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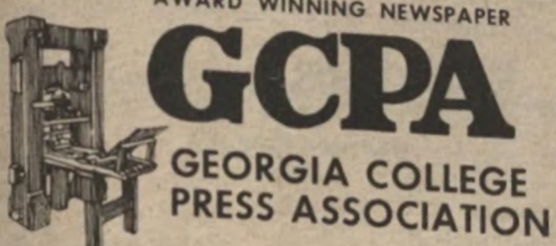
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Blazers win GSC Southern Division

by MITCH CLARKE
Spectator Sports Editor

The Valdosta State Blazers clinched the Southern Division of the Gulf South Conference with a 2-1 and 4-3 doubleheader sweep of Mississippi College last Saturday night.

The Blazers will host the Northern Division champion Jacksonville State in a best of three series to decide the conference champion April 29-30. The winner gets an automatic berth in the CAA Regional Tournament.

"I'm a little relieved it's over," said baseball coach Tommy Thomas in a telephone interview Sunday. "There was some fear that we might blow it, now we can sit back and wait for the next tension packed games to come along."

"This makes the upcoming weekend series with Jacksonville State (a regular season contest) just another series. It certainly lessens the importance of it." VSC's first meeting with Jacksonville State earlier in the season was rained out.

Thomas said that the ultimate goal of his team is to win a regional tournament. "I'll be awfully disappointed if we don't get to and win a regional tournament," he said.

The conference tournament will be held the weekend of April 29, beach trip weekend.

"This thing (beach trip) always gets the way," Thomas said. "Not only does it take away the fans, but the players leave. And the ballplayers have their minds elsewhere."

"Beach trip and Blazer baseball are simply not compatible," he added. The Blazers clinched the Southern Division title by winning two games at



Blazer assistant Kip McLeod and head coach Tommy Thomas watch the action in a recent home game at Blazer field.

Mississippi College, 2-1 and 4-3.

"It was the worst hitting day we've had all year. Charlie Moore is the only person on the team that forced their outfield back," said Thomas.

Jeff Agerter (8-0) won the first game; he scattered seven hits.

In the fourth inning, June Munford led off with a single. After Wayne Fugett walked, Greg Waits advanced the runners with a sacrifice bunt.

A suicide squeeze was attempted, but Munford was thrown out at the plate.

Mike Ruff added two RBI's with a

single. In the Choctaw fourth, Agerter gave up a home run, but it was not enough. VSC won 2-1.

In the second inning of Game Two Charlie Moore scored on Mark Murad's sacrifice fly. Later in the same inning, Mark Powell (running for Mike Ruff) stole home. VSC led 2-0.

In the seventh inning with VSC trailing 3-2, Moore hit his seventh home run of the season with Murad

aboard.

VSC is at home tonight for a game with Division I rival Mercer.

"It's always good to knock off a Division I rival," said Thomas.

Thomas will pitch Agerter in tonight's contest.

"We usually pitch him against conference foes, but since we've won our division, I thought I would give him a shot."

The game begins at 7:00 p.m. at Blazer Field.

Senate to work on parking problem

By SONJA LEWIS
Spectator Staff Writer

According to John Nix, SGA vice-president, the SGA senate is working towards many goals to help the student body this quarter.

Last quarter the senate passed a bill that will provide for the expansion of the college pool area by 12 ft. This will take place this quarter.

Also, many off-campus students with 8 o'clock classes are complaining about the hours in which they are permitted to park on streets such as Georgia Avenue. Because of the present parking hours on the streets near campus, students are having difficulty finding parking areas. The senate will work to prevent the parking problems by working with city

officials to change the present parking hours from 5 a.m. through 8 a.m., thus eliminating the parking difficulties.

Last year's SGA vice-president, Frank Carter, began a Freshman Register which helps to better acquaint freshmen with VSC. John Nix and Joseph Harvey are presently working on a Freshman Register for Fall quarter of '83. The Freshman Register is an excellent source for anyone needing information on Valdosta State College. The register can be purchased for less than ten dollars.

The Student Government Association consists of three branches: executive, judicial and legislative. John Nix wants to encourage as many students as possible to get involved in the SGA.

SGA holds election for secretary today

The Student Government Association will hold a special election today to fill the position of secretary opened by the resignation of Mike Zahn. Candidates for the election are Harriet Madison, a junior from War-

ner Robins; Janine Metzger, a junior from Longwood, Fla.; and Eddie Richardson, a junior from Lake Park. The polls are open from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria and 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the College Union. Students must have I.D. cards with them in order to vote.

Vote today

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hang up. Because the spoon is needless, it's easy to get it free. To be perfectly honest, I don't know what the fish think this bait is, but they love it. It seems as though the bass come from ten feet under. They will hit the spoon with such fury that unless you're anticipating, the motion will startle you. Several times I've thrown my lure out only to get it back to the boat without a strike. A bass will attempt to grab a dangling spoon at the side of the boat, creating such a splash that I almost end up in the water. It is fairly common for the fish to hit the bait with such intensity that the lure will be knocked up into the air. If this happens, allow the spoon to get back on course. The fish will usually attempt to hit it again. Once he does, set the hook with all your might and hold on. Lake lamonia is not only known for its quantity of fish. Hundreds of large fish (8 lbs. plus) have been caught in the last few years. The lake's productivity always seems to remain at a constant, satisfying level. If you are seeking an afternoon of sun and enjoyment, try Lake lamonia, Florida. A day away will do you good.

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to the next Spectator staff
College Union at 5:30 pm

Middle East consultant to continue Focus series

Dr. William Spencer, a former professor at Florida State University and a Middle East Consultant will speak on "Political Conflict and Social Change Among the Arab States," on Tuesday, April 26, in the Valdosta College spring quarter Focus series on the Middle East.

The lecture will take place at 8:15 p.m. in Powell Hall Auditorium on campus. There is no admission charge and adjacent parking will be available.

Before retiring from FSU in 1980, Dr. Spencer was at the American University in Washington, D.C., where he was associate professor of international relations and Director of the Western Studies. He has also served as International Programs Officer and Field Expert in Public Administration at the U.S. Office of Education.

He is eminently qualified to speak on the dynamics of social and political change in the contemporary world of the utmost impor-

portance," said Dr. William M. Gabard, Director of International Studies, who is coordinating the Series.

Spencer is the author of a number of articles appearing in scholarly journals and in the World Book Encyclopedia. He frequently writes columns on the Middle East for newspapers in Florida, where he is retired.

He has served as consultant in a number of intercultural and international conferences and was once a visiting professor of political science at Rollins College.

He has participated in a number of intercultural and international conferences on the Middle East in Syria, Princeton University, Columbia University, and various Florida institutions.

A native of Erie, Pennsylvania, he received the B.A. degree at Princeton University, the M.A. at Duke University, and the Ph.D. in international relations at the American University in Washington.

VSC student injured

Linda Yow, a VSC student, was seriously injured in an automobile accident last week. She received a broken vertebrae and was hospitalized at South Georgia Medical Center.

