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SGA candidates debate for upcoming election

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March 30 marked Day 40 of the GA State Legislative session, the end of the regular 2017 session. Several bills were passed by the Senate and House early Friday morning and now wait on the desk of Georgia’s Governor, Nathan Deal. Deal has 40 days to either veto or sign the bills into law.

The most controversial bill on Deal’s desk is House Bill 280, a “campus carry” gun bill which would allow any person over 21 with a legal concealed carry permit to carry a handgun on college campuses. Areas of exclusion would be athletic events, sorority and fraternity houses, dormitories, administrative or disciplinary offices, and student rooms with high school students and child daycare facilities. 

Vetoed by Deal in 2016, the campus carry bill may be passed this year despite it being proposed for the fifth year in a row. According to the AJC, Deal is more “receptive” to the bill’s updated language: If passed, GA will become the tenth state to allow concealed guns on campus and in most classrooms.

University System of Georgia (USG) Chancellor Steve Wrigley’s testimony before the Public House Safety Committee on Feb. 20 sent a message about where USG colleges stand on the gun bill. With respect to campus carry, we feel strongly that current law strikes the right balance to create a safe environment on our campuses.”

The current law in GA allows licensed gun owners to keep a gun in a locked car in the parking lot of the college. “This position is supported by our presidents and campus public safety departments, who are closest to the day-to-day realities and operations of the state’s public colleges and universities. We therefore respectfully oppose any change to current law,” Wrigley said.

In local legislative news, the Tybee Island City council meeting on March 30 has banned alcohol and “amplified music” from its beaches the last two weekends of April to prevent Orange Crush’s large crowds.

The Council Meeting cited an unprecedented event posting for Orange Crush’s large crowds.

Update on campus carry; alcohol banned during Orange Crush

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**Tennis teams use new tactics on the court**

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Audience members were astonished to see favored and highly ranked doubles partners switched around for the last handful of matches on both of the Pirates tennis courts this weekend.

Junior Lena Lutzeier and senior Diana Stomlega, ranked 2 in the International Tennis Association as a doubles pair, were split up between the freshman duo of Tatjana Stoll and Paula Boixader Roca.

Stomlega and Stoll were left to a fast-paced start in their first doubles match, which was against Hannah Ayers’ and Kendall Crew of Georgia Southern’s Hurricanes. They beat the Hurricanes 6-2, but lost Saturday’s match against Flagler’s Saints 8-6.

Lutzeier and Boixader Roca triumphed their first opponents, the Hurricanes 6-2. They were also able to claim victory at 8-5.

“We are one team, all together. The freshmen are starting from us older ones. We are improving, every day we change our doubles lineup now and it looks like it’s working pretty well,” Lutzeier said.

On the men’s side, the popular team of sophomore Alberto Caceres and junior Porteset have a historic offensive clip. Caceres and Chamorro were holding their own in Flagler University’s 8-6 loss to No. 2 doubles. Kurtze and Boixader Roca trampled their first opponents, the Hurricanes 8-2.

Both teams won 7-2 overall for Flagler University’s Saints.

Another Peach Belt Conference home game will be this Sunday, April 7 at 2 p.m. against North Georgia Nighthawks. Pirates will play Young Harris Mountain Lions Saturday at 3 p.m.

The Maurice Podoloff Trophy will be presented to the NBA’s MVP. Photo via urbynloft.com

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**JOHN KEEN**

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under two minutes left in the game within five points, with performance defined as any points scored versus points given up in the entire NBA.

While this stat does not usually reflect one player’s performance, with Westbrook controlling the ball on over 40 percent of the Thunder’s possessions, it is a direct reflection of Westbrook’s performance.

However, Westbrook is not a player without flaws. He leads the NBA in turnovers (on pace to set the single-season turnover record), and Oklahoma City has the worst record of the teams that boast an MVP contender.

As impressive as Westbrook’s season has been, an argument could be made that Harden’s season is even more impressive. Harden is just two rebounds away from setting a new career record for rebounds. The Houston team has the highest offensive rating in the NBA.

Outside of Golden State’s 2016 and 2017 season, this Houston team has the highest offensive rating in NBA history.

On the other hand, while Westbrook is less efficient overall, his numbers are much better in the clutch than Harden’s. Only Kawhi Leonard’s team, the San Antonio Spurs, can claim a better clutch rating than Westbrook’s Thunder.

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On March 29, candidates for student government must submit their petitions to the Government Association executive council for the positions of president, vice president, secretary and treasurer.

