Commencement speakers named

By JENNIFER CURINGTON
George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University officials announced yesterday the speakers chosen for the spring 2011 commencement ceremony.

Dan T. Cathy, president of Chick-fil-A was chosen to speak at the undergraduate ceremony by President Brooks Keel. The speaker for the graduate ceremony will be Georgia Chamber of Commerce President Chris Clark. Clark was chosen by the Dean of the Jack N. Averitt College of Graduate Studies, Charles Patterson.

"Both Dan and Chris are outstanding examples of the quality of graduates that Georgia Southern University produces and we are excited to welcome them back to campus for the upcoming commencement ceremonies," said Keel in a press release announcing the commencement speakers.

The executive associate to the president Marilyn Bruce, said, "Our commencement speakers are chosen in the spring by the president. [The president] usually tries to select someone who is a very successful alumni of GSU. For this year it is Cathy. [Cathy] is the president head of Chik-fil-A, he is a graduate of GSU and is of course very successful."

According to Bruce, Keel had previously met Cathy, Cathy, which led to Cathy

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Tennis courts vandalized

By PATRICK STOKER
Staff reporter

Georgia Southern University Police are searching for suspects responsible for vandalizing property on campus early Tuesday morning.

Several words and images were spray painted on property and buildings across campus including the Hanner Fieldhouse, the Parrish Center, the Hanner tennis courts and the outfield fence at J.I. Clements Stadium.

Some of the vandalism includes the words "Acid" and "LSD" spray painted on the fences around the Hanner tennis courts.

Other images include the word "PAW" on a door at the front of the Hanner Building, the word "Penis" on the side of the Hanner Building, the phrase "I Peed HERE!" on the front of the Parrish Center.

At the J.I. Clements Stadium, a picture of a penis was painted on the back of a fence and pictures of the words "Paw Paws" appeared with the number 25 written inside each "P."

Capt. Terry Briley of GSU Public Safety said "Paw Paws" symbol is not associated with any known organization.

"We sent it to some folks who are

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Police Beat

Monday, April 4, 2011
- Officers issued three traffic citations, three traffic warnings, assisted five motorists and responded to two alarms.
- A door was reported damaged on a vehicle at Lakeside Cafe.
- A Centennial Place resident reported someone put ketchup, peanut butter and yogurt on her door.
- A case of harassment was reported at Kenned Hall.
- A case of criminal trespass was reported at the Landrum Center.
- Matthew Carl Eberhardt, 18, Southern Pines, Statesboro, was charged with underage possession or consumption of alcohol.
- Ravi Evans, 19, Eagle Landing, Statesboro, was charged with possession of stolen property.

Tuesday, April 5, 2011
- Officers issued three traffic citations, three traffic warnings, assisted 12 motorists, responded to six alarms, responded to a report of an unwanted person at Kennedy Hall and investigated two accidents.
- A cell phone was taken from the Russell Union.
- Sharianne Kiona Smith, 23, Southern Courtyard, Statesboro, was charged with theft of mislaid property.

Wednesday, April 6, 2011
- Officers issued two traffic citations, three traffic warnings, assisted five motorists, assisted one sick person and responded to one alarm.
- A book bag was taken from the Nursing and Chemistry Building.
- A book was taken from Southern Courtyard.
- An Eagle ID was taken from Centennial Place.
- Two cell phones were taken from the RAC.
- A tire was cut on a vehicle in C-Lot.
- A resident of Eagle Village reported a case of threats on a social network.
- Gary Milton Whtiford Jr., 24, Kings Way, Augusta, was charged with pedestrian under the influence.
- Carlton Dijon Johnson, 18, Avenue at Southern Apartments, Statesboro, was charged with being a wanted person.

Thursday, April 7, 2011
- Officers assisted 4 motorists, issued six traffic warnings and 10 traffic citations, responded to one alarm and aided one sick person.
- Officers responded to the RAC parking lot for a complaint of a person attempting to remove a parking boot.
- Damage to property was reported at Plant Commuter parking lot when the rear bed door fell open and struck a concrete pole.
- Found property was reported when a live ammo round was found at the ROTC rifle range.
- A wallet was found at Hanner Field House.
- A mail box with contents was found unsecured at the mail center. It was secured by the officer.
- Officers came upon a domestic dispute in the Eagle Village parking lot. The problem was resolved and all parties left the area.
- Catherine Brooke Salet, 19, Eagle Village, Statesboro, was charged with underage possession of alcohol.
- Kyle Stephen Mayo, 19, 133 Lanier Drive, Statesboro, was charged with underage possession of alcohol, possession of a false ID, public indecency.
- Nichole S. Fifer, 19, University Villas, Statesboro, was charged with theft of mislaid property.
- Peter Joseph Reimann, Jr., 337 Kinsey Town Rd., Cleveland, was charged with driving under the influence.

