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# GEORGIE-ANNE DAILY

*GAMERS UNITE: HALO 3 FINALLY RELEASED*

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COVERING THE CAMPUS LIKE A SWARM OF GNATS

## GSU offers text messaging alert system

By Courtney Bihn / Staff writer

In response to the Virginia Tech massacre, as well as the recent Delaware State shooting, college campuses across the United States are finding ways to improve their emergency notification systems. Georgia Southern is one of many higher education institutions developing quicker methods to notify students in the event of a campus-wide crisis.

There are various means in which GSU students are alerted in the event of emergency weather, a chemical spill, the presence of an active shooter, or any other potentially dangerous occurrence.

"Once it has been determined by Senior Administrators that an emergency message needs to be sent out, designated personnel access the system via the computer and send out the necessary message campus-wide to all students that have signed up for the messaging service," said Laura McCullough, captain of GSU's public safety department.

Methods of contact include text messaging through the Emergency Text Messaging system, and e-mail messages sent out through the campus wide Eagle-gram network. In addition, university departments campus-wide can be contacted directly through the GSU Emergency channel, an emergency radio network monitored and administered through GSU department of public safety.

After incidents such as the DESU shooting, students are

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Will Adams/STAFF

The new emergency methods of contact include an emergency text messaging system, emails sent through the GSU campus-wide Eagle-gram network.

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# Georgia Southern welcomes new Chinese partner

By Elise Alls

Staff writer

The Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health at Georgia Southern has opened its doors and now shares a home with the International Chinese Statistical Association. Formerly a part of the International American Statistical Association, the ICSA is an organization that focuses on reaching a better understanding of statistical studies.

"[The ICSA] is just like the IASA, in that we have meetings and memberships," said Lili Yu, faculty advisor of the OICSA and assistant professor of biostatistics. "The ICSA makes an effort to bring statisticians, especially Chinese, together internationally to discuss the issues related to statistics."

The ICSA was officially founded at the 1987 Joint Statistical Meetings in San Francisco, California. The Association was registered in Delaware on August 8, 1988 as a non-profit organization. As of August 1, 2007 the College of Public Health will serve as the ICSA first and permanent central office location.

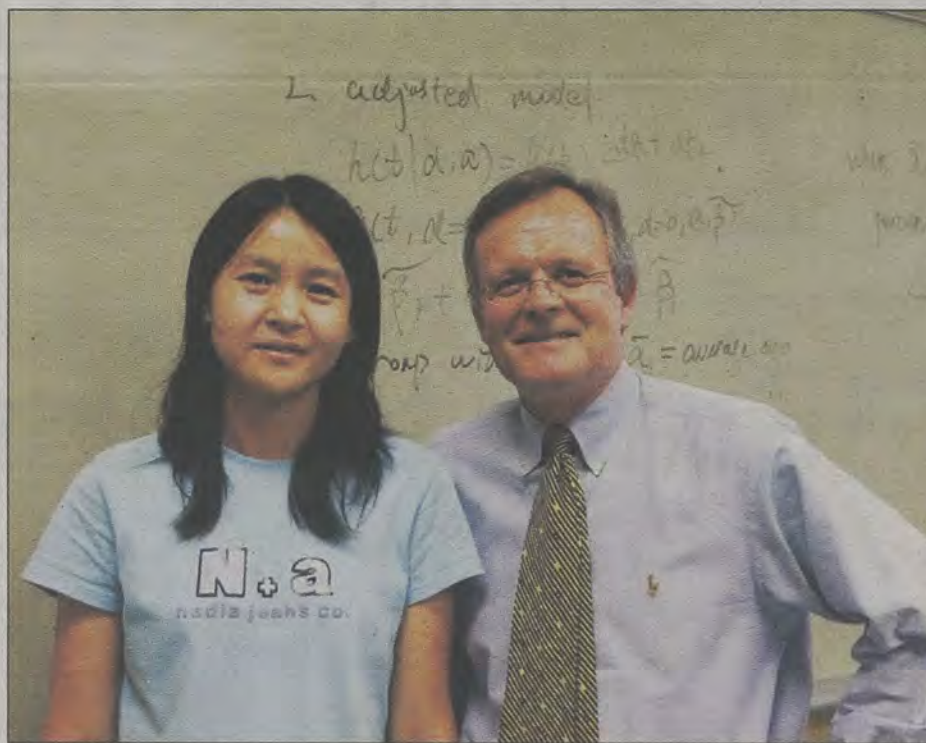
Functioning as the new home for the ICSA, the J.P. Hsu College of Public Health provides a

vital role in securing the identity of the 19-year-old organization. The relationship between the two has been in existence since the late Jiann-Ping Hsu, namesake of the College of Public Health, was a member of the ICSA in its early years.

