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Westboro Baptist Church held multiple protests Saturday in Savannah. They picketed at churches, including Savannah Christian Church and the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist. Additional protests will be held by WBC this Friday at several Savannah high schools as well as several Jewish establishments.

Pastor charged
Police: Local man molested youth

By PATRICK STOKER
George-Anne staff

A youth pastor at a local church was arrested Tuesday by Statesboro police on charges of child molestation.

Douglas Randall Pope, 31, South Zetterower Avenue, has been charged with three counts of enticing a child for indecent purposes and one count of child molestation.

Pope is the youth pastor at Merrywood Baptist Church in Statesboro.

According to a press release, a 14-year-old girl alleges that Pope inappropriately touched her over the past two years. The victim told police other juvenile females were also involved.

Additional complaints were made against Pope when investigators conducted interviews with other juvenile females, the press release said.

Following a search of the suspect’s residence, detectives seized “computers, cameras and related digital media.”

The investigation is ongoing and additional charges are expected, the report said.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Criminal Investigative Bureau of the Statesboro Police Department.

Westboro pickets Savannah

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WBC said in their press release that they were picketing the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist because, “The Catholic Church is the largest, most well-funded and organized pedophile machine in the history of man.”

Holding signs that said, “You will eat your babies,” “Fags are worthy of death,” and “God
Class of 2011 receiving higher starting salaries

BY MEAGAN JORDAN
George-Anne contributor

Despite the current status of the economy, college graduates are now receiving higher salaries for the first time since 2008. According to a survey from the National Association of Colleges and Employers, the average salary for 2011 college graduates is $50,034, an increase of 3.5 percent from last year.

Employers surveyed by NACE said that beginning this year, they plan to generate a 13 percent increase from last year in the number of college graduates hired.

Students within the business and engineering field have seen the largest starting salary increase this year.

“There is always going to be a need for business because you have to market your idea, but then you have to have an idea and be able to implement that idea. Engineers come in on the implementation side of it,” said Shonda Bernadin, assistant department chair of engineering.

Engineering is already one of the highest paid and demanded jobs right out of college because of continuous advances in technology, Bernadin said.

“There has always been a demand for engineers and I think with the Obama Administration, their focus is on technology, alternative energy and increase in electric cars. The economy is feeling like it is coming back and I think because of that, companies feel like they can hire more,” she said.

Warren Riles, director of Student Affairs, said because the business and engineering departments constantly work together, students entering the job market are seeing the largest salary increase in these areas because, as ideas advance, there is a need to market these new ideas.

“You can hire a lot of engineers because there are new start-up firms. Most of the firms are energy related or they are manufacturing related. General Motors went through a change where they are trying to build hybrid cars, so you need engineers for those type things. Business would be similar where they have quite a few new initiatives, so they need students to come in and do logistics,” said Riles.

Within the engineering departments, electrical and mechanical engineering salaries have increased approximately 4 percent, while civil engineering has slipped 7 percent from last year, the survey said.

According to the survey, seven of the top 10 highest paying jobs are now within engineering, while the rest are technical majors.

“If you look at what you use on a daily basis from the phone, to the cell phone, to turning on the light switch, everything you use involves engineers. It doesn’t matter what type of engineering you do, all of them are self-sustained and you come out making a salary that is self-sufficient,” said Bernadin.

In comparison to the 11 percent drop last year, liberal arts majors are now receiving a 9.5 percent salary increase.

Liberal arts majors are receiving salaries 9.5% higher this year, compared to the 11% drop last year.

This partially has to do with the fact that liberal arts graduates are beginning to seek jobs outside of their own market, said Riles.

“Over the next few years that will further increase and it will come from the firms. They [Amtrak] are hiring more liberal arts students to work in their industry even though it was mechanical-type industry and logistics. What they discovered is that the type of skills a liberal arts student would bring to the work place is invaluable because otherwise you continue to hire the same type of people. You reach a point where your creative juices disappear,” he said.

Riles said college graduates have an advantage over those who have not attended a postsecondary institution because so many jobs require technical experience.

“If you think about a non-college graduate or someone who just finished high school, a lot of the hands on job positions have disappeared,” he said.

“You have more options while you are in college verses someone right out of high school.”