Information listed in this report is taken from incident reports and great reports, which are public records and available at local law enforcement agencies. Not all crimes lead to a conviction. Guilt or innocence is determined by the court system. If you witness a crime, visit http://welcome.georgiasouthern.edu/publicsafety/silentwitness.htm and fill out the anonymous Eagle Eye Witness report.

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Provost must be an advocate for students

On April 1, new Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Ted Moore took office. Moore has a unique opportunity to transform the academic environment at the university as long as he listens to the needs of students.

As evidenced by the recent decision to transform classroom space in Veazey Hall to office spaces, communication between administrators and students has left more to be desired.

Moore must make it a priority to open a line of communication between students and the administration.

Moore needs to use his previous experience to make decisions about the future of academics at Georgia Southern University. But, those decisions need to be made with input from the average student, not just a figurehead.

Instead of meeting with a representative of SGA, Moore should spend the first few weeks on the job meeting with students in an open forum setting. If he's not able to do that now, it should happen this fall.

Specifically, Moore should improve access to scholarships and grants for students. Secondly, he should see that undergraduate students in an open forum setting. If he's not able to do that now, it should happen this fall.

Masculine men wanted in America

American men have apparently lost their masculine charms. With the exception of Ryan Reynolds, who is sure to have his fill of witty remarks in the new Green Lantern flick, Hollywood seems to steer away from made-in-America men when there is a need for a good old fashioned tough guy.

Christian Bale locked up Batman, Chris Hemsworth will play Thor, and musical theatre hunk Hugh Jackman clawed his way through three X-men movies.

Now, American men do seem to fit the bill from time to time. Such as Chris Evans as Captain America. Although, it would have been pretty interesting for a producer to cast someone foreign as Captain America. However, Hollywood is outsourcing for the tough, rugged man.

Perhaps in the backwoods of the Georgia Mountains there will be someone discovered for Hollywood as they continue to search for the ideal man. However, Australia and Europe seem to be producing the right rugged charm for the big screen.

Maybe it is just a misjudgement because America still produced Robert Downey Jr. to play Ironman. But, more and more roles seem to be slipping away to the U.K. Primary example: the Man of Steel, after crashing and burning much to the delight of this writer, is now going to be revamped. Only this time with Henry Cavill in line to wear those smashing tights.

That being said, Hollywood needs to do what ever it takes to make an audience-friendly superhero movie because when one of these movies fail, they fail badly.

So while grown men of America are not getting to play dress up as much as the actors from across the pond, we as fans are still getting something to talk about in this drought of movie making. As Pixar makes another version of animated toys and Dreamworks milks Shrek until its bone dry, superheroes are bought up to be shipped out until there are no more comic books to make into highly computer generated content.

Because of this, American men will have to continue to wonder, "Should I shave today?"

Chances are that the testosterone-fueled, college football loving American male does not need to change his habits whatsoever to become "more of a man." Because, as studies have shown, this generation of males is more obsessed with classic images of manliness such as mustaches and cigars.

Right now, it is just time to buck up, take one on the chin and accept that the film industry's system of operations has perhaps pushed out some of the best works due to unions and expenses, and let today's everyman, Danny McBride, make us laugh about something dumb.

Vickers is a senior theater and journalism major from Alma, Ga.
Objective governments are not for bidding

You would think after the Georgia Assembly dealt with former Speaker of the House Glenn Richardson's fiasco of ethical dilemmas, our leaders would pass rules and laws strengthening the boundaries officials are supposed to have. These should be in place in order to govern objectively, rather than at the will of the highest bidder.

Over the past 10 days, legislators and GOP supporters have been receiving e-mails from a figure known as Beth Merkleson. She consistently rails against Lt. Governor Casey Cagle and his continuing power struggles with the Georgia Senate. But does Beth Merkleson exist? From the AJC Political Insider Jim Galloway: “Then again, it's very possible that Merkleson never existed. Or that she wears pants and bears a striking resemblance to Senate Majority Whip Cecil Staton, R-Macon.

Members of the Senate Republican Caucus today were handed a 10-page report compiled by Arch Adams of Hartwell, an Internet and political junkie, who says Merkleson and Staton shared the same computer IP address on Saturday, 19 minutes apart.”

Allegedly, Staton has been using a false identity to have battles with Cagle. Staton’s association with the situation has at least temporarily sidelined him.

Galloway also wrote, “One day after his computer was linked to a barrage of incendiary e-mails allegedly from a 55-year-old female Republican volunteer, Cecil Staton of Macon excused himself from his duties as Senate majority whip, a spokesman confirmed Tuesday. [Staton] maintained that he did not pose as the mysterious “Beth Merkleson,” who wrote a series of e-mails attacking Lt. Gov. Casey Cagle.”

