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COVERING THE CAMPUS LIKE A SWARM OF GNATS

Possible bed shortages highlight issues of new dorm

Spring construction of Centennial Place dorms would displace over 900 student beds next fall

By Charles Minshew

Assistant features editor

Centennial Place will have many effects on the Georgia Southern campus. Current and future students will be affected by the changes in housing spaces, Army ROTC will have to move to a different location, and Landrum may get an upgrade.

Spring 2008 Construction Plans

When demolition begins on the ROTC Building and Building 805 in Spring 2008, parking in the 'O' Lot will be affected.

At last week's meeting of the Student Government Association, Vice President of Auxiliary Affairs Jasmine Stinson said that the Parking and Transportation Department is currently working on a plan to alleviate the parking issues that will be presented with this demolition.

Housing Woes

When Olliff, Johnson and Winburn Halls are demolished at the end of the Spring 2008 semester, GSU will be losing 950 beds.

This translates to a shortage of spaces for students who want to live in on campus housing. Buildings like Eagle Village and Southern Pines will be open only to freshmen during the 2008-09 academic year.

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Special Photo

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Southern Adventures' 'LivinGreen' challenge ends with increased environmental awareness

By Philip Clements
Staff writer

Last month, Southern Adventures challenged Georgia Southern students to be more environmentally friendly through the "LivinGreen" challenge.

While touching on various aspects, the main focus of the challenge was car transportation. Whether it is for 10, 20, or 30 days, the objective is to minimize or eliminate vehicle use through a combination of substitutions and better planning.

For instance; instead of driving to class, one might try walking, biking or riding the bus as a more efficient alternative. Another strategy would be to bring your lunch to work instead of having to drive somewhere else to get something to eat. The key is to be as efficient with your car use as possible.

Think about all those times that you've gotten back home from running an errand just to realize that you forgot something and need to go back out.

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Special Photo

Statesboro City Council Election Results

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John Morris (I) 363*
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All results are unofficial and based on published reports. The George-Anne Daily will update news coverage on the election as more information becomes available.

* District 5 race undecided due to 93 challenged ballots

NEWS

'How To' columnist offers advice on how to relieve stress

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SPORTS



Jared Siri/STAFF

Sports previews the 2008 men's basketball season

Florida Gators highlight men's fall schedule

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A little 'brick' of Georgia Southern history

By Elise Alls
Staff writer

Over the past several years, Georgia Southern has seen many changes. From the RAC expansion to the contemporary library, the highly anticipated Blackbox theatre to the new student social hub, Starbucks, the changes are not going unnoticed.

Some have met these changes with open arms, while others find delight in reminiscing about the way things use to be.

As GSU prepares to say 'good bye' to three of its oldest and most recognizable landmarks on campus - Oliff, Winburn and Johnson Hall - Housing is offering students, faculty, staff and alumni a little "brick" of GSU history to take with them.

While exact dates and prices are still being discussed, a decision has been reached by Housing to sell bricks from Oliff, Johnson, and Winburn Hall as a fundraiser and as a way to allow the memory of these historic residence

halls to live on.

"A lot of students have spent many, many nights in those residence halls during the last 40 to 50 years," said Vickie Hawkins, Director of University Housing.

"We think that there will be a lot of alumni as well as current students that might be interested in having a little bit of Georgia Southern history... a little nostalgia, so to speak."

The decision to demolish the three residence halls and replace them with The Centennial Place complex is part of housing's comprehensive plan to replace residence halls that are built in the traditional style and come up with a style that has more of the amenities and privacies that today's students want.



Some students welcome the change with bitter-sweet feelings.

GSU alumni and former Oliff Hall resident Brandin Randolph sees the change as a positive progression for GSU.

"I'm a little sad that they are getting rid of [Oliff Hall] because I won't be able to come back and say, 'that's where I spent my first years of college,' but the new dorm will be a great change for the campus and I'm sure the freshman will appreciate it," said Randolph.

"Selling the bricks is a great idea," said Randolph. "I'm interested in buying one."

The brick will come adorned with a gold plate engraved with the name of the hall, Georgia Southern University, and the dates

the residence hall existed.

Although a set price has not been determined yet, it is said that current students will be sold the bricks for half the price of the bricks sold to alumni or others interested in purchasing the memorabilia.

