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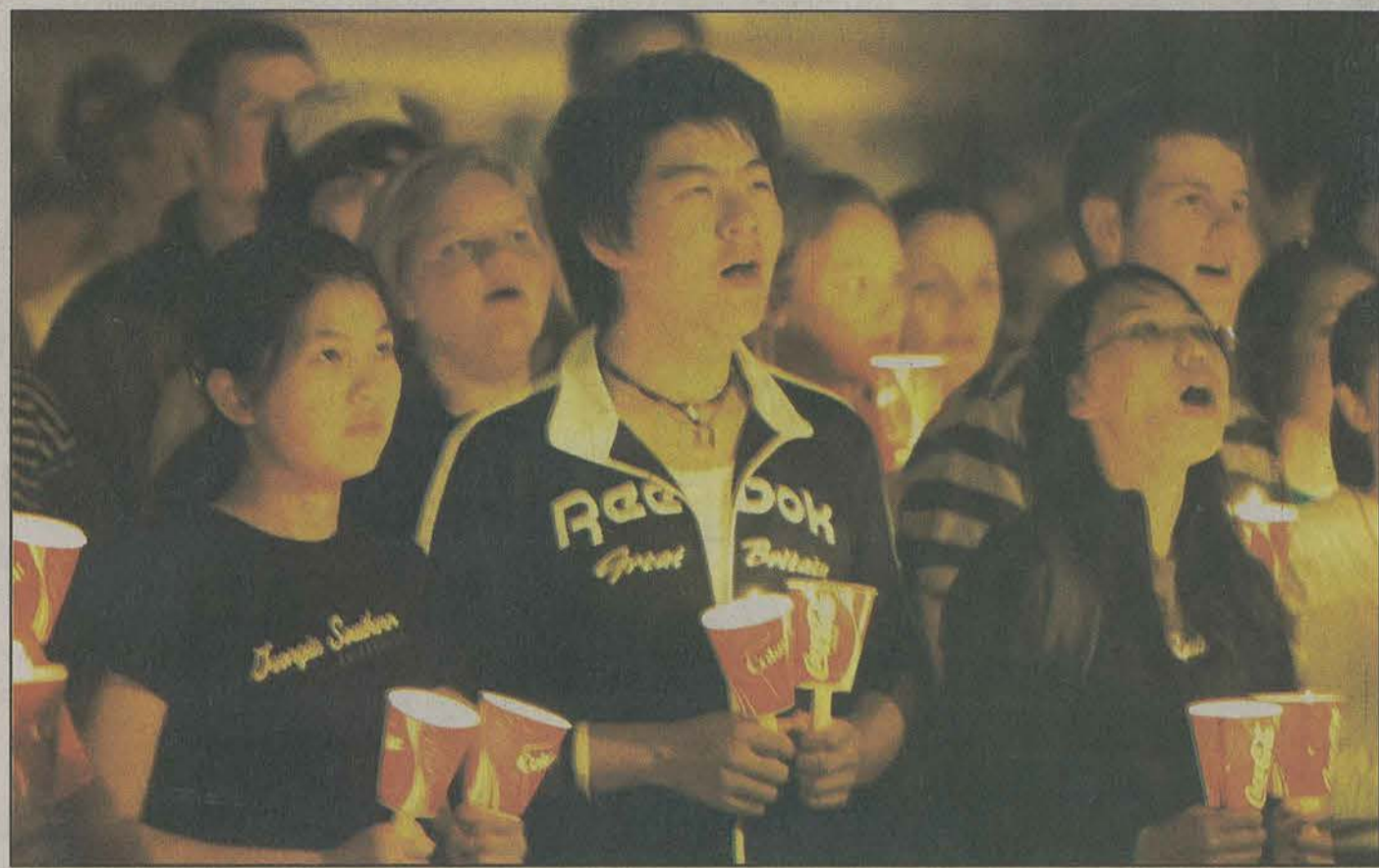
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THE GEORGE-ANNE

DAILY

TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 2007



Tao Ventre/STAFF

Audrey Xu, Bryan Wei Wang and Hebe Zhang show their support for the Virginia Tech community at Thursday's vigil at the rotunda.

Legendary leader returns to campus

By Jenny Miller
News Editor



Special Photo

Former Georgia Southern President Dale W. Lick will be on campus today to speak to faculty, staff and students about his tenure at GSU and his involvement in diversity in the community and in the athletic field.

Lick became president in 1978 and served until 1986.

"He made efforts to bring about diversity and a positive atmosphere at GSU," said Reginald T. Mosley, a 1980 alumnus of GSU and the advisor to Omicron Phi. Lick constantly clashed with the Board of Regents to get the then Georgia Southern College the recognition and status he believed the school warranted.

He also made affirmative action a main concern on campus, which is one of the key points Lick will be making at tonight's presentation. He will also speak about his role in bringing back football to the school.

He was the president who hired the now legendary Erk Russell to start a football program from the ground up. He was also the president who began the tradition of the annual holiday tree-planting ceremony, which is still held every year.

Lick is currently a professor at Florida State University in the Learning Systems Institute and teaches and directs doctoral students in educational leadership.

Lick is the author of more than 90 professional articles, books,

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• President of Georgia Southern from 1978-1986.
• Hired Erk Russell to start the football program.
• Began the tradition of the annual holiday tree-planting ceremony.
• Currently a professor at Florida State University in the Learning Systems Institute.
• Lecturing tonight at 7 p.m. in Russell Union Theater.

GSU holds vigil for slain at VT

Last Monday, a tragic shooting at Virginia Tech shocked the nation. We covered the event and its effects in the Georgia Southern. Students met to pay tribute to the lost and those remaining.

On Thursday, a candlelight vigil was held at the Rotunda to honor the victims of the shooting. The following is a list of the Hokies who lost their lives on April 16.

Emily Jane Hilscher
Ryan Christopher "Stack" Clark
Livia Librescu
Minal Hiralal Panchal
G.V. Loganathan
Brian Roy Bluhm
Matthew Gregory Gwaltney
Jeremy Michael Herbstritt
Jarrett Lee Lane
Partahi Mamora Halomoan
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Daniel Patrick O'Neil
Juan Ramon Ortiz-Ortiz
Julia Kathleen Pryde
Waleed Mahamed Shaalan
Christopher James "Jamie" Bishop
Lauren Ashley McCain
Michael Steven Pohle, Jr.
Maxine Shelly Turner
Nicole Regina White
Jocelyne Couture-Nowak
Ross Abdallah Alameddine

Austin Michelle Cloyd
Caitlin Millar Hammaren
Rachael Elizabeth Hill
Matthew Joseph La Porte
Henry J. Lee
Daniel Alejandro Perez Cueva
Erin Nicole Peterson
Mary Karen Read
Reema Joesph Samaha
Leslie Geraldine Sherman
Kevin Granata

Internships are gateway to career

By Juliet Macdonald
Staff Writer

College students across the nation can now be guaranteed an internship as long as they are willing to pay big bucks for it.

Students highly desired internships because they realize that the job market is starting to demand it.

"Many employers are looking for students who have completed more than one internship before graduating," said Wallace Brown, experiential education coordinator at Georgia Southern's Career Services.

"If you want to make yourself more marketable and competitive, an internship is necessary," said Brown.

Students can now pay for an internship opportunity through a few different programs.

The University of Dreams offers summer internships in cities including New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Chicago, London and Barcelona.

The internship packages include housing, meals, seminars and organized activities but come at a high price ranging from \$6,500 to \$9,000.

According to their Web site, www.internprograms.com, they have a 99 percent placement rate. If you happen to not get an internship, the University of Dreams will refund

your money.

Jennifer Maddox, a senior journalism major, said she would definitely pay for an internship. "It would be worth it for sure," said Maddox.

Depending on the programs, there are less expensive internship services out there for students to choose from.

However, most internships are still attainable without having to pay for them.