This past week Linda was transferred to Piedmont Hospital in Atlanta, and according to friends, is recovering exceptionally well in her recovery.

VSC students are urged to send letters to Linda Yow, care of Piedmont Hospital. The Spectator staff wishes Linda the best in recovering from her injuries.

Cheerleading squad applications accepted

Applications currently are being accepted for tryouts for the 1983-84 Varsity Cheerleading Squad at Valdosta State College. Application forms may be picked up at the PE Complex office or from Mrs. Tommie Miller, sponsor, at the VSC Bookstore. The forms, with a \$2.00 application fee, must be returned to Mrs. Miller by Monday, April 25th in order to be eligible for tryouts.

Four varsity cheerleaders from the Seminole squad at Florida State University will be on campus May 7-8, 1983, to conduct a clinic for those students planning to try out for the Blazer squad. Attendance at this clinic is mandatory for tryouts since a specific curriculum will be taught to all participants which will be used at tryouts. Actual tryouts for the Blazer squad will be on Saturday morning, May 14th in the PE Complex.

Twelve cheerleaders and four alternates will be chosen at the tryouts in mid-May. The twelve pepsters and the first alternate will cheer for all football and basketball games in 83-84, but the first alternate will not travel to any out-of-town games. Up to three members of the previous squad automatically are eligible to return to the squad; these members will be chosen by secret ballot from the 1982-83 squad. This method will

provide continuity to the squad each year.

"We have plenty of room for people on the 83-84 squad," stated Mrs. Tommie Miller, sponsor. "Several of our people are not returning to school or have conflicts with jobs, so I encourage women and MEN to obtain an application, attend the clinic, and try out from the squad. We have a great time and are an integral part of the athletic program at VSC." Any specific information about requirements for the squad may be directed to Mrs. Miller or any member of the current squad. A cumulative 2.0 grade point average must be retained at all times to remain on the squad, and there is a maximum weight requirement for men and women. Completion of 25 quarter hours of college work is also a requirement for being eligible for tryouts.

According to Mrs. Miller grades and the general adjustment to college life adversely affected many of the freshmen on her squad; thus the requirement eliminating an incoming freshman from being with the group. "We will have junior varsity tryouts in late October, and freshmen will be eligible for that group. Six additional cheerleaders will be chosen at that time and will join the varsity basketball squads," stated Mrs. Miller.



Varsity cheerleaders and sponsor at a Lady Blazer basketball game: [L to R] Yetoria Lumpkin; Vield Harmon; Denise Dooley; Avis Inman; Renee Clough; Priscilla Dawson; Tommie Miller [sponsor]; Shelley Miller; Noel George; Jennifer McCroddin; Harold King; Vivian White; and Mark Lyles.

Two professors, art major to give demonstrations to area high schools

Two art professors and an art major at Valdosta State College are to give demonstrations to area high school students at North Florida Junior College in Madison, Fla., on April 21, Thursday.

Russell McRae, head of the art department, is to demonstrate watercolor techniques and Al Park of the VSC art faculty, is to demonstrate silk screening. Mickey Gilbert, VSC sen-

ior art student, is to give demonstrations in sculpture.

McRae, who has been teaching art for 25 years, holds the Master of Fine Arts from the University of Georgia. Although he prefers painting in oil and watercolor, he has participated in many different phases of visual art production during his career.

Park has been actively involved in teaching art and commercial graphic design for eight years. He holds the

Master of Fine Arts from East Tennessee State University. Printmaking is his favorite form of artistic endeavor. He is director of the Graphic Design/Photography areas of the art department at VSC.

Gilbert is pursuing the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree at VSC with emphasis in the graphic area. His major interests are sculpture and graphic design.

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By KEVIN SMITH
Cadet Major
Public Affairs Officer

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State College still has six or seven technical slots open for the Professional Officer Course. The Professional Officer Course, more commonly referred to as POC, is a two-year program which upon completion earns the student a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force. Starting salary for an Air Force officer is around \$18,000 a year and increases to nearly \$25,000 in four years. Besides pay, the officer receives

free medical and dental care, commissary and exchange privileges, free legal service, thirty days paid vacation per year, and advanced educational opportunities. Some students may even qualify for scholarships while still in college. What are the qualifications needed? A student must have a cumulative GPA of a least 2.0 and meet the qualifying score on the Air Force Officer Qualifying Test (AFOOT). The AFOOT is administered at the

detachment. Interested students should contact one of the staff officers at detachment 172 by calling 247-3256. Get in touch as soon as possible as the last day to qualify is April 30, 1983. Think about the Air Force as a first job or as a career. Whatever you choose, the United States Air Force offers a very respected job which gives unique experience to aspiring individuals.



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April 25
Coweta School System. Open to ECE, math, science, vocational ed., special ed., reading, elementary, speech pathology majors. 9:00 - 5:00 Powell Hall, East.

May 11
Roadway, Lake Park, GA. Open to all majors. Position: Dock Supervisor/Manager. Very good salary for very demanding job. All candidates must see Mr. Carson, director of career planning & placement, prior to the interview. 9:00 - 5:00 Powell Hall, East.

Workshops

Tuesday Afternoon Program

May 10 - Job Search Skills
May 17 - Resume Writing Skills
May 24 - Interview Skills

3:00 - 4:00 PM
Powell Hall East

Thursday Night Program

May 12 - Job Search Skills
May 19 - Resume Writing Skills
May 26 - Interview skills

3:00 - 9:00 PM
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Pi Kappas celebrate Red Rose week

The members of the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity celebrated their Red Rose week this past week. A lawn party was held Tuesday afternoon and a cowboy party was held Wednesday evening.

Also, a toga party was held Friday night. The festivities ended Saturday with a wine and cheese party and the Red Rose Ball that evening at the Valdosta Country Club.

Jackie Timmans was awarded Rose and Robin Dixon received the Rose Bud. Five new Little Sisters were also announced: Wendy Sullivan, Cindy Cooper, Darrett Childs, Jackie Ashworth, and Angie Warren.

Delta Chi sweetheart named

The Delta Chi members voted Pam Bond of Cairo as the new sweetheart for the coming year.

Pam was chosen to fill the honor when Allison Rateau left VSC to attend the University of Central Florida. The brotherhood is extremely proud of Pam, and wish both girls well.

The Chi's were happy to assist the Valdosta Parks and Recreation Department in their annual Easter Egg hunt. The event was deemed a success despite threatening weather. On April 8th, many members of the fraternity ventured to the University of Florida Delta Chi chapter in Gainesville for their annual toga party for the Leukemia Society of America. There were an estimated 6,000 people attending the event which helps raise money toward research for a cure for leukemia.

The Chi's would like to thank the ADPI's for a successful "Tough Guy" social two weeks ago. A late congratulations goes to the Delta Chi basketball team for winning the IFC basketball tournament winter quarter. Also, congratulations goes to Jay Howard for being chosen the tournament's Most Valuable Player by his teammates.

