Armstrong housing battles revenue decline and student dissatisfaction

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This month, students voiced complaints about cable television services, but the housing system is more concerned with the significant decrease in enrollment for Armstrong’s Fall semester meeting.

Armstrong State University has four residential buildings on campus. University Terrace, Compass Point, University Crossing and the 2016 freshmen, Gulfstream, are in a $3.7 million bond project to bring the building up to current standards.

“Gulfstream was one of the dormitories that the Board of Regents approved to be removed from the P3 system due to it’s [Armstrong’s housing deal] rate structure,” said Lisa Gordon, an assistant professor of English and Preservice Secondary Education at Armstrong.

“Gulfstream was part of the board of regent’s decision to get revenue for the university, which is primarily a state university,” Gordon said.

Drew Ference, an Armstrong State University student, said the Board of Regents and Corvis Inc. fail to maintain the dormitories or fix any to take action regarding complaints, a negative atmosphere may form and deter students from living on campus.

Kendra Gordon, a senior at Armstrong, said she has not noticed a change in the number of students living on campus, but the area of the disparities between Armstrong’s housing and that of other Georgia colleges.

Compass Point and University Terrace, the sole residential buildings on campus, have raised their rates, compiled by the University System of Georgia, indicate a maximum 5.6 per cent increase in Armstrong’s housing costs.

Meet assistant professor Lisa Dusenberry: Interactive media scholar

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Dr. Lisa Dusenberry is an assistant professor of English and Professional Communication, specializing in child and teen literature.

"Rise of the Tomb Raider," which came out last February, is one of few 18+ clubs. Since news of Michael’s Law, the club’s employees have all agreed to reimburse anyone using an ID of age 20 who purchased tickets for upcoming Barco’s events.

This is why one of her favorite video games is the new "Rise of the Tomb Raider." Although, her favorite novel genre is urban fantasy. Although, her favorite novel genre is urban fantasy. Although, her favorite novel genre is urban fantasy.

"Rise of the Tomb Raider."
Pirate men rally back on Senior Night

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STAFF WRITER

The excitement occurred on the night where seniors saw
historied in front of a crowd of
daily family and friends and clas-
sates. Hopper, the senior honored, shared what his senior experience has been and how he hopes to be

Armstrong inducts seven into 2016 Hall of Fame class

AARON PRINGLE
STAFF WRITER

Armstrong State University
inducted their seven newest members into the Pirate Hall of Fame Friday evening. The HDD Foundation in the Student Union Ballroom was hit by a crowd of people, staff, and students.

The 2016 inductees included: men’s tennis player Dale White, women’s basketball player Paris Washington, men’s soccer player Andre Modlinos, men’s basketball player Ron “Skip” Hancock, and the Service Award recipient, Donnie Muller.

Nominated was the No. 1 ranked singles player in NCAA II tennis at the NCAA tennis tournament in Washington, D.C. in 2010 and 2011, helping lead Armstrong State to a pair of national championships. She won 25 of 30 NCAA matches during her freshman season, season going 23-0.

For those who don’t know, Armstrong State is a Division II Program, which is the third best level the is good for anyone who is looking to play college basketball in the future.

The Pirate men rallied back on Senior Night.

KIARA MORRIS
STAFF WRITER

Pirate men rally back on Senior Night, 52-51

STAFF WRITER

Both sides of the bench were filled with positive emotion for Armstrong basketball's Senior Night. The Pirates pushed their team to win while home attendances cheered on the Pirates.

With such great vibes filling
the arena it is no wonder the Pirates won the game 83-80. The Pirates made a huge turn around during the second half of the game. Head coach Evan Davis didn’t expect the win, but was grateful that his team pulled through.

“I was extremely excited, but I didn’t expect the win. We were being down 22 and coming back in the second half,” coach Davis explained.

“Every time someone would make a very clutch shot down the stretch, Nicholas Scott hit

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PIRATE SOFTBALL CLASSIC II

SAARA OLIN
STAFF WRITER

The Armstrong Pirates’ softball team swept Mount Olive 4-1 and Queens (N.C.) 10-1. On Saturday, Feb. 20, the Armstrong Softball Classic II, as in the first game against the Trojans, both teams returned to the drawing board. Once the first inning was through, the Trojans took the lead 95 of them, more than the 95

February 26

Women’s Tennis vs. Jacksonville St., 5:00 p.m.

February 27

Softball vs. Winthrop, 4:00 p.m.

February 29

Women’s Tennis vs. Flagler College, 2:00 p.m.

