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COVERING THE CAMPUS LIKE A SWARM OF GNATS

## Grube: We are in this together

*Campus heads explain university's  
approach to dealing with economy*

By Shannon Knepp

News editor

In an attempt to stop economic rumors on campus, President Bruce Grube, Vice President of Business and Finance Ronald Core, and Provost of Academic Affairs Linda Bleicken spoke to a full auditorium, Tuesday, about where the college currently stands financially.

Grube started the meeting by telling the audience that the college is going through a tough time but will get through it.

"What we will not do at Georgia Southern is we're not going to eat our young. We're not going to demonize each other. We are in this together," Grube said.

At the forum, Grube assured the faculty and staff that they are not planning on cutting jobs. "The number one priority is keeping people," he said.

However, there will be effects that come with no job elimination. For example, there is a hiring freeze currently going on within the college. According to Bleicken, there are currently 52 positions that are being held, saving the college \$2.7 million.

"We are trying to be responsible," Bleicken said.

Another rumor discussed at the forum was the legislative's talks about furloughs. According to Grube, furloughs have been discussed by the legislature, but nothing is concrete yet.

He remained optimistic, however, by saying that the legislature is starting to realize that some organizations know what works for themselves more than an outside source will.

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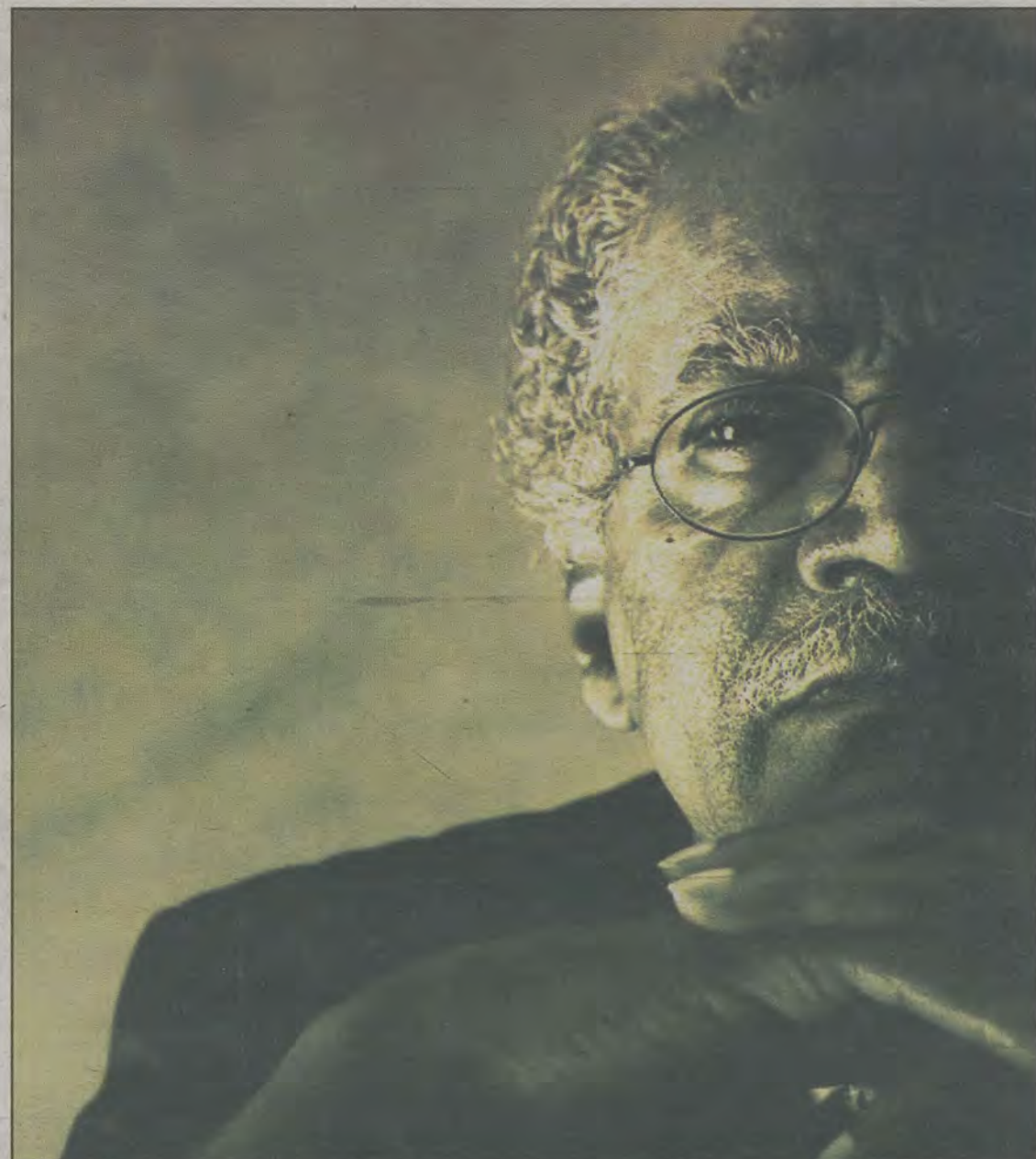
- Bruce Grube  
Georgia Southern president

The economic forum also mentioned student tuition. According to Core, there has been talk of tuition going up, but how much is still unknown. Core also said that there is the possibility of

the elimination of "Fixed for Four."

Fixed for Four means that the tuition a student pays their first semester of college is the price they will pay from then on. However, this policy may be eliminated in the future to compensate for some of the money going up.

Grube also mentioned to the audience that enrollment numbers are up, and while this means less staff to deal with more students, this will help the economic situation of the college.



## Rev. Samuel Kyles encourages pursuit of dreams

Special Photo  
Civil rights leader, the Rev. Samuel Kyles, delivered a message of inspiration Tuesday night at the Performing Arts Center.

For complete coverage of this event, see page 17  
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### THRU OUR LENS

A first-hand view of the acclaimed performance of 'Trojan Women' at Georgia Southern.

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### Three-Day Forecast



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## Students participate in Research Conferences

By Ben Carroll

Staff writer

On March 12 and 13, Brook Hamil will be attending the Southeastern Section meeting of the Geological Society of America in Tampa Bay, Florida while on April 1 through the 5, Jamie Randolph, along with 3 other students, is attending the Southern States Communication Association's 2009 Theodore Clevenger Undergraduate Honors Conference in Norfolk, Va.

Hamil, an undergraduate student at Georgia Southern's Geology and Geography Department, will be presenting her research thesis for her undergraduate degree.

"I have been a Geology Society of America member for 2 years now," says Hamil, "And I have been working on my research for about a year now."

Her research is based on her observations of rocks in the Blue Ridge Mountains to find the tectonic history of the area.

She has worked on this research everyday since she stated, according to Hamil. She submitted her abstract, which is the introduction of her research, to the GSA, got it approved, and she received permission from the GSA to present her poster which will display her research.

"When a student attends a professional meeting, the entire discipline is opened in ways never revealed before," said Dallas Rhodes, the Department Head of the Geology and Geography department, "Georgia Southern has, for example, one structural geologist on the faculty. So when Brooke sees for herself that there are literally thousands of people studying the Earth's structural framework and its history, I'm sure she will be impressed."

"These things are important to get involved with, and it is very important to get your networking done early, and this will definitely help," said Hamil.

Randolph submitted one of her papers from



Special Photo

Many GSU students are traveling to present academic papers at national conferences.

her major classes. It is a paper about her experience of being of Progressive Christian literature and being Pro-Choice. "The paper is more on individualism," said Randolph, "It's bigger than just the Pro-Choice Christian theme."

According to Pam Bourland-Davis, the Department Head of the Communication Arts Department, Georgia Southern has had great success at the convention.

"For the past ten years, we've had at least three student papers accepted each year, and two years ago, one of our students received top student paper recognition," said Bourland-Davis.

This success comes against some of the biggest schools. Just like Hamil, Randolph is excited about the fact that she gets to see her major in action outside of Georgia Southern's undergraduate program.

"It is an honor to be selected. Some of the biggest schools, such as UNC Chapel Hill, have people submitting and it is neat to represent you university," said Randolph, "It is nice that people think I'm a cool writer. I've worked really hard and I'm really excited about it."

## POLICE BEAT

March 2, 2009

Officers issued three traffic citations, seven traffic warnings, assisted two motorists, assisted two sick persons, investigated five accidents.

A drug complaint was reported at Southern Courtyard.

A cell phone was taken from Lakeside Cafe.

A cell phone was taken from Sanford Hall.

March 3, 2009

Officers issued three traffic citations, eight traffic warnings, assisted three motorists and investigated one accident.

A digital camera was taken from the Carroll Building.

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# OPINIONS →

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## Times are tough but they aren't impossible

Last Tuesday, Georgia Southern held an economic forum open to all to help stop any rumors from spreading. At the event, President Grube made a very good point that should be adhered to: stop the griping.