WIZ members are named

The Zetas would like to announce the members of W.I.Z., which stands for Women Interested in Zeta. The group, which is an auxiliary of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, consists of young women who would like to get to know the sisters of the sorority better.

The members are: Patricia Booth, Diane Preston, Patricia Cooper, Rhodenia Talton, Kajansa Cornelius, Debra Turner, Janice Reeves, Crystal Lang, Charlene Ray, Cheryl Johnson, Janice Washington, Debra Washington, McDougald, Pamela Johnson, Katrina Lane, Cynthia Sweet, Dorothy Williams and Lawana Moon.

The officers are Debra McDougald, President; Cheryl Johnson, Vice President; Katrina Lane, Secretary; Debra Turner, Asst. Secretary; Janice Reeves, Treasurer; Dorothy Williams, Reporter; Janice Washington, Parliamentarian.



Mitch Clarke

Spectator Sports Editor

Creepy Spectator critic is full of it

I got two letters last week. Well, one of them was sent to my editor, but since the letter was about me he let me read it.

The writer, who for some reason doesn't want his name used, was not pleased with either edition of this quarter's Spectator. He is especially upset with me. That's right, me! You'll find out why later.

Because this is the first letter that I've received while working for a newspaper and because "The Complainer" (his pseudonym) is mostly complaining about my section, I've decided to respond. And where better to respond than in this column.

I give "the Complainer" his response plus I fulfill Uncle Ed's silly requirement that I get this junk, er, column in on time.

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"I am..." the letter read.

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VSC Sports

This Week's Baseball

Wednesday, April 20
vs. Mercer
at Blazer Field, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 23
vs. Jacksonville State, (DH)
at Jacksonville, Alabama

Monday, April 25
vs. Georgia Southern, (DH)
at Statesboro, Georgia

Gulf South Games

Gulf South Tournament

April 29-30
Gulf South "Best of 3" Series
Valdosta State
vs. Jacksonville State

Baseball Rankings

When the new national rankings are released next week by Collegiate Baseball magazine, the Valdosta State Blazers should move into the number one spot. Eckerd, which beat Valdosta State, was number two last week. In the last three games since the rankings were released, Collegiate Baseball is a bi-monthly publication.

Jacksonville State	10-0-0	21-3-0
VALDOSTA STATE	9-0-1	37-2-1
Troy State	5-3-1	14-3-1
North Alabama	3-6-0	9-14-0
Livingston	1-5-0	4-9-0
UT-Martin	1-4-0	11-9-1
Delta State	1-6-0	11-12-1
Mississippi College	1-7-0	16-12-0

Tennis

The Valdosta State College teams will compete in the Gulf Conference Tournaments this week and Saturday, April 22-23. The men will play in Mississippi and the ladies will play in Martin, Tennessee.

Softball

The Lady Blazer softball team will end a doubleheader at F.A.M. They dropped to 12-4 this season. This weekend, the team will compete in the Gulf South Conference tournament held on the campus of North Alabama in Florence, Alabama.



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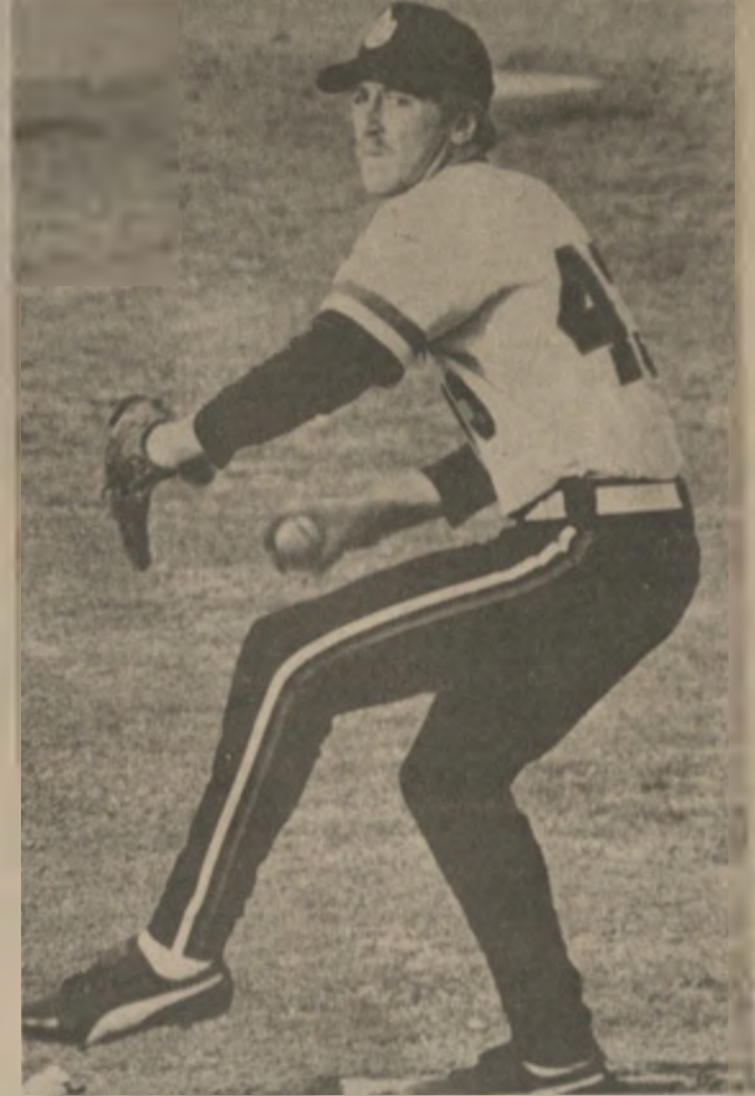
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Valdosta State bats explode in a 14-0 rout of Southwestern

By MITCH CLARKE Spectator Sports Editor The third-ranked Valdosta State Blazers pounded out fourteen hits, including five doubles and two home runs, to whip Georgia Southwestern 14-0 in the first half of a twin bill last Thursday at Blazer Field. Starter Kevin Faulkner's one-hitter gave the Blazer pitching staff a twenty-one and two-thirds inning shutout streak. On the shutout streak, head baseball coach Tommy Thomas said, "It's very possible that the opposition has a lot to do with it. At the same time, it is very encouraging." It is the pitching staff which is the only real question mark on the team. "Pitching has been disappointing," said Thomas. "It has been less effective than I thought it would be." But it does show signs of improving. Faulkner gave up only one hit, but did get into trouble twice in the game. His control was bad, as he walked four and hit two others. He did manage to get himself out of trouble however. In the second inning, he loaded the bases, but struck out two in a row to keep any runs from scoring. He also picked two runners off first base. "This was a great performance by

Kevin," said Thomas. "He has not had a bad outing this season." The Blazer bats were again hot, as every starter got a hit except Rob Busch, who continues in a slump. VSC's batsmen got five doubles; Wayne Fugett, Bobby Hurtt, Michael White, Jeff Soss, and Charlie Moore each had one. The Blazers added two homeruns in the game. As a team, VSC has knocked fifty-two balls out of the park, more than double the number of opponent home runs. Early in the game, Chuck DeVane hit his fifth homer of the year. He continues to lead the club in hitting with a torrid .481 average. The second homer came off the bat of John Keigher in the fourth inning. It was his third. Rob Busch, who was among the team leader's in hitting early in the season, has seen his average drop to .267. "He's playing himself out of playing time. I'll have to curtail his playing time if he doesn't snap out of it," said Thomas. Such a move, feels Thomas, will give others, like Jeff Soss and Bobby Hurtt, some more playing time. Overall, VSC is now 37-2-1. The Blazers are back at Blazer Field on Wednesday for a game against Mercer.