"If you start early enough, everyone has an opportunity for an internship, but it really depends on how much effort the students put into it," said Brown.

Unlike the University of Dreams, looking for an internship without paying for it does not come with a guarantee.

"Applying for internships is a process and it requires the same skill necessary when looking for a real job," said Brown. "You don't have to do it on your own though; there are things there to help you like Career Services."

Brown also said that it takes a while to look for that dream internship. Especially if you don't plan on paying for your internship, start your search earlier and give yourself plenty of time.

"If you are looking for a summer internship, you need to start as early as fall semester," said Brown.

Pill popular



Pressure to diet heavy on college campuses

By Amy McIntyre
Assistant News Editor

Summer break will be here in less than two weeks, which means people will be hitting the beaches and the pools. Many are heading back to the RAC or saying no to sweets shedding unwanted pounds before hitting the beach. The pressure to be thin hits heavy during the summer and that pressure can be a constant, especially on college campuses.

A study conducted by health professionals out of East Carolina University and subsequently published in the Nutritional Journal stated that girls especially are more likely to struggle with weight issues, often seeking to lose weight by participating in unhealthy dieting and exercising practices.

Sophomore Laura Dent said, "I feel that media especially influences us to be a certain size. We all go up to the RAC because we are very body-conscious."

Many people take steps other than exercising to



lose weight. Among those practices used to lose weight, like restricting food, is taking diet pills. According to the study, nearly 26 percent of females surveyed use diet pills to lose weight.

Most diet pills are over the counter, able to be accessed easily. Common over the counter diet pills identified in the Nutritional Journal are Hydroxycut, Stacker II, Xenadrine, CortiSlim, Trim

Spa and Hot Rox. These diet pills often pose serious health risks to individuals by using dangerous combination of certain ingredients.

According to Weight Loss Resources online, before 2004, most diet pills contained an ingredient known as ephedra. Ephedra was outlawed by the Food and Drug Administration because it was linked to psychiatric problems as well as heart attacks and strokes.

Jayne Allen, a certified dietician, said, "Most diet pills are amphetamines, increasing the blood pressure so high that a blood vessel ruptures in the brain, causing strokes."

The lure of diet pills often lies in the fact that they promise quick weight loss. Registered Dietician Sue Mah said the weight loss is not permanent because it is usually achieved through the loss of water and muscle mass, because the pills are acting as diuretics and laxatives. Mah says the combination of drugs in diet pills can act to cause dizziness, tremors, headaches, irregular heartbeats, and even heart attacks.



Coach Hatcher discusses a few last minute things before Saturday's blue and white game. Jamie Tuten/STAFF

BLUE & WHITE

FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT

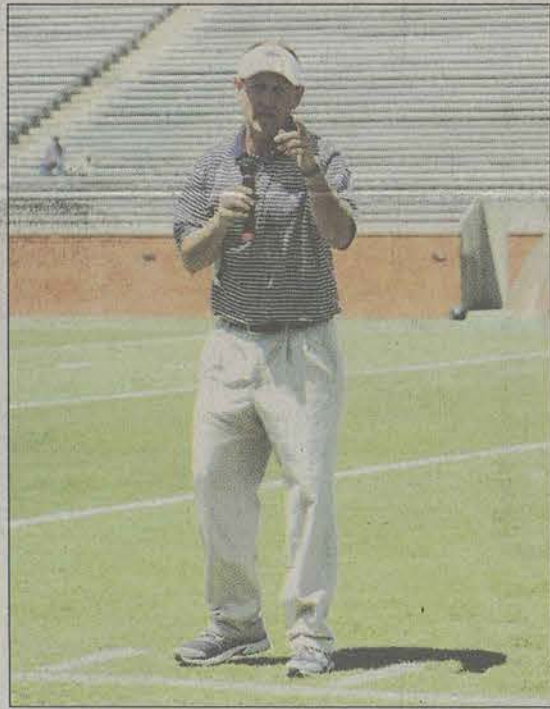
Scrimmage game brings out the best of the second string players

This past weekend, Georgia Southern's football team held their annual blue & white game. Led by quarterback Kyle Collins, the White came out on top with a 17 to 7 lead. This year has brought many reasons to celebrate tradition on the GSU campus. From the Centennial celebration

at Sweetheart Circle to this fall's centennial homecoming, GSU will continue to celebrate its 100 years of tradition. In the wake of the Virginia Tech massacre, GSU and other universities will recognize the need of creating and holding on to those memories that help to overcome troubled times.



Brandon Terry, 5, breaks away on a punt return. Jamie Tuten/STAFF



Jared Siri/STAFF
Coach Hatcher speaks to the fans during half-time of Saturday's game.



Jared Siri/STAFF
Justin Callaway, 50, and David Morris, 58, take a break in between plays.



Georgia Southern lines up at the line of scrimmage to start Saturday's blue and white game. Jared Siri/STAFF

CALENDAR

Tuesday, April 24

5 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Pursuing a Promise pt. 2
Russell Union Theatre

6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Habitat for humanity
Russell Union 2052

7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Wind ensemble
PAC

8 p.m. - 10 p.m.
The Plug
IT Auditorium 1004

8 p.m. - 9 p.m.
Brad Paisley volunteer meet
Russell Union Ballroom

9 p.m. - 11 p.m.
Swing cats
Williams Center Dining Hall

POLICE BEAT

04-22-2007

Efe Alyanak, 20, of Gainesville, Ga., was charged with DUI and obstruction of an officer.

A Southern Pines resident reported receiving threatening phone calls.

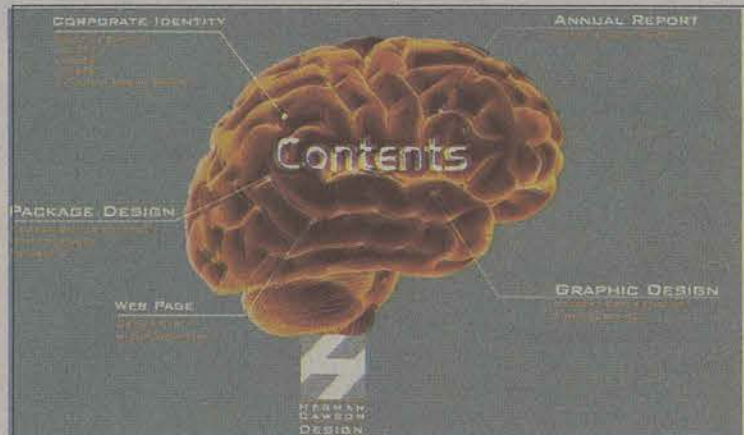
A vehicle was taken from the Olliff Hall parking lot and later recovered at Players Club Apartments.

04-21-2007

A suspicious person was reported at J.I. Clements Stadium.

04-18-2007

Alton Lynell Johnson, 19, of Atlanta, was charged with possession of marijuana and wanted person.



Special Photo

Graphic design students will reveal their final portfolios this Friday.

'Portfolio reveal' to show off best designs

GSU News Service

Portfolio Reveal, the second annual exhibition featuring the work of senior graphic design majors in the Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art, will be held in the Arts Building Friday, April 27. The department will host a reception for the artists from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

During the all-day exhibition, 27 students will display individual portfolios consisting of work designed over the course of their studies as well as any freelance work they have produced.

As a preliminary to the exhibition, the students met individually with three creative directors from the field who have provided career counsel as well as reviewed their portfolios offering advice on their work.

Most portfolios will include a range of design collateral including branding, publication design, Web design, advertising, product packaging, event posters, information design, and icon and sign systems.

For more information, visit <http://class.georgiasouthern.edu/art> or call 912-871-1712.

Lecture to shed light on Mexico

By Michael Burnside
Staff Writer

The Native American Student Organization (NASO) will host a presentation about the indigenous people of Mexico tomorrow at 7 p.m. in Russell Union 2048.

