be a magnet for technology-based industry and investment to locate in Southeast Georgia. Planning continues for a \$33

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IT'S BAAACK!



RECONSTRUCTED:

The ever-popular Wendy's on the corner of Fair and Zetterower reopened yesterday after its summer renovation process. Due to its previous entrance causing traffic congestion, the fast food restaurant was rebuilt to directly face Fair Rd.



Photos by Laura Cox/STAFF



Police Beat

Statesboro Police Department

August 22

• Suzanne Groover, 19, was arrested for underage possession of alcohol.

• Phoebe Oats, 18, was arrested for underage possession.

• Robert Brooks Gaudry, 19, was arrested for underage possession of alcohol and possession of fake I.D.

• Jason Anthony Moore, 23, was arrested for terroristic threats.

• Cameron Banks, 21, was arrested for driving with a revoked license, possession of fake I.D. and for possession of traffic control device.

August 23

• David Bashlor Dixon, 21, was charged with a DUI and for improper turning.

August 24

• Cedric Sebastian Tarber, 37, was arrested for simple battery.

August 26

• Jeanette Louise Dammarell, 27, was arrested for battery.

GSU Public Safety

August 22

• Keisha Fleming reported her cellular phone was missing from the Henderson Library.

• Ronald Johnson reported his cellular phone was missing from the North Building.

August 23

• Joshua David Tankersly, 18, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol and giving false information.

• Frankie Demon Hilton, 22, was charged with possession of cocaine with intent to distribute, possession with intent to distribute cocaine within a school zone.

August 25

• Stephen Paul Montoya, 24, Grovetown, was charged with DUI and noise violation.

• Gibson Denmark Waters III, 20, Brooklet, was charged with DUI and failure to maintain lane.

August 26

• Todd Anthony Ballard, 19, was charged with DUI, possession of a controlled substance and failure to maintain lane.

—All Police Beat information is compiled by Jenni Ginepri, assistant news editor.

International News Brief

Six die after hot-air balloon strikes power line, explodes in eastern Europe

• Pilot's wife watches from ground as craft bursts into flames

Associated Press

VERRENS-ARVEY, France—A hot-air balloon exploded after hitting a power line near a French Alpine village, killing all six people on board as the pilot's wife watched from the ground.

The passengers, all residents of the area, were members of two families out for a Sunday morning pleasure ride with the pilot, an experienced balloonist, said Gilbert Lafaille, a prosecutor for the eastern French town of Albertville.

The balloon took off from Albertville, site of the 1992 Winter Olympics, and collided with a 20,000-volt power line as it began its descent above the village of Verrens-Arvey, said Laurent Moiron, a fire captain for a regional emergency squad.

Investigators were trying to determine if contact with the power line caused the fire. Moiron said some witnesses reported seeing flames shooting from the balloon before it

hit the power line about 30 feet from the ground.

"In either case, the basket of the hot-air balloon caught fire, causing the balloon to resume its climb," Moiron said.

Two passengers died after jumping to escape the flames, Lafaille said.

"People were screaming," a witness, Daniel Burgat, told LCI television. "All of a sudden I saw a body fall, and then another."

As the balloon continued its ascent, propelled by the heat from the flames, gas tanks inside the balloon ignited and caused an explosion.

"I saw flames, black smoke, then I heard a big explosion," a farmer who saw the accident was quoted as saying by RTL radio.

The force of the explosion propelled two other passengers out of the balloon. Their bodies were found just over a mile from the power line, Lafaille said.

The balloon crashed in a grassy

field behind a church in the town of Clery, about three miles from Albertville. The severely burned bodies of the pilot, Roger Fugier, and one remaining passenger were found on board.

Fugier, 64, who frequently took tourists and residents on balloon rides, was an accomplished pilot who had crossed the Straits of Gibraltar, and the Pyrenees in hot-air balloons, Lafaille said.

Fugier's wife, who was on the ground and watched the balloon catch fire, placed the initial call to emergency services from her mobile phone. She was in a state of shock and taken to a trauma center at the Albertville hospital.

Police had initially said that a young child was among the victims but later determined that the youngest on board was a woman in her 20s. She was accompanied by her parents. A 39-year-old bank manager and his 69-year-old mother were the other passengers.

GSU student arrested on cocaine charges

G-A News Service

A GSU student was arrested early Friday morning for alleged cocaine possession and other charges.

At approximately 12:45 a.m., Corporal Heaton and Officer Oliver of the Statesboro Police Department were patrolling University Plaza. The

policemen saw Gee allegedly crossing Georgia Avenue with an open container of alcohol.

When approached by officers, Gee allegedly dropped the cup. Subsequently he was arrested for littering and underage possession of alcohol.

After a subsequent search conducted

by SPD Corporal Wadley, Gee was revealed to allegedly be in possession of a white powder substance that tested positive to be cocaine and a false identification card.

Gee was processed at the Statesboro Police Department and turned over to the Sheriff's Department to await bond.

TUTORS

The Academic Success Center and the Academic Resource Center will conduct a Tutor Certification Workshop on Tuesday, September 11th from 6-10pm in Forest Drive room 1106.

GSU students who wish to tutor for a University organization, academic department or privately are welcome.

Official University certification provides tutors with knowledge of proven strategies and techniques of tutoring as well as credentials and credibility.

Interested students should contact
Carole Brown at 681-0321
or Pat Murphey at 871-1376.

Man arrested for allegedly raping more than 200 women

Associated Press

SAN CRISTOBAL DELAS CASAS, Mexico—A man suspected of posing as a guide to rape scores of women, many of them foreign tourists, may escape many of the charges because the records were lost during a rebel seizure of court facilities in 1994, officials say.

Augusto Del Pino, chief of the state attorney general's office on organized crime, told reporters on Saturday that at least four witnesses have identified the suspect, who apparently went under four different names.

Edilberto Hernandez Zambrano was on trial for some 150 rapes in 1991 when he escaped from prison in San Cristobal de las Casas, a picturesque colonial city in the mountains of Mexico's southernmost state, Chiapas.

Del Pino said most of the records were lost when the Zapatista National Liberation Army seized the city—and its jail—on Jan. 1, 1994.

But Del Pino said Hernandez Zambrano was under investigation in at least 11 rapes committed since that time period and officials were

seeking help from law enforcement officials abroad.

Hernandez Zambrano was arrested on Thursday in San Juan Chamula, an Indian town just north of San Cristobal that is a popular stop for tourists.

Del Pino said the man was believed to also use the names Edilberto Montero Zambrano, Heriberto Montero Zambrano and Francisco Montero Zambrano.

Chamula Judge Mariano Hernandez Sanchez said late on Friday that Hernandez Zambrano was suspected of some 200 rapes, but on

Saturday evening, Del Pino backed away from that figure, confirming nothing.

"We find many allegations, but while we have no evidence and substance, we cannot speak of that figure," he said.

On Saturday, police formally turned Hernandez Zambrano over to the court system. Del Pino said he could face 30 years in prison.

Police say they believe the suspect posed as a tour guide in Chiapas' tourist-oriented cities including Palenque, Chiapa de Corzo, San Juan Chamula and San Cristobal.

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Lindsay Rollins
Lauren Spruill
Lindsay Stern
Bethany Taylor
Ashley Turner
Brooke Wilson

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Bomb explodes at Madrid airport

Associated Press

MADRID, Spain—A powerful car bomb exploded in a parking lot at Madrid's international airport—just minutes after a warning call from the armed Basque separatist group ETA. The bombing was part of a stepped-up campaign by ETA to target Spain's lucrative tourism industry in its fight for Basque independence.

The 110-pound bomb exploded in a covered parking garage connected to one of the airport's three terminals. The blast went off just before 8 a.m., a busy hour when the garage normally would be packed with travelers and their cars.

ETA has been blamed for a series of bomb blasts since March. A caller said he was a member of ETA gave authorities time to clear people out.

"ETA is an enemy of the people. It wants to cause harm and disrupt the tourism industry," said Madrid regional leader Alberto Ruiz-Gallardon. Spain is one of the world's three top tourist destinations, along with the United States and France.

Police chief Juan Cotino accused ETA of setting a booby-trap for his officers by timing the bomb to go off three minutes before the caller said it would. The technique has been used

in the past to injure or kill the first policemen on the scene.

A local police officer who suffered damage to his hearing was the only person injured.

ETA a Basque language acronym for Basque Homeland and Freedom has taken responsibility for killing more than 800 people including 12 so far this year since it began fighting in 1968 to separate the Basque region from northern Spain and southwestern France.

The group has targeted the tourism industry in other years, but mostly with minor explosive devices. Faced with a center-right government with no inclination to discuss Basque independence, the group has made this past year its busiest in more than a decade in terms of the number of bombings and shootings.

A week ago, more than 800 people were evacuated from two hotels and an apartment building at the coastal resort of Salou prior to another car bomb forewarned by an ETA caller. Days earlier services on Spain's high-speed rail were interrupted by two small explosive devices.

Tourism operators, travelers and ministry officials maintain ETA's campaign has had no immediate effect on the industry.

"It's scary especially at an airport where so many people are gathering around," said Laurie Egbert, 40, from Salt Lake City, who was preparing to fly home from Madrid when Monday's bomb exploded. But she said the violence would not prevent her from coming to Spain.

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1 New York

Man using a parachute in New York Harbor gets caught on arm of Statue of Liberty

NEW YORK — A French stunt man using a motor-driven parachute to glide above New York Harbor was arrested Thursday morning after he became snagged on the Statue of Liberty's upraised torch and had to be rescued by police.

The man, who could be seen hanging on the outstretched arm of the statue, was pulled to safety by New York City Police officers on a deck directly below the torch just after 10 a.m. The bright orange-red parachute had remained draped over the torch since about 9:30 a.m.

The man, who tried a similar stunt last year with less fanfare, was not injured, police said. He was tentatively identified by police as Thierry Devaux, 41.

The man had a propeller-driven motor that looked like a giant fan strapped to his back. There is a sport called powered paragliding that uses a backpack engine, called a paramotor. It allows gliders to cover greater distances and heights without the need for wind. It also can start from level ground, instead of needing a high point.

Members of the NYPD's emergency service, harbor and aviation units responded to the scene. NYPD Officers Christopher Ballou and Keith Duval pulled the man to safety.

The man was handcuffed and taken into the custody of the U.S. Park Service Police. Charges were not immediately released.

The bizarre scene left hundreds of early morning tourists, already lined up for their turn to climb the 22-story monument, shaking their heads in disbelief.

Joanne Gebdes, a tourist from New Zealand, was on her way up to the Statue's crown, when security guards told everyone to turn around. When she got out, she said, "We saw the parachuting guy just hanging there by nothing but a few strings."

Gebdes said her first thought was: "He must have been bloody stupid to do it." Her second was disappointment. "We're only here for three days and it was our only opportunity to visit," she said.

She and her brother got up early and rushed down to make sure they were on an 8:30 a.m. ferry to Liberty Island. Only the first boatload of people are allowed to climb to the crown because of the volume of people who visit daily.

A person answering the phone at the Statue of Liberty Park refused to answer questions on the incident. Messages left for spokespeople for the parks department were not immediately returned.

The statue, dedicated in 1886, is 151 feet high from base to torch. From the bottom of its pedestal to the torch is more than 300 feet.

The park, which had opened at 8:30 a.m., is accessible by ferry from Manhattan and New Jersey. A gift of international friendship from France, the statue was designated a National Monument in October 1924. The statue was extensively restored in time for its centennial.

Standing at the entrance to New York Harbor, near neighboring Ellis Island, the statue is one of the



most recognized symbols of freedom in the world. It had 5.3 million visitors in 1999, the last year for which figures were available.

2 Maine

No explanations for eerie lights and sounds in the sky

LEWISTON—Authorities have no explanation for eerie bright lights and loud rumbling sounds that dozens of people reported coming from the skies Wednesday night in the Lewiston area.

People from Lewiston, Auburn, Sabattus, Greene, Leeds, Monmouth and Minot called police or the Lewiston Sun Journal about the lights and noises. They said they saw bright lights or a streak of light followed by a flash, and heard loud rumbling noises.

"It was a long rumbling. It sounded like a huge, huge object," said Lynn Madelyn Bailey, 59, of Minot. "I was afraid to go out on my deck. It sounded like it was right over my house."

But officials said no commercial flights flew through the area at the time, and freak weather patterns were ruled out.

Lewiston Police Sgt. Michael McGonagle tried to find the source of the phenomenon after taking several calls about it.

But after calling the Federal Aviation Administration, the National Guard, the Maine Drug Enforcement Agency and others, he didn't have an answer.

So people in the area Thursday were left to wondering: Did dozens of people experience a close encounter of the first kind?

"We'd like to go to find out what it was and put some closure to it," McGonagle said. "I don't think it was the mothership."

But Bud Bechtel, a former Bates College professor who lives in Weld, said he thinks people have to keep an open mind on what the phenomenon was. Bechtel is a member of a national organization called the Mutual UFO Network, or MUFON.

"I'm glad people have reported it," said Bechtel, who did not see or hear anything. "Many people are more open-minded about it these days. They dare to talk about it."

State questions conditions of teen, 40-year-old plans to wed

• Brother charged last month with using 13 year-old girl as sex slave

HARTFORD, Conn. — The brother of a man charged last month with holding a 13-year-old girl as his sex slave has been questioned by state officials about the living conditions of a teen-ager he plans to marry.

The state Department of Children and Families has removed Cristine Wootton, 17, from the New Britain home of Joseph Ritchie, 40.

The girl requires attention for a medical condition, but her mother is currently jailed.

Gary Kleeblat, spokesman for the state agency, would not discuss details of the case but said circumstances justified state action.

"She was in a dangerous situation," he said.

"She was living alone with a 40-year-old man who was not her caregiver, who had no legal standing as her parent or guardian and who could not even provide the necessary consent required for any medical procedure, and in fact, this girl had a medical condition which required care," Kleeblat added.

The age of consent in Connecticut is 16.

Ritchie accused the agency of separating "two people who love each other."

"I'm heartbroken over it. All I do is think about her," he said.

State child-protection workers got involved last month after receiving a complaint about Ritchie's younger brother David Ritchie, 32, and a 13-year-old girl living with him.

Newington police last month arrested David Ritchie, a felon with previous arrests on drug and larceny charges and accused

him of holding the girl as his sex slave.

The girls' mother, Amanda Wootton, 40, was arrested last month and ac-

cused of facilitating the relationship between David Ritchie, her ex-boyfriend, and her 13 year-old daughter.

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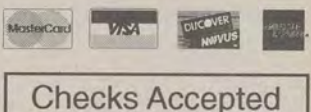


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OPINIONS

Is it just us, or is campus more crowded this year?

Granted, the enrollment figures haven't changed all that much, but walking around campus during "rush hour," one feels that we're all a bunch of sardines hoping for a diploma once we pop out of the can.

Maybe it's a result of recent departmental moves on campus, maybe it's

Our Opinion

because more people have classes near our offices, but foot traffic has never been a problem like this on the GSU campus.

Speaking of traffic, parking seems worse, as well. We'll admit it—we don't like to walk. At all. Especially in the blast-oven heat of a South Georgia August.

Still, we'd be willing to put up with a multi-level parking deck "marring" the beauty of the GSU campus if it meant at least one fewer minute sweating during the trek between the second and fifth circles of campus.

Heck, we wouldn't even mind if the deck sank a few feet into the marsh.

We're glad GSU is growing. We want to be a first tier university. Our question is "With all of these new buildings that are popping up all over campus, where are the parking lots to accommodate the growth?"

