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By RANDEE MAY
STAFF WRITER

There is nothing better than hanging out with friends and family, eating, playing games, and getting free stuff. On Oct. 9, all of those things came to Armstrong, the start of another great Celebrate.

According to multiple students, this year's Celebrate was the best one they'd seen so far.

Jamari Myers, an ASU junior said, "It's a cool event. You get everyone on campus

out and about. There are organizations I didn't even know about."

With 84 tables spread out between Science Drive and Burnett Hall, there was something for everyone. From Harry Potter themes to Ancient Greece, the possibilities were endless.

The IT Department pulled off a Harry Potter theme that drew in fans of both the movies and books. They were equipped with Butterbeers, Chocolate Frogs, and Bertie Bott's Every Flavour Beans. Thankfully none of the frogs were jumping away, but it was too bad that there weren't collector cards;

a few students were expecting Albus Dumbledore.

Aside from pulling on our Harry Potter heartstrings, The IT Department was handing out useful information about how to protect yourself from

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Volunteers 'Treasure Savannah'

By DESTINY MARIRA

On Oct. 11, a large group of students, faculty, and staff gathered outside of the Student Union to prepare for Treasure Savannah. Lively music played in the background, pumping everyone's spirits as they got in line to receive their community-service assignments, name tags, and t-shirts. After all the volunteers arrived, everyone was directed to the front of the Student Union building. Dr. Georj Lewis, Vice President of Student Affairs, thanked everyone for sacrificing their time to volunteer and make a difference in the community. After addressing the crowd, Dr. Lewis introduced President Bleicken.

Bleicken thanked everyone

again for coming out, gave a brief history of Armstrong's beginnings and stressed the importance of Treasure Savannah. After her speech, photographers captured images of the crowd, then everyone got on buses to go to their volunteer spots.

Brittany Lumpkin, a psychology major at Armstrong, attended Treasure Savannah and said, "This is my senior year. Last time I did Treasure Savannah at this place [The West Broad YMCA] and I enjoyed it. This time, my friends signed me up. I wanted the chance to do [TS] with a group of people I enjoy. It's a good way to bring in my 23rd year of life. My birthday's in two weeks. In the past, Treasure Savannah's been close to my birthday. My favorite

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Photo by Elizabeth Rhoney

Runaway deer spotted on campus

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A renegade deer ran through Armstrong's main campus near the MCC building at noon Monday, Oct. 13.

Students breaking for lunch screamed and pointed as the speckled visitor bolted across the courtyard near the Student Union Center.

Spectators say the deer entered through the Galley's truck docking area between the Memorial College Center and the Student Union. Terry Coleman, a stockperson for Quiznos and WOW Cafe and Wingery, says this is the second deer sighting he's seen on campus in two years. "There was a deer that came around here just about the same

time last year," he said. Coleman was outside with another co-worker when they saw the deer approach the building. He claims the deer tried to use the ramp entry on the bookstore side of the Student Union, then turned and ran toward the loading dock.

The deer appeared to be slightly injured. "It had blood around its mouth," Coleman said. Another source says the animal actually had fruit in its mouth.

Once inside the loading dock, the deer headed for the Galley.

"I was just getting my soup and suddenly all the servers were screaming, running toward the exit and yelling for the chef," Sophomore English major

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SGA considers campus plans

By BRETT MATTHEWS

Monday afternoon, the Student Government Association met to discuss a range of issues including the possibility of establishing a pep band, a change of operational hours for the learning commons, and the outcome of Celebrate Armstrong.

Concerning Celebrate, Dr. Yvette Upton, the Associate Vice President for Student Affairs, spoke in order to "echo the success of Celebrate," as food, fun, and a firework finish marked one of the most effective Celebrate events to date.

Treasure Savannah was also mentioned as being greatly successful with over 300 participants this year.

In new business, the time change for the Learning Commons was overwhelmingly approved. Currently, the Learning Commons operates on a 90 hour per week

schedule. An SGA resolution sponsored by Sen. Naiyill Morales was proposed to extend the hours of operation by 20 hours per week. According to Morales, this extension will serve to "supplement students with academic success and retention" by providing some extra time to study and collaborate with others.

Near the end of the meeting, Josmar Trejo, President of the HOLA Student Club, spoke to the SGA to request \$2,000 for upcoming events that will be open to the entire student body. These events include HOLAween which is the HOLA club's Halloween celebration. The event will sport decorations, refreshments, and a DJ. Also included in the HOLA Club's financial request is the Dia De Los Muertos celebration. "It's a celebration to honor loved

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Armstrong to be more inclusive when it comes to gender affiliation

By ZACHARY LOGAN

With Armstrong's population growing, the school is thinking of better ways to host its diverse community. School officials are planning to make the campus more gender neutral by turning two bathroom facilities at the Memorial College Center into unisex restrooms.

The idea came just a few weeks after Armstrong hired Deidra Dennie as the University's Director of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion in March.

She says students were the reason for the change, and the gender neutral restrooms will help show that Armstrong welcomes all individuals to its campus. The restrooms will also solve any issues within the University's transgender student population.

"I think our university

is becoming much more accepting and compassionate when it comes to meeting the needs of all our students," director of multicultural affairs Nashia Whittenburg said.

According to Kathryn Twining, director of facility services, the University's first set of gender neutral restrooms will be located on the second floor of the Memorial College Center. She says there will be minimal renovation when it comes to turning the bathrooms into unisex. Facility services will simply remove the current men's and women's signs then replace them with signs reading either gender-neutral or unisex.

Locks will be installed on the main restroom doors to ensure safety and privacy for those using them. Twining mentions that unisex

restrooms include one toilet, a sink, and a lockable door. However, because the university plans to renovate two existing restrooms and building codes forbid removing any of the fixtures, the gender neutral bathrooms will have to include multiple fixtures, yet will still be intended for one person occupancy.

The gender neutral restrooms will be ready within the next few months. Twining says that she recently received permission to order the renovation materials, and, once received, facility services will begin making changes. Staff and students can plan to see more of these gender neutral bathrooms coming to Armstrong. The school plans to add at least one gender neutral restroom to all building renovations in the future.

There has also been talk of

a new pirate card that will allow transgendered students to have their preferred names printed on their pirate cards. Unlike the gender neutral restrooms, the new card is only an idea; nothing is set in stone.

According to Dennie, the card issue is much harder to resolve because the computer system that card services currently use is associated with student's legal records. Therefore, right now, all students' pirate cards have their legal names printed on their cards, even though a student may not go by that name.

Dennie says that some universities in Georgia are already adding preferred names to their students cards, yet those colleges are using a different system than Armstrong's. Dennie plans to continue working on the card issue and hopes to have options available to students in the near future.

SPORTS & WELLNESS

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Armstrong SAAC participates in National Walk to School Day

The Armstrong Student Athletic Advisory Committee engaged with the local minors in the savannah community this past Wednesday when the Pirates participated in the nationally recognized "Walk to School Day" with the students of Saint Francis Cabrini Catholic School. This marks the third consecutive year that the Armstrong SAAC has volunteered for this event. Savannah State's cheer squad, WJCL news, the Savannah Sand-Gnats mascot and several other members of the community joined the student-athletes.



SAAC members and other student athletes pose with the Pirate Mascot before the event.



Armstrong men's basketball player George Brown interacts with a local child.

Three Pirates reach ITA National Finals

By ERIC EVERSLEY
STAFF WRITER

The Armstrong Tennis team saw a lot of action this past weekend at the UTSA/ITA Small College Championships. Senior Clara Perez lost a 6-4, 6-2 match to the reigning champion as well as the top seed, Valeria Confalonieri of Lynn, the top-ranked, singles player in the country.

The doubles duo of Dora Andrejszki and Lena Lutzeier made it into the finals, but fell to the third seeded Linda Fritschken and Emma Onila of Barry, 6-2, 6-1. When asked about her thoughts on losing in the championship match Andrejszki said, "Lena is a freshman and I am a sophomore, and we both don't have a lot of experience. We need to make sure we stay focused, practice more doubles drills until the season starts, and be determined to take advantage of every opportunity we

have during a match. It was a great tournament, and I'm very excited for the spring season to start."

