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Honors students hold town hall political forum

By Denver Pittman
Staff writer

It began much like any other program: students came from different places, all wearing the different expressions. Students fulfilled class requirements and sat quietly, waiting for the panel to begin. The panel of students spoke.

The agitation in the room could be felt directly after the panels had each introduced their candidates and the town hall forum opened to the audience.

Hands slowly began to rise as students became more comfortable with the atmosphere. It was exactly what the program intended: students were getting involved.

Dr. Debra Sabia’s Introduction to American Government class aided an ongoing promotion of student voting at GSU with the forum, Thursday.

The importance of this year’s election was certainly made apparent throughout the entire program.

Each panel consisted of about eight students supporting one of three candidates: Barack Obama, John McCain, or Bob Barr. The students were required to study policies on each of their supporters, drawn at random.

“It’s hard working and going to school, while still keeping abreast of civil issues,” Sabia said. The forum provides an opportunity for students to become educated voters, while engaging in “experimental learning.”

As a part of the pro-voting campaign, students in the honors program also created Statesboro Votes.

According to Bob Frigo, assistant director of the Honors Program, honor student volunteers staffed a table in the Russell Union Rotunda for 30 hours per week one month this fall. The effort helped register over 1100 voters.

Current students are encouraged to apply to the University Honors Program. Students must complete 15 or more hours of coursework and have cumulative GPA of 3.3 or higher. Academic and co-curricular involvement is encouraged.

“The University Honors Program provides students with the opportunity to apply their knowledge, passion, and abilities in real-world situations to give back to the local community,” Frigo said, “whether that be here in Statesboro or in El Progreso, Honduras... the site of our recent Honors Alternative Break trip.”

Applications can be found at www.georgiasouthern.edu/honors. They are due on October 31 for spring.

Other opportunities to get involved with Dr. Sabia’s National Debate Forums are Thursday October 23rd at 7 p.m. in the Nessmith Lane Building and Wednesday October 29th at 8 p.m. in Kennedy Hall. The forums will each have similar formats and will resemble the first. They are a dynamic insight into the current presidential campaign.
NATIONAL NEWS

Legislation aims to prevent train wrecks

McClatchy News Service

Sweeping new federal legislation will help prevent train wrecks like the 2005 deadly Graniteville, S.C., crash that killed nine and injured several hundred after a chlorine spill, experts and government officials said.

Under the law signed by President Bush, major railroads including Norfolk Southern and CSX Transportation will have to install technology that, in emergencies, can automatically stop trains carrying passengers or hazardous materials.

The affected railroads have until the end of 2015 to implement “Positive Train Control” systems and 18 months to submit their plans to the U.S. Secretary of Transportation.

“It will have a huge impact on safety,” George Gavalla, former head of the Federal Railroad Administration’s Office of Safety, told The State. “A lot of the most hazardous or serious accidents over the last few years could have been prevented or eliminated with (this).”

That included the Jan. 6, 2005, Graniteville wreck: the deadliest crash of its kind in the U.S. since 1978, Gavalla said.

“The Graniteville crash had a role in drafting the bill,” said Mary Kerr, spokeswoman for U.S. House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. Some recommendations, including the train control provisions, were “included as a result of the accident,” she said.

Committee Chairman Rep. James Oberstar, D-Minn., authored the bill.

South Carolina Republican Sens. Lindsey Graham and Jim DeMint voted against the bill. Graham spokesman Kevin Bishop said the senator was opposed to part of the law that earmarked $13 billion mainly for Amtrak passenger service “without taking the necessary steps to move it toward a sustainable private enterprise.”

“It was another typical day in Washington where you marry up a good idea with a bad one,” Bishop said.

DeMint voted against the bill because it contained more than $1 billion for the Washington, D.C., metro rail system, which spokeswoman Ryan Dawkins described as the “largest earmark in history.” DeMint has consistently opposed earmarks.

CSX and other railroads are still evaluating what parts of their system they will have to install (the positive train controls),” CSX spokesman Garrick Francis said Friday.

Norfolk Southern spokesman Robin Chapman said he wasn’t familiar enough with the new law to comment on it, referring questions to an industry trade association.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Mexico tacks epidemic of drug trafficking

McClatchy News Service

Mexico has absorbed shocking drug-related slayings in recent weeks, including a popular mayor gunned down and criminals throwing grenades into a packed Independence Day celebration.