The lecture aims to educate Georgia Southern students and to raise awareness about the culture and the problems faced by the indigenous people in Mexico.

The presentation will be delivered

by Matthew Walker, a senior who has studied in Mexico at the University of Vera Cruz. His first hand experience with the minorities inspires him.

"I want to educate and share my experience of what I have learned in Mexico about the indigenous people," said Walker.

He hopes to shed light on groups of people that have often been overlooked. He feels that there is a "lack of awareness because it is not explicitly taught in the history and culture classes."

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May 4 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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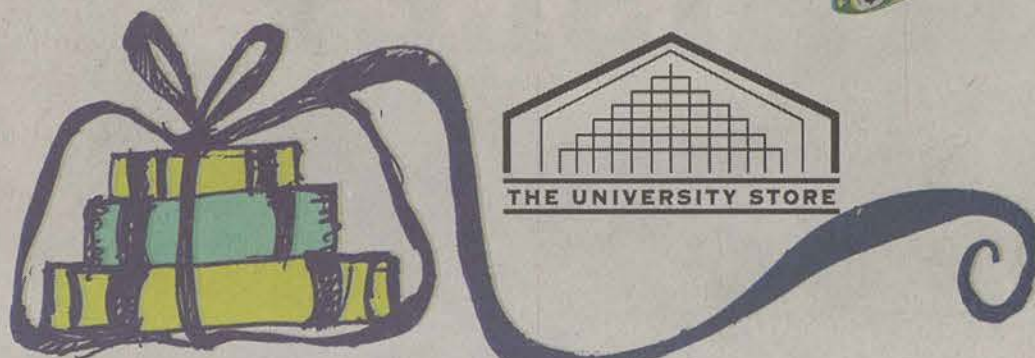
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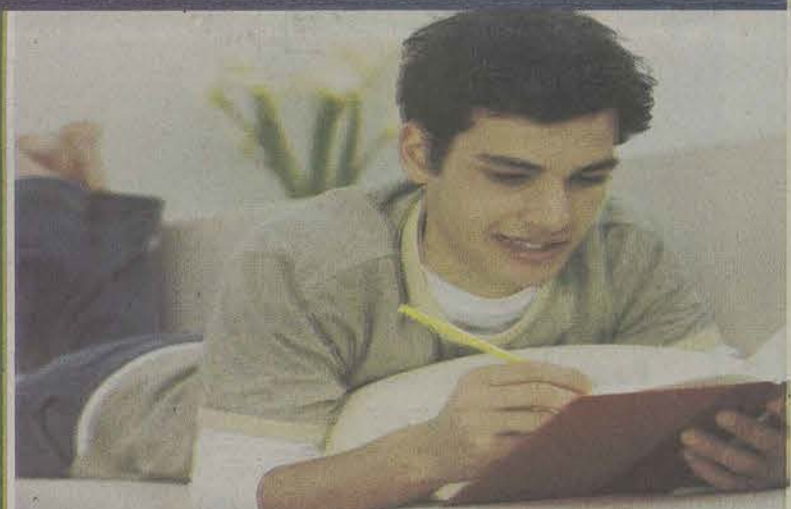
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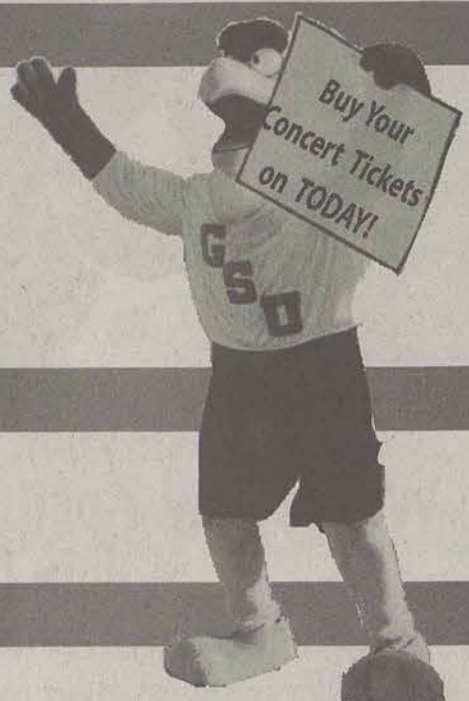


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8pm - Russell Union Theatre - Eagle Entertainment Movie "Stomp The Yard"
ADMISSION \$2

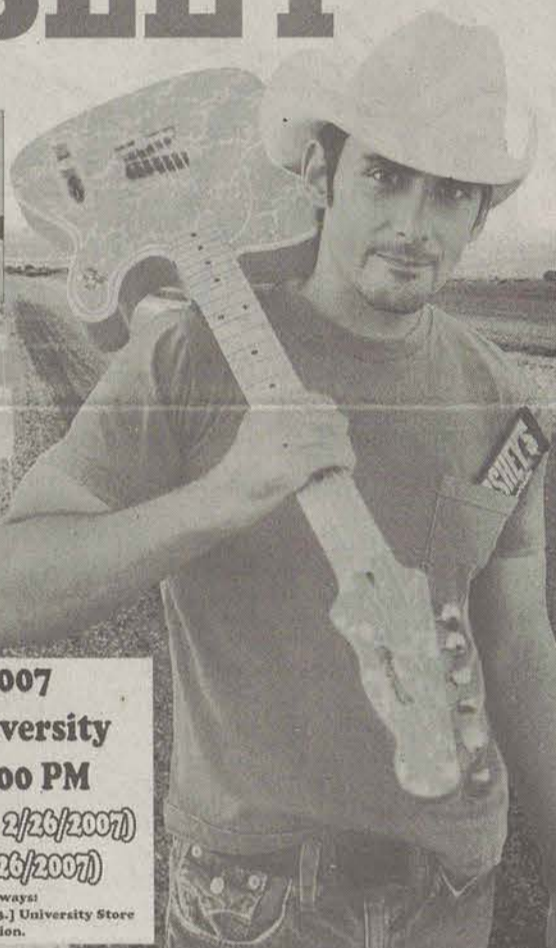
April 27th, 2007

8pm - Paulson Stadium - Hershey's Presents: BRAD PAISLEY Bonfires & Amplifiers Tour 2007 CONCERT with opening acts Jack Ingram, Kellie Pickler and Taylor Swift

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Ongoing/Upcoming Opportunities

University Housing is seeking male candidates for Resident Advisor positions for Fall 2007. Applications can be found online at - www.gsuhousing.com

The Office of Volunteer Services is collecting old athletic shoes to be recycled in the Nike Reuse-A-Shoe program. The shoes will be recycled into athletic courts and fields for low-income communities. Now until April 27th. Drop off at any location at -RAC, Olliff, Kennedy, Southern Pines, and Winburn. Contact Jennifer Vickery at 912-871-1435 with any questions.