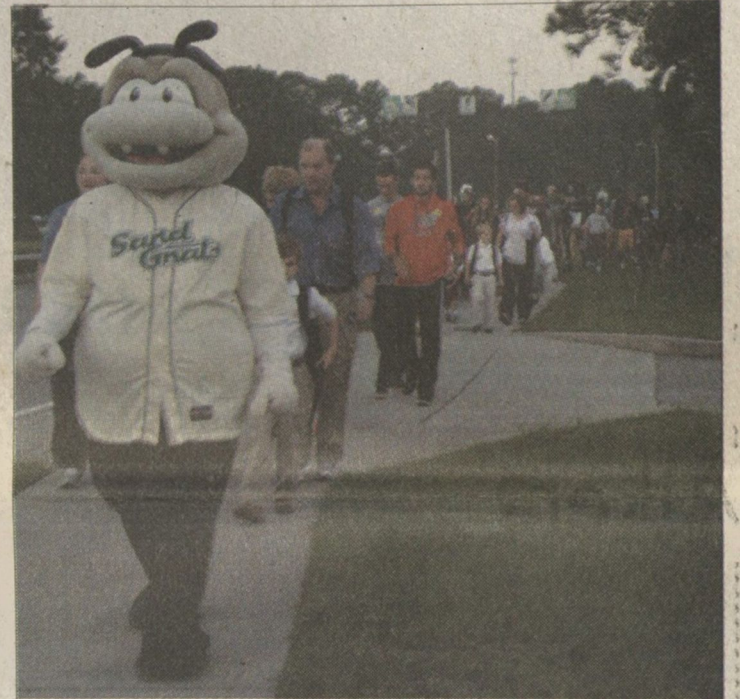
On the men's side, senior Fernando Bogajo captured a "Super Bowl" singles title with a 7-6, 7-5 win over Deni Zmak of Embry-Riddle. With this win, Bogajo became just the fourth Pirate to win the Division II bracket at the Small College Championships.

"I had to be focused every match like it was the first match of the tournament," Bogajo said, "My body felt good and I had enough power to play many matches. Even though my wrist injury was bothering me, I was able to ignore the pain and stay focused in every match."

With this win Fernando earned a wildcard entry into the upcoming ITA National Indoor Championships in Flushing, New York on Nov. 6. Notably, he will be the only non-Division I player in the field.



Savannah State Mascot and Armstrong athletes help kids cross the street.



"Gnate the Gnat", the Savannah Sand-Gnats mascot, leads the walk.



Armstrong athletes and Savannah State Cheerleaders say goodbye to kids after arriving at school.



Sports Communications

FSU reportedly reviewing Jameis Winston autographs authenticated dealer linked to Todd Gurley

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(MCT)

FSU reportedly is investigating whether Jameis Winston violated any NCAA rules while signing more than 300 autographs authenticated by the dealer linked to suspended Georgia tailback Todd Gurley.

While FSU coach Jimbo Fisher told reporters Saturday he did not believe Winston was paid for autographs, which would be a violation of NCAA rules and make him ineligible for competition much like Gurley at Georgia.

"Kids sign things all the time," Fisher said. "What do you want him to do? Stop signing stuff? I mean, you won't have any fans from that standpoint. That's what it's going to come to. That's a shame. That's a shame for college football that we can't take a kid or somebody's word for it. Now if they're being paid for it, that's different. I have no knowledge of that and I don't believe Jameis did that."

However, ESPN.com reported Monday that FSU officials are looking into the number of autographs in sequential order authenticated by dealer James

Upcoming Games
Oct. 17-27

Oct. 17
• Women's Volleyball vs.
Georgia College 7:00 PM

Oct. 18
• Women's Volleyball vs.
GRU Augusta 2:00 PM
• Women's Soccer vs.
Georgia College 3:30 PM

Oct. 20
• Women's Golf vs.
Saint Leo Women's
Invitational @ Dade City,
Fla.

Oct. 21
• Women's Golf vs.
Saint Leo Women's
Invitational @ Dade City,
Fla.

Oct. 22
• Women's Soccer vs. USC
Aiken 3:30 PM
• Women's Volleyball at
Francis Marion 7:00 PM

Oct. 24
• Women's Volleyball at
Montevallo 7:00 PM

Oct. 25

• Men's Cross Country
at Sand Shark Cross
Country Invitational
9:00 a.m.
• Women's Soccer at Ga.
Southwestern 3:30 PM
• Women's Volleyball at
Columbus St. 4:00 PM

Oct. 27

• Women's Golf vs.
Flagler College Slam @
St. Augustine, Fla.
• Men's Golf vs. Rollins
McDonough Cup @
Orlando, Fla.

Oct. 28

• Women's Golf vs.
Flagler College Slam @
St. Augustine, Fla.
• Men's Golf vs. Rollins
McDonough Cup @
Orlando, Fla.

Pirates Fall Late to Lakers,
Shutout Mountain Lions

Sports Communications

By CALEB BAILEY
STAFF WRITER

The Armstrong Pirates soccer team entered into last week's matchup against Peach Belt opponent Clayton State with a 6-3 overall record and a 2-2 conference mark when they traveled to North

Georgia on Oct. 8. The Pirates looked to turn things around following a loss on the previous Saturday, but it was a late rally by the Lakers that gave the Pirates their second straight shutout loss.

This is the first time the team has been shutout back-to-back since the beginning of the 2013 season.

The Pirates and Lakers played a tough defensive matchup and were scoreless going into halftime. Clayton State's Lois Edvardsson broke the tie when she beat Morgan Luckie high on the goal in the 62nd minute.

The Pirates got their offense fired up over the next few possessions, posting three shots on goal in less than ten minutes, but they could not finish and score. The Lakers found their way into the goal again when Lucy Cunningham put the match away in the 82nd minute with her 11th goal of the season.

Oct. 11, the Pirates traveled to Young Harris College for another PBC matchup, this time against the Mountain Lions. The Pirates were hoping for a much different result and they got it with a 3-0 shutout victory.

Offensively, the Pirates dominated the first half. They took the first eight shots of the contest and scored during the 25th minute when McKenzie Anderson scored her first collegiate goal after netting a free kick outside the box.

Taylor Russell scored her first goal of the season after heading a corner kick from Sarah Olin during the 38th minute. The Pirates held a 2-0 lead at the half, with a dominant 16-1 shot advantage.

The second half was relatively the same for the Pirates as they took 16 more shots in the period, while the Mountain Lions were only able to muster 6. Olin put

the game away in the 82nd minute when she scored her third goal of the season after she broke free with the ball and pushed a shot past the Young Harris goalkeeper.

"I thought we played really hard against Clayton State, but we could not finish the opportunities that we had and they could," midfielder Randi Schroedel said. "Saturday I thought we passed the ball and kept possession a lot better and all around gave a better team effort. We will continue to take one game at a time as the season progresses with the intent to by 13-4 at the end of the season."

The Pirates are now 7-4 with a 3-3 PBC record. Head coach Eric Faulconer talked about the week's games and what they need to do to keep winning, "(Saturday) we earned a much-needed win after falling short on Wednesday against nationally ranked Clayton State. I feel if we can just get some momentum headed into the last few weeks of the season we could still achieve a lot of the goals we set at the beginning of the year. The win over Young Harris is a step in that direction."

Senior Brianne Matarazzo said, "I believe Saturday and Wednesday we played with passion. Going forward we are going to take it one game at a time as I feel we have to get through this tough conference and we will!"

The Pirates hosted Newberry Oct. 15 and will host Georgia College on Oct. 18 for Senior Day.

Volleyball triumphs
over No. 2 USC-
Aiken

Sports Communications

By CAROLINA GARCIA
STAFF WRITER

On October 10, the Armstrong Pirates hosted USC Aiken in a battle that extended the Pirates' consecutive regular season PBC winning streak to 35, dating back to 2012. This victory keeps the Pirates undefeated in league play as well. Armstrong beat USC Aiken 3-2 with set scores of 20-25, 25-22, 26-24, 22-25, and 15-9.

USC Aiken took the first set with 17 kills and hitting .417. The Pirates clenched the second set, and senior Taylor Permenter shined in the third set with six kills, one of which netched a set point, bringing the Pirates ahead of USC Aiken 2-1. The USC Aiken Pacers won the fourth set with a hitting percentage of .407 and 16 kills. Ashley Diedrich of USC Aiken had eight kills in the fourth set. The Pirates quickly put points on the board in the fifth and final set, taking the lead 6-0 due to kills by sophomore Emily Wylie and Rachel Thompson and four hitting errors by Aiken's Diedrich. The match came to an end with a Pirates victory due to a critical hitting error by the Pacers' Taylor Stratton.

Overall, the Pirates hit .267, and three players notched kills in the double digits. Senior Stephanie Sfara had 16 kills; Wylie had 14 kills and two errors in 29 attacks, and Permenter hit a match-high of 11 kills. Senior Kamryn Sherman delivered 52 assists while senior

Morgan Hill held it down defensively with 23 digs.

Dierich led the Pacers with 23 kills, and Sheila Walsh had 47 assists and 11 kills. Defensively, Monica Cardona delivered 16 digs.

The Pirates returned on Saturday to host Lander in a PBC conference match as well as Mount Olive in a non-conference match. The Pirates first took on Lander at 1:00 p.m. in the ARC. Both matches resulted in Pirate victories.

In the first match, the Pirates defeated the Lander Bearcats 3-1 with set scores of 25-19, 25-18, 20-25, and 25-13. Sophomore led five players in double digit kills overall. Thompson had 15 kills with a hitting percentage of .750 and no errors in 20 attacks. This is the best single match hitting performance in Armstrong's history for a player with 20 or more attacks. Overall, the Pirates delivered 72 kills including 17 from Stephanie Sfara, who also had 20 digs, 15 kills from sophomore Anna McGee, 11 from Emily Wylie, and 10 from Taylor Permenter. Sherman notched 69 assists.