But the casualties also come in less visible forms, as Mexico copes with a surge in the number of citizens who consume drugs and become addicted.

Facing this twin threat, Mexican officials have taken a new tack this month by saying they can better target the most dangerous criminal networks by going easier on small-time consumers and addicts.

The architect of Mexico’s offensive against drug traffickers, President Felipe Calderon, has sent a proposal to Congress that would decriminalize small amounts of drugs by giving those consumers the choice of treatment instead of jail time.

The speaker of Mexico City’s legislative assembly has gone even further, saying he wants to turn the capital into another Amsterdam by legalizing small sales of marijuana, which he calls a “soft drug” currently controlled by criminals.

With the offensive well into its second year, Reforma newspaper estimated about 3,600 deaths related to organized crime so far in 2008, on pace to shatter last year’s total.

Despite the climb in violence, the director of U.S. anti-drug policy on Friday gave some of the strongest words of support by a U.S. official in backing Mexico’s battle against those involved in the drug trade.

“There’s only two ways this goes: they either surrender to law enforcement or they die,” John Walters, the U.S. “drug czar,” told foreign reporters in Mexico City.

That statement of support shows how much the U.S. is depending on Calderon to stem the northward flow of drugs while tamping down on a wave of killings and kidnappings that has spilled into U.S. border states. The U.S. plans to finalize a $450 million package of aid and equipment this week.
Candidates agree on environmental crisis

McClatchy News Service

On the big picture, Barack Obama and John McCain agree, with a shared sense of urgency, that the U.S. can’t keep pumping greenhouse gases into the atmosphere unchecked because their accumulation threatens to bring rising seas, mass extinction of plants and animals.

Scientists say the next president must take action on climate change. McCain and Obama both say that the country will need to respond with a system to limit the pollution.

A plan to stop global warming will require developing different sources of energy and a new system to use and pay for them. It also will reshape the nation’s economy and security.

A cap-and-trade plan would require companies to buy permits for greenhouse gases. Those that find low-cost ways to reduce emissions would need fewer permits and could sell unused ones to less-efficient companies that need them.

The limit, or cap, on total emissions would decline every year. The next president and Congress are expected to work out the details.

Both candidates say they support mandatory emissions reductions through cap and trade.

McCain’s plan calls for a reduction to 1990 levels by 2020 and a 60 percent reduction from 1990 levels by 2050. Obama’s plan has the same 2020 goal with an 80 percent reduction from 1990 levels by 2050.

Many congressional Republicans oppose an economy-wide cap-and-trade plan, but there’s support for such regulation even from some large companies, including Shell, Chrysler and General Electric.

They seek long-term planning certainty and prefer regulation that works through market mechanisms.

Princeton geosciences and international affairs professor Michael Oppenheimer said a cap-and-trade system is needed soon to form the basic framework of regulation. “I’m a big supporter of market-based incentives,” he said.

NASA climate scientist James Hansen recently said that the next president and Congress must define a course next year that presents this dangerous situation.

U.S. to host global economic summit this year

McClatchy News Service

President Bush joined the leaders of France and the European Commission Saturday to announce that the United States would host a global summit before the end of the year to address the world’s burgeoning economic crisis.

Bush along with French President Nicolas Sarkozy, who is currently the president of the European Union, and Jose Manuel Barroso, the president of the European Commission, said the current economic crises demand immediate action. They warned nations around the world to not leap toward isolationism.

“This is a worldwide crisis. Therefore, we must find a worldwide solution,” Sarkozy said while standing next to Bush. Isolationism “would be catastrophe.”

The European Union pushed for the summit, amid criticism from some nations that the United States hasn’t done enough to address the crisis.

Sarkozy and Barroso are expected to push Bush to embrace more regulation and control over financial markets.

What began as a collapse on Wall Street has quickly become a worldwide problem. Since the United States introduced a $700 billion bailout earlier this month, the United Kingdom, Germany, France and Switzerland have proposed bank bailouts. In Asia, South Korea’s stock market has been the hardest hit, after a volatile week of trading.

