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# THE GEORGE-ANNE

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COVERING THE CAMPUS LIKE A SWARM OF GNATS

## Be on the lookout: Gunfire leads to two injuries off-campus

By Chris Buchanan  
Editor-in-Chief

Two juveniles are in the hospital after a shooting near Luetta Moore Community Park Tuesday night which left both injured.

According to the supplemental police report filed by Officer Matthew Deangelis, he responded to the incident at approximately 8:25 p.m. and upon his arrival, found two injured males, who were immediately transported to the emergency room.

The case has since been turned over to the Criminal Investigation Division. Two of the offenders are also listed as juveniles according to the report.

Those responsible could face charges of aggravated assault with a gun, carrying a concealed weapon, possession of a firearm during the commission of a crime and participating in criminal gang activity.

Anyone with more information on the shooting and other participants should call the Statesboro Police Department at 912-764-9911

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Special Photo

Each year students from around the U.S. make the trek to Mexico for Spring break, but the U.S. government is cautioning travelers this year.

## Campus officials stress safety for spring break

Compiled by Staff

Spring break is only a day away, and with that, students are packing to go home, to the beach, across the nation or even abroad.

However, according to the U.S. Department of State, dozens of Americans have been kidnapped in Mexico over the past few years due to the rise in drug cartels. With the upcoming exodus of students to the country, these conditions are expected to worsen.

"Dean Lewis had been hearing about it through his networks on the student affairs side but I sent him the travel advisory from the U.S. State department," said University Police Chief Ken Brown.

Brown said he received word of the conditions in Mexico through the Georgia Information Sharing and Analysis

Center (GISAC) which helps coordinate information to Georgia's authorities.

"A lot of the cartels are looking forward to a lot of students from the United States coming down there and they're looking at it as a windfall of criminal activity," said Brown.

Lewis sent out a notice to students on campus last week regarding the tensions that have arisen in Mexico recently.

Student Government President, Brandon Cook gave a few ways for students to stay safe over the break.

One thing Cook pointed out was for students to be selective in where they travel.

According to Cook, these issues are more along the border of Mexico where drug trafficking is more common. "If you go into [the mainland of] Mexico it's a lot safer," Cook said. "Be mindful

of your location."

Though not all students may have had plans to go to Mexico for Spring Break, both Cook and Brown encouraged students to be responsible.

"As students travel to different destinations over the break, they need to keep in mind that they are still GSU students," Cook said. "They represent Georgia Southern no matter where they are."

"You go down to Florida and you're flashing your credit card around. The next thing you know, some crook's got a hold of your identity and it takes forever to get that straightened out," said Brown.

Brown stressed that regardless of where students do go, they should stick together and not let anyone go off alone.

"They might be mad at you that night, but tomorrow morning they'll thank

you," he said.

Meanwhile in Statesboro, Brown says police presence will be elevated to protect vacant apartments during break.

"Statesboro PD and [public safety] will be working jointly to watch over the apartments and the residence halls here on campus," Brown said. "We will increase patrols in the parking lots ... and be stopping and asking questions of people [who are] just walking around," he said.

Cook also encouraged students who will be in town to volunteer for Shuttle Gus. For those students who plan on drinking over the break, they should have a designated driver or call Shuttle Gus to pick them up.

Claire Gallam, Shannon Knepp, and Chris Buchanan contributed to this report.

### FEATURES

Sam Gordy gives tips on having a fun spring break on a meager budget.

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### Three-Day Forecast



**Today**  
Mostly Cloudy  
70/49



**Friday**  
Chance Rain  
61/49



**Saturday**  
Chance Rain  
63/50



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## Henderson Library to host Franklin exhibit

By Mark Beavers  
Staff writer

Georgia Southern's Henderson Library will be hosting an exhibit paying tribute to Benjamin Franklin.

The grand opening of the exhibit, "Benjamin Franklin: In Search of a Better World," will be held on March 14 at 7 p.m. in the library.

"The exhibit has six viewing display areas that are photo montages of (a Franklin display) used in an exhibit in Philadelphia," Information Services Librarian Jo-Ellen Broome said.

"We want to celebrate his 300th birthday and all the things he did to make life better for everyday citizens," she said, noting that Franklin still has lessons to teach us in the 21st century.

"We need to be reminded about these wonderful founding fathers every so often," said Broome.

Johnathan O'Neill, a GSU History Department professor who specializes in Constitutional history, will be giving a lecture about Franklin at the exhibit's opening.