The Pirates then took on the Mount Olive Trojans in a 3-0 with set scores of 25-17, 25-16, 25-10. Permenter led the Pirates with nine kills, and Sherman played a stellar match with 26 assists, 14 digs, six kills, four service aces, and two blocks.

The Pirates will host Albany State on October 14 at 7:00 p.m. at the ARC in a non-conference match up.

JOCK TALK WITH: TRAVIS JAUDON

No Pay, No Play:
The Curious Case of the Student-Athlete

MCT

Todd Gurley, the running back and business major at the University of Georgia, was suspended by the school last week for allegedly accepting money in exchange for his autograph. The amount, speculated to be around \$400, was given to Gurley in exchange for the signatures. Todd Gurley may have put that business degree to work before he even graduated, and shame on him. So says the NCAA.

The Gurley case has become a national story on its own, but the running back's current situation has also caused another debate to be re-opened. The debate can largely be summed up in one simple question: Should college athletes be compensated for their athletic services?

What arguments are most

often given in defense of not paying student-athletes? I'll give you three of the most common strategies along with my answer to each.

The first, and most used argument for not paying college athletes is "the scholarship should be enough" stance.

These are the people who argue that a college education is enough payment for student-athletes. They say that more payment would just be too much, a free education should be enough. Well, it isn't. The college diploma may be of use to me and you, but that doesn't make it equally valuable for an athlete going pro after his junior year does it? Furthermore, the athlete deserves more than a scholarship, because they do more for the university

than your average wiz-kid on a full ride. Most notably, one makes money for the school and one doesn't. The one that brings the university money, should be receiving money.

It isn't rocket science people, the universities aren't selling the lab coats of promising science students on their website, they are selling jerseys (like Gurley's #3 for \$134.95). That leads me to the next washed up argument. That is, the idea that "these kids aren't professionals, they are student-athletes. They are amateurs. Therefore they should not be paid."

The term "student-athlete" is a myth, an invention of the NCAA to cover their you-know-whats. Created in the 1950's, the term was used to prevent the widow of a deceased college football player from collecting workers compensation. It is a term that has kept the NCAA safe for the past six decades and it has entirely duped the fans of college athletic programs. Let me just say this: arguing that the kids shouldn't get paid because they are "student-athletes" is an unacceptable argument because the term doesn't inherently imply that they cannot receive money for their efforts. It would be like me telling you that you cannot get paid at work because today, rather than money, I'll teach you the basics of trigonometry instead. Shouldn't that be just as valuable as money? I didn't think so. If college athletes get paid, they can still be student-athletes, the two aren't mutually exclusive.

The final argument I'll dispel is my personal favorite. It is

the strategy of question after question. Who will you pay? How will you pay them? How much? When will they get their payment? What about smaller schools? What about smaller sports? Does everyone get paid equally? You know what my answer to all of these are? I. Don't. Know. Brian Phillips, a Grantland writer wrote about this tactic back in April.

"Raising objections as though the mere existence of practical difficulties shuts down the conversation is the stalling tactic of an exhausted debater. It's the move of someone with nothing left to defend," Phillips said.

Just because an immediate answer cannot be provided for every single one of these questions doesn't mean the NCAA system is correct.

Maybe a football player at Notre Dame gets paid more than the soccer player at Armstrong, what's so wrong with that?

But what I propose isn't a salary for NCAA athletes, I don't even propose they get stipends. What I do propose is this: let the players make money off of their own likeness. If you, the NCAA, don't want to pay them, then let someone else do it for you. It's time we stop pretending as if the money "student-athletes" make while not on the field, will really affect them on the field. The world will not stop turning simply because players make a decent living while in school. It's a matter of right and wrong at this point. Players will get more benefits sooner rather than later, and in my opinion, it's about time.

Deer

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Kylie Fields said. "It was pretty chaotic."

Students crowded in an attempt to catch a glimpse from behind the main entree serving area as baffled employees in the back kitchen tried to evade the deer.

Stranger than a deer running through campus is the fact that the animal remains at

large. University police are still keeping an eye out for the deer, who was allegedly never seen leaving the building following the cafeteria fiasco.

"It seems like a stand out thing," Communications Officer Michele Prather remarked, "but nobody's seen the deer since."

Prather says the university police are still awaiting a call back from the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, but says there isn't much to tell them at this point.

Obama defends ISIS strategy

BY ANITA KUMAR AND LESLEY CLARK MCCLATCHY
WASHINGTON BUREAU (MCT)

President Barack Obama met with the military leaders of 21 countries Tuesday to discuss the ongoing strategy to combat the Islamic State terrorist group as he faces mounting pressure at home and abroad to take more aggressive action in Iraq and Syria. Obama did not announce any new or expanded initiatives following the meeting at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland, but he said there had been "important successes" against the terror group. "As with any military effort, there will be days of progress and there are going to be periods of setback," Obama told reporters after the meeting. "We are united in our goal." Obama said the strategy needs to include a military and humanitarian response, and members need to communicate an "alternative vision to those attracted" to the fighting. "This is going to be a long-term campaign," he said. After some early successes, such as helping displaced minorities in the Sinjar Mountains and defending the Mosul Dam, a series of setbacks has prompted questions about the strength of the U.S.-led mission. The Islamic State, also called ISIS or ISIL, is close to taking over the Kurdish town of Kobani in Syria, on the Turkish border, and has made gains in Anbar province in Iraq, near the Baghdad International Airport. "They're winning and we're not," Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., said on CNN. "But there has to be a fundamental re-evaluation of what we're doing, because we are not — we are not degrading and ultimately destroying ISIS." White House press secretary Josh Earnest insisted Tuesday that Obama's strategy is successful and would continue. "We're in the early days of the execution of that strategy," Earnest said. "But certainly, the early evidence indicates that this strategy is succeeding." Earnest said the airstrikes were never supposed to dramatically reverse overnight the situation on the battlefield. "We've been pretty candid about the fact that this is a longer-term proposition," he said. "And it's predicated on something that necessarily does take a long time, which is building up the capacity and capability of forces on the ground to take the fight to ISIL." Obama met with defense leaders from Australia, Bahrain, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Egypt, France, Germany, Iraq, Italy, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates and the United Kingdom. Obama joined Gen. Martin Dempsey, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, who convened a two-day meeting of defense leaders. Gen. Lloyd Austin, head of the

U.S. Central Command, and Gen. Joseph Votel, the commander of the U.S. Special Operations Command, also attended. Tuesday's meetings marks the fourth of coalition partners and the largest gathering to date, following gatherings in Jordan, Paris and Bonn, Germany. "The objective of the meeting that Gen. Dempsey put together was to further coordinate and organize countries' efforts to participate in the coalition," Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel told reporters in Peru. "They will be working through those specific areas and defining specific contributions that the nations will make." Turkey's participation in the meeting Tuesday was notable. On Monday, Turkey formally denied news reports that it had agreed to open a major air base to U.S. and other coalition combat aircraft fighting Islamic State militants in Syria and Iraq. Turkish warplanes began bombing Kurdish extremists not far away in southern Turkey, raising questions about whether Turkey's attempt to make peace with its large Kurdish population can be saved.

Higher education: a path to redemption?

BY ANDREW SUTPHEN

On Oct. 10, Dr. Maxine Bryant held a lecture at the Ogeechee Theater. She discussed some ideas concerning the future of Armstrong. Bryant wants the school to "open it's doors to convicts." Citing ASU's mission statement, particularly it's aim for a "diverse learning experience," Dr. Bryant wants to use "higher education as a desistance factor".

The event was attended by both students and faculty interested in her research on the successful reintegration of prisoners into society. During her lecture, Bryant asked, "What does it take to change a person's trajectory?" She then went on to claim "higher education is a path to redemption."

Bryant's research included some interesting numbers in regards to offender statistics in Georgia; Twenty-one thousand people were released from Georgia prisons in 2013. 4 percent of those released ended up in Savannah. Almost half of these convicts were under the age of 29.

With an average of one thousand people a year coming back to Savannah from prison, Dr. Bryant's research reveals

38 percent are under 29 years old and, therefore, are "ripe for college".

Dr. Bryant also addressed some of the possible fears of allowing ex-cons onto our campus noting, "no study has ever shown that students with criminal records are any more likely to commit crimes on campus. And convicts going to college have a strong desire to achieve and to prove their place in society."

Her presentation addressed some the dangers of excluding possible students for having criminal backgrounds. She pointed out, "Without a means for bettering oneself through education there ends up being a cycle of criminality and poverty within families." Further along we can see a negative impact on the children of offenders in our community with these children often times ending up offenders themselves.

Dr. Bryant also put an emphasis on the struggle between Recidivism and Resilience. She said one of the biggest challenges for convicts to get out of this "catch 22" is right on the application process. "Sixty percent of colleges have some type of screening for criminal backgrounds," Bryant said. "At Armstrong if you admit to having been convicted of a crime your application will be subject to further review."