Please pass the word along to Parking and Transportation

JILL BURNHAM



So, we've been in class for a week and the lines are still long, traffic is still heavy, and parking is still a nightmare. Will it ever get better? Probably about mid-term once we've all gotten used to the long lines, heavy traffic, and nightmarish parking.

Then finals roll around and it gets even worse.

A major issue on this campus is parking. Students complain that their isn't enough parking, and Parking and Transportation says there is ample parking, but students just don't want to walk.

Ok, well hello P&T, would you want to walk ten minutes from your car to your office in the south Georgia heat swatting gnats that seem like kamikaze pilots heading

straight for your eyes, ears, mouth, and nose?

That's not even the issue I'm addressing today. That's another column.

Fall semester is actually my favorite time of year, besides the last day of classes spring semester. The start of fall brings excitement and anticipation of a new year with new classes, hopefully new professors, freshly sharpened pencils, and crisp, clean notebooks.

Most of us have money in our pockets just waiting to be sucked dry by book purchases, parking decals, and lab fees.

It doesn't leave much left for drinks on a Friday night.

I painfully forked over \$100 to P&T for a parking decal that I would only be using for fall semester.

Now granted, I did have a few unpaid parking tickets, but my biggest gripe is that since I am graduating on December 14, 2001 at 7 p.m. in Hanner Fieldhouse, I am only required to pay half the decal price since I won't be here for the entire year. How did my total reach over \$100?!!

Apparently, I had to prove I was graduating in December by providing a note from my advisor. HMMMMM..... it would have been nice if somebody told me that before I got to the counter. I can understand why such proof is needed, but come on. I was trying

to stay calm. After all, the girl behind the counter was just the messenger, she didn't write the law.

I asked her what if my professor was out of town. She said I could buy a regular decal and then at the END of the semester get a refund once P&T removed the decal from my windshield.

Ohhh, well that's great. Mom is gonna love that. I was forced to pay the \$60 in unpaid parking tickets and buy a new decal at the unbelievable rate of \$52 which equals..... \$112. That hurt!

After a few days of sulking, I realized how stupid this policy really is. Now let's just think about this for a second. This is an institution of higher learning. Why is this so difficult for P&T to figure out?

Each school year they grace us with a new decal with new colors and even new shapes. So why not create a decal for graduating students who will graduate in December? Both decals would be valid and the only difference would be their colors indicating how long that student is attending school for that year.

It sure would have saved me time and money and not to mention energy. I expended getting frustrated.

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Sex and Violence on TV: I Like It

CHRIS BRENNAMAN



People are afraid of TV. They think that it's the root of society's downfall and the source of their children's corruption. We have all sorts of groups out there that are watching the air waves constantly, making sure that everything is rosy for their, and our, children.

When something appears that conflicts with their strict moral code, then it's off to Washington or the advertisers. It's a veritable red scare—only this time it's FOX and Comedy Central that are being persecuted.

You would think that by now the old adage "change the channel" would have caught on. After all, it is

the 20th century and we've got the Internet where everyone with a search engine can get all the porn that they want.

Where's the fun in attacking TV?

The number one complaint is that TV is too violent. This is false. The only violence on TV is when the nightly news decides to be an actual news-gathering agency and brings us footage of people gunning each other down over land in some distant country. Besides that, I have yet to find this legendary violence. Sure, I see people pretending to kick, punch and kill each other, but that's all make believe. Where's the violence?

Oh, the make-believe part is the violence that everyone is talking about.

Sorry, but to assume that WWF programming is violent is like assuming that Cookie Monster clocks out everyday after filming Sesame Street and goes home to a wife and family. TV mainly acts as a monkey. It gives us what it thinks reality is. It's all constructed.

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If you've got no arms, why are you driving?

JAKE HALLMAN



I'll admit it... I grew up in a small southeastern Georgia town.

Stop snickering. I don't have a southern accent. I tell people I'm Canadian, and some of them believe it.

Anyway, I was tooling around on the 'Net (since WinXP nuked my system, but that's another column) and discovered the Georgia Department of Corrections Web Site.

Holy poo.... They've got a searchable offender database.

Being of a slightly vindictive nature (did I mention that Katie at Bermuda Run doesn't read my columns?), I decided to look up people around my age group who'd either served time or were currently locked up.

Holy poo... The searchable database has pictures.

As it turns out, the vast majority of the guys shown in the pokey just happened to be (another enumerated list):

- 1) Black, and/or
- 2) The same guys who used to make grades 8-12 a living nightmare for me. Y'know, the guys who used to make fun of me for actually paying

a bit of attention in classes because I wanted to get the hell out of Claxton, Ga.

3) In jail for various cocaine-related offenses. Had I known about their proclivities at the time, these guys could have made my high school experience much more tenable.

Alas, they're all in jail now. I snickered when I saw the guy who flashed my vulnerable 14-year-old eyes a condom and said "you need one of these, Jake." I bet he's learning to enjoy them in a whole new way whilst he's in the Pen. I'll have to send him a pack of smokes with a nice card.

Of course, seeing as I'm finishing up grad school at GSU, a whole 20 minutes away from my HS and a half-mile away from where I was born, I guess all of us are in some type of incarceration.

But I digress. Looking through the listings, I found P. I remember P. well. As a young kid, he'd been involved in a tragic farming accident. No, really.

Apparently P. thought it'd be a

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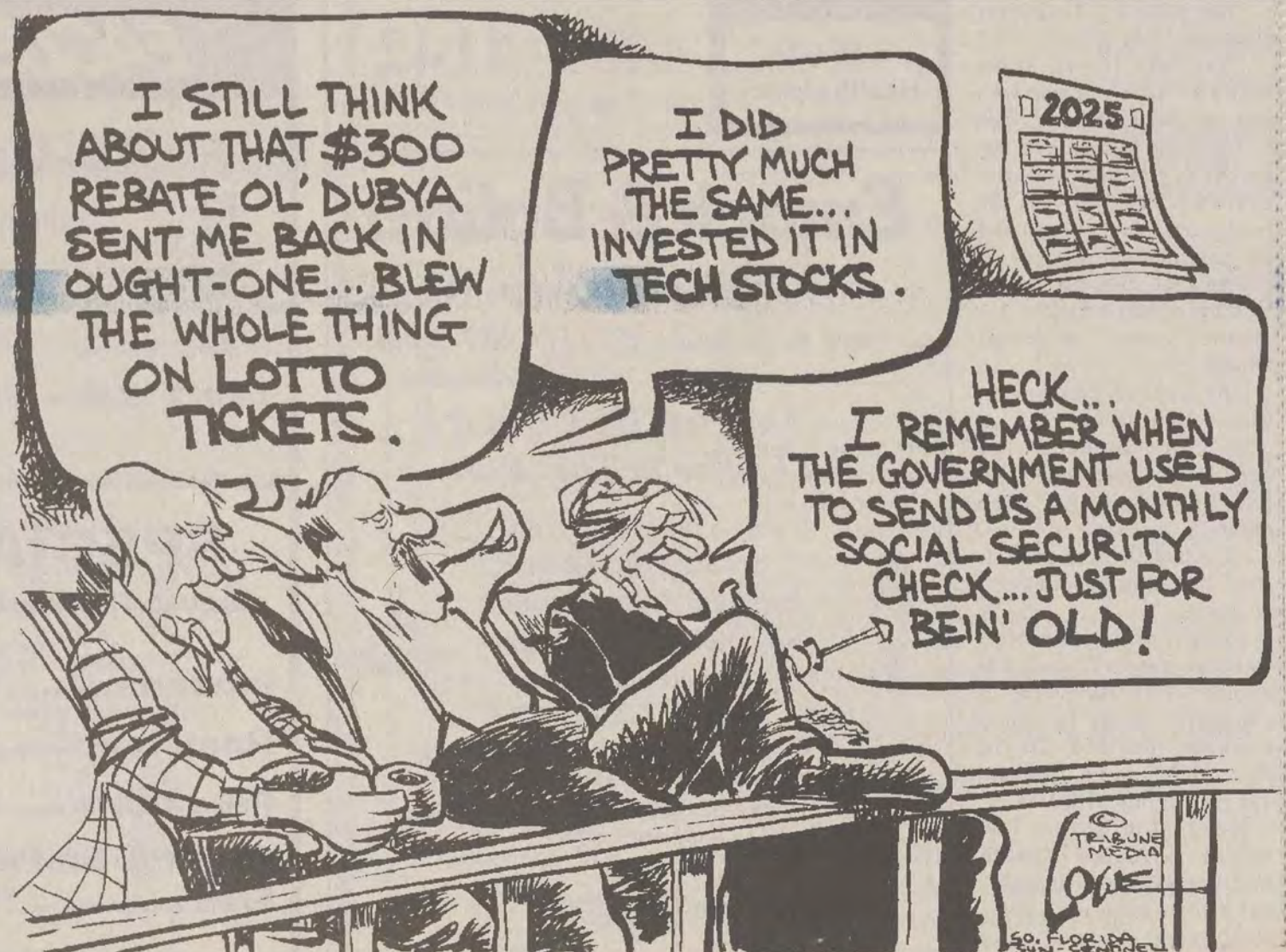
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Southern Adventures to explore the wild outdoors

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Southern Adventures, a division of Campus Recreation and Intramurals, has prepared its schedule of exciting trips into the "southern outback" for the Fall 2001 semester. Each year, Southern Adventures leads eager college students on "unified adventure experiences," with each trip focusing on group relations, fitness, respecting the environment, and simply having a good time. While no experience is necessary, safety is emphasized on each voyage.

The organization plans to kick off the academic year with a backpacking trip to Mt. Mitchell, in North Carolina's Black Mountain Range. The hike is scheduled for the third weekend in September, leaving on the 14th and returning on the 16th, and the fee is only \$20. Sign-up sheets can be found in the main office of the RAC, located upstairs, directly above the front desk. The office is open from 9am to 6pm, and payment for all trips is due at sign up. Registration for trips is on a first come, first serve basis.

During the course of the semester, the group will take five more adventurous trips, three of which involve kayaking or whitewater rafting.

The second trip is another weekend-long journey beginning on September 28th and ending on the 30th. The cost is



Special Photo

INTO THE WOODS THEY GO: On September 14th, Southern Adventures, GSU's outdoor adventure program, will take a backpacking trip to the mountains of North Carolina. On the trip, the group will enjoy two days of camping and hiking on the beautiful Mt. Mitchell.

\$75, and activities include whitewater rafting on the Chatooga River, and camping in the Chatahoochee National Forest.

If you miss out on the river-rafting, the group will be going sea kayaking October 12th-14th from Tybee Island to Little Tybee Island. The kayaking trip, which costs \$30, is for anyone, and is ideal for beginners interested in an invigorating weekend outdoors.

The next sea kayaking trip

will venture a bit farther north to naturally nostalgic Bull Island, South Carolina. The paddle-path is through several different ecosystems. Like the previous kayaking trip, the cost is \$30, and is considered a longer and more difficult paddle than the Tybee Island trip.

It is no secret that some natives of the southern US have seldom or never seen snow. November 9th through 11th Southern Adventures will seek out the frosty, fluffy,

white stuff while hiking, camping, and cooking on Grandfather Mountain in North Carolina. Though the hiking will only be moderately strenuous, and no experience is required, the average temperatures will be in the 30's and 40's. The cost is a warm \$20, and the sights are bound to be breathtaking.

The final trip of the season will leave for a challenging dogsledding trip in the December air of Minnesota. The journey begins on the 18th, and ends on the

23rd. The cost is \$900, and includes lodging and outfitting by Wintergreen Lodge. For more information on this extraordinary trip, visit www.dogsledding.com.

For more information on any of the exciting Southern Adventures, call 486-7227, or visit the website, <http://www2.gasou.edu/crri/OutdoorRecreation.htm>. As the Southern Adventures Team says, "There are certain places that speak to our souls... find them."

Singer Aaliyah dies in plane crash

The nation mourns rising R&B superstar



Special Photo

A TRAGIC CRASH: Singer Aaliyah was killed in plane crash at age 22 on Saturday, August 25, when flying out of the Bahamas.

Associated Press

DETROIT-Aaliyah's music played in the background as hundreds gathered Monday near her former high school for a candlelight vigil to remember the singer killed in a plane crash.

"She was such a role model to teen-age girls," said Marisha Lane, 15, of Detroit, adding that she admired Aaliyah's positive attitude and generous spirit.

Aaliyah, 22, and eight others were killed when their small plane went down after it took off from the Bahamas on Saturday.

During the vigil, fans scrawled messages to the singer on posters and cards spread on the ground near Detroit High School of Fine and Performing Arts, which Aaliyah attended.

Some held pictures of Aaliyah; others brought flowers, stuffed animals and balloons.

"I just felt like I needed to be a part of this. To cry together, to remember together and to sing together," Demetrice Greene-Luckey, 27, said, wiping her eyes. "It hurts even for a lot of people that don't know her personally, because we can relate to her and we admire her spirit."

Aaliyah had two Grammy nominations, a platinum album and

several high-profile movie roles. Born in New York City and raised in Detroit, Aaliyah—whose name in Arabic means "powerful one"—had deep roots in the R&B community.

Rapper DMX, who had a role in Aaliyah's feature film debut, "Romeo Must Die," said: "Talented, classy, warm, beautiful, compassionate (and) humble best describes my memories of Aaliyah, a down-to-earth sister with enough energy to put anyone on a cloud. How unfortunate."

R&B superstar R. Kelly produced the first of Aaliyah's three albums. His record label, Jive, released a statement: "R. Kelly is deeply saddened by the tragic loss of Aaliyah. His thoughts and prayers are with her family during their time of grief."

Aaliyah was a nominee at this year's "Lady of Soul Awards," which will be taped Tuesday in Los Angeles for syndicated broadcast on Saturday. The show's producer, Don Cornelius, said the mood would be more somber because of her death.

"You are going to hear a lot of tributes to Aaliyah, and rightfully so," he told the syndicated show "Extra." "She was so very special."

New Southern Reflector to hit racks this week

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The first issue of The Reflector, which will sprawl the campus by the end of this week, is also a grand finale in many respects. The "40-page-spectacular," as the issue has been labeled, is the first, and most likely the last, swimsuit issue of the magazine's history. The Reflector crew began searching for both male and female swimsuit models back in March of this year. However, the only responses received were from ladies. Included in the magazine's many features is an undoubtedly interesting and detailed documentation of the entire swimsuit photo shoot proceedings. Editor Chris Brenneman says of his farewell issue, "Most importantly, we want to stress that we have bikini-clad coeds."

The Reflector has undergone many recent changes. Last year, the entire format of the magazine was changed, and the staff made a resolution to focus even more on what the students want. As Dana McKay takes over the position of editor at the publication, the veterans are on the way out. Jake Hallman, once the Art Director at The Reflector, is now busy as News Editor at the George-Anne. Chris Brenneman, former editor of the magazine, is doing columns at the George-Anne and editing the Miscellany. Logan Thomas scored a job with the Metter Advertiser, and Zach Rushing is working in Atlanta.

Yet, even with these grand revolutions, some things haven't changed at The Reflector. In addition to providing basic campus news, like a detailed report on the SGA, The Reflector remains committed to covering the subjects no one else dares to

The Mummy Returned - to Russell Union

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Thanks to a good story line and awesome special effects, the Mummy Returns proved to be one of this summer's top blockbusters. At last weekend's showing in Russell Union's Eagle Cinema, movie-goers were able to get an encore presentation of this movie.

