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FC student rocked live to Jimi Hendrix (left); read about other life adventures
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College committed to recycling despite eyewitness accounts to contrary

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Janitors at Floyd College are consistently throwing away recyclables with the regular garbage according to eyewitness accounts from faculty and staff.

Doug Webb, physical plant director, said, "If this is going on, I'm not aware of it. Not one person has reported this to me. I'm completely accessible by email. If the faculty and staff don't report a problem to me, I can't do anything about it. As far as I'm concerned, we are and will continue to follow Floyd College's policy to recycle."

When the custodial staff empties the containers, they visually inspect the containers for contaminants. If there are food remnants, liquids or unsorted wastes mixed in with the recyclables the whole container is dumped with the garbage because the recyclable waste becomes unusable.

Nikki Estes, a nursing major from Rome, said, "I'm not really sure which can is for what in the classrooms, and I might have put things in the wrong one on the way out." Estes added, "I didn't know the recycling helped the student emergency fund. I think that more people would recycle if they knew. I know I will do more if it helps supply the fund."

"I didn't know about it. I think recycling for the fund is a good idea. I will do more to recycle if it will help the student fund," said Mike Jones, a business major from Adairsville.

Not all of the college's recycling efforts go toward the student emergency fund. Webb said that because Rome Recycling picks up the paper products twice weekly, no profits are received from paper, which is the



Photo by Jessica Keener

Kristin Rogers, an early childhood education major from Calhoun, puts a bottle in the plastic recyclables container. Money from the recyclables go to the student emergency fund.

largest volume of recyclable materials from Floyd College.

Wayne Harrison, facility inventory analyst at Floyd, takes the plastic and aluminum can recyclables to the recycling center for the student emergency fund. Harrison said, "I really do it to keep the stuff out of the landfill. Truthfully, we get almost nothing for it, less than half a penny a pound. I've taken truckloads of cans for less than 20 dollars. It's almost costing more to do it than we make off of it. I do it because it's the right thing to do for the environment."

The dark trash cans in the

classrooms are repositories for garbage. The blue cans in the classrooms are for recyclable paper only. Green receptacles in the major hallways are labeled for plastic bottles. Adjacent to those are companion receptacles for aluminum cans.

"Education is the key to successful recycling. Students and staff need to keep recyclables separate. It only takes one person's carelessness to contaminate an entire receptacle. When this happens, the custodial staff has no choice but to dump the container into the garbage," said Webb.

College name change to be voted on soon

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The disputed Floyd College name change should be voted on by the Board of Regents by April.

For the past couple of years, there has been discussion concerning changing Floyd College's name. Recently this issue has become much more pressing.

Just before the Board of Regents was scheduled to vote on the college's name on Feb. 1, the "Rome News-Tribune" ran a story about the proposal for a new name. The Jan. 29 story revealed to many in the community for the first time that the college would be getting a new name.

Shortly after the "Rome News-Tribune" ran the name change story and Rome Mayor Ronnie Wallace wrote a letter to Dr. Randy Pierce, Floyd College president, raising questions about the change, Pierce announced he would request the decision on the name change be postponed.

Floyd College students had already been informed of the pending name change in a front page story in the Oct. 19 "Six Mile Post," in which Pierce discussed the reason for the name change and some possible options.

According to Pierce, the name change proposal was officially put before the Board of Regents in October. Prior to that, several focus groups consisting of leaders in the community as well as Floyd College students and faculty were put together to consider possible new names. The top two names the focus groups settled on were Georgia Northwestern College and Etowah College.

Although Georgia Northwestern was the most popular among the focus groups, other schools in Northwest Georgia felt that it

was too inclusive, according to Dana Davis, director of college relations.

Floyd College's first president, Dr. David B. McCorkle, who thinks a name change is inevitable, said, "I want it to be Georgia Northwestern but other schools objected."

The top three names preferred by Floyd College's faculty and staff other than Georgia Northwestern College, according to an informal survey conducted by the college, are Georgia Foothills, Georgia Heritage and Georgia Highlands College. The name Etowah College has been withdrawn from consideration.

Despite the name being rejected once by the Board of Regents, Pierce plans to resubmit the Georgia Northwestern College name because it has been consistently the most popular choice in focus groups and other surveys.

Floyd College was originally named after Floyd County because of the tax referendum that was enacted there to help raise money for a public college. Pierce said, "Thirty-five years ago, when there was one campus the name was appropriate."

Now that Floyd has expanded to have campuses outside of Floyd County and will have a new campus in Bartow County that can accommodate 2,500 students, Pierce said there should be a name that represents everyone from every county.

"We feel like it [a name change] is necessary because the institution has become a multi-campus and multi-regional institution and 'Floyd' does not reflect the institution. It's time to go to the next step," Pierce said.

Not only will there be the new Bartow campus, but Floyd College is currently looking to set up campuses in both Cobb and Cherokee Counties.

FC/Darton College medical lab tech student scores high

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Stephanie Beauregard, a student in the collaborative Floyd College/Darton College medical lab technology program, recently made the highest score of any MLT graduate in Darton College's history on the American Society for Clinical Pathology board exams.

The MLT boards are given by the American Society for Clinical Pathology and the test certifies that individuals are knowledgeable enough to perform medical laboratory work, according to www.ascp.org.

Passing this test is required before a graduate can actually work in the medical lab technology field.

"Floyd College offering this online program gave me the opportunity to pursue a degree that otherwise I would not have been able to pursue," said Beauregard. She went on to add that the instructors here at Floyd and at Darton were excellent. "They were very knowledgeable and helpful."

Scoring the test is very complex, according to Shannon Collins, clinical director of medical lab technology, because each question is weighted based on its difficulty. Collins went on to say,



Contributed photo
Stephanie Beauregard, FC/Darton College MLT student, scored higher on the ASCP boards than any other in Darton's history.

"A minimum score of 400 is required to pass. Stephanie more than doubled that."

The two-year associate's degree program is a joint partnership with Darton College in Albany, Ga. The program allows students to take core classes and medical lab technology labs here

at Floyd College while taking medical lab technology online lecture courses through Darton College.

Students interested in finding out more information about the MLT program may contact Collins at (706) 368-7763 or at scollins@floyd.edu.



Photo courtesy of blackbeard-cruises.com

Scuba diving in the Bahamas allows students to see interesting coral and fish. Blackbeard-cruises.com is the official website for the company facilitating the adventure.

Deadline for Bahamas trip fast approaching

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March 1 is the deadline to sign up to take part in Floyd College's first trip to the Bahamas.

Space is limited to 20 students.

Students who participate in this study abroad program can earn two hours of physical education credit in basic scuba and four hours of physical science credit.

