

Cancer Society asks smokers to butt out

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Staff Writer

It's time to nip smoking in the butt. According to a survey done last May by Alcohol and Other Drug Education, 31.9 percent of VSU students had used a tobacco product in the past 30 days, 40.6 percent had used one within the past 12 months and 56.5 percent had tried a tobacco product in their life. In a 2000 survey, 35.5 percent of college students had used some kind of tobacco within the last 30 days.

The Great American Smokeout, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, will have its 25th anniversary Tuesday, according to the American Cancer Society website (www.cancer.org). The rules are simple: Quit smoking for the 24 hours of the Smokeout.

"It's a day for people who smoke to quit for 24 hours and thereby encourage them to quit smoking altogether," Mark Williams, coordinator for Alcohol and Other Drug Education, said.

"I plan to quit smoking completely on the 15," Senior LaRee Manning, a telecommunications major, said. "I can't breathe in the morning anymore because of smoking."

The Great American Smokeout is always held on the third Thursday of November.

The idea for the Great American Smokeout grew out of a 1971 event, when Massachusetts resident Arthur P. Mullaney asked people to give up smoking for a day and donate the money they would have spent on cigarettes to a local high school. Then, in

1974, Lynn R. Smith, editor of the Monticello Times in Minnesota, chaired the state's first D-Day, or Don't Smoke Day.

On Nov. 18, 1976, the California division of the American Cancer Society prompted nearly one million smokers to quit for the day. That California event marked the first Smokeout, and the Society made it a national event in 1977.

Today an estimated 47 million U.S. adults smoke. Tobacco use can cause lung cancer, as well as other cancers, heart disease and respiratory disease. Each year smoking is responsible for one out of five deaths. Smoking and smoking-related illnesses are one of the leading causes of death in the United States.

Males, ages 26 to 34, are the most likely group to smoke regularly.

On Smokeout Day, BACHUS and GAMMA Peer Education Network encourage smokers to do the following to help ease their nicotine cravings:

Get rid of all cigarettes, lighters, ashtrays, etc.

Keep active--try walking, exercising, or doing other activities and hobbies.

Drink lots of water and juices.

Begin using the nicotine patch or gum.

Avoid high-risk situations where the

urge to smoke is strong.

Stock up on sugarless gum, cinnamon sticks, carrot sticks and hard candy.

Set up a support system. This could be a group class, Nicotine Anonymous or a friend who has successfully quit

and is willing to help.

In a national survey conducted in 1998 by the Center for Disease Control, the most effective methods for quitting smoking for good are nasal sprays and prescription medications.

Williams said VSU's plans for par-

ticipating in the Great American Smokeout have not yet been finalized, though he plans to get several groups on campus involved.



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Brandy Hayes, freshman art major, and Jimmy Allen, freshman business major enjoy a cigarette break with Ruhl Andrew, sophomore music major. Hayes and Allen do not plan on quitting for the smokeout, though Hayes said she thinks it's a good idea.

Funding available for students

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Staff Writer

With spring semester fees due, college students and their parents are suffering from money on the mind disease. Students needing financial aid can find help at the Financial Aid Office. Students willing to do some research have three options for aid.

Before a student begins his or her search, he or she must first fill out a Free Application for Federal Student Aid. The FAFSA is a way to file for financial aid through the government and it also lets students know if they are eligible for scholarships, such as HOPE, grants, the Pell Grant and loans.

A grant is a type of aid the government

gives a student based on the financial well being of his or her parent(s). Loans are based on financial need and given to students by a school, government or company. Loans must be paid back, but grants are a gift of sorts. There are two different types of loans. Subsidized loans do not accrue interest while a student is in school, but interest begins as soon as the college career is over. Unsubsidized loans accrue interest as soon as the student begins using the money.

A popular way to gain financial aid is through scholarships. Scholarships are given based on achievement, need or other specialized criteria. Many books publish information on scholarships, grants and

loans, and several web sites are available for searches.

One book that VSU recommends in its scholarship information is "The Scholarship Book," written and compiled by Daniel J. Cassidy. The book explains how to apply for scholarships (what should be included in applications) and how to go about writing a letter to get an application. It also shows the reader how to search and how to watch for scams. The book includes a searchable CD-ROM, 4,000 scholarship sources, and 400,000 awards. This book is released with updated information every year. The 2002 version of the book is now available for students looking to find scholarships for next year.

VSU also has a number of scholarships it offers students. Most of its scholarship applications are due by May 1. According to Wanda DeWeese, financial aid counselor and scholarship coordinator, the 2002 booklet will not be available until January. VSU offers three major university-wide scholarships whose recipients are selected by the Office of Admissions. They are the R.B. Whitehead Scholarship, the John and Gertrude Odum Scholarship and the Melvne D. Hardee Scholarship. Only freshmen or transfer students qualify for these scholarships.

Other scholarships are based on either activity or major. The College of the Arts offers 11 scholarships, the College of Arts and Sciences offers six, the College of Business Administration offers seven, the College of Education offers 12, including the HOPE Promise scholarship and the HOPE Teacher

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Core classes closed out due to enrollment hike

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Staff Writer

During the registration week of Oct. 22-26 some students got every single class they needed and wanted, while others spent hours on end just to find out vital classes were closed.

According to James Brignati, vice president for Business and Finance, there are, in fact, fewer classes offered in the spring than fall at VSU.

"Normally we have fewer classes [in the spring] because of lower enrollment," Brignati said.

According to Brignati, as enrollment rises, classes will continue to quickly fill.

"With every term classes will be full," Brignati said. "It's simply a matter of demand and availability."

According to Walter Peacock, director of Admission and Enrollment Management, the budget reduction will not affect faculty positions.

"Normally a class is cut because there are not enough students," Peacock said.

"You can always go to the department head and see about overrides into the class," Peacock said. "And you can also wait for monetary cancellations and students can move in those open slots."

According to Gerald Wright, registrar, the core academic classes most needed by freshmen and sophomores, such as

English, algebra, psychology and American history, are usually closed out soonest.

According to Wright, due to the budget cut, there will probably be less opportunity to add very many new sections and classes in the near future, until the state

budget situation improves.

"We are probably more fortunate than UGA, who according to other press reports will likely have more difficulty meeting class demand," Wright said.



Growing pains

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

What you write and how you write it will make or break your application. Here are some tips, compiled from Daniel J. Cassidy's "The Scholarship Book 2002" and VSU's scholarship information booklet.