Bryant addressed some of the

changes she would like to see both in our community and at Armstrong.

She would like to help those that "In spite of the odds, stop committing crimes" by working with probation and parole officers to be more inclusive towards offenders who want to better themselves.

After her lecture and a short video highlighting a few of the success stories of former prisoners turned collegiate.

Dr. Bryant took questions from the audience, one faculty member recalled a student of his who had a criminal background but found success in college but has left school with one class to graduate, "The student, working full time at two jobs with two kids lacks one class to graduate. How do we get her finished?" Dr. Bryant asked if the professor reached out to the student. He responded, "Several times".

After a moment, Bryant answered, "I have no easy answer." However she did express a desire to see those people who completed school, despite the odds, come back and be role models to other at risk students.

Dr. Bryant said one of the biggest obstacles of getting former offenders to create a support group would be in getting them to overcome the fear of being stigmatized as only criminals.

SGA

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ones who have passed away," said HOLA president Trejo.

The event will have food and music, and the HOLA Club will recycle previously used decorations in order to keep costs reasonable while still providing an exciting event open to all students. The SGA was conflicted on the matter but eventually approved the HOLA Club's request with a final vote of 13-9 with 1 abstaining.

Though seemingly costly, the \$2,000 request will help provide the food and entertainment for HOLAween and the Dia De Los Muertos celebration as well as the HOLA club's usual Lunch and Learn events throughout November and December.

"It's important to give to organizations and events that welcome the entire student body," said Trevor Chappell, an SGA senator who voted in favor of granting the HOLA club the full \$2,000. "Giving money to private groups or events is not usually allowed," said Chappell. "It's important to give to the groups that help the entire student body."

The SGA also meets twice a month with a Financial Aid Director. Now, the SGA looks ahead to the future HOLA events they chose to sponsor. With the change in hours for the Learning Commons as well as the donation to the HOLA club, much was accomplished this week.

Their future concerns include advocating for a pep band, planning a Homecoming with Alumni Affairs, improving the lighting on campus for added security, and establishing a universal decal for improved parking regulations.

The SGA is continuing to work for a better campus that includes diverse events with great opportunities to learn.

CDC will send Ebola response team to any US hospital with a confirmed case

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WASHINGTON BUREAU (MCT)

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To curb the fears of jittery health care workers nationwide, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announced Tuesday that it will send an Ebola response team within hours to any U.S. hospital that admits a patient who tests positive for the deadly virus. The new teams will include epidemiologists and infection control experts who can assist hospital staffers in navigating the intricacies of Ebola patient care. The move comes as emergency room staffers, nurses and other front-line caregivers across the country express concerns about a lack of training and proper equipment to care for Ebola patients. "I've been hearing loud and clear from health care workers from around the country that they're worried, that they don't feel prepared to take care of a patient with Ebola, that they're very distressed that one of our colleagues now has contracted Ebola and is fighting the infection in Dallas," said CDC Director Tom Frieden. "A single infection in a health care worker is unacceptable. And what we're doing at this point is looking at everything we can do to minimize that risk."

Frieden said the new response teams might have prevented Nina Pham, a 26-year-old nurse at Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas, from contracting the disease after she cared for Thomas Eric Duncan, the first person to be diagnosed with Ebola in the United States. Duncan died a week ago. "I wish we had put a team like this on the ground the day (Duncan) was diagnosed," Frieden said. "That might have prevented this infection. But we will do that from today onward with any case anywhere in the U.S." Officials suspect Pham became infected through a breach in safety protocol, possibly the improper removal of personal protective equipment that she wore while treating Duncan. The CDC did send epidemiologists and infection control experts to the hospital along with others who helped identify, locate and monitor 48 people who might have had contact with Duncan, after his condition was known. But Frieden said the agency should have provided a more thorough response to assist the hospital with its first-ever encounter with an Ebola patient. "In retrospect, with 20/20 hindsight, we could have sent a more robust hospital infection control team and been more hands-on with the hospital from day one about exactly how this should be managed," Frieden said during a Tuesday afternoon news conference. "I think when

we look back, we say yes, we definitely should have put an even larger team on the ground immediately," Frieden said. "And we will do that from now on anytime there's a confirmed case." Pham remains hospitalized in stable condition. Seventy-six other hospital staffers who may have treated Duncan or handled his blood specimens now are being monitored for symptoms of Ebola, Frieden said. None has shown signs of infection, but several have come in for observation, fearing the onset of infection. Frieden said it was better that they err on the side of caution. "We would much rather see a false alarm than someone who lets their illness go on for a day and potentially gets sicker and potentially exposes others," he said. The 48 people being monitored for Ebola after having possible contact with Duncan are now considered unlikely to develop the virus after surpassing the two-week point of their three-week incubation period with no symptoms or fever. "While it wouldn't be impossible that some of them would develop the disease, they have now passed through the highest-risk period and it's decreasingly likely that any of them will develop Ebola," Frieden said. The CDC has sent its most experienced Ebola experts to Dallas along with a team of laboratory scientists, hospital administrators and others

to examine safety procedures at the hospital and make immediate improvements when necessary. This includes designating an infection control site manager to make sure that safety procedures are followed in caring for Ebola patients. Two nurses from Emory Hospital in Atlanta who cared for Ebola patients have also been brought in by the CDC to retrain hospital staff in safety protocols for Ebola patient care. The CDC wants to limit the number of staff at the hospital who care for Pham so they can become more familiar in handling protective equipment and more comfortable providing care in the isolation unit. The agency is also looking at whether to send confirmed Ebola cases to any of four hospitals nationally that have special bio-containment units to handle exotic diseases. On Tuesday, the World Health Organization reported that 4,447 people have died from Ebola and 8,914 people have suspected cases of the virus. Most of the cases are centered in the West African nations of Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone, where "new cases continue to explode in areas that looked like they were coming under control," a WHO press statement said. "An unusual characteristic of this epidemic is a persistent cyclical pattern of gradual dips in the number of new cases, followed by sudden flare-ups," the WHO statement

read. "WHO epidemiologists see no signs that the outbreaks in any of these three countries are coming under control." In a bit of good news from Africa, if no new Ebola cases are discovered in Senegal by Friday, the World Health Organization will declare an end to that country's Ebola outbreak after going the requisite 42 days of active surveillance without a new case. Nigeria, barring any new cases, will be declared Ebola-free the following Monday. The WHO continues to call for more international assistance to help fight the disease in West Africa. On Tuesday, Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg and his wife, Priscilla Chan, announced that they're donating \$25 million to the CDC Foundation to help fight Ebola. In a post on their popular social website, the power couple wrote, "We need to get Ebola under control in the near term so that it doesn't spread further and become a long term global health crisis that we end up fighting for decades at large scale, like HIV or polio. We believe our grant is the quickest way to empower the CDC and the experts in this field to prevent this outcome."

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Servers are people, not robots: Yelp can ruin lives

By ROBERT TUCKER
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Like many students, I choose to serve tables and bartend at a restaurant downtown. It is not a glamorous job, there is a lot of unseen work and it is hard, but it has its perks.

Quick cash in hand is a bonus. Work from 4 p.m. to 11 and you are bound to walk away with something. Then after work there is time to read a chapter, or brush and tune the paper that's due in the morning.

Unfortunately, weekends are sacrificed if fully independent and solely rely on the income for bills and rent. Friday through Sunday are the money shifts for me, and they can be exhausting. By the end of the day you'd rather binge on Netflix than open that book or jump on D2L.

Lately, controversy about the hourly wage of servers has been swirling around the media. I make a measly \$2.13 per hour, which is fine because I work hard to get good tips.

In addition to that, laws and restrictions have been implemented so that establishments are not allowed to put automatic gratuity on large parties.

Now, serving big parties is much like gambling in a casino.

I have pranced around complimenting and entertaining while feeding for about four years. I have developed efficient techniques for prompt professional service, while having the ability to transform a grumpy guest into a happy friend.

Not all people want to be happy, and some just want to have a bad experience so they can go on Yelp to complain about minor details that could have been avoided if he or she knew how to communicate, or considered for a moment that the person bringing them food and constantly refilling their soft-drink is actually human too.

Of course society has made it so we have a robotic criteria to make us appear human, "good afternoon my name is such n such, what would you like to drink while you are browsing the menu." This is made to show the guest that servers are people, but some don't catch on.

I am reminded of a great friend

who earned her PhD in English, she teaches at a high school here in Savannah.

She is also a member of Mensa International. In order to become a member he or she has to attain a score within the upper two percent of the general population on an approved intelligence test. Needless to say, this girl is relatively sharp. Of the seven years I have known her she has always taught during the day and served tables at night. She is really good too.

She loyally worked at the Crystal Beer Parlor for five years, until she was Yelped.

Apparently a rather cranky individual didn't have a great experience and posted on Yelp.

He did not like the way his food was prepared, or their lack of draft beer options, because thirty taps aren't enough. He did not like the loud atmosphere, nor was he keen of the tone our scholarly server used, who most likely has an IQ double this gem of a human.