"He will be talking about Franklin's important role in the founding of the republic," Broome said.

Broome said that Clare Ellis, a descendant of Franklin and a Savannah resident, will also be a special guest at the event.

"She is bringing a special item to share with

us at the reception," Broome said.

Broome wouldn't say what that item is.

The exhibit will be located on the first floor of the Henderson Library behind the glass doors in the atrium, and will be on display for six weeks.

Since the opening will take place over Spring Break, Broome hopes the absence of students on campus will encourage local residents to attend the event.

According to Broome, during the six weeks various Franklin related programs, which are free and open to the public, will be held. The series of 10 events is titled "Ben's 10" and will run throughout the six weeks that the exhibit is on display.

After the grand opening, the first of these programs will be a lecture by Economic Professor John H. Brown titled "Benjamin Franklin and Social Entrepreneurship" on March 25.

There will also be programs geared towards

children, like Physics Professor Mark Edward's lecture "The Physics of Electricity," taking place on April 1.

The exhibit's grand opening is sponsored by the Henderson Library, the Bulloch County Historical Society, and the local Daughters of the American Revolution chapter.

Broome said that there will be refreshments served at the opening and attendees must enter the library through the second floor entrance.



Benjamin Franklin  
January 17, 1706 - April 17, 1790

# SPRING BREAK

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### CORRECTIONS

The SGA elections will be held tentatively from March 30 through April 1.

In a story published on page one of the March 10 edition titled "Early morning altercation leads to multiple charges" the altercation occurred at apartment 122 as per police reports.

In a story published on page three of the March 10 edition titled "Hard economic times may cause end to fixed tuition" the Board of Regents controls the 'Fixed for 4' plan.





Special Photo

The Georgia Southern University Athletic Foundation Inc. supports many sports on campus.

## Southern Boosters changes name to improve marketing

By Ben Carroll

Staff writer

In Southern's Boosters January 2009 meeting, the boosters voted to change the name from the Southern Boosters to the Georgia Southern University Athletic Foundation, Inc.

According to John Mulherin, an associate athletic director at the Extramural Activities Department, the purpose of the name change isn't to change the goals of the boosters, but to add a clearer message for anyone to recognize who they are.

"We sat down and said, 'Okay, what are we doing, how are we doing it, and are we communicating who we are the best possible way,'" said Mulherin, "Our messaging was inconsistent; our name was not as well known as it should have been, even in our own constituency."

The Southern Boosters have been on a two-year project, trying to find out ideas to improve their marketing ability. They have come up with "Rings and Diplomas" and "For All the Right Reasons" headlines to help, according to Mulherin, to exemplify their message.

The function of the Georgia Southern University Athletic Foundation, Inc. is the same as the Southern Boosters. "Our Mission is to support

scholarships for sports and help our students and coaches win championships," said Mulherin.

According to Mulherin, the boosters held several surveys asking questions about the names. The surveyors found that many people found that the name Southern Boosters sent across negative feelings, unsophisticated, and "high-school-ish."

The new name was chosen for a few reasons, all dealing with the need to increase the organization's marketability. The Foundation wants to bring "consistency within University Family of Fund-Raising entities" while describing "a level of sophistication the organization has grown to," according to Mulherin.

There is also a new approach in how they receive funding. Each year, the Southern Boosters had a different theme to help attract donations, but under the new GSU Athletic Foundations, Inc., the annual campaign will be called the The Eagle Fund.

"Through a consistent name, donors will know that their contribution is funding the Eagle's pursuit of rings and diplomas," said Mulherin.

This new marketing plan has to compete with the old Southern Booster's job of supporting all 15 varsity sports and their 380 student athletes and having to raise over \$2 million a year.

## POLICE BEAT

March 9, 2009

Officers issued six traffic warnings, assisted six motorists, assisted two sick persons and investigated one accident.

A book was taken from one of the Georgia Southern University shuttle buses.

Clinton Kyle Bertram, 19, Brannen Hall, was charged with possession of marijuana and minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

Kerry Edward Brown II, 20, Brannen Hall, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

March 10, 2009

Someone threw a television set out of a window and took several items from a room at Sanford Hall.

Someone left an ATM card in the ATM machine at the Russell Union and someone charged \$450 on their account.

Some money was taken from a wallet at the Russell Union.

A laptop computer and an X-Box were taken from University Villas.

Terrell Reid Davis, 20, Bruiser Circle, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol, obstruction of an officer, giving false information to an officer, possession of a false I.D. and escape.