Funds from selling the bricks will help purchase furniture for the new building as well as help fund student leadership activities.

Selling the bricks will also aid in GSU's goal to be more environmentally friendly. By selling the bricks, there will be less material and building debris to be put in landfills.

"I think you can look at it from several points," said Hawkins. "We are trying to help the environment, raise money, and allow students to have a little bit of Georgia Southern history they can mount on the bookshelf."

Preliminary construction for Centennial Place complex will begin in March 2008 but the actual erection of the new dorm will take place after Oliff, Johnson and Winburn are demolished in May.

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Free Admission

Housing

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During the Fall 2008 and Spring 2009 semesters, there will be limited housing for upperclassmen students.

Vickie Hawkins, director of University Housing, acknowledged that there are rumors and misconceptions about University Housing and their plans for the future.

Hawkins said "Georgia Southern is always looking for a good opportunity for its students and if we are able to find a property that would be good for the overall benefit of students then we might look into that."

Jon Simpson, president of the GSU Student Government Association believes that GSU is doing its best to help solve the student housing problems.

He also advised students to talk to their resident advisors if they have questions.

"To my knowledge, University Housing is planning on helping alleviate the shortage to make housing more accessible during the time that Olliff, Johnson and Winburn are shut down. I think students that are concerned should talk with RAs or other housing officials to hear any possible options. I have faith that University Housing will find a way to house students that want to live on campus," said Simpson.

Freshman Housing Requirement

When Centennial Place opens in Fall 2009, all freshmen will be required to live on campus. According to previous numbers from the Department of Admissions, 3,000 first year students were enrolled at GSU for the Fall 2007 semester.

According to Hawkins, a committee has been formed to discuss the changes that will take place once the freshmen housing requirement is put in place.

These changes include student programming that will be offered on campus.

Hawkins said that current plans for the freshmen housing requirement will exempt anyone living in Bulloch County and counties that border it.

Additionally, if a student is married, or serves in the military, they will not be required to live on campus.

Landrum Upgrades?

Wendy Hagins, Director of Auxiliary Services, said, "The whole Georgia Avenue area in front of Landrum will be changed with the pavers. The whole area will be nice with store fronts on buildings 100 and 200."

With this upgrade of the area, Hagins also added that the Landrum Center may be renovated in the near future, possibly within the next year.

"The exterior needs to compliment what we're doing with other parts of the university. We've got a university plan now. With Landrum, we would try to incorporate some of these new university standards. The inside of the building needs some upgrades."

These standards include the classical red brick that is seen on a majority of buildings on campus.

ROTC Expecting to Move in Dec.

With the construction that will begin next semester, ROTC will be one of the first departments affected.

Col. James Handley, an instructor in the Military Science department, said "Right now, we are going to be moving temporarily to the old communication arts building. What we're being told, and I guess all of this is tentative, but we're eventually going to end up in Hendricks Hall when it's renovated."

This move is expected to take place during December between the Fall '07 and Spring '08 semesters.

According to Handley, Physical Plant has told ROTC to be prepared for a December move.

"We're sort of tenants on campus. The Army and Georgia Southern have an agreement in place where Georgia Southern provides us office space and classroom space. We're just glad to be on campus and have a place to teach."

The ROTC will use WINGS and an 'alert roster' to inform students about the move when it happens.

The alert roster uses a system in which cadets call each other in order to get the information around.

The only issue that ROTC will have with the move is that their arms and supplies will have to be secured in the new building.

Prospects

Hawkins believes that the new housing complex will help the academic quality of GSU.

Hawkins said "Centennial Place is going to raise the bar for the new type of housing on campus."

It will most definitely attract higher caliber students to live with us and attend Georgia Southern and I truly think that it can make a difference in the overall success of a student's academic performance."

When asked if Centennial Place will rival campus housing at other universities, Hawkins said "I think that Georgia Southern has had the experience of building. We've built 1900 beds in the past four years. Hopefully when this building opens, it will be the prototype of housing for the future."

Green

from page 1

Dustin Sanderson of Southern Adventures noted that "a car pollutes the most during the first few minutes of operation" and that "something like 15% of trips that people make are within a mile of home and 40% are within two miles."