Jeff Agerter was the winning pitcher in last Saturday's Mississippi College game. Agerter is 8-0 on the season.

Blazers improve on GSC's best record

By MITCH CLARKE Spectator Sports Editor Not even the season's fiercest monsoon could keep the third-ranked Valdosta State Blazers from improving on the Gulf South Conference's most impressive record. While inclement weather brought most of the league's schedule to a halt, Coach Tommy Thomas' team stretched its record to 37-2-1. They continue to lead the Blue Division of the league with a 9-0-1 ledger. Jacksonville State leads the White Division. Those two teams will meet in Jacksonville for the final conference games of the year on April 23.

It took a Player-of-the-Week effort by Blazer Chuck DeVane to wrestle the GSC batting leadership from teammate Charlie Moore. DeVane collected four hits in seven at-bats, recorded three runs, two homers, five runs batted in, and a stolen base in two victories. This offensive spree brought DeVane's average to .465; Moore is hitting .457. Wayne Fugett, with a .402 average, is the third Blazer whose average is over .400. June Munford leads the conference in runs batted in with thirty-eight. Moore, with thirty-seven, is second. Greg Waits and Fugett tied for fourth with thirty-one apiece.

Munford also leads the league in home runs; he has nine. Waits is second with eight. Pitcher Ricky Tucker has the Gulf South's best record, 10-0. Jeff Agerter is 8-0, in second place. Fourth-place Bobby Hurtt is 5-0.

Agerter is third in strikeouts. In 63.2 innings, Agerter has fanned thirty-seven. Fugett is fifth. He has struck out thirty-four in only 16.1 innings of work. Ricky Tucker has struck out thirty-one in 53.0 innings of work.

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VSC Sports Briefs

This Week's Baseball Wednesday, April 20 vs. Mercer Blazer Field, 7:00 p.m. Saturday, April 23 vs. Jacksonville State, (DH) at Jacksonville, Alabama

Tennis The Valdosta State College tennis teams will compete in the Gulf South Conference Tournaments this Friday and Saturday, April 22-23. The men will play in Cleveland, Mississippi and the ladies will play in Martin, Tennessee.

Golf The 1983 Spring Golf season gets underway on Monday, April 25 as the Blazer Golfers compete in the Gulf South Conference Tournament at Jacksonville State in Jacksonville, Alabama. The tournament continues on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Monday, April 25 vs. Georgia Southern, (DH) at Statesboro, Georgia Gulf South Games Gulf South Tournament April 29-30 Gulf South "Best 2 of 3" Series Valdosta State vs. Jacksonville State

Softball The Lady Blazer softball team lost both ends of a doubleheader at Florida A&M. They dropped to 12-14 on the season. This weekend, the team will compete in the Gulf South Conference tournament held on the campus of North Alabama in Florence, Alabama.

Spring Football The Valdosta State College football squad will hold its first Spring Game on Thursday, May 5 at 7:30 p.m. at Cleveland Field. The game will be an intrasquad match and is open to the public.

Baseball Rankings table with columns for team, wins, losses, ties, and record.

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BAC Scorecard

Records, Standings, Information

Team	W-L	PCT.	GB	W-L	RUNS	O.R.
AMERICAN						
Delta Chi	3-0	1.000	-	4-1	14	18
Kappa Alpha	2-0	1.000	-	2-1	25	17
PI Kaps	2-2	.500	1 1/2	2-2	12	13
Patterson North	1-2	.333	1 1/2	1-3	21	31
W Patterson	0-1	.000	1 1/2	0-2	0	5
Delta Flyers	0-1	.000	1 1/2	0-2	16	29
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INTERNATIONAL						
O.B. Steelers	2-0	1.000	-	2-0	25	6
O.B. Gamecocks	1-0	1.000	-	2-0	22	3
Baptist	1-1	.500	1	2-1	24	21
Wesley	0-1	.000	1 1/2	0-1	0	0
H.O.T.C.	0-2	.000	2	1-2	23	26
NATIONAL						
Reade Yankee	3-0	1.000	-	3-0	11	7
Brown West	1-0	1.000	-	2-1	17	7
Brown East	1-1	.500	1 1/2	2-1	17	7
KA Rebels	0-1	.000	1 1/2	0-1	6	8
Central Brown	0-2	.000	2	0-3	13	33

Eight teams vie for ladies softball championship

By JON HAMILTON
Spectator Staff Writer

Eight teams set out to capture the Rebels' intramural softball championship for Spring 1983. Action was scheduled to take place on Thursday, April 7, but the games were rained out. The league's first action did get underway Tuesday, April 12, as four games were played. ROTC scored all eight of their runs in the first two innings as they held off ZTA 8-3. Phi Mu rallied from behind in the last inning to secure a 5-5 tie with scrappy BSU squad. The next two games of the afternoon were blowouts.

ROTC took advantage of several walks and timely hitting as they scored 12 runs in the first and 13 runs in the second inning and went on to post a 25-0 victory over AKA. Phi Mu won their second game of the day as they proved to be too much for the Rebels and dumped them by the count of 11-2.

Thursday's action started with a forfeit to ZTA as only eight members of the Rebels showed up for the game. In the second game, BSL needed only one turn at bat, as they let their power show by scoring 16 runs in the opening inning to trounce AKA 16-4. ADPi won their first game of the season as they displayed great defense enroute to a 15-0 victory over



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Carousel - Super Bowl V.S.C. drama department

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"Carousel" will be a joint production of V.S.C. theater persons, actors, musicians, and a hardworking crew of about 100. It has been rehearsing for about a month since March 14th. "It's the biggest production I've directed during my time at V.S.C.," stated Dr. Wheeler. The list of leading characters includes:



Juju music breaks

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Also included in "Juju Music" is a subtle political message which regards violent overtones. The opening song, "Ja Funmi," is interpreted to mean, "I fight with my head." The album is an intellectual and moving collection of down-to-earth, yet highly spiritual musical interpieces.