Jeremy Aron Rowland, 20, Bruiser Circle, was charged with DUI, minor in possession/consumption of alcohol and failure to yield.

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## Stay safe and make good decisions on break

Spring break is just one day away, if it's not already visible by the break inspired opinions section. The much needed week long break is on the mind of all students, whether they are going to the beach, home, or staying in the 'Boro.

Although spring break is often the best time of a student's spring semester, it can also be the worst if certain precautions aren't taken to ensure safety, for those staying and going.

This past weekend there was a burgerly and a shooting nearby campus, which left many students alarmed and scared their safety was at risk. To keep your belongings safe, lock your room, and keep your valuable belongs out of clear sight. If you are going to the beach, keep your phone, camera, jewelry, or wallet locked in a safe box.

Most hotels have one you can rent at the front desk for a small fee.

Another problem many students face, especially when they travel to the beach, is safe alcohol use. If you are of age, don't overdo it. Most students get caught up in fun of the sun and end up paying the price later in the evening, either by getting sick or making a poor judgement call. If you are going to drink, make sure to drink plenty of water in between. And make sure to know your bodies limits and tolerance.

Spring break is just that, a break from school, life, and work. So make it one that is kindly remembered, not regretted. Making poor decisions on break can haunt you for more than just that week. So make good decisions and enjoy break!

## Stay motivated, even though SB is a day away



**Michael Scott** is a junior political science major from Buffalo, NY. He is a guest columnist for the George-Anne Daily.

So one more day until spring break...pretty exciting huh?

You've worked hard all year for this, probably crossed the whole week off of your calendar with the highest of ambitions to out-do the great time (or terrible time) you had last year.

The gym is full of workout fanatics trying to get last minute bench reps and workout classes before they make their debut on the beach.

The tanning beds and pools are crowded with beach bums lying out to get their base coats so they can sit in the sun all day worry free.

Everybody is making play lists on their iPods to jam to and spending their hard earned money on this year's must-have spring break attire.

And if you're anything like these people or me, you are probably so distracted by the thoughts of blue skies, white sand, reggaeton music, and no school that you are hardly good for anything productive this week.

Lately I find myself daydreaming about this much needed vacation so much that I need to pinch myself to wake up and get the task at-hand done.

Three of my buddies and I are driving down to Florida and I have been getting last minute details all set up; how much we have to budget, where we're staying, who's driving, what "hot spots" to hit up...it's all so exciting; who has time for that

school thing?

I tend to argue with myself saying I can just do the work during break (yeah, right) or just save it for after.

And like me you might say, I've crammed for tests before and done ok, I've mustered together enough determination to put a 15 page paper in a day and gotten away with it; why shouldn't I do it this time?

Even though I don't have any exams this upcoming week I know that I have a ton of projects and assignments to do for after break and to save it for the last minute would be irresponsible and frankly unrealistic.

I doubt I will be getting any sleep next week and I know that I'll need as much time to gather my strength and recover when I get back to real life as I can get.

That Sunday before school on the 23rd will be much needed for unpacking, going through all of the crazy pictures taken, reminiscing about how good "SB '09" was, and probably begging to pick up a shift at work because I spent all of my money and am now too broke to eat.

I'm all about the "work hard, play hard" lifestyle. It has been an exhausting semester thus far and I plan on embracing this time away with open arms and open-toed shoes.

A little R & R is just what the doctor ordered for the over worked college student, but make sure you give yourself as many things to celebrate about as possible.

Spring break will be a lot more rewarding if you know that you've completed everything with school first before you let loose.



## Spring Break doesn't have to break your wallet



**Shannon Knepp** is a broadcasting student from Albany, GA. She is the news editor for the George-Anne.

Spring break. A time for relaxing with friends and lounging by the pool.

A time to go away with friends and do absolutely nothing by a beach or on a cruise, only to return to school counting down the days to summer.

That is, if you have the money.

However, if you are like me and remain monetarily handicapped this spring, there is no reason to be down! There are plenty of things to do for spring break that don't include the pricier ventures, though those are always fun.

For example, go to the beach. I know, I'm contradicting myself here. Allow me to clarify; go to Tybee. Grab a couple of close friends who are also short on cash and take them to Tybee. It's close, so there is no money that has to be spent on a hotel room.

Find the nearest pool. Whether you stay in Statesboro or go home for the break, find access to a pool. Go ahead! Lay out in the sun all day, it's not like you have homework. Find a friend, a sibling, someone. Just don't forget the SPF.