Important Dates and Deadlines

April 30	Last day of classes	May 24	Evening Session
May 1-4	Final exams	May 28	Mid-term grades for freshmen due, Term A
May 4	Deadline to submit final verified (approved) electronic theses or dissertations to College of Graduate Studies	May 29	Memorial Day - Administrative offices closed - No classes
May 4	Final date for graduate and undergraduate students to apply for Summer 2007 graduation	May 29	Classes begin for College of Education Graduate Session
May 5	Residence halls close, 12:00 noon	May 29-30	Fee payment deadline for registration or changing registration during Drop/Add period
May 5	Commencement	June 1	Drop/Add College of Education Graduate Session
May 6	Residence Halls close at 12:00 noon for students participating in Commencement activities (permission required)	June 1	Final deadline for international graduate students to apply for Fall 2007 admission
May 10	Employee Tuition Assistance Program Registration for Summer 2007, via the web beginning at 3:30 p.m.	June 1	Last day to withdraw without academic penalty, Term A
May 4	Final date for graduate and undergraduate students to apply for Summer 2007 graduation	June 1	Mid-term grades for freshmen due, Long Term
May 10	Employee Tuition Assistance Program Registration for Summer 2007, via the web beginning at 3:30 p.m.	June 6	Attendance Verification Deadline for College of Education Graduate Session
May 10	Academic Standards Committee meeting, 10:00 a.m.	June 8	Last day to withdraw without academic penalty, College of Business Administration Graduate Evening Session
May 13	Residence hall check-in, 1:00 p.m. in the Residence Halls	June 14	Classes end for Term A
May 14	Academic Standards Committee meeting, 10:00 a.m.	June 15	Last day to withdraw without academic penalty, Long Term
May 14	New Student Orientation and Registration, Russell Union, 8:00 a.m. NOTE: Enrolled and former students should refer to WINCS (http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/registrar) for specific registration times.	June 15	Term A exams
May 15	Fee payment deadline for Summer Semester 2007 (First Day of University Classes)	June 15	Final exams for Evening classes, Term A, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
May 15	Classes begin for Long Term, Term A, and College of Business Administration Graduate Evening Session	June 15	Academic Standards Committee meeting, 2:00 p.m.
May 15-18	Drop/Add	June 16	Residence halls close at 12:00 noon for students attending Term A
May 18	Deadline for M.Ed. students to register to take the comprehensive exam during Summer	June 17	Residence hall check-in for Term B at 1:00 p.m. in the Residence Halls
May 22	Attendance Verification Deadline, Classes starting May 15-18, Long Term, Term A and College of Business Graduate	June 18	Classes begin for Term B
		June 18	Final date to hold terminal or comprehensive examination, theses or dissertation defense for Summer graduates
		June 18-19	Drop/Add, Term B
		June 20	Last day to withdraw without academic penalty, College of Education Graduate Session
		June 25	Deadline to submit electronic theses and dissertations to College of Graduate Studies for final format review

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NATIONAL POLITICS

The Bush administration and reproductive issues

Events limiting a woman's access to reproductive health since George W. Bush took office in January 2001:

- 2001**
Jan. 22 Bush restores rule that bans foreign groups receiving U.S. aid from providing abortion services
- April 9** Contraceptive coverage for federal workers cut from budget; Congress later restores it
- May-Sept.** Bush names seven anti-abortion U.S. Court of Appeals nominees
- 2002**
July 22 Bush bars \$34 million from U.N. Population Fund (also bars funds 2003-2005)
- Aug. 2** Bush withholds \$200 million Congress had approved for HIV/AIDS and women's programs in Afghanistan
- Nov. 2** Bush administration reverses U.S. position supporting 1994 global family planning pact
- Dec. 24** Bush appoints physician opposed to giving unmarried women birth control to FDA panel on reproductive health drugs
- 2003**
Nov. 5 Bush signs so-called "partial-birth abortion" law banning late-term abortions
- 2004**
Feb. 10 Justice Dept. demands some hospitals turn over patient medical records on certain abortions
- April 1** Bush signs Unborn Victims of Violence Act into law, giving embryo or fetus legal rights
- May 6** FDA denies over-the-counter contraceptive
- June-Sept.** Three federal judges strike down 2003 federal abortion law; Justice Dept. appeals
- 2005**
Aug. 31 FDA Director of Office of Women's Health resigns in protest over Plan B OTC denial
- 2006**
Jan. 31 Samuel Alito confirmed to U.S. Supreme Court; women's rights groups criticize appointment
- Aug. 24** FDA approves OTC sales of Plan B for women 18 and older
- 2007**
April 18 Supreme Court says Constitution permits ban on specific abortion method; 2003 law stands

Source: Planned Parenthood of America

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The Supreme Court has shed its liberal leanings

McClatchy Newspapers

There seems to be a new Supreme Court in town.

Last week's ruling banning partial-birth abortions, revealed it. Coming up next, campaign reform will further clarify how President Bush's conservative appointments and the departure of former Associate Justice Sandra Day O'Connor have reshaped the Court.

"There's a seismic shift taking place," said Nan Aron, president of the liberal Alliance for Justice. "(The justices) have done nothing to disappoint President Bush."

On Wednesday, the Court returns

to a campaign reform battleground last visited in 2004 when O'Connor was still serving on the bench. At that time, the centrist O'Connor was crucial in upholding a campaign reform law that restricted pre-election ads funded by unions and corporations.

Now, Wisconsin Right to Life is challenging those advertising restrictions as an infringement on free speech. Oral arguments Wednesday will give O'Connor's replacement, Associate Justice Samuel Alito Jr., a chance to tip his own hand.

Although some of Alito's conservative allies denounce campaign finance reform efforts that appear to restrict

political speech, his own views appear to be a work in progress.

The phrase "campaign finance" only appears once in the 1,598-page transcript of Alito's Senate confirmation hearings in January 2006. The word "abortion," by contrast, appears 152 times.

"I have no idea where Justice Alito stands," said attorney Eric Jaffe, who wrote an amicus brief on behalf of the Cato Institute and other groups opposed to ad restrictions, but "even the existence of uncertainty leads to hope." Already, Alito has shown what new faces can mean on a nine-member court.

QUICK, WHAT'S NEW

McClatchy Newspapers

U.S. reconsidering plan to wall off Baghdad neighborhoods

The future of a U.S. military plan to erect concrete walls around Baghdad neighborhoods was in doubt Monday amid a growing outcry from Iraqis who said the barriers would fuel sectarian discord.

A day after Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki ordered a halt to the construction of a 12-foot wall

that would separate Sunni Muslims from Shiite Muslims in the northern Adhemiya neighborhood, American officials said they'd reconsider plans for that barrier and several others in Baghdad. But they dodged questions over whether the construction would stop, and an Iraqi military official said it would continue.

Classes resume at Virginia Tech

One week after a gunman killed more than 30 people on the Virginia Tech campus, classes resumed yesterday.

Congress weighs mass killings

Proponents have been pushing for years for a congressional resolution declaring the killing of Armenians by the Turks a genocide.

But political developments make it more likely that it will actually pass this year.

Peru, others up Free Trade efforts

As crunch time nears, Peru, Colombia and Panama have embarked on a nearly unprecedented lobbying effort to salvage their free trade agreements with Washington.

Peruvian President Alan Garcia is attempting to charm U.S. lawmakers on a two-day visit to Washington that began Monday. Next week, Colombia's embattled President Alvaro Uribe will make the rounds — his 10th trip to Washington since being elected in 2002. Panama is sending Foreign Minister Samuel Lewis Navarro shortly afterward.

Congress to call for military troop withdrawal beginning in October

Congress this week will send a bill to President Bush that calls for withdrawal of most American combat forces from Iraq beginning Oct. 1, with a non-binding end goal of April 1, 2008. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid said Monday.

President Bush is expected to veto it, but Democrats say they'll keep up pressure to reshape Iraq policy.

The plan from the Democratic-controlled Congress calls for leaving some American forces in or near Iraq to conduct targeted counter-terrorism attacks and train and equip Iraqi forces; international diplomacy to bring Iraqi factions to negotiations; and holding the Iraq government to deadlines for progress on political reforms.

Supreme Court considers case involving searches of passengers

A routine traffic stop in California's rural Central Valley six years ago yielded drugs, arrests and a constitutional conundrum that finally reached the Supreme Court on Monday.

Passengers should be heeding this

case. Police definitely are. For the first time, the Supreme Court will be deciding whether the Fourth Amendment's protections against illegal search and seizures cover passengers in a car stopped by law enforcement.



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Special Photo

Several Delta Tau Delta members at the charter celebration at the Russell Union.

Delta Tau Delta receives charter

By Amy McIntyre
Assistant News Editor

The Delta Tau Delta fraternity received its charter from its national organization on April 14.

Previously, the fraternity had operated as a colony and was notified about a month ago that they would become the official Epsilon Omega chapter of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity.