- BE COMPLETE.** Make sure to include all information needed; and make sure it is clear.
- BE CREATIVE.** Be sure to show how you are unique and different from other applicants.
- BE NEAT.** Type or neatly write on your application. It is a good idea to get two copies just in case you mess up.
- SUPPORT YOUR CREDENTIALS.** If the scholarship calls for recommendations or examples of work, be sure to include your best works. Get several recommendations, NOT from a parent or guardian. Make sure the person who recommends you knows you well and can write a good description of who you are. SATs and ACTs are also helpful support.
- PROOFREAD.** Make sure you and at least two other people read your application and (if required) your essay.

THE ESSAY

Many scholarships call for an essay. Be sure to let the reader know you, and your goals and why you want this scholarship. Type your essay, and proofread. Be sure to write about any achievements you have received. Describe the time you have spent at your activities, clubs and volunteer works.

CHECKLIST

- Be sure to include:
- Your essay.
 - A list of extracurricular activities or resume if you are in the job market.
 - Transcripts
 - SAT or ACT scores
 - Letters of recommendation
 - Any works, such as articles about you or works that you have.

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POLICE BEAT

October 31

Someone took a student's license plate off her '95 Honda Civic CP in the F/G section of Oak Street parking lot between 9 a.m. and 5:40 p.m.

November 1

Casey Kimberly Glover, 19, of 2848 Willow Wood Circle, was arrested at 2:20 a.m. at Baytree Road and Azalea Drive for DUI alcohol (underage, refused to take a standard field sobriety test), open container of alcohol and failure to maintain lane. She was given a fourth charge: no proof of insurance. She was taken to Lowndes County Jail. She is not a VSU student.

November 2

A white male juvenile was observed damaging Georgia State property at the north side of the Bookstore storage area at the University Center. The case has been turned over to investigations.

Someone caused \$500 worth of damage to a student's vehicle while it was parked in the Jeannette parking lot between 3 and 4:30 p.m.

November 3

Katie Leigh Fletcher, 21, of 101A Keyridge Drive, Leesburg, Ga., was arrested at West Mary and Toombs Street at 3:12 a.m. for DUI alcohol and failure to stop at a stop sign. She is a VSU student.

Someone removed a student's \$75 black and brown Jansport bookbag from the north stairwell of the Fine Arts Building between 4 and 8 p.m. The bookbag contained two music folders and a \$65 music theory book.

Today

Submissions for the 2001-2002 VSU literary magazine, "Odradek," are due Nov. 16 at 5 p.m. in the Odradek mailbox. The mailbox is in the English Department in West Hall 2021.

Submission categories include poetry, prose and essays.

For more information, e-mail Kemia Irving at kcirving@valdosta.edu.

The Association of Computing Machinery meets at 7 p.m. at the computer science tutoring lab in Nevins Hall 2021.

Meetings are usually held at the University Center food court on Thursdays at 7 p.m.

Anyone interested in the latest trends in information technology is welcomed to attend.

For more information, see Dr. David Boyd, professor of mathematics and computer science, or call Esther Tuyul at 241-9395 or e-mail her at eptuyul@valdosta.edu.

Friday

Farber Health Center is conducting free hearing screenings from 9 to 11 a.m.

For more information, call Farber Health Center at 333-5886.

Sunday

Team Jesus Ministries hosts "Praise and Worship" in the University Center theater at 11:30 a.m.

For more information, call LaMeisha Williams at 249-9400.

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Attention, VSU: President Bush has declared Nov. 11-17 as Veterans Awareness Week.

In honor of this, VSU is hosting two special events. The first event is today at 2 p.m. Bill Hoopes, a WWII veteran will speak about his war experiences in the University Center Theater.

Hoopes is a former U.S. Marine paratrooper and a veteran of the Battle of Iwo Jima. He was in the same company as the marines who are pictured raising the American flag atop Mount Surabachi.

Admission is free, but seating is limited.

The second event, a Veterans Day Ceremony in honor of all the men and women who have served our country, takes place on Monday at 10 a.m. at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium. Brigadier Gen. John H. Folkerts, from Moody Air Force Base, is the guest speaker. The event is free and open to the public.



The College of Nursing and Continuing Education hosts a workshop, "HIV/AIDS: The Ultimate Survival," from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Regional Center for Continuing Education auditorium.

The registration fee, which includes materials, lunch and Continuing Education Units credits, is \$15 for VSU students and \$69 for others.

For more agenda and speaker information, visit www.valdosta.edu/conted/Fall2001/programs/courses/health2001.htm. To register, call Continuing Education at 245-6484.

Natural High hosts a '70s night from 8 to 10 p.m. in the Old Gym. There will be a DJ and dancing.

Those in '70s outfits are eligible to win prizes. Free food and drinks will be available.

For information, call the Office of Alcohol & Other Drug Education at 259-5111.



It's time to turn up the heat!