Go to a movie. It's simple, I know, but movies are relatively cheap, and can easily be a group or singular activity.

Plus, there are some good movies out right now, and movie theaters are dark, cool, and a great place to relax.

Read a book. Yes, I said it, a book. Get away from those college readings you've been doing all semester and read something that you want to read. It doesn't have to be a literary classic, just something that sounds good to you.

Hang out with family. A lot of times, it's easy to get caught up in friends and school and forget about those who are closest to you. Take some time to watch television with Mom or fishing with Dad.

Just because you aren't headed to Panama City or Destin with the group doesn't mean that your spring break has to be boring. Just find a way to do what the name says: take a break.



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### State Parks Equal Perfect Spring Break



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

Every year when spring break rolls around, I pack up my car and head off for the perfect spring break location.

You won't find me in Miami, Panama City, or even Daytona Beach. In fact, you won't have to look far at all.

Since 2006, my ultimate spring break location has been one of many Georgia state parks.

Instead of hitting the beaches in search of sun and an all night party, I bury myself deep in our state's natural beauty. I also throw in a historic itinerary.

In 2006, I went to F.D. Roosevelt State Park in Pine Mountain, Georgia.

While I was there, I encompassed my surroundings and took a short trip up to Dowdell's Knob, FDR's favorite grilling area.

I ventured out even further and drove to nearby Warm Springs where I got to walk through the Little White House and stand less than two feet away from the bed where our nation's only

four-term president took his last breath.

When 2007 rolled around, I decided to go to Crooked River State Park in St. Mary's, Georgia.

When the mosquitoes took a break from trying to eat me alive, I trekked out into the city where I was able to stand in the ruins of the McIntosh Sugar Mill, built sometime in the 1820's.

I also found the nearby naval museum and got my picture taken standing on a huge nuclear submarine!

Amicalola Falls in Dawsonville, Georgia was my next stop when spring break of 2008 came about.

This experience was unlike any other. I immediately got lost in the tranquility and serene environment.

Amicalola Falls itself, the tallest cascading waterfall east of the Mississippi River, played a huge part in that.

While raccoons ransacked my tent and food supply, I was off learning about how the falls formed and how the first major U.S. gold rush in Dahlonega affected the area.

I encourage each of you to consider visiting a Georgia state park this spring break. You can have fun and learn more than you ever imagined.

### Enjoy spring break, wherever you are



**James Kicklighter** is a junior public relations major from Claxton, Ga. He is a staff columnist for the George-Anne.

It's getting to be that time of year again.

That's right, spring break is next week, to relieve anyone who might be stressing out about that class they didn't drop.

It seems everywhere I turn these days, the holiday is a hot topic of conversation, be it that cruise, trip to Jamaica, or Panama

City blowout that you and all of your best friends are going on.

For me, however, I will be working the third out of three Spring Breaks thus far in my collegiate career.

That's right, you heard me, I have yet to have a "spring break experience," and I am a junior at Georgia Southern.

Believe me, it is not for lack of trying. A few months back, I was trying to figure out what cruise I'd be taking, or perhaps a trip to Cancun. Alas, the university offered an opportunity I couldn't turn down.

My friends tell me that I'm a workaholic, and perhaps this is true.

Then again, so are a lot of people. It doesn't even have to be work.

Think about all of us that walk around with

smart phones, working with them all day in the palm of our hands. I'm certainly the president of that club.

How many times do we say that we are going to take a break, and we end up checking our e-mail or end up getting stressed over some text message breakups?

Because honestly, I think those outside influences can be more stressful on holidays.

Through our connected culture, we anxiously anticipate all the work waiting for us when we get back.

Here's my advice. Instead of turning the phone off, consider disconnecting your e-mail account for the week. Don't answer anything, because if it is really important, they'll call.

Then, take a break from Facebook. You're going to have a lot of pictures to look at when you get back anyway, just do it in one sitting.

Finally, try to live in the moment, and don't worry about your responsibilities when you get back. They'll still be there, waiting for you upon arrival.

Of course, one could say this is the pot calling the kettle black, considering I won't be following any of the above advice.

But I'm not the one on vacation; you are. Therefore, when everyone gets back, I want to hear all the stories and suggestions for next year.

I will have my spring break blowout before graduation, and I expect it to be the best of what everyone has to suggest. Maybe.

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# Spring Break on a budget

By Sam Gordy

Guest Writer

There are many things to consider when planning a trip, especially the money situation. You've been hearing about other peoples' trips and have been dreaming about having some fun. There is no reason not to go, even if your on a budget.