The crisis has also become the most important issue to voters in the U.S. presidential campaign.

Determining who would host the conference was a relatively simple task. But there are other decisions still to be made: when to hold it, which nations to invite, and what actions can be taken. It is also unclear whether the American president-elect will be part of the summit.

Regardless, leaders Saturday announced an ambitious agenda. “We need a new global financial order,” Barroso said.

The leaders made the announcement at Camp David, Md. They then went into a meeting that was expected to last three hours.

But a senior administration official said the White House expected no further announcements because no decisions were expected to be made.

The proposed summit had been likened to the Bretton Woods summit of 1944, which led to the establishment of the International Monetary Fund and established rules for and an emerging international financial system.

That conference was held in Bretton Woods, N.H., when the United States was one of the last economies standing after World War II, and it was bargaining from a strong position.
**Construction noise puts growth over academics**

Georgia Southern constantly advertises that academics are its top priority. The administration makes it apparent that this is the ultimate goal, as do the faculty and staff.

But with the growing campus and multitude of construction projects and deadlines, we are beginning to wonder if academics are being put on the backburner.

We are tired of having to sit in class and listen as the professors scream over drilling, beeping, etc. We are tired of being interrupted in the library by a multitude of banging and buzzing.

We understand why this growth improves GSU. Our campus and community are growing very rapidly, especially as students around Georgia and the country begin to realize the quality of education that GSUs offering. As we make national ranking lists and begin to earn the recognition that this institution and the people in it rightly deserve, the need for growth is an all time high. Examples include our much needed library expansion and new super-dorm, Centennial Place.

But the fact that the construction is a constant interruption and nuisance to faculty and students alike needs to be fixed. The multitude of crews do not need to be using heavy noise making machinery during the peak of classes. There are so many construction crews and projects on campus that this should be easy to fix.

The Herty building is just one example of this. There has been constant construction on this building for four years, including one complete year where the entire building was getting a much-needed renovation. But two years later, construction crews doing God-knows-what plague that building. They are on the roof, not with tar or roofing material, or even wires. There is no apparent reason or sign of them except for a big mechanical lifter, which insanely beeps when the men are being raised to the roof to continue on their merry way.

There is no need for us to be sitting in our 10 a.m. classes and have the beeping of cranes right outside the window, when there are no other classes scheduled for that room for the rest of the day.

The administration needs to take the simple action of allowing the department chairs to give a very rough schedule to the crews. Let them know when the hectic and crowded times for the buildings are and inform them not to use the heavy noise making equipment at that time. These crews have so much work to do that this should not be a problem.

One of our editors had a professor, after he complained not only to the crews but also to the department head, all within a ten-minute span of time, told his class that only the students can stand up and make a difference.

So we are asking the students of this university, many of whom we have heard the complaints of construction from, to calmly step up and ask for this to stop. There is nothing we can do about the multitude of construction, but it is time that the process stops negatively affecting our education.

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**As the election nears, check out the other parties**

In just over two weeks history will be made in our nation. Americans will elect either the first black president or the first female vice-president. I am a strong proponent of change; however this election makes me wonder how stable our nation will be as we encounter a serious power shift.

I am a republican. I have always been a Republican and chances are I will always be a Republican. This does not mean I will not vote Democrat every now and again, it simply means that I align myself with the Republican Party. If I feel that a democrat can do a much better job than my vote will sway.

Shannon Knepp

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**Time requirements for internships hurt all involved**

After weeks of waiting, the local news station in my hometown called me to tell me I got an internship with them that I had been waiting for. I was ecstatic. All I had to do now was get my advisor to send a sheet in stating I would get credit hours from Georgia Southern for my internship.

But then I discovered the Broadcast Internship Policy at Georgia Southern states that only rising seniors can receive credit hours for internships.

Being a rising junior, I lost the internship. After telling the news station I could not receive credit hours they told me to try again next year and I would see what they could do.

By limiting the time students can get credit hours, you limit the chance of the student receiving an internship.

According to the "Broadcast Internship Criteria" provided by GSU, "Candidates must complete a GSU Graduate Clearance Sheet with their assigned advisor before applying for an internship. This should be done with no more than 45 hours or less than 30 hours remaining before graduation."