Should we be surprised? These are the same legislators who are dealing with crucial issues like HOPE, Port of Savannah Funding, unemployment insurance, and rising health care costs. The State of Georgia owes the federal government $588 million dollars in unemployment insurance they borrowed after giving a four-year tax holiday which depleted our unemployment insurance trust reserves.

In a time where debt is the issue among D.C. Republicans, where is that tone and consistency among our state’s leaders? Our state’s revenues are still in a very unstable position and while everyday citizens continue to struggle, our elected and paid leaders are squabbling over power grabs using fake names and e-mails. It fails to rise above the so-called “sandbox” where ignorance and self-promotion triumph all values of judgement.

Again, I ask, should we be surprised? Our legislators have had a lot to do in this 40 day legislative session and there were many things accomplished.

However, I know we can do better because only in Georgia would legislators feel compelled to pass a law prohibiting the insurance commissioner from giving himself waivers on education and testing requirements and then granting himself a license to sell insurance and adjust claims. (See John Oxendine)

Feagain is a senior sociology major from Detroit, Mich.
Councilman to students: You have an impact

By PATRICK STOKER
Staff reporter

In an open forum at Georgia Southern University Tuesday, Statesboro City Councilman John Riggs discussed issues important to student voters.

Topic of discussion included the age requirement to run for City Council in Statesboro and alcohol laws.

SGA President Alton Standifer asked Riggs about his stance on lowering the age requirement below 25 to possibly allow GSU students to run for office.

Riggs said there have been discussions about changing the age requirements of City Council members to the same requirements of the Georgia General Assembly, which requires members of the Senate to be at least 25 years old and members of the House of Representatives to be at least 21.

“I haven’t made a decision on how I would vote, but I’m all for revisiting it,” said Riggs.

The concern in lowering the age requirements and allowing GSU students to run for office is that the students may relocate after graduation.

Riggs prior to the age requirement being raised to 25, GSU students were elected to City Council and, in one case, the student graduated and left the city.

“Every bit of ordinance that he enacted while he was in office, he left and had nothing to do with it anymore,” said Riggs.

“That kind of makes me mad. If you’re going to create ordinances and laws that people have to abide by then you should stay here to abide by them yourself,” Riggs also answered questions about the possibility of changing the alcohol sales laws in Bulloch County.

Currently Bulloch is a partially dry county, which means that beer and wine can be sold in retail outlets, but liquor can only be sold on a per-drink basis in bars and restaurants, except for on Sundays.

Riggs said, “I’m not in favor of package shops.”

However, he is not opposed to the possibility of allowing Sunday alcohol sales in restaurants.

“Whether or not it got passed in Statesboro, I would put it to a referendum. I certainly wouldn’t take on that vote myself,” he said.

Riggs said that he believes a vote to allow Sunday package sales in stores would have to come after Sunday alcohol sales in restaurants because it would bring much opposition.

Riggs said that with enough support GSU students can impact the move to create a more lenient alcohol sales law.

He said, “If you had a concerted effort, if you actually got together and really made an effort to make yourselves known, we would have to respond to it at least.”

Fire safety assistant named Student Employee of the Year

By ASHLEIGH SALINKSI
George-Anne contributor

Senior Jeramy Smith was named this year’s student employee of the year at Tuesday’s award ceremony.

Smith and the 11 other nominees were recognized for their work ethic, reliability and professionalism. Smith is an information technology major and works for Georgia Southern University’s environmental safety department. For three years he has worked under Fire Marshal Bob Seel as a fire safety assistant for the university’s safety equipment.

In his nomination letter, Seel said, “If he did [his job] right no one would even be aware that he had done it, and therefore, no one except me would ever thank him. But now it’s time for the university community to recognize him and thank him.”

“What I like most about my job is that I’m not limited to only working in one building,” said Smith. “I get to go to every building on campus and meet many different people.”

With more than 2,000 employees from departments across campus, the nominees were “the best of the best,” according to Financial Aid Counselor Tony Hayes.

“We actually could not operate without the thousands of student employees,” said Teresa Thompson, vice president of student affairs and enrollment management.

SGA President Alton Standifer spoke about the importance of student employees to the university and the benefits that come with being a student employee.

“Our job as student employees is never easy,” said Standifer. “But we are also there to learn and receive leadership and career development.”

The nominees included Natadra Barr, Justin Buck, Tristen Gonshorowski, Zach Hoffman, Wesley Maples, Taryn Mason, Rebecca Paulk, RaSaunnah Sledge, Victoria Thomas, Brooke Vinson and Julia West.

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being contacted to speak at commencement.

"During the first year of Keel's tenure here, he met Cathy and he thought [Cathy] would be a good speaker and contacted him to see if he would be available and [Cathy] agreed to do it," Bruce said.

