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Impending 'Michael's Law' to prohibit bartenders, bouncers, patrons under 21

MELANIE GIBSON &
GARRETT CUMMINGS
STAFF WRITERS

In lax college towns across Georgia, Michael's Law is in the process of being implemented. The bill's provisions will take effect July 1 of this year.

It is the product of the 2014 death of Michael Gatto, a Georgia Southern freshman who was assaulted at the door of Rude Rudy's, a Statesboro bar notorious for underage alcohol consumption that has since closed.

Under this law, establishments whose profits are made 75% from alcohol will be prohibited from admitting patrons under 21. Bouncers and bartenders will also have to be 21.

"This law isn't really going



Elan, which opened last February, no longer allows under 21s into its club (via Facebook: Elan)

to do a lot in the long run," Armstrong student Kevin Fischer, 21, asserts. "Under-

agers will always find ways around authority."

The WordPress page for

Michael's Law argues that if "18-year-old[s] [are] too young and immature to drink, how

can we put them in a situation to diffuse situations with [people of drinking age]?" in regards to being a bouncer.

Similarly, "if 18-year-olds are not old enough or mature enough to drink, how can we possibly put the responsibility of safely pouring drinks on them?" in regards to being a bartender.

Armstrong student Drew Swinson, also 21, views the new law as an "advantage," explaining that "it will help eliminate the risky immaturity that goes hand-in-hand with underage drinking."

The new law is a disadvantage, however, to the 18 to 20-year-old employees who are at risk of losing their jobs.

Sharon Routhier, 19, reasons that "all the law does is make it harder for underage

people to get out and have fun, which usually ends in stupid stunts to get in bars or clubs with fakes."

Routhier believes having an 18+ club would keep some of the "in-between aged people" out of trouble by providing a legal space for them to dance in.

Savannah's Club Elan, which opened last February, was one of few 18+ clubs. Since news of Michael's Law, the club's employees have already shared the news via social media that they were no longer admitting 18+ attendees. Further confirmation of this news came when the club agreed to reimburse anyone under the age of 21 who purchased tickets for upcoming events online.

Armstrong housing battles revenue decline and student dissatisfaction

LAUREN ASHLEY
STAFF WRITER

This month, students voiced complaints about cable providers and the heating system, but administrators may be more concerned with the significant decreases in housing revenue presented at last month's Faculty Senate meeting.

Armstrong State University has four residential buildings on campus: University Terrace, Compass Point, University Crossings and, the 2010 freshman-specific living space, Windward Commons. Only one of the aforementioned buildings remains under the ownership and management of Armstrong.

Vice president for Business and Finance Christopher Corrigan said Compass Point, University Crossings and Windward Commons, collectively known as P3 housing, became incapable of producing revenue on May 14, when the Board of Regents and Corvias Inc. took ownership "in exchange for the debt for each of these properties."

The dismal line graph presented to the Faculty Senate did not accurately represent this exchange's beneficial decrease in maintenance expenses or the elimination of construction debts. However, the benefits of this arrangement could have negative repercussions for residential students.

If the Board of Regents and Corvias Inc. fail to maintain the dormitories or fail to take action regarding complaints, a negative atmosphere may form and deter students from living on-campus.

The only students mandated to live in Armstrong's residential community are freshman not living with family in Bryan, Chatham, Effingham or Liberty County.

Last fall, 84 percent of the freshman were exempt from the first-year residency requirement. This resulted in 163 freshman seeking on-campus housing, which is less than 1/3 of Windward Commons' 567 student capacity.

Assistant director of Housing and Residence Life Angela Storck says she is not concerned because "we [Hous-

ing and Residence Life] anticipate increases in new student enrollment for academic year 2016-2017, which may further increase first-year student occupancy."

Kendra Gordon, a senior residential student, says she has not noticed a change in the number of students living on-campus, but she is aware of the disparities between Armstrong's housing and that of other Georgia colleges.

Gordon favors the apartment-style campus living other universities, like Georgia Southern and Georgia State, provide. "They have [a] full-size bed [and an] in-house washer and dryer. They also lease the apartment, so they [students] get to stay year-round," she said.

According to the University System of Georgia, Georgia Southern and Georgia State are not classified in the same group as Armstrong. Georgia Southern is a comprehensive university, Georgia State is a research university and Armstrong is a state university.

Another state university, Georgia College and State

University, offers apartment living, but costs can range anywhere from \$381 to \$1,150 more, per semester, than Armstrong's highest priced housing.

Gordon is not disgruntled with the price of Armstrong's housing: "I do think the prices are a little outrageous, but compared to other school[s], it's [Armstrong's housing costs] on the lesser side, even with the price increase."

The fiscal year 2016 housing rates, compiled by the University System of Georgia, indicate a maximum 5.5 percent increase in Armstrong's housing costs.

Compass Point and University Crossing residents with large bedrooms faced the greatest percentage change, while most Windward Commons occupants saw a less than 1 percent price increase. University Terrace, the sole building excluded from the P3 housing deal, raised its rates by 3 percent, which seems to be the norm for the Savannah area.

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Pictured: Dr. Lisa Dusenberry in her Gamble Hall office (Photo by Teresa Durham).

Meet assistant professor Lisa Dusenberry: Interactive media scholar

TERESA DURHAM
STAFF WRITER

degree from Colorado State University.

New to the area, one of her favorite parts of living in Savannah is the 80 degree beach weather on Christmas break. Another side benefit is that everyone she knows wants to come visit the city.

"I moved from Atlanta to Savannah, so I appreciate the beauty of the area and how accessible events, shopping and attractions are here."

