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The Storied Career of Tookie Brown

By: Ethan Smith

On March 16, 2019, Georgia Southern basketball fell in the Sun Belt Tournament to UT-Arlington, ending the Eagles season and hopes of its first NCAA Tournament bid since 1992.

The loss not only ended the season for the Eagles but one of the greatest careers in GSU basketball history as Tookie Brown saw the floor for the last time as a Georgia Southern Eagle. Brown joined Georgia Southern on May 14, 2015 when he officially committed to the Eagles over Mississippi State, who he visited with. He signed a letter of intent with Georgia, who he would later become rivals with over his college career.

Brown came in as a freshman in 2015 and stole the show, averaging 17.8 points and 3.4 assists per contest, which led the Sun Belt player to score 2000 points in a season.

In arguably his best season, Brown dominated in his junior year as he started every game he played and ranked in the top five in the Sun Belt in multiple categories including scoring, field goal percentage and assists.

He would become the first player in school history to score 500 or more points in three straight seasons and the third to surpass 1500 and 300 assists.

Brown would continue to slash records in his senior campaign becoming the first Sun Belt player to score 2000 points and dish out 500 assists over their career. His senior season came to an end against UT-Arlington as mentioned before, and his postgame interview with Savannah Morning News was emotional to say the least.

“It’ll probably hit me later on, but just looking back, I’m just going to think about how much fun I had with this team and we won some hard-fought games, but we always competed,” said Brown to Savannah Morning News.

Brown’s career at GSU is unique among college basketball as many talented players do not stay at their respective schools for four years with the “one-and-done” rule, which allows freshman to pursue their NBA dreams after just one college season.

Brown will leave Statesboro in hopes of the NBA, but the public consensus is that his career will never be forgotten at Hanner Fieldhouse or by any Georgia Southern Eagle.

For Georgia Southern basketball, the Eagles are losing arguably the best player to walk the confines of Statesboro, Georgia, and it is extremely bittersweet to see Tookie Brown go.
The Difference Between Service and Emotional Support Animals On Campus

By: Hannah Hanlon

Casey Nash is a senior in Interdisciplinary Studies and minorin Writing who is used to arousing people’s curiosity when she walks around campus with her dog, a pitsky (a pitbull-husky mix) known by several students and professors on campus as Zoey.

When first seeing the pair together, the question might arise: Is Zoey a service dog or an emotional support dog?

According to Nash, Zoey is both.

Specifically, Zoey is a service dog trained to assist with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD). Nash, an Army Veteran of more than 10 years and recipient of a Purple Heart, suffered severe physical injuries twice during her deployments to Iraq, one from the blast of an IED. In a separate incident, a child suicide bomber killed Nash’s driver and injured Nash severely. Nearly seven years later, the physical scars have healed. But the mental and emotional scars have not. This is where Zoey has become invaluable to her.

Zoey went with Nash to Jacksonville every other week for six weeks on the weekends for service dog training, specifically designed in PTSD training.

“That’s where she learned a lot of my emotional triggers...a lot of my emotional breakdowns,” said Nash. “We learned a lot together, what my emotional triggers actually were, and how to warn me before my anxiety levels got too high in situations where I did not want to be in, but I believe that she deserves a break and some relaxation time, so she is not always with me,” Nash said.

Not everyone is aware of the difference between service animals and emotional support dogs.

For one thing, service animals can only be a dog or a miniature horse, and they are covered regulated under the Americans with Disability Act (ADA). Service animals are allowed anywhere on campus.

An emotional support animal can be any personal pet that provides emotional comfort. These animals are allowed to be in housing under the protection of the Fair Housing Act (FHA).

While service animals cannot be refused or banned from classrooms or anywhere else on campus, emotional support animals are allowed in housing only, unless extra documentation is provided, according to Kelly Woodruff, Director of Student Accessibility Resource Center (SARC).

“There has been a significant increase in the past two years of emotional support animals on campus,” said Woodruff.

“There is some dispute regarding the diagnosed need for an emotional support animal being anecdotal vs. medically proven,” Woodruff said, “and there is a distinction between subjective benefits and objective diagnosis.”

“The biggest challenge for many individuals is understanding the difference between emotional support vs. service dogs,” said Ryan Heins, Director of Business Administration with University Housing.

While service animals are required to be professionally trained, emotional support animals are not. This can present a variety of challenges in regard to animal behavior. Liability insurance may also be a strong consideration in case of animal bites.

Nash faces challenges like making sure that she has easy and visible access to the nearest exit sites and making sure that Zoey is in a place where she can easily alert her when an emotional trigger is sensed.

“She alerts me by nudging me with her nose or placing her paw on me,” said Nash.

Other challenges experienced are people impulsively trying to pet the dog before asking.

Nash does not mind if people want to pet Zoey, but she prefers if permission is asked first. After all, Zoey is a working animal and when she is on the job, she needs to be focused at all times.

Another challenge is due to the general public not always understanding or being tolerant of an animal being in a store or in a classroom.

“People will say, ‘You just want to bring your pet with you,’” said Nash. Even though Nash considers Zoey as family, she is still a working animal who provides a needed service.

“Not every illness or injury is known...or seen,” said Nash with a rueful smile.

Zoey the Pitsky. Courtesy of Casey Nash.

Club of the Week: Armstrong Jiu Jitsu Club

“Would you rather be nervous in a controlled training environment or when your life could be at risk in the event you are attacked?” asked Armstrong Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Club President James Burnett.

You may have seen the flyers for the club on campus but may have been hesitant to go because you have no prior fighting experience or unsure of what Jiu Jitsu even entails. Burnett’s answer was “my mindset is, the more we train for the worst possible situation, when something bad happens, we’ll be ready physically, mentally and emotionally.”