Like the traditional mummy movies of the 1930's, the Mummy Re-



Special Photo

THE NEW SOUTHERN REFLECTOR: "We fully expect this issue to mark the end of the fine history of the publication," said Jake Hallman, Art Director.

touch. The publication continues to cover controversial subjects such as those examined last year: academic dishonesty, marijuana use on campus, beer, and even the "abortion pill" known as RU-486. Because of its commitment to the facts, The Reflector was once even banned by its own printer, Panoprint, who refused to print the magazine because of stories about cheating and alcohol. Brown's Printing in Alabama has since taken over printing, and have had no such objections to the magazine's content.

This week's extra-large edition of The Reflector also features articles on the pros and cons of smoking. The first annual Southern Reflector Swimsuit Spectacular!

The sequel picks up where the original movie left off, with Rick O'Connell and his wife Evelyn searching for artifacts in Egypt. Before too long the evil mummy, Imhotep, is resurrected by a museum curator who is determined to rule the world. A dramatic change of events causes the heroes to go in search of their son, who was kidnapped because he held the key to finding the lost army of the Scorpion King.

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'Earthquicks' exhibit comes to GSU museum

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A new exhibit called "Earthquicks" opened Monday at the Georgia Southern Museum. The exhibit, according to Ms. Wendy Romero, "isn't just about earthquakes, but many other natural disasters that we face every day." On loan from the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry, "Earthquicks" offers visitors a hands-on approach to learning about many natural disasters, including earthquakes, volcanoes, hurricanes, forest fires, and even wind storms.

Visitors can build a house with wooden blocks to see if it can withstand an earthquake, or even put the volcanoes of the western United States in

"(THE EXHIBIT) ISN'T JUST ABOUT EARTHQUAKES, BUT MANY OTHER NATURAL DISASTERS THAT WE FACE EVERY DAY."

--Ms. WENDY ROMERO, GSU MUSEUM

their correct places on a map. There is a CD rom game entitled Radar Rooster: Coping with Natural Disasters for Children, which is used to help elementary students understand natural disasters. Radar Rooster explains what each one of the calamities are, how they can be prevented, and what do if they actually occur. It also gives the children a chance to see how emergency management agencies deal with these disasters when they happen.

In addition to modern learning devices, the exhibit displays many historic remnants of natural disasters. There are historic newspaper reports on the Charleston earthquake of 1886, as well as a touching letter written from a man to his daughter describing the effects that the earthquake had in Savannah. The Charleston quake was the largest ever recorded in the Eastern United States, registering a 7.0 on the Richter Scale. Included in the exhibit is a display that explains the Richter scale and how it makes calculations by analyzing data on a seismograph.

The "Earthquicks" exhibit runs through November 18, and is free to the public. The museum is located in the Rosenwald Building on Sweetheart Circle, and can be visited from 9:00am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday, and from 2:00 pm until 5:00pm on Saturday and Sunday.



Special Photo

THE MUMMY RETURNS: The sequel to The Mummy played each night last weekend at Russell Union's Eagle Cinema.

Wildlife Center spreads its wings with expansion

G-A News Service

One of GSU's most popular educational attractions is growing to meet the demands of its audience.

The Center for Wildlife Education and the Lamar Q Ball, Jr. Raptor Center will be enhanced by the construction of an expanded wild bird refuge and a model wetlands system. Preliminary designs of the additions to the Center have been completed and will be submitted to the architects and engineers who will turn the \$2 million dream into 12 acres of reality.

According to Steve Hein, the Center's director, the expansion could be finished in the summer of 2003.

"Although we're located in South Georgia, we service a very wide area, from Atlanta all the way to St. Marys, along with international visitors from around the globe," Hein said. "This expansion will help us

reach even more people."

The only on-campus facility of its kind in Georgia, the Center opened in October 1997. In the past year alone, 44,429 people visited the Center, which currently occupies approximately 4.5 acres just off of U.S. Highway 301.

"The demand for the Center far exceeds what we can deliver at this point," Hein said. "In all likelihood, we will be booked for the entire school year by the end of September."

The Center currently features a self-guided nature walk through six habitats that house 11 birds of prey, a children's discovery trail with 17 exploratory stations and flighted raptor demonstrations in a 120-seat pavilion.

Phase II of the Center's construction will include an ornithology building, which will be billed as "a bird-watchers' boot camp,"

where visitors can pick up tips that will help them identify the birds they will encounter during their tour of the facility. The plans also call for a songbird aviary that will house a variety of birds familiar to Georgians, including blue jays, cardinals, robins, thrashers and woodpeckers.

"There's a great interest in our native birds, and we want to present them in a spacious, aesthetically pleasing environment," Hein said.

"We're still working on some of the finer points, but hopefully we'll have a large, netted enclosure where we'll be able to showcase some of the perching birds."

"We would like for this to be the crown jewel of our Phase II expansion."

The model wetlands system will feature a waterfowl pond, a wetland prairie, a wading bird swamp and a seasonal wetland. Each area

will be inhabited by natural plant and animal life, including ducks, geese and herons. These areas will be linked to a hydrology pavilion, enabling the Center to demonstrate the intricacies of an aquatic ecosystem.

"In addition to focusing on the birds that are indigenous to our area, we want to stress their habitats," Hein said. "We will simulate a storm surge and you'll be able to watch the coursing of the water from a catching pond to a boggy area to a wetland area."

"We're hoping it will give people a better understanding of things such as erosion and pollution and how nature is adapted to dealing with these things."

Finally, Phase II plans include a campsite for group outings and a curator's building. Hein said it is too early to speculate on when the entire project will be completed.



Special Photo

A FEATHERED FRIEND: Steve Hein, director of the Center for Wildlife Education and the Lamar Q Ball Raptor Center, shows a Harris Hawk to a group of children. Over 44,000 visitors toured the center last year.



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schoolmates. They say the media this and the media that. But when a day trader in Atlanta shoots at some folks, everyone wants to see his psychiatric file. Am I the only one bummed about this? It seems to me people don't want to put the blame where it belongs; not on the parents, but on the kids. We Catholics say that the age of reason begins at seven. That means that after seven, people know what they're doing. They know the difference between fact and fiction, and behaving at school is preferable to putting a shot gun to the girl that made fun of you yesterday at lunch.

So what happens when the sex content ups to such a level that it turns offensive and the fake violence gets so high that you feel the urge to kill. . . Kill. . . KILL your co-workers?

Well, you get cable. Cable is wonderful. Everyone gets their own channel. We have the Hallmark Channel for families, we have Nickelodeon for kids, we have MTV for brain damaged mongoloids, we have Lifetime, television for women, TNT for guys who like TV. The list is virtually endless. There is most likely something for you on TV. We can all be happy in the diversity that is 21st century TV and not even march on Hollywood.

But what if there isn't a channel for you? What if TV is just so Godawful that you feel the IQ going into the negatives?

Relax, take a deep breath, and turn the TV off. There is one solution, though it is considered almost arcane to most of our peers.

Read a book. They're just like TV, only with words.

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good idea to stick his arms in some sharp bladey thing that should have had lots of safety cowling and warning stickers. P. lost both of his arms, any respect people with the intelligence to not stick their arms in sharp bladey things might have ever had for him, and got a rather hefty chunk of change thanks to the American tort system.

Yet there P. is, in jail. He's not getting out until 2005, either. P. started his jail term June 6 of this year for... get this: "Driving, habitual violator." In other words, he got busted for DUIs (I assume) one too many times. Two counts, as a matter of fact, from January 3 and 12.

Okay, so I don't know for sure that it was a DUI. What other driving offense can get you five years, though? Vehicular manslaughter? The point of the column remains the same in any case.

A man with NO FRICKIN' ARMS got busted for DRUNK

DRIVING.

Or worse.

I'm wondering several things. The guy had a set of nifty hooks back in the day, but nothing that'd let him handle a steering wheel all that well. I remember him driving a bit, but being pretty careful about it.

First, how the hell did he manage to handle a bottle/can/mug of hooch? The guy's travails with lunchroom milk cartons were legendary. Maybe he had help.

Second, what was he thinking? If you've got NO FRICKIN' ARMS, you're already impaired enough getting behind the wheel without adding .10+ BAC beer goggles to it.

I just hope to God when he was pulled over the officer told him to "get out of the car with your hands up."

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Coastal Georgia Center expansion will feature 'technology wing' for distance education

G-A News Service

Plans for the expansion of the Coastal Georgia Center feature a "technology wing" that will enable the facility to better serve the needs of the area's businesses and students.

The \$2.34 million project will have seven new classrooms, two of which will be equipped with a state-of-the-art distance learning system.

Scheduled for completion in the fall of 2002, the 13,718-square-foot expansion also will include 10 offices.

"These additional classrooms and offices will be a great complement to our present facilities," said Dave Murkison, the center's assistant director.

Located on Martin Luther King Boulevard in Savannah's historic downtown district, the Coastal Georgia Center is operated by GSU in partnership with Armstrong Atlantic State University and Savannah State University.

"We hold graduate level classes for students who are enrolled at Savannah State as well as Georgia Southern," Murkison said.

"We also have relationships with companies and government agencies in both Georgia and South Carolina, so we host a number of economic development meetings, along with quite a few continuing education classes, many of which are computer classes that are conducted through Armstrong Atlantic State."

In its present configuration, the center covers 35,000 square feet. The layout includes four classrooms, a computer lab, two large meeting rooms and a 362-seat auditorium.

The center also has one classroom equipped with the Georgia Statewide Academic and Medical System, or GSAMS—a fully interactive teleconferencing network that provides participants with audio and visual links to other participants at up to 16 sites around the state.

The growing demand for the center's facilities and programs necessitated the expansion.

"Especially in the evenings, when our graduate classes are in session, we're really starting to push our limitations," Murkison said.

According to him, the existing GSAMS classroom could be converted into a regular classroom, but the expansion plans call for the construction of two new classrooms with GSAMS capabilities.

Also among the seven new classrooms at the center will be two computer labs and two classrooms that will have laptop access at every seat.

"In some ways, you could say the new classrooms are going to be our 'technology wing,'" Murkison said. "With these additions to our present facility, we will continue to meet the needs of the people of the Coastal Empire and the Low Country."

"We want to be thought of as the place where companies can send their employees to receive the latest training."

The preliminary design for the expansion was finished in March and the final construction documents are scheduled to be completed in September. Bids for the job will be accepted and the building contracts will be awarded in the fall. Construction is expected to begin in late fall or early winter.

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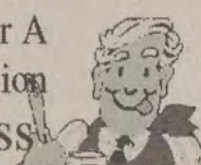
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Thurs. Sept. 20, 3:30-4:30, RU Rm. 2044

Wed. Oct. 24, 2:00-3:00, RU Rm. 2044

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Mon. Nov. 5, 2:00-3:00, RU Rm. 2044

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Thurs. Sept. 27, 3:30-4:30, RU Rm. 2044

Mon. Nov. 12, 2:00-3:00, RU Rm. 2044

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Wed. Nov. 14, 2:00-3:00, RU Rm. 2044

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Wed. Nov. 28, 2:00-3:00, RU Rm. 2044

Cooperative Education

With more than a million college graduates entering the workforce each year, it is likely that many graduates will have some difficulty finding a career position in their field of study, usually because of lack of practical work experience. Georgia Southern's CO-OP program can give you practical experience and the competitive edge it takes to find a job when you graduate.

In order to register for the CO-OP program, you must:

- ◆ Meet with the Experiential Education Coordinator to learn more about the program
- ◆ Turn in your completed résumé and application to the Experiential Education Coordinator by October 15.

Walk-in Hours:

Every Mon., Wed., & Fri. 9am-1pm

Career Services Open House:

The Career Services Staff invites you to come by the Career Resource Center to meet the Staff and receive a personalized tour of the Resource Center. Refreshments will be provided.

Wednesday, October 31, 2:00-4:00. Career Resource Center



GRUBE, FROM PAGE 1A

years.
"I would hope that we would remain a diverse campus, like we are, one that reflects the population of Georgia," Grube said. "I would also hope that 20 years from now we would have solved some of the issues my generation thought it would solve but that we're still working on."

As enrollment increases, so will the size of the GSU campus.

"I think you'd see the physical area of the campus larger than it is now. We'll have to reconsider the physical

master plan, how to accommodate this growth," Grube said.

According to Grube, GSU has just finished a new physical master plan for the campus that is due to be presented to the Board of Trustees. Once approved, the university will move quickly to finish its housing plan.

"I can hardly wait to get started on that project," he said.

"We also hope to get into the continuing education/performing arts building this fall."

It's important for the facility to

open because GSU's continuing education program needs a permanent home, Grube explained.

"With the new facility, we're going to take a lot of pressure off of the student union. With the Southern Center off-line, the union had to make up a lot of the needs, both on-campus and in the community, for space," he said.

"We're working through some issues with the contractor and the state fire marshal. We don't have a permit to occupy the building yet, but we're getting closer."

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million facility to house the program. GSU's ability to offer quality educational programs and remain an economic motivator is closely tied to the support that the university receives from the community during fundraising efforts like "A Day For Southern," said Jim Britt, vice president for university advancement and

president of the Georgia Southern University Foundation, Inc.

"The 'A Day For Southern' campaign annually highlights the mutually beneficial and resilient bond which links Georgia Southern University, Bulloch County and Statesboro," Britt said. "It's about more than image, marketing, clever themes

or even fundraising—it's about maintaining a strong, interactive relationship. 'A Day For Southern' reminds us that as we invest as a volunteer and donor, we build a better university and make our community a better place to live and work."

The goal for the 2001 "A Day For

DEANS, FROM PAGE 1A

a different level, and to me, that's exciting. Moving to a job where the only challenge is to keep things as they are is not exciting, but to move into a job saying we're going to move into a leadership role and we need each dean to move his or her college into that leadership role nationally is really exciting. I think that is what the president and the provost have been looking for are people who enjoy the excitement of moving to a different level and leading change."

She hopes that the College of Education can take a leadership role, not only in the state but also nationally in the cutting edge of training, recruitment, and retention of the teaching force.

Chance says that she loves Statesboro.

"Being a small town girl, I'm in my element. The community is obviously very supportive of education, and therefore my role as dean, so the community is fabulous."

Chance has a daughter, Ashley, who has is currently working on her doctorate in higher education administration at Western Kentucky University. She plans to be married next July. Her fiancé recently graduated from law school and plans to specialize in tax law.

Chance seems very excited about her future here at GSU, saying, "I'm just glad to be here."

Dr. Katherine Conway-Turner, College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences

Dr. Katherine Conway-Turner is the new Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences whose

effective date was August 1.

When asked about how she likes GSU the Clarksville, Missouri native said, "It's a great size. It's large enough that it's very complex with lots of things going on, but it's not so big that you can't begin to know people and find your way around, so it's just the perfect size."

Conway-Turner attended the University of Kansas in Lawrence, where she received an undergraduate degree in microbiology. Afterwards, she worked as a lab technician but felt limited in her field of study.

She then proceeded to attain both a master's and a doctorate in social psychology from KU. After finishing her doctorate, she went to UCLA to do post-doctoral work in mental health epidemiology for two years, specializing in psychiatric disorders of the elderly.

Conway-Turner accepted her first teaching position in the psychology department at Santa Clara University in California. From there, she went to the University of Delaware and worked in its department of individual and family studies, concentrating on adult development and aging with a special interest in women.

She was the director of the women's studies program, associate dean of arts and sciences, coordinator of the graduate program, and chair of the department of individual and family studies.

"I had a lot of experiences to build up to becoming a dean," Conway-Turner says, "experiences you need to manage and have leadership for a whole college because, if you think about it, there's ten depart-

ments and many different programs and you really need to build a large repertoire of experiences that allow you to understand the issues and concerns across all the units."