While she likes the local Savannah perks, she can also entertain herself anywhere she can bring her books. Her favorite novel genre is urban fantasy. Although, her novels and school papers get a run for their money because her favorite video game is the new "Rise of the Tomb Raider."

She loves to see her students excel and understand that the work world of a professional communications major is larger than they think. This is why one of her favorite classes to teach is her 5700 Promotional Writing course, because she gets to see her students' progress on a project over the semester.

In the course, she teaches

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Students attend an organization block party outside first-year student housing, Windward Commons (via Instagram: ASU_Housing)

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Pirate men rally back on Senior Night

KIARA MORRIS
STAFF WRITER

Both sides of the bleachers were filled with positive energy Saturday, Feb 20 at the Armstrong basketball team's Senior Night. The Pembroke Braves willed their team to win while home attendees 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 Evans Davis didn't expect the win, but was grateful that his team pulled through.

"I envisioned us winning, but I didn't expect it to be by being 22 down and coming back to win the game," head coach Evans Davis explained. "Herbert Graham made some very clutch shots down the stretch. Nicholas Scott hit



The men's basketball team made a huge comeback against the Braves as they erased a 22-point deficit in the second half. The win was in front of a large Senior Night crowd - Saturday, Feb 20, 2016 (Kiara Morris, Staff Writer)

some big threes down the stretch. Marcus Hopper had a big offensive rebound late in the game that was crucial."

The excitement occurred on the night where seniors are honored in front of a crowd of family, friends and class-

mates. Hopper, one of the seniors honored, shared what his senior experience has been and how he helps soon to be

senior teammates.

"As a senior, this year has been very memorable so far," he said. "This is my last go round as a college athlete and I'm cherishing every moment. Being a senior on this team, I try to help my teammates out in any way possible. I've been in college five years now so I've been around the block. When we have those tough days when things aren't looking so well, I just keep the positivity and tell my teammates to keep pushing because tomorrow isn't promised."

Coach Davis has also learned a thing or two from the senior athletes.

"I have learned how to be patient. It's a group of guys, so at times, they really test my patience. There are always better ways to communicate. So, they taught me how to patient and several ways to communicate with them," Davis said.

Hopper is also focused on his future in basketball, with dreams of playing professionally and even coaching.

"I love this game of basketball, I never knew I was going to be playing college basketball because I used to weigh 312 pounds but I have been blessed with the coaches who have worked with me to get where I'm at today," Hopper said. "I want to play professional basketball overseas but if I do not get that opportunity, I want to be a coach and help kids out the same way I was."

The Pirates moved to 11-14 overall and 9-9 in the Peach Belt with the upset win over the Braves. They wrapped up their regular season with a home game against Flagler Wednesday.

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 HOF banquet in the Student Union Ballroom was hosted by Armstrong's athletic director, Lisa Sweany.

The 2016 Inductees included: men's tennis player Dale White, women's basketball player Tasha Washington, women's soccer player Lyndsi Stricklen, women's tennis player Sona Novakova, volleyball and women's soccer player Candice Modlinski, men's basketball player Ron "Skippy" Hancock, and the Service Citation Award winner, Donna Mullenax.

Novakova was the No. 1 ranked singles player in NCAA Division II for her two seasons with the Pirates in 2009 and 2010, helping lead Armstrong State to a pair of national Championships. She went unbeaten in singles play during her freshmen season

going 23-0, was awarded the Intercollegiate Tennis Association All-American honors in singles and doubles, was the ITA National Rookie of the Year in 2009, and captured the "Super Bowl" of Small College Tennis.

Modlinski was a two-sport star for volleyball and women's soccer teams, accumulating 1,063 kills and a school record 425 blocks in four years for Armstrong State volleyball from 2001-04, earning American Volleyball Coaches Association All-Region honors twice as well as All-Peach Belt Conference honors. After exhausting her volleyball eligibility, Candice turned to inaugural Armstrong State women's soccer in 2005 and played two seasons as a defender, playing in 29 games.

White was a member of the Armstrong State men's tennis team from 2002-05 who earned a No. 1 national ranking in doubles during his Pirate career. Dale was a 3 Time All Peach Bowl conference honoree, was named the

PBC freshmen of the year in 2003, was a 3 time ITA Division II All-American Doubles honoree and finished with 165 total wins, 10th most in Armstrong State men's tennis history.

Stricklen was a member of the inaugural Armstrong State women's soccer team and played from 2005-08, finishing her career with 28 goals, 24 assists and 80 points. Lyndsi was a three-time All-Peach Belt Conference forward and a two-time All-Region performer, she still ranks second all-time in assists, fourth all-time in goals, and fourth all-time in points for the Pirates despite an injury cutting her senior season short, and also scored the winning goal in Armstrong's first postseason win in 2006.

Washington played two seasons for the Armstrong State women's basketball team in 2003-04, helping the Pirates capture the PBC title in 2003 and advance to

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Freshman Logan Harrell looks to field a hit in their big game against the Trojans. They finished 3-1 in their weekend games - Sunday, Feb 21, 2016 (Armstrong Communications)

Armstrong finishes 3-1 at Pirate Softball Classic II

SARAH OLIN
STAFF WRITER

The Armstrong Pirates' softball team swept Mount Olive, 4-1, and Queens (NC), 10-1, on Saturday, Feb 20 during the Pirate Softball Classic II.

In the first game against the Trojans, both teams remained scoreless through the first five innings. The Trojans made it to the scoreboard first in the top of the sixth on Kelsey Akers' RBI single which scored Kristen Power making the game 1-0 in favor of Mount Olive.

The Pirate's retaliated in the bottom of the sixth inning, freshman Macy Cole-

man cracked a three-run home run and senior Michelle Breen followed with another homer to give the Pirates the definitive 4-1 lead.