February 28

Baylor Baseball vs. North Carolina Central, 3:00 p.m.

March 1

Women’s Golf vs. Armstrong Atlantic, 12:00 p.m.

Women’s Golf vs. Armstrong Atlantic, 2:00 p.m.

For Men’s Tennis vs. Nicholls State, 11:00 a.m.

Men’s Tennis vs. Nicholls State, 1:00 p.m.

Women’s Tennis vs. Nicholls State, 2:00 p.m.

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Armstrong finishes 3-1 at Pirate Softball Classic II

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Studkien was a member of the inaugural Armstrong State women’s soccer team, who was along with other NAIA National All-American honors in 2003, and advanced to the 2003 NAIA National Tournament.

Caleb Bailey

BAIL OUT WITH:

NASCAR revs into action with historic Daytona 500

For those who don't know, NASCAR is a truck racing company that is the most popular in the country and is known for its speed and excitement. It has been around for over 50 years and still going strong. NASCAR drivers are one of the most prestigious in the world and have a huge following. NASCAR is a truck racing company that is the most popular in the country and is known for its speed and excitement. It has been around for over 50 years and still going strong. NASCAR drivers are one of the most prestigious in the world and have a huge following.
What is HB 859 all about?

House Bill 859 will allow anyone 21 or older with a weapons license to carry a gun anywhere on a public college or university campus, except for inside dormitories, fraternities and sorority houses, and athletic events. It will also mandate that those weapons be concealed — something proponents say make it safer — since Georgia requires gun owners to apply for "concealed carry" permits that require fingerprinting and background checks.

What are your thoughts on the new state law that will allow guns on campus?

CAMPUS VOICES:

- I'm for people owning guns, but having students with guns on campus is scary. It causes more harm than benefits.
  - Nick Brodak, Sophomore, Biochemistry major

- I don't know. We got crazy kids here. Think about kids running around with guns.
  - Kevin Vo, Sophomore, Engineering major

- I'm putting more men in the fire.
  - Aujin Lawrence, Sophomore, IT major

Words for the Wise

Across
1. Swedish car or aircraft — maker
2. M ake amends
3. With 30 and 61 down, 3- letter writer's refrain — and the theme of this puzzle
4. Better protected
5. Activists' concerns
6. They're less than positive
7. Jury member's refrain — and the World
8. With 30 and 61 down, 3- letter writer's refrain
9. Scotland's longest river
10. Neither won nor lost
11. Infomercial inventor
12. What aliens might study: abbr
13. With 30 and 61 down, 3- year-old's refrain — and the theme of this puzzle
14. Underhanded
15. Garnet emblem
16. Bid
17. 1981 movie featuring Bond girl Melina Havelock
18. Prepared to be paged
19. Dry, in Durango
20. They less than positive
21. An ill-starred Montague
22. Like some post-Christmas merchandise
23. Something to do with hands or necklaces
24. "Stat!"
25. Orchestra
26. Donnybrook
27. They may work for a 29 maker
28. "Stat!"
29. They less than positive
30. Low-down sound-maker
31. Heavenly chorister
32. "Are you glad" - Dial
33. Vortices
34. Better protected
35. Calamine target
36. Better protected
37. Super Tuesday action
38. Checks for patent rights
39. Scotland's longest river
40. Err
41. Suit material?
42. Letter before beth
43. Mathematician featured in "The Man Who Loved Only Numbers"
44. Underhanded
45. Capacious
46. Units in a gym
47. "...can?" - Obama
48. "...can?" - Obama
49. Vacation venues
50. Pitch man?
51. "Fancy" composer Jule
52. Game with 32 cards
53. "Gypsy" composer Jule
54. Ozio ingredient
55. Is in Espanola
56. Game with 32 cards
57. Is in Espanola
58. Come up empty
59. Classic Big Apple Orchstra
60. If it's super, it's critical.
61. "Fancy" composer Jule
62. "Fancy" composer Jule
63. Turk title
64. Newswoman Couric
65. Portentious event
66. Asten who wrote "Joy to the World"
67. Word with kick or hand
68. It rolls through Ramsgate