By converting a bunch of short trips into fewer long trips, you are actually reducing your pollution impact on the environment. "Make the trips count" said Matt Parker, one of the key figures behind the "LivinGreen" challenge.

Another way to add some green to your life is by taking care of your car. A finely tuned automobile will create far less pollution and waste than a poorly cared-for automobile. "There are some times when a vehicle is necessary; you can't do everything by bike," said Matt.

The concept for the "LivinGreen" challenge

came out of Matt's realization that, for a relatively small town like Statesboro, people drove way too much.

"It's not that huge of a deal to not be totally dependent on car transportation. All it takes is a little more planning and time management," said Matt. "So far, I've only been in a car four times this month and each time it was as a passenger."

Both Matt and Dustin said that they learned quite a bit through their participation in this challenge.

Dustin said he's very positive that he will maintain the practices he picked up for this challenge.

"I've started to become a lot more conscious of the waste I create and the things that I throw away. It's made me a lot more aware of the things I do and the impact that I make in doing those things," he said about the effect that the challenge has had on him.

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When I was younger, I could remember anything, whether it happened or not.

-Mark Twain
American author

OPINION

Grammar: Arousing life in linguistics

Grammar is sexy.

The average person might be inclined to think that anyone, anywhere, who speaks of the sexiness of grammar, must be a nerd.

Well, yes. Yes, I am.

I don't mean to brag or anything, but you should believe me when I say my nerd is very big. To be perfectly honest about it, I must drop all modesty and say that my nerd is freakin' huge.

But the great size and remarkable girth of my general social awkwardness should not distract from the fact of the matter: Despite my (very big) nerdiness, grammar is sexy.

This ain't your ignorant high-school English teacher's grammar I'm talking about here.

I'm including all grammar, standard and nonstandard, formal enough for the Queen and casual enough for the most intimate pillow talk.

Grammar is sexy because the ability to express one's self well is sexy.

Our language usage is judged every day, and smart, sexy people know how to moderate their register to fit the situation.

The language of the formal academic paper is not the same as the language of casual social interaction, and that language is also strikingly dissimilar to the language of a nerdy opinion column in the student newspaper.

Grammatical understanding is not about underlining subjects and double-underlining predicates, nor about circling nouns and highlighting verbs, and has nothing to do with listening in boredom as your (un-sexy) teacher drones on about the parts of speech.

Grammatical and linguistic understanding is

about knowing not just what to say in any given situation, but also how to say it.

We need to know what forms to avoid. My own nonstandard dialect, for example, includes the strange construction "needs [insert verb]-ed." As in, "The table is broke; it needs fixed," or, "Ah, crud, it's laundry day; my clothes need washed."

I had absolutely no idea that this particular form was nonstandard until a bewildered friend asked me why I said that.

The answer was, and is, quite simply, that this construction is perfectly grammatical within my own original language group.

This is not, however, a good thing to say during a job interview.

It's really tough to learn this stuff. Undressing these layers of grammatical complexity when you have no prior experience with linguistics is even more

terrible than the adolescent nightmare of trying to unhook a bra for the first time.

But when you figure it out? O, glorious day!

To help fulfill my craving, I have my own copy of Webster's Third New International Dictionary, Unabridged. It weighs more than 10 pounds.

I could bludgeon a person to death with it — if I wasn't so concerned about getting blood on its pages.

I remember opening it, spreading the two covers of the book wide, and, before I even read the first definition, taking in the intoxicating odor of the exposed pages.