The owner of the busy establishment found she was the server to blame and fired her because of the Yelp post.

Of course she has a full time job and just serves tables to satisfy her elegant taste for the finer things in life, so it was not the end of the world.

But what if she was a single mom struggling to make ends meet?

What if that was me, the guy who does it to pay bills and rent?

I would have been devastated, I value my job even though my college career is designed to eliminate the whole serving thing. But for right now, I need it.

Everybody has bad days, everybody says things before they think, and these Yelp crazed individuals don't grasp the affect these reviews can have on the people involved. It can be long hours and stressful, customers don't take that into account.

It reminds me of a couple essential childhood rules.

Treat others the way you want to be treated, and, if you don't have anything nice to say then don't say it.

Carnal Knowledge

A bi-weekly sex column

Online Sex Resources 101

By MICHELLE POMPEI AND BILLIE AMATUS-SALAAM

There's so much information available at our fingertips sometimes it's overwhelming. How do you know what is reputable, sound, safe, and evidence based? This week, we're here to help you navigate those resources. By no means is this an exhaustive list, but it will give you some great places to find accurate, inclusive, non-judgemental, and entertaining information.

Laci Green - Sex +

Laci Green is a YouTuber who describes herself as a sex education activist. We downright love her. Her short videos are fun, to the point, and cover the gamut of sexuality including relationships, self-esteem, anatomy, and LGBT issues. Check out her YouTube channel at www.youtube.com/user/lacigreen.

Sexplanations

Sexplanations with Dr. Doe is another great YouTuber who is a Clinical Sexologist. Dr. Lindsey Doe has the googly eyes of Zoey Deschanel, and a whole lot of spunk and humor. She meets in the middle of science and getting real. She covers an even wider breadth of topics than Laci Green, but with similar enthusiasm and accuracy. Check out Sexplanations at www.youtube.com/user/sexplanations.

The Good Men Project

You didn't think we'd leave out positive male voices, did you? We love this site because it does so much more than talk about sex and relationships from the stereotypical male point of view. (You know, that one you see in movies where men are all like, "We just want sex, women want love and relationships.") Not only are there posts (primarily written by men) about things like entertainment, sports, and parenting, there are insightful articles that tackle gender roles and challenge stereotypes about masculinity and male sexuality. Read on at <http://goodmenproject.com>

The following resources are primarily aimed at teens, but what

sexual health experts all agree on is that the questions adults have about sex are usually the exact same ones young people do.

Scarleteen.com

This website is the project of sex educator, author, and activist Heather Corinna. Begun in 1998, it's probably the longest running, most comprehensive website on sexuality and sexual health. It covers everything from basic anatomy and body positivity, to how to deal with sexual shame. If you've had a question related to sex that you were too afraid to ask, it was probably asked on this site and answered, so we highly recommend perusing the Questions and Answers page or signing up for their forum. Have a question that hasn't been answered and you need a fast response? They offer a live chat service (times are limited though) and a 24/7 text service in

addition to their forums.

Sexetc.org

Similar to Scarleteen in their scope of topics and inclusion of young people's experiences, Sex, Etc. is a little less dense and perhaps easier to navigate. It features a forum where you can post questions for a sex educator to answer. A great feature on their site is the Communication Tool - and you all know how we feel about communication. It provides guidance on what to say when you're talking about sex-related issues to partners, family members, and even your doctor.

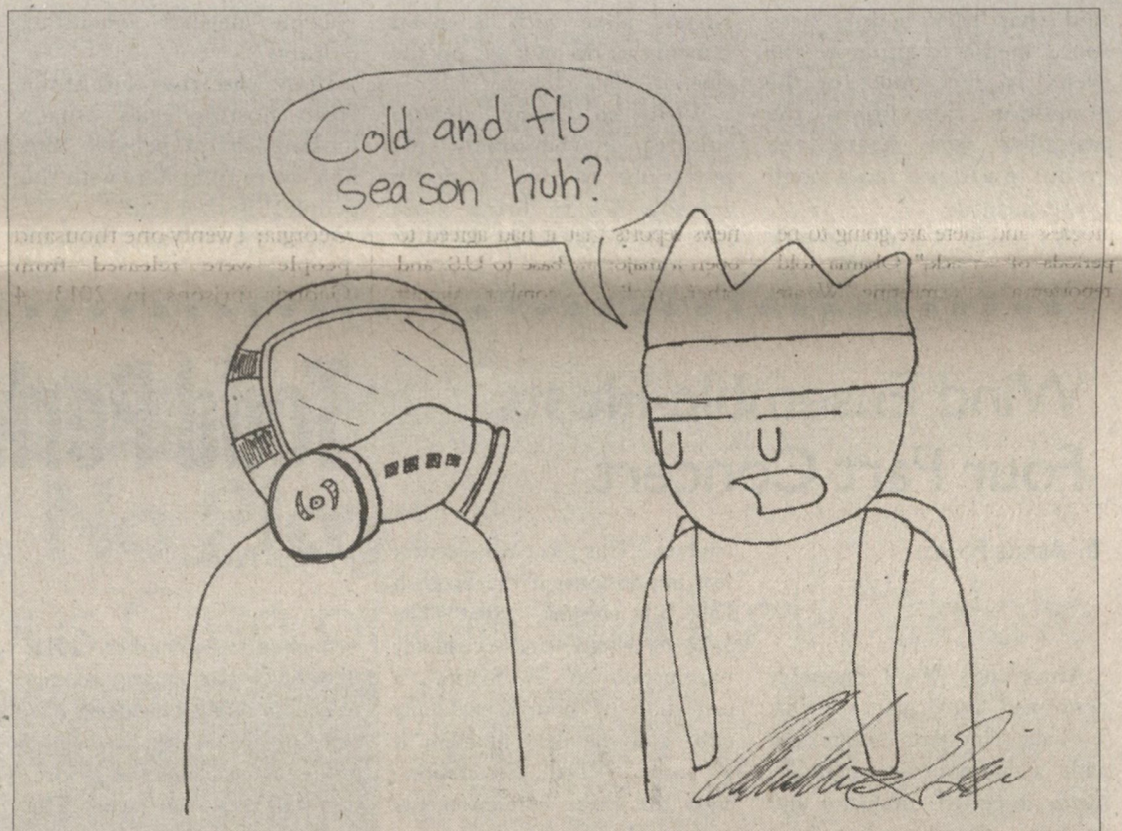
If you feel like you've got all of your basics covered and would like to learn more about sex and how it intersects with culture and politics; queer sexuality and LGBTQ+ issues; or hear educated discussions about topics like feminist porn, riskaware kink, or non-monog-

amy; the podcast Sex Out Loud might be for you. Hosted by film maker and sex educator Trista Taormino, this podcast addresses less-mainstream sex topics. Guest have included trans activists, pioneers in sex education, porn star researchers, artists, and authors. It's definitely NSFW, but that's what headphones are for. You can simply search for Sex Out Loud in whatever app you use for podcast or visit <http://tristantaormino.com/sex-out-loud/about/>

We're sure you'll come across great resources we didn't mention, but remember - not all site are trustworthy. If you think some of the content on a site might be questionable, a good rule of thumb is to simply contact the author and ask for credentials: What makes you qualified to provide this information or offer advice? Happy exploring, everyone!

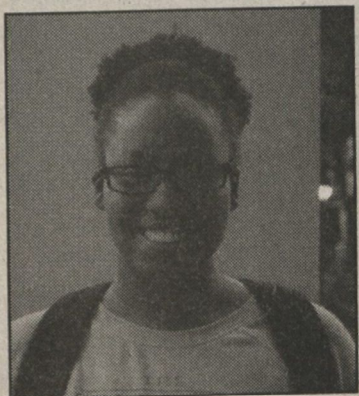
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By ANDREW GUNNING



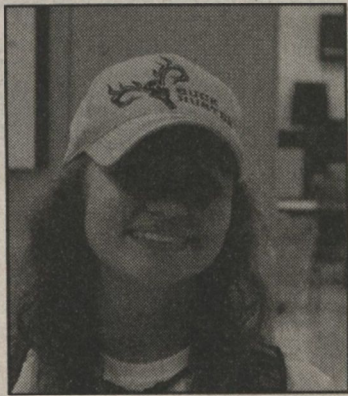
CAMPUS VOICES:

Favorite TV show that returned this fall:



Supernatural and Walking Dead. They're so unusual and full of 'what ifs.'

Sharlonda Murray
Biology and Psychology
Senior



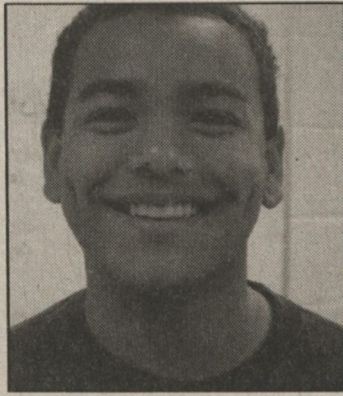
American Horror Story. The plot is really good and I love the horror genre.