There is nothing worse than realizing you are running out of money in the middle of your trip, and having to beg your parents for some more money or borrowing it from a friend.

The planning should start months ahead of your actual trip. Begin setting some cash aside in a special fund for your trip, even if it is just a couple of dollars a week. It all adds up quickly enough and it gives you some control over your finances during your trip.

Along with money you should prepare for a trip, with hotel and other various housing arrangements in advance. There is no reason to try and wait for a last minute deal, because the risk of it not happening is very high and you don't want to waste your time with trying to find a last minute ride.

Try and find a group of friends who would want to go with you, hotels and airlines have special

vacation packages for large enough groups, some even aimed towards students. Instead of looking for one online or through a travel agent, you can check your college to see if any groups or organizations on campus are going and if they have arranged something already to get there.

If it is too expensive, find somewhere locally to have fun, or volunteer instead. Trips can be some of the best experiences, but they can also be some of the most expensive. With some simple planning ahead measures, you can feel safe knowing you won't have to empty your wallet.

Take a realistic look at your finances to determine how much money you can afford to spend on the trip. Start saving months in advance, anything will help. When considering how much money you have, it is important to prepare for the worse, assume everything will cost five percent more than you expect it to. That way you might be able to have a little extra spending cash.

Travel and pay with at most one credit card, or cash if you can. That way you know what has been paid off and what hasn't. Make sure you divide your money up into different categories so you can see if you're spending too much on one thing.

Pack a lot of lunch meat, fruit, bread, and snacks



Special Photo

There are many simple steps you can take to minimize spending and maximize fun for spring break vacations, like packing your lunch instead of eating out or travelling locally.

so you don't have to eat out every night.

Buy the cheaper drinks so you don't have to spend all your money in one night. You could arrange with your friends for each of you to pay for a single night. That way you don't seem like a cheap person and everyone gets a chance to treat each other and have fun. You can always go to a movie at night or rent a movie and stay in for the night.

Travel with a group of people. That way you

can find better vacation packages and offers for hotels and airlines. If you can get together enough people you will qualify for group discounts on accommodations and other expenses. You can also save some money because a group of people can pitch in for things.

If you cannot find anything, go somewhere locally. You can go to the city or take a small road trip somewhere in the state.

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# STAND fights against worldwide genocide

By Vanessa Terrell  
Staff Writer

STAND, A Student Anti-Genocide Coalition is an umbrella organization of over 800 high school and college chapters dedicated to putting an end to genocide.

The organization focuses specifically the ongoing genocide in Darfur, Sudan, according to the chapter's website. STAND was founded at GSU after an overwhelming amount of student interest following a Darfur information event on campus, and the positive feedback generated the movement.

The organization's network of students is passionate about changing the world's mentality towards genocide. Raising awareness through education and informational presentations and events are only some of the ways STAND has become effective here on campus and throughout the nation. STAND is always planning and continuing efforts throughout the semester and year.

STAND has already planned and organized many successful events on and off campus. A successful event was 5 Days for Darfur, a week

of educational events about Darfur and other conflicts related to genocide.

Some other successful campaigns include Darfur Report Cards (a letter writing campaign) and Dimes for Darfur, during which students collected spare change across campus and town. Potential off-campus events include charity house parties and benefit concerts.

STAND holds meetings for students interested in "taking a stand", and the meetings are held to "provide students with informational, educational and organizing resources". Meetings are also meant to discuss and plan the upcoming events and different ways to contribute.

The meetings are held bi-weekly on Wednesdays at 7pm at Latte Da Coffee Shop, which is in front of the Woodlands and next to Scoops.

"Our meetings are usually very informational," said President Hannah Carlan. "We discuss and understand the impact of current events all over the world."

There will be a benefit concert held on April 18 at Gnat's Landing from 5pm-1am. This 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Get up, STAND UP for Darfur Benefit Concert will include bands such as Cougar

Strike, Mary Hannah, Black Badge, Dirty Uncle Bob, and many more.

"This benefit is a very important event to us," said Carlan. "We're putting a lot of energy and it's going to be a huge event."

STAND's success is based on student interest and passion, so anyone interested in making a change should consider checking this organization out.

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# 'After Sics' epitomizes Memphis underground hip-hop sound

By Will Ofray  
Guest Writer



Having recently left Three 6 Mafia, a group he co-founded, Lord Infamous released his third solo effort titled "After Sics."

Featuring dark lyrics and stereotypically southern beats, this record is reminiscent of early Three Six Mafia albums.