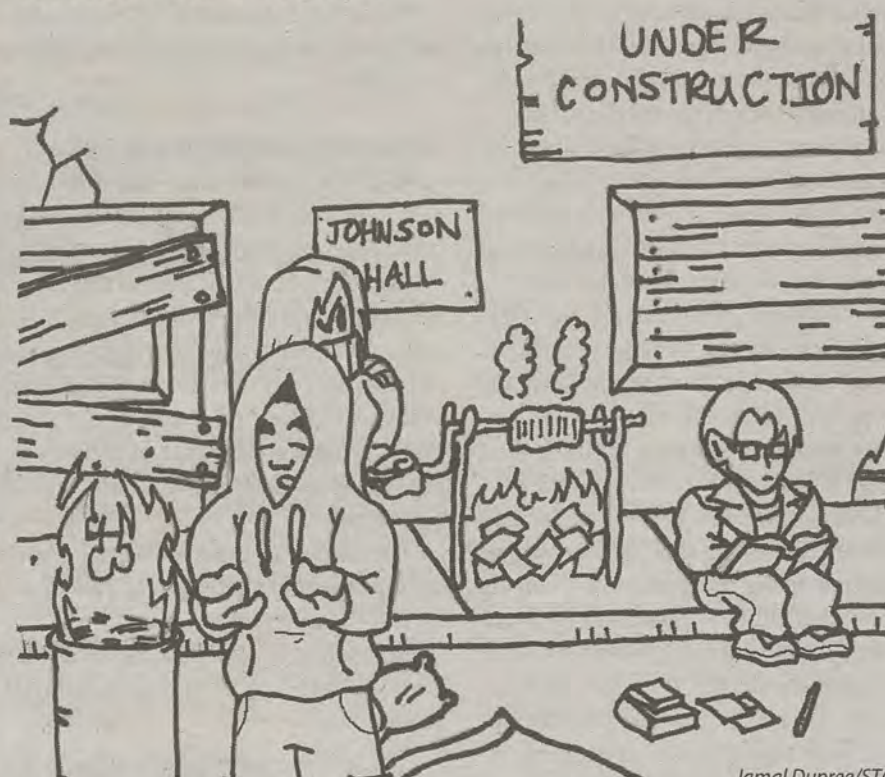
How could anyone not enjoy that smell?

So, maybe you aren't interested in something of that stature, but there are other good places to start. Our language is damn sexy, and I encourage all of you to explore that for yourselves.



Zac Case is a vocal music education major from Sylvester, Ga. He is a senior columnist for the George-Anne Daily.

RANDOM FACES



Jamal Dupree/STAFF

To the Editor:

The most effective long-term thing we can do to avert potential droughts is to stop eating meat, dairy and eggs!

What most people don't realize is that these dispensable commodities are responsible for most of the water usage around Atlanta and the rest of the US.

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What connection this unprecedented drought has to global warming may be

speculative, but tangible evidence of warming is abundant.

Recently, NBC Nightly News reported that 1/4 of the arctic ice cap has melted in just the last 2 years!

We haven't much time to solve this crisis, but we need not wait for legislators and bureaucrats to catch up. One of the greatest environmental tools readers have at their disposal is the fork in their hands.

JC Corcoran
165 Oakridge Ave
Athens, GA

To the Editor:

I do believe that GSU administrators should consider the opinions from students when making decisions that will have a direct impact on not just our standard of living but our academic environment as well. If any department is running out of professors then more need to be hired to meet the needs of the students. This may be easier said than done, but should be done because it's us, the students of GSU that bring personality, diversity and many talents to the Statesboro area.

Jessie Scott
History
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Wikipedia could result in unreliable work

By Jamal Dupree

Guest writer

Reports and research papers call for a lot of initiative, hard work and reliable resources. Accurate information will be the backbone for most of your writing assignments, so a reliable resource is crucial. Since researching a broad topic can be difficult, many students turn to Wikipedia.com to take some weight off their shoulders.

Wikipedia is a free online encyclopedia under the control of the nonprofit Wikipedia Foundation.

The word "wiki" is the name for the software used to create and develop online articles. There are numerous article entries within this internet-based encyclopedia, but the contributors are anywhere from the inexperienced to the professionals.

The fact that the co-authors of Wikipedia do not need certification to edit these articles lowers the credibility of the Web site.

In the academic world of last minute study sessions and midnight essays, Wikipedia can appear as a savior to some students.

"I'm for it. You don't have to use it for a paper. I use it for my personal knowledge," said

freshman Savo Benson.

Although it is favored by some, others have trouble trusting a resource that can be created by anyone with a computer despite the fact that articles with unreliable information are often tagged.

Jessica Williams, a library assistant and GSU student said, "I think it's helpful when learning about something to begin with but it is not something you would use for scholarly research."

