Georgia Southern University leaders traveled to Ireland last week to officially open its learning center in Wexford. The ceremonial event proved to be so significant it attracted the Deputy Prime Minister of Ireland and led to a meeting with Ireland’s president – the first official meeting between a Georgia Southern president and a foreign head of state.

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Courageous Conversations begin Dec. 2
“Courageous Conversations” is sponsored by the President’s Student Advisory Committee (PSAC) on Inclusive Excellence.

The first in a series of “Courageous Conversations” events will focus on “Privilege, Respect and Social Responsibility.” The event will be held on the Armstrong Campus on Dec. 2 at 6:30 p.m. in the Ogeechee Theatre. The event will also be held on the Statesboro Campus on Dec. 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the Russell Union Ballroom and will be live-streamed to the Liberty Campus in room 105.

“Courageous Conversations” is open to students, faculty and staff.

In February 2020, PSAC will sponsor a town hall/panel discussion on “Social Justice” and in March 2020, the topic will be “Gender and Sexuality.”

This is an important way to continue the commitment to ensuring Georgia Southern is a welcoming home for all, where each student feels a sense of belonging.

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Staff Council sponsors warm clothing drive through Dec. 6

Staff Council is conducting its ninth annual warm clothing drive this year. They will be collecting new or gently used cold-weather clothing and accessories. Dropoff locations are available on both the Statesboro and Armstrong campuses.

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Georgia Southern celebrates 113th birthday

Celebrate Georgia Southern’s 113th birthday from noon to 2 p.m. on Dec. 2. Enjoy music, games and prizes with free hotdogs, cupcakes and True Blue ice cream.

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Celebrate Giving Tuesday with a gift to Georgia Southern

Giving Tuesday on Dec. 3 is a global celebration dedicated to philanthropy and giving back. Businesses, civic groups and university communities will come together to give to the places and causes they believe in.

Georgia Southern’s #GivingTuesday is a campus-wide initiative where you can support the cause of your choice. By making a gift to Georgia Southern on Dec. 3, you’re making it possible for future leaders to earn their degrees.
Join us on Dec. 3, so we can see how high we can soar together by giving back on one day to support student success!

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Georgia Southern’s RN to BSN helps graduates elevate their careers

With more than two decades of experience in nursing, Georgia Southern University alumna Sharen Martin thought she would work as a flight nurse for her entire career. However, her life took an unexpected turn when her position as a chief flight nurse was eliminated in 2004. After learning about the RN to BSN degree program at Georgia Southern, Martin knew it was the perfect fit to achieve new goals and accommodate her lifestyle.

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Dining Commons closed Dec. 16-31
The entire Dining Commons building on the Statesboro campus will close on Friday, Dec. 13 at 5 p.m. and will remain closed through Tuesday, Dec. 31 due to the installation of emergency generators. During this time, the departments housed in the building will also experience closures and/or delayed response times, so please plan accordingly.

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Georgia Southern vs. Georgia State rivalry football game

The Eagles will host the Georgia State University in Statesboro for football senior day at Paulson Stadium on Nov. 30. Kickoff will start at 6 p.m. Faculty and staff can get discounted tickets for $15 using the code TRUEBLUESTAFF. Visit GSEagles.com/ThankYouStaff for more information.

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On-Campus News

- Lighting of Burnett Lawn and Sweetheart Circle kicks off Dec. 3 and 4
- University closure in observance of Thanksgiving break
• **Georgia Southern student posthumously awarded state honor**

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**In the Media**

• **Georgia Southern’s “Food for Fines” collects 6K pounds of goods for on-campus food banks, dismissed $20,000 in parking citations** – All on Georgia

• **Georgia Southern listed among ‘Green Colleges’ for ninth consecutive year** – Savannah CEO

• **Georgia Southern’s Holiday Helper Tree** – WJCL

• **Senior Citizens, Inc. promotes Patsy Grainger and hires Nancy Fullbright for leadership positions** – Savannah Business Journal

• **Georgia Southern signs comprehensive agreement with Robins AFB** – All on Georgia

• **Meet The 2019 New Guard** – Savannah Magazine

• **Seven more attorneys join Swift Currie in Atlanta and Birmingham** – Metro Atlanta CEO

• **Georgia Southern alumna named vice president of Student Life at Ohio State University** – George-Anne

• **Georgia Southern high school dual enrollment numbers up by ~150** – All on Georgia

• **The Irishman and Philip Glass** – Connect Savannah

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• **GS enrollment decline slows** – Statesboro Herald

• **Georgia Southern hires new director of EAGLE Academy** – Savannah CEO

• **‘All music, all the time’ Georgia Southern grad student pursuing drumming passion** – WSAV

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