According to Patterson, the speakers selected should be a good representative GSU and of Georgia. "We try to choose speakers that would represent fairly well the university and the state of Georgia. We choose speakers that typically have some affiliation with GSU," said Patterson.

"I think Clark, as the President of Georgia Chamber of Commerce, represents Georgia and is an alumn of GSU. He obtained his bachelor's degree at GSU."

Patterson also said that Clark served as a Student Government Association president during his time at GSU.

Clark continues his ties with GSU by serving as an advisory board member for the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences.

The president's cabinet, which is comprised of presidents and vice presidents of the university, give suggestions to Keel and Patterson as to what speaker should be chosen.

"Recommendations are made but ultimately it is the president who chooses who speaks at commencement. It's not the cabinet members [decision], it's ultimately the president's decision," said Patterson.

Taylor Jones, a senior exercise science major, appreciates that both speakers are past members of the GSU student body.

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Erica McCoy, a senior history major, said she appreciated having speakers that have an interest in GSU's students.

"I think that since they're alumni. That's a good choice and they're interested in seeing Georgia students prosper and they care about getting back to where they came from," said McCoy.

McCoy said that the process could be changed so that the students have more input as to who the speaker should be.

"I guess it should be more open to see who the students prefer. [Having President Obama] would be really cool," said McCoy.

Drew Hickman, a senior construction management major, believes that having these speakers will bring more attention to GSU.

"I'm really excited. To have two GSU alumni come and give commencement speeches is awesome. I think having them here will bring GSU to a whole other level. I'm very happy that they reached out to alumni," said Hickman.

Hickman also said that if students were allowed to choose the speaker that the selection process may become too difficult.

"[Students choosing] could get confusing to try and make everyone happy," said Hickman.

Bruce said that a speaker does not necessarily have to be an alumni member of GSU.

"Other options that we have sometimes are we will ask political leaders in the state. Like the governor, for example, has spoken before," Bruce said. "Not our current governor but a past governor and then sometimes we ask members of the Board of Regents to speak."

According to the press release, the graduate and undergraduate ceremonies will occur separately for the first time this year because of a "continued increase in the number of spring graduates."

The graduate ceremony will take place on May 13 at Hanner Fieldhouse. The undergraduate ceremony will take place the following day at Allen E. Paulson Stadium.

CHRIS CLARK

DAN CATHY
THURSDAY 4.14.2011

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Multicultural Vendor Expo Multicultural Student Center
Booths with artwork, books, jewelry, food and more related to the global community will be on sale.
Russell Union Commons

7:00 PM
Free Mini Golf Eagle Entertainment
Join Eagle Entertainment for a night of Birdies, Eagles, and a few bogeys. Free all Night but you must bring your EAGLE ID.
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FRIDAY 4.15.2011

6:00 PM
Blue & White Eagle Rally Traditions Council
After your tailgating, start making your way to the student entrance at the stadium for the first ever Blue-White Eagle Rally! Come loud and rowdy to cheer on our Georgia Southern Eagles as they make their way to the 2011 campaign.
Pedestrium Pavilion

TUESDAY 4.19.2011

8:30 - 10:00 AM
George-Anne & Joe Office of Student Media
Come grab a free cup of Starbucks coffee with your copy of the George-Anne, and talk to the paper's staff about what's going on around campus. GA&Joe happens every Tuesday in the Library pavilion next to Lake Ruby.
Pedestrium Pavilion

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Asian Day Multicultural Student Center
Join the Asian Experience as we celebrate Asian Cultures. Enjoy food tasting, educational information, demonstrations, and music!
Russell Union Rotunda

7:00 PM
GSU Unplugged Eagle Entertainment
Georgia Southern UNplugged is a coffeehouse series sponsored by Eagle Entertainment held every Tuesday from 7:00PM - 8:30PM at the Russell Union Starbucks. The event provides an opportunity for students to showcase their talents at an open mic. The series is committed to both education and entertainment by showcasing different performers each week. There will be FREE Starbucks coffee for the first 30 attendees. Vouchers are available on a first come first serve basis and can be picked up from Eagle Entertainment staff working at the event. If you are interested in performing at an UnPlugged event, sign up at the Office of Student Activities in the Russell Union.
Starbucks, Russell Union

WEDNESDAY 4.20.2011

7:00 PM
Eggs Coloring Eagle Entertainment
In preparation of Easter and to get your artsy juices flowing, join Eagle Entertainment as we make some colorful Easter Eggs.
Russell Union Commons

THURSDAY 4.21.2011

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
1st Amendment Free Food Festival Student Media
The Office of Student Media hosts the First Amendment Free Food Festival in the Student Media Plaza, between the Harry Building and the Williams Center. At the event, students eat free food from local restaurants in exchange for a waiver of their First Amendment Rights. Student drama groups act out scenes demonstrating the importance of the waived rights and the Goon Squad, a group of large enforcers, keep students in check. The event draws over 1,000 students each year and gives away enough food for everyone!
Student Media Plaza
Farmers market visits GSU

Left: Chef Elaine sells her locally grown food as a part of the first on campus farmers market. The event was held as a part of No Impact Week. Right: Participants’ produce, including fresh fruit, preserves and vegetables were sold at the market.