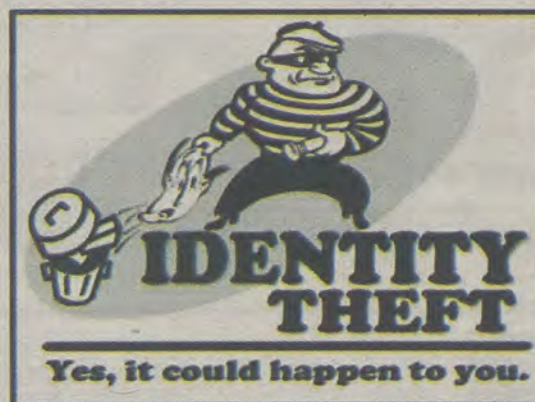
Some professors are still on the fence about this Web site's legitimacy.

"As a professor I would incline no Wikipedia. Wikipedia sounds like it's not a scholarly source," said Department Chair of Psychology Bill Murray.

Despite how people feel about Wikipedia, whenever working on a project or term paper it is always wise to have numerous sources. Some of the pages do. Others don't.

There are more reliable sources of information than some of the less scrutinized, community pages of Wikipedia.

When it comes to research, professors want expert-reviewed information - not an article that might have been edited by random, unreliable bloggers.



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House For RENT! Available now! Corner Fair Rd & Catherine Ave. 4 bed 2.5 bath. For more information call 912-764-6076 or 912-682-7468

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Sublease available for a 4 bedroom/4 bath apartment in The Exchange. The apartment is coed and has a beautiful poolview. Call Sharon @ 912 536 4864

Sublease for Spring 08. 1 bed/bath w/washer&dryer in Eagle Creek Town Houses. Very quiet and nice neighbor. \$405 w/Cable call Masa 912-541-3630

Spring 2008 Female Subleases available for 2 fully furnished apartment bedrooms @ The Exchange. \$440/Month including utilities! Call Jessica 7063027887

2 bedroom/1 bath Duplex -available mid December, begin pay Jan \$250/mo. Located on Henderson St. across from Hanner. Call 770-317-5020 for more info

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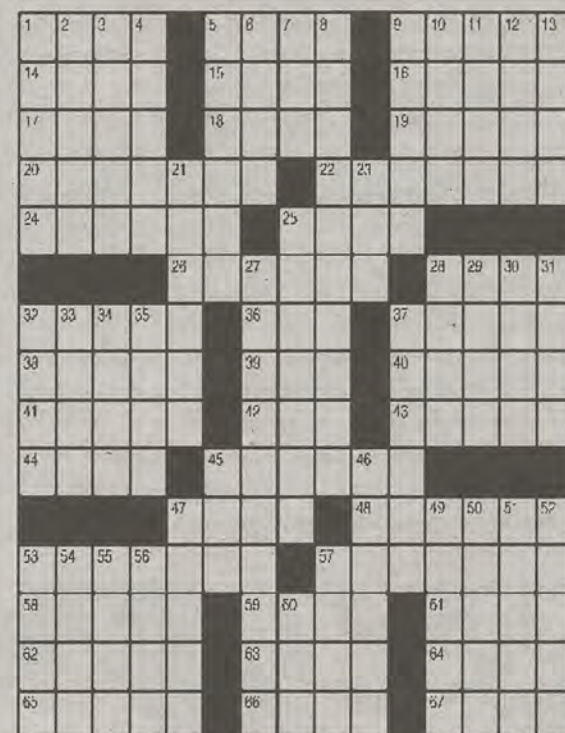
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- 18 Arrive
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- 22 Tempos
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- 26 Sell out
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- 32 Chip dip
- 36 Make a boo-boo
- 37 Kitchen implement
- 38 Influence
- 39 Pot top
- 40 Face the day
- 41 Make amends
- 42 Holiday forerunner
- 43 Defensive-team stats
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- 47 Exclamations of satisfaction
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- 53 Magic home?
- 57 Pertinent
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- 59 Zola novel
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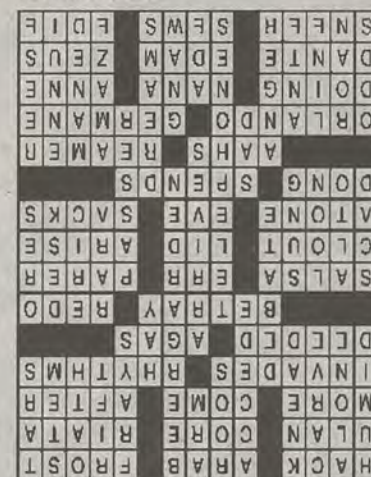
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- 21 Formalized argument
- 23 Kind of lever or stack
- 25 Gets there
- 27 Rings up
- 28 avis
- 29 Roberts or Idle
- 30 Office station
- 31 Lode loads
- 32 Large quantity
- 33 Choir part
- 34 Web-footed diver
- 35 Caroled
- 37 Quarterback, at times
- 45 Downcast
- 46 Reveries