Conway-Turner says she was excited about the opportunity to come to an institution like GSU that has grown quickly, is developing several programs and is at a wonderful place in its history.

"It seemed like a very exciting time to be here. It was hard not to want to be here once you saw what an institution it was and how nice the people were," she explains.

Conway-Turner has many goals for the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences.

"One of my real goals is to create a unified vision for the college that will help the college move forward for now and the years to come," she said.

"I'm also excited about the prospect of thinking about new kinds of programs that cut through disciplines and help faculty work together in the college."

Conway-Turner has three daughters. The oldest, Shana, lives in California where she recently graduated from college and currently participates in AmeriCorps. The middle daughter, Anya, is a rising college junior at the University of Delaware majoring in art conservation. Her youngest daughter, Jameela, is in the eighth grade and attends William James Elementary School, where she is on the softball team. Her mother, Polly, also came to Statesboro, and her husband, who is a private psychologist, plans to relocate his clinic to Statesboro in the near future.

WVGS starts '91 Drivers' campaign

By Jake Hallman
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Campus radio station WVGS began planning its "91 Drivers" campaign last week, aimed at reducing the number of alcohol-related driving arrests and citations GSU students receive.

The station will work in conjunction with the GSU Health Center, Counseling Services, the Student Government Association, Southeast Prevention Services, the Office of Multicultural Programs, the Dean of Students, Judicial Affairs, both GSU and Statesboro police and other concerned on-campus agencies to select 91 students representing various organizations and GSU's student body.

Those 91 drivers will in turn pledge to be responsible for friends and themselves by making sure that they will always have a designated driver when needed. Organizers hope that "91 Drivers" will also reduce alcohol-related offenses in Statesboro as a whole.

"The community is affected, as well. A Georgia Southern student

can go out and kill a Statesboro resident just as well as he can do it to another student," Jarvon Lee, WVGS station manager, said.

"Instead of just running PSAs (public service announcements), we wanted to do something fun," said Aubree Ragin, WVGS' public service director and head of the campaign.

"We can bring the whole campus together and promote this issue as a team. We wanted 91 people to stand up and say they'll be responsible for their friends."

In asking for help from campus and community organizations, he added "We have a real big heart, but a small wallet."

The campaign follows an increase in on-campus arrests and referrals for underage drinking in past years. In 1997, five students were arrested for underage alcohol offenses, and 158 were referred to either University Housing or Judicial Affairs. That number rose to 16 arrests and 166 referrals in 1999.

For those of legal age to consume, drunk driving restrictions became even tougher this year. As of July 1, new

laws passed by the state legislature lowered the limit to be considered legally drunk to .08 BAC.

According to Ken Brown, university public safety director, these increased penalties have already been incorporated into the GSU conduct code.

In addition to the legal penalties, drunk driving offenses can haunt students later in life, since convictions can make several types of professional licensure difficult or even impossible.

"That can be a severe penalty to face, even more than the court punishment involved," University Attorney Lee Davis said.

"There's lots of different jobs that can hurt you with."

According to Statesboro Police Chief Richard Malone, underage alcohol consumption is high at GSU. Further, students who use false IDs or allow another student to use their ID can have their drivers' license revoked.

"The penalties are severe there when you're caught," Malone said.

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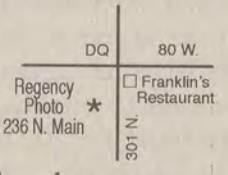
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The story line centers around the myth of the Scorpion King, played by WWF superstar The Rock. The Scorpion King's ancient bracelet unlocks him and his hellish army from their sandy grave. In order to control the Scorpion King's army, the museum curator raises the mummy from the dead to fight the Scorpion King.

Thanks to recent developments in computer technology the special effects are out of this world. Computer generated creatures like pigmies and dog faced warriors that show up during the film are just a few of the special computer animation that the movie showcases.

The film stars many of the original actors, with South Af-

rican native Arnold Vooslo returning to the screen as Imhotep, and Brendan Fraser and Rachel Weisz back in the starring roles. Freddie Boath stars as their likable son Alex, and with feistiness and brains this little tike steals the show from the veteran actors.

The Mummy Returns is rated PG-13, and comes out on video and DVD October 2.

TUTORS

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OFFICES AND SERVICES

Academic Success Center

A The **Academic Success Center** is designed to enable all students to succeed by fostering personal responsibility and accountability for learning. This is accomplished through a variety of instructional approaches, individual and group sessions, workshops, seminars, short courses, tutorial assistance, and mentoring activities. Students may be referred by faculty, staff or others or may volunteer for services. Director: Ms. Janet O'Brien, Forest Drive Building (912) 681-5371. The **Academic Resource Center**, provides tutorial assistance, Ms. Carol Brown, Coordinator, Henderson Library, Room 1001, 681-0321 www2.gasou.edu/tutorial/. The **Testing Office** administers institutional and national testing programs, such as the SAT, ACT, GRE, LSAT, MAT, GMAT, and the Regents' Test. Coordinator: Ms. Michelle Smith, Williams Center, (912) 681-5415. www2.gasou.edu/sta/testing/.

Admissions Office

B The **Admissions Office** handles inquiries and applications to Georgia Southern University. Dr. Teresa Thompson, Director, Building 805, Forest Drive (912) 681-5391. www2.gasou.edu/sta/adm/. **New Student and Parent Programs** coordinates Southern's Orientation, Advisement, and Registration (SOAR) program, which provides students and parents an opportunity to visit campus prior to enrollment. Coordinator: Mr. David Duvall, (912) 871-1987.

Campus Recreation & Intramurals

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Career Services

D Career Services provides career advising and assistance in obtaining professional employment, as well as coordinating the Experiential Education Program (co-op and internships). Director: Mr. Warren Riles, Williams Center, (912) 681-5197. www2.gasou.edu/sta/career/

Counseling & Career Development

E The **Counseling & Career Development Center** offers confidential services to students who need assistance with academic, personal, social, or career concerns. The staff will also consult with faculty who are concerned about students with these concerns, and will assist faculty who encounter students in crisis. Director: Dr. David Matthews, (912) 681-5541 (for emergencies after hours, (912) 681-5234). www2.gasou.edu/sta/counseling/

Financial Aid

F The Department of Financial Aid is responsible for the administration of the various loan, scholarship, and work programs. Director: Ms. Connie Murphey, Anderson Hall, (912) 681-5413. www2.gasou.edu/sta/finaid/

University Housing

G The Department of University Housing provides on campus housing for nearly 3,000 students in 12 residential facilities. Over 200 staff members, including students, assign students to the halls, manage the facilities, assist students with personal and academic concerns, implement educational and social programs, enforce university policies, and create the learning communities. The department employs a full-time professional Academic Enhancement Coordinator to coordinate and present academic programs in the halls, arrange reserved classes and to assist students with academic concerns. Director: Ms. Vickie Hawkins, Watson Hall, (912) 681-5406. www.aux.gasou.edu/housing.

Educational Opportunity Programs

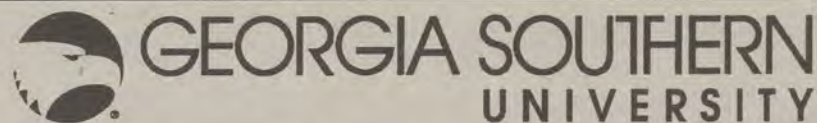
H Educational Opportunity Programs (EOP). The primary goals of the EOP are to identify disadvantaged young people with the potential to succeed in postsecondary education, to encourage them to continue and to graduate from secondary school, to enroll in postsecondary education, and to encourage high school and college dropouts to return to school. Three TRIO Federal programs, Upward Bound, Educational Talent Search, and The Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program, make up the Office of Educational Opportunity Programs. Director: Ms. Sue Hawks-Foster, Williams Center, Room 1026, (912) 681-5458. www2.gasou.edu/sta/eop/

Health Services

I Health Services provides consultation, examination, diagnosis, and treatment of illnesses and injuries for students. The Center employs a physician, nurse practitioners, LPNs, a radiological technologist, and a laboratory technologist. The Center also employs a Health Educator who presents educational programs on topics of concern to college students (such as Alcohol Abuse, Sexuality, etc.) Director: Mr. Lynn Tabor, (912) 681-5641. www.gasou.edu/health

Institutional Research Office

J **Institutional Research Office** The primary purpose of Institutional Research is to facilitate the collection, analysis and interpretation of data; gather and analyze environmental information for the institution; provide staff support to facilitate the formulation and implementation of data; prepare and publish internal and external reports; perform and create *ad hoc* studies and reports as requested; and conduct routine analyses of institutional operation. Director: Dr. Jayne Perkins, Academic Affairs Annex, (912) 681-5218. www2.gasou.edu/plan_ana.



Division of Student Affairs & Enrollment Management

SWEETHEART CIRCLE (Buildings 103 & 104)

- F** **Financial Aid**, Anderson Hall (Building 103), (912) 681-5413. www2.gasou.edu/sta/finaid/
- K** **The Office of Judicial Affairs**, 1051 Rosenwald Building (Building 104), (912) 681-0059, edbayens@gasou.edu.
- L** **Multicultural Center**, Rosenwald (Building 104) Room 1065, (912) 681-5409. www2.gasou.edu/sta/misc/
- R** **Dr. Linda Bleicken**, Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, Rosenwald (Building 104), Room 1047, (912) 871-1863.
- S** **Dr. Randy Gunter**, Associate Vice President and Dean of Students, Rosenwald (Building 104), Room 1046, (912) 486-7731.

WILLIAMS CENTER (Building 400)

- A** **Academic Success Center**, Testing Office, Williams Center (Building 400), (912) 681-5415. www2.gasou.edu/sta/testing/
- D** **Career Services**, Williams Center (Building 400), (912) 681-5197. www2.gasou.edu/sta/career/
- H** **Educational Opportunity Programs (EOP)**, Williams Center (Building 400), Room 1026, (912) 681-5458. www2.gasou.edu/sta/eop/
- M** **Office of Information Systems**, Williams Center (Building 400), (912) 681-5120. www2.gasou.edu/sta/is/
- Q** **The Office of Student Media**, Williams Center (Building 400), (912) 681-0069. www.stp.gasou.edu/

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- A** **Academic Success Center**, Forest Drive Building (Building 238) (912) 681-5371.
- B** **Admissions Office** (Building 805) Forest Drive (912) 681-5391. www2.gasou.edu/sta/adm/
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- E** **Counseling & Career Development Center**, Forest Drive (Building 435) (912) 681-5541
- E** **Counseling Center: For emergencies after hours**, (912) 681-55406. www2.gasou.edu/sta/counseling/
- G** **University Housing**, Watson Hall (Building 311), (912) 681-5278. www.aux.gasou.edu/housing/index.html
- I** **Health Services**, Health Services Center (Building 404), Forest Drive (912) 681-5641. www.gasou.edu/health
- N** **Office of the Registrar**, Admissions & Registrar (Building 805), Forest Drive, (912) 681-5421. www2.gasou.edu/registrar/

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- O** **The Russell Union**, Fair Road & Forest Drive (Building 401), (912) 871-0399. www2.gasou.edu/russell_union/russell_union.html
- O** **The Russell Union**, Fair Road & Forest Drive (Building 401): Office of Greek Life, (912) 681-5185; Volunteer Services, (912) 486-7270; and Off-Campus Housing and Community Advisor program, (912) 871-1435. www2.gasou.edu/sta/offcamp/

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- J** **Institutional Research**, Academic Affairs Annex (Building 211), (912) 681-5218. www2.gasou.edu/plan_ana

KNIGHT DRIVE

- P** **Student Disability Resource Center**, Knight Drive (Building 406) (912) 871-1566 or TDD at (912) 681-0666. http://gsaix2.cc.gasou.edu:80/Disability_Services/

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Public Safety Building 681-5234

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Health Services Building, Forest Drive 681-5641

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A look back at the GSU 2000 season

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"Believed it, achieved it" was an appropriate slogan for the 2000 Eagle squad.

Although tabbed as a preseason number one pick, GSU was thought ripe for the taking after losing 13 starters off the '99 title-winning team.

And after three games, it sure didn't look like GSU had what it took to win a national championship. A 29-7 loss to Georgia and two unenthusiastic wins against Johnson C. Smith and Wofford confirmed what head coach Paul Johnson had been saying all preseason.

"I know we're not close to the same team [as last year] it's been evident to me from the start."

Johnson said after the Wofford game. "We're not making the progress that I was hoping we would make."

But GSU began playing better, rolling to five straight wins before their first I-AA test against Appalachian State. The October 14, Homecoming game proved to be one for the ages.

GSU came in at number one while their arch-rival was ranked fifth. The game was expected to be great and neither team disappointed.

Adrian Peterson showed why he's the nation's best big-game back, rushing for 186 yards while quarterback J.R. Revere added 147 more on the ground. Revere, who had struggled through the season's first half while deflecting criticisms over not being Greg Hill, came through.

Revere looked every bit the big-time quarterback accounting for three touchdowns, two coming on the ground.

But it was a last second interception by Nate Gates on the GSU two-yard line that held off a hard-charging Mountaineer team. Gates' pick sealed a 34-28 victory for the Eagles and gave the first sign that GSU might have a championship caliber club.

Confidence restored, GSU took out The Citadel and East Tennessee State before going to Furman. The game with the Paladins figured to be difficult even with the team at full strength.

But Peterson wasn't able to go because of an elbow injury suffered in the second half of the ETSU game.

Without their star fullback, GSU's offense sputtered. The Eagles held on in the first half, going to the locker room down 10-7.

But in the second half, Furman was

in Greenville and thought they could do the same to the Eagles. Hofstra brought in one of the best offenses in I-AA but were quickly grounded by GSU.

The Eagles jumped out to a 38-3 lead midway through the third quarter and cruised to a 48-20 win.

The semifinals proved to be different. GSU lost home field advantage and had to travel to second-seed Delaware. The Eagles had played the Blue Hens once before, losing in the 1997 playoffs in coach Johnson's first season.

The game was a battle as GSU's Adrian Peterson ran for 198 yards and a score. But the difference was in special teams. GSU blocked two Delaware field goals and Blue Hen kicker Scott Collins missed another.

GSU's 27-18 win would take the

Eagles to their eighth title game in 16 years.

The Eagles faced top-seeded Montana. The Grizzlies came into the game at 13-1 and had not lost since opening day.

It didn't look like it would be close early on as GSU jumped out to a 20-3 halftime lead.

But the Grizzlies wouldn't give up, scoring three straight touchdowns and erasing a lead once thought safe. Montana led 23-20 when Adrian Peterson came through one more time with a 57-yard burst up the middle to give the Eagles the lead and an eventual 27-25 win.

A season that started out as bleak as the Chattanooga weather culminated with the Eagles' sixth overall national championship and second straight. Not bad for a team that wasn't given much of a chance.

"To these guys credit they played that way all year," Johnson said after the title game. "They fought their tails off and I don't know if I've ever seen a football team play any harder than these guys have played down the stretch. They played their hearts out and I'm proud of them."

too much. The Paladins scored 35 second half points and Furman tailback Louis Ivory ran for the majority of his career-high 301 yards. Furman 45 GSU 10.

"A loss is a loss, the amount of points doesn't matter," Revere said after the game. "There's no difference between a one-point loss or a thirty-five point loss. The App. State loss last year hurt just as bad but we've got to put it behind us like last year because we've got five more games left."

Revere's confidence in running the table seemed out of place for a team that had just suffered its worst loss in the Paul Johnson era.

But the quarterback must have known something outsiders didn't.

After an easy win against Elon (again without Peterson), GSU headed for the playoffs. With a 9-2 record, the Eagles received a third seed.