A system like this significantly limits the time a student has to complete an internship which can harm the student's future. Internships.com states that college degrees are becoming less valuable in today's workplace. It's experience that puts you ahead of the game.

In my case, I had a crushing realization thrown before me. I was planning doing my internship this summer and studying abroad next summer; two fantastic opportunities. Now I'm sad to say that studying abroad is no longer an option for me. Of course you could blame this on bad policy, allowing juniors to receive credit hours for internships that were applying for the same position? Not only is the junior out of a great opportunity, but the company has lost an option for me. Of course you could blame this on bad policy, allowing juniors to receive credit hours for internships they are striving for.
CRI hosts ‘Wellness Week’

Compiled by staff

The Campus Recreation and Intramurals staff is trying to help those in need this week during their Wellness Week.

With wellness training and education, students can learn how to avoid these unhealthy habits.

The Wellness Program has been designed to teach students, faculty, and staff about the seven dimensions of wellness.

According to the directors of the Wellness Program, these seven dimensions are emotional, environmental, intellectual, occupational, physical, social, and spiritual wellness.

This year, the CRI will host Wellness Week October 18 through October 25.

Several events will be held at the RAC and all over campus to encourage and promote a healthy lifestyle among individuals.

Events such as Healthy Eating for a Busy College Schedule and Team Scavenger Hunts will be held at the beginning of the week.

These events are designed to give healthy grocery shopping strategies and to meet others interested in a fit daily lifestyle as well.

Wednesday, October 22 is considered Wellness Wednesday.

Sunbelt holds safety program

By Denver Pittman
Staff Writer

Sunbelt Expo holds 10th anniversary of state-wide motorcoach safety program in Moultrie, Ga.

Officers from the Department of Public Safety hope to inspect 75-100 motorcoaches during the event. Last year, inspections resulted in 142 violations.

The Motor Carrier Compliance Division (MCCD), branch of the Department of Public Safety, seeks to enhance the safety involved with motorcoaches and their drivers.

The inspection is held annually at the Sunbelt Agricultural Exposition.

“We are proud of our partnership that allows our Motor Carrier Officers to perform the safety inspections that translate to safer transportation in Georgia,” Colonel Bill Hitchens, Commissioner of GDPS, said.

According to officers, the time of the inspections is critical for the number of vehicular accidents with motorcoach involvement.

“A workshop called 101 Ways to be Intimate will take place at 7:00pm at the Russell Union.

This seminar is designed to teach individuals healthy ways to be intimate through relationships and also to show the risks that come along with intimacy.

A Live Well Fair will take place all day Thursday, October 23, in the Russell Union.

Individuals can earn prizes and interact and learn more from the visitors of the week.

Keynote speaker, Eric Flagg, will speak and show a film screening titled “Gimme Green” following the fair at the Nessmith Lane Assembly Hall.

A Sustainability Summit Kickoff will take place October 24. Jay Withgott, Phil Aronau & student leaders from other universities will visit GSU offering advice to those interested and eager to learn.

That night a two part track will be taught encouraging individuals to think global by creating an environmental film and act local by making the community sustainable.

Other sustainability events will take place as well toward the end of the week.

The CRI group at GSU hopes Wellness Week will better inform individuals about living healthy and encourage them to get up and act.

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“The safety inspections have proven successful in removing a significant number of unsafe motorcoach drivers and vehicles from the roadways,” Chief Mark McLeod said. “It must also be noted that the motorcoaches and motorcoach drivers placed out of service during the event [last year] were transporting school-age children.”

Since 2001, 594 motorcoaches have been inspected at the exposition. 1,070 vehicle and 323 driver violations were identified.

35 drivers have been placed out-of-service. This year, the event will include a Performance-Based Brake Tester (PBBT).

The device tests brake performance throughout the entire vehicle.

Inspections held Tuesday and Wednesday will receive the PBBT. The event continues through Thursday.

All motorcoach drivers will receive motor carrier safety education information.

The program has proven a huge success in the past, and hopes to continue its’ strong impact again this year.
CRI to host fourth annual Iron Eagle Challenge this November

By Will Douberly
Staff Writer

On Friday, November 14, Georgia Southern will be having the fourth annual Iron Eagle Challenge.