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Solutions



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- 49 Bedazzle
- 50 Locked like a lion
- 51 Boredom
- 52 Actress Witherspoon
- 53 Betting figures
- 54 Colorful mount
- 55 Kind of drive or up
- 56 Poker payment
- 57 Chew like a rat
- 60 Lime drink

Winter and Thanksgiving break extended by Calendar Committee

By Brittanie Barber

Guest writer

"It's about time!" said senior L.S. Moses about the extended, five-week winter break. Anyone who checks their Georgia Southern e-mail remembers the day when they got the news.

Most of the student population probably jumped up and down for joy. However, the change in winter break is only one of the changes to come in the near future.

According to Registrar Mike Deal, the reason behind the break is not just to have an extra seven days of free food, having your mom do your laundry and sleep.

Instead, the week of January 7 will be used for processing new students' and transfer students' paperwork.

While students have an extra week to mentally prepare themselves for the new semester, administrative offices will be up and running.

"There are not a set number of days for breaks," said Deal.

This is the reason why the university was able to modify the schedule.

However, there were already many limitations on the calendar. Factors like mid-terms, finals and filing paperwork for new and transfer students were all taken into account when the calendar was sent for revision.

The proposal to extend the winter break an extra week was actually brought to the Calendar Committee by professors, but this was just the first pitch to be taken into effect.

The next modification of the school calendar will make next year's Thanksgiving a week-long break.

Many professors noticed that even though Thanksgiving break did not begin until the Wednesday before the holiday, students were skipping out of their Monday and Tuesday classes to take the entire week off.

So, they suggested to the calendar committee that the Thanksgiving break should be extended to an entire week.

"I think it's good in that sense—kind of give

students and faculty a healthy break before the last big push into finals, and just before many long papers are due for classes," said Communication Arts professor Mark Mohr. This also means that the week students return they will have a whole week of classes and studying.

Crunch time will no longer be restricted to the Friday "reading day." However, just like during the winter break, the administrative offices will still be open the Monday,

Tuesday and Wednesday of Thanksgiving.

But what about graduation and spring break? Well, there is nothing to worry about. Commencement is still May 10 and Spring Break is still a week long.

The fall semester break has no effect on spring semester and vice-versa. The idea of extending the breaks was to make university systems more effective and to benefit the students.

According to Deal, the changes can still be revised if they are not successful.

Thanksgiving Break 2007

Nov. 21 - 23

Winter Break 2007

Dec. 8 - Jan. 14

Spring Break 2008

March 17 - 21

Thanksgiving Break 2008

Nov. 24 - 28

How-to Corner: Relieve final week stress

Anyone who has ever had any sort of responsibility knows what stress is.

That aching, pounding, overly anxious, nervous feeling that plagues us all on a day to day basis. Whatever gives you stress, you know it tears you apart, limb from limb. And according to Yahoo Health, it is scientifically proven to tear away at every bodily system, including your brain. So I've compiled a list of a few great stress relievers given to me by your peers, and are all easy ways for a college student to relieve stress.

The number one activity I have found that students do to relieve stress is to work out/play their favorite sport. Junior Bridget O'Brien is one of these students, and she escapes the stress and responsibility of the day through running.

"I just get lost in running and the endorphins I gain from it are the ultimate pick me up when I'm stressed. I just run and it clears my head and takes away all of the problems I am facing, all I focus on is my run," O'Brien said.

Along in the category of physical exercise, playing on a team sport is another way to beat the stress right out of you. Senior Dia Johnson, who is the VP of Georgia Southern's Club Volleyball team finds that when she is stressed out, she hits the courts.

"When I'm playing volleyball, I'm not thinking of anything else but my next play, my next move. Also when you play on a team, your not just focusing on yourself anymore, you are looking out for the team. So your kind of escaping the problems that are weighing you down and are focusing on how to better the team," Johnson said.