It is no big news that our country is in worse economic shape now than it has been in years, and this is going to cause a lot of penny pinching that no one enjoys.

At the forum, Grube also mentioned that we are "in this ship together." Whether we sink or swim depends on how well we work together.

The good news is, no one has lost a job at Georgia Southern because of the financial crisis.

While there may be a hiring freeze, at least faculty and staff can feel safer knowing that they will still have a job tomorrow.

It's true that things aren't good right now, but Georgia Southern is working to keep what it sees as important afloat.

As things continue to get worse (which it is looking like they will), it will be more important

than ever to follow Grube's advice and stop the whining.

It doesn't solve anything, and it certainly won't give the college any new money.

Instead, the college should do what it's doing now- become more economical.

It is true that in the next few years, there will be less faculty, and as a result larger classrooms.

While it is easy to wonder if such changes will take away the thing that students love about Georgia Southern, like the personal touch that it has, however, this is something that students will have to learn to deal with in the next few years, because the alternative is job loss. That is the last thing Georgia Southern wants to do.

Things like switching to CFL bulbs and having lights on timers won't solve the economic problems, but will give the college a little extra to work with.

By working together, Georgia Southern will get through a tough time. It isn't entirely impossible.

## Submission of Letters to the Editor

The George-Anne Daily welcomes letters to the editor, story submissions and guest columns. All copy submitted should be 350 words or less, typed, and sent via e-mail in Microsoft Word format to [gaeditor@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:gaeditor@georgiasouthern.edu) or via facebook to Claire Gallam. All submissions must be signed and include phone number for verification. GSU students should include their academic major, year at GSU, and hometown. The editors reserve the right to edit or reject any submission.

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What qualities do you want to see in our next president?

Send in a letter to the editor, at most 350 words, to [gamed@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:gamed@georgiasouthern.edu) detailing what you think the future president should focus on and what you would like to see implemented at GSU.

Letters should begin with the format: Dear 12th GSU president. . .

## Leadership positions in plenty at GSU



**Joey Newton**  
is a graduate student in Spanish education from Americus, Ga. He is a staff columnist for the George-Anne.

How many leadership positions there are available on campus? Plenty.

Whether you are frantically learning leadership lessons in a fraternity, working hard in your professional organization, or saving the world by taking charge in community service opportunities, you can get involved pretty much wherever you

fancy here at Georgia Southern.

I have a secret. It may be the best kept secret on campus, even though there are dozens of flyers and posters and web postings about it. Eagle Entertainment is hiring.

What does Eagle Entertainment have to do with leadership? Everything. Every skill you need as a leader is put to work in these positions. Teamwork, planning, evaluations, goal setting, group work, and how to work a big copy machine (ok, maybe that last one is not critical, but you'll learn how to anyway).

What does Eagle Entertainment do exactly? We do all the fun stuff on campus. I've been working with Eagle Entertainment for almost 2 years now, and I always look forward to, for lack of a better word, "work".

Here, work is serving popcorn at the movie on campus and seeing lots of people you know. Work consists of helping set up for concerts, such as Brad Paisley, OAR, Cartel and Yung Joc. Work is planning events, such as Welcome Week,

Winter and Spring Break Trips or a Luau at the RAC Pool.

Work is being asked to be Brad Paisley's Driver, and taking him to the RAC and Starbucks, where he buys you a cup of coffee. Work is sitting in Yung Joc's dressing room, right next to Joc himself for 45 minutes and talking about the music industry. Those are some things that I have done...and it was just another day at the office.

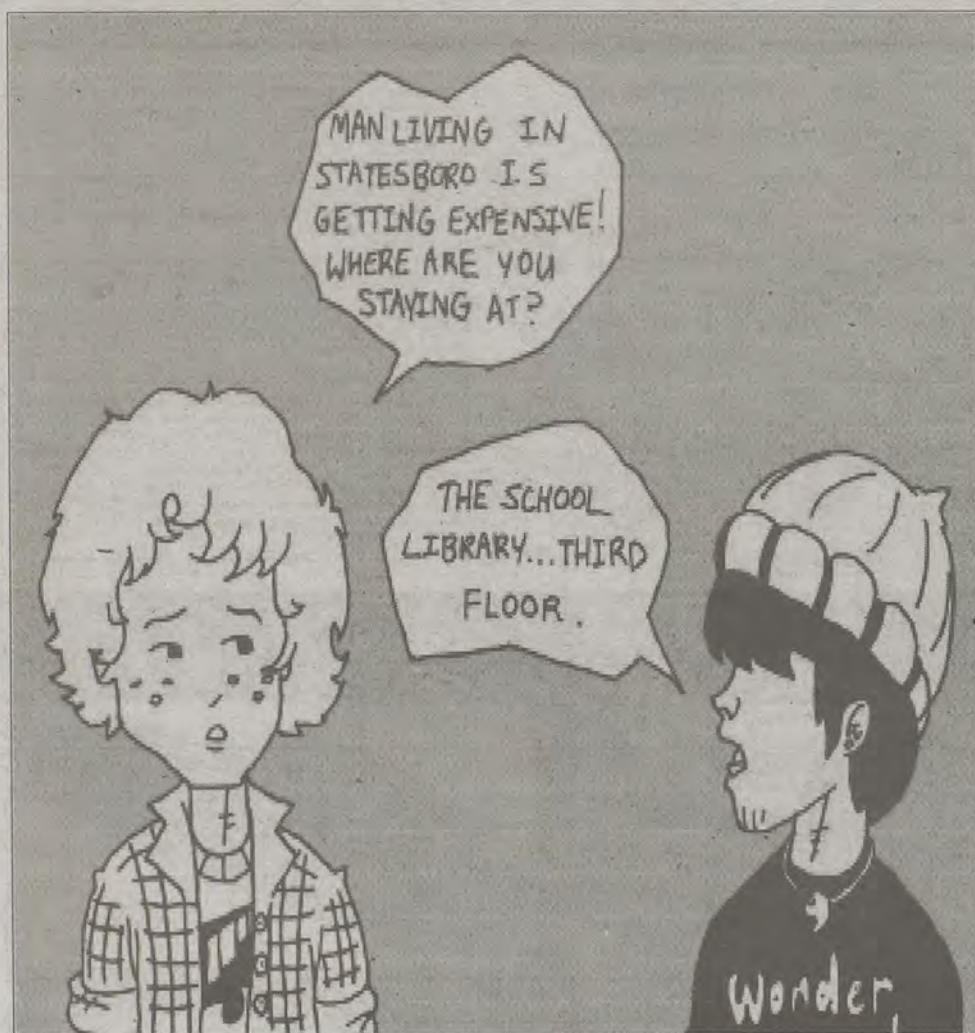
"Work" with Eagle Entertainment consists of some long days and long nights. Sure, there are evaluations, paperwork, and weekend training events. But while some may prefer to sit at home and play Halo 3 all day and night rather than applying for jobs, we're living it up with Eagle Entertainment, and you can too.

Our job is to provide entertainment that students respond to through a number of different avenues. This year, in fact, we are changing our structure to become more of an Organization rather than a small group of leaders. We want to include more GSU students! There is nothing that can compare to job satisfaction, and knowing what you are doing is making a difference.

Next year, we are offering 5 executive positions with a stipend. The program board will be a group of around 25 selected volunteers who are picked after applications and interviews are completed. This handpicked group will become a well oiled, programming machine that will program for the entire GSU campus.

So if you want to do something sweet, something worthwhile, something that your friends wish they had jumped on when they had the chance, apply! Keep in mind one of my personal favorite quotes:

"Opportunities are not given; opportunities are taken." Take it.





# OPINIONS cont...

## Kyles lecture was, sadly, missed by many



**Marshall Hooks** is a senior political science major from Dawson, Ga. He is the Managing Editor of GADaily.com.

I was excited to attend the motivational lecture given by Reverend Samuel Kyles last night at the PAC.

For those of you who are not familiar with Kyles, he was a civil rights activist in the 1960s who was with Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. the last hour of his life. Kyles stood just a few feet away when the fatal shot rang out, killing King.

When I got to the PAC last night, I was expecting to see a large crowd in attendance.

To my surprise, no one really showed up until ten or so minutes before Kyles was to take the stage.

Not only was I concerned of poor attendance, I was furious!

To make matters slightly worse, when Kyles

did take the stage, there were empty seats all across the auditorium. The upper balcony levels were blocked off as well.

Reverend Kyles was one of two individuals on this planet to have stood beside, talked to, and had a private conversation with the national figurehead of the 1960s Civil Rights Movement.

The other person in attendance was the late Ralph Abernathy.

At the end of his speech, after receiving a standing ovation, Kyles came down from the stage to pose with excited students and faculty members for photographs, sign autographs, and have a brief conversation with each person who approached him.

He even spoke to the aunt of one student via telephone.

I feel strongly that those who did not attend the speech last night truly missed out on a valuable opportunity to witness living history.