The Iron Eagle Challenge is being brought to GSU by Southern Adventures, a Program of Campus Recreation and Intramurals.

This event will test participants in a variety of activities, including cycling, running, canoeing, and mystery challenges.

Race Director Alicia Day compared some of the mystery challenges to those found in the show "The Amazing Race."

"Last year, we would have each partner locked to one another. They would then have to figure out the combination in order to move on to the next challenge," said Day.

The course will span approximately five miles, with most of the course being navigated by bike.

Anyone over the age of 16 is eligible for registration. Georgia Southern students can register for 15 dollars, while non-GSU students may register for 30 dollars.

Those wanting to participate in the Iron Eagle Challenge will need a partner. If one does not have a partner, Southern Adventures will pair those together who are in need of another person.

"Those who register before October 20 will guarantee themselves a race t-shirt. The race is broken down into four divisions. The four divisions are men, women, co-ed, and student organizations. The maximum number of allowed teams is 75, which means that the maximum number of participants is 150. Last year we had 50 teams last year, and we would love to fill the whole 75 this year," said Day.

Participants will need a bike and a helmet. If they do not have the equipment, it can be rented at Southern Adventures in the RAC.

The three teams with the best overall race times will receive a prize. Also, receiving prizes will be the top three race times in each respective division.

According to the Iron Eagle Challenge's website, last year's best overall time was 41 minutes and 23 seconds.

"Some may hear about the challenge and shy away due to fear that it will be too difficult to conquer. However, Day emphasized that anybody in decent physical condition would be fine. "Anyone in moderate shape will be able to do it. We had some do the course in Speedos last year; if you want, you could dress up like Batman and Robin and do the challenge. It's about the school and community coming together enjoying themselves. The Iron Eagle Challenge is about having fun," Day said.

According to the Iron Eagle web site, the proceeds made benefit the Southern Appalachian Forest Coalition, Moe's, Christopher's, Road ID, Loco's Restaurant, and Sugar Magnolia Bakery.

All of the proceeds will then be donated to the Ogeechee-Canoochee Riverkeeper, which focuses on cleaning up the Ogeechee, Canoochee, and coastal rivers through reporting pollution, volunteering and becoming a member in their online and actual organization.

More information about the Iron Eagle Challenge can be found at http://services.georgiasouthern.edu/cri/southern_adventures/IronEagle.

POLICE BEAT

Tuesday, October 14
Officers issued two traffic warnings, assisted seven motorists, assisted one sick person, assisted one other agency and investigated four accidents.

A sign was taken from the Soccer Field.

A bicycle was reportedly taken at Eagle Village.

A bicycle was taken from the bike rack at the Hollis Building.

Wednesday, October 15
Officers issued four traffic citations, six traffic warnings, assisted three motorists and responded to two alarms.

Officers responded to a loud music complaint at Southern Pines.

A bicycle was taken from Southern Pines.

Thursday, October 16
Officers issued four traffic citations, four traffic warnings and assisted five motorists.

Friday, October 17

Officers responded to a loud music complaint. Also, someone reported a stolen bike at Southern Pines Apartment homes.

Catherine Taylor Byers, 19, Statesboro Place, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

Several trees were taken from the greenhouse near Physical Plant.

A juvenile was charged with criminal trespass and obstruction of an officer.

Alexandra Elizabeth Byers, 22, North Point Boulevard, Macon, was charged with public intoxication.

Brooke Elizabeth Smith, 21, Lanier Drive, was charged with public intoxication.

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Eagles lost 37-36 in the last quarter due to an intercepted pass.

Senior Tim Camp runs a pass during Saturday’s game against App. State.

Senior Dakota Walker tackles an App. State player.

Senior wide receiver Raja Andrews runs a play.

Sophomore Antonio Henton runs downfield during the Blue Out game on Saturday.

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Program offers internship in state legislature

By Mark Beavers
Staff writer

GSU students have the opportunity to work in the Georgia House of Representatives or Senate.

The Georgia Legislative Intern Program gives selected applicants a chance to intern with the Georgia legislature during the spring 2009 semester.

"There are a lot of reasons why students should intern in the legislative program," Political Science professor and Campus Coordinator for the Georgia Legislative Intern Program Karen McCurdy said.