Hsu's husband Karl E. Peace, professor of biostatistics, made a proposal in June 2006 to the board of directors of the ICSA that the central office be held in the College of Public Health. "The ICSA was very meaningful to my late wife as she was in fact one of the first [active members]," said Peace.

Many hope that by having the office located within the College of Public Health, positive recognition will begin to generate as well as act as an instrument in recruiting both students and faculty. The partnership has also been seen as a way to increase culturally diverse opportunities for public health students.

Membership in the ICSA is open to individual statisticians and organizations around the world. The ICSA holds an applied statistics symposium each year and an International Statistical Conference once every three years. For more information about the ICSA, visit <http://www.icsa.org/>.



Tao Ventre/STAFF

ICSA's Lili Yu (left) and Dean of College of Public Health Charles Hardy represent the partnership that is hoped to bring positive recognition to the program.

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## 'Halo' fever comes to town

By Elliot S. Volkman

Assistant news editor

"It's spreading like an infection over the entire U.S.," said game enthusiast and geology major Wesley Davis. A new virus hasn't hit home, but sure enough thousands of gamers did catch the Halo fever. Gamers around the U.S. lined up Monday night to get their hands on Halo 3.

As some may have noticed hours before the midnight release on Tuesday, hundreds of people lined up outside the Game Stop at the Statesboro Mall. Those who did not reserve a copy trickled into the Statesboro Wal-mart, amassing to around 200 people. Lines started to grow around 10 p.m. and by 11 p.m. the line tripled to 130 gamers.

"We usually only have 2 customers between 11 and 12 at night," said Wal-mart associate Zahra Moutabakkir.

Going through the line people spoke of what they knew and expected from the game, giving out each other's XBOX live gamer tags so they could play together. Through the conversations some spoke of how they had already had their hands on the game after noticing close to 7,000 users online, a small portion of the reported thousands of people who downloaded bootleg copies that were leaked.

"There were about 8,000 online at 12:30 a.m.

and at 1:30 there were 90,740 gamers," said gamer Craig Blumenfeld.

Aside from the astonishing numbers within almost an hour after the release, the scene inside Wal-mart did not compare to the lines created by Halo 2 or the World of Warcraft expansion.

"This is a limited line," said Moutabakkir. "For Halo 2 people camped out and for the WOW expansion there were at least 300 people."

Of the 200 copies Wal-mart received, most people who made it there before 11:30 p.m. obtained one of the first Halo 3 games. At a price of \$60 for the game alone and \$130 for the legendary edition, which includes Halo 3 memorabilia, Microsoft's first day sales are estimated to beat that of Spiderman 3's \$151 million.

"The security was rude to the customers, people borrowed a foldout chair and they told them to get off it or it would be reported as stolen," said one of the customers in line. Although this was the climax of any issues at Wal-mart, associates solved this by bringing out benches for the customers in line. However, with the huge lines at Gamestop local police made sure to keep the scene calm by having a few extra officers at the perimeter of the line.

As a gamer best explained the Halo 3 in one simple word, "Sweetness," GSU student Brandon Atkins will be one of thousands to first experience all it has to offer.





Tao Ventre/STAFF

From left: 'Death of Innocence' and 'Bloody Sunday Commemoration' by the Bogside Artists were just two of the murals on display at the GSU museum.

## 'From Protest to Peace' on display at GSU

By Lyndell Nelson

Staff writer

Georgia Southern offers its students many cultural and educational experiences. One of the latest is on display at the GSU museum. The newest exhibit, From Protest to Peace, is a collection of 11 reproduced murals by three talented artists known as the Bogside Artists.