Fire at Southern Villas displaces residents

Investigators attempt to determine cause of blaze

BY KEN COLYER
George-Anne contributor

Several apartments caught fire at the Southern Villas apartment complex last Sunday.

Smoke was visible from over three miles away as firefighters rushed onto the scene.

Four of the apartments were damaged in total. Two of the units received extensive damage when flames consumed both back porches. Flames also tore through the kitchens and punched large gaping holes in the roof on their way out.

The residents of the four damaged apartments were displaced and there were no injuries to any of the residents, said Lt. Neal Lee of the Statesboro Fire Department.

Residents of the apartment complex declined to comment. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.
Survey shows students drinking less

BY JESSIE REESE  
George-Anne contributor

Alcohol use among students and the negative outcomes that go along with drinking have decreased steadily since 2007, according to the Office of Alcohol & Other Drug Programs.

This means students at Georgia Southern University are not only drinking less, but binge drinking, underage drinking, and the amount of students driving under the influence have all decreased.

Last fall, the Office of Alcohol & Other Drug Programs conducted a survey of students chosen at random, which showed the statistics of each alcohol-related problem.

According to the survey, the number of students who reported binge drinking in the last two weeks decreased by 4.3 percent and the number of students who have consumed alcohol in the past month decreased by 3.4 percent.

The percentage of underage drinking has decreased by 4.3 percent and the number of students who have driven a car while intoxicated has decreased by 8.4 percent.

Megan Martin, a junior and family development major, said she has limited her consumption of alcohol due to past experiences.

“I have been in trouble with underage drinking and I know that I didn’t want that to happen again, so I know that many first-time offenders don’t want to repeat it either,” she said.

“I was sheltered growing up. So freshman year, I went wild and was more interested in my social life and drinking, and I wouldn’t care if I didn’t show up to class.”

The survey indicates that not only are GSU students drinking less, but 5.5 percent of students also said they are not allowing drinking to influence their classes.

“People are interested in getting an education, drinking lessens that chance for us to do well,” said Martin.

Derrick Brisbane, a junior mechanical engineering major, said he believes the high number of drunk driving incidents have led people to decide against driving under the influence because they are more aware of the dangers and consequences that go along it.

Even though the numbers have gone down, the Office of Alcohol & Other Drugs Programs continues to recommend that people refrain from consuming fish and other drugs by offering awareness workshops and classes.

Authorities await results of fish kill

By PATRICK STOKER  
George-Anne staff

Following a massive fish kill along a 40-mile stretch of the Ogeechee River, the state’s Environmental Protection Division was prompted to close public landings while they await results of the cause.

Kevin Chambers, communications director for the EPD, said they were notified of “a variety of dead fish” along the river stretching from Screven to Bryan County.

The results of the tests had not been determined at the time of publication, but Chambers said they are expected today.

“We have taken water sample and fish tissue samples to the EPD laboratory here in Atlanta and we’re running analyses on them,” said Chambers.

The tests will measure mercury levels as well as other possible causes.

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Summer buses leave students disenchanted

The Georgia Southern University bus system has seen many changes over the past few years, including new routes and more buses to accommodate the growing number of students on campus. So, why is there only one bus running on each route this summer?

Those students unable to buy the already limited amount of parking spaces on campus are forced to ride the bus system or to walk all the way to class in the sweltering Georgia heat—not to mention dealing with the other 30 students waiting for the bus every morning who are also dealing with the same situation.

If the university just added more buses to the routes in 2009, why are only two running? These two cannot support the summer influx of students that aren’t living on campus.

With around half of GSU’s student population, over 10,000 students, attending GSU this summer it would make sense that administration would plan to make transportation more available for the students.

Even though the economy has been affecting gas prices to the extreme, campus buses run an natural gas, which is cheaper than petroleum. It wouldn’t cost the university much more to add at least two more buses to the routes.

Students are already paying a $53 transit fee for the summer semester, the same students paid during the fall and spring semesters.

That should mean that the same service be provided to them during the summer, since they are paying the same amount.

Although we commend the university’s push to go green by choosing to make GSU a walking campus, we think that the same effort should be made to accommodate the students.