Lauren Tincher
Pre Veterinary
Sophomore



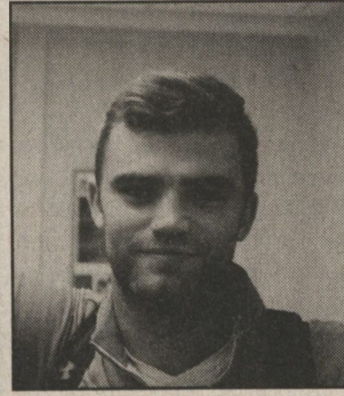
Big Bang Theory. It's funny and about science.

George Mascio
Biology
Freshman



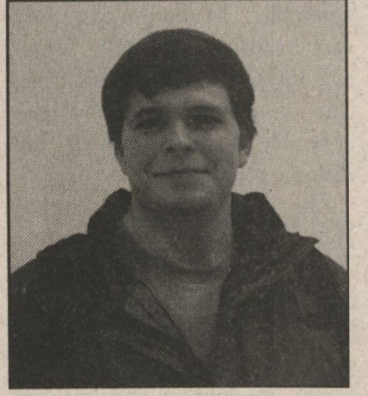
How to get away with murder. I like that everyone's awful and you can't trust anyone.

Miguel Lo
Psychology
Sophomore



American Horror Story. It's creepy and I love Jessica Lange.

Chris Durbeniuk
English
Senior



The Voice. It reminds me of American Idol and there are people from around our area.

Cody Bieda
Rehab Science
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Haiti heats up Savannah Riverfront

By LLANA SAMUEL

It was a jam-packed return for the Haitian-American Historical Society (HAHS) on Oct. 11 on the Savannah Riverfront. Among the festivities were spoken word performances, a ribbon cutting ceremony and a host of special guests - a must see for the Armstrong community which has strong Latin American ties.

The HAHS have been visiting Savannah since 2007 where they unveiled a monument, Les Chasseurs Volontaires de St. Domingue, in Franklin Square and hosted galas in the city. This year was the first of many annual Haitian Festivals to come to the town and organizers are hoping to attract a large turnout.

Comedian Sejo, one of the event organizers, collaborated with other artists to bring the Haitian Festival to Savannah.

"We want more young people to turn out," Sejo said. For a college town, there weren't many young people at the festival. The comedian said that they mainly used social media to promote the event. In fact, most of the promotion came from the passer-bys who heard the soulful music and saw a small crowd forming.

"We came for the Greek



Photo by Llana Samuel

Festival, but this is where the fun is," said a local couple who were dancing to reggae music from one of the bands performing. There were other performances by poets and singers alike with a crowd growing as the sun set on the river.

With so many diverse cultures in Savannah, it's refreshing to see a group get together to bring more cultural awareness to the local

area.

"We want to educate people about the beauty, color and soul of Haiti," Alexandra Barbot, the president of the HAHS said. Barbot added "people needed something cultural."

In the past, they were at the Hyatt hosting galas usually looking out at people. "But now we're right here with the people," Barbot said.

Latin Americans weren't

the only audience. People from all ages, backgrounds and races stopped to admire the artwork, listen to the talented individuals and enjoy learning about Haiti's history, not on the worldly level, but a more personal and local level. The event lets the city know that even though the history books may neglect to mention it, part of Haiti's history is deeply rooted in Georgia.

Wind Ensemble Hosts Four Part Concert

By ARIELLE POWELL

Armstrong's Wind Ensemble performed live in concert, Oct. 7 in the Fine Arts Auditorium with a harmonious ensemble, highly respected conductor and exquisite, concise writing from various composers.

The Wind Ensemble had a four part concert consisting of different genres of music. The background of music ranged from symphonic wind ensemble, Mediterranean folk dance influences, folk songs and influences of Scottish Lake. The concert highlighted the ensemble's creativity with the melodic pieces.

The first piece, "A Festival Prelude" written by composer Alfred Reed, consisted of distinctive styles and wind band orchestration. This particular piece stood out as a very fascinating and magical one that is a true classic. The play progressed to Norman Dello Joio's "Satiric Dances" featuring Mediterranean folk dance influences that offered a powerful setting. "Satiric Dances" began with Allegro Pesante and moved to Adagio Mesto, as well as Allegro Spumante.

The next piece, Ralph Vaughn Williams' "English Folk Suite", consisted of nine different songs that both the students and conductor put together. Beginning with the lively march "Seventeen Come Sunday", the ensemble then gave the audience a melancholic transition to Intermezzo "My Bonny Boy." The piece concluded with an enthusiastic March "Folks Songs from Somerset."

The final piece was Johan's de Meij's Loch Ness "A Scottish

Fantasy." This piece consisted of five impressions of the Scottish Lake. It begins with "The Lake at Dawn" and eventually transitioned to "A Storm," a recreation of how it suddenly rains and the next moment it is sunny. "The Conclusion" ends the piece of movements performed without pause.

Senior, Chreanna Byrd, played the oboe for the Wind Ensemble. Chreanna has been playing the oboe for over ten years. "I actually did a good job on my solo. Normally I get nervous," Byrd said. "When we actually make great music, it comes the day of the performance. Everything is together."

Mark B. Johnson, the Wind Ensemble's conductor, was delighted about the outcome of the performance. Mark Johnson is also a professor at Armstrong and teaches a variety of classes ranging from music education to music conducting. The ensemble consisted of various instruments from piccolo, oboe, to euphonium.

Johnson said, "The ensemble is composed of all students of Armstrong and non-music majors." There are several upcoming events featuring the Wind Ensemble. "Nov. 20-22 we are hosting our annual high school and middle school band clinic. Students from all over North and South Carolina, Florida, Georgia come to Armstrong to receive valuable information about different aspects of music. We also are hosting a free concert," Johnson said.

If anyone is interested in being involved in ensembles on campus including: choir, jazz, or percussion, contact Mark Johnson at mark.johnson@armstrong.edu. It is not too late to get involved.

By TODD PERKINS

Back in September 2011, I noticed that many of my friends and fellow students had not seen and experienced some of the better horror films. Sure, they had seen "Saw" and "The Sixth Sense", but not classic films such as John Carpenter's "The Thing" or Alfred Hitchcock's "Psycho". So in an effort to gain awareness and appreciation for these films, I started what came to be called the 'October Horrorfest', which is a mini film festival where I show a horror movie that friends and acquaintances have not seen before on every day of October: thirty-one films shown throughout thirty-one days.

Now, three years later, the Horrorfest is still going strong, with films still being shown every night. With three years behind us, a bit of a tradition has formed where we vote from all the films shown throughout October and decide on which film was the best of that year. In 2011 the selected film was Robert Wise's "The Haunting" (1963), 2012 was Tom Holland's "Fright Night" (1985), and last year, the selected film was none other than George A. Romero's "Day of the Dead" (1985). The winning film of each year is shown the following year on Halloween night, with selected short films from filmmakers such as Drew Daywalt, Damian McCarthy, and Robert Morgan being shown before it.

Some of the films shown each month are well-known, like John Landis's "An American Werewolf in London" or Stanley Kubrick's "The Shining", but the



majority are lesser known films from directors such as Dario Argento, Lucio Fulci, Ti West, and Roger Corman. Films like "The Exorcist" and "Halloween" are heralded as the best of the horror genre, and often deservedly so, but movies such as "Basket Case", "Night of the Creeps", and "Frailty" are often forgotten. The classic Universal horror classics "Dracula", "Frankenstein", "Bride of Frankenstein", "The Wolf Man", and others are tossed aside in favor of "The Purge" and "Annabelle" which is a mistake. Legendary films from William Castle and Hammer Productions deserve to be seen, which is what we set out to do by showing these films to those who come to watch them.

Over these years, we have met at the various homes of those who come to this festival and are willing to host those attending, and in the past year we have been inspired by these films to make an

UPCOMING EVENTS Oct. 16-21

Oct 16

- 'The Divine. Comedy Artist Panel' at SCAD Museum of Art 5 p.m.
- Blank Page Poetry at Jepson Center 6 p.m.
- 'Divine Comedy' reception at SCAD Museum of Art 6 p.m.
- 'Historic Haunts of Savannah' at Moon River Brewing Company 7 p.m.
- Live music with Daphne Lee Martin at The Sentient Bean 8 p.m.
- Live music with The Mantras at Barrelhouse South 8 p.m.
- 'Sins and Secrets' burlesque show at The Carnival Bar Theatre 10 p.m.

Oct 17

- 'The Faraways' at Savannah Mall 7 p.m.
- 'Good Night Moon' at Savannah Children's Theatre 7 p.m.
- 'Berloiz, Bizet and Sibelius' at The Lucas Theatre 7:30 p.m.
- 'Sins and Secrets' burlesque show at The Carnival Bar Theatre 10 p.m.

Oct 18

- Lucky Ducky Derby at Memorial Park (Tybee Island) at 11:30 a.m.
- 'The Faraways' at Savannah Mall at noon.
- 'Good Night Moon' at Savannah Children's Theatre 3 p.m.
- 'The Faraways' at Savannah

Mall 3:30 p.m.