Brothers Tom and William Kelley and Kevin Hasson make up the gifted group of artists who started their collection of murals in 1994 in their hometown of Derry, Ireland in response to social and political unrest. Curators Steve Engel and Bob Frigo felt that it was important to share the artists' story with others.

"Bogside is an area in Derry, the second largest city in Northern Ireland," said Frigo, assistant director of the university honors program. "For many years, Britain has been telling Ireland's history, and the artists use their murals as an opportunity to tell their own story."

Frigo worked with a professor in Northern Ireland to reproduce the murals for display. This exhibit has been in the works for over a year. Statesboro is only the first stop for the exhibit. According to the curators, several universities have expressed an interest in the exhibit once it closes at GSU next year.

The murals depict events from Northern Ireland's recent troubled history. The scenes portrayed in the murals range from troubled teens and the lack of civil rights to the prospect of peace. Each mural took several months to create and covers the sides of buildings that are several stories tall.

"Unless you visit Derry, you are not able to experience them," said Frigo.

Creating the exhibit was a collaborative effort that involved many students at GSU. Students

in Engel's Celtic Conflict and Identity class last spring made descriptive plaques summarizing each mural. "We want students to know about history and culture and the power of public art," said Engel, director of the university honors program.

Matt Walker, a graduate assistant in the center for international studies, had the opportunity to visit Derry this past summer, which helped him better understand the goal of the murals.

"I was first introduced to the area of Northern Ireland through Dr. Engel's class [Celtic Conflict and Identity] last spring," said Walker. "Our class developed the explanations found beside each of the murals in the exhibit. By working closely with these murals, we were able to learn a lot from them and work on a project that would be displayed for the university and world-wide community."

According to Walker, the main purpose of the murals and the exhibit is to make people aware of the state of affairs in Northern Ireland. "The conflict in Northern Ireland has changed a lot in recent months and for the better," said Walker. "The situation has come a long way from violent and uncertain times to progress and optimism."

Aside from creating massive murals, the Bogside Artists hold workshops to bring Catholic and Protestant youth together to work on art projects.

"The artists use art as a vehicle to open discussions. The youth are the next generation," said Frigo.

The last mural was completed in 2006, and the thirteenth piece has already been started.

The exhibit, sponsored by the university honors program, the center for Irish studies, and the GSU museum, will be on display until January 6, 2008.

## Text

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strongly encouraged to register for the emergency text messaging system. In the tragic occurrence one female student was left in potentially fatal condition after being shot twice, while a male student was shot once on the campus mall before 1 a.m.

Many deaths were prevented through DESU's notification methods. Immediately after the shooting, the university posted warning notifications in residential halls, on Web sites, and on campus phone messages.

Often students are too busy with classes to check their e-mail more than once or twice a day. If a student does not check their GSU e-mail account they may not receive the notification. However, text messaging provides a direct method of communication and may in fact save a student's life.

"It is not a requirement for students to sign up

for the emergency text messaging service since the standard text messaging charges do occur if [and] when an emergency message is sent. It is, however, highly recommended that all students sign up for this service," said McCullough.

Though standard text messaging rates will occur, no non-emergency messages will be sent to a student's phone. Students need not worry that they will receive spam messages or other non-emergency texts to their cell phones.

"It is the responsibility of the person signing up to keep their information correct and up-to-date in order for the message to be received," said McCullough.

Any student wishing to sign up for the service just needs to go to their mygeorgiasouthern account, click on the link for the emergency text messaging service, and follow the simple steps to sign up. Students are encouraged to sign up as soon as possible.