As summer begins at Georgia Southern University, the staff at The George-Anne has been rearranged.

Reporting candidates have become reporters, reporters have become editors, and editors have become management.

This transition has left us open to change and excited about the year ahead of us. We have lots of plans for the upcoming semesters, including a website that we hope to revamp and the continuation of a candidate program for beginning journalists that we are very excited about.

The new website is being crafted with careful consideration of the student body. Our student editors and designers have paired to generate ideas for a new style and a more dynamic design, which will help users stay up-to-date and informed.

Of the same token, look out in social media outlets. Our publication is increasing its reach through the use of Twitter (thegeorgeanne), Facebook (The George-Anne), Tumblr (thegeorgeanne.tumblr.com) and Youtube (youtube.com/georgeannedaily).

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It is open to all who are interested in helping to produce The George-Anne. This program helps our journalists grow and become well-versed and educated in their reporting ability.

Most importantly, though, is what will remain the same here at The George-Anne. We will strive to continue providing students with quality news and keeping students informed, be it sports enthusiasts, news chasers, or fans of the arts.

The staff and I are very excited about the upcoming year, and we hope that our readers are excited as well.

If you aren't excited or would like to share your opinion, we would love to hear from you through your letter to the editor.

We are always looking for ways to reach more students through covering events and news that will interest a variety of people.

If your interests are not displayed in The George-Anne, we aren’t doing our job. Let us know!

However, we truly hope that you enjoy this publication. We constantly work to provide this campus with excellent coverage, and we do it all for the students.
Panera serves up something new for lunch

Restaurant Review

By JULIA WELCH
Arts Editor

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The smell of warm bread will greet you upon entering the newly opened Panera Bread on Buckhead Drive.

As you walk toward a counter showcasing a ton of bread and fresh pastries, there is a feeling that this is more than an average bakery.

Panera calls itself a bakery-café, which holds true in its style and menu. They offer several sandwiches in panini, bagel or sandwich form, along with pastries and café beverages.

All their artisan bread is made in-house-fresh everyday. They have 15 types of bread and seven varieties of sweets, which is a whopping 22 forms of starch to satisfy your mid-day hunger pains.

Make sure to grab a take-home menu to find out which of the multiple daily soups are available. It changes everyday. Remember that Monday and Wednesday are baked potato soup.

Although I’m not sure of the differences between their premium signature salad, signature salads and café salads, this menu will help to decide between the 10 culturally diverse choices. Each one has a small description of the contents, so be sure that thai cashews, frizzled onions or apple chips are on yours.

There are only two signature hot entrees though, providing customers with a choice between steak chili or mac and cheese. Obviously, this is not where you go to get a large portion of hot home cooking.

A coffee and drink menu over the right side of the counter gives you an amount of choices rivaling Starbucks. With their espresso bar, customers can get an energy boost at lunch or breakfast to steady them for the rest of the day.

The one downside is the slightly higher prices than more traditional student hangouts. Too bad we didn't get a Panera Cares instead. They operate on the honor system. Customers pay what they can for their order.

I guess Panera realized that we are very enterprising students and would like that a little too much.

After ordering, go ahead and find yourself a comfy booth or venture outside to an umbrella-covered table. A buzzer that can follow you anywhere and an intercom to call your name will leave you worry-free of missing your food when it’s ready. They want you to get it, too.

All the employees work in an open kitchen that is visible to customers. Their smiles made me happy to pick up my chipotle chicken panini with baguette on the side. Their chicken is all-natural and antibiotic-free.

It was tender and spicy from its ancho chipotle spread. The hot applewood-smoked bacon and smoked cheddar warmed my empty belly. The french baguette was good, but after eating that panini, I wish I had chosen the granny smith apple instead.

Venture over to Panera the next time you have a lunch date or just need chicken noodle soup for your soul, which is offered everyday. Look them up on Facebook or visit their website, www.panerabread.com, and try your hand at one of their recipes to save yourself some cash.

Braz goes out with a bang at farewell concert

By QUANIGUA EPPS
George-Anne staff

Residents of Statesboro, faculty and students from Georgia Southern University were all smiles at the Carol A. Carter Recital Hall on Sunday, May 15.

Audience members were entertained by a musical showdown at the farewell concert of Michael Braz, a retiring music professor.