Junior Tori Bates got the win for the Pirates, giving up four hits and one run through her seven innings, while also striking out six. Mount Olive's Madison Johnston took the loss, giving up eight hits and four runs in her six innings, while walking two and striking out one.

In the second game, senior Hannah Reppert claimed the scoreboard with a double, a home run and five RBIs to set the pace for the Pirates' 10-2 win in five innings win the Royals.

Freshman Morgan Duff claimed the win for the Pirates, giving up five hits and one run in three innings, while walking one and striking out two. Evie Scott took the loss for the Royals, giving up eight hits and six runs, while walking one.

On Sunday, Feb 21, Armstrong spilt their pair of games, with a tight loss to Queens, 3-2, and edging out the Trojans, 7-4.

The Pirates took a 1-0 lead in the third inning on senior Ashley Sterritt's RBI double over Queens. The Royals quickly tied the game back up in the fourth inning on a fielder's choice RBI by Jasmyn Lindsay.

A wild pitch in the top of the sixth allowed the Pirates to regain the lead, but an error allowed the Royals to score twice in the bottom of the sixth, giving them the 3-2 lead. Lyndsey McCurry held off the Pirates to secure the win for the Royals.

Jane Trzaska took the loss for the Pirate's giving up five hits and three runs, one earned, while walking two and

SOFTBALL | PG 6

Upcoming Games

FEB 26- MAR 1

February 26

Women's Tennis
vs. Jacksonville St.
3:00 p.m.

February 27

Softball
vs. Bellarmine @ Spartanburg, S.C.
10:00 a.m.
vs. Wingate @ Spartanburg, S.C.
4:00 p.m.

Baseball
vs. Ga. Southwestern
11:00 a.m.
vs. Ga. Southwestern
2:00 p.m.

Men's Tennis
vs. Nicholls St. @ Statesboro, Ga.
11:30 a.m.

Women's Tennis
vs. Nicholls St. @ Statesboro, Ga.
2:00 p.m.

February 28

Softball
vs. Lenoir-Rhyne @ Duncan, S.C.
12:00 p.m.
vs. Queens (N.C.) @ Spartanburg, S.C.
2:00 p.m.

Women's Tennis
Georgia College
1:00 p.m.

Men's Tennis
Georgia College
1:00 p.m.

Baseball
Ga. Southwestern
1:00 p.m.

February 29

Women's Golf
2016 Armstrong Pirate Women's Invitational

March 1

Women's Golf
2016 Armstrong Pirate Women's Invitational

Baseball
vs. Claflin
2:00 p.m.

BAIL OUT WITH:

CALEB BAILEY

NASCAR revs into action with historic Daytona 500

For those who don't know, yes people watching grown men (and one woman) race stock cars around a track for three hours is a thing and is very much one of the most-watched events on television.

For years, stock car racing, which someone got the idea for after running from the law with illegal moonshine during prohibition, has become a national phenomenon. It is not just middle-aged south-

ern men with a beer gut and a mullet screaming at the television for "their driver" to go faster.

It is the third-most advertised sport in the world, outside of soccer and American football. The one stock car racing company that most people associate with the easiest is NASCAR.

For any fan of NASCAR, they know how important last Sunday was. This is because

last Sunday, 43 drivers took to Daytona International Speedway for the first race of the season: the Daytona 500.

It started on Sunday when a rookie, Chase Elliott, won the pole position in one of the most dominant qualifying performances in NASCAR history. Elliott took over the number 24 car, driven for years by NASCAR legend Jeff Gordon, who was coincidentally in the broadcasting booth to watch Elliott wreck out in just the opening laps of the race.

It was relatively a dominant performance for Denny Hamlin from the start of the race. Of the 200 laps driven, he led 95 of them, more than double what the next-highest lap-leader had (Matt Kenseth with 40).

However, veteran Martin Truex Jr. made a late push for the lead as he and Hamlin began battling it out. The

lead changed over the last few laps with Hamlin just barely in front entering lap 200.

The two were neck-and-neck and it came down to a photo finish for the two races. Hamlin beat Truex by the smallest margin in Daytona 500 history at just a difference of .02 seconds.

Hamlin crossed over the finish line and emerged victorious in the Daytona 500 for the first time in his career. He took a few victory donuts in the infield and celebrated in style.

It was just win number 27 for Hamlin in his young ten-year career in the Sprint Cup Series, but it will likely go down as one of his biggest and the best.

NASCAR is back and there probably could not have been a better way to start the season.



Denny Hamlin's number 11 car edges out Martin Truex's number 78 car in the closest finish in Daytona 500 history - Sunday, Feb 21, 2016 (USA TODAY Sports)

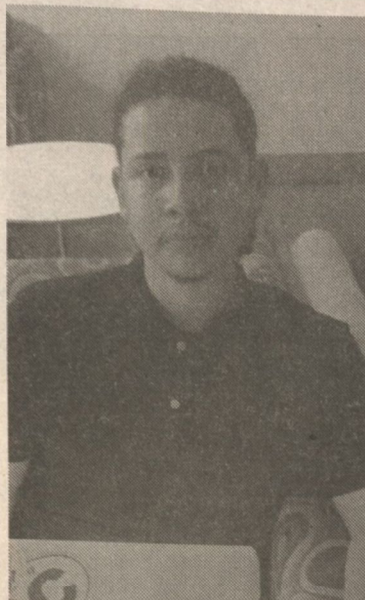
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What is HB 859 all about?