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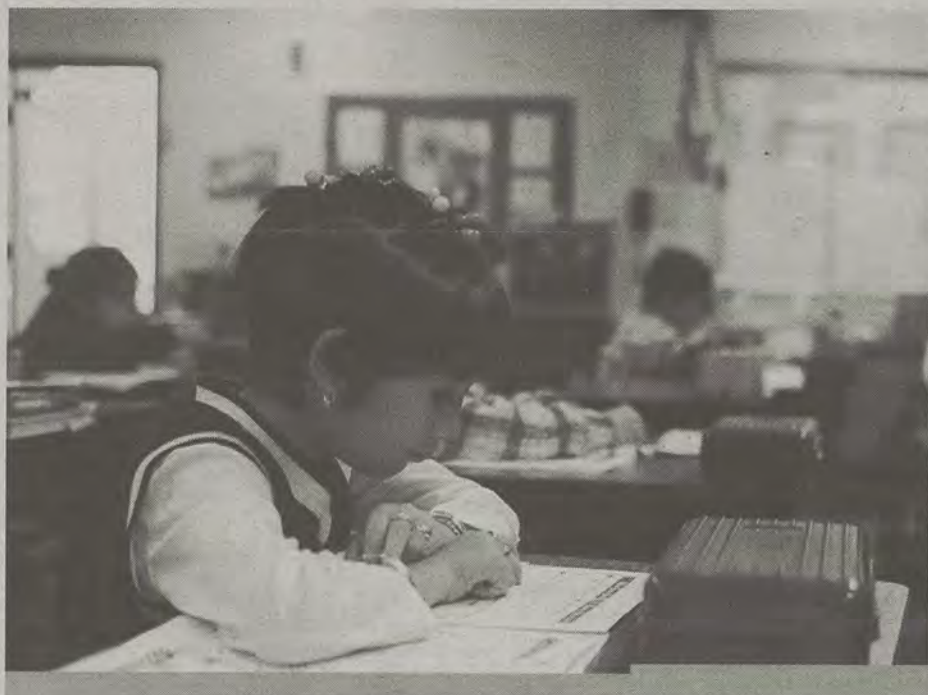
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## NATIONAL NEWS

# National report card sees gains in math scores



Special Photo

Jaqua Ruiz takes a standardized test in her classroom in California. A national report card shows an steady increase in math scores on test and an increase of fourth-grade reading scores.

By Halimah Abdullah

McClatchy Newspapers

Although fourth- and eighth-grade students have shared slow but steady math gains for more than a decade, eighth-graders' reading scores have stalled while their younger peers' scores have continued to rise, according to test results released Tuesday.

"We need to look into reading deficiencies in middle and high schools in depth. That should be the next national imperative," said Darvin Winick, the chairman of the National Assessment Governing Board, which oversees the National Assessment of Educational Progress tests.

The most recent tests, also known as the Nation's Report Card, show that while fourth-grade reading scores are higher than they've been in 15 years, eighth-graders' scores are roughly the same as in 1998.

For example, 52 percent of fourth-graders can use context clues to figure out what "pleading" means in a given sentence. However, 41 percent of eighth-graders struggled to understand a character's motives and give two examples of that

character's actions after reading a short passage.

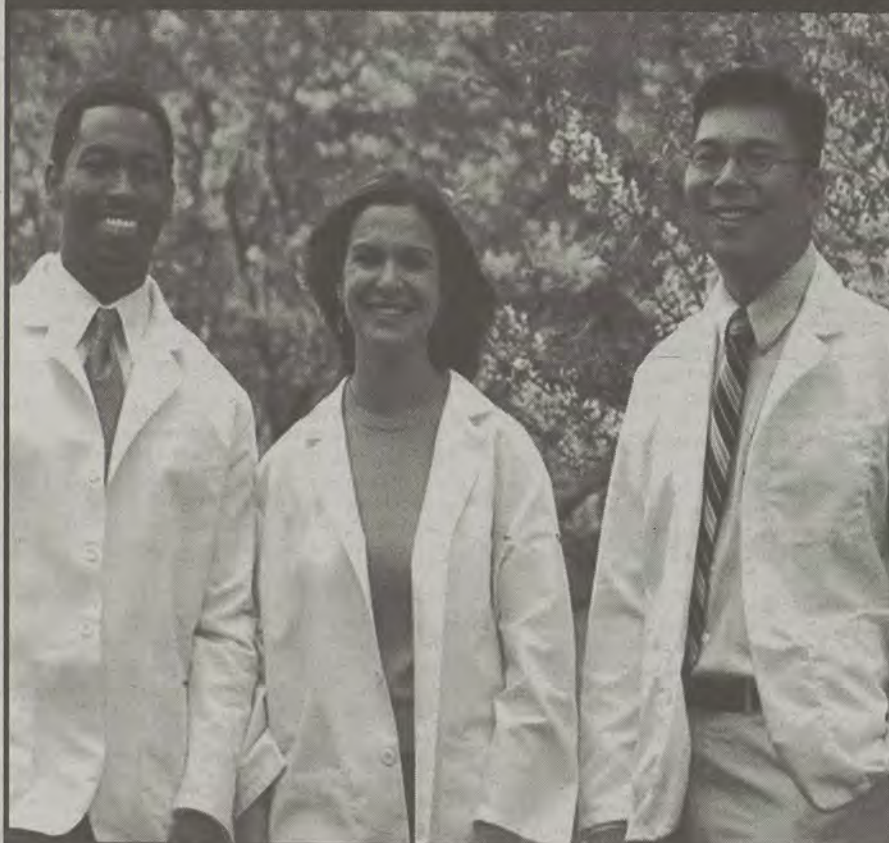
The test results come as Congress heads toward what probably will prove a contentious debate on changes to the No Child Left Behind law, which faces a reauthorization deadline at the end of this month. The sweeping education measure, which President Bush signed into law in 2002, seeks to help all students do grade-level math and reading work by 2014.

