Students Celebrate the Holi: Festival of Colors

SGA Elections and Campaigning Held Next Week

Students Pay Tribute to Survivors At Take Back The Night
This week, the Student Government Association is again opening an election to determine its positions of governance in the 2019-2020 school year.

Executive Vice President Spencer Demink is the lone candidate for the Executive VP position and his ticket includes Vice President of Finance Yilnette Morales Núñez.

"I have been a member of SGA since the beginning of my freshman year and have loved every second of it since then" said Demink on SGA's candidate information slideshow. "The current campus SGA administration and I have worked tirelessly for you and the student body as a whole for almost an entire year now, and we look forward to doing it for another term!"

"Overall, I and the rest of my team have one interest and that's representing you correctly," Demink continued. "We accomplished our goals this year, but we aren't finished yet. Re-elect DeMink - Morales for another year of proper representation from your Student Government Association.”

The Senator -At-Large candidates include Erica Cribbs, Megan Evans, Beverly Leitelt, Elizabeth Ossi, Jacquie Reis, Jordan Stevenson, Katie Sparks and Tyler Tyack.

The other positions that are being campaigned for this week include Senator of College of Education and Senator of Health Professions, which include Mohamed Elshahahwy and Sophia Lopez campaigning for the Education spot and Makenzie Bunton, Jade Reynolds and Nick Wright campaigning for the Health Professions spot.

As for the SGA Presidential candidates, who all reside in Statesboro, three candidates are campaigning to succeed Jarvis Steele: Keyshawn Housey, Zean Lopez and Juwan Smith.

“This school year we have managed to exist despite the trials and tribulations between our three campuses. We can no longer afford to merely exist,” said Housey, also from SGA’s candidate information slideshow. “If allowed the opportunity, as your President I will continue to serve, this time the students of all three campuses in a unified manner to ensure that during our remaining time here, we have the best experience possible.”

“I plan to run for presidency under the platform of renewed relationships and visible progress,” said Lopez. “I strongly believe that there is a serious lack of dialogue between the administration, students, and organizations that fall in all three campuses. Thereof, I propose to renew these relationships into a stronger and more unified Georgia Southern University.”

“Being a member of the Student Government Association is important because Student Government Association is the voice for the voiceless,” said Smith. “It is the outlet for students to come voice concerns and its Student Government Association responsibility to make every student feel more comfortable in their tenure here at the university.”

The Election begins on Monday, April 8 and will conclude at midnight on Wednesday, April 10. Voting will be made available through your student email.
Pick of the Week

Thursday, April 4
Casino Night
8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Student Union Ballroom
Feeling Lucky? Join UPB for a night filled with games, free food, and Karaoke. Students, please bring your Eagle IDs. Should you need assistance related to access or participation, please email upba@georgiasouthern.edu at least two weeks prior to the event.

Meme Of The Week

Game of Thrones and Averge Endgame

Come by, pitch ideas, and give us your opinions on what you want to put in the paper.
Armstrong Campus Pays Tribute to Survivors

By: Melody Coleman

“Over 55% of sexual assaults occur near or at [sic] the victim’s home,” was one of many sexual violence statistics scrawled in chalk on the sidewalks of Armstrong campus this week. On Thursday, March 28, Armstrong students participated in the eye-opening Take Back the Night Rally and March. The night began with a speech from SGA Chief of Staff, Megan Evans. It was the golden hour, and the moment was illuminated by the sun.

At 7 p.m. survivors, supporters of survivors and all those who seek to put an end to sexual assault, domestic violence and all other forms of unhealthy aggression were invited to march through the Armstrong campus. The crowd marched to raise awareness and shine light on the darkness of abuse.

Together, marchers walked over the chalk-scrawled statistics. The march to End The Violence Rally convened at 8 p.m. in the International Gardens. Here, the crowd would sign a pledge in honor of stopping abuse. Survivors were then honored.

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GGA Opens Campus Community Garden

By: Melody Coleman

Spring has sprung and Go Green Armstrong (GGA) has been making the most out of the season. Last month, the club hosted the first annual pick your plot picnic. With help from the Honors Society, Friends of Cats, Facility Services, Military Affairs, PEP and the ever-loyal members of GGA, the garden was de-weeded and prepared for this year’s harvest. The community painted found bricks to mark their plots. There were plenty scattered about, and the club stresses reusing and reducing.

Mr. James Lee Frazier, a longtime Savannah local, came with guitar in hand and sang through the afternoon. Blankets were scattered about, and healthy homemade snacks were provided. With help of the community, GGA has made great strides towards building a sustainable garden. The garden was constructed originally a few years ago, with help from Greenhouse Manager Akash Mehta, though was seemingly abandoned after the gardening club officers graduated. There is still plenty of space in the garden. If you or anyone you know is interested in growing a harvest, email gogreenarmstrong@gmail.com.