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- O.B. Gamecocks (1) 124
- Delta Chi 63
- S.E. Patterson 62

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- O.B. Steelers (13) 73
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Joyce, Central Brown	6	0	0	0.00
Davis, TKE	6	0	0	0.00
Senay, PI Kaps	6	0	0	0.00
Norman, Patterson North	6	0	0	0.00
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Parsons, O.B. Steelers	6	0	0	0.00
Hagmann, Patterson North	6	0	0	0.00
Nichols, Kappa Alpha	6	0	0	0.00
Shea, Southwest Patterson	6	0	0	0.00
Walker, PI Kaps	6	0	0	0.00

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the Rebels. In the final game, BSL improved their record to 2-0 with an impressive 13-4 drubbing of BSU.

After only one week of action a dear favorite to win the championship was not yet determined, because half of the teams are still without a loss. Those teams are: ADPI, BSL, Phi Mu, and ROTC. After this upcoming week of action we should have a more dear picture of who will be the favorite to capture the intramural championship.

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The list of leading characters in-

involved in the production of "Carousel" are as follows: Director-Dr. Randy Wheeler, Technical Director-Prof. Joel Boatwright, Choral Director-Prof. Carol Mikkelsen, Orchestral Director-Dr. Neal O'Neal, Costume Designer-Valerie Gruner, Lighting Designer-Dennis Thompson, Assistant Director-Bill Gilbert.

Leading roles are to be played by Rick D'Onofrio from Warner Robins and Leslie Jones from Valdosta.

Major supporting roles are to be played by Terry D'Onofrio from Warner Robins, Tim Bedsworth from Gainesville, Ga., Steven Cruz from Homersville, Jacque Wheeler from Valdosta, Tana Snyder from Valdosta, and Kristin Cloydman from Valdosta.

"Carousel" is a traditional American musical which depicts a setting in New England during the 1890's. Students are urged to contact the VSC drama department for details on getting tickets which are free with presentation of I.D.



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"After three shows I become convinced that no known theories of pop apply to Juju music. By the fourth I realize that Sunny Ade is on his way to becoming the first truly international pop star in history," states Greg Tate, a leading East Coast music critic.

The reggae-style dub effects of "Juju Music" have resulted in a comparison by many critics with the styles of Stevie Wonder, Jimmy Cliff, and the late Bob Marley. However, the rhythm is a bit more lively, with a smoother and more natural flow.

Recorded by Mango Records Division of Island Records, "Juju Music" is an album definitely worth listening to. It comes highly recommended as a worth investment.

Although the trends in musical and cultural awareness in South Georgia are normally years behind those of say, New York, Los Angeles, and other metropolitan centers, given due time, King Sunny Ade and His African Beats will become a popular favorite here also.

Entertainment writers are invited to join the SPECTATOR staff. Fringe benefits such as backstage passes and free concert tickets may be available for those willing to write!

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V.S.C. Drama production of "American Dream" reviewed

By CARRIE STIKELEATHER

If you didn't see the VSC Lab Theatre production of Edward Albee's "The American Dream" you certainly missed a good show. It was absurd but amusing, comical but not corny, and refreshingly intelligent.

When one contemplates the age old "American Dream", certain images come to mind-Davy Crockett taming the wild frontier, Horatio Alger's poorboy finding his El Dorado, or perhaps Paul Newman. But Albee's American Dream conjures up different images. His play is a social satire concerning the breakdown of the modern American family-Ward & June Cleaver are obsolete. They are replaced in "American Dream" by butch, buxom, whip-toting Mommy and a spineless, emasculated, apron-wearing Daddy who hold one another in hilarious contempt. Their wild live-in Grandma personifies the inconvenience and ugliness of old age that defies the American Ideal of youth and beauty. Jamie Allen gave a delightful kooky and intriguing performance, as this unruly, uninhibited old lady.

"The American Dream" was a pleasant reminder that VSC has more to offer than football and Greeks. Encore! Keep up the good work!

Note:

At the one-act play festival sponsored by the College and University Division of the Georgia Theatre Conference held on April 9, 1983 in Macon, this production of "The American Dream" was the recipient of the following awards: Best Director: Robbie Watson; Best Actress: Jamie Allen.



Hypnotist to perform tonight at Whitehead

By JOHN C. GRIFFIN
Spectator Entertainment Editor

Tom DeLuca, a master hypnotist and comedian, will be appearing at Whitehead Auditorium tonight at 8:30 p.m. Admission will be free to VSC students and faculty.

DeLuca has been hailed by NEWSWEEK magazine as one of the most dynamic young comedians of this age. His performance at such notable schools as Southern Methodist University and State University of New York have resulted in positive reviews and demand for return performances.

Although there are many amateurs and magicians who try to cover the bare essentials of hypnosis, DeLuca's show stands in a class by itself. As many as fifteen volunteers from the audience are placed under hypnosis by DeLuca at his performances.

Using a keen mind and exceptional wit as his only props, Tom produces spectacular psychic mind reading effects with comedy as their foundation. Unsolicited volunteers from the audience are placed under hypnosis by

always a primary part of the act. DeLuca's hypnosis is backed by a B.A. in Psychology from the University of Miami at Coral Gables and an M.A. from Sangamon State University in Illinois. After working for three years as a hypnotherapist, he decided to try a new area—entertainment.

Tonight VSC students have a wonderful opportunity to see an excellent show and a unique performer. The VSC College Union Board encourages your attendance and support in regard to the Tom DeLuca performance.

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Barkays concert rescheduled

By JOHN GRIFFIN
Spectator Entertainment Editor

The date on a concert at the VSC Sports Complex featuring The Barkays and S.O.S. originally set for Thursday, April 21, has been rescheduled for Thursday, May 5th. Also, due to the change in plans, S.O.S. will not be able to perform here and The Dazz Band has been contracted as a replacement.

According to a spokesman for B.G. Productions, the agency which is sponsoring the event, The Barkays had

some pending recording engagements which resulted in the delay. S.O.S. will be unable to perform here due to other obligations on May 5th.

The Barkays and The Dazz Band are popular groups on the soul and disco circuit. An elaborate light show has been planned to go along with the concert featuring the allusion of fireworks, fantasy scenes, and a variety of visual effects has been included in the performance plan. Admission will be \$9.50 and tickets will be on sale at local music stores within the next few days.

Phi Mu Alpha to host "Musicale"

By AL MAGALLANO
Spectator Staff Writer

"The American Musicale" hosted by the Phi Mu Alpha fraternity will be held at Whitehead Auditorium on Friday, 8:15 p.m. This will be the first musicale that the Zeta Gamma chapter has done since its reactivation in 1981.

What is an "American Musicale?" It is a musical production that involves American composers and their music. The idea behind the musicale is to support and promote American music, which is one of the ideals of this fraternity. American music, past or present, jazz or contemporary, will be performed on the program.

Among the highlights of the program will be the premier performance of Vaslov Nelhybel's "Prelude" and "Allegro" (1981) and Dr. John Huxford's "Miniatures for Brass Sextet."

Nelhybel is one of the leading American composers of modern literature. He was commissioned by the chapter to compose a piece for brass and percussion two years ago. Dr. Huxford is currently the head of the Music department and also a Phi Mu Alpha member.