By SHAUNTEL HALL
George-Anne contributor

Farmers came to Georgia Southern University yesterday to participate in the first on-campus farmers market for students.

The market was held as a part of No Impact Week. Sponsored by the Center for Sustainability, the week is full of activities designed to get students to live more environmentally friendly.

“Each day we focus on a different aspect of sustainability,” said Director for Center for Sustainability Dr. Lisa Leege.

“This is a great day and it seemed like a logical thing to do to bring all this wonderful local sustainable produce so that students can be exposed to it.”

The farmer’s market included about seven or eight farmers from around the local area. Farmers traveled from as far as Glenville, which is about 35 miles away.

Leege organized this event in order to encourage students to take advantage of the locally grown and sustainable goods in their backyard while staying environmentally aware.

“We have great local food right here and that helps to cut down on the CO2 emissions from the travel all the way from California to here to our grocery store,” said Leege.

Leege said she wishes to have this event re-emerge in the future.

“I don’t understand why anybody would do something like this. There’s just no reason for it and we’re not going to let it rest. We’re going to use every resource that we can possibly come up with,” he said.

Charles Minshew contributed to this report.

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experts on it and they say it’s nothing. It’s no organized anything,” said Briley.

“There’s no tie to any kind of criminal gang, organized or unorganized that we’re familiar with.”

The amount of damage has not been determined, but Briley said he believes it will be over $500 in damages.

If the damages were to exceed $500 then the suspect would be charged with felony criminal damage to property.

Briley said their leads on the case are limited.

“I don’t understand why anybody would do something like this. There’s just no reason for it and we’re not going to let it rest. We’re going to use every resource that we can possibly come up with,” he said.

Anyone with information regarding the vandalism is encouraged to contact GSU Police at 912-478-5234.

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Roscoe Dash comes to Georgia Southern

By ARIA GABOL
Assistant arts editor

The Performing Arts Center will host hip hop artist Roscoe Dash on April 21 at 8 p.m.

Dash has been blowing up the charts and radio with songs like “All the Way Turned Up,” “Show Out,” “Sexy Girl Anthem,” and was recently featured in “No Hands.” He has also released several mix tapes and plans to release a debut album later this year.

“Roscoe’s music is really good club music and it should be an awesome concert,” said freshman and English major Deante Printup.

Dash has been gaining much popularity over the past two years and he’s also been known for his eccentric style and has been known to have interesting haircuts.

Sophomore and sociology major Sherronda King said, “I am especially excited about the performance because my brother, who will be here next year, loves Roscoe and he is coming down for the concert. It will be a nice hip-hop bonding experience.”

The opening act will be an interactive freestyle battle of rap artists from parts of Atlanta and Augusta. The crowd’s response will decide the winner, who will receive a $200 cash prize. Then, Roscoe Dash will perform around 30 minutes.

Sophomore and computer engineering major Alie Willie, the main promoter of the concert, rented out the PAC and booked Roscoe to perform.

Willie said, “I am extremely excited about the concert and I really want to make a good name for my entertainment group ‘Dream Reality Entertainment.’ When I spoke to Roscoe, he was very excited. He has been to Statesboro before at the U Lounge. We also made a radio drop and put it into a video and uploaded it to Facebook for everyone.”

Sophomore and public relations major Amanda Ross said, “I think it is even better since he is from Atlanta and I love African American performers that come to campus since we don’t get very many.”

The hosts of the concert will be nursing major Alakia and business administration Twiggy. “Alakia has a lot of experience with artists since she models,” said Willie.

Junior and broadcasting major Thaddeus Palmer, whose stage name is DJ Superman, will be the DJ at both the concert at the PAC and after party at The Platinum Lounge.

“I will be playing some hip-hop and R&B as the audience gets seated. I am very excited about the freestyle battle and I am hoping for good reactions from the crowd,” said Palmer.

After the performance there is “The Official Roscoe Dash Concert AfterParty” at The Platinum Lounge.

Doors will open at 9 p.m. Tickets will be $20 for the general public and front row seats are $50. They will be available at the PAC or by calling (912) 478-7999.

Lasharia Taylor contributed to this story.

Roscoe Dash’s first album, “Ready Set Go!” was set to release in October of 2010, but has been pushed back. As of now, there is no known release date.