McNeese State came to Paulson Stadium looking to end the Eagle's 23 game home-playoff streak. Despite a competitive first half, the Cowboys couldn't hang on, losing 42-17. Next up, Hofstra.

A week earlier the Pride upset Furman

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-- J.R. REVERE, GSU FOOTBALL

Battle begins at 7:00 p.m.

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Georgia Southern and Savannah State will renew their rivalry when they battle this Saturday at Paulson Stadium.

While it seems the I-AA national champion would have a clear advantage over a team in I-AA transition, both sides seems cautious.

"It's easier to get motivated when you're the underdog," GSU quarterback J.R. Revere said. "And we won't be in that role much this year."

The underdog SSU offense has impressed Eagle safety David Young. "They have a nice quarterback, he's a big part of their offense," Young said of SSU's Jermaine Brooks.

Young said on pass plays the Tigers like to roll Brooks out of the pocket, giving the senior the option of running. Brooks ran for team-

high 704 yards last season while passing for 1,036.

"[Brooks] makes things happen and we have to contain him," Young said. "He means a lot to their offense and we have to do whatever it takes to keep him from playing well."

GSU head coach Paul Johnson isn't so sure. When asked his thoughts of Brooks, he said the latest word is that Brooks has been moved to flanker. "We don't even know we're he's going to play," Johnson said.

Johnson did say he believed Savannah State has a lot of good athletes who can run, particularly on offense. "They'll try to run the ball, but they like a fast-paced passing game," he said. "It's a lot like Clemson's offense."

Whether or not SSU's Brooks makes like Clemson's Woody

Dantzer remains to be seen, but the Tigers' Jamaal Zanders is confident his defense will play well.

"Our defense is quick and we can hit," he told *The George Anne* two weeks ago. "We're excited we're playing against the national champions in the first game. We have a lot to prove."

GSU fullback Adrian Peterson likens the GSU vs. SSU game to last season's opener at Georgia. "We were just as anxious to prove we could play as they probably are," he said. "They'll play us hard."

Peterson will be playing in his last home-opener and will try to set another record in the process. Peterson needs just seven points to become I-AA's career leader, standing at 414 points and in third place behind Jerry Azumah and Matt Cannon.

On holy ground: GSU Football has yet to lose a home game since 1997

By Doug Kidd
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Imagine you're part of a I-AA college football team.

Your team just went 8-3 and finished second or third in one of the division's power conferences, say the Big Sky or the Southland.

It's the Sunday after your final regular season game and you and your teammates are anxious about the playoff seedings.

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You're watching the selection show on television with your teammates, coaching staff and media ready for your reaction.

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"It's been great for us," said head coach Paul Johnson. "It's been an advantage before I left here [after the 1986 season] and it's been good since I've got back [in 1997]."

Since the first playoff game in 1985, GSU has run the table against its playoff foes. Oh sure, there have been close games, but the Eagles have always come out on top. That's part of the "Paulson mystique."

"Other teams don't want to play here, because we can't be beat," former receiver Chris Johnson said last season before the playoffs. "Teams know they won't win here in the playoffs."

Not that it's easy to win during the regular season. Overall, GSU has posted a 111-11 record at home, a winning percentage of 91 percent.

In those 111 wins is the longest winning streak in I-AA history. Between Oct. 5, 1985 and Sept. 22, 1990, the Eagles won 38 straight contests.

That's nearly five years of not losing at home. That's a long time; a once in a lifetime accomplishment.

Except that GSU—if the season progresses as expected—is in reach of breaking the mark this year.

Currently GSU's streak stands

at 31, dating back to Sept. 27, 1997. If the Eagles win every regular season game, the streak will stand at 37, one short of tying their own record.

The streak will come in danger this season as national power Delaware visits the second week of the season. But quarterback J.R. Revere thinks the advantages are on the Eagles' side.

"There's all sorts of benefits when we play at home, especially earlier in the season," he said. "The weather is hot all over the country right now, but it's still hot in September and October down here."

GSU players can usually tell which teams are not prepared for playing in the heat, Revere said. They are the ones that bring fans and ice-mist sprayers. And their players struggle to breathe with sweat running down their face and gnats in their ears.

"We look at that and know we can wear them down," Revere said. "If they're not used to playing in the heat almost year-round, we now it will effect them."

Coach Johnson agreed. "The nice, warm weather helps," he said. "But you still have to have a good team to win."

Which after all is probably the biggest reason teams don't like playing the Eagles. But then again, it doesn't hurt to have other advantages either.

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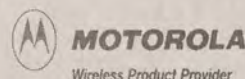
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'I don't think anyone can shut him down...'

•Adrian Peterson plans to lead the Eagles to their seventh national championship

By Doug Kidd
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Chances are most people outside the state of Georgia have never heard of him.

If they have heard of him, it's because of his exposure by ESPN or Sports Illustrated, but they've probably forgotten his name and that he's racked up 7,366 yards and 93 touchdowns in 43 career games.

But if they've ever seen Adrian Peterson play in his first three seasons at Georgia Southern, they know why he's being touted as Division I-AA's most viable Heisman Trophy candidate since Alcorn State's Steve McNair finished third in 1994.

Simply put, Peterson is one of the best players in college football, regardless of the division.

But to get the senior fullback from Alachua, Fla. to talk about his unexpected fame is difficult. Peterson doesn't care much for personal goals, he just wants to help his team win.

"It's a great feeling to be spoken of as a Heisman candidate; it's a great honor," Peterson said. "But I can't be concerned with all the awards because I'll lose focus on making it back to Chattanooga [site of the I-AA national championship game]."

"That's how a team works best. For me, the team comes before an individual. I don't worry about [statistics, records, awards] until January or February after the national championship."

That Peterson is even at Georgia Southern helping the Eagles reach national title games—he's played in one in each of his three active seasons—is a mystery.

An All-America choice by ESPN and Blue Chip Magazine out of Santa Fe High School, Peterson was expected to attend Florida where his brother Mike, now a linebacker for the Indianapolis Colts, was playing.

But when the Gators failed to come up with a scholarship offer, Peterson wasn't left with many choices.

"Because his brother went to Florida, a lot of people expected that from Adrian," offensive coordinator Mike Sewak said. "When that fell through, only Georgia Southern and South Carolina State stayed with him. [Former CFL quarterback and GSU great] Tracy Ham came from the same high school, and Tracy was on our staff then and he recruited him."

"Florida was a spot where I was

weighing my options," Peterson said. "It would have been great if it would have happened that way. But I'm at Georgia Southern, and it's been great for me."

Life has been good for Peterson during his stay in Statesboro. Being redshirted his first year was an experience Peterson describes as "tough" but good in the long run because it gave him "a year to catch up with the speed of college." Although not on the active roster, Peterson caught the eye of Georgia Southern coaches and players with his tireless effort.

"He's a guy that comes and works hard every day," Sewak said. "That's been evident from the start. Adrian is one of the dirtier guys when they come off the practice field. He's a remarkable kid in the fact that he's always wanting more work."

"Adrian is probably one of the hardest workers on the team and because of that he's so good," quarterback J.R. Revere said. "Put that and his all-out athletic ability together, and it's a dangerous combination."

For everyone that has seen Peterson play, Revere's statement is understandable: Peterson cannot be stopped, and if he can, no one has figured

out how. Peterson has rushed for over 2,000 yards in his first three seasons, if playoffs statistics are included. And in Statesboro they usually are.

In 1999, Peterson won the Walter Payton Award, which honors I-AA's best player, on his way to leading GSU to their fifth national championship.

The season before, Peterson led GSU to an undefeated regular season before succumbing to UMASS in Chattanooga.

In 2000, Peterson led the Eagles to another championship, his 57-yard run in the fourth quarter sealing GSU's 27-25 victory over Montana.

In all, Peterson has proven his worth in big games. His average of 164.5 yards per regular season game is nice. His playoff average of 188.8 is even better.

"I don't do anything different," Peterson said of his dominance in important contests. "I go out and play hard in every game and see what happens."

What's happening is the breaking or equaling of 110 team, conference or division records. But Peterson's biggest achievement entering this season is his string of 43 consecutive 100-yard rushing games.

In other words, Peterson has rushed for at least 100 yards in every game he has played for the Eagles, including I-A games against Oregon State and Georgia.

The Bulldog game in last season's opener was especially special on a personal standpoint. Peterson racked up 152 yards on 27 carries against a defense that entered the game intent of stopping

him. "We wanted to keep him under 100 yards," former Bulldog defensive lineman Marcus Stroud said after UGA's 29-7 win. "But we didn't do that. Peterson's a great back."

"I don't think anyone can shut him down," then-Georgia coach Jim Donnan said. "It's like playing against Michael

Jordan: You've got to hope you can hold down his points and hope that the other guys don't beat you."

Donnan's point still applies. Peterson likes being the focal point of an opposing team's gameplan.

"It's an honor," Peterson said. "I love it when defensive coordinators

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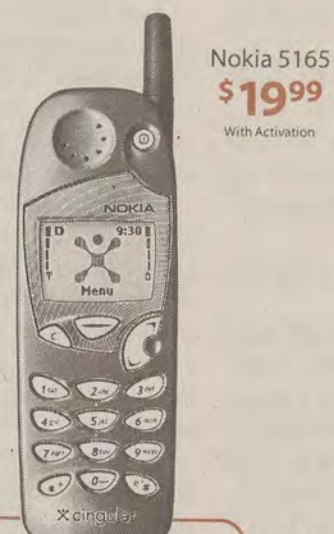
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2000 Season: 10-4, 7-2 conf./ Nat'l Semifinals
Head Coach: Jerry Moore
Starters Returning: 6 off/ 7 def/ 4 spec
Players To Watch: QB Joe Burchette
 OL Tyler Elkins
 DE Josh Jeffries
 LB Justin Seaverns

School: Furman Paladins
Location: Greenville, S.C.
Enrollment: 2,630
Colors: Purple and White
Series History: GSU leads 8-3
Basic Offense: Multiple I
Basic Defense: 4-3
2000 Season: 9-3, 7-2 conf./ 1st round
Head Coach: Bobby Johnson
Starters Returning: 7 off/ 10 def/ 2 spec
Players To Watch: RB Louis Ivory
 OL Chris Stewart
 LB Will Bouton
 SS Shelvis Smith

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Don't believe Paul Johnson or any of the other Georgia Southern coaches when they say the Eagles lack depth or the past two seasons of success mean nothing.

They're just posturing; it's what they do. College coaches can have the winning lottery ticket and still say they only have two numbers right.

Reporters looking for good quotes are better suited going to the players. Usually a 20 year-old says what's on his mind a lot easier than a seasoned coach.

But what happens when even the players downplay their own talent and chances at a championship? That's when you know a head coach has his team buying into what he's selling them.

Paul Johnson's fingerprints are all over the GSU football program and, because of that, the Eagles are trying to become the first team to win three consecutive I-AA titles.

Since Johnson came to Statesboro as head coach in 1997, the Eagles have won 50 games and two titles. With 13 starters back, the Eagles should challenge for the program's seventh championship.

"It's been three or four years that we've had this good problem of expecting to win," quarterback J.R. said. "It's good to be chased but we have to be mature to handle it."

Revere grew up in front of the coaching staff's eyes last season, his first as a starter. The then-junior started slowly, but by the end of their championship run was as reliable as his predecessor Greg Hill.

"I got more comfortable as the season went on, started seeing things more clearly," Revere said.

The Eagles' comfort-level couldn't be higher than when Adrian Peterson's hands are on the ball. Peterson heads into his final season saying he feels as well as he has in a long time.

"I feel better, no elbow or toe problems," the fullback said of the ailments that have slowed him down the past two years.

Peterson's quest for a second Payton Award depends on the offensive line. Like last season, GSU heads into the season with question marks up front.

Starters Charles Clarke and James McCoy return but will miss Paul Collins, who started nine games last season as a true freshman. Collins suffered a season-ending knee injury during the spring.

Seniors Josh Jones and Bubba Brantley will join redshirt freshmen Reggie Cordy, Leonard Daggett and Nick Heuman in a battle for the remaining three spots.

"Those guys will work hard and get better," Revere said of the line.

Slotbacks Mark Myers and Andre Weathers return to help GSU's conference-leading rushing attack. Myers and Weathers averaged nearly 10 yards a carry last season.

GSU will miss Chris Johnson, who set a program record last year for single-season receiving yardage. Derrick Owens is slated to become GSU's top threat this season with Anthony Williams starting opposite Owens.

All-American candidates Freddy Pesqueira and David Young headline a defense that is expected to be the best Eagle defense in years. Six starters return from a unit that gave up 17.6 points per game, including linebackers Jamar Jones, Michael Youngblood and Mike Ward.

Leading tackler Jason Neese won't return after suffering neck problems that forced him to retire. Joe Scott, who saw plenty of time in 2000, will replace Neese.

Dion Stokes and James Young figure to nail down starting spots in the secondary while Aaron Whitaker and Dreck Cooper battle for a cornerback position.



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Tough to imagine a team going to the semifinals and returning the majority of their players and still not being picked in top two in the conference.

But that's what's happening to Appalachian State after their 2000 final four run that ended in overtime at Montana.

"We're worse than a stepchild," said head coach Jerry Moore. Moore has spent more time this preseason answering questions about Georgia Southern and Furman than his own squad.

"But we're going to be pretty good," Moore said. "People will realize that once the season starts. Our defense will be better."

Because of injuries last season, the Mountaineers were forced to play a lot of people they didn't want to. But the extra playing time will benefit ASU this season.

"The defense is as sound as it's been since I've been here," said linebacker Justin Seaverns. The senior figures to be a major part of a defense that wasn't bad in 2000. ASU was in the top three in the league in every major statistical category last season.

ASU returns seven starters from a year ago including honors candidates Seaverns, Wes Hunter, Josh Jeffries and Remi Awolowo.

The offense returns much of the firepower from last season that helped them set school records in points scored and total yards.

Strong-armed quarterback Joe Burchette returns after ranking first in the SoCon in passing efficiency.

The junior started the season third-string behind seniors David Reaves and Daniel Jeremiah but ended up the starter by the fourth game.

"We all know Burchette can run this team," running back Karim Razzak said. "He more than proved himself to us last season."

Burchette did have two experienced tailbacks behind him this season in Razzak and Jerry Beard. Razzak, who played

hurt much of last season, went down with a season-ending knee injury in the preseason.

Beard stepped in nicely for the Razzak and produced 855 yards and scored six touchdowns in 2000. He will have to carry the load again this season.

"Jerry's a good runner," Razzak said.

With the backfield still in good hands and an experienced offensive line that brings back all but one starter, the pressure will be on the receiving corps.

ASU lost their top four pass-catchers from last season in wideouts Troy Albea, Rashad Slade, Joey Gibson and tight end Daniel Wilcox.

Little used Sterling Haywood and Dane Honeycutt will get first crack at the receiving chores while redshirt freshman DaVon Fowlkes and converted tailback Jose White will also be in the mix.

But Razzak—who would have been ASU's leading returning receiver—sees the lack of experience as an opportunity.

"They'll produce because they're athletic and they can run."

Keep your eye on...

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Georgia Southern's J.R. Revere lived up to a lot of expectations last year. In his first year as a starter, he led the Eagles to their sixth national championship in 16 seasons.

Good thing, too. Because if he didn't, the quarterback would undoubtedly be asked the same questions this preseason as in 2000.

With his championship ring, Revere no longer has to deflect questions about not being Tracy Ham, Raymond Gross or Greg Hill. He can just be J.R. Revere.