Besides giving students experience and contacts for future job opportunities, McCurdy said that the internship will give students the opportunity to see how things work and help them understand the legislative process better than reading from the textbook. Interns will also receive course credit, an amount to be determined by the school, and a stipend of approximately $300 a week.

Interns will be assigned to a committee in the House or Senate; some may be assigned to legislative staff offices, and will work 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, like a full time job.

Some of the duties that interns will be taking on include answering phone calls and reading constituent mail, McCurdy said.

McCurdy said that interns will start work when the legislature convenes in January and will work 40 legislative days, which could last until April or May.

Students wanting to get involved in the internship program will need to print and fill out an application from the Georgia Legislative Intern Program website, http://www.cviol.uga.edu/glip.

There is also a required two to five page essay applicants will have to write explaining why their studies and experiences have prepared them for the program and what they expect to gain from it.

Applicants must have at least junior standing by the time of the internship. There are also other requirements, such as being a legal Georgia resident, potential applicants will need to consider. Specific details and requirements of the program can also be viewed at the website.

Around 30 applicants from colleges and universities across the state will be chosen for the internships.

Applications are due to McCurdy by October 31.

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Students weigh in on law which places blame on bars for accidents

By Quentin Dupree
Staff Writer

Bar safety in college towns is an issue that is constantly being grappled with. One of the largest, and most destructive, issues in regards to bar safety do not directly address what happens physically inside of the bar, but what happens when the patrons leave.

According to the Students Against Destructive Decisions website (www.sadd.org), 26 percent of 15- to 20-year-old drivers who were killed in motor vehicle crashes in 2005 had been drinking and research done by Palm Beach Post [FL] shows that 50 percent of drunk drivers total that are arrested are driving home from a bar.

In some states bars are held responsible for the actions of the people they serve.

According to a State Appeals court session in New Jersey this past May, bars in the state are now being held responsible for patrons who get into accidents for being overserved by the establishment.

A website called blog.lawyerahead.ca summarizes an incident where a bartender of Skip's bar in California was convicted of manslaughter because he didn't prevent a binge-drinker from killing herself through alcohol poisoning. The owner of Skip's bar was also charged for criminal negligence.

Palm Beach Post studies have shown that laws correlating with the service of alcohol are either relaxed or completely ignored. Bartenders are not allowed to serve alcohol to customers that are clearly intoxicated.

In 1999, according to records posted by the Montana Supreme Court, a local bar was fined nearly one million dollars for an accident caused by an overserved patron. The court found that employees of the bar could have overseen the overly intoxicated patron and they were to blame for overserving him.

Traci L. Toomey, a professor for the University of Minnesota, explains why laws on establishments to make sure that they comply with the law, Toomey said.

Colleen Gentile, sophomore Georgia Southern student, does not agree that bars should carry this responsibility.

“No, I don't think that the bars should be responsible for drunk drivers. So many people come into the bars and bar hop in University Plaza that there would be no way to keep track of whose driving and who's walking,” Gentile said.

The Costa Rica Pages, a news oriented web site out of Costa Rica, informs readers of a law that makes bars partially responsible for drunk drivers. In cases like these bar owners can face fines up to $450 dollars or possibly jail-time.

Taryn Swalm, a Georgia Southern sophomore disagrees on laws that place some blame on establishments that serve alcohol.

“In a way I do not think bars should be responsible because the bartenders are so busy with all the people crowded around them they can't keep track with what they have made and also because people get other people drinks,” Swalm said.

These laws would increase the pressure on bar owners to take more responsibility for their establishment.

However, some Georgia Southern bars are already trying their best to keep a safe environment for their customers.

David Poor, manager of the Dos Primos bar, takes on the responsibility of being a college-town bar.

According to Poor’s daily account the bar seldom sees fights because the management would usually take actions to prevent them.

The bartenders would usually cut off anyone who is getting obviously drunk and the security at Dos Primos will escort out anyone who may put their other customers in danger.

“I don't want people to feel that they cannot come into a bar and not feel safe. Bouncers are trained to do their job and they're very good at it,” Poor said.

According to Poor, Dos Primos had a gun man situation that could have spun out of control, however security managed to subdue the gunman before anyone could get hurt.

