

First &
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*Bradley works
 magic again
 this season*

The "old master" still has it. Ron Bradley, who has won more basketball games than any high school coach in Georgia, did what many, maybe even himself, thought was impossible earlier this month. Bradley guided his Newton High School Rams to the Class AAAAA Final Four before falling to eventual state champion Wheeler.

You could still hear the excitement in Bradley's voice Monday as he talked about his team's accomplishment.

"It was a year that was unbelievable," said the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame member. "There is no way we should have won the games we won. Our kids achieved so much more than anyone thought possible."

Like a good magician, Bradley seemingly waved a wand and another one of his teams was in the Final Four. It's something he has done many times in the past, but it's something the coach will never grow tired of.

"We have been wondering if this is the year we are going to retire," said Bradley, the "we" referring to himself and his wife, Jan. "However, you have a season like this and you hate to leave after having so much fun."

The Bradleys were preparing Monday to travel to Colorado to watch their son Bill coach in the semifinals. Bill's Thunderridge High School girls team is going for its second consecutive state title.

to runs across.
 of Eric Pease, Mike Cruce
 led and Cory Pruett each had
 one hit.

Doehrman and Benedict
 once again combined to
 work the game.

"The bottom line was we
 didn't hit when we needed
 to," Segars said of the loss
 to Grayson. "We need to do
 a better job of getting run-
 ned in when we get to
 third with less than two
 outs."

LHS is scheduled to host
 an Berkmar Friday at 5:30
 p.m.

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Georgia's record for all-
 the time punt return yards
 led with 982. That mark is
 and also the second in the his-
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 248 Conference. He played for
 Mark Whitley at Monroe
 est Area High School.

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