"I played the best I could and the wins speak for themselves," said Revere, who led GSU to a 13-2 record. "People who know football, know it's not about stats—it's about winning."

Not that Revere didn't put up good numbers in his first season as a starter. The then-junior threw for 1,639 yards and 13 touchdowns in 15 games. He also ran for 976 yards and 16 scores to finish second on the team behind Adrian Peterson.

But the season didn't start out that great for the team or Revere. The loss to Georgia might have been expected, but it still hurt.

Unenthusiastic wins versus Johnson C. Smith and Wofford were disappointing, with the Wofford game fondly in Revere's memory.

"That was the lowpoint," Revere said of the 24-17 win versus the Terriers. "The offense couldn't get any worse. We got chewed out pretty bad [from the coaching staff.]

"They made sure we got better."

Revere credits the next game as his and the team's turning point. Against Chattanooga, Revere had his best passing game of the season, throwing for 182 yards and three scores.

"That's when I found my comfort level," Revere said. "It was almost as if I needed to get used to starting again. But that's how we define ourselves—by getting better as the season goes on."

Revere certainly got better, so much so that he set a school record in the process. Revere became the first Eagle signal-caller to throw a touchdown pass in four straight games.

Revere's improved play led GSU to the title game for the third straight year. Although he was confident, Revere was shocked when the final seconds ticked off the Finley Stadium scoreboard.

"After the game I honestly thought 'How did we win this thing?'" he said.

With the championship win, Revere can now place himself with the other great Eagle quarterbacks. Or at least he hopes so.

"Hopefully people will think of me when they bring up Ham and Gross and Hill," Revere said. "When I came in '97, that was the goal. I wanted to leave something that everyone can remember."

Most Eagle fans would agree a national championship or two should do just fine.

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Justin Seaverns is more than just confident of his and his team's capabilities.

The Appalachian State linebacker is certain the Mountaineers are the team to beat and that he is the best linebacker in the conference.

"Everybody has them [Georgia Southern, Furman] one, two," said Seaverns at the Southern Conference media event earlier this month. "You can ask anybody that knows football and they'll say no one's better than us."

Seaverns, a senior from Cartersville, Ga., also isn't sure of Furman's Will Bouton being tabbed as the SoCon's top candidate for the Buchanan Award.

"Yeah, Bouton finished with 141 tackles," Seaverns said, looking over his shoulder at the Paladins' linebacker a few tables away. Bouton, surrounded by reporters and photographers for most of the morning, continued answering questions about his play.

Seaverns turned back to his table, his teammate Karim Razzak to his left, a single reporter in front of him. His head coach Jerry Moore, at the next table, was still being asked to comment on Georgia Southern and Furman, Adrian Peterson and Louis Ivory.

Keep your eye on...

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Before Louis Ivory became a star college football player, a face recognized on the streets of Greenville, S.C. where he plays for Furman University, he had to fight for recognition.

Out of high school, family and friends were the only people confident Ivory could make it on the collegiate level.

Despite star status at Peach County High School in Fort Valley, Ga., Ivory was said to be too slow for major college programs.

So I-A's went shopping elsewhere.

His high school position of fullback came easily to Ivory; he gained 3,100 yards as a four-year starter. But at 5-9, 200 pounds Ivory was thought too small for the position, even at the I-AA level.

So the mid-major programs backed away.

All that was left for Ivory were Division II schools like Fort Valley State, West Georgia and Carson-Newman. Great football teams at that level, but Ivory knew he could make a difference at a higher setting.

So did Rodney Walker, Ivory's high school coach. Walker told Furman coaches it would be a grave mistake if they didn't sign Ivory.

"I've coached high school football for 33 years and never had another player like Louis Ivory," Walker said to Furman Magazine. "He has the

work habit a coach dreams of. He had a tremendous impact on how we played, and I knew he would have the same impact on a college team."

Furman listened to Walker and took a chance on Ivory. It didn't take long for him to make an impression.

"After the first two or three days in pads you could tell right away that he was something special," said offensive coordinator Tim Sorrells. "It was like that when [former Furman standout] Stanford Jennings joined the team when I was playing and we all went, 'Whoa, this guy is pretty good.' It was the same feeling."

Ivory played well enough in his initial season to find himself in the starting lineup. A starter at fullback, Ivory impressed, gaining 161 yards against South Carolina State in the season's second game.

A sprained ankle limited Ivory's playing time the rest of the season but he finished second on the team in rushing with 406 yards.

But off the field, Ivory was having problems. He was away from home for the first time and having trouble adjusting.

"I had a serious girlfriend back home and that made it tough," Ivory said. "It took a long time to get used to, but my mom told me to stick it out."

Not only did Ivory have to deal

to replace departed Jacobs Blocking Award winner Josh Moore. Furman must replace quarterback Justin Hill and fullback Derek Russell. The two unsung seniors were a big part of the Paladins' success the past two seasons and will be missed.

"Derek opened up a lot of holes," Ivory said. "And Justin made all the right plays."

Hill never overpowered the opposition with statistics, as proved by his 1,031 yards passing and 569 yards on the ground. What Hill did was get the Furman offense in the right place, Ivory said.

"Eighty percent of our plays are decided at the line and he would make the decisions," he said. "Justin will be greatly missed."

Junior Billy Napier will take over for Hill. Napier got one start last season, passing for 73 yards in a 23-21 loss at East Tennessee State.

"He'll be pretty good," Ivory said. "He's capable of leading the offense."

Coach Johnson believes Napier can come in and take over for Hill. "We're confident we can be successful with him at the controls," he said. "He has good size, a strong arm and can execute our offense effectively."

On defense the Paladins will miss only one starter from a year ago, linebacker Marion Martin. Bouton returns for his senior season after winning conference Defensive-Player-of-the-Year honors last year.

The secondary appears strong with all-conference candidates Josh Cooper and Shelvis Smith at the safety spots and Richie Jackson at cornerback. Jackson, a four-year starter, has picked off 14 passes in his career—four shy of the Paladins record.



The Citadel

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| School: | The Citadel Bulldogs |
| Location: | Charleston, S.C. |
| Enrollment: | 1,800 |
| Colors: | Citadel Blue and White |
| Series History: | GSU leads 8-2 |
| Basic Offense: | Multiple pro-style |
| Basic Defense: | 3-4 |
| 2000 Season: | 2-9, 1-7 conf. |
| Head Coach: | Ellis Johnson |
| Starters Returning: | 11 off/ 7 def/ 3 spec |
| Players To Watch: | RB Maurice Murphy OL Omar Nesbitt LB Travis Stephens NT Travis Cunningham |

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Sometimes change happens and it means all the world to a football program.

Wins are easier to come by, players quit bickering with coaches and the fans start showing up for games.

Sometimes it doesn't matter who's in charge; the program seems cursed for mediocrity.

The Citadel hopes the latter doesn't happen after the addition of former Alabama defensive coordinator Ellis Johnson as head coach. Johnson takes over for Don Powers, who produced one winning season in five years in Charleston.

"We needed to start over," said linebacker Travis Stephens, who said the new coaching staff brought in a more "dominant presence" and were "associated with success."

"Just having a coach the caliber of coach Johnson makes us better," Stephens said.

At least he hopes so. Johnson doesn't inherit much, except for Stephens, a strong All-American candidate.

The 2000 squad went 2-9 and lost to rival VMI, giving the Keydets their first SoCon victory since 1996. All in all, it was an embarrassing season.

"Change is one way to bring hope after frustrations," said coach Johnson.

"The changes that we've made are from an organizational standpoint; they're done for philosophy. But if the players see it as symbolic that's good."

Running back Maurice Murphy—a second team all-conference back—likes what he saw after spring practice. Murphy said the emphasis during practice has changed, from less hitting to more learning.

"Our offensive and defensive

schemes fit the athletes that we have better," Murphy said. "That was part of the problem from last season."

Murphy thinks the new offensive scheme, which will feature more formations and less option, will bring variety to a once-boring offense. "All the new packages will put balance in our attack," he said.

Murphy's role in the offense will be different this season, with the former



fullback "doing a lot of everything—insiderunning, outside running and pass-catching."

Before The Citadel starts an offensive revolution,

they need to settle on a quarterback. Last season's part-time starters Joe Call and Scooter Johnson will again battle for the spot.

"They'll make the decision themselves," coach Johnson said of the quarterback question. The head coach said that Call has the edge right now because of his consistency but Scooter Johnson makes plays.

Murphy thinks the battle will end up like last season. "They'll probably split time again," he said.

Defensively, the Bulldogs will go with a 3-4 look this season in order to get the best players on the field. "We're not that deep on the defensive line and we have some depth at linebacker," Johnson said. "Plus it will give us more defensive speed."

Once again Stephens will be counted on, especially with the graduation of Denny Haywood. He'll be joined by standout nose tackle Travis Cunningham.

So, will The Citadel break out this season and push their way up the standings? Murphy seems sold on Johnson's ability.

"Things are going to change—the attitude now is winning."

Delaware

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| School: | Delaware Blue Hens |
| Location: | Newark, Del. |
| Enrollment: | 16,000 |
| Colors: | Royal Blue and Gold |
| Series History: | Series tied 1-1 |
| Basic Offense: | Delaware Wing-T |
| Basic Defense: | 4-3 |
| 2000 Season: | 12-2, 7-1 conf./ Nat'l Semifinals |
| Head Coach: | Tubby Raymond |
| Starters Returning: | 7 off/ 6 def/ 2 spec |
| Players To Watch: | WR Jamin Elliott WR Brett Veach HB Butter Pressey LB Dan Mulhern |

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Delaware head coach Tubby Raymond believes his team's high national ranking might be a little premature.

After all, the Blue Hens lose 11 starters from last season's 12-2, national semifinal squad. Raymond would rather see how the season's first few weeks go by

before making any judgments on his preseason No. 3 team.

"It's an honor for the players to be regarded in that light," Raymond said to the *Newark Post*. "But we've been first,

second and third in preseason polls before and it doesn't make any difference. You still have to play the games on the field and that's where you find out."

Raymond should know. He enters his 36th season with Delaware and needs four wins to become the eighth coach in NCAA history to reach the 300-win plateau.

How fast his team reaches the mark depends on how well they replace key starters. First up is Sam Postlethwait, the quarterback trying to replace three-year starter Matt Nagy.

Postlethwait, a senior with seven career passes under his belt, will direct a more balanced Blue Hen attack this season. Postlethwait is considered a better runner than his predecessor and will direct a more option-based attack.

"He certainly looks the part," Raymond said of Postlethwait. "He runs well and there's every evidence he'll be acceptable." Postlethwait inherits a good



supporting cast. The backfield brings back halfbacks Butter Pressey and Butch Patrick and fullback Antawn Jenkins. Pressey ran for 640 yards and nine touchdowns last season, earning second-team all-conference honors.

Nagy's throwing ability will be missed by a pair of receivers who had career years last season.

Both Jamin Elliott and Brett Veach caught 58 passes, a number expected to go down with Postlethwait's arrival.

The defense welcomes back all-conference performers Dan Mulhern and Femi Ayi. Mulhern, a linebacker, made a team-high 142 tackles last season and will be counted on heavily. Fellow linebacker Darell Edmonds also returns.

The secondary took the biggest hit from graduation, returning no starters. Part-time starter Ricardo Walker will man one cornerback spot while sophomore Leon Clarke will start at the other. Junior Mike Adams and Iowa transfer Vincent Wilson figure to open at safety.

A tough schedule awaits Raymond's run for 300 and a shot at a I-AA championship. Hofstra's arrival to the Atlantic-10 conference makes winning even tougher in a league that also boasts playoff hopefuls Richmond, UMASS and Villanova.

"The addition of Hofstra lends even more credence to the belief that this is the best conference in the country," Raymond said. "The objective is to play well enough to get into the tournament."

Wofford

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| School: | Wofford Terriers |
| Location: | Spartanburg, S.C. |
| Enrollment: | 1,100 |
| Colors: | Old Gold and Black |
| Series History: | GSU leads 5-1 |
| Basic Offense: | Wingbone |
| Basic Defense: | Multiple 50 |
| 2000 Season: | 7-4, 5-3 conf. |
| Head Coach: | Mike Ayers |
| Starters Returning: | 6 off/ 6 def/ 2 spec |
| Players To Watch: | QB Travis Wilson HB Jesse McCoy NT Nathan Fuqua LB Hondre McNeil |

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Wofford finds itself in an awkward position this fall.

The Terriers will field a much better team than the one that finished 7-4 and earned the program's first Top 25 finish last season.

But the problem the Spartanburg, S.C. school faces is one of the tougher schedules in I-AA football. Wofford takes trips to I-AA Clemson, Furman and Youngstown State while hosting Georgia Southern and Appalachian State.

"It's going to be rough, especially if we look ahead," said head coach Mike Ayers. "We have to focus on the now. If we look too far down the road, we'll lose."

Travis Wilson agrees. The SoCon's most experienced signal-caller knows if Wofford is to challenge for a playoff spot, they must beat the best.

"We haven't beaten any of the 'Big 3' yet," Wilson said of GSU, Furman and Appalachian State. "But we plan to."

The Terriers' postseason plans hinge on Wilson and the offense's ability to score points, something they did reasonably well last season with 27.7 per game.

Wilson leads the Terriers' wingbone attack, an offense very similar to GSU's spread option. "We have the ability to score points in a hurry," Wilson said. "Option offenses like ours' and Georgia Southern's catch people off guard and give us an edge."

Another edge the Terriers hold is a staple of quality running backs.

Melvin Jones' and Jesse McCoy's return will help Wofford solidify their reputation as one of the top rushing attacks in I-AA.

But the player that's drawing rave reviews is J.R. McNair, a 5'10", 195-pound sophomore that played last season as a true freshman.

"McNair is serious," Wilson said. "He reminds me of Adrian Peterson. He'll have to step up and I think he will. He's going to put himself on the map."

On defense, not many players are going to need a map to find the field—the Terriers return all but two major starters from a year ago. Although tackle Brian Bodor and safety Jeremy Scott will be missed, there's plenty of talent returning.

"Because of our defense we can contend for the conference title," said junior nose tackle Nathan Fuqua. "The offense has carried us in the past, but I think this season the defense will be just as strong."

Fuqua and linebacker Al Clark were first and second team preseason selections, respectively but linebacker Hondre McNeil might be the best player the Terriers have.

"You can tell he's a player," Fuqua said. "He brings the athletic ability that we lacked last year." The rest of Wofford's players might want to rub shoulders with McNeil and see if some of the athletic ability can be passed along. With arguably the toughest schedule, Fuqua knows his team needs to be resilient in 2001.

"We have to build on every week," he said. "We have to start hard and finish strong."

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Pride was the only thing that kept Travis Stephens going last season.

The Citadel linebacker went out every game and gave everything he had on every play. But almost every week Stephens and his defensive teammates saw a pretty good performance wasted because of the offense's inability to score.

It was no different last October when Stephens' Bulldogs came within 1:12 of ending Adrian Peterson's 100-yard streak.

Peterson was going for number 38 that day. Today he stands at 43 games overall, all because GSU head coach Paul Johnson left the first team in with a 27-10 lead.

Not exactly a blowout, but the outcome was decided. Some were criticizing the Eagles for looking after personal achievements more than the team.

Travis Stephens was not one of those people.

"Anytime you play it's your job to stop the other team," Stephens said. "It's their job to score. You can't take a knee at the end of the game—that's not competition. [GSU coach Johnson] can play his players, that's his job."

Stephens has been part of a defense that has come the closest to derailing Peterson's streak. Last year's game and the '99 contest

(108 yards) are two of the lowest rushing totals in Peterson's three-year career.