Dr. Robinson, the chapter's faculty advisor, will sing songs by Charles Ives and Leo Sowerby. Also Dr. Wollersteig from Georgia College has accepted the invitation to perform.

On the lighter side of the program, the members of the chapter will sing, as well as perform, their favorite music. To make the program complete, a jazz combo will also perform. Everyone is welcome and there is no admission.

WVVS to host Journey

By JOHN GRIFFIN
Spectator Entertainment Editor

A recorded interview with the successful and popular rock group Journey will be broadcast on Monday, April 25th at 8:00 p.m. on VSC's WVVS radio station.

Famous for such hits as "Wheel in the Sky," "Don't Stop Believin'," and "Lights Go Down in the City," Journey has become one of the foremost rock bands of this era. The Monday night interview will give fans of the group a chance to hear some of the personal insights of the band members.

Don't forget to tune in to 91 FM this Monday night for the exciting interview. Also, stay tuned for other WVVS specials.

WVVS Top 20

4/17	Group	Album	PEAK
1.	U2	War	1.
2.	Pink Floyd	The Final Cut	2.
3.	Def Leppard	Pyromania	1.
4.	Bryan Adams	Cuts Like A Knife	3.
5.	Berlin	Pleasure Victim	5.
6.	Modern English	After The Snow	6.
7.	Styx	Kilroy Was Here	7.
8.	INXS	Shaboo Shoo	8.
9.	Planet P	Planet P	9.
10.	The Tubes	Outside/Inside	10.
11.	Ultravox	Quartet	11.
12.	Thomas Dolby	Blinded By Science(EP)	4.
13.	ZZ Top	Eliminator	13.
14.	David Bowie	Let's Dance	14.
15.	Men At Work	Cargo	15.
16.	Patrick Simmons	Arcade	16.
17.	Ramones	Subterranean Jungle	17.
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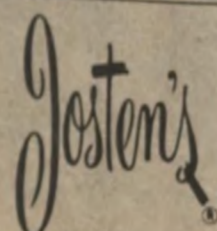
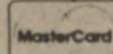
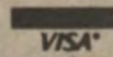
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Phyllis McCoy

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With the recent decline in the number of Valdosta State football team one must wonder at the wisdom of instigating a program in the beginning. Coach Goodman's players are dropping faster than the proverbial flies. One major reason for the loss of some starting players is their inability to maintain academic grade point average of 2.0.

Some would have had us believe that the addition of the football team would enhance VSC's status as an institution of higher learning. It seems that this status in no way included academic credibility. Much fuss has been made about favoritism shown to some athletes. Favoritism, indeed. These individuals are under more restrictions than a first quarter freshman's mother could hope for. They must deal with early curfews, no visitation, and enforced study halls.

If the discipline allows for few distractions, what prevents them from making the required average grade of C? The myth of the dumb block is set aside now to review the causes for this less than acceptable decline in scholastics. During the season, many of the players miss class when the team is on the road. Missed class time is hard to make up no matter whose notes one borrows. Practice also takes much of a player's time outside of the classroom, and after a strenuous day of battering heads a person is just too worn out to study. But to insure these players do study at least a few times a week, the coaches have designated time for study halls in learning labs. If this study time were used for the intended purpose rather than making dates with freshman sorority girls, the GPA might rise to the requirement.

The infant football team is a good source of potential revenue for VSC, but the damage it could bring to the school academically may not be worth it. Of course, if the team continues on the current path, we may have no team to worry about.

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Dear Mom, I'm holding on

Brian Bickett

Dear Mom,

I'm still here at Valdosta State. The address is on the upper left hand corner of the envelope I figured you lost it.

At 9:15 I have a music appreciation class. Remember how my Voice and Diction class last quarter I told you I had to lay down on the floor the first week of class?

After my foot stomping good time music in music, I go to speech class which is actually not a speech class at all, but a theatre course.

From speech, or theatre if you will, I go to the campus post office. Lately my mailbox has been laughing at me for stopping by so please make note of my address and write me soon.

My next stop is my last daily class--Philosophy. We just finished studying Aristotle, Plato and Socrates so now my Steve Martin albums take on a whole new meaning.

Other than classes I've been watching a lot of television. From the Braves to Jack Benny to Burns and Allen to Tom and Jerry.

I'm still losing money, socks and patience at the laundry mat and I'm still doing a shift at WVVS (some-

body's excuse for a radio station), but its getting better. The big thrill last week was the arrival of the exterminator.

Tell the rest of the clan hello and tell them to write. Don't forget to jot down the return address on the envelope and please remember to put a stamp on the letter.

Love, Brian Your only son

P.S. From what the sheriff told me, I think I'm being sued.

Around campus...Haven't been able to get in touch with Coach Waples about the new line of attire carried by Sears and Roebuck.

Another rumor speaks of a game called "Kill". From what an anonymous student tells me, students can take out a contract on a student they wish to "kill".

"Assassin", assisted by information like class schedule and dorm room number, stalks the "victim" and when the time is right "kills" the "victim" with a toy pistol.

My bumper sticker...Grant Porter, GM of WVVS, made a point of showing me a bumper sticker that he received in the mail.

Bad Joke of the Week...How many Blazers does it take to score a touchdown? I don't know, they only let eleven on the field at a time.

From Our Spectators

Great Expectations

Dear Editor, It may be Spring Quarter but there is no excuse for the decline in the quality of the Spectator.

In my judgement the Award Winning Spectator has taken a turn for the worse. April 13, 1983's issue was only eight pages (more than 50 per cent of which was filler or advertising).

that it only takes fifteen minutes to read the Spectator (tats between bites in the cafeteria). The poor paper rarely leaves the dining table.

My gripe is not with you or your staff. I am not down grading the paper just for the hell of it.

I am particularly irked with the Sports Department. Sports Editor Mitch Clarke appears to be the only bonafide sports writer.

Although I don't agree with his views always Mitch seems to carry his share of the load. But I ask...why give headlines to a person who has been kicked off the Football Team?

I suggest you devote some time to cover athletes like Jeff Agertor

as you did last quarter. Some other minor remarks on the latest paper I will mention are, that the BAC SCOREBOARD is too large.

My words are hopefully taken as a kick in the rear merely to get the staff inspired to continue to make the paper a better journal.

Sincerely, The Complainer

SGA urges safety

The student Government Association in cooperation with the school administration would like to remind you of the problems that may occur with the arrival of warm weather which is now upon us.

See Spectators, page 8

Beauregard L. Reade

Writing on speaking

Of all the things that have terrified me in my young life, I guess the worst has been giving oral reports.

I do not enjoy getting up in front of a bunch of people for five to ten minutes of their undivided attention.

For one thing, speeches, such as oral reports in class, do weird things to my body functions. There is something about the knowledge that a mob of ten-plus people, most of them sentient, will be hanging on to my every incomplete thought and sentence fragment that sends shivers up my spine.