These tests, given this year to roughly 700,000 fourth and eighth-graders across the country, provide the only national snapshot of how American students are doing. However, the tests, administered every two years, don't delve into the reasons behind gains or losses.

Since 2005, both fourth- and eighth-grade reading scores increased in just four jurisdictions: the District of Columbia, Hawaii, Florida and Maryland.

"We know what happens but not why," Winick said. "The focus on reform seems to have had a positive effect. It is partially what states were doing and partially federal. I think we could say the focus on data that NCLB encourages has had a very positive impact."

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# Changes in health insurance policy benefit some students

By Ashley Reed

Guest writer

If you have been to the health center this semester, you may have realized that you were asked for your health insurance card when you checked in.

The Health Services at Georgia Southern is the first in the University System of Georgia to implement third-party health insurance billing and collection.

In the past, students were required to pay an extra fee for things such as off-site lab work, physicals and annual check-ups for women. However, with insurance billing and collection, Health Services is charging students' insurance companies for these services.

According to Paul Ferguson, director of Health Services, third-party billing allows Health Services to keep health fee increases at a minimum, reduce or eliminate fee-for-services, and allows provider prescriptions and off-campus medical referrals to be recognized by parents/students' health insurance plans.

"The ultimate goal of implementing this policy is to get rid of the fee-for-services that currently exist," said Ferguson. "This also helps to keep the student fees from increasing significantly to cover health fees."

Third-party insurance billing initially began because Health Services was being limited by insurance companies on the amount of services they could offer students, since it was not recognized as a Primary Care Physician (PCP).

The only way to combat this problem was for Health Services to become a part of the insurance companies recognizable PCP lists so that students would be able to make use of the health insurance plans that they or their parents were paying for.

"I think it's a great idea," said Crystal Stevenson, senior nursing student. "In the past, you or your parents were essentially paying for services that you were not using because the insurance companies were not being held accountable."

Junior marketing major Ashley Marshall also feels that third party insurance billing and collection is an effective policy.

"When I am not in Columbus, Health Services is the only place I go to for health care, so it only makes sense that I get to utilize my health insurance," said Marshall.

Students who do not have private health insurance are still able to benefit from the implementation of insurance billing and collection through various outlets.

For example, there is an insurance plan offered to those who are uninsured by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia.

In addition, Health Services is a part of Medicare and Medicaid, so that government insurance policies can be used to offset the cost for students who are uninsured.

"I do not have health insurance, but I think it is fair for the students who have it to be able to use it while they are at school," said Maggie Ames, senior public relations student. "However, I would hope that if the uninsured had to pay a fee at all, that it would be discounted, especially since we pay a health fee each semester."

Health Services at GSU is a part of several major insurance networks including Aetna and United Health Care. Ferguson commented that the list is continuing to grow, and will eventually incorporate all of the insurance companies.

"The important thing to remember is that this is not about generating revenue," said Ferguson. "It's about providing a quality service to students while keeping the health fee at a reasonable rate, which is beneficial for parents and the university as a whole."

Other schools that employ third party insurance billing and collection include Auburn University, where Ferguson oversaw the execution of this policy, Kent State University and Bowling Green University.