Stephens said the Georgia Southern game is one he looks forward to each season. "When you have a guy like Peterson, you want to bring your 'A' game; you want to play well," he said. "It's a challenge. You want to be that team that stops him."

Peterson knows he's in for a tough game when he plays the Bulldogs. "The Citadel comes out pumped up against us every year and do a good job," he said after last season's contest. "We hit heads a lot tonight and when they were down I helped them up and when I was down they helped me up. Haywood and Stephens are two great players."

With Denny Haywood graduated, Stephens now will be focal point of The Citadel defense. Stephens admits that teams will probably focus on him, but it doesn't matter.

"One player doesn't make a team," he said. "It takes 11 people to get the job done."

New head coach Ellis Johnson knows talent when he sees it. The former Alabama and Clemson defensive coordinator is high on Stephens, saying the senior is a consistent, hard-nosed player.

"He's their leader," Johnson said. "He's important for a team looking for success."

By Marty Valania
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There have been a lot of people asking questions about new University of Delaware quarterback Sam Postlethwait. Former Newark High duo Butter Pressey and Butch Patrick aren't among them.

Pressey and Patrick, both entering their senior seasons, have high expectations for the team and realize that good quarterback play is necessary for those expectations.

"A quarterback change is always a big thing," said Pressey, who has rushed for 1,399 yards during his Delaware career. "It doesn't matter if it's an All-American coming in, it's still a change."

Pressey, though, believes Postlethwait will get the job done.

"I believe Sam has a great grasp of the offense," Pressey said. "The option we will run will suit him fine. It plays right into his strength. We need to have a great season and I think he's ready."

Patrick echoed those sentiments. "I have great faith and confidence in Sam and I've expressed that to him," said Patrick, who is expected to compete for a starting halfback job. "I think he can be as good as anybody that has played here."

"I've heard people say that they don't expect us to get as far as we did last year. I don't think that's true. I think this team has the potential to be better than last year."

Option a plus
Not surprisingly for two running backs, Pressey and Patrick are looking forward to the stronger emphasis on the running game that the Hens plan for this season.

"Most definitely," Pressey said. "It will give us more of an opportunity to make plays and play up to our potential."

"I just hope that being a senior, I can do the type of things that seniors do—provide leadership and lead by example."

Patrick, too, is looking for the increased opportunities. "Running the option will give us more chances," he said. "The more opportunities we get the more we can help the team."

Looking forward to senior year Pressey and Patrick played together at Newark High, played together at Hargrave Military Academy in Virginia and both went to Virginia Tech before coming to Delaware. Now, they'll be playing their last season together.

"I've learned a lot since high school," said Patrick. "I've juggled offense and defense; I thought I was going to be the greatest thing. I still want to be the best player I can be, but I've learned there's a lot more to life than football."

"I always enter the year with a lot of confidence," Pressey said. "But I just want to be able to be a leader like seniors are supposed to be."

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Travis Wilson was already good coming into this season.

His teammates and coaches were impressed with the soon-to-be senior's work ethic and the leadership he provided for the Wofford Terriers.

But Wilson knew he had to work harder in order to make sure his final year was a success.

"I wanted to lead this team to a championship and be the best quarterback in the Southern Conference," Wilson said.

So he decided to work out in the weight room and throw a lot of passes this offseason. That's no big deal, most quarterbacks do that every summer.

Working out though wasn't the only thing Wilson had on his agenda. Instead of staying on campus or going back home to Newberry, S.C., Wilson moved to Atlanta and worked as an intern with the Atlanta Braves.

"That was a great experience for Travis," said Wofford head coach Mike Ayers. "He got to meet new people and was able to see big sports up close."

While many head coaches might disprove of having their star quarterback out of state instead of working out with teammates, Ayers embraced it.

"That's one of the advantages of going to Wofford," Ayers said of the small, liberal arts school that boasts

of a higher average SAT score (1250) than enrollment (1,100). "We [coaches at Wofford] understand that they need the experience out of the classroom."

Wilson found plenty of time to work out this summer while working a full schedule at Turner Field. In his free time Wilson said he worked out at a "velocity camp" where he tried to improve his speed and arm strength.

"I trained really hard this summer," Wilson said. Along with the usual weight lifting and running, Wilson said he wanted to work on parts of his game that needed seasoning.

So he took a lot of drops, something Wilson anticipates doing more this season as Wofford hopes to showcase his ability to throw the ball.

"I was a little disappointed with my passing," Wilson said of his 2000 season that saw him throw for just four touchdowns. "But things will change."

Wilson also hopes to see Wofford's position in the SoCon change. Despite an uphill climb, he thinks this is the year the Terriers break through, especially against their biggest barometer.

"We are determined to win," he said. "Georgia Southern is a priority. We want to beat them so bad."

Maybe like the baseball team he spent the summer with, Wilson and Wofford will finally be able to call themselves the best.



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Just 45 minutes south of Statesboro, a team in 1-AA transition is excited about getting first crack at the defending 1-AA National Champions.

The Savannah State Tigers will renew a rivalry with Georgia Southern on September 1, marking the seventh meeting between the two and the first since 1993.

Senior quarterback Jermaine Brooks will be the heart of the team that finished 2-8 last season. "It's a big step for us this season," Brooks said. "We have not had a winning season since 1998 (7-4). We've trained hard in the weight room and are looking forward to impress everybody, including the pro scouts on September 1."

Brooks passed for 1,036 yards last season and recorded four touchdowns but nine interceptions. He also rushed for 704 yards and scored six touchdowns.

Brooks has shown ability during his time with the Tigers, but the

coaches are expecting a breakout season in 2001.

"Jermaine has matured a whole lot," said quarterback and receivers coach Richard Basil. "There were some kinks for him last year, but he's watched a lot of video tapes and worked hard in the weight room. He is an athlete."

Brook's favorite connection, Aric Powell will try to improve on 57 receptions and 630 yards receiving in 2000.

Senior free safety/linebacker Jamaal Zanders will be the heart of the defense. He recorded 90 tackles (14 for losses) including five sacks and four pass breakups. "We want to be the number one defense in the nation," he said. "We are going to set some standards."

Zanders is enthusiastic about playing GSU the first game of the year. "We know (Adrian) Peterson will get his 100 yards, but if we let (Andre) Weathers and (Mark) Myers get a 100, we are in for a long day."

This is the Tigers' final year in I-AA transition; next year, they will officially be I-AA. With three home



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| School: | Savannah State Tigers |
| Location: | Savannah, Ga. |
| Enrollment: | 2,600 |
| Colors: | Burnt Orange and Reflex Blue |
| Series History: | GSU leads 6-0 |
| Basic Offense: | Multiple |
| Basic Defense: | 4-3 |
| 2000 Season: | 2-8, no conference |
| Head Coach: | Bill Davis |
| Starters Returning: | 4 off/ 6 def/ 0 spec |
| Players To Watch: | QB Jermaine Brooks WR Aric Powell LB Jamaal Zanders LB Eddie Marietta |

games and two of seven road games at neutral sites, SSU looks like they will still be rebuilding. But from their preseason talk, it doesn't mean they won't try and shock people in 2001.

Keep your eye on...

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In college football today, the ideal quarterback has a good arm, mobility and great vision down field. Savannah State believes Jermaine Brooks is that kind of quarterback.

But the senior from Augusta says maturity was what held him back a year ago when he struggled through a tough season.

Brooks completed just 101-of-210 passes for 1,036 yards. He threw four touchdowns, but had nine interceptions in 2000. He was the team's leading rusher with 704 yards and six touchdowns.

"I have worked hard in the weight room over the summer," Brooks said. "I practice my timing with my receivers. My 40 (yard dash) time is 4.5, and I looked at the video tapes of my performance from last season."

His coaches have been impressed with his development. "Jermaine has developed his skill to a whole new level," said SSU quarterback and receivers coach Richard Basil. "He's an athlete. You can't coach an athlete. You have to mold one to improve his skills."

Brooks' goal for the Tigers is a winning season. They have not had one since his freshmen year in 1998 when SSU went 7-4. Brooks knows that quest

begins September 1 in Statesboro.

"I'm anxious to play Georgia Southern," Brooks said. "It is the first game for us; we want to impress the pro scouts and GSU's fans. Playing the defending I-AA champs will be a big opportunity for our program."

Although most of the opponents are tougher this year, Brooks thinks that he can make believers outside SSU with a winning season.

"Last year, we finished 2-8," he said. "Our chemistry was not there. This year, we are a year older and a year wiser."

Brooks hopes the extra year to grow up will mesh with his athletic talents to produce a senior year to remember.

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| | 9/18/01 | 9/19/01 | 2-B | Harcon, Inc. | Graves, Cornelia | Project Engineer | Pre-Select |
| October 2001 | | | | | | | |
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| | 9/20/01 | 10/15/01 | 26-A | GA Dept of Audit | Blum, Natasha | Staff Auditor | Pre-Select |
| | 10/1/01 | 10/1/01 | 1-A | J.B. Hunt | Steward, Douglas | Management Trainee | Pre-Select |
| | 10/11/01 | 10/11/01 | 1-A | ABF Freight | Scales, Marla | Management Trainee | Pre-Select |
| | 10/15/01 | 10/16/01 | 2-A | CSX Transport | Anderson-James, | Management Trainee | Pre-Select |
| | 10/15/01 | 10/16/01 | 2-B | CSX Transport | Anderson-James, | Management Trainee | Pre-Select |
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| | 10/19/01 | 10/19/01 | 1-A | Eckerd Drug | Dalton, Tina E | Assistant Managers | Pre-Select |
| | 10/19/01 | 10/19/01 | 1-A | Schneider | Taylor, Lori | Brokerage Coordinator | Pre-Select |
| | 10/19/01 | 10/19/01 | 1-A | Schneider | Taylor, Lori | Service Team Leader | Pre-Select |
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| | 10/19/01 | 10/19/01 | 1-C | Wal-Mart Stores | Barker, Randall | Summer Internship Program | Open |
| | 10/22/01 | 10/23/01 | 2-A | Georgia Pacific | Foster, Les | Logistics Intern | Pre-Select |
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| | 11/8/01 | 11/8/01 | 1-A | TruGreen | Beaulieu, June | Marketing/ Mgr Trainee | Pre-Select |
| | 11/8/01 | 11/8/01 | 1-B | TruGreen | Beaulieu, June | Marketing/ Mgr Trainee | Pre-Select |
| | 11/8/01 | 11/8/01 | 1-B | Southern Co. | Horton, Lorey | Co-ops | Open |

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UT - Chattanooga

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Consider the following: the Air Mocs lose Chris Sanders (SoCon's top passer), Richmond Flowers (SoCon's top pass-catcher) and Matt Vick (SoCon's leading scorer).

Looking at those intangibles, is the wide-open attack in Chattanooga over?

Don't be too sure about that, said UTC head coach Donnie Kirkpatrick. "We have a couple of quarterbacks that could fill the void for Chris Sanders," he said. "We will pass the ball as always. However, we will install a new running game that will sometimes feature a two-back set."

The top two running backs are senior Charles McNeill and junior Jason Ball. McNeill rushed for 616 yards and five touchdowns as the starter last year and is projected to do the same this season. Ball rushed for 496 yards and seven touchdowns and will help compliment McNeill.

Chattanooga loses 3,691 passing yards from 2000 with Sanders' departure. With sophomore Jason Jones moving from quarterback to wide receiver, the race is down to sophomores Justin Barnes and Chuck Spearman.

Barnes passed for only eight yards last season. Spearman is a transfer from Marshall and will try to dethrone Barnes.

After losing Flowers and Ronnie Strickland, Cos DeMatteo will be the go-to receiver in 2001. The senior caught 75 passes for 971 yards and 11 touchdowns and was second on the team in scoring with 68 points.

Cortez Rankin and Joey Peterson will try to step up in their starting roles. Neither started last season, but both lettered.

Defensively, senior defensive end Robert Springs ranked fifth on the squad with 45 tackles. He had three or more tackles in eight of 11 games, including a

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| School: | Chattanooga Mocs |
| Location: | Chattanooga, Tenn. |
| Colors: | Navy, Old Gold and Silver |
| Series History: | GSU lead 13-1 |
| Basic Offense: | Multiple |
| Basic Defense: | 4-3 |
| 2000 Season: | 5-6, 3-5 conf. |
| Head Coach: | Donnie Kirkpatrick |
| Starters Returning: | 6 off/ 9 def/ 2 spec |
| Players To Watch: | WR Cos DeMatteo OL Gantt Neill DE Robert Springs LB Josh Cain |

season-high nine against both Samford and Wofford.

Also, senior strong safety Cody Goodin will be dangerous to opposing wide receivers. Goodin saw his season cut short because of injuries but played well in 1999, making 63 tackles.

Five of UTC's six losses were decided by eight points or less in 2000. This year the Mocs travel to I-AA Memphis, GSU and Appalachian State.

If the "Air Mocs" balance their offense and their defense steps up, they have the potential to win seven or eight games this year. If there is no balance, however, Chattanooga will definitely be enjoying the I-AA National Championship in their home stands.

Keep your eye on...

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Cos DeMatteo is a man of talent, desire and extreme confidence.

Unfortunately his personality doesn't reflect on his team and the record shows.



VMI

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| School: | VMI Keydets |
| Location: | Lexington, Va. |
| Enrollment: | 1,300 |
| Colors: | Red, White and Yellow |
| Series History: | GSU leads 8-0 |
| Basic Offense: | Run-and-shoot |
| Basic Defense: | 50 |
| 2000 Season: | 2-9, 1-7 conf. |
| Head Coach: | Cal McCombs |
| Starters Returning: | 7 off/ 8 def/ 2 spec |
| Players To Watch: | QB Joey Gibson RB Gene Cauthen NT Matt Kluk LB Chris Welsh |

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The Virginia Military Keydets hope to finish in the middle of the pack this season because of 15 returning starters, at more importantly, a year of learning the run-and-shoot offense.

"I think Coach (Cal) McCombs put the perfect offensive system last year," said junior quarterback Joey Gibson. "Our team is better suited for throwing the ball than running the option."

After scoring only 77 points in the flexbone offense in 1999, the new system produced 227 in 2000. They also averaged 53 more yards of total offense per game last season than in 1999.

Fullback Gene Cauthen returns after leading the team with 566 rushing yards and five touchdowns. Cauthen is also the Keydets returning receiver, catching 18 balls.

The Keydets will try to improve from a dismal 2-9 (1-7 SoCon) season that saw their highlight being a 41-21 victory over The Citadel in the "Military Classic of the South".

The schedule seems favorable this year. Georgia Southern and Appalachian State will make the trip

to Lexington this year. Although VMI has never beaten GSU and their last win against ASU came in 1994, linebacker/defensive lineman Ryan Cates is positive about the 2001 season.

"The Citadel win helped VMI get into this season," he said. "It was a spring board for the year."

The defense returns eight starters in their multiple 5-0 defense. Junior inside linebacker Chris Walsh will anchor a defense that



allowed the most rushing yards and total yards in the Southern Conference.

Walsh led the team with 113 tackles (11 for losses). He earned "Ironkeydet of the Year" for his dedication in the weight room.

Cates and junior Matt Kluk will anchor the defensive line. Kluk had an injury-prone season, but still led all Keydet down linemen with 69 tackles.

Senior safety Stillman Clark (69 tackles in 2000) will anchor the secondary along with senior safety Deffy Mubangu.

In what could be VMI's last

season in the Southern Conference before making a move to the new Big South Conference, the Keydets are looking to raise the bar in 2001.

Keep your eye on...

