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## ***Top stories from The George Anne Daily***

Welcome back Eagle Nation! The George Anne wishes everyone a great and safe syllabus week. Here's the latest news! Click [HERE](#) to tell us about events, showcase accomplishments or provide information about joining.

*Vanessa Countryman, Special Projects Reporter*

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# THE GEORGE-ANNE DAILY

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## **Say Goodbye to Your Gus Mart Cashiers**

Nicholas Daniels

This semester students will see a change in Russell Union's Gus Mart, switching from cashiers to an amazon walkout. "It's more convenient. A process that normally takes two minutes [now] only takes you 30 seconds," said Michael Murphy, the Director of Campus Services.

You tap a credit or debit card, or use a payment method on your phone such as an Eagle ID, to get into Gus Mart. From there you're followed by cameras around the store that track what items you pick up and put down.

There are a few weighted scales to tell what's been taken off the shelves but for the most part, the cameras do the work. Once you leave the store, you are automatically charged for everything you left with. "It's hundreds of cameras being used, a lot of technology," Greg Crawford, Director of Dining Services said.

"The only downside I can think of would be keeping up with the volume in the store," Mark

Braswell, the Director of Retail Dining said. He made it clear that keeping up with the supply is something the students working the store will have to deal with. “But that’s with every convenience store,” Crawford added.

Braswell made the point that student workers would stick to the other duties around the store, such as restocking. They would get paid the same, working the register is just one less thing they have to do.

Of course, it is also more expensive than just using cashiers but it's worth the cost, according to Murphy. He also made it clear that the cost won't trickle down to the consumer or affect the students who work in Gus Mart.

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## **Fake ID Survey**

We want to know more about fake identification usage. We assure all students that this survey is anonymous! We're not asking about whether you personally have used a fake ID. Fill out this short [survey](#)

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## **GS's Eagle Experience**

### **What is it?**

A series of planned activities and events on all GS campuses. These events are geared anywhere from academics to campus life fun.

“Eagle Experience is about helping all students find a sense of belonging and make a smooth transition to Georgia Southern. Students getting involved, having easier access with less barriers, and finding support is the most gratifying part of helping lead and plan Eagle Experience,” said Associate Vice President for Student Development, Dr. Ken Gassiot.

### **When?**

It begins on Operation Move-In and continues until the end of August. There's something happening almost every day on every campus.

### **Why should I go?**

“Attending events across all of our campuses is a fantastic way to feel connected to your

new college home, meet new people, find others who like what you like, and see how diverse our university is,” said Gassiot. “Free food, prizes, music, and fun activities are also good for the soul!”

Data has shown that students who attended at least ten events their first semester have a 3.0 GPA or higher compared to those who attended less, according to Gassiot.

## **STATESBORO SCHEDULE**

Tuesday, August 15

- 12-2 p.m. Academic Department Showcase, Russell Student Union
- 5:30-6:30 p.m. New Student Convocation, Hanner Fieldhouse (required for New First-Year Students)

Wednesday, August 16

- 2-4 p.m. Office of Leadership & Community Engagement Open House, Russell Student Union

Thursday, August 17th

- 1-3 p.m. Vibing Around the World, Rotunda

Friday, August 18th

- 3-6 p.m. Beach Bash, Tybee Island

Saturday, August 19th

- 7-10 p.m. First Flight, Paulson Stadium

Tuesday, August 22nd

- 5-7 p.m. Unity Fest, Georgia Avenue

Wednesday, August 23rd

- 11 a.m.-1 p.m. 'Boro Browse, Rotunda

Friday, August 25th

- 6 & 8 p.m. Movie Night: Creed III, Russell Union Theater

Wednesday, August 26th

- Russell Union Ballroom 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Step Into Statesboro,

Tuesday, August 29th

- 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Williams Center Open House, Williams Center

Thursday, August 31st

- 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Student Organization Fair, Rotunda

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