GGA is also looking for volunteers to help with upkeep, as the garden is prepared for the growing season, but would do well with some extra care. Some of their goals include creating a sustainable irrigation system, receiving a donation of retired patio furniture, planting flowers along the sides and laying down a brick walkway. GGA would like to repurpose any materials that are no longer being used. They hope to receive official mapping and signs for the garden, reading “Go Green Armstrong Community Garden Est. 2019. Dedicated to saving the environment’s beauty through community. Founders Nick Brodruk and Melody Coleman.”

GGA Meetings are every Tuesday at 6 p.m. in University Hall Rm. 102. Those interested can also join club President, Maddi Foster, and Vice President Melody Coleman in litter pickups Mondays and Wednesdays at 9 a.m. in front of Compass Point. For more information and updates, ‘like’ GGA on their Facebook “Go Green Officially” or follow them on Instagram @gogreenarmstrong.
Screening: Experiment Brings School to Children

By: Hannah Hanlon

West Bengal, India. Clothes are hanging on a clothesline. A 12-year-old girl named Priya walks up to her home and asks her mother where her pants are. She prefers watching TV over studying, but she is still ranked second in her class. She wants to be first. She wants to be ranked second in her class. She asks her mother where her pants are. She prefers watching TV over studying, but she is still ranked second in her class. She wants to be first. She wants to be ranked second in her class. She asks her mother where her pants are. She prefers watching TV over studying, but she is still ranked second in her class. She wants to be first. She wants to be ranked second in her class. She asks her mother where her pants are. She prefers watching TV over studying, but she is still ranked second in her class. She wants to be first. She wants to be ranked second in her class. She asks her mother where her pants are. 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The experiment, was to show the potential of self-organized learning.

As explained by Dr. Kathie Fabrikant, a professor on the Armstrong campus, research has continued to show that children anywhere from the slums of India to impoverished areas of Chile are able to self-learn in an “unorganized” learning environment.

Before beginning the documentary screening, Dr. Fabrikant asked the audience to consider the following questions while they watched the film: What could possibly go wrong? Can information that is accessed by children be manipulated? What are the safeguards? What do kids do when they don’t have a laptop or a tablet to complete their assignments?

“The internet technology is an integral part of the way we learn in our classrooms,” said Dr. Fabrikant.

In between scenes of the documentary, Sugata Mitra was shown giving a Ted talk lecture and narrating throughout.

Mitra was determined to prove that children in disconnected and impoverished areas can educate themselves under the guidance of a teacher with the assistance of internet technology.

Mitra made the analogy of how a concept known as “the edge of chaos” was at play in this experiment. At the edge of chaos, things happen at random, and then there is structure. Chaos theory, as Mitra explained it, is that after there is random chaos, there will emerge a pattern.

“Learning is something that happens to people when they cross the edge of chaos,” said Mitra.

One area in which Mitra had to set the record straight was the accusation that he was trying to eliminate teachers from the classroom.

He said that was not true. The teacher has to convert the learning into an environment where the answer has to be devised by the students.

A challenge for students in India versus the students in England is the access of internet technology.

One man that donated his land in the Sundarbans was thrilled to have the experience of speaking with a woman in Germany via the wifi that got connected.

“We Sundarbans did not know this was possible,” he said.

Events in Savannah

The School In The Cloud promotional poster. Photo from georgiasouthern.edu.

“Everyone thinks that we villagers are stupid. Now nobody will say that I’m an illiterate village girl.”

A quote by Priya from the documentary. Photo by “The School in the Cloud” Twitter.

Armstrong Welcomes Family and Fun to Savannah

By: Ethan Smith

Spring Family Weekend 2019 will be held on Friday, April 5 and Saturday, April 6 for Eagle Nation families and friends here in Savannah.

The fun begins on Friday, as the University Programming Board (UPB) hosts its Spring 2019 Block Party from 5-7 p.m. at Residential Plaza. Campus organizations will be tabling with food, drinks, games, face painting, henna temporary tattoos and other exciting activities for participants. Inflatables will be made available as well for younger family members.

Family weekend will continue that Friday night with a Family Reception at 6 p.m. The Waters Health Professions Building will host the reception. The reception will include food, and university administration will be present to speak with attendees. Free giveaways will round up the reception’s activities on Friday.

On Saturday morning, the fun continues with a brunch on Burnett Lawn, which will include chicken and waffles along with other breakfast favorites and drinks. The brunch will be held from 9:30-11 a.m. on Saturday.

Trolley Tours, a tour company in Savannah, will provide families the chance to explore downtown Savannah. The trolley will stop at Oglethorpe Square in the Historic District and give families a chance to explore the various attractions and historical sites around Savannah. The trolley will provide transportation back to campus early that evening.

New Student and Family Programs hope to make Spring Family Weekend an annual event as this is the first year that Georgia Southern has hosted Family Weekend here in Savannah. The program hopes that families enjoy this opportunity and have a great weekend on the Armstrong campus and in Savannah.
Holi Festival Photo Story
Photo’s taken by Melody Coleman
Easy sudoku by Myles Mellor

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Put your housing knowledge to the test. Complete the word scramble below, and bring your answers to the University Housing office in Compass Point (Building 7000), between 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. from Monday to Friday on the Armstrong Campus to claim your prize. One person will win a grand prize each week!

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