The gunman was in Dos Primos earlier until he was thrown out due to his questionable behavior.

When he returned the security didn't need a new reason to escort the man so they restrained him and called the authorities. The gunman is now incarcerated and has been permanently banned from Dos Primos.

Although Dos Primos is doing their part to increase bar safety, patrons who are overserved are more likely to fight than others, states the crime safety section of the Rutgers University web site.

The university found, through local studies, that refusal of service for intoxication or underage patrons initiated most of the violence in their bar settings.

The law, if passed, would charge the bars with criminal charges if the person who causes a drunk driving accident or violent action is heavily intoxicated due to being over served.

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Announcements

110 Auditions

We are looking for a drummer and a female vocalist to join our band. You must be willing to play Contemporary Christian and Christian Rock. Keyboarding ability a plus!

270 Motorcycles for Sale

HONDA SHADOW 2000 VT1100C. 21,000 miles. New tires, windshield, LOR D'Col's pipes. Stage II jet kit, Mustang seat, leather bags, light bar. ETC. This is a Super NICE BIKE! $4500.00 obo. I may consider partial trade for smaller bike and pay the difference. CALL 912-478-1384 or 852-5540 after 4:30. I drive this Bike most days to Physical Plant and park beside the Russell Union room 2048. meets every Wednesday at 5pm in Student Alliance For A Green Earth.

270 Miscellaneous for Sale

Jagermeister Tap Machine (*NEW* JEM Model) for rent!

I have a matching pull out couch and loveseat that I'm selling for $250. Both are in REALLY good condition. no stains or smells. Used, can bring to you for a small fee. Call 912-531-7585 and ask for Tiffany. Serious inquires only.

270 Employment & Job Services

350 Jobs/Fall Time


360 Jobs/Part Time

Part-time painter needed. Exp. not required. Must have own transportation. Pay based on exp. Contact Brianna @ (912)531-9892.

440 Real Estate for Sale

300 Apartments

1BR/1BA available in 2BR/BA apt @ the Woodlands $800/month all inclusive. Lease for Spring (Jan-Jul 2009). Roommate matching service used or bring your own. Offers high speed internet & wireless, washer/dryer, walk in closet, dishwasher, patio, Brinks alarm, pool, volleyball court, b-ball court, football, 24-hour club house w/ pool table, fitness, weights, room, & computer lab. Also pet-friendly & close to campus. Willing to pay half of 1st month rent. Call 912-670-4156 if interested.

440 Sub Leases

1BR/1BA available in 3BR/3BA at the Exchange $469/month or negotiable. All inclusive rent, fully furnished, top floor balcony. Amenities include 2 large pools, game room, tanning bed, volleyball, fitness center, basketball courts, computer lab and study rooms, internet access, community, and more. Apartment is available immediately or beginning Spring Semester '09. If interested call (703) 282-8430.

480 Sub Leases

1BR/1BA available in a 4BR/4BA in the Exchange. Starting January - July. $440/month all inclusive. Would have 2 girl roommates. Great for two people looking for a place to live Spring semester. Girls preferred. Right next to Clubhouse, pool, and gym. Large living area with open kitchen and balcony. Spacious bathrooms with lots of storage. HBO movie channels. We are the first occupants of the apartment, so it is still very new and nice. Call Jesse at 770-883-7521 if interested.

Sudoku

Rules: Fill in the grid so that each row, column, and 3x3 block contains 1-9 exactly once.
Quarterback Armanti Edwards was sacked four times in Saturday’s game.

**Eagles lose another close game**

By Latrice Williams

Saturday at Glenn Bryant Field, the Appalachian State Mountaineers took a one-point win over the Georgia Southern Eagles. It was a hard fought game with relentless effort put forth by both teams.

The Eagles won the coin toss but opted to let the Mountaineers receive.

The Mountaineers had an explosive offense and it didn’t take long for ASU to make their way toward the end zone. Wide receiver B.J. Frazier caught a corner pass from quarterback Armanti Edwards to score the first points of the game for ASU.

On the first Eagle possession the offense didn’t connect well with each other, but managed to get within field goal range. Adrian Mora’s kick attempt was good to give the Eagles three points. The Mountaineers didn’t get very far on their next possession, turning the ball over after just a few snaps.