Hugh Laurie is going to star in the big screen adaptation of “Mr. Pip” under director, producer and screen writer for the movie, Andrew Adamson. As long as this doesn’t affect my “House” episode, I’ll follow you anywhere, Laurie.

Charlie Sheen is, obviously, still interesting to talk about as he is still spamming the front page of the Hollywoodreporter.com. Really, why does he want to return to “Two and a Half Men”? Why beat a dead horse, man? Get off the drugs and actually sleep. You like you’ve aged 30 years in the past few months. GET HELP!

Jennifer Lopez has been named as the World’s Most Beautiful Woman. I don’t know, guys. That’s a bit of a stretch. I mean, there are a lot of pretty women in the world. I’m just saying, we don’t know what Lopez really hides behind the make-up. Beware!!

Britney Spears’ “Femme Fatale” tour will be joined by Nicki Minaj, who will be replacing Enrique Iglesias when the singer dropped out the day the tour was announced. Spears insists that it will be “hot” and “sexy.” My blatant dislike for Minaj leaves me skeptical of these claims.

Information compiled by Arts Editor Mallory McLendon from TheHollywoodReporter.com, and Aria Gabol, assistant editor.
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fact: in the last 30 days, 1 in 4 students have not had any alcohol

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Dear Dean, help me!

How can I possibly make the e-mails stop?!

Dear Dean,

I keep getting all these e-mails about activities going on around campus and I don’t want to go to any of them. If we have to keep getting these e-mails, can the university at least try to do something people will enjoy?

Sincerely,

Programmed-too-much

Dear Programmed,

I’m sorry to hear that you do not find any of the programs and activities offered interesting. The departments on campus that provide these programs try to create new and unique programs all the time that students will be interested in attending.

Dr. Georj Lewis
Dean of Students

If you have a question for Dean Lewis, please submit it to deanofstudents@georgiasouthern.edu.
Civil War enactment takes over Sweetheart Circle

By ALEX LaSALLE
George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University’s Sweetheart Circle will be transformed into a model Civil War encampment this Saturday to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the war’s start.

The anniversary of the war between the states took place on April 12. On that day in 1861, Confederate artillery opened fire on Fort Sumter in South Carolina, starting the war.

The Civil War Heritage Day event will take place on campus from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Sweetheart Circle, as well as in the GSU Museum.

There will be demonstrations throughout the day at an encampment on Sweetheart Circle including artillery, musket firing, field surgery and blacksmithing. Many of the demonstrations are being provided by living history reenactors.

Inside the museum, visitors will be able to view artifacts uncovered at the site of the Camp Lawton Confederate prison camp in Millen.

The artifacts were uncovered last year by a group of GSU Archeology students working on uncovering the boundaries and size of the camp. It is estimated to be one of the largest prison camps during the war.

The exhibit on Camp Lawton will be in the museum until May 1.

The event will also include a roundtable discussion concerning Camp Lawton, which will be held from 12-1 p.m.

Dr. Brent Tharp, the GSU Museum director, in a press release, said, “The Georgia Southern University Museum has been proud to temporarily house this collection of rare artifacts.”

“This is a perfect opportunity for visitors to see these pieces for themselves and even speak to the student researchers who unearthed them during one of our roundtable discussions.”

Artifacts in the exhibit include pieces of hardware, parts of weapons, and personal items of the Union prisoners that were held there. Up to 10,000 prisoners may have been held at the camp, and many lost their lives while imprisoned.

The camp, which was constructed by slave labor in 1864, was brought to an end with the approach of General Sherman’s forces during his “March to the Sea.”

“The Georgia Southern University Museum has been proud to temporarily house this collection of rare artifacts,” said Tharp. “This is a perfect opportunity for visitors to see these pieces for themselves and even speak to the student researchers who unearthed them during one of our roundtable discussions.”

Admission to both the museum and the encampment is $5 per person, and free for GSU students with a student ID. Admission to the roundtable discussion is $20 per person, and $15 for each museum member. The fee for the discussion includes a box lunch.

All proceeds from the day’s events will go towards supporting GSU’s Camp Lawton museum exhibit and archeology projects. Further information is available on the GSU Museum website.

Local filmmakers take their opportunity to shine next week

By AYANA MOORE
George-Anne contributor

The Statesboro Herald and the Averitt Center for the Arts will host the 2011 Statesboro Film Festival on Thursday, April 21 from 6:30 – 9:30 p.m. in the Emma Kelly Theatre.

This year’s festival will mark three years since its creation in 2009 and is sure to bring a unique display of short films.

Matthew Bankhead, the film festival coordinator conceived the idea of hosting a film festival when he “wanted to give local filmmakers an opportunity to shine and showcase their talents.”