If working out or playing sports isn't your thing, there are many other ways to relieve stress. Another popular way to beat the blues of school and life is to listen to music and/or watch movies. Senior Jason Codes likes to dim his lights and listen to music or watch a movie.

"It's just relaxing for me to sit in dim/no lights

and just listen to music. It's a perfect way to unwind and relax. Same with watching movies. Its an escape from my mind, an escape from the every day," Codes said.

By putting yourself in someone else's shoes, like a character in a movie, story, or song, you are able to escape your body for the moment, and in a way, escape to someone else's life.

Hanging out with friends, a significant other, or family members is also another ideal way to overcome stress. Sophomore Stephanie Ruohonen finds this the best way to get over the stress of school.

"When I'm with my friends, I'm not focusing on what is dragging me down. We just laugh, gossip, vent, and talk about things completely unrelated to what I'm upset about. Laughing is the best medicine for when I'm upset, and I can always count on my friends for a laugh," Ruohonen said.

"Whenever I'm stressed or irritated, I like to vent. Whether it be to my mom or my best friend, it gets what is bugging you off your chest when your able to just let lose and say all that is bugging you to someone else. You can also get the feedback you need," Junior Lindsay Coonrod said.

Lindsay also thinks that the best way to beat stress is to figure out what is exactly stressing you out, and then do the opposite.

"Really any activity that keeps your mind off what is stressing you out will help. So just write down or mentally pinpoint what the stress factor is, and then do the opposite. If schoolwork is stressing you out, take a break and watch a movie, or work out," Coonrod said.

As much as I'm sure we all wish, stress isn't just going to disappear from your life. But luckily, how we deal with stress now builds up our receptivity to stressful factors in the future. (Yahoo Health.)

So whether it be working out or kicking with your friends, relieving stress will not only help you deal with the task at hand, but also the many other tasks to plague you in the future!



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THE GREAT SOUTHERN CAR BASH



Russell Union Rotunda

Thursday November 8th

8:30am - 6:00pm

A portion of the proceeds will benefit local charity.

Georgia Southern Men's Basketball 2007-2008

By Matt Mauney / Sports editor

The Georgia Southern Eagles men's basketball team, led by Head Coach Jeff Price, looks to rebound back to the top of the Southern Conference after a tough season last year.

Coach Price led the Eagles to the SoCon's South Division crown in 2005-06, but had a disappointing 15-16 (7-11 SoCon) campaign last season. The Eagles finished fourth in the division and were the sixth seed in the conference tournament. The Eagles managed to get to the second round of the tournament before losing to SoCon championship runner-up College of Charleston.

"We're slowly starting to understand the level we have to play at from an intensity standpoint," said Price. "I think that's gotten better. Once we get these first few games under our belt we'll have a better idea of where our team is."

Senior standouts, like guard Dwayne Foreman and forward Louis Graham, look to help the Eagles get back to being one of the powerhouses in the SoCon.

"Last year didn't go as planned but we're going to try and capitalize on that this year. We have three guys coming in and some key seniors coming back in Dwayne (Foreman), myself, and Anthony Marshall who didn't play very much last year due to injury looks to make a big impact this year," said Graham.

Foreman and Graham, who last year averaged 9.6 and 14.5 points per game respectively, will be the only two returning starters on this year's team and in doing so look to take more of a leadership role in their last season with the team. Graham was selected to the preseason All-SoCon team for this upcoming season.

"Knowing that this is my senior year I want to get this young group of guys together and build chemistry so we can perform out on

the court," Foreman said.

The Eagles will be missing their leading scorer from last year Donte Gennie, who is currently playing professional ball in Germany with the Phoenix Hagen. Gennie led the team last year in three point percentage (.429), steals (40) and points per game (16.2).

"You can't replace a guy like Donte Gennie. You just have to come together as a team collectively to make up for his scoring that left," said Graham. "Personally I'm just going to try to do whatever it is I need to do to help our team, whether it's getting rebounds, scoring, or blocking shots. I'm just going to do whatever I need to do to tie up the loose ends. But overall I think we're in store for a good season."

The faster paced offense implemented by Coach Price will help make up for Gennie's absence and make this season's games very fun

to watch from the stands.