The Deltas celebrated and invited Joy Hamm, director of Greek life, and a national representative from Delta Tau Delta.

"We are glad to have Delta Tau Delta back on the campus, and I am proud of their commitment to community service, recruitment, and academics on campus," said Hamm.

The Delta Tau Delta fraternity was previously established on campus from 1968 until 2001 when the national organization was forced to close the Delta Tau Delta fraternity on the Georgia Southern campus due to low recruiting numbers, according to current Delta Tau Delta President

Joseph Law.

"In March of 2006, we set up a colony and filed a petition to receive our charter from the national organization. We had one of the shortest waiting periods for a charter, the whole process taking only 13 months," said Law.

Law attributed receiving the charter in such a comparatively short period of time to the dedication of the guys who set up the colony in March of 2006.

"Through our community service and recruitment efforts along with the help of Delta Tau Delta alumni, we have been able to watch the fraternity grow from the original 17 guys who set up the fraternity to forty-two members. All of work culminated in becoming a chartered member," said Law.

Hamm said that she is glad to watch fraternities grow on campus.

According to her, Delta Chi and Delta Sigma Phi are fraternity colonies on campus who have not received a charter from their respective national fraternity organizations.

Kappas kick off 'Kountdown'

By Angela S. Byrd
Staff writer

The countdown has begun! The brothers of the Omicron Phi chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated kicked off a week of events titled "The Kountdown: A Komplete Kampus EradiKation," on Sunday by inviting students and the community to attend a worship service at the Agape Worship Center.

"Kones, Kisses, and Kondoms" was held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, where the fraternity served the students ice cream cones, Hershey kisses and promoted the awareness of safe sex by providing the campus community with free condoms.

Later that evening, the fraternity hosted a "Happy Hour" at Moe's Restaurant, followed by a Business Forum in the Russell Union at 7 p.m.

Fraternity member, Curtis Williams, feels that the week-long

line up of events covers a variety of aspects on campus to appeal to all students at Georgia Southern.

"This week is only the beginning for our fraternity and how much of an impact we are striving to make on campus. We wanted to emphasize the fact that it is literally a countdown from this week until the end of the semester," said Williams.

"We carefully planned events for this week so that the students would have an equal balance between social activities, community service, education and awareness before the week of finals."

On Tuesday, the fraternity will host a "Klothes and Kans" food drive from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Russell Union Commons area.

Featured speaker, Dale Lick, a former president of GSU, will present a lecture on the early involvement and role of African American students on campus in the Russell

Union Theatre at 7 p.m.

Following the lecture, an open mic night titled K.L.A.S.S. will take place at Oasis at 8 p.m.

Williams also discussed the importance of the role of Greeks on campus.

"From leadership seminars, guest speakers, community service, and even the social events, we are illustrating to the campus that there is much more to Greek life than just wearing paraphernalia...but that it is also about service, being involved, and giving back," said Williams.

On Wednesday, the members of the fraternity will host "Real Men Read," a reading session from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Langston Chapel Elementary School, followed by a leadership seminar for students at the Russell Union from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

"Kappa Kleep" and auction will take place at Turtles Restaurant at 10 p.m. Proceeds from the auction will benefit a local charity.

Much work has gone into planning this week of activities, and Williams stresses the importance of making sure that the students enjoy themselves.

"We have all put in a lot of work in planning for this week and wish that everyone takes part in the many events that will be occurring and enjoy themselves as well," said Williams.

Highlights later in the week include a step show at Statesboro High School on Thursday at 6 p.m. On Friday, the "Kappa Kool Off," a pool party and cookout will take place at Campus Club at 2 p.m., followed by the "Krucial Konfrontation" party at Club Jacksons at 10 p.m.

On Saturday, the Kappas will host a car wash at McDonald's on Northside Drive at 1 p.m.

The most anticipated event of the week for the fraternity, the "Klassik Kabaret," will be held at Southern Links Golf Club at 10 p.m.

This year's theme is a "Red and Black Affair." Tickets are \$8 in advance and are on sale this week in the Russell Union.

"The Kountdown" event highlights

• Today, "Klothes and Kans" food drive from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Russell Union Commons area.

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SPORTS

Who's **HOT**

GSU Track and Field: The program won its first ever Southern Conference Outdoor Championship and brought home many honors. Senior Nicole Brown was named the SoCon Track Athlete of the Year, freshman Jessica Irizarry was named Freshman of the Year and head coach Natalie Smith was named Coach of the Year.

Who's **NOT**

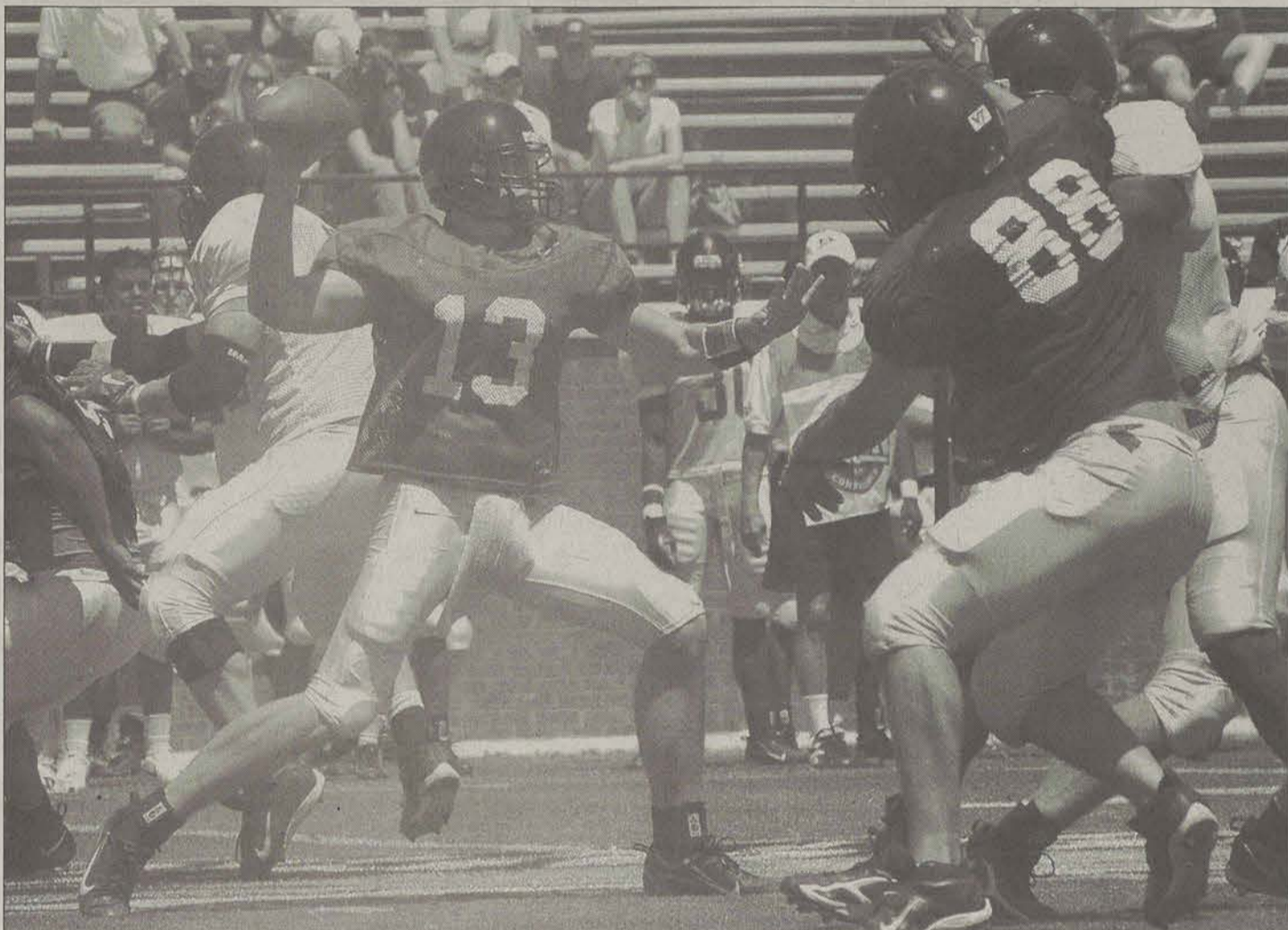
NHL: The Atlanta Thrashers. After winning the Southern Conference regular season title, the third ranked Thrashers were swept in the first round by the six seed New York Rangers, including a 7-0 shut-out loss in game three.



