



**GAME I — Friday, November 16, 2001**  
**Furman (0-0, 0-0 SoCon South) vs. Georgia (0-0, 0-0 SEC East)**  
**Athens, Georgia, Stegeman Coliseum (10,523), 7:30 EST**  
**WCSZ-AM 1070 (Live), Yahoobroadcast.com (Live)**



**PROBABLE STARTING LINEUPS**

<b>Furman Paladins</b>		<b>'00-01 ppg rpg</b>	
G 11	Guilherme Da Luz.. 6-3 .. 205 .. Jr. .. Sao Paulo, Brazil .....	11.2	4.9
G 3	Anthony Thomas.... 6-4 .. 200 .. Sr. .. Atlanta, Ga. ....	11.1	2.2
F 43	Karim Souchu..... 6-7 .. 215 .. Jr. .. Paris, France .....	18.9	5.3
F 5	Maleye Ndoye..... 6-8 .. 200 .. So. .. Dakar, Senegal. ....	3.5	2.8
C 32	Paco Gonzalez..... 6-7 .. 235 .. Fr. .. Miami, Fla. ....		
Larry Davis (Asbury '78)			
45-70 (5th Year at Furman), 45-70 (5th Year Overall), 0-2 vs. Georgia			

<b>Georgia Bulldogs</b>		<b>'00-01 ppg rpg</b>	
G 3	Rashad Wright..... 6-0 .. 170 .. So. .. Statesboro, Ga.....	4.7	3.1
G 5	Ezra Williams..... 6-4 .. 208 .. Jr. .. Marietta, Ga. ....	12.0	4.2
F 24	Jarvis Hayes..... 6-6 .. 200 .. So. .. Atlanta, Ga. ....		
F 50	Chris Daniels..... 6-7 .. 210 .. So. .. Albany, Ga. ....	3.5	2.6
C 55	Steve Thomas..... 6-8 .. 235 .. So. .. Carrollton, Ga. ....	2.1	2.9
Jim Harrick (Morris Harvey '60)			
26-35 (3rd Year at Georgia), 429-217 (22nd Year Overall), 1-0 vs. Furman			

**FURMAN-GEORGIA  
SERIES INFORMATION  
(Georgia leads 20-4)**

Friday's 2001-02 season opener for Furman and Georgia will mark the 25th meeting in basketball between the Paladins and Bulldogs in a series that goes back to the 1919-20 campaign when Georgia topped Furman in Athens, 43-23. Georgia holds a 20-4 series lead and has won three in a row over Furman, including an 86-84 overtime win over the Paladins in Greenville during the 1999-00 season in the last clash between the two programs. Furman's last victory over Georgia, a 92-83 decision, came during the 1977-78 season in Athens. Overall the Bulldogs are 11-1 versus Furman in Athens and 9-3 against the Paladins in Greenville.

**2001-02 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE STANDINGS/SCHEDULE**

<b>North Division</b>	<b>Conference</b>	<b>Overall</b>
Appalachian State	0 - 0 .000	0 - 0 .000
Davidson	0 - 0 .000	0 - 0 .000
East Tennessee State	0 - 0 .000	0 - 0 .000
UNC Greensboro	0 - 0 .000	0 - 0 .000
VMI	0 - 0 .000	0 - 0 .000
Western Carolina	0 - 0 .000	0 - 0 .000
<b>South Division</b>	<b>Conference</b>	<b>Overall</b>
Chattanooga	0 - 0 .000	0 - 0 .000
The Citadel	0 - 0 .000	0 - 0 .000
College of Charleston	0 - 0 .000	0 - 0 .000
Furman	0 - 0 .000	0 - 0 .000
Georgia Southern	0 - 0 .000	0 - 0 .000
Wofford	0 - 0 .000	1 - 1 .500

**Tuesday, Nov. 13**

Memphis 87, Wofford 61

**Wednesday, Nov. 14**

Wofford 58, Sacramento State 46

**Friday, Nov. 16**

Appalachian State @ Richmond, 7:00  
Charleston So. @ Coll. of Charleston, 7:00  
Mary Washington @ VMI, 7:00  
Furman @ Georgia, 7:30  
Guilford @ East Tennessee State, 7:30  
North Georgia @ Ga. Southern, 7:30  
Davidson @ Charlotte, 8:05