VSU Basketball Night

Tuesday, Nov. 13th

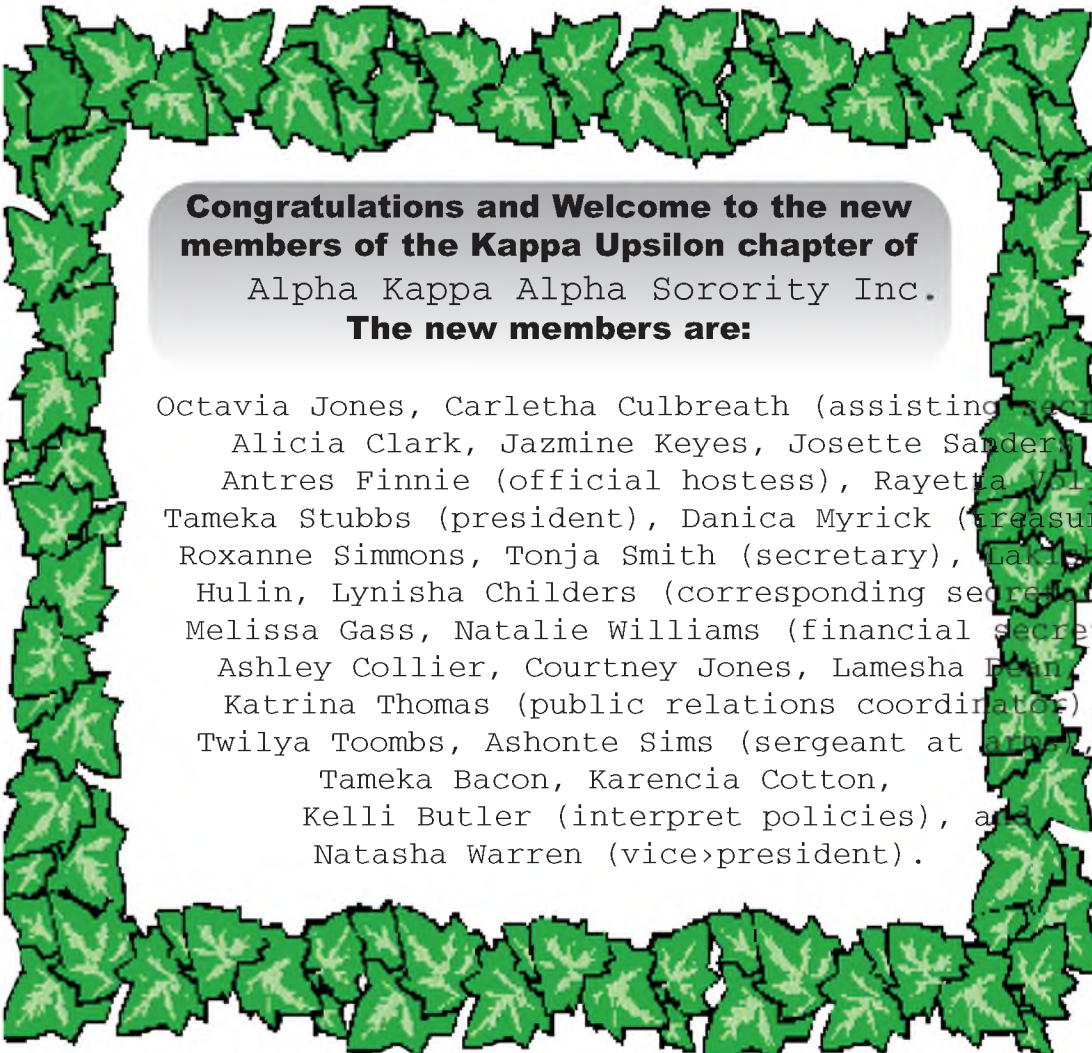
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Grants help research

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Staff Writer

With the recent budget cuts, VSU is emphasizing grants to help the school's income. Grants are "outside" funds given to assist faculty and staff, based on a research proposal. VSU usually receives 60 to 75 grants per year.

According to Dr. Mary Watson, director of Grants and Contracts, VSU provides research grants to full-time faculty in amounts of up to \$900 per year for research. VSU awarded \$33,011.44 in internal grants last year. These grants are very competitive.

External grants are available as well. Last year, VSU faculty earned \$4,607,240.99 in external grants.

"Grants are used for very specific purposes and they can't be used for other things," Dr. Watson said.

Faculty research grants are awarded through VSU's office of grants and contracts. The money for these grants is from the state or places such as the National Science Agency, Georgia Department of Education or Turner Foundation.

"There is a little bit more emphasis on trying to get grants for research and professional development" Dr. Watson said.

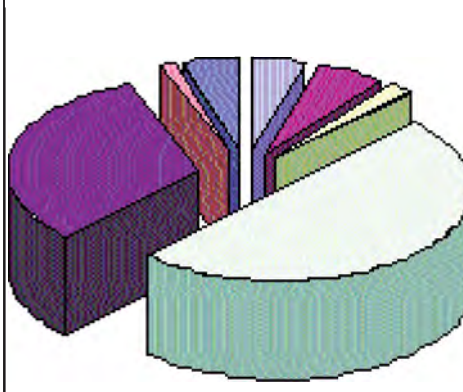
The office of Grants and Contracts plays a part in that emphasis.

"We make an effort to get information to faculty on a continual basis," Dr. Watson said.

According to Dr. Watson, a graduate assistant in her office is responsible for keeping up to date with new announcements and deadlines. The office keeps a list of faculty interests and when grant information matches faculty interest, Dr. Watson makes an effort to apprise the faculty member of due dates and application requirements.

One VSU professor, Dr. Thomas Manning, associate

Amount of external grants by College*



All amounts rounded to nearest whole dollar. *includes institutional grants

1	Arts:	\$19,000
2	Arts & Sciences:	\$270,975
3	Business:	\$106,850
4	Education:	\$2,284,726
5	Institutional:	\$1,482,706
6	Nursing:	\$40,321
7	Social Work	\$222,663

professor of chemistry, recently received a grant for chemistry research. Dr. Manning received a second Small Business in Innovative Research contract from the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration, which is a subsidiary of the Department of Commerce.

This semester Dr. Manning is working on a project with VSU students Tice Umberger, Stacy Strickland, Derek Lovingood, Tony Bennett, Myra Sherrill and Amy Feldman. Dr. Manning and the students are researching the Suwannee river basin—from the Okefeenokee Swamp to the Gulf of Mexico—a stretch 220 miles long. They are looking at "humic" substances, which Dr. Manning says are "brown muck on the bottom of the river." While researching, Dr. Manning and the group found chincodine. This substance is derived from a molecule called quinine. In the Civil War, soldiers and citizens gathered quinine from the bark of trees to treat malaria symptoms.

"The molecule we found (chincodine) was never ID'd before in North America," Dr. Manning said.

Another area Dr. Manning and his students are researching involves a molecule called bryostatin.

"Bryostatin has strong anti-cancer properties and is being tested on various forms of cancer at medical centers throughout the U.S.," Dr. Manning said.

This discovery could prove important.

"The National Cancer Institute had to extract 14 tons of bryozoa to get 3 oz of bryostatin," Dr. Manning said. "In spring 2000, VSU filed a provisional patent on this idea."

Dr. Watson handled the application with the United States Patent Office. According to Dr. Manning, VSU now owns the idea.

To apply for grants, faculty and staff must write a proposal for research and send it to Dr. Watson. The Faculty Research Committee meets once a month to review research applications, and proposals must be given to Dr. Watson one week prior to the meeting.

For further information go to www.valdosta.edu/grants.

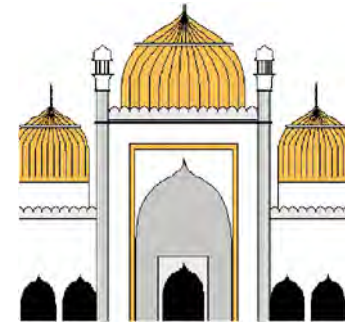
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Seminars educate VSU about crisis

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Staff Writer

Call it crisis management. The Center for International Programs and Teaching Circle Two are sponsoring a series of four one-hour presentations on the current crisis.

Faculty members will host presentations. The remaining presentation will be Nov. 27 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. in the UC Theater. This week's presentation entitled "The Many Faces of Islam" featured a four-person



panel representing different aspects of Islamic traditions.

Many students showed up to fill the theater and ask the panel questions.

