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## B-ball teams celebrate playoff wins GW sets housing options

■ Chris Monroe breaks scoring record as men advance in tournament  
by **Brian Costa**  
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AMHERST, Mass. – First, he vomited. Then he took medication and slept. Then, finally, Chris Monroe made history.

After missing the team's film session and pre-game shoot around with an unspecified illness, the senior became the GW men's basketball team's all-time leading scorer with 23 points in the Colonials' 85-74 win at Massachusetts Monday night in the first round of the Atlantic 10 Tournament.

The win was GW's first on the road in conference play all season and sends the Colonials (12-16) to Dayton, Ohio for a quarterfinal match-up against No. 10 (Associated Press) Xavier (24-4) Thursday at 12:05 p.m.

"I decided he was going to play this morning," GW head coach Karl Hobbs said of Monroe, who has never missed a game in his collegiate career. "First time I saw him throw up, that's a good sign. They tell me (Boston Celtics Hall-of-Famer) Bill Russell used to throw up before every game, and everybody knows I'm a Boston guy, so I thought that was a great sign."

There were no signs of Monroe's illness on the court, however, as the guard broke Joe Holup's 47-year-old record by one point on two free throws with 38 seconds left in the game, setting the new record at 2,227 points. He also pulled down nine rebounds and added four assists, playing all

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Leanne Lee/Hatchet staff photographer

The Atlantic 10 Tournament's Most Outstanding Player Ugo Oha sees her reflection in GW's championship trophy as her team celebrates its first conference title in seven years. GW advances to the NCAA Tournament.

■ Women headed to NCAA's after winning A-10 Championship

by **Jeff Nelson**  
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In the biggest game yet of her career, Ugo Oha was at her best. The result was the GW women's basketball team's first Atlantic 10 Tournament title since 1996, sending

the Colonials back to the NCAA Tournament after a one-year hiatus.

The Colonials defeated Rhode Island 56-49 before a raucous crowd of more than 1,300 at the Smith Center Monday in a tight contest that saw GW struggle offensively. Oha was their only weapon, posting a career-high 26 points to go along with eight rebounds and eight blocks.

"We work too hard to lose," the junior center said. "Throughout the

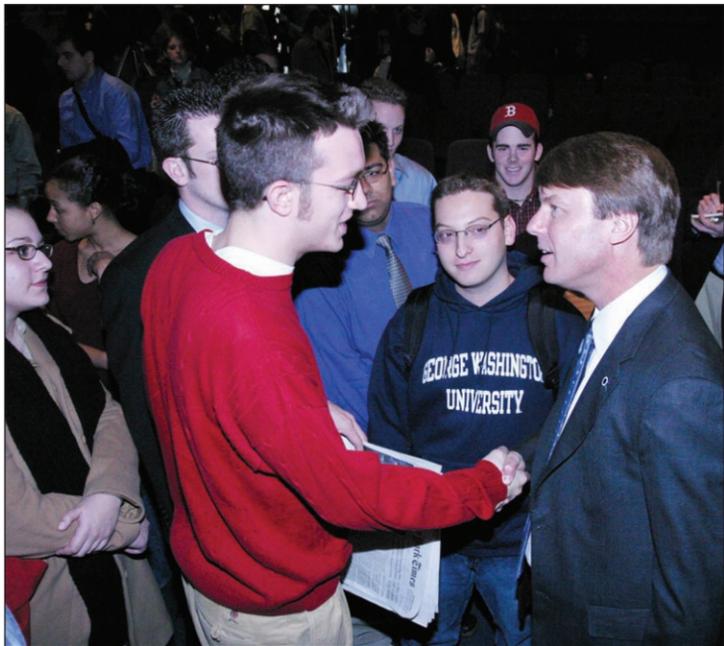
game my motivation was the seniors. Four years they've been here, and no cigar. I think that's what helped us to win, that fire."

The fire inside Oha was evident on two huge plays that led to the victory.

With GW clinging to a 44-42 lead midway through the second half, the Rams' Denise King drove through the lane and attempted a lay up. But

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## 2004 hopeful delivers policy address



Andrew Snow/photo editor

GW students mingle with presidential candidate Sen. John Edwards (D-N.C.) following his speech Wednesday in the MPA Building.

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Democratic presidential hopeful Sen. John Edwards (D-N.C.) assailed the Bush administration's domestic policy and spoke about the plight of working-class Americans in a policy address at GW Wednesday.

More than 100 students attended the event, held in the Media and Public Affairs building's Jack Morton Auditorium. Many seats were vacant because of a last-minute time change, and latecomers were able to find a seat during Edwards' address.

In a southern drawl, Edwards accused the Bush administration of neglecting working-class families in favor of rich elites and big corporations.

"Thanks to this administration's economic policies, Americans are working harder, making less and spending less time with their families,"

Edwards said. "The president is out of touch with America's families."

Edwards said the administration's domestic budget cuts have affected millions of families.

"If you're a parent who is afraid you'll never be able to afford college for your three children, the president says, 'Get ready to take out big loans because my budget cuts college scholarships and freezes work-study (programs),'"

Edwards said. He also vowed to stop e-mail solicitations about sex and violence from reaching children.

"Everyday, children and parents are shocked by the e-mails they get, many of them pornographic and some of them violent," Edwards said. "More and more children are first learning about sex not from a parent or even from a peer, but from some

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## GW sets housing options

by **Julie Gordon**  
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The University is pushing juniors and seniors to campus boundaries and beyond in its attempt to comply with a city zoning ruling requiring 70 percent of undergraduate students to live on campus or outside Foggy Bottom. GW is also in the final stages of purchasing an upperclassman housing option outside Foggy Bottom as far as 15 minutes from campus, senior University officials said.

In order to comply with the Board of Zoning and Adjustment order mandating the University house all freshmen and sophomores within campus boundaries, GW will offer most on-campus buildings to undergrads. Among changes for next year is the move to make the Mount Vernon campus exclusively freshmen, as well as housing incoming freshmen in some re-configured Fulbright Hall quads in addition to Madison Hall. Rising sophomores will also be able to choose top housing, including portions of Francis Scott Key, Guthridge, JBKO and New halls.

"Given some of the campus plan directives, we've done the best we can to have some good options for juniors and seniors while reserving beds for the freshmen and sophomores who are required to live in halls within the BZA-defined boundaries," Director of Housing Services Andrew Sonn said.

Juniors and seniors will have first choice of the Aston, City Hall, the Hall on Virginia Avenue, Pennsylvania House and 1957 E Street. The University will also hold portions of JBKO as well as Mitchell, New and Strong halls for upperclassmen based on the number of Intent to Return forms upperclassmen fill out and the

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### PB negotiates with Jurassic 5 for Spring Fling

The Program Board is negotiating with hip-hop group Jurassic 5 to headline this year's Spring Fling.

While PB Executive Chair Brian Gless said he was optimistic the group would perform at GW, he said "anything could still happen."

"They're ready to come, we just need that signed contract that says they're coming," Gless said.

While PB cannot officially confirm the group will lead the April 6 show, Jurassic 5's Web site lists the event on its tour roster.

"We're still looking around and waiting for some updated budget figures," Gless said, noting other acts will be booked after negotiations with Jurassic 5 are completed.

-Rachel Gould

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