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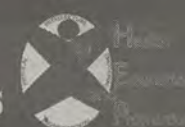
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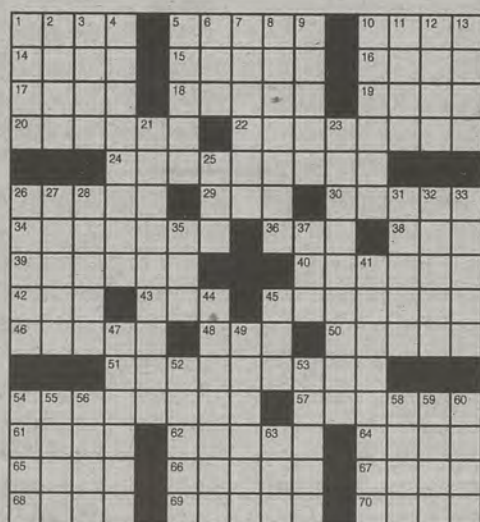




# Puzzlers

## Crossword

- ACROSS**
- Actor Guinness
  - New Guinea
  - Italian sauce
  - Corpse
  - Become violent
  - Building wings
  - Secret retreat
  - To the point
  - Pouting face
  - Tempt
  - Metabolic disorder
  - Canary Islands city
  - "The Seven Year Itch" star Tom
  - Cry of discovery
  - The Forbidden City
  - Out of the rat race
  - Org. of Giants
  - Hot spring
  - B-complex component
  - Spring holy day
  - Ovum
  - Links grp.
  - Muddling
  - Valentino role
  - Permission word
  - Our world
  - Pennsylvania city
  - Black-and-white game
  - Revolves around
  - Bowls over
  - Metric units
  - Asian sea
  - Actress Russo
  - English race course
  - Brief message
  - Cuts short
  - Wineglass features
  - Do beaver's work
  - DOWN**
  - Up to it
  - Bank offering
  - Correct text
  - In the Russian alphabet
  - Rose and Sampras
  - Metric measure
  - Muslim sex segregation
  - Greek letter
  - Peppard's TV group
  - Interlock anew
  - Heaps
  - Sticking stuff
  - Applications
  - Ironman of the Orioles
  - Crooner
  - School of whales
  - Ocean raptors
  - Use a scale
  - French floor
  - Moving about
  - All done in
  - Guttural scream
  - E.S.L. part
  - Govt. agent
  - With force and much noise
  - Massachusetts college
  - Vote for
  - Sacred Egyptian birds
  - Lorraine
  - Forum fashions
  - Party-givers
  - Act boldly
  - Writer Wister
  - Fix
  - Remove wrinkles
  - Casual farewell
  - Ofed
  - Pop's partner



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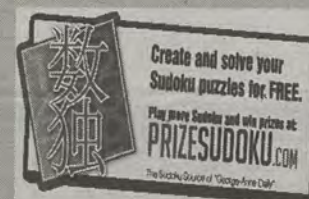
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## Cheats Column



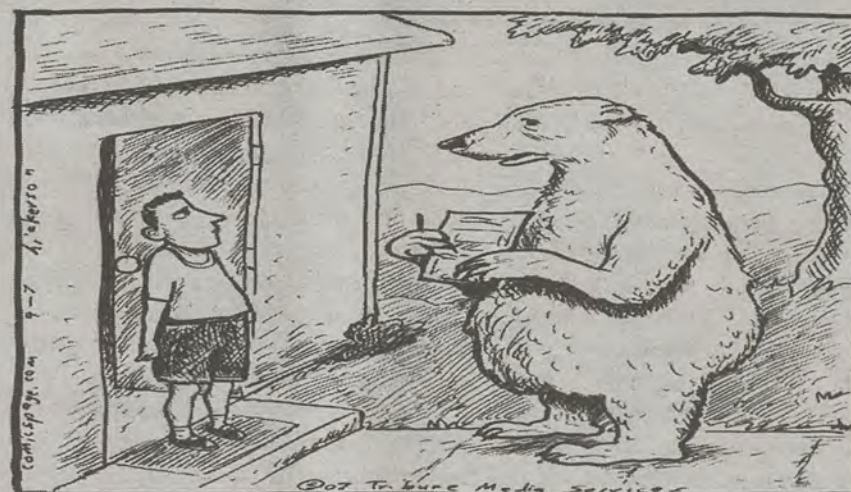
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# GEORGE-ANNE SPORTS

## SHOW ME THE MAUNEY



Jared Siri/STAFF

Junior Julian Donaldson kicks the ball away from a North Florida defender in this file photo. The Eagles are struggling this year and are 3-5 so far this season.