The next presentation, "The U.S. - Israel Connection," will

feature the same panel.

The series is geared to bringing insight to certain topics to further educate the VSU community beyond what news stations are delivering.

The final presentation is called "Terrorism: Defining Our Terms."

For further information, contact David Starling at 333-7410.

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Red Cross criticized for use of relief fund donations

The Red Cross has taken in over \$564 million for the Liberty Fund, yet has only distributed \$154 million. The Red Cross chose to put aside nearly half of the money for future needs after helping 25,000 families with temporary shelter, food, counseling and cash assistance. Outgoing President of the Red Cross, Dr. Bernadine Healy, said previous donations had also helped prepare the service organization for Sept. 11.

Interest in studying overseas declines

Schools are beginning to notice a decline in students interested in studying abroad after Sept. 11. Though fall numbers were only marginally affected because most students left before Sept. 1, overseas study coordinators fear a decrease in applications for spring. Study abroad leaders emphasize the world situation only stresses the importance of studying abroad.

Bush and Blair promise to continue campaign against terrorism

President George W. Bush told Americans Wednesday "we will prevail," one day after declaring nations could not be neutral. He also continued to encourage nations to work together in the war against terrorism. Meeting with President Bush, British Prime Minister Tony Blair said the campaign against terrorism would not end with the military phase. The campaign would continue to work towards a "broad-based regime" to lead Afghanistan "after the present Taliban regime led by Mullah Omar is out of the way."

Pope endorses Internet; names Patron Saint of Cyberspace

An announcement from the Vatican Tuesday revealed Pope John Paul II declared the theme of next year's World Communications Day will be "Internet: A New Forum for Proclaiming the Gospel." The Pope is also close to naming a sixth-century Spanish priest, St. Isidore of Seville, as patron saint of cyberspace.

Expo expects 200 students

Leah F. Cassorla
Staff Writer

More than 200 students are expected to attend the Fall Education Career Day on Nov. 20 in the P.E. Complex.

Winifred Collins, director of Career Services, said she expects representatives from more than 90 school systems to attend. She said the career day is being held during Thanksgiving break because most students who will be available for hire starting next semester will still be here completing student teaching.

The Education Career Day begins at 10 a.m. with a walk-through session until 11:30 a.m. During this time, employers will speak with students and arrange interviews for later in the day. Starting at 11:30, the school system representatives will interview students until 2 p.m.

"Come early," Collins said. "School systems that don't have scheduled interviews will leave around noon."

Collins said because some of the employers travel far to come to the career day, they will leave early and get back on the road if there is no student traffic, but even if the only appointment a representative has is at the end of the day, the representative will stay. There will be representatives from Florida, Maryland and Virginia, in addition to the Georgia school system representatives. There may also be some systems in Texas represented.

Collins suggests that students dress professionally, bring sev-

eral copies of their resumes and any supporting documents such as Praxis scores.

The list of participating school systems is available online at www.valdosta.edu/career, and is updated regularly. Collins said students should look at the list, research each system and its location. Information about the systems is available at Career Services on the second floor of Powell Hall West.

"I can promise students they'll have a job if they keep an open mind and are willing to be flexible," Collins said.

She explained if a student is flexible and accepts a job that's not exactly what he or she is looking for, the student is likely to find the experience helpful when the student later applies for the job he or she really wants.

The active search for a job after graduation should begin at the start of senior year.

"Students underestimate how long it takes," Collins said.

She emphasized the first two steps are researching the market and developing a potential contact list, and putting together an effective resume. Collins said that resume will have to be updated regularly.

"Those are the two most boring parts," Collins said. "But the two must get done before anything else, and the two are going to take the most time."

The Fall Education Career Day is open to all. Career Services can be reached at 333-5942.

Sources available for 2002 school year scholarships

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including the HOPE Promise scholarship and the HOPE Teacher Scholarship. The College of Nursing offers seven miscellaneous scholarships, including The Air Force ROTC Scholarship, number 18. The athletic department offers four scholarships, including the Jesse F. Tuggle scholarship and the Billy Grant scholarship.

VSU offers a General Scholarship Application, which is available in the financial aid. This scholarship deadline is due May 1.

The Internet has a wealth of sites for searching scholarships. Five major sites recommended by the financial aid department are the fastWEB site at www.fastweb.com, FinAid, at www.finaid.org, the Georgia Department of Education, at www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/, the Resource Pathways' College Financial Aid Resources at

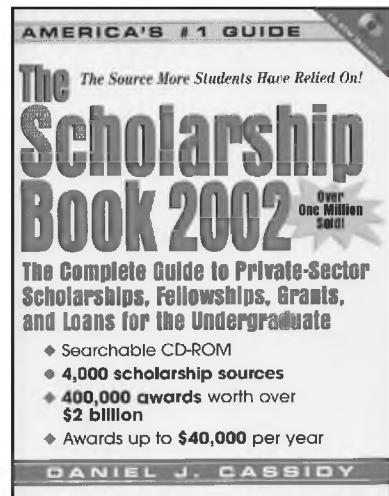
www.sourcepath.com, and UCI Financial Aid at www.fao.uci.edu.

Even though most sources are legitimate, there are still scams out there.

"Never pay anyone," DeWeese said. "We [financial aid] do not recommend any sources that ask for money. If there is a fee involved, it's not on the up and up."

"The Scholarship Book 2002," gives tips to figuring out if a scholarship is a scam or not.

If a service guarantees a scholarship, the scholarship is likely a scam. Other information about scholarship scams can be found on a site designed by the Federal Trade Commission at



Scholarship books, like the one pictured above, can be found in local libraries or at any bookstores.

http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/conline/edcams/scholarship/index.html. For more information on scholarships or other financial aid, contact the financial aid department at 333-5935.

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This too shall pass

Since the beginning of the year, the Spectator has run a series of articles on the front page titled Growing Pains. Each article deals with a different effect of increased enrollment. The stories have dealt with everything from class sizes to housing to registration.

We chose to create this series in order to help students better understand the changes taking place around them. VSU is in the wonderful and terrible position of growing faster than predicted. Three years ago, VSU chose to raise standards—early—to the new level decided upon by the Board of Regents. At first, enrollment dropped, but, now, VSU has reached and surpassed its previous enrollment levels. We have even surpassed most schools in the University System.

Growth has, in some ways, been a curse. The budget is based on numbers from previous years, which left it tight at the beginning of the year. Since then, Georgia has hit a recession, and the budget is being cut again, placing VSU in an even tighter spot.

Core classes are tough to find because there are more of us than before and because there is less money to open up new sections than before, but that won't always be the case.