People tell me that the only reason things like this happen is because the person in question is not prepared well enough for his talk.

Upon my completion of the perilous journey, I find that my problems are only beginning to mount. I gaze out over the class. Where once sat friends and colleagues I now see Nazi war crime escapees and leftist pinko guerrillas.

Surveying this horrid scene I do what any red-blooded American would do in a similar situation: I go blank.

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When I look down at my notes, I usually find that they are out of order. The ones that are in order have, more often than not, fallen victim to another trait common to those of us who hate speeches: sweaty palms.

Sweaty palms will prove that indelible ink is still only an abstract

concept every time.

It really doesn't matter, though. Notes can't help you if you're incapable of speech. I'm usually so far off the deep end by this point that I can only grunt and make noises such as "well...uh...ya see" anyway.

Some will even ask me to further clarify something. I always find that amusing.

My most recent bout with my speechphobia occurred just the other day. It was cushioned somewhat by the fact that it was a joint venture between myself and Phyllis McCoy (The Spectator's darn cute news editor). We were to give our class a ten minute insight into an obscure poem by a famous poet.

Pain will drive a man on to do what he must in order to make said pain stop. It is a very effective technique, but not one that I would recommend.

There are other ways to prevent what happens to me at speech time from ever happening to you, though. I have researched these techniques for quelling your fears.

Only take classes that do not require you to make oral reports of any type. An ounce of prevention is worth a rib-cage of cure.

Leave enough time so that spontaneous applause won't make you run overtime. I know that is often a problem for me. Usually any applause for one of my talks will erupt when I say "That's all I have to say."

Find information on what you are planning to talk about. I agree this is an unusual approach, but I have heard that proper research and familiarity with a subject sometimes affects how one can speak on that subject.

Pick a subject that no one knows anything about. This is an effective method. If they've got no idea as to what you're talking about, how will they know you're wrong?

Pray for a nuclear warhead to strike seconds before your speech. That's all I have to say.

walking to and from the Oak Street parking lot, jogging late at night or just walking across campus that you stay in groups of two or more.

Thank You, Buddy Cawly, John Nix, Mike Zahn, David Cuffie

Off the wall

Dear Editor, This is in response to Beauregard L. Reade's latest column. It is really intense-but, of course, he always comes up with some of the most outrageous articles.

Also, please tell him that I have a blonde girlfriend who would love to meet him, but she spends every weekend at her beach house on Panama City Beach. However, she would be quite willing to make

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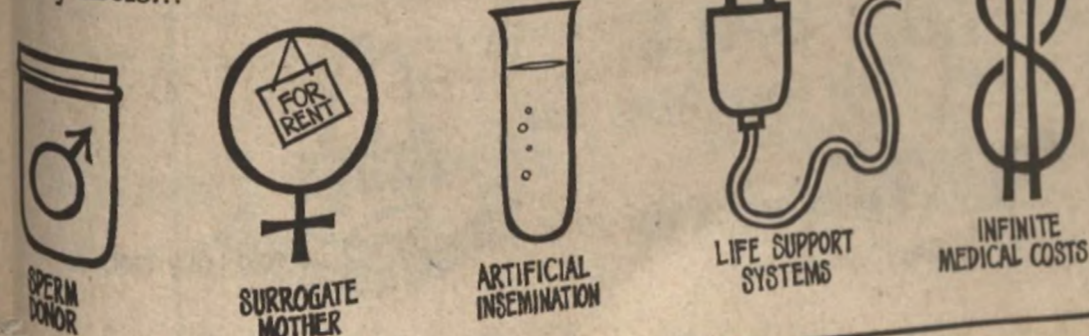
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arrangements if he would like to visit her any time soon. If he's interested, he can send his replies to me. Just leave a message with my name in capital letters on the message board in the Langdale lobby. I'll be sure to get it to her the next time we "rides the waves" back to school.

Oh, by the way, tell Mitch Clarke that I really liked the new layout and his column for the Sports Section. They both gave a lot of professionalism to the section that it didn't have before.

Mitch and Beauregard's fan for life,
Sarah Constance Hollingsworth

p.s. My girlfriend's father owns a distributing company and she has all the beer and hard liquor she wants (free!) and she'd love to share it with B.L. Reade.

Dear Sarah,

Thank you for the letter. It left me, to say the least, all choked up.

I would have answered your questions personally, but I couldn't find your name in the student directory. I can only assume that it is a fictitious pen name or that you started school after the directory came out. If the former is true, then it brings up the basic philosophical question: "Can two pseudonyms find truth in a newspaper forum?"

Sorry I can't fulfill your request for past columns, but where would I send them? Besides, the thought of a potential blackmail suit is not exactly what I had in mind for my future.

Thanks for telling about your girlfriend. I guess we both go for blondes whose fathers own alcoholic distributing companies, huh?

She obviously has two of the four attributes that interest me. Maybe you can give me more information about the other two. We'll have to establish a different way of meeting though. I no longer date off the wall.

Sorry, but I didn't tell Mitch anything. He got two letters of his own this week and I only got one, so he's not sharing it.
Sarah and Blondie's fan,
Beau

Swinging back

Dear Sports Editor,
Just a counter attack on your articles of late. I feel you have an empty bandwagon in the hope of Brett Butler going back to Richmond. How could you talk down Butler after he had done so well in Spring Training. Braves Fans want Butler to play every day and excel.

Secondly, your observations of baseball are old ones. Spitting is unique in a sense to baseball, but scratching is universal. I think anyone who runs, sweats, and gets nervous will have an itch or two.

Thirdly, I protest your choice of headline stories. In the past you have given Carl Armstrong and now David Niemeyer a great deal of publicity for being released or quitting. Vague details were given in each case. Have you ever heard of follow-up?

I would just as soon not see quitters get Bold Print...but if you must please give us the inside story.

Finally, please recruit some help. The Sports Department is my favorite section and it is obviously understaffed. Don't feel like you're not appreciated Mitch, after all if you weren't Sports Editor who would write the sports stories?

Sincerely,
"The Conplainer"

Griffin misguided

To Mr. John C. Griffin and Editor Hendricks:

Congratulations on the bar rating guide! Unfortunately, you missed the boat on the one bar in town which caters to the widest variety of people as well as attracts patrons from all over South Georgia and

North Florida. Yes, I am speaking of Mr. B's. Anyone is welcome; even straights if they don't cause any trouble. People come from Thomasville, Tifton, Adel, Hahira, Lakeland, Homerville, Lake Park, and Albany pretty regularly (oh, strike Albany-they've established their own bar recently); also, gays who travel from all over the country stop in when they pass through. They come for the atmosphere and community or easy sex-like any straight single's bar.

Mr. Griffin, I feel you have done Mr. B's an injustice by rating a place you obviously have never been to. Mr. B's serves cold beer and mixed drinks, he has a game room, dance floor, floor shows, and a light show during the dancing. The D.J. spins contemporary, New Wave, Rock 'n Roll music suitable to all tastes. The game room has pool tables and video games.