I can only hope that in the future, more students and faculty attend events such as this one and give respect to those who fought for the very rights we are delighted to have to this very day.

## One should live by the words of Dr. Suess



**James Kicklighter** is a junior public relations major from Claxton, Ga. and the Public Relations officer for SGA. He is a guest columnist for the George-Anne.

On special days, Google changes their logo.

Perhaps as a reminder of the cultural significance of the website, but also the forgetfulness of my memory, we celebrated the birthday of Dr. Seuss.

Elementary schools across the country, except for the snow struck students of North Georgia, celebrated this day in libraries across the country.

For many years, I had wondered where this pen name had come from.

During prohibition, he threw drinking parties in college, eventually getting in trouble with the administration at Dartmouth College.

In order to retain his position as a staff writer with the school news, he began to use the pen name "Dr. Seuss," so they wouldn't know who he was.

His creative contributions to literature are immeasurable, as many of today's top artists have been greatly influenced by his work.

However, this got me to thinking about the iron giant that is Google. Sure, their motto is "do no evil," but they are a company just like any other.

In a time when "corporate responsibility" is a popular catch phrase, it is important to ask ourselves how much information is available about ourselves on the internet.

A few weeks ago, I sent out an email concerning a project I'm directing on Radio Theater throughout the Internet.

A few days later (on a Google Alert auto-search), the very message with my personal contact information was a top hit online, after a quick search of my name.

It is incredible the amount of information about ourselves that is public information.

For example, if you haven't turned off the settings, Facebook pictures could be open for the world to see – and I'm sure you have a few out there that employers would not need to see.

Consider this a friendly reminder to take a page from Dr. Seuss.

Stay under the radar so that your contributions to society aren't thwarted by your personal life. For every good influence, we're bound to have a bad.

## Diet and fitness do's and don'ts



**Claire Gallam** is a senior communications major from Lakewood, Ohio. She is the Managing Editor of news for the G-A.

Spring break is just around the corner (one week away, actually). And this past week, I've overheard many students gasping over how they are going to possibly lose enough weight to fit into their bathing suit.

I've also heard many other students share "helpful" advice on how to get in tip top shape in seven days.

These pieces of "advice" were frightening and some were just plain dangerous. So I've composed a list of fitness and diet do's and don'ts to help clear up the many myths students have in regards to fitness and diet.

**Fitness Do 1:** Do balance your cardio workouts with muscle training workouts to burn calories, build muscle mass, and tone muscle. Cardio workouts (such as running, kickboxing, spinning, basketball, boxing, etc.) burn calories and increase endurance, however, do not build or tone lean muscle mass.

Many people think just running for 30 minutes will get them abs, however, the only way to define abdomen muscles is to do ab exercise, such as sit ups or crunches. The same goes for building leg, butt, arm, chest and back muscles as well. If you want to tone or build muscle, do cardio first, then do a few sets of 8-12 reps of muscle training.

**Fitness Don't 1:** Don't overdo it with the weight training. Since spring break is only a week away, one piece of "advice" I heard was to "do ab and leg exercises every day until spring break." If you do muscle training every single day, you can risk pulling, straining, or even tearing muscle tissue. Muscles are fragile and can rip and tear if they are overworked and not rested, so take at least 2-3 days to rest them.

Cardio is a little different. You can technically run, jog, bike, etc. every day of the week, but it is recommended you get at least one day to rest your entire body, especially if you have been muscle training.

**Diet Do 1:** Eat breakfast! According to self.com, the fitness/health magazine's website, women and men who eat breakfast are less likely to overeat the rest of the day. The experts at Self recommend eating breakfast every morning to curb off hunger and be more alert and awake for morning tasks. If you aren't a breakfast eater (which many college students aren't), start off with something small, like a piece of fruit or whole grain toast. Then once you get into the routine, work your way up to 200-300 calories in the morning, such as

oatmeal, toast and fruit.

**Diet Don't 1:** Skipping a meal for a lower number on the scale. That is a big big don't! According to healthcentral.com, a diet and fitness Web site, skipping meals can lead to food cravings, binge eating and weight gain because you are more likely to overeat and choose high calorie, high fat foods when you are extremely hungry. Also, if you skip meals for an elongated period of time, your body will go into starvation mode, and your metabolism will slow down to conserve energy. If you overeat at lunch, don't skip dinner, just eat a lighter one with more vegetables and lean protein.

**Fitness Do 2:** Find a work-out buddy. A work out buddy is a really good way to stay motivated to hit the gym and work out hard. The tip to finding a good workout buddy is finding someone with similar fitness and diet goals as you do. For example, if you want to train for a marathon or lose 10 pounds, find a friend or colleague who has a similar goal. Not only will this help you stay motivated, but also you can challenge and critique each other.

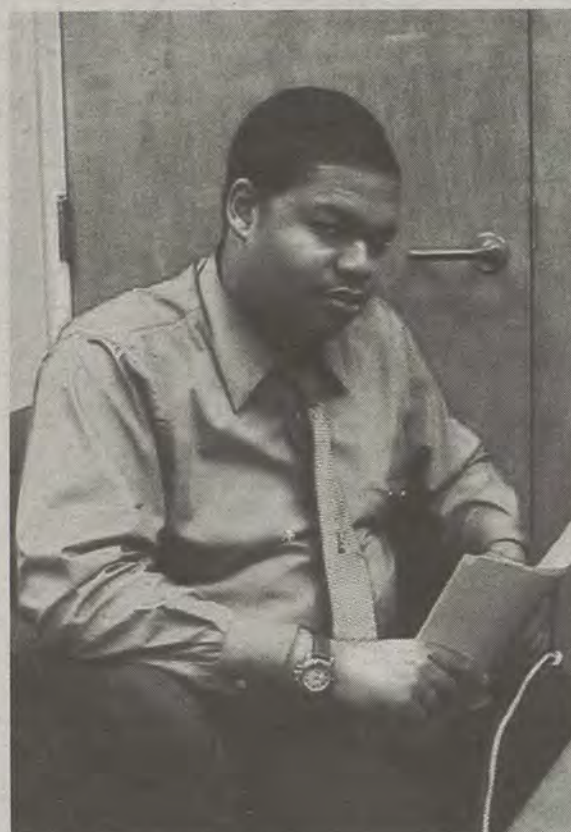
**Fitness Don't 2:** Don't give up your workout routine once your goal is reached (or spring break arrives). This is a big thing that happens once many people reach their goal or they go on vacation. If you stop working out when you get on spring break and binge on high calorie foods, drinks, etc. you can risk gaining back the weight you lost or losing your endurance. Although the last thing on many college students minds on spring break is to go running or do yoga, just 20 minutes of jogging or fitness walking can help stay on track with weight management (and not look or feel bloated in that teeny bikini).

**Diet Do 2:** Snack! Many dieters have the misconceptions that if you are trying to lose weight then snacks are off limits, which couldn't be more far from the truth. However, snacks high in calories, sugars and fats should be avoided, such as potato chips, French fries or candy bars. But there are other great snacks that taste good and ward off hunger, like a granola bar, veggie chips or an apple with peanut butter.

**Diet Don't 2:** Take diet pills. Diet pills, which have been popularized recently, are very dangerous, not to mention expensive and addictive. Many of the diet pills out there have high levels of amphetamines and caffeine, which if taken in excess can cause a heart attack. Diet pills do cause you to lose weight; however, once you stop taking the pill, the weight always piles back on.

These are not all the diet and fitness do's and don'ts, so for more information, visit shape.com, fitnessmag.com, healthcentral.com, or consult your doctor to acquire more information on safe diet and fitness advice.





Robert Greene won last year's prestigious John F. Nolan award - one of the top awards presented at the banquet.

Special Photo

## GSU to host annual Student Leadership Awards and Recognition

### *The Office of Leadership and Civic Engagement accepting nominations*

**Kathy-Lee Cassie**

Guest writer

Georgia Southern will be hosting the twelfth annual Student Leadership Awards and Recognition on April 23, 2009.

This event will include a banquet where the university honor GSU's finest and brightest student leaders and organizations.

"The point of the leadership awards and recognitions night is to highlight the achievements of our student leaders on campus, some of the programs that they've done," said Ashley Tomlin, Leadership Graduate Assistant.

"To recognize outstanding leaders, advisors, organizations that have really gone above and beyond. This should be a great way to recognize those people."

The banquet is a great way to show gratitude to the student leaders and organizations that have contributed to the quality of student life as well as education here on campus.

Invites to the banquet will go to nominees

as well as those who nominate others for various awards.

Up to fourteen awards are present at the event, which include the John F. Nolan Junior Award one of the most prestigious awards.

This award is given to a select group of seniors who have demonstrated outstanding contribution to campus life and extracurricular activities. They have exemplified a four-year commitment to the enhancement of the GSU campus.

"These are leaders that excelled from freshman year; they could be Soar Leaders, Ambassador Leaders or big on volunteering. These are the ones that have been involved from the get-go," said Tomlin.