The basic cost for the trip is \$1,200, but students should expect to pay approximately \$600 to \$800 more for tuition and other miscellaneous expenses.

Pre-trip meeting dates are May 16 through 19, and will include both class and pool sessions where students will be instructed in basic scuba certification.

At these sessions students

will also be instructed on the principles of physical science with emphasis on the physics of fluids, oceanic and atmospheric circulation patterns as well as the marine ecosystem.

The travel dates are May 20 through May 27.

Billy Morris, associate professor of geology, and Mark Pergrem, instructor of physics, are coordinating the trip.

In June Morris will also take Geology 1121K and 1122K classes to Wyoming to study rock and mineral identification, stratigraphy, paleontology, as well as structure, topographic and geologic mapping.

The dates for the trip are June 5 through the 19. The Wyoming trip has been filled to capacity.

For more information, contact Morris at bmorris@floyd.edu or Pergrem at mpergrem@floyd.edu.

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Peer educators plan to poll students on alcohol/drug use

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The Drug/Alcohol Awareness peer educators are currently meeting and training for a few activities for the month of March and also for the CORE survey, a national survey designed to measure students' habits in the use of alcohol and drugs.

The group, now known as TRASH (Teaching Responsible Alcohol Substance and Highway Safety), will poll 10 percent of the student population, about 350 students in Floyd College during

certain FCST classes, PE 1010 classes and possibly psychology and sociology classes.

The members of TRASH will attend the Regional Convention Area Conference of Baccus and Gamma at Freeman University in Greenville, S. C., Feb. 25 through Feb. 27.

TRASH and John Spranza, director of student life, have Safe Spring Break Week planned for March 14 through March 18, the week before Spring Break, and will feature the members of TRASH speaking to students on alcohol, drug and seat belt awareness.

Board of Regents imposes new exemption rules for Regents' Test

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The Board of Regents has imposed new exemption rules for the writing section of the Regents' Test.

The Board of Regents made the decision early this year. The policy is being instituted at Floyd College in spring semester of 2005.

According to Phyllis Chunn, coordinator of the Assessment Center, the new exemption rules consider SAT and ACT scores and grades from English 1101.

Now a student is exempt from taking the writing test if he/she earns either an SAT I score of 530 or higher and an "A" grade in English 1101, or a 590 on the SAT I and a "B" in English 1101.

The rules also apply to the ACT. If a student receives an English score of 23 or higher and earns an "A" in English 1101, or has a ACT English score of 26 or

above and a "B" in English 1101, the criteria has been met.

According to Regents' policy, students enrolled in transfer degree programs are required to pass both parts of the Georgia Regents' Test before a completing 45 semester hours of credit unless they are exempt from taking the test based on the Board of Regents' rules.

The new exemptions policy is effective immediately and applies to all students. "As long as the students have the appropriate grades, no matter where they received them, they do not have to take the test," Chunn said.

According to Chunn, students taking the Regents' Writing Remediation classes who now qualify for exemption are allowed to drop the course. "It's up to them whether they want to drop out of the class," she said. "However, there is a possibility that dropping out could impact their financial aid and full time student status."

The exemptions were the result of a study to find a correlation between the SAT and ACT scores and success on the Regents' Test.

Students and teachers have mixed views on the policy. Rita Lee, an early childhood education major from Buchanan, said, "I think it's a great idea because some students won't have to take the test over and over again."

Kim Yarborough, an English major from Rockmart said, "It sucks because it was installed too late for the rest of us."

"It's a nice thing to do for students," said Dr. Adetutu Abatan, an assistant professor of English at Floyd College. "I think it will encourage students to do better in English and will help ease test anxiety."

The summer Regents' Test will be given on July 12, at 9 a.m., 1 p.m. and 6 p.m on FC's Rome campus. The last day to register is June 17.

'SMP' wins 19 awards from State Press Assoc.

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Floyd College's student newspaper, the "Six Mile Post," came home with a total of 19 awards presented at the Georgia College Press Association's annual press institute held Feb. 5 in Macon.

Best Campus Community Service Awards included second place in Sports and third place in Features, Editorial Excellence and News. The SMP also received second place in the Improvement and General Advertising Excellence categories, as well as third place in General Photography Excellence.

The SMP took third place in the Best Newspaper Website category, competing against both two- and four-year college online newspapers.

Atteka Abdou won the Impact Award for her editorial cartoons. Abdou was chosen for this award from among all two-year and four-year college's entries.

Other individual award winners include the late Rick Climer, who won a first place award for Best Sports Photography.

Lindy Dugger, assistant edi-

tor of the SMP, received second place in the Best Sports Story category and the Best News Based on Interpretive or Investigative Reporting category.

Third place for Best Review went to Ashley Morris, and Editor Sam Chapman took third place in the Best News Article Based on Objective Reporting category.

Former "Six Mile Post" staff members won awards as well for their work at the paper. Bobby Moore won first place in the Best Feature Story category and second place in the Best News Article Based on Objective Reporting category. Stephanie McCombs received third place in the Best Sports Story category, and Joanna Selman won third place in the Best Editorial or Feature Photograph category. Jason Sapp was awarded third place in the Best Column category.

Ten "Six Mile Post" staff members and two advisers attended the press institute at the Crowne Plaza, which concluded with a banquet lunch followed by the presentation of awards.

Awards were based on newspapers printed during the 2004 calendar year.

'Old Red Kimono' deadline nears

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The submissions deadline for Floyd College's fine arts and literary magazine is fast approaching.

The "Old Red Kimono" (ORK) has been publishing poetry, short fiction and artwork created by Floyd college students, faculty and staff members since the early 1970's.

The ORK was started to supplement Floyd's creative writing classes almost 30 years ago. Much of the content is submitted by FC students and faculty.

Submissions to the ORK can be made by any Floyd College student or faculty members and writings from around the nation are also accepted for review and possible publication. Poetry, prose and artwork submitted will be considered for admission to the magazine by the ORK's student editing staff.

"The ORK is produced here in Rome, but travels far. We send copies to libraries around the world," said faculty editorial adviser and FC associate professor



Photo by Josh Grubb

Randie Mayo, education major from Tallapoosa and assistant student editor of the "Old Red Kimono," reviews some entries sent to the ORK by Floyd College students.

of English, Dr. Nancy Applegate.

According to Applegate, the ORK is listed in the "Poets Market" and has received submissions from states including California, Texas, Virginia and Wisconsin.

"We have received letters from as far away as Denmark and Japan," said Lanelle Daniel, ORK faculty editorial adviser

and associate professor of English at FC.

All submissions for this year's issue of the ORK must be made by Feb. 28.