Secretary candidates are actually the only ones who debated on Wednesday, leaving president and vice president candidates running unopposed. However, treasurer candidates did not debate because one did not submit a petition.

Although one treasurer candidate was not present to debate the issues, both treasurer candidates will remain on the ballot. There is currently no provision in SGA’s election rules stating that a candidate is disqualified if they do not participate in a debate.

As long as we attended the candidate meeting, you could or I could be running without even debating! But is this fair?

I have no reason to believe that the absent candidate has ill intent for not debating (they may have just changed their minds), but this loophole could be highly problematic in the future.

Let me explain my concern with a hypothetical scenario:

What if a well-known, popular student running for an executive position runs into a lesser-known student? Imagine if the popular one decides to dip out of the debate, for whatever reason, while the lesser-known student shows up to answer questions/explain their stance on issues.

This “popular” student, who did not show up to debate, could still win the election.

This opens the door for legitimacy contest power with no regard for who understands policies and how.

Furthermore, it’s insane that someone who doesn’t care to show up to one of the initial responsibilities of the future position could still compete.

It is my opinion that if a future student government representative does not participate in a debate where students can ask questions and understand their viewpoint on issues, he or she SHOULD NOT be on the ballot. Period. You didn’t show up, no debate. Period. You didn’t show up, no debate.

The Inkwell caught wind of this loophole late in the election process, but I sincerely hope that future SGA members consider the problematic nature of this oversight and implement a rule stating that candidates must be engaged from the start.


SGA Debates- Absent candidates should not remain on the ballot

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Aries

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Enjoy this time with friends and family. Open your heart to love and abundance will flow in.

On April 1st starts you off on a positive note. Find refuge in your balance. Be spontaneous for fun by not putting any plans in stone. Be spontaneous for fun by not putting any plans in stone.

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The University of Alabama, spoke about what it means to be a strong “crunk” black woman and how it can be an unhealthy stigma and state in which to live.

“We have to resist the prevailing compliment of being strong. Us black women, we love that ah, because it is the only stereotype that seems like a compliment... So we want to hold on to it. It's the one thing people say about us that seems to be good and we don’t realize how it’s not,” she said.

The women of CFC also spoke about the importance of hip-hop and southern hip-hop in the context of feminism.

“Southern hip-hop gets branded as the most sexist and objectifying that is the way that southern music is telling women about their bodies and it’s sort of embodied experience,” Cooper explained. “It’s the most explicit about twerking... You don’t just go twerk to Jay Z. It’s not proper to get your twerk on. So literally, it is this sort of embodied experience that in northern music you can’t do in the same way. So, that is the way that southern hip-hop uniquely objectifies black women, and when we started CFC that was the thing we were trying to negotiate.”

On the one hand, we were living in Atlanta and folks were saying this music is terrible and patriarchal, and oh my god look at how it treats and talks about women,” she adds. “But we knew that’s what we were going to be dancing to at the club after we left feminism. We were like, we have a particular patriarchy, but we also understand that there is something really important happening when Big Boi [of Outkast] says, ‘come here big freak, let me study how you ride the beat.’”

“Outkast [predominantly white institution] to have people come out and speak to the black community, because we don’t really get a lot of speakers here who are reaching out to us in particular. It’s just important to have some familiarity here with people we can relate to, who tell us that’s okay and that we do belong here,” La- vant said.

Dr. Bradley will host the upcoming lecture, “When and Where It’s Wet Enough to Enter: An Exploration of Pleasure Politics in the Hip Hop South” this Tuesday, April 11 at 12:30 p.m. in the Ogeechee Theater.
Savannah Record Dig keeps spinning

Last month, Armstrong Chemistry Professors presented another installment of “Science on Tap” featuring the “Hoptimization of the Beer Brewing Process.” The event was hosted by Drs. Sarah Gray and Sarah Zingales of the chemistry department. The professors began the lecture asking if anyone had ever brewed beer before. Gray was pleasantly surprised by the effort required to brew beer well. “I didn’t realize how much chemistry was involved, and it’s cool that they’re helping [Southbound] the company,” she said.

Gray explained that hops are necessary as a preservative and suppress the growth of microorganisms. Citrus, peaches, and wheat beers are fermented from the top. Lager yeast beers include lagers, books and American malt liquor. The last types of beer use wild yeast and produce lambics, sours and saison beers. The audience sampled two types of beer produced by local microbrewery, Southbound as the professors discussed how oxidation of flavors minimizes staleness of beer additives and bifidus, key ingredients within the alcohol.