Individuals or groups interested in nominating someone for an award are encouraged to read through the description of the awards, and nominate someone who embodies or meets the criteria for the specific award.

According to Tomlin, nomination is open to anyone.

"Anybody really can nominate," she said.

"If you're in an organization, you can nominate your advisor, you can nominate other students in the organization, you can nominate yourself if you'd like."

All nominations and application materials are due no later than Friday, March 6, 2009, by 5:00 p.m.

All nominees for the individual awards are required to submit a leadership resume along with their applications.

The Office of Leadership and Civic Engagement has announced that nominations are now being accepted for this event.

Nominations and applications can be hand delivered to the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement.

For more information or questions contact the Student Leadership & Civic Engagement at 478-1435 or email your concerns to leader@georgiasouthern.edu.

Award descriptions and nomination forms can be found on-line at: <http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/leadership/leadership/leadershipawards.htm>.

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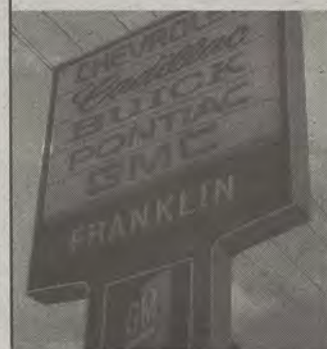
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# 'The Trojan Women': you're doing it right

By Anna Giles

Guest Writer

"TROY! TROY! TROY!"

This is the resounding cry of the Trojan women, summing up their sorrow in one word: the name of the city that they lost. And while the college student actors of GSU may have never seen their hometown burn to the ground, you wouldn't know it from this near-perfect production.

*The Trojan Women* is a tragedy by Euripides (the version Director Lisa Abbott used is translated by Ellen McLaughlin) about the fall of Troy at the hands of the Greeks after the Peloponnesian War.

The major characters are Helen of Troy (played by Tanya Ramnauth), Hecuba (played by Ellen George), Andromache (played by Bailey McClure), and Cassandra (played by Hilary Diebold).

The women try to learn through their relationships with one another how to cope with the facts of war: their city fallen, going off to be servants and to prostitute themselves for the Greeks, and the death of almost everyone

they've ever loved.

As a Theatre major who has always been proud of GSU's theatre department, I must say that even though I would've been proud of the men and women who bring *The Trojan Women* to life, I (regardless) still think that this show is one of the best I've seen at GSU.

I sat in on rehearsal almost every night about a week before the show (I was an understudy for Helen), and I saw it opening night.

For about eight days straight, I cried my eyes out (especially on opening night; I saw several other people sniffing and wiping their eyes).

When Lisa asked me why I was still crying after a week, I said, "I don't know, because it's good." What I should've said was, "Because your actors are doing their jobs."

I spoke to the women one night after rehearsal. I asked them what kind of process they went through to find their individual characters. For some, it was based on what their characters say about their families and lives.

Others, like Chris Rushing (who plays Poseidon, god of the sea), say that they studied Greek mythology. Bailey McClure says she's read *The Trojan Women* over ten times and listens to "epic"

Celtic music that has "good mourning songs."

Ellen George says that being Nigerian has helped her in her characterization of the queen, Hecuba. George says that in Nigeria, everyone is descended from kings and queens; some still even have servants. Nigerians also know what it's like to lose everything because of war.

But Alana Pearson, a Chorus member, perhaps best sums up the way every member of the play works together: "when one person feels it, we all do."

So what about the play's beautiful outcast, Helen? How does she fit in with these united women, if at all? Abbott told me that all Helen really wants is to be with these women -- to have friends. Tanya Ramnauth does an excellent job in playing her character strongly but sympathetically.

Ramnauth states that "[Helen's] beauty is a curse" but "that's where she found love and belonging. She's an ice princess on the outside, but [there's] hell on the inside."

Abbott no doubt enjoyed directing these talented actors. She told me that the style of Greek tragedy, even though it's modern, still has to have actors who can play everything bigger

and broader. She says that it "challenges and inspires actors."

When asked about her specific directing style, she states, "I like to let actors find their own way [movement] around the stage."

Coming from someone who has worked with Abbott before, this "organic" approach to blocking (movement around the stage) is, in my opinion, extremely beneficial to an actor.

I think one of the main reasons (other than the talented actors) that this play comes together so beautifully is because of Abbott's directing style.

She brings out the best in every actor. So when I was told by a George-Anne employee to look for a standout performance, I found that I couldn't pick just one; every performance is precise, clean, and a perfect fit for each character. Actors, you're doing your jobs right.

*The Trojan Women* will be playing through March 7th at the Black Box Theatre in the Center for Art and Theatre (CAT) on the GSU campus at 7:30 p.m.

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# Activists protest coal practices in Washington D.C.

By Blair Thomas  
U-Wire

It's a movement about coal, said NASA climatologist James Hansen.

"Coal is 80 percent of the solution to global warming," Hansen said. "We cut coal, we're doing a lot for the climate."

On Monday, around 4,000 people joined Hansen and other leaders of environmental groups around the country in Washington, D.C., as part of the Capitol Climate Action mass civil disobedience to protest the burning of coal as an energy source.

The group demonstrated outside of the coal-fired Capitol Power Plant to call for emergency action to stop climate change and stop the burning of coal, said Matt Leonard, a Greenpeace member and one of the coordinators of the movement.

"For decades now, the world's best scientists have warned about the effects of climate change and legislators have ignored it," Leonard said. "We are getting together to show the world global warming is real, is happening before our eyes, and is man-caused."

The Capitol Climate Action group took every

entrance of the power plant to shut down business as usual for the day, Leonard said.

"The power plant is a powerful icon because it shows the power coal has over our policies and, literally, over our Congress."

But transitioning power plants like the one that powers the Capitol building in Washington requires new technology, said U.S. Rep. Ed Whitfield, R-Ky. If technology can be employed to burn coal cleanly and efficiently, there is no reason it shouldn't continue to use coal as a fuel source, Whitfield said in an e-mail to the Kernel, especially because the mineral is a key part of industry in Kentucky.

The West Virginia Federation of Young Republicans also supports pro-coal legislation in states like West Virginia, Virginia and Kentucky, the group's leader said.

"Coal is West Virginia's future and the future of other states like Kentucky," said Ashley Stinnett, chairman of the West Virginia Young Republicans. "Our politicians must never work to damage that relationship."

At the movement on Monday, Hansen said he hopes to show people that the real threat of damage lies in the effects to the global climate. Mountain glaciers providing fresh water to rivers and streams

are rapidly receding, Hansen said. Coral reefs are under stress and the subtropics are expanding into the southern U.S. and parts of South America and Africa, he said.

"We're beginning to have truly noticeable effects of climate change," Hansen said. "The hard part is for people to realize we have a planet emergency and the term 'global warming' is much more than just a political tool."

Because the effects of climate change are increasing — the global temperatures are increasing almost 2 degrees Fahrenheit each decade — this is the right time to lobby in Washington for the "new administration to deal with this with some priority," Hansen said.

Organizers of the event wanted to keep the protests civil and asked all participants to dress in their Sunday best and undergo nonviolence training before the event on Monday. Their hopes were to model this act of civil disobedience after historical instances like the civil rights movement, Leonard said.

The group had lawyers on hand in case arrests are made. A spokesman for the Washington, D.C., police said the department is preparing just as it does for any other protest of this size.



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Over 3,000 young people participated in the protest outside the Capitol power plant in hopes of convincing Congress to abandon coal as a legitimate power source.

"Arrest isn't the goal itself, it's the medium we're using to show our strong message for climate change," Leonard said. "But holding down the plant to show our seriousness, arrest is something we're risking."



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# Right plus might: young people take over the green movement with Powershift 2009

By Philip Clements

Features Editor

This past weekend, over 12,000 young people from all across the country converged in Washington, D.C. to send the message to President Obama and Congress that we are serious about climate change and energy reform.

Eight Georgia Southern students made the 10-hour trek to our nation's capitol to be a part of the front line of the green revolution. "I had such a great time," said Marcela Kuijpers, a junior biology major. "I went with some great people and it was an adventure."

After driving ten hours through the night, we arrived with cramped legs on a crisp Friday morning. We took a few minutes to throw some water on our faces and then hopped on the Metro and rode into town. For the four whole days we were there, the Metro was the only source of transportation other than our feet and it took us the whole time to really get the hang of it.

Friday night was comprised of various speeches, including Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency Lisa Jackson. She is the first African American EPA administrator at the same time that the EPA has been granted their largest budget to date with \$10.5 billion.

"Some have said science was dead at the EPA, but it's been resurrected," she exclaimed to an enthusiastic crowd. "The EPA, my friends, is back on the job!"

The most powerful speech of the night, however, was that of Van Jones, a celebrated activist and founder of Green for All, an environmental justice organization.

Jones emphasized the power that our generation has in our hands. "Your generation was born to save the planet," he told us.