Prizes are offered for the best creative writing piece and for best artwork. The awards are \$50, \$20 and \$10 for first, second and third place respectively, in each category.

Cultural Awareness Society plans trips

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The Cultural Awareness Society is sponsoring two events for Black History Month.

The first will be a trip to the State of the Black Union 2005: "Road to Health and Defining the African American Agenda" in Atlanta on Feb. 26 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at New Birth Missionary Baptist Church.

Some of the invited speakers include Rev. Jesse Jackson, Harry Belafonte, Rev. Al Sharpton, Jackie-Joyner Kersee and Marian Wright.

The second is a trip to the Birmingham Civil Rights Museum on March 5. Included in the trip are a tour of the museum, Kelly Ingram Park and the 16th Street Baptist Church.

Each trip costs \$5 to attend. Interested participants may sign up in the Office of Student Life.

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Financial aid refunds sent later than many colleges’

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Student financial aid refunds were mailed Feb. 8 – a total of 31 days after the start of spring semester classes.

A number of University System colleges process financial aid checks more promptly.

For example, Dalton State dispersed financial aid money to students on Jan. 6, and Southern Poly distributed checks in the second week of the spring semester. Waycross College’s student checks were available for pickup on Jan. 24. Kennesaw State’s financial aid money was distributed by the end of January.

However, Valdosta State’s checks were not available until Feb. 1. Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College distributed its money Feb. 4.

“The money isn’t late,” said Dr. Ron Shade, vice president of student development at Floyd College, who oversees the financial aid process. “In fact, I believe we’re actually ahead of last year at this date.”

According to Kelly Gribble, director of financial aid, financial aid money for spring semester 2004 was distributed at the end of last February.

The Floyd College Spring 2005 Academic Calendar said financial aid refunds were to be processed and sent to students Feb. 7-11. “This is the first time we’ve published a date,” said Gribble.

“The excess refund amount is usually held to a certain point in the term until the registrar can confirm students [who receive financial aid] are actually attending their classes,” said Shade.

These financial aid refunds

refer specifically to excess monies from the HOPE scholarship and the Pell grant.

According to Gribble, scholarship monies from organizations separate from the State of Georgia will be dispersed sporadically as the money is received and processed.

Stratford Loans are distributed depending on when applications are received.

“I don’t know the process other schools have in place to get the checks out when they do,” said Shade.

Gribble said that while a “major upgrade” of the college’s Banner software program, used in student recordkeeping, did delay processing time for the refund checks, it did not necessarily delay the refund time. “Usually we begin processing financial aid during the [semester] break but with the system upgrade, we

weren’t able to do that,” said Gribble.

According to Gribble, there was a “glitch in HOPE disbursement” that was explained in an email to all students sent via the Office of Student Life.

This email, sent on Jan. 4, stated, “Due to a technical issue, some of you may have noticed you were awarded the HOPE scholarship for Spring before the holidays, but now it is not showing up. This is simple to correct, no need to worry. If you fall into this category, you can email your name and last four digits of your social security number to finaid@floyd.edu or stop by the Enrollment Management offices if you’re on campus.”

The email also stated that students would not lose their schedules after the Jan. 6 fee payment deadline if their HOPE money had not yet been paid.

According to Shade, Floyd College students received \$5 million in financial aid money last year.

Wayne Jones, comptroller at Floyd College, said all financial aid money from the state is transferred in lump sums by electronic transfer to Floyd College’s generic bank account. Once FC receives notification that the money is in the bank, the money is moved to a separate account for financial aid.

“Between the time we get the money and it is distributed to students, we don’t draw interest,” said Jones. “Basically, we can’t, because it’s not ours.”

Any questions about financial aid can be directed to the Financial Aid Office at (706) 295-6311. However, Gribble encouraged students to email questions about financial aid to finaid@floyd.edu.

Maymester and summer student advising and class registration to begin soon

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Early registration for Maymester begins March 28. Advising begins March 14.

“Maymester classes begin May 11 and go through May 27. May 30 is a holiday and the exams are scheduled for May 31,” said Eileen Walker, advising coordinator at Floyd College.

During Maymester, students work at an accelerated pace. Walker stated, “Each class day is equivalent to one week, so students need to be aware of the class’ intensity. Many students do quite well, because they say they do not have time to forget!”

Students may receive credit for classes that last 15 weeks in only three weeks, though the choice of classes is limited.

Brenda Grissom, an LPN bridge to RN major from Rome, said, “I took two classes last May, FCCS 1100 and nutrition. They both included projects which made them really tough.”

She also added that there was not much time for her family, and she did not recommend students taking more than two classes.

In contrast, nursing/education major Nicole Duck of Rome likes Maymester.

“Wham Bam Thank you Mam and we’re done. It’s a very easy way to knock out your core curriculum. I just loved it and I’m going to do it again,” Duck said.

Maymester classes may be taken alone or in combination with other summer classes.

In addition to Maymester, there will be full term summer classes and also two short summer sessions.

‘FC Bytes’ editor encourages students to enter contests sponsored by webzine

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“FC Bytes,” Floyd College’s online magazine, is sponsoring several contests this semester in order to promote the webzine.

“Last year’s contests were a lot of fun,” said Amanda Cordle, student editor for “FC Bytes.” “We hope that students will take part in these contests and make them as successful as the past ‘Bytes’ contests have been.”

“Bytes” is hosting the fourth annual “The Best Photography Contest in the World” contest. Contact information is required with all submissions. Color and black and white photos will be accepted. Computer altered or enhanced photographs are ineligible.

“Bytes” is also sponsoring “The Official Burger of FC Bytes” contest. Students and faculty may nominate the restaurant, diner or food chain they believe makes the best burger. A panel of judges will try all nominated burgers and name the winner. The person who nominated the winning burger will receive a free burger paid for by “FC



Photo by Noah Clark

Dr. Jon Hershey, professor of English at Floyd College and faculty adviser for “FC Bytes,” looks over “Bytes” editor Amanda Cordle’s shoulder while Cordle examines electronic entries to “The Best Photography Contest in the World.”

Bytes.” All nominees must be available within the Floyd College service area of Northwest Georgia.

The “No F.U. for Us” contest has been created in response to the college’s proposed name change and possible additions of four year programs. Students and faculty may submit suggested new names for Floyd College.

Prizes will be awarded in all contests. All “FC Bytes” contests are open to students, faculty, alumni and staff.

Entries to all contests may be submitted by email to bytes@floyd.edu or left at the Office of Student Life. The deadline for all submissions is Feb. 28.

“FC Bytes” can be found on the internet at www.floyd.edu/webzine.