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Behind every military, there is a leader. Napoleon headed the French Army, while George Washington led the Americans during the American Revolution.

For the Virginia Military Keydets football team, Joey Gibson leads the troops. The 6'3", 210-pound junior quarterback has battled some adversity. His last two seasons were cut short due to injury.

"It was tough sitting out games that we could have won," Gibson said. "The other quarterbacks that replaced me did as well as they could, but I know I could have pulled some of those games out."

He also has to anchor a team that has not had a winning season since 1981. But Gibson is optimistic.

"We're close to being good," he said. "When you get beat for 20 seasons you want to be part of the class that turns things around. We understand that we play in the best conference in I-AA, but we're ready to win."

Gibson, a Jacksonville, Fla. native, picked VMI for more reasons than winning at football. "I went to Virginia Military to learn the game of life," he said. "There are a lot of things a military school can teach that a regular school can't—things like character, heart and dedication which help a person in the real world. Plus, the academics here are pretty good."

His personal goals are tremendous. Gibson wants to go a full season without injury, graduate from VMI with honors and get the Keydets a winning season.

Gibson is already focused on their first opponent. "We expect to beat Duquesne," he said. "We need that win to propel us into the schedule."

Like any good leader, Gibson knows the most important step is always the first.

Western Carolina

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| School: | Western Carolina Catamounts |
| Location: | Cullowhee, N.C. |
| Enrollment: | 6,700 |
| Colors: | Purple and Gold |
| Series History: | GSU leads 9-2 |
| Basic Offense: | Multiple I |
| Basic Defense: | 4-3 |
| 2000 Season: | 4-7, 3-5 conf. |
| Head Coach: | Bill Bleil |
| Starters Returning: | 10 off/ 6 def/ 1 spec |
| Players To Watch: | RB Fred Boateng WR Michael Banks LB Seth Hanssen FS Justin Fryer |

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In case you don't keep track of football, the South Carolina Gamecocks finished 0-11 in 1999. After the chemistry flowed, the 2000 team finished 8-4 with an Outback bowl win over Ohio State. It was considered the biggest surprise in I-A football.

Last year, the Catamounts finished 4-7 overall (3-5 SoCon). With a year experience plus good talent and chemistry, WCU could be I-AA's South Carolina.

Junior wide receiver Michael Banks has the optimism. "The chemistry has come together," he said. "We are more like a family this year. It was not like that in 2000. We will be a team to watch out for in the Southern Conference."

Indeed they will be as the Catamount offense returns most of their starters at the skilled positions. Banks and sophomore Lamont Seward are considered two of the most dangerous wide outs in the SoCon. Each had a 1,000 yards receiving and both made the preseason all-conference.

The running game is no slouch, either. Sophomore tailback Fred Boateng rushed for 934 yards and six touchdowns. Along with senior fullback

Walter Gary, who rushed for 101 yards

and paved the way for Boateng, the Catamounts ground attack will be as lethal.

However, the concern is at quarterback. David Rivers is now Kurt Warner's understudy in St. Louis after leaving 2,878 yards passing and 17 touchdowns from last season. Sophomore Brian Gaiter is showing promise in the spring and summer practices. Junior college transfer Pat Cilento will challenge him

Junior free safety Justin Fryer will try to lead the defense. He led the team in interceptions with seven and also broke up four passes.

Senior defensive tackle John Brashear will anchor the line. He recorded 20 tackles (five for losses). He also had four sacks. Senior defensive tackle Jeff Chambers will try to help Brashear by improving his 31 tackles (five for losses) and two-sack performance in 2000.

Junior outside linebacker Seth Hanssen will lead the linebacking corps. He was the second leading tackler with 86.

The schedule is brutal. WCU must travel I-A Louisville, Georgia Southern

and Appalachian State. However, Furman visits Cullowhee. Western Carolina's talents and chemistry could put them at the top of the conference

Unfortunately, it might take them two or three more years to think about the SoCon championship.

Keep your eye on...

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For the last two years, the Walter Payton Award has been awarded to Southern Conference players. Georgia Southern's Adrian Peterson did it 1999, while Furman's Louis Ivory represented the conference in 2000. These two, of course, are candidates to win it again.

However, there may be one more to add to the list from the SoCon. That man is Michael Banks.

That's right. The 5'10", 172-pound, junior will try to improve from a standout season in which he was named second team All-Southern Conference last season. Entering 2001 *The Sports Network* named him the sixth-best wide receiver in I-AA.

"It's a privilege to play for Western Carolina," Banks said. "I could have picked any other college, but Western is like home to me."

The Spotsylvania, Penn. native is definitely comfortable in Cullowhee. He led the Catamounts in receptions (62), receiving yards (1,001), and touchdown receptions (eight). He and teammate Lamont Seward, became the first SoCon duo to each record 1,000 receiving in a season. Bank's 1,001 receiving was the most by a Catamount since Eric Rasheed had 1,091 in 1984.

Despite losing quarterback David Rivers to the St. Louis Rams, Banks feels this year will be a better year for him and his team.

"We lost our leader last year, but with Pat Cilento calling out the shots, we will be fine," he said. "What we have this year that we lacked a year ago was chemistry. Now, our team is like a family away from home." The scary part is that nine offensive starters return, almost assuring Banks an opportunity to improve.



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| School: | East Tennessee State Buccaneers |
| Location: | Johnson City, Tenn. |
| Enrollment: | 11,929 |
| Colors: | Navy Blue and Old Gold |
| Series History: | GSU leads 7-4 |
| Basic Offense: | Multiple |
| Basic Defense: | 4-3 |
| 2000 Season: | 6-5, 4-4 conf. |
| Head Coach: | Paul Hamilton |
| Starters Returning: | 7 off/ 4 def/ 1 spec |
| Players To Watch: | WR Cecil Moore WR Corey Martin OL Chip Pearson SS Ocasio Cofield |

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East Tennessee head coach Paul Hamilton has a tough decision to make.

With one of the best receiving corps in the SoCon, Hamilton must decide on which inexperienced quarterback will get them the ball.

In one corner, a fifth-year senior with six pass attempts in his collegiate career but a familiar handle with the offense. The other signal-caller, a transfer from I-A North Carolina State, doesn't quite know the offense but has a strong arm and fast feet.

So what will Hamilton do? Right now even the fifth-year head coach doesn't know.

"We'll have a good football team regardless, but I'd like to make the quarterback decision before the season starts," he said. "If not, it will be tough on the chemistry."

Entering summer practice Matt Wilhelm had a slight edge. Wilhelm is the one with experience in the system, but not on the field. The senior sat behind the SoCon's all-time total offense leader in Todd Wells and has rarely played.

"He's the type of guy that can win for us," Hamilton said. "He's not flashy but he's solid. He'll execute the offense and take care of the football."

Jatavis Sanders transferred in time for spring practice and made an impression. The 6'0", 180-pound junior caught the coaching staff's attention with his ability to run with the football.

"He's unique here because he can win with his arm and his feet," Hamilton said. "Once he learns, he will be a great quarterback."

Wide receiver Cecil Moore finished third in the league last season with 58 catches and doesn't care which player comes out ahead.

"They're perfectly capable in executing the offense," Moore said. "It wouldn't surprise me if we went into the season and played both quarterbacks. They both have talent."

Whoever wins the job will have a talented cast around him. Moore and Corey Martin each caught over 50 balls last year while sophomore Tim Turner also played well.

ETSU also welcomes back Charvin Clark, a 6'1" junior who caught 27 passes in '99 before sitting out last season because of academic problems.

"We missed his speed," Hamilton said. "With Clark back, we're even more dangerous." Hamilton also thinks the trio of Moore, Martin and Turner, plus tight end Nick Hendrickson, all have the ability to earn all-conference honors.

"I hope we have enough football's to go around," he said.

Ocasio Cofield will lead a defense that will be rebuilding. The senior's 82 tackles make him the team's returning leader on a squad that lost eight starters.

Hamilton is also counting heavily on three transfers at the linebacker position.

North Carolina transfer Marco Bryant missed spring drills rehabbing a shoulder injury but should be ready for the season opener while Mario Vinson and Justin Ranier come into the Buccaneer program with high expectations.

The two Los Angeles Valley College transfers are both expected to start. In fact, Ranier was wanted by I-A Kansas State, whose offer sheet came into Ranier the day after he signed with ETSU.



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Elon

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| School: | Elon Phoenix |
| Location: | Elon College, N.C. |
| Enrollment: | 4,100 |
| Colors: | Maroon and Gold |
| Series History: | GSU leads 2-0 |
| Basic Offense: | Wishbone |
| Basic Defense: | 4-3 |
| 2000 Season: | 7-4, no conference |
| Head Coach: | Al Seagraves |
| Starters Returning: | 6 off/ 5 def/ 0 spec |
| Players To Watch: | RB Robert Downing WR Arketa Banks QB Scott Stevens LB Marshall Rickenbecker |

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A 7-4 season would be considered a disappointment in Statesboro, Boone, or Missoula, but in Elon, N.C., it was a solid season despite the tough schedule.

In 2001, the schedule is as brutal as ever for the Elon Phoenix.

Six of the eleven opponents are 1-AA powerhouses including four that made the 2000 playoffs. "It's probably one of the most difficult and challenging schedules in 1-AA," said head coach Al Seagraves. "It's a bold schedule with great opponents. We have a lot of hard work in front of us."

"It's a kind of schedule that, if we play extremely well, it could bring us national recognition and playoff opportunities. So we have to be on top of our game each week."

Elon will have to, playing Top 10 preseason teams Furman, Western Kentucky, Hofstra and Georgia Southern this season.

The better news is that Elon returns six offensive starters from last year's squad that finished eighth in 1-AA in rushing offense (271.36 yards per game).

The wishbone offense will be anchored by sophomore fullback Raschard Buie and halfbacks Rashaud Palmer (sophomore) and Cecil Mitchell (junior).

Buie had 60 carries for 255 yards and one touchdown. His strength shows he is a true fullback. He bench presses 365 pounds.



Palmer rushed for 195 yards and three touchdowns in his freshman campaign.

He leads returning Phoenix players in average yard per carry at 5.4. Mitchell rushed for 108 yards last season, splitting time at halfback and wide receiver.

Although quarterback Derrick Moore, the all-time Phoenix leader in total offense is gone, junior Scott Stevens seems to be the heir apparent.

He passed for 43 yards and rushed for 69 in eight games.

The Phoenix defense returns five starters from last season.

In 2000, Elon ranked 34th (out of 122 1-AA teams) in rushing defense, allowing 122.91 yards per game.

Elon's 4-3 defense is anchored by a defensive linemen by committee. C.J. Habersham, Ike Herndon, Kahlil Brewster, and Wes Wheeler combined for 73 tackles last year.

However, the heart of the defense will be senior strong safety Marshall Rickenbecker. He recorded 82 tackles.

Seagraves hopes the Phoenix can handle their schedule, finishing between 9-2 and 7-4 with a possible playoff berth.

But with their talent, a 4-7 or a 3-8 season is likely.

PETERSON, FROM PAGE 3B

key on me. Then everybody else can show out. Then they'll be on TV getting interviewed.

"That way, when we're back on the bus we've got something to talk about. Everybody can say what they did in the game instead of what I did. Everybody is on the bus having a good time. I like to see that."

Last season Peterson heard more from other teammates on those bus rides than in previous years. Quarterback J.R. Revere rushed for 976 yards while slotbacks Mark Myers and Andre Weathers ran for 689 and 683 yards, respectively.

In all, the quartet of Peterson, Revere, Myers and Weathers ran for 4,404 yards and 42 touchdowns.

"I really don't care who picks up the yards or gets in the end zone as long as Georgia Southern wins," Peterson said.

Peterson's low key approach is different for someone who has a web site (ApforHeisman.com) and has conducted numerous national interviews promoting him for the game's highest award.

FURMAN, FROM PAGE 4B

with different surroundings off the field, but he saw his role on it change as well.

Ivory was switched from fullback to tailback in spring practice following his freshman year. The move was made to take advantage of Ivory's running skills but he was nervous about that move too.

"Playing fullback at this level was tough because of the size of the people I'm supposed to block and because of my size," he said. "But that was the position I was used to playing. I didn't know how I would do as a tailback but I made the transition well."

That may be an understatement. The Paladins have gone 18-6 with Ivory rushing for an average of 157 yards per game since he became Furman's feature back.

Last season Ivory set a Southern Conference record for rushing yards in a season when he ran for 2,079 yards. For his efforts Ivory won the Walter Payton Award, given to I-AA's top offensive player.

Ivory beat out fellow SoCon player Adrian Peterson for the award. Peterson, who won the Payton Award in '99, has been I-AA's poster boy while drawing more media attention than many I-A stars.

Following his historic 2000 run, Ivory began getting the attention many believe he deserves. Ivory started feeling like a star during the post-season award ceremonies he attended.

There, Ivory met all the stars of college football past and present. The big names awed Ivory at first, but he got used to it.

"I saw all the stars that I grew up watching," he said. "I met Phil Simms—a guy I used to have a poster of on my wall—and got a picture with him. It's definitely different to see people from television and then meet them."

Now Ivory is the one people can't believe they met. Ivory said he gets odd looks from others at restaurants and malls. Several people have eyed Ivory before coming over and asking if he was the guy on the posters around town.

"More people know me than what I had expected," Ivory said.

Ivory will have to produce again this season if he's to keep onlookers wondering if he's the real deal. Most prognosticators

Peterson doesn't like to talk about individual accomplishments, he does like to describe his running style.

"Powerful," Peterson said, "with some grace and a little speed. A combination I guess a lot like Emmitt Smith. He's not a speedster or as quick as some of the other guys. He just uses all of his abilities to make him a great back."

Sewak agrees. "Peterson's ability to cut and move in traffic is phenomenal," he said. "He seems to be working upfield all the time and he never loses any ground on his cuts. He accelerates in bursts from step-to-step, and when he's in the secondary he can go by them."

So with one more season in Statesboro, will Peterson join McNair and former Holy Cross star Gordon Lockbaum as the only I-AA players to make a serious run at the Heisman?

"If there was ever one player that deserved the Heisman it would be him," Sewak said. "The guy deserves all the accolades that we can bestow on him. He might play in a lower level but he's making a name for himself."

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balls for 971 yards and 11 touchdowns. He was second on the team in the first two categories and first on the latter.

DeMatteo also set a I-AA single-game with six touchdowns catches in a 72-17 victory over Mississippi Valley State.

DeMatteo has the right to be cocky. He was selected honorable mention All-American by *The Weekly Football Gazette* and first-team All-Southern Conference.

He also earned the team's offensive Co-Most Valuable Player with Richmond Flowers. Furthermore, he earned a spot on the Athletic Director's Honor Roll for fall semester.

Despite Cos DeMatteo's cockiness, he can walk the walk. As long as he can keep his spit in his mouth, unlike he did with GSU's Lavar Rainey last year, DeMatteo looks to have a good year.



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Three consecutive 5-6 seasons doesn't cut it for DeMatteo. "It makes no sense that we have a good offense and not a winning record," DeMatteo said.

He must have left out the fact that Chattanooga rushed for only 1,259 yards last season. Only Virginia Military had a worse showing in the Southern Conference in 2000.

This year, Mocs coach Donnie Kirkpatrick will install a two-back system on certain situations. DeMatteo is also the only receiver returning, meaning he'll likely see more double coverage. Does that hurt DeMatteo's chances of reaching the pros?

"I just want to win," he said. "Hell, it doesn't matter if I don't catch as many balls than I would like. I just want to do what I can do to help my team win. As far as making it to the pros, I'll let God handle that."

Last season, DeMatteo caught 75



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