- Ballroom Dance at Frank G. Murray Community Center 7 p.m.
- 'Sins and Secrets' burlesque show at The Carnival Bar Theatre 9 p.m.
- 'Sins and Secrets' burlesque show at The Carnival Bar Theatre 11 p.m.

Oct 19

- 'God on Broadway' at Asbury Memorial United Methodist Church 11 a.m.
- 'The Faraways' at Savannah Mall 1 p.m.
- 'Good Night Moon' at Savannah Children's Theatre 3 p.m.
- 'The Faraways' at Savannah Mall 4 p.m.
- The 2014 Psychotronic Spooktacular at Muse Arts Warehouse 5 p.m.
- The 2014 Psychotronic Spooktacular at Muse Arts Warehouse 8 p.m.

Oct 20

- Live music with Savannah River Sessions with Jeremy Davis and The Fabulous Equinox Orchestra at Aqua Star Seafood Kitchen (The Westin) 6:30 p.m.

Oct 21

- 'Theology on Tap: Thirsting for More' lecture series at Moon River Brewing Company 7 p.m.

Todd Perkins' 2014 October Horrorfest

Horror movie suggestions

- An American Werewolf in London
- Basket Case
- Bride of Frankenstein
- Day of the Dead
- Dracula
- Frailty
- Frankenstein
- Fright Night
- Halloween
- Night of the Creeps
- Saw
- The Exorcist
- The Haunting
- The Shining
- The Sixth Sense
- The Thing
- The Wolf Man

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Chatham County Health Department Family Planning and Women's Services Patients: Our Family Planning Program is changing.

What's changing?

All patients seeking Family Planning services, including birth control, are asked to bring a photo ID and Family Planning patients over the age of 19 should bring proof of income to their next visit.

We've added some low cost fees for services and those fees will be based on income or lack of income.

Why?

What hasn't changed?

The Chatham County Health Department is committed to providing high quality Family Planning services in an atmosphere of caring and respect.



For more information on what's new about our Family Planning Program, call the Chatham County Health Department at 912-356-2441 or go to www.gachd.org/chatham.

GREEK FESTIVAL BRINGS CULTURE TO SAVANNAH



Photo by Elizabeth Rhoney

BY JESSICA FERRERA

Every year the Greek Festival is hosted in the St. Paul's Hellenic Center, bringing together Greeks and non-Greeks alike for a three-day festival celebrating Greek culture, cuisine and more.

This year, on Oct. 9-11 the event brought countless numbers of visitors through the gate.

The festival featured music by "The Grecian Echoes", dance performances from different troupes of children, teens and adults, and of course smiles from everyone attending.

While devouring the homemade Greek cuisine, visitors talked to one another and enjoyed the

entertainment on stage.

Sperry Kaler, four-year attendee, said, "It's a mix between the food and music," that keeps him coming back every year. "My favorite food would have to be the pastitsio."

Pastitsio wasn't the only delicious meal that one could eat. Homemade foods such spanakopita and a fan favorite, Greek meatballs, and many other Greek food options were on the menu. Greek pastries were also a favorite, among guests. So whether guests had a sweet tooth or wanted a full meal, there were plenty of options to choose from.

Jae Crawford, a youth advisor and convert to the Orthodoxy, was running the baklava ice cream stand in the courtyard. While serving the delectable dessert, she

explained why she loves the Greek festival and culture. "The people love their heritage, and I really love that," Crawford said.

The courtyard not only featured the baklava ice cream stand, but clothing, scarves, homemade wooden carvings, and more. The courtyard, was reminiscent of a marketplace and really provided visitors with a comfortable, social feeling.

Inside, the sight-seeing and fun didn't end. Tables of food, clothing, and social gatherings continued throughout. Anyone could buy Greek desserts, jewelry, and even a simple wristband with the Greek flag.

Betsy Varlagas has been a part of the Greek Festival for 24 years and had a table of jewelry and T-shirts set up.

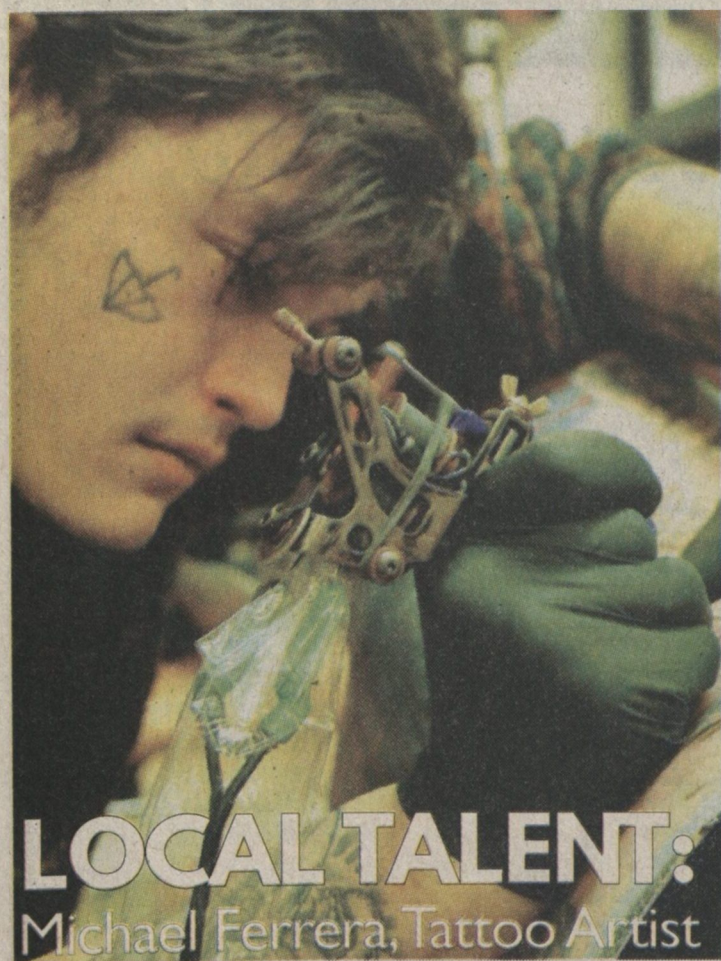
"I've been doing this ever since my son was born.

When he was born, they told me about the Greek festival, and I worked at this same table with his crib right beside me," Varlagas explained while laughing. "I love people to learn about our culture."

Members like Varlagas who have been enjoying the festivities for years, as well as first time visitors both equally enjoyed the enthusiastic gathering.

As years of memories and traditions have proved, the Greek Festival and everyone who helped to put it together brought the Greek atmosphere into Savannah, just as they always do.

The words of Betsy Varlagas described the Greek culture and festival best: "Big heart. Great



LOCAL TALENT: Michael Ferrera, Tattoo Artist

BY KAYLEIGH LEADBETTER

Take a look at the people around you. Chances are some of them will be sporting a tattoo or two; maybe you even have one yourself. Tattoos are a form of art that people use to express their creativity and individuality. Savannah is home to many passionate, skillful tattoo artists and Michael Ferrera is one of the best the city has to offer.

Currently working at Good Fortune Tattoo Studio, Ferrera is the proud owner of 87 tattoos

and counting. At the age of 18, Ferrera tried tattooing for the first time and was instantly hooked. "I originally wanted to be an art teacher, but I started tattooing when I was 18 and I just loved it and never stopped," Ferrera said.

When talking about his interest in art, he told a story of his best friend and life in Belgium. "My best friend was Siim, and he introduced me to graffiti and drawing. We would spray paint murals, draw in our sketchbooks, and just tons of other stuff. From then on out I

loved every style of art," Ferrera said.

In the past, tattoos have been seen as taboo and unacceptable, especially in the workplace. However, they have recently started to become more socially acceptable and a lot more common within the younger generations.

"I love that tattoos are becoming more socially acceptable. Plus, it means that I get more people coming to me for tattoos which is awesome," Ferrera said about his opinion on the gaining popularity of tattoos.

When asked about his favorite and least favorite parts of being a tattoo artist, he said, "The best part about being a tattoo artist is the freedom and the worst part could be that some customers are narrow-minded and stubborn...I love when I have the freedom to put my twist on someone's idea."

Ferrera doesn't have a favorite piece of work that he's done, but says that his favorite styles of tattoos to do are "traditional, bold lines, solid black, starbursts, and stippling." Though, he's willing to do anything that a customer wants.

When he isn't tattooing in Savannah, Ferrera likes to travel across the country with his best friends and dog, Hooper. "I get to see the coolest places in our country, and then I get to come home and tattoo. I get the best of both worlds," Ferrera said.

If you are interested in seeing some of Michael Ferrera's work, check him out on Instagram and head on down to Good Fortune Tattoo Studio to schedule your next tattoo appointment.

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In defense of Dunham



Courtesy of Lena Dunham

BY JESS BRANNEN

It seems I am constantly defending my relationship with Lena Dunham. And while I've never actually met the creator, producer and star of HBO's "Girls", she has done so much for me. Her recently released book, "Not That Kind of Girl", is just the icing on the cake.