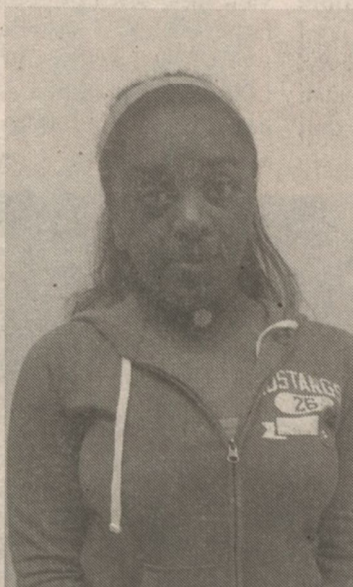
House Bill 859 will allow anyone 21 or older with a weapons license to carry a gun anywhere on a public college or university campus, except for inside dormitories, fraternities and sorority houses, and athletic events. It will also mandate that those weapons be concealed — something proponents say make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

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



With the locations excluded (athletics games, Greek housing and dorm rooms) that's great, No student living on campus should have a firearm. Armstrong isn't about that “life.” Imagine how things would have played out at Virginia Tech or California if at least one student in those classes had a concealed firearm of their own. It's a big and cautious step to take and I have mixed emotions about it.

Christian Mojica
Senior, Sociology major



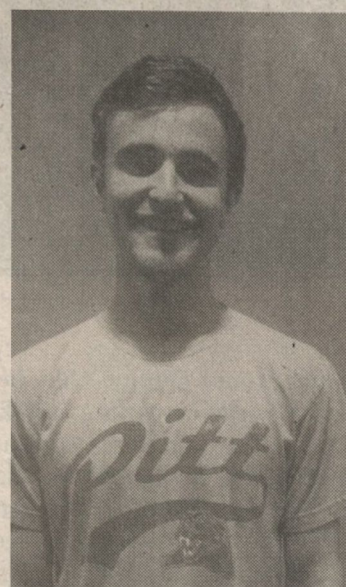
No. We're putting more fuel in the fire.

Aijalln Lawrence
Sophomore, I.T major



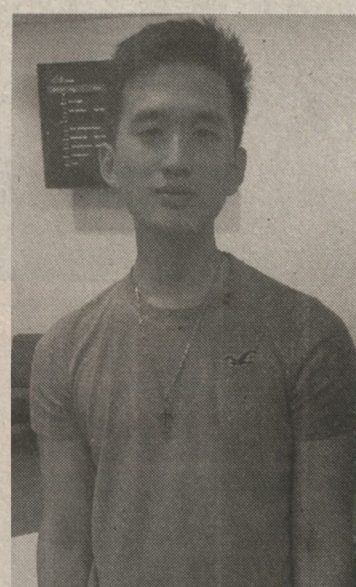
From a common sense perspective, why would you need your gun on campus?

Blair Wagner
Sophomore, English Communication major



I'm for people owning guns, but having students with guns on campus is scary. It causes more harm than benefit.

Nick Brodak
Sophomore, Biochemistry major



I don't know. We got crazy kids here. Think about kids running around with guns.