He also emphasized the necessity for a green economy that is beneficial to everyone. "This movement has to include the coal-miners, too," he said. "We have to create a green economy Dr. King would be proud of."

Saturday and Sunday were both dedicated to

educating ourselves on the various issues and topics related to climate change as well as different methods of getting things accomplished.

Juliette Jordan, president of the Student Alliance for a Green Earth (SAGE), went to a panel on natural gas and learned its pros and cons. "It's better than coal and nuclear, but it's still a fossil fuel and it will still run out and it still creates harmful. It's not the best that we can do," she said.

Ironically, during our stay Washington, D.C. received the most snow it has gotten in three years, covering the ground with anywhere from three to seven inches of snow.

On our way back to the hotel on Sunday, we stopped in a parking lot and had an impromptu snowball fight. "I haven't seen snow since I was three!" exclaimed Jordan.

On Monday, 6,000 of the initial Powershift crowd stayed in Washington to descend on Capitol Hill to lobby as a singular voice.

Since Statesboro is in Georgia's 12th district, the eight of us met with Congressman John Barrow.

After a private tour of the Capitol building from one of the interns from Barrow's office, we combined forces with other students from Georgia and talked to Barrow about what we want to see in energy and climate legislation.

Most of us had never met with a government official before and it was a very eye-opening experience. "I was really nervous and intimidated and didn't know what to think, but when he opened the door, he was just a normal guy. He was really smart and relaxed. I learned a lot," said Kuijpers.

Vice president of SAGE, Jessica Sparrow, was the leader of the discussion. "He really wants credible research so I think once I get him the facts, he'll be even more receptive to working towards greener energy," she said of the meeting. "We will be seeing different energy sources in Georgia and he will play a big role in that."

After it's all said and done, Powershift 2009 was an overwhelming success. "It gave me more hope. To see 12,000 other students made me feel that we can actually do something and that change is not that far away," said Jordan.



Juliette Jordan

Eight Georgia Southern students stand in front of Capitol building on Monday before meeting with Congressman John Barrow to lobby for bold climate and energy legislation. From right: Philip Clements, Chase Patrick, Juliette Jordan, Jessica Sparrow, Danae Nicole, Chong Moua, Marcela Kuijpers and Trent Callier.



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Students from Georgia, including eight from Georgia Southern University, meet with Congressman John Barrow to discuss climate change.

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## Statesboro holds first film festival in Averitt Center

By Ben Carroll

Staff writer

On April 16, at 7 p.m., the first Statesboro Film Festival will be hosted at the Averitt Center.

The film festival is open to anyone in the surrounding area and the university, according to Matt Bankhead, video producer of Statesboro Herald.com and lead producer for the daily Studio Statesboro vodcast. The ticket price for admission to the festival is \$5.

"Each movie entry is \$15," said Bankhead. "Anyone can submit an entry. There are only restrictions on nudity and a little restriction on the language used. The film can be no longer than eight minutes and there is no limit to how many a person can submit, though they will be charged the \$15 for each entry, and there is no cut-off for how many films we will accept."

The submission period for films is from Feb. 12 through March 25 at 5 p.m.

Each person who enters a film needs to print an entry form from statesborofilmfestival.com, fill it out, and submit it to the address on the form with a DVD and a data disk with an

Abi file.

Then, the participant needs to submit their film online at youpickeim.com, which will be a link on statesborofilmfestival.com for the voter's choice award, according to Bankhead.

The voter's choice award is the top award. "A panel will submit 20 films on-line where people will vote," Bankhead said.

At the festival, the winner will be announced and will receive a 50-inch television," said Bankhead, "the voting period is between April 1 through April 12 at 11:59 p.m."

There has been pretty good response from the community.

"We have a PR group of students at Georgia Southern who are doing a wonderful job at advertising the event. They hosted a Question and Answer on Feb. 19, where we had a few people show up to that."

There are five awards given out at the festival. There will be awards for best film, best director, best editing, best cinematography, and the viewer's choice award.

"Depending on how successful the festival is, we might start making awards for the different genres," said Bankhead.



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Deadline for movie entries is March 25 at 5 p.m. Submission fee is \$15.

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Stores in Downtown Statesboro, such as Abbigails (seen above) participate in First Friday.

## Students and faculty participate in First Friday

By Ally Rakotzy

Staff writer

This month's First Friday events will kick off at 5:30 p.m. in downtown Statesboro on March 6. A joint effort between the Averitt Center for the Arts and the Downtown Statesboro Development Authority, First Fridays began almost five years ago as a way to bring people into the city with events, shopping, and food.

"We have molded our First Fridays after other cities that participate in First Fridays in their communities," explains Allen Muldrew of the Downtown Statesboro Development Authority.

"It is Downtown Statesboro Development Authority's desire to have events to serve the community for entertainment and shopping," Muldrew said.

And Statesboro businesses are not the only ones that participate in First Fridays. Anywhere from two to 10 vendors attend First Fridays, depending on the weather or other events going on in the region. With everything from clothing to candles to jewelry, these vendors always have something interesting to offer.

"Vendors [come] from all over the area. We've had a rock candle guy that comes, ladies that make baby blankets, jewelry vendors, ceramic face mugs, [and] handmade brooms," said Anita Hall of the Downtown Statesboro Development Authority.

However, while vendors and local businesses often participate in First Fridays, student participation is encouraged as well.

"Students are always invited to participate in coming down and being a part of it or to help

promote [events]. We accept all help, whether it is a form of participation in the event itself or whether they come and take part in strolling the streets in Statesboro," Hall said.

One way Georgia Southern students are participating is this Friday, March 6. Art and Fashion design students are holding the Thirst for the Arts on the courthouse lawn.

"Some of their proceeds of this charity art and fashion show will be going towards Water Projects International, a nonprofit organization focused on bringing clean, safe drinking water to the impoverished of the world," said Hall.

Additionally, Georgia Southern faculty is taking part in First Fridays. The Art Legends Gallery at the Averitt Center for the Arts will feature a different faculty member's work in the Art Department every month as a part of the Solo Series. This Friday will be the start of a collection by Mariana Depetris called Enantiodromia, which means "to flow backwards." It will feature prints and drawings by Depetris until March 29. There will also be an open reception beginning at 5:30 p.m. on the March 6.

"Every month features a different faculty member. This is the third season we've partnered with the Averitt Center," explains Miriam Edwards of the Art Department.

"It's not difficult to become a part of first Fridays either," said Hall.

"If you're interested to participate you can just call or come by the office. We have a form you fill out," said Hall, "It's not a long process."

So whether you're looking to shop, dine, or take in the arts, First Fridays in downtown Statesboro offers a variety of events that cater to everyone.

## GSU teaches AIDS awareness to students

By Tiffani Addison

Guest writer

Acquired immune deficiency syndrome Awareness week is here at Georgia Southern March 9 through the 13. To kick off the week there will be a program called "Condoments," where there will be free condom giveaways.

Tuesday, Student Activities will join Health Services at 7 p.m. for an AIDS awareness forum. Wednesday is a free HIV and AIDS screening from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and that evening the movie "Rent" will be showing in the Russell Union Theatre.

Thursday, March 11 there will be "condom bingo," and the week will end that Friday with a fashion show. Eagle Entertainment is co-sponsoring the event with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Alexandria Parker-Roberson is the coordinator of the fashion show. "The AKAs are helping assist me in model training and making sure the show is a success overall. I feel this is a great way to bring awareness to the campus." This is Alexandria's third year doing A.A.F.S.

"Fashion shows in the past have been very successful," said Sriravong Sriratanakoul, the Student

Activities coordinator. Sriravong has been working with the Office of Student Activities for three years and said that last year the turnouts were good but approximately 200 people were at the fashion show, and this year they hope that number increases to 250 to 300 people.

"The goal of Awareness week is to talk about AIDS in the United States but this year we want to focus more globally on the issue and discuss how people in other countries are affected as well," Sriratanakoul said.

Jessica Lester, the Public Relations Team Leader for Student Activities, said "it's been cool in the past years but the fashion show has been the most fun. Models of all types, races, colors, sizes, shapes are in this fashion show and it helps exemplify that AIDS doesn't just happen to pretty people."

There will be five fashion design majors coordinating and creating outfits for the show so this will be a chance for other students to come out and see what talent their fellow students possess but support them as well.

Lester is a junior and this is her second year involved in AIDS awareness week. Her goal is to make PR materials great to get as many people as possible to participate in this event.

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## Toastmasters Int. comes to Statesboro

### *International speech club establishes a local chapter*

By Christian Dixon

Guest Writer

Toastmasters International is adding to its 11,700 clubs all over the world by establishing a new club in Statesboro, Ga.

Statesboro's chapter of Toastmasters International meet every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the Russell Union.

Unlike other organizations that meet on campus, Toastmasters International is open not only to students, but to anyone in the Statesboro community who is interested.

As a professional public speaking organization, Toastmasters helps individuals become competent and comfortable when speaking in front of an audience.