But growth has definitely been a blessing. VSU is growing and so is our reputation. The growth we struggle with today means more revenue and greater resources tomorrow. The university we graduate from will be better than the one we began our studies at.

The Spectator hopes that by understanding the difficulties we face now as well as their cause will help us all keep our eyes on the prize—a better VSU.

As students, we have a tendency to see things in terms of the four years we spend here, but the long run affects each of us as much as the immediate future does. Our degrees are forever, and the better our alma mater, the more the degree means.

There will be mistakes made on the way; change is a rough road to travel. But we must not allow the bumps to scare us into stagnation.

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Courage, Brother

On Sept. 9, HBO launched its highly touted miniseries "Band of Brothers."

It tells the story of Easy Company, a group of World War II soldiers trained in Toccoa, Ga. It follows them through training camps in Toccoa all the way to their capture of Hitler's private Third Reich eagle's nest in the Bavarian town of Berchtesgaden. The 10-part series concluded Sunday night.

"Band of Brothers" is the best show I've ever seen on TV—bar none.

For a little perspective, I am a sports freak. I would like nothing more than to watch football all day long. I am a Weekend Warrior. I play football with my own band of brothers every weekend.

That someone as sports-consumed as I am could find the time to watch anything other than ESPN should be astounding. I found "Band of Brothers" to be nothing less than astounding.

HBO's \$120 million series is a gem; its characters are heroes.



Phillip Boyd

The story is amazing—made more so because the events are real.

Superman would have been hard-pressed to live through the D-Day invasion at Normandy. Easy Company did. These men were known as the Battling Bastards of Bastogne for their tenacity in holding the line in Bastogne while under artillery fire from the Germans.

That these men withstood such a barrage and continued to fight to war's end is simply incredible. Those fortunate enough to have watched this series should agree.

It is noteworthy that Tom Hanks signed on as an executive producer for "Band of Brothers." He is consumed by

WWII, having done documentaries, movies and now a TV series on the subject. This was no Jerry Bruckheimer "Pearl Harbor" piece of crap. The men of that tragedy deserved better. Hanks and Company saw that this work would be worthy of its lofty subjects. While the point of the show was first to entertain it should not be overlooked that our WWII vets gave the ultimate sacrifice for their country by going to war and should be honored as having done so.

Anyone in Hollywood attempting to do war-related work should look at "Band of Brothers" before filming. Those who fail to do so should be blacklisted or be relegated to doing "Talk Soup" for the remainder of their miserable careers.

Kudos to HBO for not screwing this one up.

According to Blockbuster's website, www.blockbuster.com, "Band of Brothers" is not yet available on VHS to rent or buy.

Mailbox

Long live the Queen

Dear Editor:

I couldn't help but wonder when I read Tameika Carson's article entitled "Homecoming Queen...now what?" whether or not the said article would've been written and printed had a black candidate been selected for the honour of Homecoming Queen.

That's what it is: an honour. Holly Blount didn't ask to be Homecoming Queen—she was nominated and selected, fair and square. The fact that the

five final candidates were all white was pure coincidence. I personally voted for three black candidates and was disappointed to not see their names on the Homecoming Court list.

Whether or not Ms. Carson intended her article to be offensive, it was. The crappy computer art of the stick figure with a crown on her head didn't make it any more appealing. I've lived in Valdosta all my life, and I've never seen race relations be such an issue as they are here at VSU. The Greek system directly reflects VSU's student body as a whole: complacently segregated. As an employee of VSU, I recently had the opportunity to go through Diversity Training. The Office of Equal

Opportunity Programs & Multicultural Affairs did an outstanding job of presenting us with information to help us get past prejudices and stereotypes that have been inherent, especially in the South, for years and years. It wouldn't be a bad idea to offer a similar class as a required course here at Valdosta State. It would do everyone, myself included, a lot of good.

We're going to have to put aside all our petty grudges if we ever intend to break the vicious cycle of racism that VSU has fostered for decades.

Brian Tucker
Freshman
English



Got something to say?

Open mic on this page every week at the Spectator.

Time to prioritize, America

Lenore Skenazy
Special to Spectator

As I was just saying to myself in the aftermath of the terrorist attacks, "Now, more than ever, it is time for small companies to invest in a robust permission E-mail service that provides a comprehensive set of personalized E-mail marketing technologies."

Surely you feel the same?

Or perhaps the most wanton act of mass murder in the nation's history has left you patriotically musing—along with the co-chairwoman of the Leominster, Mass., Rotary Club—"Now, more than ever, we need ... the seventh-annual Leominster High School Breakfast for the Bands."

Right on!

Oh ... you actually hadn't been giving a lot of thought to that? Well, at least have you been thinking, "Now, more than ever, financial advisers can make clients feel secure," as one national network of (surprise!) financial advisers has kindly pointed out?

No? Well, clearly you have not been paying enough attention to all the urgent "now, more than ever" messages besieging us since Sept. 11.

We may be in the midst of an unparalleled crisis, but a bunch of the country's brightest minds have decided that "now, more than ever" what we need is not world peace, it's—aluminum siding! Or an end to the capital-gains tax! Or the peace of mind that can come only from quality eyewear!

OK, perhaps the phrases "life will never be the same" and "Rudy for Emperor!" are slightly more popular. But when it comes to pure post-apocalypse self-interest, N.M.T.E. reigns supreme.

As in, "Now, more than ever, manufacturers and the business sectors alike face the urgent need to develop the proper economic stance to ..." blah blah blah. Thus (according to press accounts), the National Association of Manufacturers recently begged President Bush for a bunch of new tax breaks.

Breaks they wanted before.

"Now, more than ever, we're committed to growth!" announced an equally altruistic venture capital company last week. And before the attacks it was, what, only kind of committed to growth?

No, "Now, more than ever" is just the newest attention-grabbing, pseudo-selfless way of saying, "STILL." We STILL want your business. We STILL want those tax cuts. We STILL come first, damnit, but we're cloaking this fact in soul-stirring new terms.

To coin another phrase: Shut up already! It's time to retire "Now, more than ever" more than ever.

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What complications--if any--are you experiencing this semester due to the increase in enrollment?



"Living on campus was difficult. I didn't think I had a room, then I had a room, so I moved in, then I had to move rooms again."

Terika Belcher
Freshman
Undecided



"Parking is the main problem. If I do get a space it is way in the back, so I end up walking further than if I walk from my house."

Jason Howell
Senior
Middle Grades
Education



"Registration was tedious because a lot of classes were unavailable because they were full."