Another factor to consider when brewing beer is light sensitivity, they explained. The professors compared the tastes of Corona and Heineken as they are packaged in clear and green bottles, respectively. Light sensitivity plays a key role in the taste of beer. They explained that the beer will “skunk” in wake of excessive sun exposure.

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Savannah Record Dig keeps spinning

I’m really glad I came out,” said Leanna Maxwell, a master’s student studying Library Sciences. While most record vendors drove hours for the event, local stores Graveface Records and Rody’s Records were among the 10 vendors that lined Desoto Row. Both young and old vinyl lovers crowded the tents, searching for rare pressings of popular albums, b-sides, special edition colored records and elusive, difficult to find albums from years past. One crate digger was pleased to find one of a shoegaze band’s album from the 90’s. ‘I just found ‘Souvla’ by Sowdive for $11.1. It’s from the Starland District. The sound stuff like this because if you come here you can have it for free this cheap’ I also got some Patsy Cline cassettes for $3.

The vendors themselves are local experimental rock and music. Following their act, a food truck and emceed the event. They mixed records using turntables before, during and after the event. Local band Rude Dudes and the Creek Freaks, psychedelic surf-rock, played first and rounded the crowd with their danceable, high-temp music. Following their act, local experimental rock and metal instrument band, Hot-Plate, also played.

The dig also featured a pop-up art exhibition. “The Foot: Past, Present and Future,” was stationed at the head of Desoto Row. Houses within a truck stall, the exhibition featured both local and traveling artists. Mediums ranged from poetry to photograpy and paintings, but the subject matter remained the same. The works represented how artists interpreted Tarot card “The Fool” in flux. The Psycho Circus food truck was also on site to serve hungry event goers. Psycho Circus food truck is a Wilmington Island-based operation that is a Wilmington food truck.

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the student organizations’, distribution of funds among the three campuses (Liberty, Armstrong and Statesboro), the current by-laws and the structure and organizational capacity of the executive board and cabinet seats.

All of these topics of conversation deal with how the campuses will come together to pass legislation for the entire University.

Through Ambanpola’s presidency of the Student Alumni Association, he was able to take part in writing the resolution that allowed Armstrong to retain its name. Ambanpola stated that, despite the rumors of Armstrong being taken over by GSU, the two organizations are looking to combine into a completely new organization, one that features the “good of Statesboro, good of Liberty Center and good of Armstrong.”

Ambanpola is also well-acquainted with GSU’s SGA President. Since the merger’s announcement, Ambanpola has visited Georgia Southern on multiple occasions. He described a general sense of open-mindedness about the upcoming merger.

Tyack’s first question for the debating secretary candidates revolved around their view on the position of secretary. While both candidates cited the importance of maintaining accurate notes, Sims focused on creating cohesion through ensuring that everyone is informed and on track.

Montes stated her desire to make the notes readily available online and to guarantee Armstrong continues to make strong connections with other organizations, both in the community and on campus. She cited the importance of “getting them participating in and involved with different events.”

The candidates described their previous experience that would better qualify them for the position of secretary, as well as their objectives if elected.

Sims explained that her goals as secretary would be to make SGA less “closed-circuit,” to involve all of campus and not just those tied to SGA. As Sims put it, “it is the students’ government association. They make us. We don’t make them.”

Montes stated similar objectives. She plans to increase student involvement, collaborate with other student organizations and make SGA more visible on campus. Additionally, Montes supported the current SGA policy of participation rigidity so as to “keep senators accountable to make sure our year in SGA is very effective.”

Voting will take place online from April 3-6 and the results will be announced on April 7.

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Crush as well as orange crush2k17.com’s advertisement that “We have tens of thousands of brands, labels, artists, hosts, dancers, models and professionals from all over the country coming down to network and brand.”

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For now, the library’s main focus will be training its staff on how to use the new GIL-Find so they may better assist students or faculty. Frazier warned there could be a few glitches upon the ILS going live, as this is expected for most new programs.

The ILS will undergo additional changes the software vendor continues to work on the new interface. The interface is expected to be released sometime next year and will be more visually appealing than the one set to release next month.

For now, expect Armstrong’s social media accounts to be rolling out a few tutorials and tips on navigating the new GIL-Find later this spring. Until late May or early June, expect a learning curve as Armstrong works towards a more resourceful future.