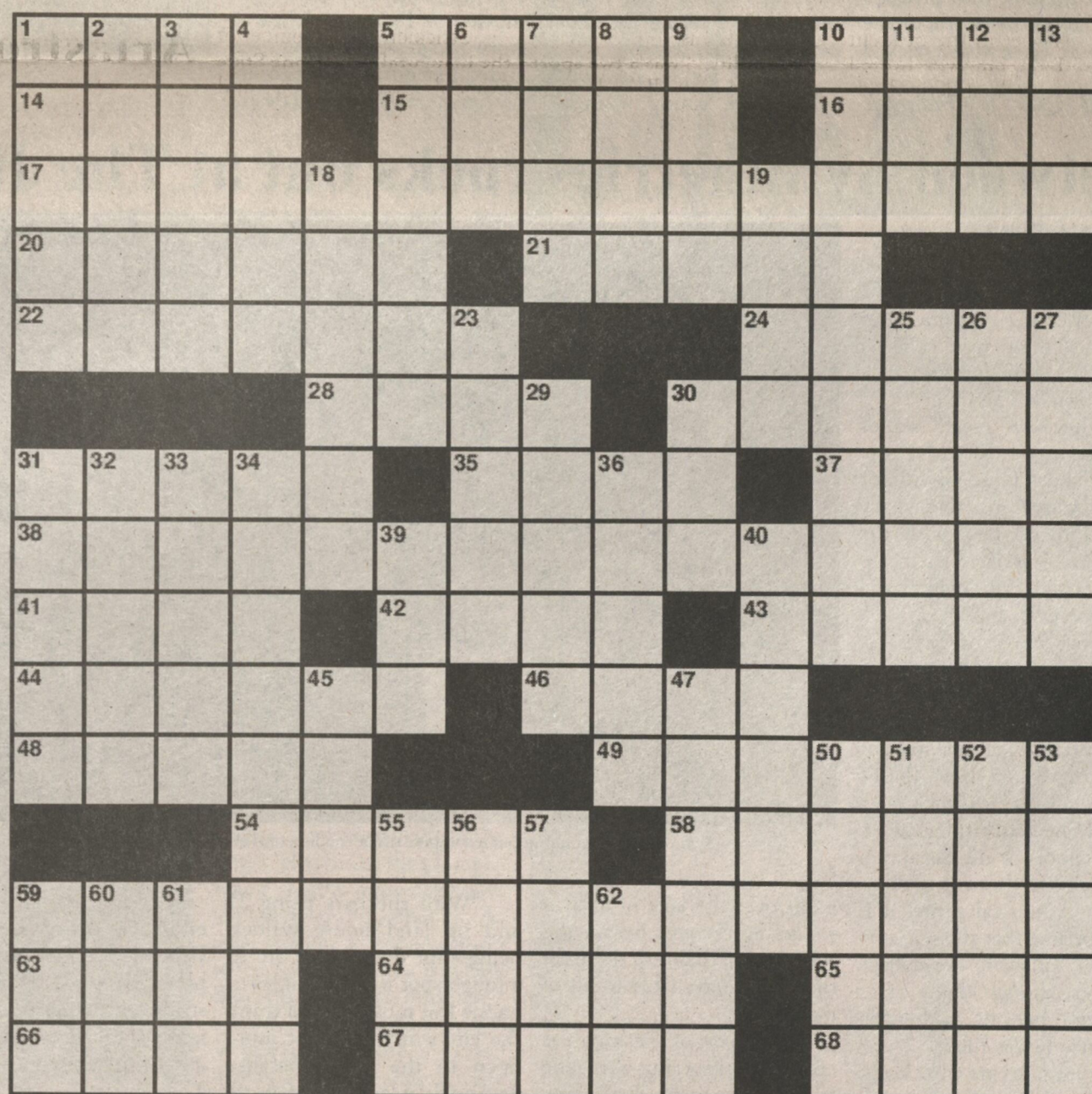
Kevin Vo
Sophomore, Engineering major

Words for the Wise

Across

1. Swedish car or aircraft maker
5. Superhero accessories
10. Neither won nor lost
14. Other in Oaxaca
15. "____ you glad" -- Dial Soap slogan
16. ____ Hashanah
17. 1981 movie featuring Bond girl Melina Havelock
20. They're less than positive
21. An ill-starred Montague
22. Like some post-Christmas merchandise
24. Something to do with hands or necklaces
28. "Stat!"
30. Low-down sound-maker
31. Heavenly chorister
35. Calamine target
37. Super Tuesday action
38. Checks for patent rights
41. Suit material?
42. Letter before beth
43. Mathematician featured in "The Man Who Loved Only Numbers"

44. Underhanded
46. Units in a gym
48. "____ can!" -- Obama slogan
49. Vacation venues
54. Ouzo ingredient
58. Come up empty
59. Classic Big Apple Orchestra
63. Turkish title
64. Newswoman Couric
65. Portentous event
66. Axton who wrote "Joy to the World"
67. Word with kick or hand
68. It rolls through Ramsgate



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Down

1. As of yet
2. Make amends
3. Ban rival
4. Home of the 'gators
5. Activists' concerns
6. Airport abbrev.
7. Jury member
8. Greek war goddess
9. Flower holder?
10. Messily admire
11. Infomercial inventor Popeil
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. Vortices

34. Erode
36. Better protected
39. Scotland's longest river
40. Err
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 Española
59. Slangy denial
60. If it's super, it's critical

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Nursing major publishes fantasy novel



Loretta McKee shows off a physical hardcover copy of her book *The Sun and the Shrub* (courtesy of McKee)

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STAFF WRITER

Armstrong's very own Loretta M. McKee recently achieved a remarkable milestone as she released her self-published novel, *The Sun and the Shrub, Book 1: The Quest for Faith*, the first of three books in a harrowing trilogy.

The novel is set in a mystical kingdom called Terra, a world ruled by a benevolent monarch named Emperor Abba, who is forced to deal with the traitorous acts of his servant Malum, who brings a plague upon the hearts of the citizens of Terra with a wicked curse.

The Quest for Faith fol-

lows its young, timid heroine named Laurel as she embarks on an epic adventure to restore peace to the land of Terra and drive out the evil of Malum's curse.

Laurel finds like-minded companions in King Sol and the Knights of Terra in her search for the Jewel of Faith. Her quest quickly becomes a journey to find faith in her new friends, and most importantly in her self as a heroine.

McKee describes her main character, Laurel, as a woman "brimming with raw potential;" one who faces inner adversities, battling fears, insecurities, and uncertainties about herself and her worth.

McKee hopes her work will inspire young maidens,

like her heroine Laurel to always keep faith in the truth, continue to hope through the darkness, and find the strength to get on their feet and face their fears.

"(Laurel) does not think much of herself at first," McKee explained, "but through many and enduring adversities, she realizes the truth of her character: she is, indeed, heroic."

McKee, a junior Nursing major, gives credit for her inspiration to her father, Euie McKee, who after years of witnessing her constant frustrations with the ending of movies or books and how a story progressed or how one ended, encouraged her to apply her creative side and desire

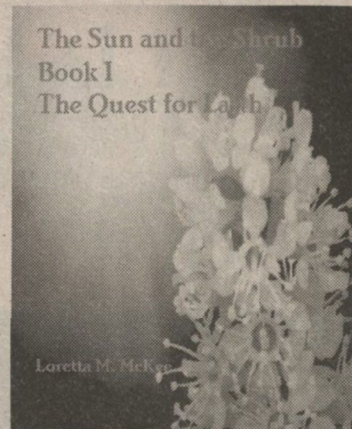
to write.

"One day, he said to me 'Loretta, why don't you write your own story, then?'" McKee recalled, "And so that was just what I did!"

McKee began creating the fictional world of Terra in her sophomore year of high school, originally only intending for it to become one novel. Building the world of Terra required extensive research: from the meanings behind each character's name and weapon choice to deciding the types of trees found in each forest and the animals that live in each tree.