"After Sics" features many artists currently signed to Lord Infamous's "Black Rain Entertainment," which makes this album more of a presentation of "Black Rain" artists than a solo record.

The first half of "After Sics" stays true to the Memphis, Tennessee underground sound.

Any fan of Three 6 Mafia's early work will certainly find that the first seven tracks of the album conjure up memories of Triple Six before they became Grammy winners.

After that, though, the album seems to open up, stylistically, to a broader,

though still Southern, style of rap. Unfortunately, while the second half of the album manages to escape the Memphis underground, it still sounds a little bit outdated.

The standard rap fare, money, women, respect, and entertainment, is covered in the album, but the production fails to do anything innovative.

This leaves the album, both lyrically and rhythmically, sounding extremely generic. The best example of this is the track "I'm Lookin'" whose chorus and beat sound very similar to Lil Will and Soulja Boy's "My Dougie."

Sadly, the three best and most universally appealing tracks on the album "Fed Up," "You Know How I Ball" and "Work Dat Scale" do not even feature Lord Infamous or II Tone, the album's headlining artists.

While this certainly helps promote artists on Black Rain Entertainment, it doesn't speak well of Lord Infamous.

In fact, Lord Infamous takes a back seat on many of the tracks of his own

album. His only solo track is the first song on the album, "Ball Off."

"After Sics" does little to advance the Memphis underground rap scene.

While the title might suggest that Lord Infamous is moving on from Three 6 Mafia, his music does the exact opposite, it reproduces the same content and style that fans of the group will instantly recognize.

Had this album come out three or four years ago, I could definitely see it having some hits, especially with "Work Dat Scale," which features what appears to be a Lil' Wayne diss: "Who's the greatest rapper? I'm a greater rapper/ you twenty-six but still sound like you in a baby's pampers."

Overall, it is a solid effort and a great exhibition of Black Rain Entertainment's "Clubhouse Click." For fans of Three 6's early work, this album is a must buy.

Anyone else will probably find that the album's tracks fail to captivate and seem a little behind the times.



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Founding member of Three Six Mafia, Lord Infamous, cuts a solo album that continues the dirty Memphis rap style but does not attempt to go outside the box.

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# Department of Music excited about the renovations to Foy Fine Arts Building

By Tiffani Addison

Guest writer

After two years of renovations, the Music Department is enjoying the new Foy Fine Arts Building.

The remodeling began in September 2007, forcing the Music Department to relocate to Hendricks Hall, and now has several improvements and amenities.

There are four stories that include soundproof and larger practice rooms, a student lounge area, individual recording studios, smart classrooms, a class advisement center for the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, formerly located in the Williams Center, a piano lab, choral rehearsal area, and a new recital hall.

Upcoming events and performances for the month of March include performances by Trinity Episcopal Church, Friday, March 13, at 7:30 p.m., an opera performance Sunday, March 29, at 3 p.m., located in the Performing Arts Center, and Monday, March 30, is a General Student Recital at 1 p.m. in the Foy Building.

The Department of Music Chair, Richard

Mercier said the newly renovated Foy Building is a great improvement over Hendricks and the old Foy.

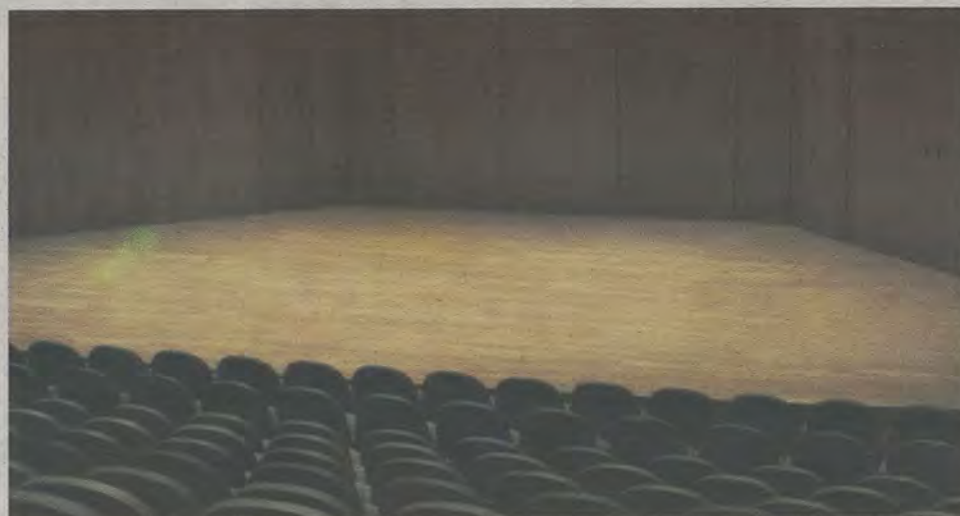
"The spaces are bright, cheerful and inviting," said Mercier. Faculty offices have greatly improved the departmental morale and everyone is very excited about the new building."