"I thought the defense - especially the first unit - was the best they've played all spring."

-Coach Chris Hatcher

PICTURE PERFECT



Jared Siri/STAFF

TOP: The White squad celebrates after a touchdown catch by freshman Steve Cundari. Cundari caught both of the White squad's touchdown scores. MIDDLE: Freshman Kyle Collins prepares to throw to a wide receiver down field. Collins threw for 300 yards without an interception.

Future shows promise after White team victory

By Lelan Washington
Staff Writer

It was evaluation time as the Blue and White game commenced on Saturday through a gorgeous afternoon at Paulson.

There were 5,400 in attendance watching but it was the coaches eyes the players were trying to catch as they faced off in a live scrimmage.

The White team had a real successful first quarter where QB Kyle Collins was on top of things as he completed 10 of 18 for 152 yards. He hooked up with receiver Raja Andrews, who had four touches in the first, for a 36 yarder from the 14 yard line.

The Blue team didn't have much luck in the first as they could only rush for 21 and pass for 11 amounting to 32 yards of total offense, not to mention a 15 yard penalty.

But for both sides it was the

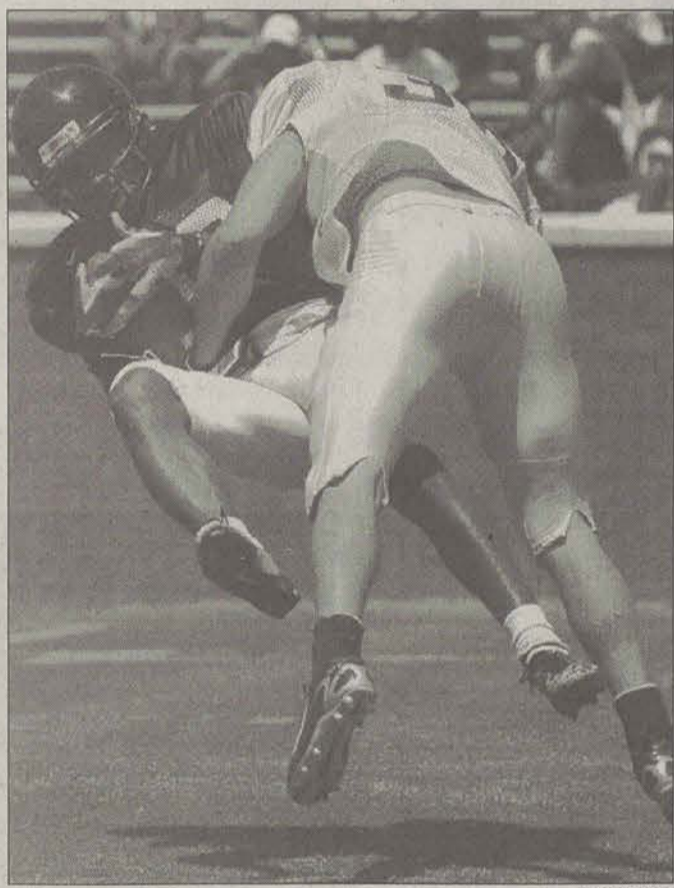
defense: despite the 164 yard total offense by the White they only managed to lead the Blue 3-0 off of the foot of Patrick Bolen for a 22 yard field goal.

However, the Blue team would respond in the second quarter with 212 total offense rushing for 95 yards and passing another 117.

After a negative total rushing in the first, running back Lamar Lewis was looking for redemption going 4 for 68 and one six yard touchdown that he scored turning the corner off a toss and blasting his way across the goal line to put the Blue up 7-3.

DB Brandon Echols made the cut after he stole a pass and took it the other way for 18 yards. The White team went to the locker room down by four but ready to prove that's not

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Freshman defensive back Evan Mattingly pummels senior wide receiver Irving Campbell after Campbell catches the ball.

BLUE AND WHITE REPORT CARD

Mike Anthony
Staff writer

Well Eagle fans, Statesboro's second favorite sporting season of the year, spring football, has come to a close. Georgia Southern wrapped up spring practices last Saturday with the Annual Blue and White game, where the White Team was able to prevail with a 17-7 victory.

With Eagle football adjusting to its second head coach and offensive scheme in as many years, interest was abound on Saturday as over 5000 Eagle faithful showed up to see what is in store for the coming season.

The results can best be described as mixed, yet still encouraging.

First, the positives. While obviously not in total command of the new offensive game plan, both teams did look comfortable in executing the called plays. This is a big plus as last year's team, despite evident talent, seemed out of rhythm at crucial times during a few of their games. Another encouraging sight was the play of newcomers. Two names in particular were redshirt freshmen Kyle Collins and Steve Cundari, both of whom will be discussed later.

There were, of course, some negatives as well. Turnovers were the biggest concern of the day as the teams combined to commit four fumbles and an interception. While some of this can be attributed to miscommunication or simply trying too hard to make a good impression, turnovers are something that nobody wants to see, even when the game doesn't count. Another sore spot for the Eagles, which continues a two year trend, was the field goal unit. Georgia Southern went just 1 for 3 on field goal attempts on Saturday, despite all three attempts coming from 42 yards or closer.

Here are some breakdowns on a few key positions.

QUARTERBACKS (A-)

Saturday made it clear that new head coach, Chris Hatcher has no reservations about airing it out. The teams combined for 84 pass attempts, of which the Eagle faithful were delighted to see 46 of them completed. Travis Clark, who returns as last year's starter, looked more comfortable in the pocket than he did last year. Even more impressive was Collins, who repeatedly found holes in the zone and showed the ability to throw long in going for 300 yards.

RUNNING BACKS (B)

Lamar Lewis and Jayson Foster, who look to split time in the backfield, with Foster also lining up at receiver, both had their ups and downs. While neither racked up big yards, both showed their big play ability, finding holes and baffling tacklers in the open field. Also of note was Ronnie Wiggins, who went for 68 yards and displayed some good downfield running.

WIDE RECEIVERS (A)

By far the most impressive group on the day. Cundari, along with Raja Andrews, Chris Ashkouti and Irving Campbell, all racked up over 70 yards receiving and showed great hands and better route running as compared to last year's receiving corps.

O-LINE (B-)

Still a question mark, as a total of five sacks were allowed. However, with more overall size and better depth this season, there looks to be more potential for the offensive line, as well as more time for the quarterback whom they'll be protecting.

D-LINE (B)

If you want to count those sacks against the O-line, then you've got to credit the D-line for doing their job as well. They will have to regroup after losing the presence that was Charrod Taylor from last year's squad, but they look to be on the right track.

LINEBACKERS (C+)

Throughout spring practice, tackling was one of the biggest concerns of the coaching staff. The linebacking corps is also searching to find a replacement, in their case, for the departed John Mohring. A couple of new faces will have to step up this season.

SECONDARY (B-)

With Chris Griffin and Chris Rogers switching sides of the ball in the offseason, a good amount of talent and depth has been added. Combined with returning DB's such as Dedrick Bynum and Carson Hill, this group has the potential to be a force in the Southern Conference.

SPECIAL TEAMS (C)

2-2 on PAT's and averaging 41 yards per punt = good. 1-3 on field goals = bad. Not too much else to say about that.