"Not That Kind of Girl" is Dunham's collection of personal essays, arranged into a book of Dear Abbey-esque advice for women. She covers topics at length including body image, love and sex, work, and friendship, artfully piecing them together to embrace the big picture.

Perhaps what I love most about Dunham is her ability to speak

so candidly about subjects that popular culture often sweeps under the rug. In her chapter titled Barry, she discusses her experience with a boy for whom the chapter is named, and the nuanced facets of date rape.

She writes eloquently about dealing with OCD and anxiety, topics that I relate well to. Seeing Lena articulate and overcome these struggles gives me hope.

Dunham has come under fire for several reasons during her burgeoning career. Accusations range from nepotistic casting decisions to racial homogeneity to representing only a very limited, privileged experience on her show.

Despite these allegations, Dunham remains positive. I would argue that though her show may seem overly exclusive, her critics owe it to themselves to look anew on her book.

The style in which Dunham writes is poetic and poignant. Her prose and message transcend experience and status to speak volumes of truth to our generation.

So if Dunham's work allows one more girl to understand that her struggle isn't only hers, it's worth it. Dunham relates to the angst, the depression, the fretfulness of being our age, and she's here to talk about it.

"I can never be who I was. I can simply watch her with sympathy, understanding, and some measure of awe. There she goes, backpack on, headed for the subway or the airport. She did her best with her eyeliner. She learned a new word she wants to try out on you. She is ambling along. She is looking for it."



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Celebrate

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a nasty virus as well as getting rid of them.

Of course the ladies and gentlemen of Greek Life were out and about as well.

Phi Mu Alpha, the only music fraternity here at Armstrong had a ball toss game set up to win goldfish.

Sean White stated that originally there had been fifty fish, but by the time I got there, there were no more than twenty. He stated, "The ball toss is simple. You just have to get the ball in the red circle and you win a fish," White continued, "We're also selling three dollar serenades. Last year someone paid for us to sing to a library researcher. It was funny because everyone just stopped what they were doing. She almost started crying."

While I didn't have three bucks to have them serenade a few friends in the bookstore, it was fun trying my luck with

the fish.

The French Club also had a table at Celebrate. "This is my fourth year as a member of the French Club," Henry Tarwater stated. "I was an Officer last year and helped to run the Francophone. We had record attendance." Tarwater is currently minoring in French and recently took a trip to France.

Gannon Mason who is also an Officer of French Club stated, "I really enjoy the French culture and would like to learn more about it. I've only been a member for three weeks, but I've enjoyed the experience so far."

The French Club raffled off a SpongeBob Piggy Bank and a cookie cake, all while promoting their Film Festival for next year.

Across from them, the Anthropology Club kicked things off with a donut eating contest.

Although Anthropology isn't a major on campus, the club has drawn in a good batch of members.

"They do quite a bit. Jungle Friends, community service,

Protect Our Dolphins, and Roots and Shoots," Laura Seifert, an Anthropology professor stated.

Not everything about Celebrate required a table; there were activities like Bull Riding and The High Strike.

Robert Anderson stood watch at the High Strike. This was his first time helping with Celebrate, and he watched with amusement as students tested their strength.

One student in particular, Catherine Evans, caught the attention of passersby as she coached a fellow student.

"Use the very tip of the handle and hit the very tip of the block," Evans shouted, "only slam it at the very end."

The group cheered on the young male student as he tried over and over again. It wasn't long before he became too frustrated to even hit the block, and after three complete misses he gave up.

In addition to Harry Potter, Serenading, and SpongeBob piggy banks, there were groups like Collaboration Models, Veteran Affairs, Gay-Straight Alliance, the Library and



Learning Commons, and Baptist Collegiate Ministries.

Collaboration Models were spreading the word about their upcoming event, "Your Worst Fears," on Oct. 27, featuring the ASU Dance Team.

Veteran Affairs sold rubber ducks painted to fit each branch of the military. They also offered students the chance to write thank you letter to the veterans.

The Gay-Straight Alliance promoted and spread the word about National Coming Out Day, held on Oct. 11. It was perfect timing with states like Nevada, Alaska, and North Carolina striking down same-sex marriage bans.

The Library and Learning Commons took to fun and games as they played Literary Theme Pictionary and Draw That Book. From the Scarlet Letter to Cat in the Hat, it was an all out drawing fest.

Baptist Collegiate Ministries offered free snow cones with flavors like Sin, The Blood of Jesus, Forgiveness, The Holy Spirit, Spiritual Life, Spiritual Growth, and Heaven. Of course the real flavors were things like grape, lemon, and wild cherry.

Celebrate was exciting and much easier to maneuver with the tables close together. The free food and music also added a nice touch.

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Spence Authentication. The website stated FSU had not been contacted by the NCAA or ACC about the autographs.

School officials declined to specifically address the ESPN report, issuing a statement that read, "The Florida State University Athletics Department does not comment on specific allegations regarding compliance. Our compliance office investigates all potential rules violations and processes rules violations with the NCAA if they occur."

Racingtoarelight.com first reported Saturday that Winston had more than 100 pieces of autographed memorabilia verified by James Spence Authentication.

Winston arguably has a far greater number of autographs in circulation than any other college athlete.

He often signed autographs for half an hour before every road baseball game after winning the Heisman Trophy. He also signed extensive autographs during Jameis Winston Day back in his Alabama hometown during the offseason and at a variety of other events.

It is an NCAA violation to be paid in exchange for autographs or to sign memorabilia that the athlete knows will be sold for another party's financial gain. The NCAA, itself, has struggled with compliance of the second part of the rule, and stopped selling signed memorabilia on its website last year.



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Treasure

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part of Treasure Savannah is feeling accomplished, transforming something from what it was to something West Broad YMCA can use to help people."

Armstrong's website describes Treasure Savannah as a Armstrong day of service that celebrates Armstrong's long and rich history in Savannah. Hundreds of students, staff and faculty learn about the issues facing our city, giving back to our community, and building connections between Armstrong students and the surrounding community.

Melanie Badding, a 1st year grad student and volunteer at the event said, "I've tried to do Treasure Savannah in the past and haven't been able to. I picked this spot [West Broad Street YMCA] because I thought I'd be working in the garden. I ended up doing something else and enjoyed it. I didn't know they offered so many opportunities to volunteer. I like volunteering and helping children

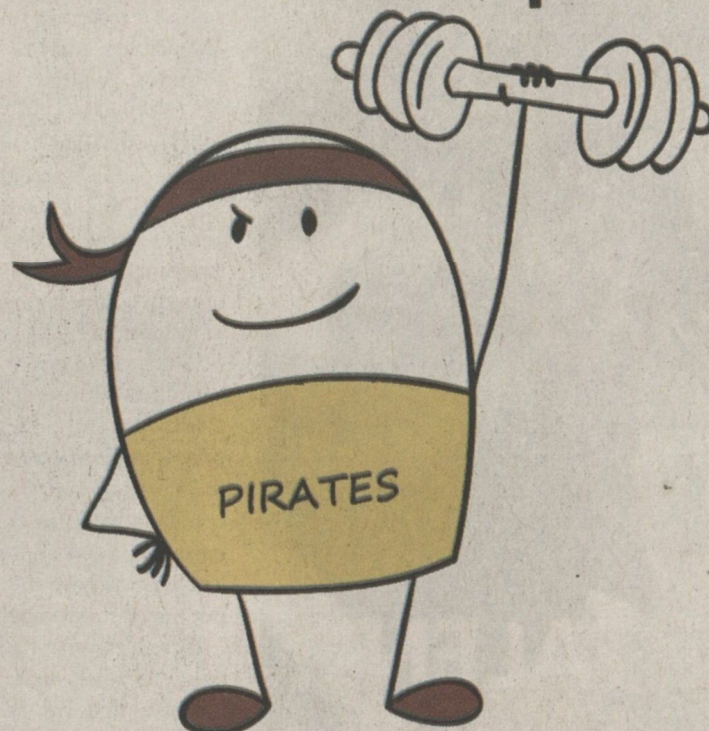
in the community."

The event was such a success that it has since turned into a biannual event. Treasure Savannah is held each fall and spring. The fall event typically is the Saturday following Celebrate Armstrong and the spring event is held in late February or early March. Participation in Treasure Savannah is open to Armstrong students, faculty, staff and alumni. Places where people volunteered included Forsyth Park and the surrounding Victorian District, Union Mission Grace House Kitchen, West Broad Street YMCA, Ambuc Park, Lake Mayer, Hinesville Rivers Alive, Hoofs 4 Healing and various areas around Armstrong's campus.

Mercedes Williams, another volunteer at the event, commented, "I'm apart of Alpha Phi Omega, a national co-ed community service fraternity and I'm a Health Science major so I like helping people. I loved seeing the look on the coordinator's face [at West Broad Street YMCA] when we finished organizing the storage closets...and finding random Armstrong stuff."

College Health Tip #9

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