"The only complaints have had to do with personal taste rather than the building itself. Students and faculty alike are very upbeat and proud of our new quarters," said Mercier.

There is no set date for the completion of the exterior but it is expected to be within the next couple of weeks. Mercier said that everyone is working hard to complete the exterior landscaping in time for the official ribbon cutting, which will be announced soon.

Nicole Patton, a senior music education major, ushers some of the performances held in Foy. Patton said she is "excited about the annex, which is all soundproof, has hardwood floors, and quiet lights, which are good for recording."

Patton's classmate, Nicole Santangelo, said "the new recital hall is outside entrance only, versus the old Foy whose entrance was right



Chris Buchanan/STAFF

Music students now have their own place to perform in the Foy Fine Arts Building.

next to the stage."

Santangelo is working toward a music minor and ushers some performances as well.

"The department looks better than before and students seem to be happy," said Theresa Solano, who is the administrative secretary.

Solano said that now there is a listening

library for students where they can listen to CDs and scores of music, and music majors can listen to a piece of music they may want beforehand.

Faculty and students hope that the recital hall will be completed and they can begin hosting recitals in it after Spring Break.

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## March declared Irish month by president

By Anthony Viscintainer

Guest writer

On March 2, 2009, the President declared the month of March 2009 to be Irish-American Heritage Month.

Among the statements in the declaration was an encouragement for all Americans to "observe this month with appropriate ceremonies, programs, and activities."

There are a number of good ways to do this here on campus, including joining one of the Irish culture student organizations.

The most nationally acclaimed of these is the Ancient Order of Hibernians, an Irish Catholic student club.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians (AOH) is an ethnic organization that was formed in NYC in 1836, with the purposes of helping Irish immigrants to get jobs and protecting the Catholic Church in America from the "know-nothings," an anti-Irish and anti-Catholic group that was a prominent political party in the mid 1800's.

The AOH is now the oldest continually operating ethnic organization in the United States, and has over 80,000 members in the United States,

Canada, and Ireland.

It is involved in a number of charity and outreach programs, and the GSU chapter is currently in the process of setting up a scholarship for students in poverty.

AOH's parent organization in Ireland, which can trace its roots back over 300 years, focuses largely on unifying the country.

The chapter here at Georgia Southern is named the Iolar Division ("iolar" meaning "eagle" in Gaelic, as a tribute to Georgia Southern) is going to be setting some records of its own: it is the first AOH chapter on a college campus.

To join the AOH, students just have to be Catholic and of Irish descent.

A related organization, the Ladies AOH, also includes (in addition to Catholics of Irish descent) women dating or married to people of Irish descent.

Students who aren't Catholic or Irish but are still interested in Irish culture can become members Club Gael, an organization similar to the AOH in its focus on Ireland and all things Irish.

"Club Gael is sort of a wing of the AOH, because we don't want to leave anyone out," said Vice President Christopher Ahearn.

### CALENDAR

#### Thursday, March 12, 2009

Time: 5 - 6 p.m.

Event: Inspire Meeting

Location: Russell Union 2043

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Time: 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Event: Ballroom Dance Class

Location: College Plaza Building

Time: 7 - 11 p.m.

Event: Finerwomanhood Week

Location: Russell Union 2042

Time: 7:30 - 9 p.m.

Event: CCF Bible Study

Location: Carroll Building Lecture Hall

Time: 8 - 10:30 p.m.

Event: AIDS Awareness Fashion Show

Location: Russell Union Ballroom

#### Friday, March 13, 2009

Time: 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Event: Poverty Simulation

Location: Williams Center

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

Event: Conversation Hour

Location: Russell Union Ballroom

Time: 3 - 5 p.m.

Event: MAP Training

Location: Russell Union 2052

Time: 5 - 11 p.m.

