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Student reports rape in downtown Athens

By **BRITTANY COFER**
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A 20-year-old female University student reported a rape to Athens-Clarke County police on Saturday. According to the report: She and a group of friends went downtown Friday night to celebrate a

birthday. The woman said she remembered going to Topper's to buy the friend a lap dance for her birthday. She said a white male, approximately 23 to 25 years old, was buying her drinks, and she thought he might have put something in them. She said at some point

she began to walk home and was separated from the other girls. She told police she did not remember anything after leaving Topper's until she was at the Exxon on Martin Luther King Parkway and saw a black male following her. She said she started to

walk faster, and he began walking faster. At that time she reached down, took off her flip flops and began to run. She said she did not remember anything else until she was home and inside. She told police she had scrapes on her stomach, left elbow and she was sore

between her ribs and buttocks. Police collected her clothing and the victim told police she was missing her black strapless bra. Police did not find the bra between the Exxon and her home. The victim was also missing \$20 in cash from her pocket.

The last rape reported by a University student was in May. This is the second violent incident near campus this semester. An attempted armed robbery occurred Sept. 15 near the administration building when a student was held at gunpoint by two men.

Registration for voting ends, advocacy begins

By **CAROLYN CRIST**
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The last leg of the presidential election campaign process picked up speed Tuesday when more than 300 students took their last chance to register to vote.

The College Republicans said they registered more than 200 students in four hours. The Young Democrats reported registering about 140 students. The groups combined gave about 60 absentee ballot request forms.

"This is the most successful voter registration drive I've ever been a part of in College Republicans," said Kristin Bernhard, a senior from Roswell. "We were there from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and stayed until 2:20 to get the last few people. They were literally coming as we were packing up."

For the next 28 days, College Republicans, Young Democrats and Students for Barack Obama plan to encourage those they've registered to vote. Jaiah Scott, director of Students for Barack Obama, said their final count for registering students during the past few weeks will be around 6,500 — the group's official campaign goal.

"The next month will consist of getting out the vote efforts and doing what we can to make sure those who registered actually vote," he said. "Phone calls, friendly reminders in flyers, giving rides. There are obviously a lot of strategies, but we have a month to figure out how to get them to vote, and that starts tonight at midnight."

The College Republicans are "looking to key races at local, state and national levels to turn out as many people as possible through phone banking and distributing signs," Bernhard said.

The group will work with Representatives Paul Broun and Bill Cowsert in the Athens area and will continue to send about 30 students to Warner Robins to help Rep. Rick Goddard in the 8th district — "routinely one of the top competitive races in the country," she said.

The group will host a tailgate with Cowsert during this weekend's football game against Tennessee and has visited 20 fraternity and sorority houses in the last week to push voting efforts, said Ian Gunn, a member of the College Republicans.

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▲ Senior agribusiness major Aynsley Folkard (right) and junior microbiology and international affairs major Ravi Radhakrishnan (left) register to vote at a drive held by the College Republicans at the Tate Center Plaza Monday. Monday was the last day to register.



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▲ Sophomore political science and history major Stephen Pehigrew (right) helps senior cellular biology major Nikul Parikh (left) and senior biology major Chima Mbadugha register to vote at the Young Democrats table in Tate Plaza Monday.

NOISE DECIBELS

- Whisper in a quiet library: 30dB
- Normal conversation (3-5'): 60-70 dB
- Telephone dial tone: 80dB
- City traffic (inside car): 85dB
- Train whistle at 500': 90dB
- Subway train at 200': 95dB
- Sustained exposure may result in hearing loss: 90-95dB
- Power mower at 3': 107dB
- Snowmobile, Motorcycle: 100dB
- Power saw at 3': 110dB
- Sandblasting, Loud rock concert: 115dB

Noise suit moves to state court

By **CAITLIN BYRNES**
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A court case involving University students found in violation of the noise ordinance last year has been scheduled for a hearing in the Georgia Supreme Court.

The case — Manlove v. the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County — is scheduled for a hearing in January, as announced Sept. 25.

Athens attorney Chuck Jones is representing students Robert Manlove and William Hoffman, who claim their right to free speech was violated because the ordinance applies equally across all of Athens, restricting citizens' ability to express themselves. The case mainly concerns areas near and in downtown.

The original noise ordinance was changed last year to prohibit noise that is "clearly audible" 50 feet away or is greater than 85 decibels (about the same volume of a vacuum cleaner). It applies Sunday through Thursday from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. and Friday and Saturday night from 12 a.m. to 7 a.m.

Violators can be charged with a fourth degree misdemeanor and receive a fine up to \$1,000, but most violators face a verbal warning, police said.

This past weekend alone there were 48 violations called in, but none of which were formally filed, according to ACC police.

Gym without cardio provides excellent workout for all ages

By **MARY CONROY**
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University graduate Adam Head stands in the center of his large, airy garage-turned-gym, watching a group gather their belongings after the workout. Exercisers, who included teenagers and parents, looked exhausted but elated.

There is not a workout machine in sight, save a lone treadmill that sits unplugged in the corner. Instead, there are parallel bars, mats, giant tires and weights scattered everywhere. No mirrors either. This is CrossFit Athens, an alternative to the typical gym.

Head said CrossFit Athens' objective is to teach its members "functional fitness." The fitness programs are designed to improve one's general physical preparedness, and to increase fitness capacity.

"Elite soldiers have the same physical needs as stay-at-home moms," said Head, who opened the gym in October 2007. "Whether it is running from fire or picking up a suitcase from the floor."

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Every workout pertains to real life movement patterns.

"After graduation, I started something called 'In Home Training' in my basement. It turned into CrossFit Athens when I applied for an affiliation with the [previous] original establishment," Head said.

Written on a dry erase board was the work out of the day: "Morph."

Although it changes every day, "Morph" was named after a soldier serving in Iraq. Morph consisted of a one mile run, 100 pull ups, 200 push-ups, 300 squats and concluded with another one mile run.

"We offer free coaching to make sure everyone has the right form and

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▲ Crossfit Athens owner Adam Head, a University alum, demonstrates a weight training exercise for "functionl fitness."

Student awarded medal for saving drowning man

By **ALEX BUSKO**
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A red flag was flying above the beach, and Kyle Christopherson watched from his pool deck as a man waded out into the surf. Soon, the riptide swallowed 47-year-old Daniel Broaddus and carried him 150 feet from shore. Christopherson, who heard the screams of Broaddus's wife and child, ran to the water and saved him in July 2007.

The Carnegie Hero Fund Commission announced this month that Christopherson, 20, a junior from Oxford, Ga., was among 25 recipients of its Carnegie Medal, awarded to those who unflinchingly risk their own lives to save others from danger.

"We were on a private beach, so the beach patrol

wasn't really nearby," he said. "I watched him go out into the water. I knew he probably shouldn't be doing that."

By the time Christopherson made his way to Broaddus, they both were exhausted and running on adrenaline.

The men caught their breath on a submerged sandbar before Christopherson swam Broaddus back to the beach, moving toward the shore at a 45 degree angle and using only one arm to paddle.

Witnesses told him it took 10 minutes before the two had broken through the riptide and were finally safe.

Christopherson said he and Broaddus had not spoken since it happened.

"I'm just glad he's still around for his wife and family," he said.

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