Granted, it isn't in the largest building around, but none of the other bars has much more space. Also in Mr. B's favor is his "big screen" where patrons watch ball games, the news, and (very rarely for friends only and regulars) soft-core porno flicks at 2 or 3 A.M. Mr. B offers special "nights" throughout the year at traditional holidays and school fundions. His waitresses and waiters are among the finest.

So, Mr. Griffin, I invite you to come with me one weekend when the action is hot so you can see the true personality of this establishment.

Yes, I am a woman; yes I will "protect" you (but no need to worry-one will mess with you without your consent). The patrons of Mr. B's are people like anyone else, not "strange" as you put it. As for "traditional reality," it is different from straight reality but basically the same as reality found in any bar (especially a single's bar). When you would like to claim your date (dutch, of course), Mr. Griffin, just contact me any time. Mr. Hendricks, this may be printed as written. Thank you.

Gay and Proud

Dear Ms. Gay and Proud:

As a struggling writer concerned with the feelings of my fellow human beings, I was, to say the least, flattered by your congenial letter in reply to my bar rating guide.

As for the arrangement of a rendezvous with you at Mr. B's, I am sincerely sorry. However, I would like to meet you in person before we embark on the journey to your favorite bar.

Although my written articles are often flamboyant, I must confess that I am somewhat a loner and seldom drink with strangers. It would probably be more appropriate for you and I to meet on neutral ground before the proposed night on the town. Do you think this may be possible?

You must understand that I am first a poet, second a writer, and third a world traveler. Therefore, I am mystified by your character. I await your further response.

Yours in confidence,
JOHN C. GRIFFIN

We're not strange

Dear Editor,

In reference to your Bar Rating Guide, I feel that the description of Mr. B's was prejudiced. Mr. Griffin obviously did not take the time to observe and evaluate the establishment. Instead, he chose to ridicule and label homosexuals as "strange people."

Mr. Griffin, we are not "strange people." We are common, everyday students, professors, and business people. Contrary to your belief, we have faced traditional reality!

People who cannot accept our sexual preferences must work it out within themselves, as we have done.

What gives you the right to make fun of our way of life? Do you also ridicule other minorities just because they are different or have a

different lifestyle?

You are a prime example of people who cannot cope with the reality that there are other sexual preferences besides their own. I accept the heterosexual way of life, and I sincerely hope that one day you will be mature enough to accept ours.

Mr. B is a well established businessman in Valdosta. Mr. Griffin, you do not have the right to attack his business due to patronage.

A newspaper is supposed to report the facts. The Spectator just showed, once again, how subjective and low class it is. Grow up, Spectator!

Sincerely,

An opened-minded student

Keep it a secret

Dear Editor:

I wonder if you have ever kept a scrap book. I just started one last year. I wish that I had started one sooner. I am 56 years old so I have seen a great deal of life and during W.W. II, I talked with many returning service people who had seen action in the war.

I remember from my talks with the service people that most of the complained that they were trained in one thing, but when they got overseas they were shoved into another career field. For instance, I knew one man who complained that he had been trained as a gasoline tank driver for the old Army Air Force, but one day he was taken to a Sherman tank and informed that "since he was a buck Sgt." he was now tank commander.

I have also wondered about the fact that our Ammo would fit German weapons, but German Ammo wouldn't fit an American rifle? It seems that the clergymen feel that they are just too high in their ivory towers to take an interest in the problems of an American soldier. They would rather talk about

Jesus, The Bible, but not about the fact that many of our young people will have to spend the rest of their lives in wheel chairs, or in bed.

However, another problem that faced our servicemen in our last three wars was the matter of smokeless ammo. It seems that our ammo wasn't smokeless, but would leave a smoke pall above the head of the firer. This showed the enemy where to fire. Then there is the matter of the media telling the world our military secrets.

I didn't know what intelligence was when I was a soldier in W.W. II, but I remember that LIFE magazine showed a great deal about our weapons and one time they were telling the German Intelligence people (who monitor our media) some commonly used slang terms common to the speech of U.S. Air men. It might be that the Germans (trained in Oxford English) needed some help translating American slang.

However, it seems that for some reason the American people like leaders who are ruthless, and don't like any one attacking their heroes. However, after reading a book by Anthony C. Sutton I really wonder if the late President was a hero? It seems that Franklin was on the board of I.G. Farben U.S.A. which was a subsidiary of the German I.G. Farben. When Hitler needed money for his 1933 election, I.G. Farben was a major contributor (see Wall Street and The Rise of Hitler).

Is needless defense spending needed for prosperity? And, according to the council on Economic priorities a non-profit organization in New York. "Those that carried a heavier military burden like the U.S. had poorer economic performance." (Parade Jul. 18, 1982)

Just how do we get rid of people who plot against our young people? The media still tells a lot of things such facts about our air defenses that would make defense costs go down if they would just shut up. If you want to know some information on how to build an air plane that will get past our radar read Popular Science for Feb. 83. Such information could get us all blown up.

Sincerely,
Bill J. Bloomer

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Volume 48, Number 21 Hopper Hall fire

By BRIAN BICKETT
Spectator Staff Writer
Last Thursday evening just after 8:30 p.m. cries of "fire" were heard coming from Hopper Hall. A careless accident resulted in a fire in the north wing room 219, although the former residents of the room were unavailable for comment, sources relayed the following story.

Room 219 was assigned to Vickie Williamson and Christy Smith. Evidently the two were taking a test Thursday evening when Vickie returned to her room early. After smoking a cigarette, she dumped the ashes into her dormitory trash can and headed to the bathroom to rinse a sweater.

Meanwhile, down the hall in room 215, sophomore Michele McKenzie senior Deborah Crozier and a few other girls were playing cards when according to Michele, "We heard this beeping sound and somebody joked about an alarm clock going off. We noticed smoke in the hall and realized it was the smoke alarm. Since the Resident assistant wasn't on duty, I went to pull the fire alarm, but it wouldn't go off. I then helped in getting people out."

One of the girls attempted to get the hall fire extinguisher out of its housing, but the door was stuck. Deborah crozier said that on Friday she noticed what she thought were maintenance people scraping the paint off the housing! The girls deduced that the door was sealed by the paint. Another student, who asked not to be identified said, "Some girls attempted

Philosophy Club to sponsor arms documentary

The Philosophy Club is sponsoring the showing of the film "Gods of Metal," a documentary about the nuclear arms race on Thursday, May 5, 7:30 p.m. at Powell Hall. The film raises many questions about the effects of the nuclear arms buildup with its increasing dangers of destroying civilization, due to the powerful weapons and the increasing tensions on both sides. It points out that today the U.S. and the Soviet Union each possess about 25,000 nuclear weapons--enough nuclear weapons to kill every man, woman, and child on our planet many times over. Let each country continue to build more destructive weapons each year. Another issue the film raises is that

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Ed Kester, WVVS assistant manager