Melissa Ferguson
Sophomore
Marketing



"Parking space--there isn't enough. Too many people are leaving their cars on campus overnight--use Oak Street!"

Drapier Johnson
Freshman
Human Resources



"I don't see anything wrong with higher enrollment. VSU needs the money anyway."

Adam Rondeau
Mass Media
Senior

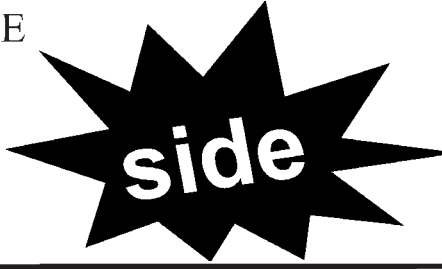


"Living in temporary housing and waiting for a place to open up is probably the biggest inconvenience."

Sally Dykes
Psychology
Freshman

Editor's Note

BAR



If you have ideas or comments about the Darkside page, contact Darkside editor, Jeremiah Bass at jwbass@valdosta.edu

Jeremiah W. Bass Staff Writer

So what do you do if you are a single student? I mean, how do you sit back and enjoy, it's about to get ugly [yea, yeah]!

Well, there are many singles at VSU. I think instead of trying to snag the first available hottie who comes along, singles should learn about, and use, the perks of being alone.

First of all, you dateless VSU students have the freedom to enjoy your own bowel movement smells, guilt not included. There's nothing quite like the

freedom of being able to fart as loud as your anus allows. And I mean big-time farts, the kind where you break so much wind you can create your own ecosystem or biosphere [not quite that extreme].

When you gotta go, you gotta go, right? So why not just enjoy the fact that you can become one with your butt-hole? Hey, do you know what planet farts were developed from? Uranus! Get it? YOUR ANUS?

Another perk to being single is the fact you can hold on to more of your money. It's been my experience that chicks always want the best of everything, and most of them don't believe in paying half, of anything! Not even for a single chicken nugget [look, I never said I wasn't cheap, okay?].

And I always get left with the short end of the stick! Singles, let me tell you now, don't be an idiot like me and get taken for everything you've got.

Hold on to your stash [I'm talking money, not weed, although, if you got any extra...]. What can you do with extra money? I don't know, um, buy some pornos or you can go to Taco Bell and fill up on gorditas and go back home to become one with your anus! Yeah, spread the love of the Bell!

If you're a single guy and chew dip, you don't have to worry about brushing your teeth every time you get ready to hook up with some young lady. As for dippers who are dating someone: you know that

if you are chewing, the tobacco is gonna be all between your teeth, and girlfriend ain't even tryin' to hear that! She's gonna want those teeth pearly-white



and that breath smelling fresh before she goes anywhere near your mouth. Why put up with that? If she can't accept you for the true dipper that you are, then why are you doing this to yourself? Get out of the trap, dude, before she completely takes over. Save yourself!

As for single dudes: chew your dip freely, knowing that you don't have to worry about washing it out before locking

lips with some chick! If you are a single chick and you chew dip, well, then, you've just got problems! Can't help ya! So, anyway...moving along.

Another good thing about being single is knowing there are no worries when it comes to checking out the opposite sex, and you know what I mean by the phrase, "checking out."

I love to check out the ladies, and I know that a lot of you guys who are locked-down with some chick like to get in a peek or two whenever and wherever you can.

But knowing your 'woman' is eyeing your every move makes it harder to get your sneak peek. Checking out the opposite sex with no feelings of guilt is awesome, but know-

ing you aren't tied down, well, that's just an added bonus, you know?

So us single VSU students should enjoy our loneliness sometimes, instead of soaking it up like a biscuit to gravy. Get out. Have some fun. Don't let the guilt get to you. Screw that.

Besides, maybe this isn't the time for that special someone to come into your life and sweep you off your feet, you know? It'll happen, soon enough.

Whatever you do, don't blame yourself...blame Monica Lewinsky! Why blame her, you ask? Uh, I don't know, I guess I just ran out of things to write about. And I don't like her. Whatever.

Besides, she sucks [no pun intended]!

Gimme some lovin , baby!

Mary Dabbs Staff Writer

So you are in college and feel it's time to have a meaningful relationship—one that's not found at the bottom of a beer can or purchased for \$50.

I know the "R" word can be scary to some; hell, it took me long enough to even hear the word relationship without suffering from a gag reflex—but if you've decided to delve into that aspect of adult life, then you need to go out armed.

As a public service to all of my VSU brethren, I offer the following advice.

No matter what, stay away from military men. No good

will come of it, as my ex-dorm mate can attest to. Yeah, they look cute in uniforms, but puppies look cute right before they piddle on your floor. So stay away from Moody men, Marinecorgazims and other such things if you're looking to get serious.

The next step is to follow proper hygienic procedures and make sure your potential significant other does likewise.

Nothing kills the mood like body funk; this sounds like a no-brainer, this should be a no-brainer, but alas it isn't.

One of my very good friends has spent the last year and a half single. He has also spent the last year and a half trying to save on his water bill by show-

ering only on alternate Tuesdays. Somehow he doesn't see a correlation between the two events.

He is also the type of guy who thinks that he can find that special someone on the Internet, which makes him yet another negative example in the dating world.

The Internet, second only to clubs when it comes to bad places to find a good match, can suck you in.

Chat groups lure the unwary, and even in groups focusing on the life cycle of lichen people get off-topic and ask for a more intimate chat in a private room.

If cyber-sex is your thing then it's your thing. Just don't expect the person that gives great cyber-sucks to be your soul mate.

Now for the most important—and paradoxical—bit of

advice: if you want to find a relationship then don't look for one! Silly, sad and true.

When you stop looking for a relationship one will practically bite you on the butt. That's how I found my knight in shining blue jeans.

Besides, relationships are nice and all, but before you get into one you have to know how to be on your own first.



After all, the saying "if you can't love yourself, then how can you love someone else" wasn't talking about masturbation.

It was referring to a person's ability to accept who they are and cherish it.

Got something to say about columnist Mary Dabbs article? Hold that thought... she can be reached at kamikazeflutterby@hotmail.com

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Biology teacher receives grant

Lindsey Giddens
Staff Writer

Why do mosquitoes buzz in people's ears? To spread diseases that's why.

When West Nile Virus appeared in Lowndes County last summer, Dr. Mark Blackmore, assistant professor of biology, jumped at the chance to do a little research.

"It was something that I had been interested in for a while," Dr. Blackmore said. "It's been my field of research to study vectors of viral diseases."

According to Dr. Blackmore, vectors are insects that transmit diseases.