## Just ain't kicking it

Last Saturday Georgia Southern fans packed into Paulson Stadium only to experience a familiar feeling from last year as they lost in overtime to Chattanooga.

However, this feeling is not just felt on the gridiron at Paulson, but at almost every other sports complex on campus.



Matt Mauney

Let's face it. When someone thinks about GSU athletics, they think one word: football. Ever since Erk helped start a program at a small South Georgia college back in the 1980s, GSU was on its way to be forever christened as a football school.

Many students don't have much interest, if any at all, for the other fall sports that "compete" with the beloved pigskin. This year I have found it especially hard since the two teams in the next biggest fall sport are... Well, let's just say there's plenty of room for improvement.

With the poor play coming from the men's and women's soccer teams this year, it isn't very likely that a large group of students will be canceling their tailgating plans at Paulson Stadium on Saturday to go to Eagle Field to watch the soccer teams struggle against opponents they should beat.

Now, I'm not a huge fan of the "World's most popular sport." Not to say that I don't

have respect for the game, it's just not my cup of tea, plain and simple. Having said that, it is especially hard for me to warm up more to this sport when our men and women's teams continue their sub par play.

I have all the respect and the support in the world for our soccer teams here, but come one guys and gals. When the ladies team (1-6) have only managed to accumulate one win and the men's team (3-5) just scored a goal on themselves in their last match, it's just hard to get pumped up enough to go out to Eagle Field and cheer GSU on.

The women's soccer team entered this year with a young, talented team with high expectations. Although their start has left something to be desired, the team has only played one conference game so far this season and looks to bounce back and have a good showing in SoCon play.

The men's squad looks to match and surpass their success from last year under second year Head Coach Kevin Kennedy. The Eagles were the surprise team in the conference last year when they made a run to the championship game in the SoCon tournament, before losing to perennial powerhouse UNC Greensboro.

There is plenty of season left for these two teams to get back on the right track. Let's give Eagle Nation something to cheer about other than football. Good luck to all and GO EAGLES!

## Golf finishes 9th at Invitational

GSU News Service

The Georgia Southern golf team finished in ninth place at the Shoal Creek Invitational on Tuesday, carding a 27-over 891 at the par-72, 7,114-yard Shoal Creek Country Club.

Leading the Eagles was freshman Logan Blondell (Lakeland, Fla.) who finished tied for 10th place after shooting a 4-over 220. Teammates Drew Lethem (Camdenton, Mo.) and Ryan LeFevre (Boca Raton, Fla.) both finished tied for 30th place with a 9-over 225. Ryan Zabroske's (Alpharetta, Ga.) 1-under 71 was the team low 18 of the day.

After two rounds, the Eagles share eighth place with LSU in a field of 12 schools, and hold a lead over Michigan State, Nevada and Vanderbilt going into Tuesday's final round.

Georgia Southern carded a 20-over 596, while Texas Tech is leading the board with a 2-over 578, five strokes better than runner-

up UAB.

"We played pretty well the last couple rounds," said head coach Larry Mays. "We were a little tight in the first round, but we looked more relaxed towards the end of the tournament and we ended up playing well. It gives us momentum going into the rest of the season."

The Eagles finished one stroke better than Louisiana State, and additionally posted wins over Nevada and Vanderbilt.

Leading the field of 12 was Texas Tech with a 9-over 873, which was five strokes better than runner-up UAB. Individually, Texas Tech's Will Griffin tied for first with UAB's Brad Smith, both carding a 3-under 213.

The Eagles will have a week-and-a-half to prepare for the next tournament, Oct. 8-9, at the Jerry Pate National Invitational. The tournament will be played at the Old Overton Country Club in Birmingham, Ala.

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