**NOTING THE PALADINS**

PALADIN POINTERS...The last time Furman and Georgia met, the Paladins let a three-point lead (76-73) slip away over the final 0:46 of regulation on the way to an 86-82 overtime loss in Greenville early in the 1999-00 season. Furman, which went 10-16 a year ago and finished sixth in the Southern Conference South Division with a 5-11 league mark, was a consensus fifth place south division pick in preseason polls conducted by conference head coaches and media. The Paladins return four starters and eight lettermen, including junior consensus All-Southern Conference forward **Karim Souchu (Paris, France)**, the league's leading returning scorer (18.9 ppg in '2000-01). Souchu, who has averaged 17.1 ppg in his first two seasons as a Paladin, heads into the 2001-02 campaign with 950 points and is a strong candidate to become the 33rd player in Furman history to score 1,000 points in a career. Other returning Paladin starters include senior wing guard **Anthony Thomas (Atlanta, Ga./Woodward Academy)**, junior point guard **Guilherme Da Luz (Sao Paulo, Brazil)**, and junior forward **Kenny Zeigler (Lithonia, Ga./Lithonia H.S.)**. Thomas averaged 11.1 ppg and shot a team leading 38.5 percent from 3-point range, and Da Luz tallied 11.2 ppg and a solid 4.9 rpg a year ago while also totaling a team leading 154 assists. Da Luz already ranks sixth on Furman's career assists chart with 313. Slowed early in the preseason with a sprained ankle and not slated to start versus Georgia, Zeigler is coming off a 2000-01 season that saw him average 10.2 ppg and a team leading 7.5 rpg. In Zeigler's place at power forward, the Paladins will turn to sophomore **Maleye Ndoye (Dakar, Senegal)**. Ndoye, the first African to play basketball at Furman, started in six games as a freshman and averaged 3.5 ppg and 2.8 rpg. Ndoye and Souchu, interestingly, are Muslims and, therefore, are observing Ramadan, which dictates they refrain from eating or drinking during sunlight hours. Slated to start at center for Furman is true freshman **Paco Gonzalez (Miami, Fla.)**. Gonzalez, who was born in the United States and played his final two years of prep basketball at Coral Gables H.S., spent two years in Madrid, Spain, before returning to the United States in 1999. Led by Karim Souchu's game high 26 points and Anthony Thomas' 23, Furman defeated Slovakia-Levice 94-72 in preseason basketball exhibition action in Greenville on Nov. 8. Paco Gonzalez tallied 13 points and Kenny Zeigler added 12 points to round of the double figure scorers for the Paladins, who shot a sizzling 56.5 percent (13x23) from 3-point range, including Thomas' 7-of-8 performance from beyond the arc. Guilherme Da Luz added nine points and a game high eight assists in the contest. Furman heads into the 2001-02 season attempting to snap a nine-season losing skid dating back to the 1992-93 campaign. The last time the Paladins posted a winning hoops season was 1991-92 (17-11). In Georgia's Jarvis and Jonas Hayes, Furman will be facing a pair of former Southern Conference performers who two years ago played at Western Carolina. In the lone meeting against the Hayes twins during the 1999-00 season, Furman, despite owning a 41-33 halftime lead, dropped a 75-72 decision to the Catamounts in Cullowhee, N.C. In that contest Jonas tallied 18 points and five rebounds while Jarvis registered 14 points and 7 boards. Furman was led in the game by Anthony Thomas with 19 points, and Karim Souchu with 15. Jarvis Hayes went on to earn SoCon Freshman-of-the-Year honors, nosing out Souchu for the honor.

**2001-02 FURMAN PALADINS  
SCHEDULE/RESULTS  
(0-0, 0-0 SoCon South)**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Opponent</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Score</b>
Nov. 8	Slovakia-Levice (Exh.).....	W	94-72
Nov.16	@ Georgia .....		7:30
Nov.20	ASBURY .....		7:00
Nov.26	@ Campbell .....		8:15
Nov.28	METHODIST .....		7:00
Dec. 1	CAMPBELL .....		7:00
Dec. 4	UNC ASHEVILLE .....		7:00
Dec. 8	EMORY .....		7:00
Dec. 15	@ Wisconsin .....		4:00
Dec. 19	@ Saint Louis .....		8:10
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Dec.28	Macalester vs. Furman .....		6:30
	Gardner-Webb vs. Yale .....		9:00
Dec.29	Consolation/Championship .....		5:30/8:00
Jan. 2	GA. SOUTHERN * .....		7:00
Jan. 5	@ Wofford * .....		7:00
Jan. 7	@ Western Carolina * .....		6:00
Jan. 12	DAVIDSON * .....		1:00
Jan. 14	COLL. OF CHARLESTON * .....		7:00
Jan. 19	APPALACHIAN STATE * .....		7:00
Jan. 21	@ Chattanooga * .....		7:00
Jan. 26	@ VMI * .....		1:00
Jan. 28	THE CITADEL * .....		7:00
Feb. 2	@ Coll. of Charleston * .....		4:00
Feb. 4	@ Ga. Southern * .....		7:30
Feb. 9	CHATTANOOGA * .....		4:00
Feb. 11	@ The Citadel * .....		7:15
Feb. 16	WOFFORD * .....		7:00
Feb. 18	EAST TENNESSEE STATE * .....		7:00
Feb. 23	@ UNC Greensboro * .....		7:00
Feb.28-Mar.3	@ SoCon Tournament .....		TBA

\* Southern Conference Game  
All Times Eastern