The concert featured instruments—such as the piano, xylophone and clarinet—and music that gave audience members a chance to see Braz’s passion for his profession.

The show’s attendants also enjoyed its casual feel in which the performers connected with the audience on a more personal level. Braz played a wide variety of music that got the community involved with the performances.

“I was always fascinated with music. At one point in time, it was [between] music, science and math, but eventually music won. I knew towards the end of high school and going into college that music was the profession for me,” said Braz.

He was in good spirits after the show, especially on his decision to retire and become a member of the Peace Corps. Braz will be traveling to Armenia, near the country of Turkey, to teach English to a group of local children.

“I have been interested in the Peace Corps for 50 years now. After teaching for 40 years, 24 of which were spent here at Georgia Southern, I decided to look at other options,” said Braz.

Audience members stood in line to talk with Braz about his plans. Several students were in attendance to say farewell to their professor and enjoy his last performance.

“I never really feel humor in my own piano playing, but he shows humor in his performances, which has inspired me. He has a great sense of humor in his work, life and within the community,” said sophomore Kaisera Ainwaker, a piano performance major.

Braz has a legacy around campus as an influential professor to his music students and others. He teaches private lessons to students of all ages, teaches courses in music, and enjoys playing concerts whenever he can.

“I enjoyed teaching here, but people will remember you how they want to. I feel that regardless of my leaving, Georgia Southern will keep moving forward without me,” he said.

Braz is a recognized teacher at GSU for his music classes, as well as the 2009 Statesboro Legend of the Arts by the Averitt Center for the Arts and as president of the Statesboro Arts Council.

He has received GSU’s President’s Medal, an Award for Excellence in Service and the Ruffin Cup faculty award from the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences.

Braz has earned these titles through his active participation in the Statesboro community and on campus.

“Some people define their lives from what awards they will get or have gotten, but I don’t. It’s not the type of thing I do,” said Braz.

Proceeds from the night went to the new Michael Braz Music Scholarship Fund, which was established by the community in his honor.

It will go to future music students who will continue with Braz’s musical legacy.
The world’s wonder emerges from Southern

Michael Austin threatens Hilary Diebold in a dramatic scene during rehearsals of “Wonder of the World,” a play set at Niagara Falls. A stunned Rebekah Wesley looks on in the background as the scene unfolds. Mostly comedic, the play has a few twists and turns to keep the audience on their toes.

By QUANIOUA EPPS
George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern’s Black Box Theatre will glow with talent as students in professor James Harbour’s Rehearsal and Performance course perform the stage play “Wonder of the World.”

“It’s a play I became aware of when it was produced less than 15 years ago off Broadway. It’s funny, and it’s a good show to do during summer theater. It’s wacky but there’s also an aspect of human truth,” said Harbour, who serves as the director of the performance.

“Wonder of the World” is a tragic comedy that focuses on the breakdown of a marriage.

The husband has a hidden secret in his sock drawer, and when his wife finds it, she leaves home in search of herself.

It takes the audience over the edge in Niagara Falls, as odd characters are introduced and wacky situations unfold.

Students take on a varied cast of characters, which demands that they focus extra hard to have a successful play. Time is an issue and the cast has been putting in a lot of hours from their little amount of summer free time.

“It’s really rewarding and surreal to see something go from being a concept not too long ago, to being something tangible. The actors have really put in the work and adapted very well, although we haven’t had much time to perfect the production,” said senior theater major Anna Peper, assistant director of the show.

The cast and crew, all of which are students in the Rehearsal and Performance course, dedicate over 10 hours a day to working on the show outside of their class.

The students will have only worked on the play for two weeks when it is set to debut next Wednesday.

This short amount of time has to include auditions, interviews and cast selection. After roles were set, the students immediately began work on props, clothing and stage design. Rehearsals ran six days a week and every second was important.

“Wonder of the World’ will be a summer stock play. It’s pretty quick-paced. We are compressing seven to eight weeks of working on the show into two weeks, which basically means more homework for the actors,” said Harbour.

The play will be free to everyone, but people will be allowed to make donations for a future theater scholarship.

The Black Box Theater is a freestyle performance venue that the cast can rearrange to fit the performance.