Track and Field wins first SoCon Outdoor Championship



Special Photo

Senior Brittany Chase runs to complete her final lap. Chase finished third 100m hurdles in the SoCon championship.

GSU News Service

After finishing as the runner-up to Appalachian State for the past four years, Georgia Southern's track and field team finally achieved their first Southern Conference Outdoor Championship, accruing 223.5 points at the ASU Track at Kidd Brewer Stadium in Boone, N.C.

On Saturday, GSU had accumulated 47.5 points and finished the day in first place. Senior Nicole Brown had won the team's first title with a 20'5" Long Jump performance, while other members of the team secured seven top-three seeds (three first place) in five preliminary events.

Freshman Jessica Irizarry had also achieved a title for GSU on the first day, throwing the top distance of 134'4" in the javelin, however the results for the event were not announced until Sunday.

Opening day two of the championships, senior Lauren Jacobs, junior Serenity Thompson and freshman Melanie Trumbo dominated the Heptathlon event, coming in second (4390), third (4155) and fourth (4029), respectively.

In the 400m, senior Rashedah Arnold set a GSU record, clocking in at 54.84 and taking second place. Junior Carla Ballard crossed the finish line one second behind Arnold (55.84), claiming third. Ballard also had a top finish coming in at the runner-up spot in the 400m Hurdles, with a new career best of 1:01.56.

Senior Brittany Chase and junior Amber Wilson finished back-to-back in the 100m Hurdles, with Chase obtaining a third title for the Eagles (13.92) and Wilson coming in second (14.08).

Resetting two of her own school records, Brown accumulated the

crown in the 100m with an NCAA Regional qualifying time of 11.51, and in the 200m, clocking in at 23.81. Her fourth and final title was secured with a 42'5.5" Triple Jump performance.

Brown was later joined by Arnold, Ballard and newcomer Shauntel Jennings to compete in the 4x400m Relay. After running a 3:41.68, the quadruple not only claimed first place, but also topped both the GSU and the Southern Conference record books in the event.

Other top-three Eagle finishers were junior Monique Pitts, who took second in the Discus (134'5") and senior Emily Greeson with a Shot Put distance of 43'11.75", obtaining third. Arnold, Brown, junior Shamyria Ortiz and sophomore Tierra Watts came in second in the 4x100m Relay with a time of 46.03.

All in all, GSU accumulated seven titles (six individual, one relay), set

five school records, set a Southern Conference record, achieved 14 career bests, named 13 individuals to the All-Conference list, Irizarry was named SoCon Freshman of the Year, Brown received the Track Athlete of the Year award and head coach Natalie Smith was honored as the 2007 Women's Coach of the Year.

"I have never wanted something as bad, as I wanted the title for this team," said Smith. "The girls have been going at it for two days. They laid it on the line, from start to finish, and there was no stopping them. They were true representatives of Georgia Southern and I'm so proud of them...What really put us ahead was that each one of these girls competed for each other pulling one another through. They were truly a team this weekend...This experience was truly a blessing and thank God for it."

White

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going to do it.

In the second half Chris Collier, Drew Glenn, and Chris Rogers of the Blue team managed to force and recover three fumbles. But it was Steve Cundari for the White team who must have loved him some him.

After already pulling in 3 for 42 in the first half, he scored a 34 yard lunging catch into the endzone to put the White team ahead 10-7 in the third.

Then in the fourth he caught another pass over the middle in stride spinning off a defender to make it in for the score to finalize the lead 17-7.

Cundari is definitely pleased with his second touchdown reception he admits to having to tap the O button in order to score.

"All of us were out here making catches so we were trying to show off the new offense [called] the hatch attack," Cundari says. "We put in a new offense this spring. We're fine tuning some things. But it worked out for all of us."

Jason Foster for the blue team was all over the field at receiver, running back and quarterback. He ended the game with 13 receiving yards, 12 rushing and 49 through the air. He prefers the receiver spot though because of the new offense.

"We're throwing the ball more," he said. "I get plays designed for me so it's a better spot for me. We were down a few QBs so I had to take some reps just to fill in."

QB Kyle Collins for the White team left the field with 300 passing yards on 24 of 47 attempts.

"It was about showing the coaches what I could do," said Collins, "put some things together.

Spring's about evaluation so I was showing my stuff."

New head coach Chris Hatcher made his remarks on the day.

"We found some guys today here at Paulson Stadium that stepped it up and we found some guys that might not play quite as well when the lights are turned on. It was a great day for us, we didn't get anybody hurt and I thought we had a really good ballgame," said Hatcher. "I thought the defense - especially the first unit - that was the best they've played all spring. They played hard and ran around well... that's probably the biggest positive that I can take from today's scrimmage."

With evaluations over with the coaches are going to be able to narrow down what 11 piece combo is best for offense and which is best for defense. Be ready to see those combos next season which starts at home September 8 against West Georgia.



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Senior outfielder Chris Hollis dives to catch a ball to prevent the base hit. With the recent wins over Appalachian State, the Eagles have improved to 22-22 overall and 5-10 in SoCon play.

Baseball steals weekend series from Mountaineers

GSU News Service

The Georgia Southern baseball team overcame an eight-run deficit scoring 15 unanswered runs to take the third of a three-game series, 16-10, Sunday afternoon at Appalachian State's Smith Stadium.

The Eagles (22-22, 5-10 Southern Conference) edged the Mountaineers the day before with a 3-2 win. Sunday's win extends the win streak to two games.

Appalachian State falls to 22-19 overall and 9-9 in SoCon play with the loss.

The Mountaineers took an early 3-0 lead in the first before the Eagles got up on the scoreboard.

In the top of the second with Will Southwell and David Richardson on first and second, Brian Pierce singled to left field, sending Southwell home for the Eagles' first run.

But ASU fought back in the bottom of the same frame adding six runs, including a pair of home runs off the bats of David Rubinstein and Isaac Harrow, extending the lead to 9-1.

GSU battled back in the next inning, sending five Eagles across home plate. With Kyle Blackburn on first after a base on balls, and Jeremiah Parker on second and Matt Miller on third off a pair of singles, Chris Shehan sent Miller home on a single down the

left side. The bases were still loaded when Southwell hit a two RBI single up center field, sending Blackburn and Parker across the plate. Shehan scored the fourth run of the inning after advancing on a balk.

With a 3-2 count and just one down, Richardson hit a sacrifice fly to left field, sending home Southwell for the fifth run of the frame. The Eagles closed the gap to 9-6.

The Eagles added one more run in the fourth before adding five more in the sixth inning. With Pierce on second base, Miller singled up center field sending Pierce home for the seventh run. Chris Hollis scored from third thanks to Parker's sacrifice bunt. Blackburn hit a long shot out of the park, sending home Parker and Miller for a 12-9 lead. It was Blackburn's fifth home run of the season.

The Eagles kept the momentum going into the seventh frame, adding four more runs to the tally. Jeremy Beckham singled up the middle and scored thanks to Miller's RBI double down left center. Parker singled through the left side sending Miller home from second for GSU's 14th run. Blackburn hit a two-run shot over the left center wall, his second of the game and sixth of the season, to give the Eagles a 16-9 advantage.

"I'm just really proud of our guys," said head coach Rodney Hennon. "They found a way to battle back the last two days."

GSU took advantage of the deep bullpen with six different Eagles taking the mound on the afternoon. John Ducey was credited with the win (4-3), giving up one hit in 2 innings, while ASU relief Zach Quate was handed the loss (1-3).

"It would have been easy today, getting down 9-1 to pack up the tents and get ready to come home. But our kids kept playing hard and kept competing. Our bullpen gave us a big lift. Those guys came in and stepped up and gave our hitters an opportunity to scratch back into the game. We were fortunate to make some things happen and put together a couple big innings and win the ballgame."