Starting off with a smaller beginning in 1924 at the YMCA in Santa Ana, Ca., Toastmasters International has grown to become a world leader in forming important leaders in the world today.

This nonprofit organization has worked to help individuals with both their professional and personal skills in an interactive and supportive environment.

According to toastmasters.org, the organization's Web site, there are no instructors. Instead, each meeting and speech is critiqued by fellow

members of the group.

Each week, participants will learn new speaking skills by filling a meeting role, impromptu, and creating better grammar.

General manager of Flexsteel Industries in Dublin, Ga., Marcia Dixon said, "When I took on my first job straight out of college, being a part of Toastmasters was what helped prepare me for the business world and be able to speak on my feet."

This is a chance for students, faculty, and community members to be a charter member of the Statesboro Toastmasters club.

"Toastmasters builds confidence and awareness, while you build your communication skills," said The District B Governor of Toastmasters.

The meeting time and location may change as more members join to accommodate individual needs.

Cassie Tibbitts, a student at Georgia Southern, said, "The environment is great and the best thing is that everyone is there for the same reason so you immediately feel at ease."

According to Tibbitts, the club will be starting a six week long Speechcraft program soon.

The program focuses on all speech related jobs like business, education, industry and government.



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Toastmasters Int. gives people the opportunity to practice their public speaking skills outside of the classroom setting, and it allows them to receive feedback from other members.

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## NATIONAL NEWS

# Harvard study links porn to politics

By Alexander J. Ratner

Uwire

Subscriptions to pornography Web sites are slightly more common in traditionally conservative "red states" than in more democratic "blue states," a Harvard Business School study reported this week.

Benjamin G. Edelman, a professor at the Harvard Business School who conducted the study, found a statistically significant correlation between porn subscription rates and residency in states which have passed conservative legislation on sexuality.

Higher subscription rates were also present in states in which people were likely to agree with statements such as, "I never doubt the existence of God."

While the study was originally published as a business analysis of the online market for pornography, it has quickly turned political.

Martha "Martabel" Wasserman, the editor-in-chief of H-Bomb—the campus sex magazine—said that the results of the study undermine the

traditional conservative position.

"It shows that they're hypocritical, and that we shouldn't make pornography and sex work illegal, but should instead make conditions better for the sex workers," she said.

Despite the correlation between religion and pornography, Edelman downplayed over-politicizing his findings, instead putting an emphasis in his study on the more cautious conclusion that "there's little sign of a major divide" in porn access.

"There are strong correlations," he said, "and yet you need to be careful about what that tells you. Maybe the liberal people in the conservative regions are getting their porn online rather than at retail because the conservative people have shut down the retail stores."

"There are facts here that are useful, on both sides," he said.

"To those who are upset about the spread of adult entertainment, I've got facts here showing that yes, adult entertainment is being used. On the other hand, I've got facts suggesting that, hey, maybe adult entertainment is not actually such a big deal; it seems like everyone is using it."



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The study found a link between politics, religion and peoples' subscriptions to pornography.



Special Photo

Yale University is talking about laying off up to 300 employees due to the economic recession, however, the university is willing to double the severance pay of those who do lose their jobs, officials say.

## Yale to lay off 300 people due to recession

By Isaac Arnsdorf

Uwire

New projections on staff attrition indicate that as many as 300 employees could be laid off as Yale University copes with the economic downturn, though administrators said Friday that the university will double severance benefits for those who lose their jobs in the next six months.

The grim economic outlook has forced the university to cut deeper into staff salaries, slating the equivalent of 500 to 600 positions for elimination. But in a letter to Yale managers Friday, Vice President for Human Resources and Administration Michael Peel said the typical annual rate of attrition and turnover is only between 300 and 500.

Since the gap cannot be closed simply by leaving open positions vacant, the difference will have to be made with some involuntary layoffs, administrators said.

"We're using the budget reductions to re-look the way work is done," Peel said. "And as part of that, we are trying to better accommodate people's needs in instances we can."

University President Richard Levin said the layoffs will depend on the decisions of each individual department about how they want to come up with their 7.5 percent personnel cuts.

For those who are laid off, Peel said in the letter, the university will double severance benefits from one week of pay per year of service to two. All of these employees will be guaranteed at least four weeks of pay, Peel said, and no one will get more than 52.

Administrators said they have not yet determined which departments will be affected. Employees who are laid off, though, will have priority if there are job vacancies elsewhere in the university. A career center will be opened to help employees with job searches and training.

Yale's unionized employees have built-in layoff security policies in their respective contracts policies that Levin said act as an "unusually strong protective measure."

Local 34 members, for example, receive up to 15 months of continued pay upon being terminated. Local 35 has in its contract a "no-layoff" clause. Levin explained that the university, not the department, would bear the cost of such protective clauses.

In response to Peel's letter, a Local 35 executive board member said that Local 34, the union for Yale's clerical and technical staff, will be targeted for layoffs.

"Obviously, if there were layoffs, it would affect Local 34, but not disproportionately," Peel said Sunday. "Certainly Local 34 won't be singled out more than any employee group will be singled out."



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## Rev. Kyles lecture focuses on following dreams

By Tiffany Colston

Guest Writer

On Tuesday, March 3, at the PAC, civil rights pioneer Rev. Samuel B. Kyles spoke to students about the power of pursuing and realizing their dreams. He travels the country and speaks to young people and inspires them to be the best that they can be and impresses upon them the importance of recapturing their dreams.

Kyles quoted Langston Hughes and said, "Hold fast to your dreams, for if your dreams die you are like a broken-winged bird that cannot fly."

Kyles has been involved in the civil rights movement for more than 40 years and realized his new passion and the great potential of the civil rights movement.

"When I saw students doing bus sit-ins in Greensboro, S.C., I realized the momentum of the movement, and I wanted to be a part of it."

Some of his early memories of the civil rights movement began in 1959 in Memphis, Tenn., after he moved there from Chicago with his wife and three children.

He was arrested for sitting in at a bus boycott and refusing to move to the back of a bus. As the whites vacated the bus he urged complacent blacks that insisted he move to the back of the bus that being subjected to such treatment reinforced racial inequality. A living witness of segregation, he aimed to start integrating Memphis and took the steps to do so by joining the NAACP.

"Memphis was segregated from the cradle to the grave," Kyles said.

He noted that everything in this time period was segregated, from restrooms and amusement parks to water fountains and schools.

He has terrifying memories of his daughter being one of 13 children to integrate the Memphis school system and noted the way police officers treated her, yelling out harsh comments as she was escorted inside the school. Teachers often touched her head as if she were a thing instead of a person. The police officer that arrested Kyles barely touched his hands as if he had leprosy.

He played a pivotal role in bringing Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to Memphis, Tenn. to support striking sanitation workers who experienced getting low wages and were subjected to inhumane working conditions in February 1968. Kyles and King helped lead the workers and help them gain the support of their community and helped their voices be recognized.

In the days after King's "mountaintop speech" in Memphis, the Kyles family invited King and his entourage over to his home to converse over a home-cooked meal, which he never got to eat. When the three preachers gathered, they didn't meditate

or pray together.

"Abernathy, King and I joked light heartedly, and King teased me about Abernathy needing to select me as a preacher for one of his functions, amidst our preacher talk," Kyles said.

As they prepared to go to Kyles' home King was assassinated at Lorraine Motel. A witness to the event, Kyles doesn't have words to express how he felt that moment.

"I remember rushing to his side on the balcony and seeing a hole in the right side of his face and running to call an ambulance."

"The operator who received the call fainted after hearing the news and after getting word from the hospital that he'd passed away and Jesse Jackson called Coretta Scott King to tell her that they had lost him," said Kyles.

Kyles is the only living person who was with King in the final hour of his life. After King's death, Kyles continued his civil rights work. He is the founder of the National Board of People to Save Humanity and worked with Jesse Jackson in 1984 and 1988 during his presidential campaigns. Former President Bill Clinton appointed Kyles to serve on the Advisory Committee on Religious Freedom Board.

One of Kyles' current missions is to promote the former HBO-owned movie, "The Witness from the Balcony of Room 306," in public schools. He is also passionate about his current work to help expand the King's museum, the Board of National Civil Rights Museum.

"Martin Luther King turned the world inside out in less than 12 years and 40 years after his death he is still celebrated," Kyles said.

Looking back he feels that much of King's dream has been realized, but there's still more work to be done.

"Each generation must take responsibility to make sure that it is realized. It is not a black and white dream, it's a universal dream and people fighting for justice all over the world use his dream as a model."

Students were excited and honored to hear Kyles' speak and get a glimpse of black history.

Consuela Ward, director of the Multicultural Student Center, took note of his message about the potential of the current generation of Georgia Southern students pursuing their dreams.

"Georgia Southern students are dream makers and dream busters," said Ward.

According to Regional Economic Development major Brittany Robinson, his speech was enlightening. She felt that it gave her a brief glimpse into the history of America.