Down
1. As of yet
2. Make amends
3. Ban rival
4. Home of the 'gators
5. Activists' concerns
6. Airport abbey
7. Jury member
8. Greek war goddess
9. Flower holder?
10. Diersly admires
11. Infomercial inventor
12. What aliens might study: abbr
13. With 30 and 61 down, 3- year-old's refrain — and the theme of this puzzle
18. Prepared to be paged
19. Dry, in Durango
23. Hannah of Hollywood
25. Bid... farewell
26. Donnybrook
27. They may work for a 29 down
29. See 27 down
30. See 13 down
31. Pretentious
32. Who won the majority vote in the 1992 presidential election
33. Vorites
34. Erevo
36. Better protected
39. Scotland's longest river
40. Er
45. Lotto-like casino game
47. Wavy hair, often
50. How to set a thermostat in winter
51. Capacious
52. Pitch man?
53. "Gypsy" composer Jule
55. Nettles
56. Game with 32 cards
57. Is in Espanola
59. Slangy denial
60. It's super, it's critical
Between Symmetries rocks out at The Jinx

MISAAN MOOREN
STAFF WRITER

Between Symmetries had what many have called a fantastic debut performance downtown at The Jinx. "That was great!" senior English major KC McGuire said. "Their sense of humor was hilarious and they really seemed to connect with the audience. I looked them up on Google Plus after the show was over even!"

Between Symmetries is an indie rock band from Savannah that cut their teeth in the Savannah DIY scene in 2011. Members Adam Jenkins (vocals and guitar), Jack Nave (bass), Michael Britt (drums), and Daniel Sheehan (guitar) all attended Savannah High School. They brought a wide variety of sound, allowing them to appeal to fans of several different musical genres.

"It's refreshing to see young, talented college students striving for their dreams," said McGuire.

Despite not having a proper all-ages performance space, Between Symmetries seems to be enjoying a fair amount of success, having near 5,000 fans on Facebook and planning a tour in Atlanta and north GA. Their music is also featured on Google Play and Spotify. The variety in their sound allows them to appeal to a variety of different genres and their youth and sense of humor allows audiences to identify them as people rather than musicians. It is easy to see why they are successful.

"We...to write.

"One day, he said to me, 'Loretta, why don't you write your own story, then?'" McKee explained, "But through many and enduring adversities, she realizes the myth of her character: she is, indeed, herself."

McKenzie, a junior Nursing major, gives credit for her inspiration to her father, Jesse McKenzie, who often writes letters witnessing her constant frustration with the ending of movies or books and her story progressed or how one ended, encouraged her to express her creativity and desire.

As she released her self-published novel, The Sun and The Shrub, Book I: The Quest for Faith, she achieved a remarkable milestone in her life. McKee describes her main character, Laurel, as a woman "bewildered with raw potential," one who faces intense and overwhelming battles, learning to accept and understand herself and her worth.

"We hope our fans become inspired to write their own story."

Linda McKee shows off a physical hard copy of her book, The Sun and The Shrub, Book I. Between Symmetries rocks out at The Jinx.

RACHEL LITTLE
STAFF WRITER

Armstrong's very own Lorena M. McKenzie recently achieved a remarkable milestone in her life as she released her self-published novel, The Sun and The Shrub, Book I: The Quest for Faith, the first of three books in a harrowing trilogie.

The novel is set in a mystical kingdom called Terra, where a benevolent monarch named Empress Abba, who is forced to deal with the monstrous acts of her servent Malou, who brings a curse upon the hearts of the citizens of Terra with a wicked curse. The Quest for Faith tells the story of Laurel, a beautiful young maiden, and Jack, a brilliant young prince, as they try to find a way through the darkness and find the strength to get on their feet and face their fears.

"The city of Savannah is an amazing spot, but our scene is under fire with a lot of wickedness going on left and right," said McKenzie. "Many of our friends used to run house venues, but they've all been shut down due to sound ordnances and political reasons..." he said.

"With the bars being 21 and up and land houses shutting down, kids are in a tough spot when it comes to seeing live music. You'd think the city would be a lot more open to the idea...because Savannah is a huge advocate of love. We're just hoping to shine some light on the matter...and maybe bring some brilliant minds together to see what solution we can come up with."

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Triumph over tragedy: Students visit African Methodist Episcopal Church

TAKIA BLACK, STAFF WRITER

Here at Black, History Month is a celebration of the rich, vibrant culture that makes up so much of America, it also is a reminder of a century of struggle and oppression—things that are still relevant today. On Sunday, Armstrong and became wise to visit one of

"To think about our thinking": An examination of body dissatisfaction

ELJIAH CLARK, STAFF WRITER

In a recent series of professor lectures, Dr. Winnicott spoke about the power of thought and emotion to change the way we see things. Some listeners found the lecture insightful, while others felt it was too abstract to be useful.