Working in the vector biology laboratory at Notre Dame 10 years ago, Dr. Blackmore became interested in studying disease-carrying insects. When West Nile came here, Dr. Blackmore had planned to work on a project that involved studying vectors.

"I just got lucky," Dr. Blackmore said. "I had already planned on submitting a grant to research vectors."

According to Dr. Blackmore, the Center for Disease Control sent a team, which he worked along with to collect mosquitoes. These mosquitoes were tested to see if they had the virus and to discover which species carried the virus.

"Some species are better at transmitting diseases than others," Dr. Blackmore said. "We were to find which ones, figure

out when they bite and figure out what kind of habitats they lived in so we could learn how to control them more."

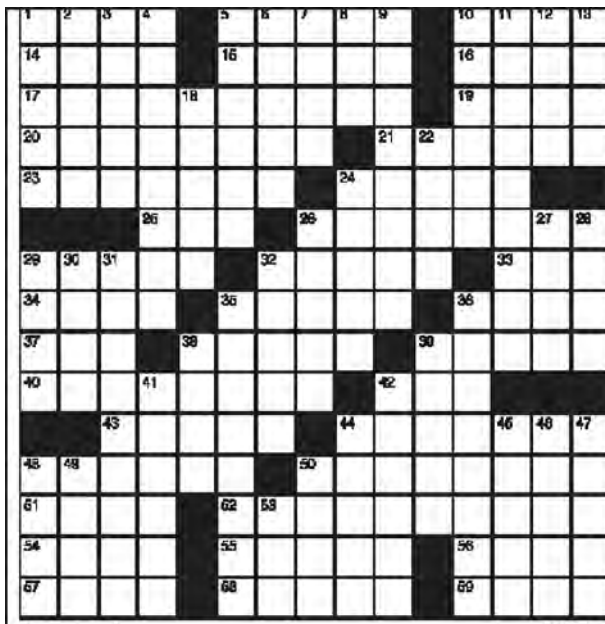
When the CDC team left Lowndes County after a week of research, Dr. Blackmore continued to study the mosquitoes with a grant provided by the South District Health Office. The grant allowed for Dr. Blackmore to do mosquito surveillance, collect mosquitoes, trap them and identify species. Once trapped, the mosquitoes are sent to Fort Collins in Colorado to the CDC lab.

Dr. Blackmore's grant from the South District Health Office provided \$8,000 to pay for student salaries. Dr. Blackmore has five students currently helping him with this research.

"Another \$2,000-\$3,000 in equipment, traps, etc., is kind of a permanent loan," Dr. Blackmore said.

"We hope to ultimately have some permanent monitoring of mosquitoes to monitor disease and control," Dr. Blackmore said. "If we can identify larval habitats before mosquitoes become adults we can come up with things more bio-friendly [to get rid of them]."

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Maze a 'corny' place for scary fun

Blenda Link
Staff Writer

A-maze-ing. Who ever thought getting lost in a 10-acre cornfield might be fun? A man half an hour away has the answer - in Jennings, Fla.

The Sugarberry Acres Cornfield Maze, which is family-owned and operated, is the first in Fla., according to one owner, Mike Jones. He said the idea came from a chain of franchises.

"This is our first year doing this," Jones said. He said he and his family plan to do the corn maze again next year with a different pattern.

Jones' brother-in-law, Terry McCulley, said the two worked together on this project.

"I'm the farmer and he's the business man," he said.

On Oct. 27, during the "Field of Screams," three friends and I went to check out the place.

The field looked innocent enough at 5 p.m. in broad daylight when we bought our tickets. But at 9 p.m., when daylight had vanished, we started having doubts about the boogymen that might be hiding among the cornstalks. What a difference a few hours and darkness make.

None of us had been in a

"haunted" cornfield before. Let alone one that formed a walk-through maze.

By the light of the moon and the one army flashlight I had brought along "just in case," we stumbled our way back and forth across the same circular paths, leading us nowhere. After a stubborn half hour, we decided to start back at square one. On the way back, we found a crumpled sheet of paper on the ground that looked like a list of clues.

We traced our way back to the entrance and asked the snack lady (who also sold the tickets) what we were doing wrong. She gave us the help

we had needed: a list of 10 questions whose answers would lead you in the right direction.

Along the way, we ran into three or four spooky characters. We affectionately called them Meat Cleaver Man, Chainsaw Man (yes, he cranked a real chainsaw) and the Grim Reaper.

Once we were inside the heart of the maze, we came across a semi-circle of graves. Lying in one grave was a man that resembled Jason. While we stupidly stood there trying to figure out if he was real or not, we saw a tall, black figure quietly walking toward us.

Then Jason jumped out of his grave and we heard the intermittent buzzing of a chain saw. The saw cranked really loud and Chainsaw Man jumped in our faces. We kicked it in high gear and ran in another direction.

Eventually we made it across and under the six-foot tall bridge toward the end of the maze and came out alive. Now we can't wait to come back for next year's "Field of Screams."

According to Terry McCulley, the maze should be open the rest of this month and possibly part of December.

"It just depends on how long

the crop [cornstalks] can handle it," he said.

Tickets costs \$5.50 for adults, \$4.50 for children under 12 and \$2.50 for children under five.

The maze operates Thursday and Friday from 3 p.m. to dark, Saturday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 7 p.m.

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Novelty store opens in Remerton

Laura Justin
Staff Writer

Everybody wants to feel sexy.

At least, this is the philosophy Jo Epling was riding on when she and general manager Dennis Hill opened her new intimate lingerie and adult novelty store, House of Dreams, in Remerton.

"I wanted to get out of corporate and away from the stress," Epling said. "I love shoes and thought about opening a shoe store, but I didn't think I could compete in a small town. I tried to think of something that

wasn't being provided in Valdosta."

This is when Epling's idea for a novelty shop began to emerge.

"We wanted to provide sexy lingerie, and there aren't any sexy places here," Epling said. "With the idea for adult novelty toys, that was the draw that would cinch it."

From there the process took off quickly. Epling and Hill found a building for lease and waited for the next City Council meeting to present their plan.

"After presenting my idea to Remerton City Council, they did ask about how the novelties would be displayed. I wanted the store to have a very open atmosphere, so I



Laura Justin / The Spectator

House of Dreams, on 1802 Plum St., is a new adult novelty and intimate lingerie store in Remerton. Leather outfits and dancewear are some of the items the store features.

agreed not to let anyone under 18 in, to preserve that openness. I needed three votes to

open, but I got a unanimous vote of four."