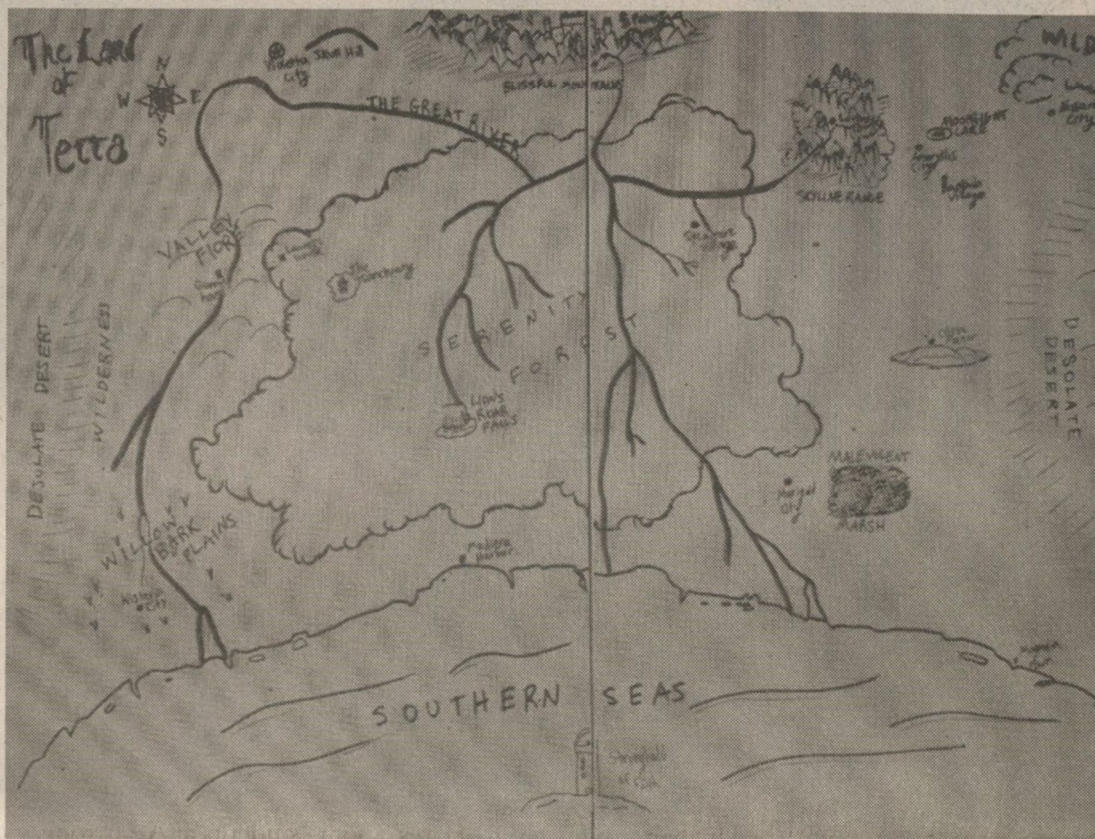
"As I pursued the idea of making up my own world, characters, and adventures, the story became a whole trilogy," McKee said, "Now, after almost 4 years, Book 1: *The Quest for Faith* is published on Lulu.com."

McKee decided to self-publish her trilogy after searching unsuccessfully for a fair publishing company that wouldn't charge excessive review fees. With help from her father, McKee searched for a solution and finally found Lulu.com, an online self-publishing company that allows authors to set their own roy-



alties, control the publishing process, and only charges to cover the cost of printing.

To experience the fantasy and adventure of Laurel's quest through the land of Terra, *The Sun and the Shrub Book 1: The Quest for Faith* can be found at Lulu.com.



A map of McKee's fictional world of Terra, detailing key locations (Loretta McKee)

Between Symmetries rocks out at The Jinx

MEGAN MCGINNIS
STAFF WRITER

Between Symmetries had what many have called a fantastic debut performance downtown at The Jinx.

"They were 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 Play before the show was even over!"

Between Symmetries is an indie/post rock band that cut their teeth in the Savannah DIY scene in 2015. Members Adam Jenkins (vocals and guitar), Jack Nave (bass), Michael Britt (drums), and Daniel Sheehan (guitar) all attend schools in the Savannah area. Given the average age and their musical genre, it is unsurprising that the majority of their followers are college students, though many older fans were present at the performance Friday night.

"[Our fans] are what keeps us motivated and going. We wouldn't be able to do the things we do without their support," Jenkins said.

However, the band expressed frustration over what seems to be the recurring argu-



Between Symmetries hammering out a complex riff at the Jinx on February 19th 2016 (Photo by Emily Smith)

ment over the lack of all-ages venues in Savannah and the subsequent inability to make their shows available to all of their fans.

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

"With the bars being 21 and up [and house venues] being shut 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 [art]. 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."

Despite not having a proper all ages performance space, Between Symmetries seems to be enjoying a fair amount of success, having nearly 1000 fans on Facebook and playing gigs 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 fans of several different musical genres, and their youth and sense of humor allows audiences to



L to R: Jenkins, Britt, Nave, Sheehan (via Facebook: Between Symmetries)

identify them as people rather than musicians. It is easy to see their appeal.

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

Interested in other shows at The Jinx or finding out when Between Symmetries' next gig is? Check them out on Facebook at: facebook.com/jinx.savannah/ and facebook.com/BetweenSymmetries/.

Events, February 25-27

25
Clegg Ivey on Innovation and Entrepreneurship @ Ogeechee Theatre, 11:30 A.M.-1:30 P.M.

FORCED BOOT tour bootoff with Heroes, The Anxiety Junkies, and Feeding Tube @ The Jinx, 8:00 P.M.

26
Pretty Good Pictures Opening Reception @ Oglethorpe Gallery, 6:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M.

Odd Lot's Murder Mystery Dinner @ Savannah Coffee Roasters, 6:30 P.M.