Kyles has been a pastor at Monumental Baptist Church in Memphis, Tenn., since 1968.

"You can kill the dreamer, but the dreams still live," said Kyles.

## CALENDAR

### Thursday, March 5, 2009

Time: 2 - 3 p.m.

Event: African Storyteller

Location: Education Building 1120

Time: 7 - 9 p.m.

Event: NPHC Know Your Rights Forum

Location: Russell Union Ballroom

Time: 7 - 10 p.m.

Event: BSA Game Night

Location: Russell Union 2080

Time: 8 - 10 p.m.

Event: Movie - "Seven Pounds"

Location: Russell Union Theatre

### Friday, March 6, 2009

Time: 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Event: Alcohol Education Task Force

Location: Math/Physics 2001

Time: 11:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Event: Conversation Hour

Location: Russell Union Ballroom

Time: 7 p.m.

Event: Holiday Inn Eagle Invitational

GSU vs. Indiana

Location: J.I. Clements Baseball Stadium

Time: 8 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Event: Arabian Nights w/ Belly Dancers

Location: Oasis

Time: 8 - 11 p.m.

Event: Live Music

Location: KBob Kelly's

### Saturday, March 7, 2009

Time: 10 - 11:30 a.m.

Event: Averitt Center Volunteer Info Mtg.

Location: Averitt Center for the Arts

Time: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Event: LEAD Conference

Location: Russell Ballroom & Theatre

Time: 2 p.m.

Event: GSU Baseball vs. Lemoyne

Location: J.I. Clements Baseball Stadium

### Sunday, March 8, 2009

Time: 2 a.m.

Event: Daylight Savings Time

Location: The United States

Time: 3 p.m.

Event: GSU Baseball game

Location: Baseball Stadium

Time: 4 - 7 p.m.

Event: Up Till Dawn Meeting

Location: Russell Union 2054

Time: 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Event: Campus Prayer

Location: Russell Union 2073

### Monday, March 9, 2009

Time: 5 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Event: Yueng & Wing Night

Location: Buffalo's Cafe

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Event: Free Poker Night

Location: Shennanigans

Time: 6:30 - 9 p.m.

Event: Resume Workshop

Location: Russell Union 2080

Time: 7 - 9 p.m.

Event: AIDS Awareness Event

Location: Russell Union

Time: 7 - 8 p.m.

Event: Sports Management Majors

Location: Hollis 1107

### Tuesday, March 10, 2009

Time: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Event: AIDS Testing

Location: Russell Union 2041

Time: 12 - 2 p.m.

Event: Brown Bag Series

Location: Russell Union 2080

Time: 7 - 10 p.m.

Event: Movie- Rent

Location: Russell Union Theatre





# WEEKLY BUZZ

## Monday, March 9th

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Leadership Workshop Series

\* All Workshops are held in RU 2041 from 5:30-6:30PM

Speaking Like a Leader

Presented by: Dr. Abby Brooks, Assistant Professor-Communication Arts

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## Wednesday, March 11th

Fiesta 11:00 pm - 2:00 pm ~ Russell Union Rotunda-Rain Site: RU Commons

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## Tuesday, March 24th

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## Wednesday, March 25th

MINORITIES IN MEDICINE 7:00 pm ~ Russell Union Room 2080 Minority medical professionals discuss what it takes to enter and thrive in the medical field.

## Ongoing Events

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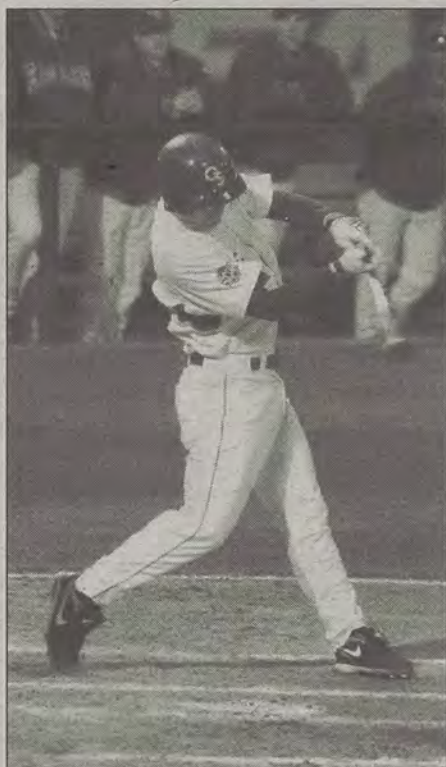




# SERIES SHOWDOWN

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## Baseball hosts Holiday Inn Eagle Invitational



Rob Eakins/STAFF

Brain Pierce swings during a game vs. GT.

### Compiled by Staff

The Eagles baseball team looks to continue their impressive start to the 2009 season this weekend as hosts of the Holiday Inn Eagle Invitational. The Eagles will play three different teams: Indiana, LeMoyne, and East Carolina.

GSU is currently 8-1, with their only loss coming in game two of their series with Georgia Tech, who was ranked eighth in the country at that time. GT has fallen to eleventh since then.

At the beginning of the week, the NCBWA (National Collegiate Baseball Writer's Association) released their weekly poll of the best teams in the country. With a 7-1 record at that time, GSU did not quite crack into the rankings but was noted for earning votes.

In that same poll, East Carolina, who the Eagles will face on Sunday, was ranked 20th.

In their last outing, the Eagles came back from behind in the ninth inning to defeat Winthrop, 5-4. Ty Wright hit a single to drive A.J. Wirnsberger home to tie up the game in the last inning. The next batter, Will Southwell, drove in both Roman Grimaldi and Griffin Benedict to win the game.

Matt Murray started the game and pitched

five innings, giving up three hits, two runs, but struck out four. Charles Matthews pitched one inning in relief.

The win, however, went to Jake Brown, who closed the last three innings of the game. Brown struck out three, gave up three hits and one run, but held on to give the Eagles the chance to win.

On Friday at 7 p.m., the team will face Indiana. The Hoosiers, as well as the Big Ten conference in general, are not known for their baseball team. Indiana, at press time, has a 3-3 record, though has not played a home game yet this season.

The Hoosiers are coming off a 11-2 loss to Indiana State. A bright spot for IU was freshman outfielder Alex Dickerson, who extended his multiple hit per game streak to five games. Pitcher Drew Leininger threw for 2.2 innings, but gave up eight runs in the loss.

LeMoyne will face the Eagles next, Saturday at 2 p.m. The Dolphins are coming off a 7-3 win over Longwood. Shortstop Matt Nandin had two hits and two runs scored with an RBI in the victory.

East Carolina will round out the weekend, playing Sunday at 3 p.m. This will be the first game away from home that the Pirates will play this season.

## just the basics

### SCOUTING REPORT

Indiana University, LeMoyne University and East Carolina University will be the opponents facing GSU in this tournament.

Last season, the invitational was not held. But the Eagles did face ECU in the early part of the season during the LeClair Classic. ECU won the game, 9-3. Senior Phillip Porter and pitcher Andy Moyer were notable in that game.

ECU just earned a 24th ranking in the USA Today/ESPN coaches poll, after splitting a series with 11th ranked Oklahoma State.

None of the three teams competing against the Eagles went to their conference championship last season. In fact, LeMoyne was an independent last year.

### AT A GLANCE

**IU 2008 overall record:** 31-30  
**IU 2008 Conf. Record:** 16-19  
**LMU 2008 overall record:** 33-21  
**LMU 2008 Conf. Record:** n/a  
**ECU 2008 Overall Record:** 42-21  
**ECU 2008 Conf. Record:** 13-11

### A Look at the Weekend Opponents

#### Friday vs. Indiana, 7 p.m.



Current Record:  
3-3

Conference:  
Big Ten

School Location:  
Bloomington, Ind

The Indiana Hoosiers have started their season splitting wins and losses. They earned wins in games against Georgetown, USF, and Cleveland State.

All of their games, as of Tuesday, were road games.

IU junior catcher Josh Phegley was named to the preseason All-American list. Indiana is coached by Tracy Smith.

#### Saturday vs. LeMoyne, 2 p.m.



Current Record:  
2-3

Conference:  
North East 10

School Location:  
Syracuse, NY

The LeMoyne Dolphins are still early in their season, playing only five games before the Eagle Invitational. Four of those five games were against Tulane University, in which LeMoyne won one game (1-3).

Sophomore left hander Cory Nelson is projected to be the starter against GSU. He pitched 4.2 innings in one of the Tulane games, giving up five hits.

#### Sunday vs. E. Carolina, 3 p.m.



Current Record:  
5-1

Conference:  
Conference USA

School Location:  
Greenville, NC

The East Carolina Pirates recently earned national ranking in three separate national baseball polls. They are 24th on the USA Today/ESPN coaches poll.

These rankings are largely due to last week's victories over 11th ranked Oklahoma State and St. John's.