"Offensively we're running a lot more motion this year which is a big change for me because I'm use to running set," said Graham. "I think Coach Price wants to make more traps and press more this year and bring it back to older Georgia Southern days with a high intensity and high pace on both sides of the ball."

The Eagles start off their season with one of their toughest tests all year, facing the Florida State Seminoles in the opening round of the Glenn Wilkes Classic in Daytona Beach, Florida on November 3. The Eagles will take on another powerhouse from the state of Florida when they take on the back to back national champion Florida Gators at a neutral site in Jacksonville, Florida on December 15. The game against the Gators will be televised nationally on FSN and SportsSouth.



Head Coach Jeff Price

- Finished first in Southern Conference in three of the last six seasons
- 2006 Southern Conference Champs
- 2004 Southern Conference 'South' Division Title
- 2002 Southern Conference 'South' Division Title
- 2000 Southern Conference Coach of the Year
- NCAA "March Madness" Tournament Appearances 1983, 1987, 1992

Proposed Starters



Senior
Dwayne Foreman
Guard
No. 1
Height: 5'10"



Sophomore
Antoine Johnson
Guard
No. 3
Height: 6'0"



Senior
Ryan Hynes
Center
No. 22
Height: 6'8"



Senior
Louis Graham
Forward
No. 40
Height: 6'8"



Senior
Matt Fields
Forward
No. 33
Height: 6'7"

2007-2008 Season Schedule

| Date | Opponent | Time |
|-------------|----------------------------------|------------|
| Mon, Nov 12 | at Florida State | 9:00 p.m. |
| Fri, Nov 16 | Cleveland State at Daytona Beach | 12:00 p.m. |
| Sat, Nov 17 | UAB at Daytona Beach | 2:00 p.m. |
| Sun, Nov 18 | Stetson at Daytona Beach | 6:00 p.m. |
| Fri, Nov 23 | at Furman | 7:00 p.m. |
| Mon, Nov 26 | MERCER | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sat, Dec 01 | APPALACHIAN STATE * | 3:00 p.m. |
| Mon, Dec 10 | FORT VALLEY STATE | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sat, Dec 15 | at Florida | 3:00 p.m. |
| Fri, Dec 28 | at Texas A&M-Corpus Christi | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sat, Dec 29 | at Rhode Island/Eastern Michigan | TBA |
| Thu, Jan 03 | at Davidson * | 7:00 p.m. |
| Sat, Jan 05 | at UNC Greensboro * | 3:00 p.m. |
| Thu, Jan 10 | COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON * | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sat, Jan 12 | at The Citadel * | 2:00 p.m. |
| Thu, Jan 17 | at Elon * | 7:00 p.m. |
| Sat, Jan 19 | at Appalachian State * | 3:00 p.m. |
| Thu, Jan 24 | WOFFORD * | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sat, Jan 26 | FURMAN * | 7:30 p.m. |
| Mon, Jan 28 | at Western Carolina * | 7:00 p.m. |
| Thu, Jan 31 | at Chattanooga * | 7:00 p.m. |
| Mon, Feb 04 | UNC GREENSBORO * | 7:30 p.m. |
| Thu, Feb 07 | WESTERN CAROLINA * | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sat, Feb 09 | CHATTANOOGA * | 7:30 p.m. |
| Thu, Feb 14 | at Wofford * | 7:00 p.m. |
| Sat, Feb 16 | ELON * | 7:30 p.m. |
| Wed, Feb 20 | THE CITADEL * | 7:30 p.m. |
| Sat, Feb 23 | Bracket Busters | TBA |
| Thu, Feb 28 | at College of Charleston * | 7:00 p.m. |
| Sat, Mar 01 | DAVIDSON * | 7:30 p.m. |
| Fri, Mar 07 | SoCon Tournament | TBA |

South Division Preseason Poll

1. Davidson
2. College of Charleston
3. GEORGIA SOUTHERN
4. Wofford
5. Furman
6. The Citadel

All-SoCon Team

- Appalachian State
Jeremy Clayton
Donte Minter
College of Charleston
Jermaine Johnson
Davidson
Stephen Curry
Jason Richards
Thomas Sander
UNC Greensboro
Kyle Hines
Georgia Southern
LOUIS GRAHAM
Western Carolina
Nick Aldridge
Wofford
Shane Nichols