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A college by any other name

Floyd College is looking for a new name. The idea behind needing a name change is the fact that we are a multi-campus and multi-county institution. The name Floyd College, derived from the county where people paid for the original college campus, is no longer considered appropriate.

Georgia Northwestern was once a proposed name option for Floyd College.

The University System of Georgia has many two-year colleges named after the region they serve. Middle Georgia College in Cochran serves middle Georgia, East Georgia College in Swainsboro serves east Georgia and South Georgia College in Douglas serves south Georgia residents.

It is reported that this name was shot down by other institutions in Georgia that

felt the name would be too dominant of the northwest region.

In this geographic area, a lot of directional/regional names are already taken. Examples of this are West Georgia College, Coosa Valley Technical College and North Georgia College.

One of the other proposed name changes for Floyd College was Etowah College. It has been reported that this name was suggested because the Etowah River runs through the counties that Floyd College services. Many students, Floyd County citizens and other “Etowah” named entities did not like this suggestion.

Some say they did not like this name because it stimulated thoughts of Cartersville (Etowah Indian Mounds, the Etowah Education Founda-

tion and 14 other listings in the Cartersville phonebook are named Etowah).

Floyd College responded to these concerns by officially withdrawing Etowah College as one of the suggested names.

It began as Floyd College, it should end as Floyd College. But since a name change has been declared inevitable, Georgia Northwestern is the our next choice.

Although it was taken off the table at the beginning, it has been the top choice and favorite among the majority that has had the opportunity to vote on the passing of the name - even after being told it could no longer be an option.

But whatever name is decided on we will still have the same classes, the same teachers and the same parking spots. This is just a transition, not a new beginning.

FC focus group in action



SMP Staff Reunion!

Know any old SMP staffers? Let 'em know!

Contact Dr. Kristie Kemper at kkemper@floyd.edu for more info.

Practice self-defense and get a souven-‘ear’

Not long ago, a friend and I found ourselves cornered. Behind us was a fake plant and a wall, in front of us a bowlegged man who was either drunk or mentally inept – hard to tell. Behind him, the doorway, our only escape. He staggered towards us, called us “nice girls” then reached out as if he was trying to pet us.

Fortunately, we were able to quickly duck out of the slightly comical situation and hightail it away.

It wasn’t until later that I realized what trouble we could have been in.

Popular culture has lied to us all, with TV distorting the reality of physical human limitations and giving us a false sense of security and immortality. Superman is dead and so is Bruce Lee. And any movies involving rappers or flying Japanese people, well, you get the point.

The issue of self-defense not only applies to women. Everyone is vulnerable. Therefore, in the spirit of civic duty I have compiled a list of a few things you can do if threatened and some tips on how to help avoid the situation entirely.



Editor’s Box

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1. Refrain from wearing baggy or “easy access” clothing, especially when alone in unfamiliar public areas.
2. If threatened use your best non-library voice to alert anyone within the area about your unfortunate predicament.
3. If confronted by a mugger, toss the item in question away from your body, so the he or she must leave you to retrieve it.
4. The purse can be a magnificent weapon, the average woman’s medieval battle flail. Wrapping the strap around the wrist can position the bag for an easy and accurate swing.
5. Pepper spray is easily portable. Be sure to get OC type pepper spray, which is designed to work best on humans, and not that for bears or dogs.
6. Consider buying a stun gun or a taser.
7. When walking alone to your car, hold your car key between your thumb and index fin-

ger with the pointed key part away from your hand. This allows for a quick jab if necessary.

8. The elbows and the knees are seen as some of the strongest parts of the body. Aim for softer, more vulnerable areas such as the groin, midsection, shins and neck.

9. And finally, it only takes an average seven pounds of pressure to rip off a human ear.

Be smart. Take a self-defense course. Only use defense techniques when in mortal danger (in other words, use careful discretion between annoying relatives and serial rapists).

Understand the consequences of your actions. Know local laws concerning pepper spray, self-defense and the forceful removal of apendages, including ears.

But seriously, folks, you’re not Jackie Chan or that chick from “Resident Evil.” Be careful.

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As one door closes,
another opens

It seems to me life, as in all parts of it, continues in cycles. My personal school cycle since I was 18 was to go to school for a little while and then drop out. By accepting a new sales position with long hours, I am once again continuing my cycle.

I will miss writing articles for the “Six Mile Post.” I hope you have enjoyed reading my articles as much as I have enjoyed writing them.

Much like the Phoenix, I will one day rise again from the ashes to continue my education. I have promised my mom that I will graduate college by the time I am 60.

So when your children or



Through My Eyes

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grandchildren are attending Floyd College, have them pick up a paper and maybe you will again see my face on it.

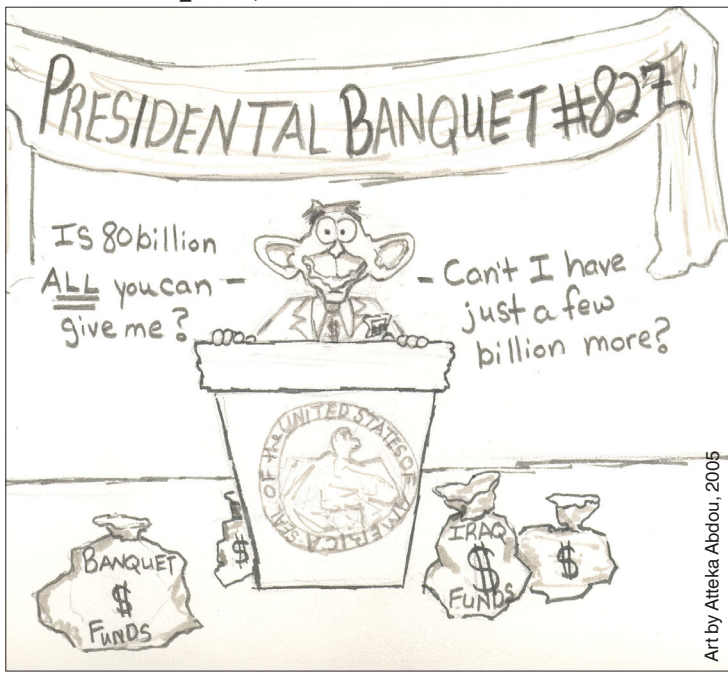
Before leaving I would like to publicly thank Dr. Kemper for the time she spent with me both years ago, turning a smart alec kid into a writer through her motivation and journalism classes, as well as the endless amount of hard work she puts in to this day teaching students how to become reporters. I respect her for her passion for the “Six Mile Post” and its writers.