Dr. Winnicott discussed the idea that our thoughts can shape our reality. He used the example of a child who believes they are good at drawing. This belief can then influence their actions, leading them to work harder at drawing and improve their skills.

The lecture ended with a call to action for all listeners: to observe their own thoughts and beliefs, and to reflect on how they shape their own reality.

Game Review: Bloodborne

CALEB WILSON, STAFF WRITER

This week, we wanted to talk about a particularly unique game: Bloodborne. The game is a creation of FromSoftware, developers of Dark Souls and the Souls series, and is their first game that is not a Souls game.

These games are known for their dark, gothic landscapes and their intense, just-dessert-style fights. Players must dodge and parry their way through obstacles and bosses, all while being pushed to their limits.

Players in Bloodborne take control of a dark hunter, a character who wakes up in an entropic, dark and beautiful world, isolated from the outside world and full of heart-rending terrors.

The lack of a given story is unexpected, as any Dark Souls fan would expect, but it is a deliberate choice made by the developers to allow the player to immerse themselves in the game's world and story.

The key to this game is the player's ability to think. Players must learn to see the game's puzzles and opportunities as challenges, and to think critically to solve them.

Game Review: Bloodborne (Photo by Takia Black)
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HOUSING | PG 1
Savannah State University (SSU) also charged its students prices inflated by the same amount, yet SSU’s most expensive housing is still $358 less than Armstrong’s top-of-the-line accommodations.

“We price our housing costs to students to maintain a net income just above breakeven. The small net income allows us to make repairs and improvements to the property, like the interior upgrades in University Terrace that were completed last summer,” Corigan said.

Gordon, who lives in University Terrace, sees the major change in Internet and cable provider left her without some of her favorite TV channels. “I don’t know who to call about that because I don’t know who the TV provider is,” he said.

The Residential Student Association (RSA) met in the Compass Point Clubhouse on Feb. 6 to voice their complaints.

The 20 to 30 people in attendance discussed the discomfort they experience by not having control over the thermostat in their unit. Students conducted research and discovered that the thermostats remain at 72°F in the winter and 74°F throughout the summer.

After continued research and discussion, a petition was created. The petition circled campus and collected hundreds of signatures.

The petition’s purpose is “to request the officials in charge of the heating and ventilation systems to be able to control the HVAC temperatures within the range of 72°F (highest) to 70°F (lowest) throughout the academic year,” Trzaska, who also serves as an adviser to the RSA, responded positively to the idea of a petition.

“I am proud that our students are taking advantage of the opportunity to advocate for change based on the expressed needs of our residents. Students have the biggest voice on this campus. When they act together to accomplish common goals, great things can happen,” Stock said.

This week, the petition will be delivered to President Bleicken for consideration.

Sofball | PG 6
McCarty will take the win, going eight hits and two runs, one earned, while walking one and striking out seven.

In the second game, Runner crushed tournament homer and Trzaska delivered another home run to give the Pirates a lead in the first five innings to secure the 14-lead. Runners took the win, walking one and striking out two.

“We played two great frames and really had to work hard to get our wins,” Reppert said. “We just let the first game roll off our back and focused on the game ahead of us and had fun in the second game!”

The Pirates moved to 18-5 on the year and will take the field once again on Saturday, Feb 27. They will participate in the Mid-South Classic in Spartanburg, South Carolina.

HALL OF FAME | PG 2
Hancock played for the Pirates from 1973-74 and is the sixth all-time leading scorer in Armstrong State men’s basketball history, gathering 1,318 points in his four years, while averaging 21.4 pc points per game as a senior, setting a school record and leading the PFC with 106 steals. He was the only Armstrong state player to record a hundred steals and 100 three-pointers and 79 steals, then averaged 21.4 pc points per game as a senior, setting a school record and leading the PFC with 106 steals. He was an All-South Atlantic Conference honoree in 1973 and helped the Pirates win a school best 25 games his junior year. When he took to the podium Friday evening to give his acceptance speech, Ron said, “Ah, it’s been a long time, 42 years. What took so long!”

Along with the Sport Inductees, each year Armstrong also inducts a Service Citation Award winner into the HOF for making a significant contribution to the Armstrong Athletic Department. This year’s Service Citation Award winner was Donna Mulleman, a professor since 1999 in Chemistry and Physics here at Armstrong who is always been heavily supporting her students at Armstrong athletic events.

These six sports inductions bring the total membership of the Armstrong State Athletic Hall of Fame to 78 and the total number of Service Citation award recipients to 35. One thing of the inductees shared during their acceptance speeches was the rewarding impact Armstrong State University has had on their life.

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