Another reason why the show is free is because we want to provide the GSU campus and the surrounding community an opportunity to see what the theater department is capable of. We hope that this in turn will get people to come to more plays,” said GSU graduate Kevin Williams, who is the show’s public relations manager.

Although the show is a comedy, audience members should expect to take away life lessons from the show.

The play has a heartfelt message that will inspire anyone of any age to break free of their comfort zone and find themselves.

“After they see the show, I believe audience members will take away a new zest and appreciation for life, as well as the things and people that they have in their lives,” said GSU graduate Brittany Miller, who plays Janie in the play.

“It’s been amazing to watch the process, especially the new actors who have adapted pretty well. It’s cool to see transformations in people,” said Peper.

There are many new students to the program who are getting the chance to perform for the first time.

“I want people to leave satisfied from the time they spent with my character. It has definitely been interesting,” said junior theater major Eric Carter. “We are all different and we’ve come together as students and friends to work well in a really short time.”

The “Wonder of the World” play will be showing from June 1 until June 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Black Box. It will be the summer’s first play for students on campus to enjoy.
WEEKEND WRAP

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GSU ends season at NCAA Tourney

The Eagles finished eighth in the Southeast Regional in Florida

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-Hayden Anderson

By ERIN DENMARK
Geoge-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University golf team ended its season in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

GSU finished eight out of 14 teams. In the last round, the Eagles recorded a 1-over-289. The University of Florida, who played host to the tournament, finished the event in first place.

In the NCAA Tournament, the Eagles faced some stiff competition, such as Augusta State University and Kennesaw State University.

Head Coach Larry Mays feels as though the team started out really well, but fell short in the fourth round.

Mays and Hayden Anderson look back on the season and give their experience in competing in the tournament.

“We played well for the first round. We had four good scores, the second and third round, we had three good rounds each day, but didn’t get the fourth score,” said Mays. “So that kind of cost us a trip to national championship just not getting that fourth score the last two rounds, we came up just a few shots short.”

Anderson confessed that he was surprised that the team was successful during the first two days of the tournament. Although he does not doubt the team’s playing ability, Anderson felt that sometimes it was hard to conduct their talent.

“Well to be quite honest, I didn’t. If you would have told me that we would be leading regions on the second day over Florida and all of the other teams that were in it, I would have looked at you like you were crazy. It was really quite surprising that we did it, but we knew we had the talent, we just weren’t getting anything done,” said Anderson.

Before the Eagles earned the automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament, GSU conquered the SoCon Champs and finished the event in first place. The Eagles got off to a shabby start on the season; the Eagles finished 9th, 12th and 13th in three out of their first five events.

The pattern would continue as the Eagles struggled continuously throughout the rest of the season before silencing its critics by finishing first in the Southern Conference Championship. Mays stated the team and individual effort gave some of the reasons why his team was successful during the SoCon Championship.

“I think we had good team chemistry that week and I had some individual players play really well throughout the week. Lewis Gruber finished second and Logan Blondell finished in third. Probably the best thing was we had five players playing well all week,” said Mays.

The Eagles have three seniors on the team who were fortunate enough to win a SoCon Championship in their last year.

Mays mentioned their progression from freshman year until now and their outstanding efforts on the golf course.

“Morgan had a great career. He was in the conference his freshman year, he was player of the year his sophomore year, he has played well his junior year, he finished second at the Southeast regional this year, tied for fifth or sixth at the Southeast regional, so he had a nice career, threw in a couple wins throughout his career as well, so it was fun watching him.”

“Matt Deal, [a] kid from here Statesboro, didn’t get a lot of playing time his first couple years in the program,” he said. “He really stepped up his junior and senior year and got to play just about every tournament and he was a big part of the program these last two years. So he really got to experience what college golf was all about the last couple years he was here.”

Mays said, “He [Deal] played every tournament but one so he had a good year, finished off his last tournament last weekend. Like I said he kind of was a little slow getting going in college and wasn’t very competitive to start with, but played solid toward the last two years so he had a good junior and senior campaign.”

“Jake Ware from Statesboro as well, he played on the baseball team his first couple years and he came over the play for the golf team this year,” said Mays.