The Eagles responded quickly with an 84-yard touchdown punt return by Raja Andrews. The Eagles led at the start of the second half, 10-7.

Late in the fourth quarter, GSU had multiple opportunities to score, but failed to do so due to penalties and miscommunication between players.

“Every game that we’ve lost has been to great teams. It is very difficult. I know that we are a top team in the nation. I don’t think anyone would say that we aren’t good,” said GSU wide receiver Raja Andrews following the loss.

Fellow senior Chris Covington also took the loss hard but knows there is still part of the season left.

“Any kind of loss is tough, but to know that you could have won is even tougher. But the season is not over until the last game,” said Covington.

Coach Hatcher had plenty of positive comments to say about his team.

“It is frustrating that we lost, but you can’t point fingers at anyone. I know I say this every week but they played hard all the way until the end,” said Hatcher.

Many questioned Hatcher’s reason for trying to score instead of kicking a field goal at the end of the game.

“Actually we were trying to kick a field goal. We needed to make it to the 20-yard line. We would have had to kick it from 56 yards where we were at, and that wouldn’t have been too good, but what is most disappointing is our team could have won,” said Hatcher. “We played good, but we let down on a few plays early on that cost us the game. I don’t blame just one person. I look at losses differently because I am the coach. I look at all the mistakes we made as opposed to picking on a person that you may oppose to picking on a person that you may feel cost us the game.”

Chris Covington had a remarkable game, with 11 tackles and two sacks. Quentin Taylor recorded 12 stops, including 5 for a loss. Damon Suggs, Terrione Benefield, Evan Mattingly, and Chris Rogers had seven tackles each.

Antonio Henton now has the sixth highest passing yardage total in program history. He threw for 391 yards and three touchdowns.

The Eagles head to Western Carolina Saturday, October 25 for a key Southern Conference match-up.
Defense dooms Eagles

COLUMN:

By Thom Cunningham
Staff Writer

The Georgia Southern Eagles lost another close home game Saturday, falling short to Appalachian State 36-37.

It was a battle between the quarterbacks as Antonio Henton cumulated a total of 391 yards with 3 touchdowns, while the Mountaineers Armanti Edwards racked up 333 total yards with 5 touchdowns.

With both players leading their respective teams in a tough battle, the story of turnovers started to play a role late in the game.

The Eagles were picked off on their last two offensive drives of the game, preventing any chance for a GSU victory.

"It was my fault," said Henton. "I take the blame for this. We had a chance up until those turnovers. It was a poor decision by me and I made the mistake."

No turnovers until the fourth quarter, what happened?

"On the first interception the ball was just under thrown," said Henton. "It was a mistake I made and I've got to learn from it."

Despite the turnovers, the Eagles played well for a majority of the game.

The offense didn't disappoint piling up over 400 total yards.

"We never had a doubt that we would [win]," said Henton. "As long as there is time on that clock we have a chance."

Although the offense seemed to be on the right page for most of the game, the Eagles defense didn't have an answer for Armanti Edwards.

Not only did Edwards find the end zone on multiple occasions, but the GSU defense could not force a single turnover.

"They have a fine football team," said GSU Head Coach Chris Hatcher. "We had our chances but we just didn't make the plays. We just have to do a better job of executing for the entire game."

That statement seems to be true for the defensive side of the ball.

The Eagles defense did not have an answer for Armanti Edwards or the Mountaineers offense.

ASU capitalized on eleven third down conversions and went 2-for-2 on fourth down conversions.

The Mountaineers also controlled the game with nearly thirty-five minutes of possession.

With the blame of these close losses going towards Coach Hatcher, maybe the finger needs to be pointed in a different direction, like the defense!

The GSU defense has yet to hold an opponent to under 20 points this season, which gives opposing teams a greater chance of keeping games close.

"A loss is a loss," said GSU receiver Raja Andrews. "We did play well but we still lost."

Besides the two turnovers, the Eagles offense played well.

A loss is a loss however, and the Eagles will most likely miss the playoffs for the second straight season.

A winning record is still possible however, with four games remaining on the schedule.

Jared Siri/STAFF

This weekend's 'Blueout' game resulted in a 36-37 loss against App. State.