I would also like to thank Sam

Chapman, “Six Mile Post” editor, who has offered advice without being pushy and support through missed deadlines and extended word counts. His energy and enthusiasm are contagious. Sam, I believe you have found your calling, so good luck. I know you will go far.

There are many experiences to be had in this lifetime. Remember the life clock is ticking so we had better get started and experience everything that we can. And as a good friend of mine always says, catch you on the rebound.

I can’t spell, but I sure can count!



Letter to the Editor...

Soldier’s letter from Iraq
an ‘eye-opener’

Dear Editor,

I am writing in regards to the “Letter from Iraq...” article of the Jan. 31st newspaper. When it comes to the war in Iraq, I try my best to stay uninformed. An incident pertaining to the war was introduced to me and has absolutely traumatized me for the

rest of my life.

Back in April of 2004, I was shown the video of the beheading of Nicholas Berg that took place in Iraq. The video was posted on the internet and someone pulled it up on a computer screen. From watching that video, I developed Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome causing my anxiety to sky-rocket.

Now, I am horrified of anything portraying to the war in Iraq. As I was walking through

the halls of Floyd College, I picked up a copy of the newspaper and began to read it, not expecting to find anything relating to the war.

Fortunately, I saw the article, “Letter from Iraq...” but decided not to read it. Then something sparked my interest, causing me to read it. I took in all the information the American soldier had written. It really hit home though, knowing that he is from

Rome, Georgia.

In all actuality, as frightened as I am of Iraq, I would love to hear more soldiers’ points of view of it. So thank you to everyone involved in posting this article. It was a great idea and a big eye-opener!

Nikki Gallimore
Education Major
Rome, Ga.

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“Will American troops still be in Iraq at the end of President George W. Bush’s second term?”

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What do you think about the Floyd
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Sarah Columbo
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“I think there should be a name change, but I don’t like the name Etowah.”



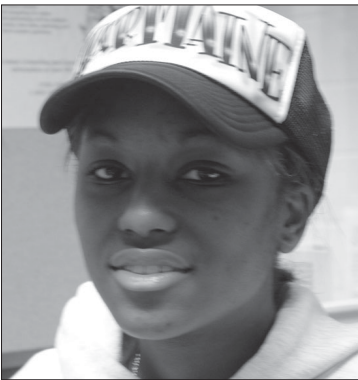
Scott Blair
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“The whole point to changing the name is to help the growth of the school. The more we do to help the school grow, the better education we’ll receive.”



Ammar Abdellatif
Rome Campus
Undeclared Major

“I don’t care what the name of the school is. The school is not made by the name, but rather the teachers and students.”



Candice Peugh
Rome Campus
Criminal Justice Major

“I think it’s stupid. The name of the college is fine and it wasn’t publicized enough on campus for the students to give good input.”



Tri Ly
Rome Campus
Medical Technology Major

“I think whatever name is fine.”

Poll by Bethany Holt

Not considered your ‘average’ FC student

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The people you pass in the hallways may look like average people, but each person is like an unread book full of memories and experiences that some only dream about.

Beau Boddie is one of those students.

Throughout the early part of his life, Beau had unknowingly involved himself with many famous – and infamous – 60’s and 70’s icons.

“Berkley was the place to be in the 60’s,” said Beau.

In the early 60’s, when Beau used to play basketball with his neighbors, he didn’t pass the ball to one of his early companions Sylvester Stewart, who, unbeknownst at the time, would later become Sly Stone, the front-man for the funk and soul band Sly and The Family Stone.

“I still remember him as a little kid saying ‘C’mon man, pass the ball, pass the ball,’” said Beau. “He wasn’t one of the better players.”

Sly Stone wasn’t the only future celebrity that Beau knew as a child.

Throughout his school years, he was friends with Lenny Pickett, the saxophonist for the early 70’s rock ‘n’ funk band

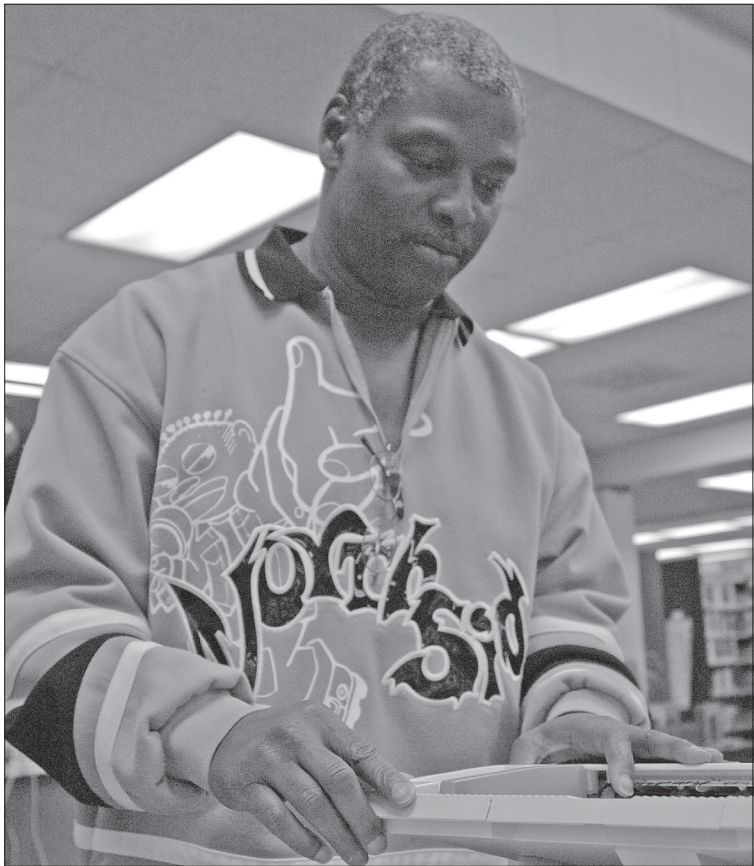


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Beau Boddie, a physician’s assistant major from Rome, works in the FC library. He has had many interesting life experiences and is now at FC to further his education.

Tower of Power.

Beau also saw Jimi Hendrix in concert up close, and for free. “It wasn’t like going to a concert now where it’s more about the artist than the music. Hendrix just got on stage and did his thing,” he said.

Beau’s life hasn’t been only

celebrity oriented. One of Beau’s passions is helping his fellow man. In 1968 he caught the revolution fever and, with many others, picketed an International House of Pancakes for not hiring African-Americans.

Intrigued by veterans coming home from Vietnam, Beau de-

cided to pursue one of his childhood dreams and enlisted in the Marines to serve his country.