“The whole point of the film festival is to give local filmmakers the chance to shine,” said Bankhead. “With having a film competition, it helps promote competitive filmmaking. These filmmakers continually push themselves. The quality of their films, with every year, improves greatly. It’s remarkable.”

According to the film festival’s website, there will be five categories for awards given to the filmmakers. The awards are for best film, best director, best cinematography, best editing, and the viewer’s choice.

Georgia Southern University students have also been involved in the upcoming event with helping promote and plan for the big night.

“It’s actually a class event,” said Tabatha Amerson, senior general studies student. “We broke up into groups at the beginning of the semester and our client just so happened to be the Statesboro Film Festival. So we’re helping advertising, planning, and decoration for the night.

“We’re trying to get students to submit films,” said Amerson. “I'm looking forward to seeing the films and seeing what GSU students have to bring,” said Amerson. “People have really put a lot of hard work into their films. I just want to see the public and how they react. I want to know from them what do they enjoy and what did they get out of it.”

The reception for the event will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. and the film viewing will begin at 7 p.m.

There will be light refreshments before the show and intermission catering by Millhouse, according to the event’s Facebook.

Though the deadlines for short film entries have passed, $5 tickets to the event can still be purchased by calling the Averitt Center for the Arts’ box office at (912) 212 – 2787.
Eagles take revenge on Dolphins with 20-7 win

By ERIN DENMARK
George-Anne contributor

On Tuesday evening, the GSU baseball team produced a victory against the Jacksonville Dolphins. The game began with the Eagles on defense and starting pitcher Chris Beck, SoCon’s Pitcher of the Week. The Dolphins brought in the first run of the game, and Beck finished up the inning with a strikeout. Eric Phillips had a base hit followed by some walked batters. Victor Roache made a double and brought home Ben Morgan and Phillips for a 2-1 lead. During the fifth inning, Morgan snagged two line-drives and Roache dove for a catch in the outfield.

Roache was the first home run of the game initiating the offense’s fury in the fifth inning. Recently, the Southern Conference Player of the Week he commented on his recognition. “I work really hard on and off the field, so to get awarded with that honor feels really good,” he said.

Roache said the atmosphere in the dugout during the game was “a little bit dull at first. We came out kind of slow, but as we got it going, everybody started to loosen up a little bit and have fun.”

Tom Richardson acquired his second double of the game, which sent Steve Cochrane and Michael Burruss to score. Shawn Payne hit the second home run of the game adding to the Eagles score. Coach Hennon said, “We’ve got a good group of kids that love to play. They are hungry to win.” He said he loves the teams will to fight for a win, a fight he sees in them every day.

In the sixth inning Cochrane advanced to second and the Dolphins made several errors. Garren Palmer followed up with a powerful hit. Garren Palmer made it home to put the score at 11-2. The Dolphins broke out with three home runs in the seventh. Those hits brought the score to 11-6. Eagles changed pitchers and brought in Chris Myers. Morgan and Phillips contributed with base hits. Burruss and Cochrane both had hits that drove Morgan and Phillips home, and Arthur Owens made it home from Brent Pugh’s hit. The Dolphins struggled with pitcher consistency and accuracy, hence the constant time outs to bring in boys from the bull pin. Palmer and Pugh obtained two more points from errors after Payne’s hit. The crowd pleasing inning was brought to a halt with the score at 17-6.

Taylor Burke lightened the load when he took the mound in the eighth. GSU’s defense stayed consistent throughout the rest of the game. The Dolphins also had two more replacement pitchers and the Eagles took advantage of the opportunity. Palmer sent a fierce line drive to center field which helped Burruss and Cochrane gain two more runs. Vince Smith stole home off another wild pitch for the last run. The final pitcher for the Eagles was Drew Johnson who finished up with two strikeouts. However, one Dolphin snagged a RBI and slipped over the plate, making the final score 20-7.

Roache believes the victory was a sweet revenge for the Eagles. “Last time we went down to their place, they beat us and we did not play very well. So, this is good payback, it feels pretty good,” said Roache.

According to Coach Hennon, the win also helped the team’s spirits from the hard weekend. “It was good to win tonight. We had a tough loss with the final game of the Marshall series. It was good to bounce back against a good team like Jacksonville.”

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Blue-White Game set for Friday

FOOTBALL

By BIONCA BALL
George-Anne contributor

The Georgia Southern football team is just one day away from their annual Blue - White Game.

After the teams’ playoff run last season, the expectations are set high. With a year’s worth of experience under their belt, the team feels they are now better prepared.

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All-Girl Cheer squad wins National Championship

CHEERLEADING

By BRANDILYN BROWN
George-Anne contributor

The Georgia Southern University All-Girl Cheerleading squad earned its second national championship title last weekend at the 2011 National Cheerleaders Association/National Dance Alliance (NCA/NDA) Collegiate Cheer and Dance Championship.