Epling and Hill officially

opened for business Oct. 19. They've had an incredible turnout and are already on their fourth inventory order. The community seems to be accepting them well, and so far they haven't had any negative encounters.

"It's been fantastic, so far," Epling said. "I've been pleasantly surprised. The people have thoroughly enjoyed coming here, they seemed at ease. We've seen every class, every walk of life in our store."

House of Dreams carries sexy dancewear, intimate lingerie, leathers, shoes and adult novelty toys and can order just about any item requested. They also have specialty items such as lubricants, a Kama Sutra line and flavored gels.

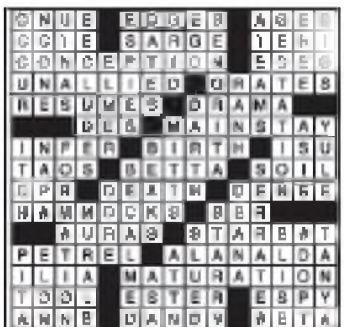
They choose not to carry magazines or films.

"We want this to be a very relaxed atmosphere," Hall said. "We don't want women to feel overwhelmed by men when trying on the lingerie."

So far Epling has seen a variety of people entering the shop, some curious, some looking to feel sexy.

"I'm not here to judge anyone," Epling said. "When people purchase our items, I'm not questioning their purpose. I'm just here to enhance relationships."

House of Dreams is located on 1802 Plum St. in Remerton just behind Buffalo's Cafe. Their hours are 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.



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Blazers attempt perfect 11

Matt Stewart
Staff Writer

The West Georgia Braves like the role of spoiler. They've played the part before.

UWG will try to ruin the Blazers' perfect season Saturday at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium and deny VSU an outright Gulf South Conference championship.

Last weekend, the Blazers guaranteed themselves at least a tie for the GSC title with a 56-14 win over Ouachita Baptist in Arkadelphia, Ark. The last time VSU clinched a share for the conference crown a week prior to the regular season finale, UWG upended Hal

Mumme's Blazers 42-21 in Valdosta.

The Braves tuned up for Saturday's in-state rivalry with a 49-0 shellacking of North Alabama. Kickoff is set for 1 p.m.

Blazer offense

The "Air Raid" offense's streak of six straight games scoring over 50 points might be nearing its end. Quarterback Dusty Bonner has played in only one full game this season, a 42-34 comeback at Central Arkansas. He might have to stick around for the entire 60 minutes in this

leads the conference in interceptions (6) and pass breakups (13). The other corner, Marquis Floyd, is second in the GSC with five picks. The safeties, Nate Coggins and Travis Williams, really like to hit. They rank seventh and eighth in the conference with 90 and 86 tackles, respectively.

Blazer defense

The Blazers are first in the GSC in scoring defense (12.1 points/game), rushing defense (98.4 yards/game) and total defense (267 yards/game). The "Black Swarm" could have its hands full with Braves' All-America tailback Nick Price, if he's healthy.

Brave offense

Price was injured on his second carry of the game against UNA last Saturday. The Harlon Hill candidate had rushed for 1,177 yards on 193 carries (117.7 yards/game) before suffering an ankle injury against the Lions. Price is listed as questionable for Saturday's game and so are UWG's chances of hanging with the No. 1 team in the country without its senior workhorse.

Final Prediction

Blazers 44
Braves 20

one.

Brave defense

UWG has arguably the best secondary in the conference-- make that the nation. Cornerback Daetwan Wells



Up Next:
#1 Valdosta State vs. #21 West Georgia
Saturday, 1 p.m.
Bazemore-Hyder Stadium
Radio: 107.9 F.M.
-Saturday's Shuttle bus schedule
Free parking shuttle service from Oak Street to Bazemore-Hyder Stadium begins at 11:30 a.m. and runs until 1:30 p.m. Return service will start at the beginning of the fourth quarter.
-Saturday is "Jessie Tuggle Day"
VSU will honor former Pro-Bowl linebacker and Blazer standout Jessie Tuggle at half-time of the VSU-West Georgia game.
-VSU Hall of Fame Class of 2002
The VSU Athletic Department will announce the 2002 selections for the Blazer Hall of Fame Saturday at the half.
-Selection Sunday
The Blazers will find out their playoff fate Sunday at noon when the NCAA selection committee chooses the South Regional playoff match-ups.



Nathan White / The Spectator

Senior swing Madalyn Loehr played in her last college volleyball match Tuesday at the Complex

Lady Blazers win season finale

Staff Reports

The Lady Blazers closed out their season with a 3-0 sweep of Georgia Southwestern State University in the Complex, sending seniors Anna Einarsdottir, Madalyn Loehr and Jeanna Talley out with a win.

VSU (15-18, 6-10 Gulf South Conference) cruised past non-conference foe Georgia Southwestern State (14-15), winning 30-13, 30-25 and 30-15.

will miss the GSC tournament for the first time in their careers, falling one game short of fourth place in the conference.

Einarsdottir, senior setter, finished the match with 32 assists and 12 digs. Loehr, senior swing, and Talley, senior middle, both drilled 10 kills on the night.

Junior Suzy Watson, middle, helped to send her senior teammates out in style with 13 kills and 11 digs.

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- 2. Tuskegee (7-1)*
- 3. Central Arkansas (9-1)
- 4. Catawba (8-1)
- 5. Winston-Salem St. (8-2)
- 6. Fort Valley St. (7-2)
- 7. Virginia Union (7-2)
- 8. Arkansas Tech (7-2)
- 9. West Georgia (8-2)
- 10. Tusculum (7-1)

*--chase to play in bowl game instead of Division II playoffs.

--NCAA selection committee picks top four teams from region to participate in post-season play.

We're going to get around the ball; we're going to swarm.
-Blazer defensive end Fatari Lyons on stopping Braves' All-America tailback Nick Price

Free football play-off tickets available

Brandon Scott
Staff Writer

If VSU defeats West Georgia Saturday, it will secure home field advantage in the first round of the NCAA Division II playoffs Nov. 17. But winning comes at a price.

That price is ticket cost. VSU students wishing to see the game will not be able to use their student ID for free admission.

In addition to the increased ticket prices, Russ Mast, acting vice president of Student Affairs, fears students might not stay for the playoff game because it would fall during Thanksgiving Break.

In response, Student Affairs has bought 1,000 tickets to be given away to VSU students. "We know that the students get out of school on the 16th for the Thanksgiving holidays," Mast said. "We want to

add some incentive for staying to support the football team."

Students will be able to pick up free tickets beginning Monday. Students will receive one ticket per VSU ID. Tickets will be distributed at the Student Affairs office during normal business hours (8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through

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Tickets see page 10

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