In 1972, he was assigned to the Marine 1st Recon Battalion in Camp Pendleton, CA. He was then sent into action during the American pullout of Vietnam and was wounded by a gunshot to the leg. After being promoted to sergeant, he left the service in 1976.

After his time in the Marines, Beau decided to follow another one of his dreams, medicine.

He went back to Washington, D.C., his birthplace, and became a neo-natal paramedic. His primary responsibilities were taking care of infant intensive care cases and dealing with high risk maternity cases such as mothers with health problems and babies with high risks of being born with problems related to parental drug abuse.

After many years, he later became the director of Shepherd’s House in Conyers, Ga. At the Shepherd’s House, Beau helped former prisoners during a 90 day program to get back on their feet after being in prison.

In 2002 Beau decided to return to furthering his education. “Someone told me about this little place called Rome and said that there were some good schools here, so I came up here and fell in love with the weather,” he said. So Beau went back to school to study to be a physician’s assistant.

In addition to pursuing his degree, Beau works for the AIDS Resource Council, Inc. in Rome as a counselor. Beau says that helping people deal with AIDS is one of his greatest feelings.

Being able to help someone and hopefully make a difference, he feels, is truly a great thing.

Now, Beau is trying to simply get through math and the other obstacles of Floyd College.

He is currently working also as a student worker in the library. He says that his life has been fun and that he looks forward to the rest of it.

“It’s not what you do in the year you were born and the year you die that count, it’s what happened in between that matters most,” he said.

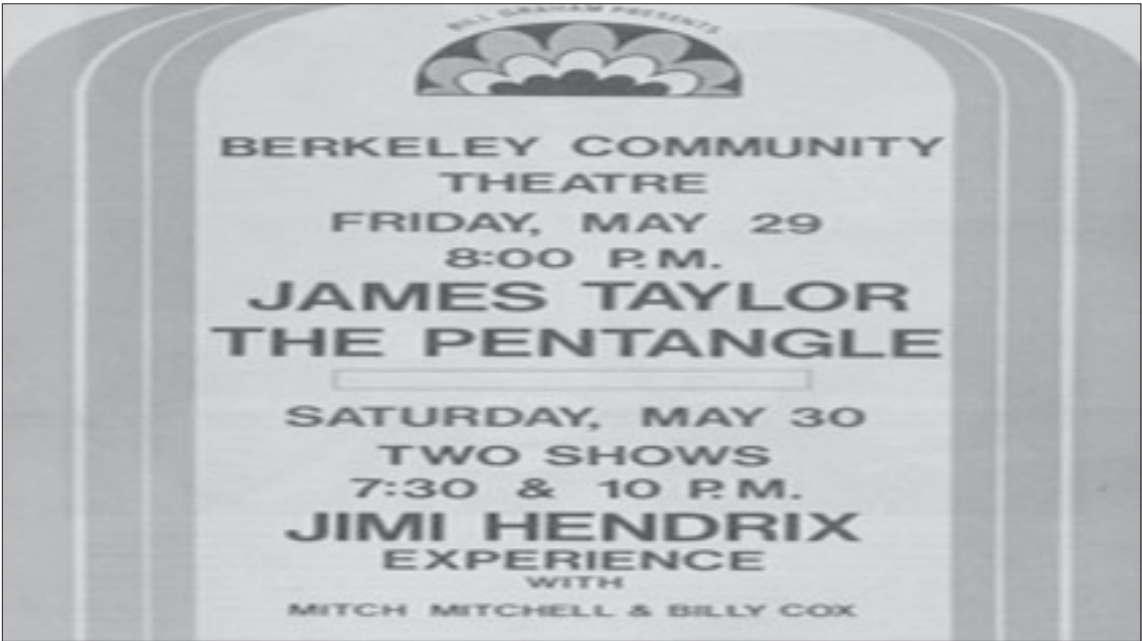


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Beau Boddie saw Jimi Hendrix (left) play live in the 60’s and he also played basketball with a young Sylvester Stewart (right), who later became Sly Stone, of Sly and The Family Stone.



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This is the poster for the Jimi Hendrix performance that Beau Boddie attended. The Berkeley Community Theatre is the complex that held the event. This is one of many interesting things Boddie has experienced throughout his life.



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Holographic technology now available

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Many science fiction innovations have become reality in the last 50 years.

One of these is Io2 Technology's Heliodisplay. Conceived by Chad Dyer, the Heliodisplay is described by Io2's website as "the world's first free-space display from which digital information can be viewed and manipulated."

The Heliodisplay allows users to look at a projected image that floats in mid air. Users may also select and manipulate graphic information without the aid of a mouse or keyboard. Users are also able to physically drag and drop digital information as if it existed in front of them.

It would be inaccurate to call this a touch-screen monitor because it doesn't involve a monitor at all. According to Io2 Technology's official website, "There are no special gloves, or pointing devices, just as you use a mouse to move the cursor on a



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The Heliodisplay technology is demonstrated to a group of people. Io2 Technology is the company that is developing and marketing this product.

traditional computer monitor, you can use your finger to move the cursor around the Heliodisplay image."

The Heliodisplay projects multiple two-dimensional images that simulate three-dimensional objects. It is backwards compat-

ible with most two-dimensional video sources including TV, DVD, HDTV and video game consoles. Additionally, this will work with virtually any Pentium III or higher computer.

Weighing in at 28 pounds, the Heliodisplay is not likely to re-

place flat screen computer monitors anytime soon. "It's not the weight that people will be concerned with," said Dr. Jimmy Barnes, associate professor of math and computer science at Floyd College. "In the end, the price is what people really care

about."

At \$18,600, the Heliodisplay costs four times more than a high end plasma TV. "When the technology is more affordable," said Barnes, "people will be much more willing to buy one."

But Io2 Technology contends that their product has many other, non-consumer-based applications. Among those are heads-up displays for surgeons, virtual privacy scans and collaborative decision making in air-traffic control, military command and engineering design.

More information on the Heliodisplay is available at www.io2technology.com.

Editor's note:

Dr. H. Lynn Cundiff, former president of Floyd College, is CEO of a company called 3dh, which is marketing 3D Holoprojection as a tool of classroom use. According to the Nov. 11 online version of the "Chronicle of Higher Education," Cundiff has been demonstrating the technology to educators as a learning enhancement tool.

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Dudley Salley supports study abroad program

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Dr. Dudley Salley, professor of economics at Floyd College, has been an active part of the study abroad programs at Floyd College during his entire time here and had prior experience with other study abroad trips when he taught at a University in Florida.

During his time in Florida, Salley began to fully understand what study abroad is all about. "It really widens your views," he said. "When you go to another country and see what all is out there, it is like going from a little room, not just to a bigger room, but to the top of the hill where you can see everything."