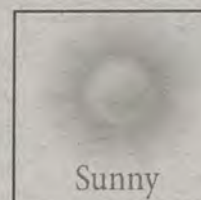
Their only loss of the season thus far has been against OSU (split series).

### DID YOU KNOW?

GSU met up with East Carolina in the NCAA Regional Tournament, held that year in Clemson, S.C.

ECU took the win, 7-3, to advance in the tournament. The loss ended the season for the Eagles.

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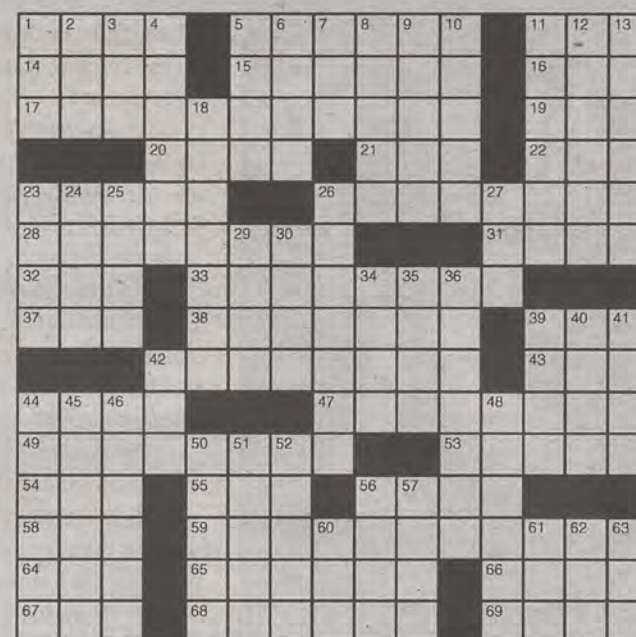
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- 39 SASE, e.g.
- 42 Rhythm instrument
- 43 Neighbor of Swed.
- 44 "Charles in Charge" star
- 47 Butterfly in Bogota
- 49 Envelops
- 53 Repair a hem
- 54 Slugger's stat
- 55 King topper
- 56 Send out
- 58 Jolson and Gore
- 59 Brainy social system
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- 69 Speech defect

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## “The Trojan Women” at GSU

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Members of the GSU Theatre and Performance department are currently performing the Greek tragedy “The Trojan Women” located in the Black Box Theatre. Students and the community will be able to see the show until March 7.





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# GSU Ultimate Frisbee undefeated, ranked nationally

By Sarah Goodman

Assistant news editor

Georgia Southern's Ultimate Frisbee club team went undefeated in their last tournament, Battle in the 'Boro hosted by GSU last weekend.

Currently on a 12 game winning streak, the team is ranked 67th in the nation out of over 240 teams.

"This is probably the best team we've had in the entire duration of the program," said Tommy Pearce, vice President, treasurer, and senior leader on the team.

During the tournament, none of their opponents put up more than eight points on them, according to Pearce.

"We played awesome. We're undefeated, and we are looking forward to Chucktown because we're gonna have some higher competition," said Dan Jones, a senior captain on the team and returning fourth year player.

The team also walked away as champions from the Frozen Goose Tournament hosted at North Greenville University in January.

"The Frisbee team is stellar. We're fast, athletic, and good looking," said Jones.

The next tournament on the schedule is Chuck-

town Throwdown this weekend in Charleston, S.C. The team placed third or fourth in the tournament last year, but seem to have a decent shot of coming home champions this year, according to Sriravong Sriratanakoul, the coach of the Ultimate team for the past three years.

"We have 22 really good friends, and ultimate is more or less a product of those friendships," said Sriratanakoul. "We play ultimate, but it's really just like playing out here with all our friends."

This is the 10th anniversary of the Ultimate Frisbee club team this year, and they are expected to be one of the best teams in the nation during the next couple of years, according to Sriratanakoul. "It's guaranteed! We've been in the rebuilding years, but now we have an awesome team."


The ultimate team has continued to grow over the past ten years and is now able to have an A and B boys' team and a girls' team as well, according to Sriratanakoul. GSU will be hosting the 8th Annual Southern's tournament on March 21-22, with 64 teams planning to attend.

"We aren't looking for the best players but just guys with good attitudes. We have tryouts every October and this year it's going to be very competitive," said Sriratanakoul.




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Senior Tommy Pearce goes up for the frisbee last year at Southern Tournament.



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# Eagles basketball heads for the top of SoCon

## Women, seeded sixth, face eleventh Elon in first round tonight



By Latrice Williams

Staff writer

The Georgia Southern Women's Basketball team is set to compete in the SoCon Championship Tournament March 5-7 in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

The Eagles opened the season with a win over Brewton-Parker, 93-45, a non-conference opponent, and have since then compiled a 16-13 overall (11-9) in the SoCon. GSU has only suffered three home game losses in which one of those was to 20th ranked Auburn.

GSU is currently ranked 5th in the SoCon and Elon will be the first opponent the Eagles take on. The Eagles are sure to come out victorious, as they have already beaten the Phoenix twice this season, the second time for more than 30 points. The Phoenix are ranked last in the SoCon, with an overall record of 2-18.

If the Eagles come out with a win, they will advance to the next round and compete against Western Carolina. The Catamounts are currently ranked one spot above the Eagles and could cause

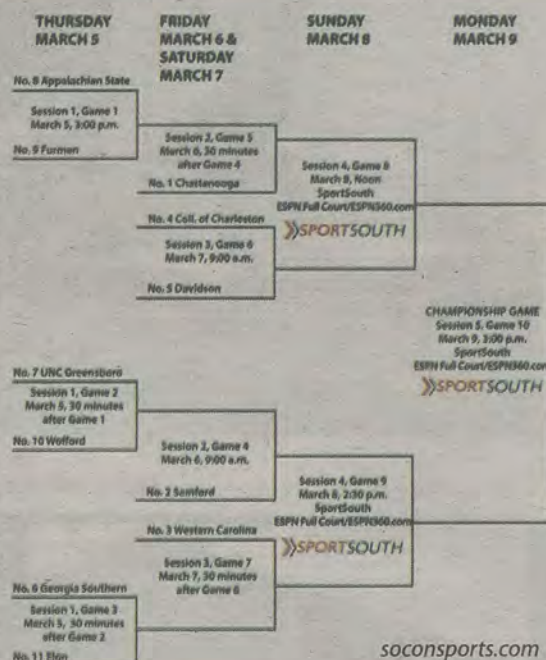
havoc for GSU. The Catamounts have a seven game winning streak in the tournament.

Seniors Ashley Melson and Ashley Rivens will be looked to for leadership as they battle throughout the contest. Melson averages 12.5 points per game and five rebounds. Rivens averages four rebounds and nine points per game.

J'Lisia Ogburn has scored in double figures in more than 12 games this season and leads the team in rebounds. Her aggressiveness and audacity will be a huge factor in the team's performance.

Freshman Samantha Williams has stepped up tremendously and proved to her teammates that she is worthy of tournament play. Williams will undeniably be a key team member in this match up. Although she is not a starter, Williams could be mistaken for a true freshman, coming off of the bench to help her teammates maintain the lead and scored as many as 13 points in three minutes.

GSU is undoubtedly equipped with the adequate skills needed to be successful in this competition. Eagle fans be prepared for the GSU Women's Basketball team to make a deep run in the playoffs.



Rob Eakins/STAFF  
Samantha Williams shoots against WCU.

# Men ranked fifth, kick off tournament against fourth ranked App. State



By Derek Hardge Jr.

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The Eagles end their 2008-09 season with a record of 8-21 overall and 5-15 in the SoCon.

GSU will enter the tournament at 5th seed. On Friday, March 6, the Eagles will face Appalachian State (North Division fourth-seed) at 2 p.m.

Two seniors, five juniors, and the rest of the team sophomores, and freshmen, will have to play without injured guard sophomore Willie Powers and three players suspended from earlier in the season. Those players included starting guard Antoine Johnson and forward Julian Allen, as well as Trumaine Pearson.

"[We] Have to play it (tournament) as the third part of our season. We have to regroup and refocus, and prepare for App. State" said Head Coach Jeff Price.

This will be the last college tournament action for seniors Anthony Marshall and Kenith

Ward.

With the tough season that the GSU eagles faced, they still managed to place 5th seed in the (Southern Division) of the SoCon.

Before his injury, announced Jan. 13, sophomore Willie Powers was averaging 14.5 points per game and 3.1 assists per game. Antonio Hanson has averaged 11.9 points and 1.6 assists, while Ben Drayton III has been averaging 11.7 points and 2.1 assists. Tyler Troupe has averaged 9.6 points and 6.4 assists.

With an earlier season loss to App. State 95-82, the Eagles have to leave it all on the court Friday.

"Down four key players, but we have to play hard" said Marshall.

Kellen Brand (15 points per game) and the App State Mountaineers also have something to prove as well with them being no. 1 last season in the (Northern Division) of the Southern Conference.



Rob Eakins/STAFF  
Tyler Troupe takes a shot at Hanner.