Colleges from around the nation sent teams to compete for the title of national champions in Daytona Beach, Fla.

The All-Girl squad started their first day of the competition in first place. Coming in at first place again on the second day of the competition, the squad had a final score of 8.804, zero point deductions and were named NCA National 2011 All-Girl Intermediate Champions.

In the weeks to competition prior, all teams practiced extra hours. For the All-Girl squad, being Southeast Region STUNT Champions means a "reward for hard work and hours of dedication and being rewarded for what you do," according to Barry Munkasy, GSU Cheer coach of 11 years.

The All-Girl squad was full of excitement to head to the national championship.

Holly Blount, senior and cheerleader for 14 years said the title feels "awesome!" Senior Kayla Wheatley, who has been cheering for 13 years, added that she views the team as being "like a leader and role model." To her being an Eagle Cheerleader "is the definition of TrueBlue."

As for senior Janee Demery, one of the captains for the squad, said that winning Nationals would be "continuing tradition." All the seniors and captains agreed as long as "they kept their head focused and had confidence they would do well."

Some of the seniors and captains competed on the team previously during the 2008 competition, in which the team won a nation title. Compared to the 2008 competition, the squad this year felt "more prepared" with more confidence and drive.

GSU's Co-ed cheerleading squad also advanced the second day of competition placing second out of twenty intermediate teams. Their scoring landed them their highest scoring in GSU history. Although they were disappointed not to place first, they also had zero deductions finishing with a 8.667, just 0.007 points away from the first place winners University of Texas at El Paso.

Gus competed the same time as the all-girls preliminary round in the final day of competition. Although he too put forth a good effort going in at number three of 16 he finished in 15th place.

GSU's Southern Explosion dance team also competed at the competition, but did not advance past the first round of the dance competition last Wednesday.

Tryouts for the 2011-2012 All-Girl and Co-ed squads will be held in late May at Hanner Complex.

Brandilyn Brown/STAFF

Right: Georgia Southern mascot, Gus, stands proud with the 1st place All-Girl Cheerleading Squad and 2nd place Co-ed Squad Championship trophy on Daytona Beach in Florida. Bottom Left: The All-Girl Cheerleading Championship Squad poses with their trophy from the competition. Bottom Right: The GSU All-Girl Cheerleading Squad celebrates as they are announced as the championship winners.
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2. Seniors will be entered into a drawing for one of two $100 gift certificates to the University Bookstore.

In order to be eligible for the drawings you must submit your completed survey by no later than May 31, 2011.

**TO ACCESS THE SURVEY:** All remaining eligible students can access the survey by using the link posted in the March 23rd email they received from NSSE (subject line: "This is the last chance to give Georgia Southern your feedback"). Your confidential responses will be an invaluable source of information to the University as it identifies aspects of your undergraduate experience that can be improved through changes in policies and best practices in undergraduate education.

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Co-Rec
- Southern Sluggers 4, Innies and Outties 14
- Heavy Hitters 2, Balls Out 24
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- The Wreckers 0, Long Sticks & Wide Mitts 7
- Spartans 0, Gumps 7
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**Strongest Eagle**

This past weekend CRI held its first ever Strongest Eagle Competition. Competitors pushed their bodies to the limit in such events as the Heavy Carry, Tire Flip, and Atlas Stones. For a complete list of results and winners, visit the Strongest Eagle page at www.georgiasouthern.edu/cri

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No Impact Week

No Impact Week is in full swing! So far, hundreds of students have taken the pledge to live with no impact on our planet for one week. On Monday, these students dealt with the issue of trash. Activities such as personalizing a canvas grocery bag, making a recycling bin, and a crafters demonstration on reusable items made from fiber were just a few of the activities offered. On Tuesday, students who took the pledge dealt with transportation. They participated in the “I rode a bus” campaign, campus sustainability tours, bike registrations, and even a bike tour of campus. On Wednesday, food was the focus of the day. Pledges participated in a Farmers Market at the Rotunda, cooking demonstrations, food tastings, and so much more tasty activities! Today, Thursday, will focus on Energy. There will be a relamping of residence halls and even an energy usage competition between residence halls and Sorority/ Fraternity houses! This Friday will focus on water, with activities such as making your own laundry detergent, water taste testing, and a campus watershed cleanup. The weekend will focus on the giving back aspect of sustainability. From Saturday until Monday, pledges will participate in volunteer projects for such organizations as Keep Bulloch Beautiful, The Farmers Market, and a recycling book drive. On Tuesday, join Colin Beavan, the original No Impact Man, for a presentation at the PAC and 7 p.m. The week finally commences on Wednesday with an Earth Day celebration at the Rotunda from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

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