27
Dad Joke Punk Rock Garage Sale @ Sulfur Studios, 8:00 A.M.

Catch the Buzz at the FUNDamentals of Beekeeping! @ Oatland Island Wildlife Center, 8:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

Seacrest Partners Race for Preservation 5 & 10K @ Forsyth Park, 8:00 A.M.

Artisan Blacksmithing @ Georgia State Railroad Museum, 10:00 A.M.

Triumph over tragedy: Students visit African Methodist Episcopal Church

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While Black History Month is a celebration of the rich, vibrant culture that makes up so much of America, it is also a reminder of centuries of injustice and oppression—things that are still seen even in today's society. On Sunday, Armstrong students were able to visit one of

the oldest Southern churches, the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church (EAME), a Charleston church that has suffered greatly from racial hatred.

For those who don't remember, EAME was the site of a vicious terrorist attack carried out by Dylan Roof, who shot and killed nine people. Despite this tragedy, the

congregation has remained resilient.

Nicknamed Mother Emanuel, the church has one of the largest and oldest black congregations south of Baltimore. The service gave students the opportunity to witness and experience tributes from Armstrong's Anointed Voices Gospel Choir, as well as other choirs, featuring songs like "What if God Was Unhappy" and "Open My Mouth to the Lord."

Students also had the opportunity to explore the historic Charleston city Market area.

"It was a nice experience," said biology major Tyra Smith. "It was so fun and I've never been to Charleston before. To be honest, I felt safe going to church."

Kwame Phillips, Coordinator of Multicultural Affairs, made it a point to discuss why



A mural scene found during the Mother Emmanuel Trip Sunday February 21, 2016 (Photo by Takia Black)

students visited the church, saying "We thought it was important to visit this histor-

ical site. Particularly, Mother Emanuel, especially considering its recent tragedy. To see the strength of the church is amazing and it was so powerful."



Emanuel African Methodist Church's congregation remains as strong as ever, as they enjoy service on Sunday (Photo by Takia Black)

"To change our thinking on thinking" : An examination of body dissatisfaction

ELIJAH CLARK
STAFF WRITER

In a recent series of professor-led lectures, Dr. Wendy Wolfe presented "Acceptance and Appreciation Based Interventions for Reducing Body Dissatisfaction: Change our Thinking about Thinking," hoping to motivate students to think more positively and produce a healthier lifestyles for themselves.

As Dr. Wolfe took the stage, she asked audience members to write down the various things that they are grateful for. After three minutes or so, she asked the audience to raise their hand if that affected their mood in anyway. Almost everyone raised their hand. She then said "Keep it up if you feel the affect was positive." No hands went down.

Dr. Wolfe spoke on various historical psychologists and their views on how individuals process thoughts and the ways they perceive themselves, such as behaviorist B.F. Skinner, who primarily focused on how thoughts led people to what he thought was really important: actions.

Wolfe also focused on two other psychologists: Marsha Linehan and Steven Hayes. Linehan mainly observed suicidal patients, paving the way for treatment by removing the "change your way of thinking" form of treatment from the playbook. She discovered this method does not benefit patients whatsoever.

Instead, Linehan found that the best way to help them is to get them to observe their own thoughts and words. Steven Hayes was the last psychologist that Dr. Wolfe focused

on. His research focused on acceptance and commitment therapy and is relatively well-known.

Then the speech took a turn as Dr. Wolfe spoke on the idea of body image, and explained her own research. She detailed a few coping methods, detailing studies she had performed which looked at what styles worked best for some students at Armstrong.

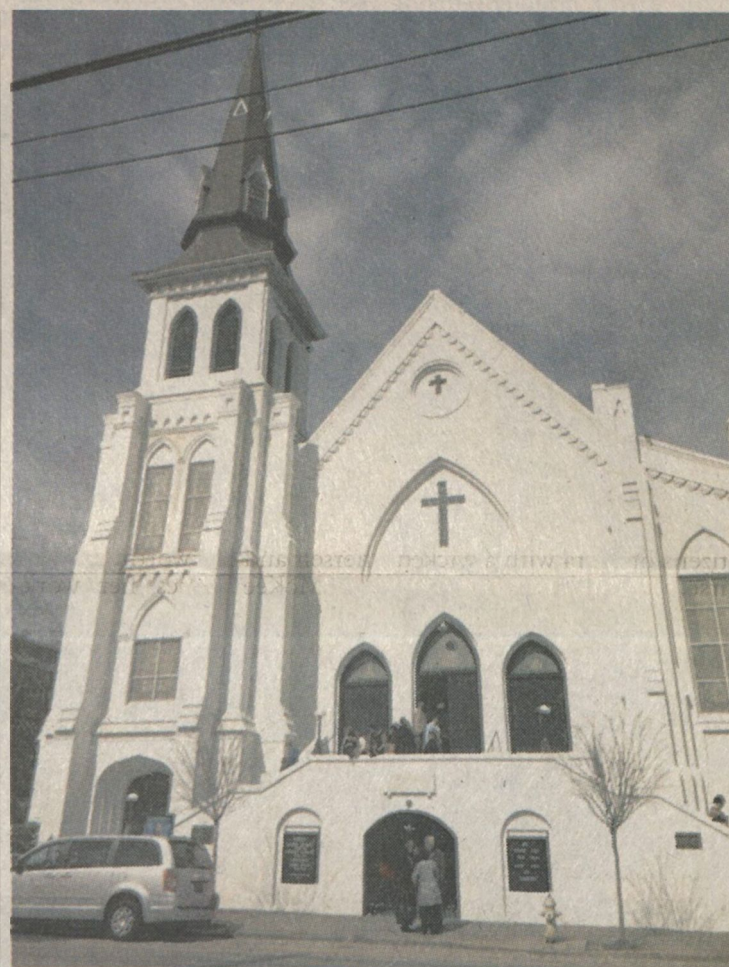
She highlighted the perception that each individual has of themselves, which tends to be rather negative. She points out that oftentimes we do not perceive ourselves the way we appear, and tend to think of our bodies as bigger and more rotund than they actually are.