According to Salley, it is amazing to actually see in person things that have just been seen on television and in magazines, such as the Eiffel Tower or the 1972 Olympic Stadium in

Munich, Germany.

"You become much more aware of the world and its history when you see these things with your own eyes and say to yourself, 'Hey, it actually does exist,'" Salley said.

His last trip with Floyd College was a journey to Schwabish-Gmund, Germany, from June 23 to Aug. 1 of 2004. While being housed in the dorms of the Schwabish-Gmund campus, the students were able to visit several sites in Germany, including the Schwabish-Gmund Marketplatz, Rothenburg and



Contributed Photo
Rothenburg, Germany



Photo by Sam Chapman

Dr. Dudley Salley has decorated his office with mementos from his travels.

Schwabish-Hall. On the weekends, the students were free to travel independently to other German cities and even nearby countries.

Salley says he becomes more fascinated with the world with each new trip. "When you are out there in a strange, new place, everything is an adventure.

When you go on a field trip and get lost, or whether it is just going to the drugstore to get supplies, you always come back home with an interesting story."

Salley encourages any student who wishes to explore the world, to learn more about other cultures, and to have an exciting experience that will never be for-

gotten to consider study abroad. He points out that not only can students receive course credit, but that the cost for the trip is usually quite affordable.

Floyd College's current study abroad coordinator is Dr. Alberta Johnson, professor of psychology. She may be reached at ajohnson@floyd.edu.

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Flogging Molly returns listeners to band’s Irish roots

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Music Review

Anyone who’s been to Warped Tour in the last few years should recognize the name Flogging Molly.

This Irish punk band isn’t one easily forgotten. Their unique sound and amazing stage presence have captured the hearts of fans everywhere.

Their newest album, “Within a Mile of Home,” beautifully blends punk rock and traditional Irish folk music once again. This cut may lean a little more toward the Irish side of the fence than some others, but it still has that same magic.

From the beginning of the album with the roaring track “The Seven Deadly Sins” you start craving a Guinness. The fiddle takes the stage during the bridge and electric guitars back her up.

Following is “Factory Girls,”



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Flogging Molly’s newest album, “Within a Mile of Home,” takes one to Ireland. Many of the tracks on this album include traditional Irish instruments.

a little slower with the tin whistle bringing a melancholy tone to the track. This song and “Whistles the Wind” keep the punk at bay

and bring traditional Irish folk to the foreground. Picking up the pace a bit is “The Light of A Fading Star” followed by my favorite

track, “Tobacco Island,” which is a fast and furious song speaking of the Irish being shipped to Barbados: “All to hell we must sail

for the shores of sweet Barbados where the sugar cane grows taller than the God we once believed in.” The title track “Within A Mile of Home” gives the best punk/Irish blend of all.

The beat and lyrics are modern but that fiddle still sings and Dave King’s thick Irish accent laces each word. On some of their older albums the punk influences are more obvious and Ireland takes a back seat.

But with “Within A Mile of Home,” Flogging Molly gets back to their roots. So if you like a little sham with your rock, be sure to pick up this latest album by Flogging Molly.

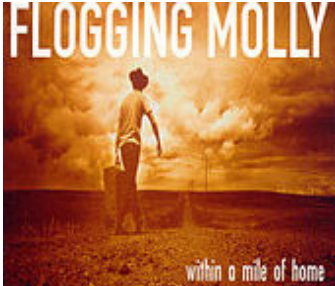


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Boogeyman is stupid, don’t waste time/money

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Movie Review

“Boogeyman” is nothing to be scared of.

Among the other 17 horror films that are coming out this month, “Boogeyman” and “Constantine” are the only ones that seem to have any promise to scare, or at least be any good.

Let’s just say “Boogeyman” didn’t live up to anything. It’s a bunch of close-ups on doorknobs and creaky sounds meshed with some quick camera moves.

Despite all that, it’s just not scary.

This film stars Barry Watson from the television series “Seventh Heaven.” He’s a wuss on the show, and an even bigger wuss in the movie.

Watson plays Tim, a grown man who has been scared of the Boogeyman since his father mysteriously disappeared (apparently taken by the Boogeyman) when he was a child. So ever since then, Tim has been scared of opening doors and closets.

When his mother dies Tim,

goes to his old house to prove his fears wrong, but just as we’d suspect, the Boogeyman is back and after him, and a few of his girlfriends, too.

There’s a bunch of waiting for something to happen throughout the first two-thirds of this movie.

Then the last act seems like everyone who participated in the movie just threw their hands up in the air and said “screw it!”

For example, some creepy little girl is out in Barry’s tool shed waiting to talk to him.

I don’t know about you, but the tool shed is the first place I go when I want to talk to someone.

It’s just stupid!

Basically, it’s the single oldest trick in the lame-o horror book: when you have no REAL scares for your regulars, it’s best to just throw a bunch of loud noises and flashing lights onto the screen.

A good word for it is anticlimactic (or just crap) and it leaves you with a “That was it?!” kind of attitude.

So unless you feel like being disappointed, I suggest you just wait for “Constantine” to open featuring Keanu Reeves.

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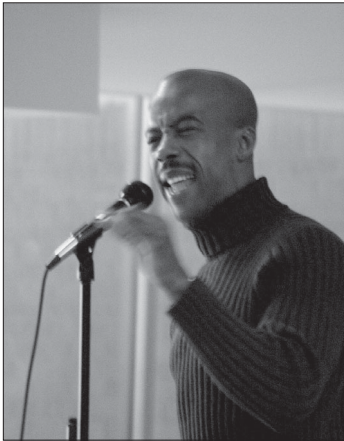
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Slam poet slams inspiration to Floyd College students

Jamaican slam poet Kirk Nugent, known as "The People's Poet" by his fans, spoke to Floyd College students on Feb. 10. Slam poets shout or rap their pieces to entertain the crowd and express their message. This was Nugent's first performance at Floyd.



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Try Thai: 'Surin of Thailand' is a fresh and spicy change from the chains

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Restaurant Review

If you're looking for a change from the chain restaurants that attempt to hide their prepackaged food under the guise of a waiter or waitress, try Surin of Thailand, located in the heart of Virginia Highlands in Atlanta. With its open seating and serene ambiance, created by its dim lighting and Eastern feel of cleanliness, Surin is the perfect place to bring a date or just to dine with friends or family.

For an appetizer, try the crab angel rolls: cream cheese and crab inside a crisp pastry. Basil rolls stuffed with lettuce, basil, bean sprouts, shrimp and pork are another favorite. The rolls themselves are good, but the dipping sauce is truly what makes

them special. The sauce is hot, but so sweet that even those who do not like spicy foods will enjoy it.