The Mountaineers ended the Eagle offensive drive in the final frame when Jeremiah Faggart homered over the right center wall, but ASU couldn't close the gap.

The Eagles will have little time to rest as they return to J.I. Clements Stadium for an eight-game homestand starting Tuesday and Wednesday, April 24 and 25 versus Georgia State.

"We've been talking about climbing the ladder," added Hennon. "We took a couple of steps up the last two days. We've got a ways to go but we've got to keep working our way up. I'm proud of the way this team's competing. We've got some momentum and some confidence and we've got to carry that into the week ahead."

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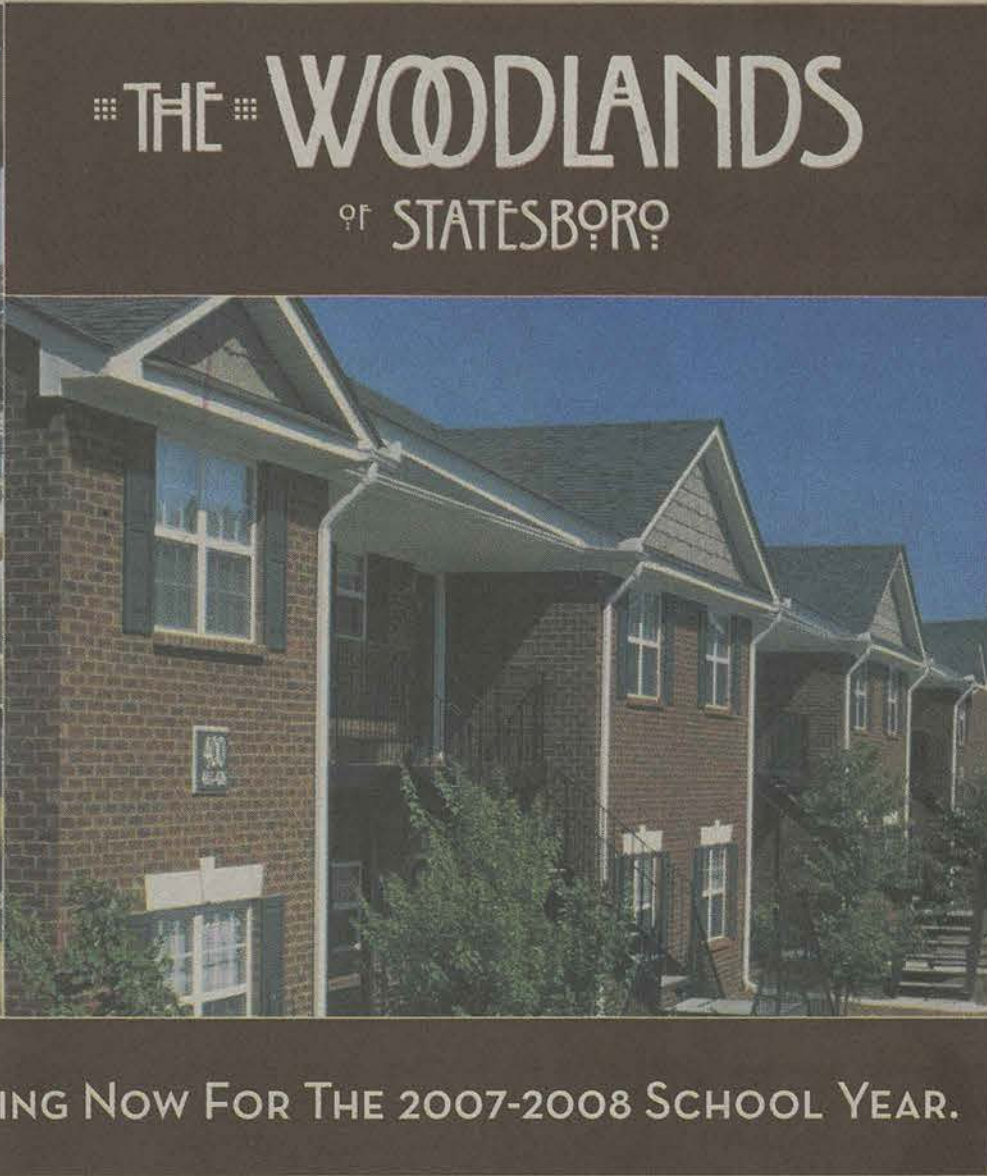
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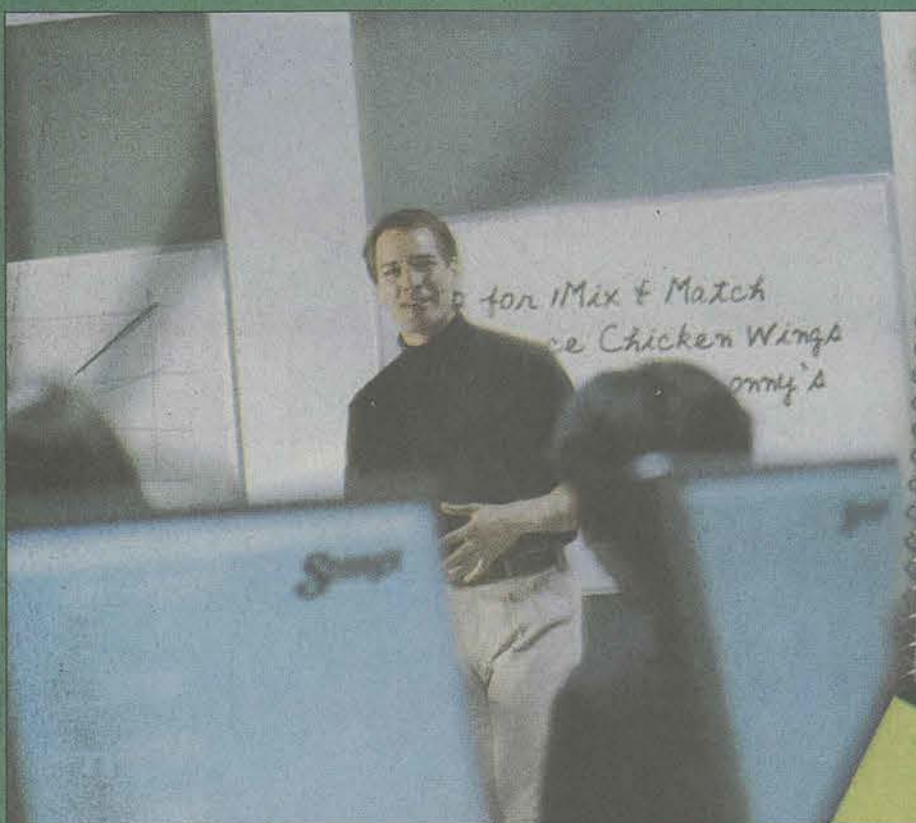
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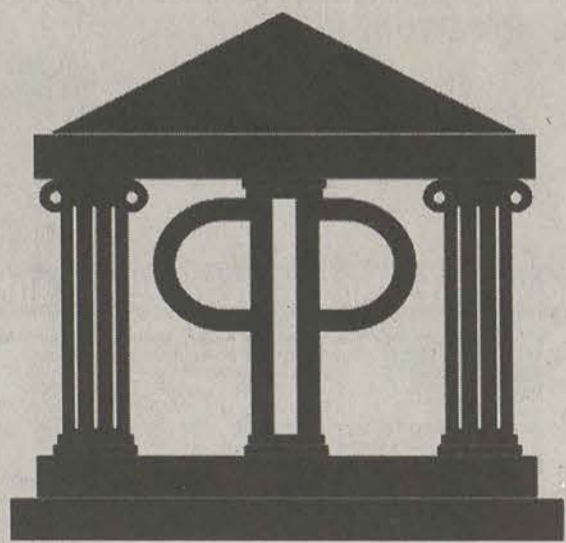
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