Mays believes the team’s endurance and ability to stay focused helped it win the SoCon title.

“The things that we really talk about a lot with the team is staying patient, staying focused, and having fun. The three things we try to stress most of all and we’ve done a good job of doing that, we’ve been successful. Also, being patient with each other, keeping some good momentum, and feeling is going through the program and getting our confidence level up,” said Mays.

Coaching the Eagles and winning three titles and 10 seasons is something that Mays is proud of.

“It always feels good to win, you know obviously that is a goal of ours every year to be competitive in the Southern Conference. It has always been competitive up there, but it’s always nice to give the boys a ring, something the boys can have the rest of their lives. And our goal every year is to win the Southern Conference, and get to the regionals to see if we can sneak out of regional to nationals, which we’ve done a number of times as well,” said Mays.

The Eagles got off to a shabby start on the season; the Eagles finished ninth, 12th, and 13th in three out of its first five events. The pattern would continue as the Eagles struggled continuously throughout the rest of the season before silencing its critics by finishing first in the Southern Conference Championship.

Anderson admitted that the start of the season was the most difficult.

“In the fall, I just moved in and all that stuff and wasn’t use to the environment and how everything went and school and all that stuff so I kind of lost my golf game itself and had to work my way back to understand how to do everything, like time management and so forth like that,” said Anderson.

The Eagles have eight players returning next season with the hopes of winning another SoCon title and making a deeper run in the NCAA Tournament.
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Defining your Brand in an Interview

The interview process is much like the marketing pitch of a salesman. He is trying to make his product stand out among the competitors. So like the salesman, you need to make sure your products, you, stand out among the other applicants. In order to do this you must be aware of what you have to offer the employer, this is called Defining Your Brand. Discover what it is about you that will set you apart from the other applicants.

One way to define yourself is your level of passion for the job. People who love their job will do 10 times better than a person who just does their job well. By showing employers that you have a passion for the job/task, they will feel your excitement and want to work with you so much more. Relate all your interview answers to the job, talk about all of your relevant experience, smile, and nod your head.

These are ways to show excitement for the job.

A second way to define your brand is when you answer the question: Why should we hire you? As a potential employee you do not want to give a grocery list of your qualifications. This is boring and not very original. Answering this question correctly gives you the opportunity to standout to the employer. Focus on the following things: your passion for the work, how you can benefit the company, and how the company or position is the right fit for you. Leave the employer with the feeling that you ARE the best fit for the job.

Throughout your job search it is important that you market yourself as the best fit. Make sure your resume reflects your desired career goals. Talk about your passion in the interview. And always act with the highest level of professionalism.

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The RAC has switched over to its summer schedule. Starting on Friday, May 27, all group exercise classes will be canceled. Classes will resume on Monday, May 30 at 5 p.m. For a list and times of classes, please visit CRI’s website.

Summer Hours (May 23 - July 29):
- Mon.-Thurs.: 6 a.m. – 10 p.m.
- Friday: 6 a.m. – 9 p.m.
- Saturday: 11 a.m. – 7 p.m.
- Sun.: 11 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Pool Hours (May 23 - July 29):
- Mon.-Thurs.: 12 p.m. – 9 p.m.
- Friday: 12 p.m. – 8 p.m.
- Saturday: 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- Sunday: 11 a.m. – 9 p.m.

Memorial Day (May 30):
- 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.

**Tri-Eagle Challenge**

Get in shape this summer with CRI’s newest challenge, the Tri-Eagle Challenge. Sign up anytime throughout Term A or Term B at either the fitness deck or cardio deck at the RAC. Keep track of your running, swimming and biking distances and have them signed off by a fitness attendant or a lifeguard. Prizes will be given to participants who complete the first challenge before June 16 or the second challenge by July 28. For more information, please visit the RAC.

**Summer Intramural Sports Signup**

Today is the last day to sign up for both Intramural Basketball and Intramural Softball. Registration closes at 5pm and registration and payment can be completed entirely online or at the member services desk at the RAC. Play begins on Tuesday, May 31. Mandatory captains’ meetings are held during the following times:
- Basketball: 6 p.m.
- Softball: 6:30 p.m.
Both meetings will be held in the seminar room of the RAC.

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