Surin offers a variety of soups and salads, but I usually skip ahead to the main course. However, my friends have ordered the shrimp and coconut soup many times and have always enjoyed it. I tasted it once, and it was surprisingly sweet and rich.

For a main course, which can range from mild to extreme in spiciness, you can't go wrong with the chicken panang, which is a mildly spicy chicken dish in a red curry paste mixed with bell peppers and basil leaves. I have ordered this dish many times and have never been dissatisfied by its quality. The chicken is always fresh and never rubbery like the chicken you get at many of the chain restaurants. The sauce is sweet and savory, but not thick. The bell peppers and basil fuse

with the other elements of the dish to create a cleansing, satisfying entrée that will not leave you stuffed or feeling guilty for having eaten it.

For dessert, go for the coconut ice cream, a staple at most Thai restaurants. Surin's coconut ice cream is light, rich, sweet and mild all at the same time.

Please do not ask me to explain myself any further... you just have to try it for yourself. Go to Virginia Highlands near the intersection of Virginia and North Highland Avenues in Atlanta. Buy your girlfriend some shoes at Bill Hallman (on the same block, right down the street) and then go to Surin of Thailand... your taste buds will thank you for the experience. Vegetarian selections are also available.

Pricing: Moderate. Surin of Thailand is located at 810 North Highland Avenue, Atlanta, Ga.

Book 'Degas by Himself' is great, by itself

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Book Review

In "Degas by Himself (Artist by Himself)" editor Richard Kendall pulls together many of the famous 19th century painter and sculptor Edgar Degas' personal notebooks, letters and other writings to help narrate Degas' collection of drawings, prints and paintings. There are also comments and critiques of Degas from his close friends and acquaintances.

This incredibly affordable book is filled with beautiful full color prints by Degas, and even features some of his notes in his own handwriting.

There is also a helpful section at the end of the book that introduces the reader to each person with whom Degas corresponds in his letters and writings. The 100 color prints of Degas works range from his apprentice days starting in 1850 to paintings of his old age in 1912.

The apprentice section is introduced with a self-portrait of a handsome, young Degas painted in 1856.

The section also includes numerous notebook entries by Degas about what it is like being a student of the world and studying the light and planes of the environment. He describes his personal trepidation about being able to accurately capture life on his canvases. There are color prints of several of the young artist's studies, as well as landscapes, portraits, nudes and realistic scenes.

The next section of the book deals with the Impressionist era. Degas is best known for his impressionist work. Degas writes of his visit to America and traveling from New York

to New Orleans. There are many letters to other famous painters from this era as well, such as Tissot, Manet, Pissarro and, his later love interest, Mary Cassatt.

The paintings in this section are among his best. They include his famous ballerina paintings, as well as a large collection of

prints of female workers, society women and women bathing. The bachelor never settled with a woman, but he placed them in a great deal of his work.

During the final part of the book, which discusses Degas' old age, almost all of his works are drawings, pastels and sculptures which focus mostly on landscapes and women bathing, dressing and doing their hair. Degas was suffering from poor eyesight and bad health, and even though he was not feeling well towards the end of his life, his work was finally famous so he was pushed to complete more than he felt he could.

This book is well worth its incredibly low price. It is rare that one may find an

art book that is so affordable, especially one filled with 100 examples of fine art as Degas'. Art history courses give students a lot of knowledge about technique, but they cannot provide the insight into the artist's soul and personality the way "Degas by Himself" does.



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Intramural 5-on-5 basketball action heats up the gym game by game

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With the first game played on Feb. 2, intramural basketball is underway.

During the first game, the Real Splitters defeated the Slackers 43-41. Orlando Morgan led the Real Splitters with 18 points, while Blake Pattillo had 24 points for the Slackers.

In the second game that day, the Angry Sheepleaders (that is the correct spelling) defeated Trailer Trash 44-20. Stephen Mink and Tim Smith led the Angry Sheepleaders with 15 points each.

On Feb. 10, the games started with a match between the Slackers and Trailer Trash. During the first half of the game, the Slackers were playing short handed, missing Ammar Abdellatif, but not seeming to lose any momentum. The score was 25-20 at half-time with the Slackers in the lead.

The only drawback to the Slackers' first half was when Eric Hopper and Pattillo, who both play for the Slackers, found themselves fighting over the ball. The officials didn't know how to call that foul.

Abdellatif made it in time for the second half. The second half was also dominated by the Slackers, who never lost the lead. The final score was 68-38.

Excited from winning the game, Pattillo said, "I'd like to thank Ronnie Kelly for all his great assists."

During the second game of the day, the Angry Sheepleaders



Photo by Josh Grubb

took on the Real Splitters. It was a tight and equally matched game from the beginning.

The Angry Sheepleaders played hard, even when Seth Ingram answered his cell phone while the ball was in play.

The lead was passed back and

forth between the teams, but the Angry Sheepleaders held onto the lead into the second half.

The Real Splitters had their fifth player show up during half-time, which gave them the advantage in head count. Sterling Peace made a 3-pointer tying the



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LEFT: Seth Ingram, a political science major from Cedartown, takes a shot for the Angry Sheepleaders.

TOP RIGHT: Tim Smith, an education major from Rome, (right), goes for the ball.

RIGHT: Phillip Breaux, a special education major from Lyerly, plays defense.



Photo by Josh Grubb

the Angry Sheepleaders modestly smiled in victory with a win of 45-44. Smith said it best, "Everybody played hard; we just got lucky."

The next basketball game will be played 1:30 p.m. on Feb. 23 in the gym.

Arena football is coming on strong in Georgia

As Rome's arena football team gets geared up to kick off on March 25, Georgia Force football is going on now and is going full force, so to say.

The Force names might not be those of Vick, Manning or Farve, but names like Troy Bergeron are quickly getting noticed here in Georgia.

Bergeron, the youngest

player to ever play in the AFL at



Sports Column

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the age of 20 last year, is one of the best receivers in the league.

It might be the Arena Foot-

ball League, but it's still football. And on any level, turnovers will kill you. The Georgia Force made that adage stand up Saturday night, Feb. 12, at Philips Arena, defeating the Arizona Rattlers 61- 47.

The win that night was witnessed by the largest crowd in Georgia Force history — 13,297.

Bergeron caught eight balls, including three touchdowns. His

254 total yards fell just 20 yards short of a franchise record.

Arena football is fast paced and high scoring.

While some say that running is not an asset to the league, most coaches will disagree. On a field half the size of a regulation field, the red zone offense has to be a running game.

While game scores normally reach the 40s, the excitement never stops for arena football.

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