Finally, her lecture concluded by going over studies that proved that showing appreciation everyday was the

most effective to change someone's physical and mental health positively for a longer amount of time.

Sophia Laska, a senior psychology major, said "I was actually unaware of some of the newer thought processes people have when thinking negatively. I'm also excited to see what the new studies, which Ms. Wendy has for body image, will show."

Wolfe said, "We feel a sense of gratitude generally when someone does something positive, or when we reflect positively on an event. Appreciation is a good synonym for being grateful. So when we show gratitude, we tend to feel less stressed and even get positive physical changes."



The exterior of the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church (Photo by Takia Black)

Game Review: Bloodborne



Character attacks a monster in a still from 'Bloodborne'

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This week I wanted to talk about a particular favorite game of mine: "Bloodborne," a creation of FromSoftware, directed by Hidetaka Miyazaki, most known for the Souls series AKA "Demon's Souls" and "Dark Soul" games.

These games have cast a dark shadow on the gaming landscape with their gritty and gruesome style, often featuring a lone and troubled hero fighting his way through hordes and hordes of the undead and dying.

Players in "Bloodborne" take control of a dark hunter, who wakes up in an enticing, dark and beautiful town, iso-

lated from the outside world and full of lycanthropic townsfolk, or more simply put: werewolves.

The lack of a given story is to be expected, as any Dark Soul's fans could guess, but it is a flaw that is made up for with the rich world the player quickly becomes immersed in. The snippets of dialogue we receive from the few characters who don't immediately try to eat your face off are useless on their own, but as the game progresses, we find ourselves completely immersed in the story's dialogue and the horrifying environments.

Did I mention this game is hard? And by hard, I mean it isn't all that uncommon to die a dozen times in an hour.

A death in this game means that players will awaken at the last checkpoint they passed, with every enemy completely re-spawned and ready for another go.

This is truly a game of trial and error, and learning to get into rhythm with various enemies. Button mashing is a fruitless hope in this game, taking players nowhere but the grave in a hurry.

While most of the usual third person genre strategies apply, players also have the opportunity to perform multiple strength based attacks, and the ability to dodge roll their way out of enemy attacks. This is a game where dexterity is the edge needed to find the path to victory.

The key to this game is learning the patterns and accepting mistakes as opportunities to do better.

One of the most notable changes is the complete lack of a shield. This removed feature took away safety that most players are used to. Instead, players utilize a firearm in one hand and an ax or blade in the other. This forces the player to take a slightly more aggressive approach to the gameplay. As ever, evasion is also an option to be used, and this is where dexterity will come into play.

My final verdict comes to this: Bloodborne is a game that is worth the time it takes to play. Players need to be the kind of gamer that is willing to die often and learn from their mistakes. Bloodborne is a very fast-paced game with a beautiful story to tell, although it does fall a bit on the long side, taking about 46 hours to enjoy it to its fullest. Are you up to the challenge?

GAME RATING

RATING:
4.5 OUT OF 5



Initial release date:
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Developer:
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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," Corrigan said.

Gordon, who lives in University Terrace, says the recent change in Internet and cable provider has 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," she said.

The Residential Student Association (RSA) met in the Compass Point Clubhouse on Feb. 8 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-

cluded, to allow all residential students to be able to change the HVAC temperatures within the range of 75°F (highest) and 70°F (lowest) throughout the academic year."

Storck, 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," Storck said.

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

SOFTBALL | PG 6

striking out nine. McCurry will take the win, giving up eight hits and two runs, one earned, while walking one and striking out seven.

In the second game on Sunday, Reppert crushed a three-run homer and Trzaska

delivered another homerun to give the Pirates a lead in the first five innings to secure the 7-4 lead. Bates took the win, walking one and striking out two.

"We played two great teams 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 the second game!"

The Pirates moved to 11-5 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

the NCAA Championships in both seasons. As a junior, Tasha averaged 13.6 pts per game, leading a team high 49 three-pointers and 79 steals, then averaged 21.4 pts points per game as a senior, setting a school record and leading the PBC with 106 steals - She was the only Armstrong state player to record a hundred in steals and assists in the same season and score more than a thousand points in her two-year career as a Pirate and became only the second Armstrong State women's basketball player to earn All-American honors.

Hancock played for the Pirates from 1970-74 and is the sixth all-time leading scorer in Armstrong State men's basketball history, gathering 1,318 points in his four years, while ranking fourth in field goals with 540. 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 con-

tribution to the Armstrong Athletic Department. This year's Service Citation Award winner was Donna Mullenax, a professor since 1999 in Chemistry and Physics here at Armstrong who is always seen loudly supporting her students at Armstrong athletic events.

These six sports inductees bring the total membership of the Armstrong State Athletic Hall of Fame to 78 and the total number of Service Citation award recipients to 15. One thing all of the inductees shared during their acceptance speeches was the ever-lasting impact Armstrong State University has had on their life.

PROFILE | PG 1

strategic social, not commercial, marketing skills that promote group problem-solving and quality public communi-

cation.

Making the situation accessible and applicable, the course will allow the student groups to focus on local social problems of their choice. Using different forms of social

marketing, the students would be able to solve their problems and build their knowledge of public relation writing techniques simultaneously.

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