Burnett also wants to encourage students not to be apprehensive about coming to the club if you have never been.

“You gotta learn sometime. We strive to create a training environment where everyone feels safe and welcome. That being said, we are a combat sport and some may have some reservations about the physicality.”

“The main purpose of the Armstrong Campus Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Club is to promote physical activity and increase attention to detail as well as helping individuals become more confident in their own life using the sport of competition Brazilian Jiu Jitsu,” Burnett said.

While they have not yet been able to host events off campus due to the organization’s small size, Burnett said, “we do however let members know of events hosted by others in the Jiu-Jitsu community and groups sometimes attend.”

If you have experience or are interested in running a social media page for the club, Burnett said that is a welcome idea.

If you’re interested in learning how to practice Brazilian Jiu Jitsu, come to the club meetings from 6:30 p.m. to around 7:30-8 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays at the PAC (Pirate Athletic Center). The meetings are no longer held in the Alumni Arena.

Nash with Zoey. Courtesy of Casey Nash.
Profile: Getting Intimate in the City

Story and Photos by Lila Miller

“What makes your heart hurt? What makes you sad? What upsets you?”

I aimed to find strangers in New York to answer those questions in an attempt to prove that New Yorkers (and people in general) really just crave understanding in an apathetic world.

8.623 million people live in New York City. People flock to the city like pigeons searching for something. Too often, New Yorkers are characterized as impersonal. Scores of tourists flaunt the city like pigeons searching for something.

Stephen was a security guard. I introduced myself, explained that I was a writer, and asked him what has made him sad, in New York, in his life currently, or in memories.

“My father passed away when I was very young,” he says, but left the cause of death not up for discussion.

He talks about Mister Rogers and how this generation’s children don’t progress and don’t have time to themselves to figure out how to express how they’re feeling because our world is so fast-paced.

I met an anonymous man on an elevator, and mumbled a question like,

“What upsets me?”

He listens to my questions with a small laugh and deprecating smile.

“What makes me sad? It depends on the day. Sometimes, it’s that my parents are going to die and I’m going to have to live a portion of my life without them. But overall? I think it’s that I’m so privileged. I kind of have everything…and I’m still sad.”

In New York where walls of people cross the streets and rush by each other, I was able to forge a connection with six strangers on what makes us human. For a few hours on one afternoon, I was able to look under the cloak of anonymity that New York City provides. I think sadness and loneliness are linked. Loneliness is the human condition. At the root of loneliness, people just want to be heard and understood.
Physical Therapy Students Hosting Running Competitions This Weekend

By: Ethan Smith

Have you ever gone on a morning run and craved a donut afterwards? Well never fear, because physical therapy students here at GSU-Armstrong are hosting a 5K/10K this weekend on campus.

Donut-Daze is a race centered around the Armstrong campus that will feature the entire campus including the IM fields, the Student Union fountain and, among other spots, the various running paths on campus.

This isn’t your usual race though. Participants will receive a free donut from Duck Donuts of Savannah as well as a free t-shirt and swag bag with other goodies.

Not into running? Spectators can get in on the fun as well as a costume contest will also take place as spectators cheer on their friends and respective teams. Prizes will also be awarded the top finishers in each category, which are arranged by age group.

Sign-ups for the event take place all through Friday, March 29. The 5K run is $25 and the 10K run is $30. Race packets can be picked up by participants at the Student Union the morning of the event or the night before.

Donut-Daze will take place on Saturday, March 30, and both races are slated to begin at 8 a.m. in front of the Student Union.

Sponsors will be in attendance as well, so run around campus this weekend or support your friends in this fun twist on a 5K/10K.

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1. It All Feels Right- Washed Out
2. Cola- Toro y Moi
3. Summer Years- Death Cab For Cutie
4. Chicago- Sufjan Stevens
5. Agoraphobia- Deerhunter
6. Oxford Comma- Vampire Weekend
7. Up Against The Wall- Peter Bjorn and John
8. a sport and a pastime- of Montreal
9. Ready, Able- Grizzly Bear
10. Anthems For A Seventeen Year-Old Girl- Broken Social Scene
Sudoku by Myles Mellor

Easy sudoku by Myles Mellor

Across
1 French friends
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8 Happen again
13 Mascara site
14 Exploits
16 Muse of poetry
17 Winglike
18 Orderly
19 Coincide
20 Elevator alternative
22 Game fish
24 Zenith
25 Hunchback of Notre Dame novelist
26 Rascal
29 Fireplace tool
31 Mile-High City
34 Summer in France
37 Dander
38 Sienna
39 Cancel
42 Allows for
44 Colorado resort
45 King toppper
46 Twisty curve
47 Golf shot
49 Wooded
52 Potato feature
53 Carry
55 Music of India
58 1943 Bogart film
61 Sand dollar
63 Rodeo rope
65 Bleacher feature
67 Aesop’s also-ran
68 Woodwinds
69 Glitch
70 From square one
71 Tablelands
72 Seek damages
73 Impudence

Down
1 “C’est la vie”
2 Mediterranean island
3 Writer Asimov
4 Cocktail forerunner
5 Without (Fr.)
6 Swelling reducer
7 Height
8 Gather
9 Hence
10 Bear or wolf, e.g.
11 Colorado native
12 Fish eggs
15 Hart
21 Early auto
23 Staff
25 Animal group
27 Patches up
28 Newspapers, e.g.
29 Relative
32 The Lord of the Rings figure
33 Newcomer, briefly
34 Wipe clean
35 Ill-tempered
36 Strong black coffee
40 Boardroom bigwig
41 Squid’s squirt
42 Farm measure
43 Honorarium
45 Achieves
47 Animal
48 Fraternity letter
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62 Tidings
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