Event: VGA Halo 3 Doubles Tournament

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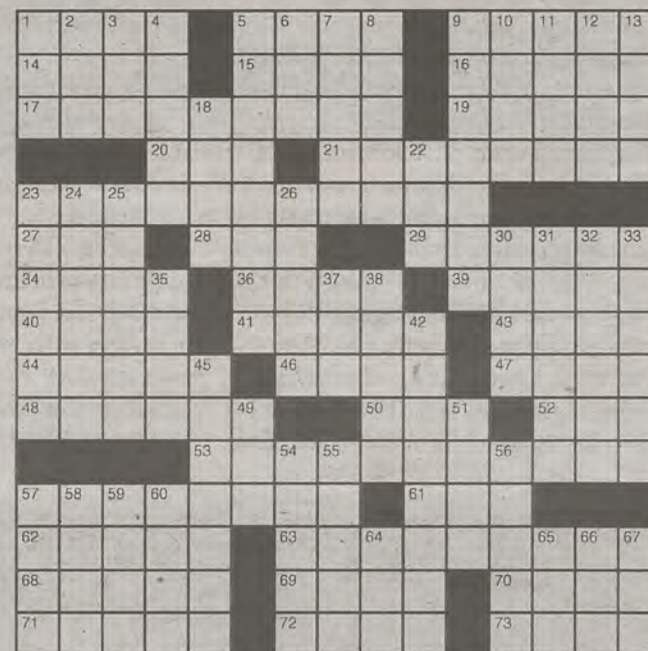
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- 19 Observe again
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- 21 Complained
- 23 Bard of Avon
- 27 Touch rudely
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- 29 Useful qualities
- 34 Affirm
- 36 Pupil's place
- 39 Of musical sounds
- 40 Autumn tool
- 41 Nickel parts
- 43 Opera song
- 44 Work, as dough
- 46 Pond coating
- 47 Pottery oven
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- 50 Untried
- 52 Foldaway bed
- 53 Language connectors
- 57 Possible pathogens
- 61 Make an effort
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- 2 Whitney or Wallace
- 3 Chaney of films
- 4 Inventory
- 5 Religion doubter
- 6 Grande River
- 7 Similar
- 8 Insect stage
- 9 Most tangy
- 10 Baldwin of "Malice"
- 11 Snack between meals
- 12 Leg bender
- 13 Ranked contender
- 18 Shoe points
- 22 Time worth noting
- 23 Electric chair's nickname
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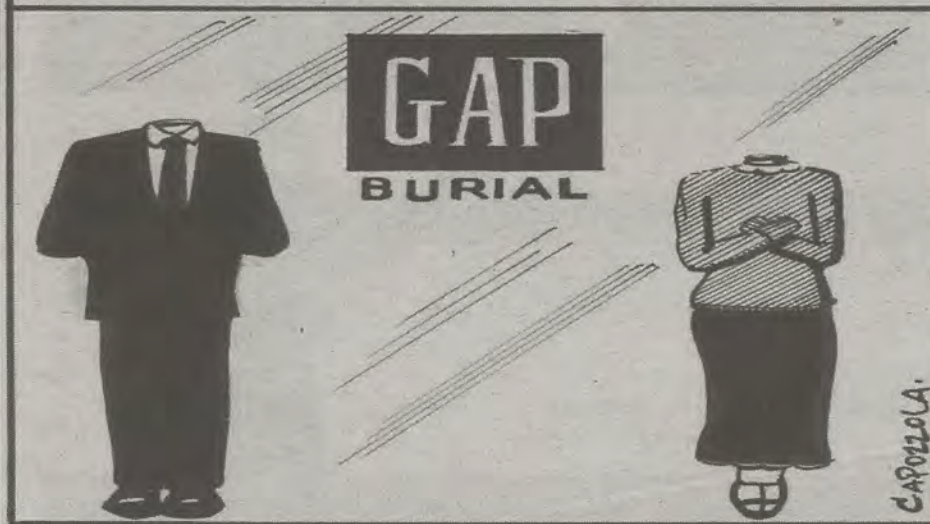


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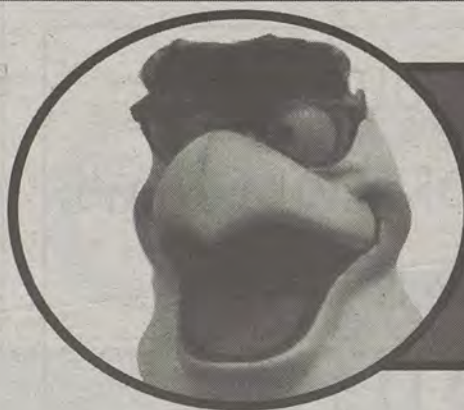


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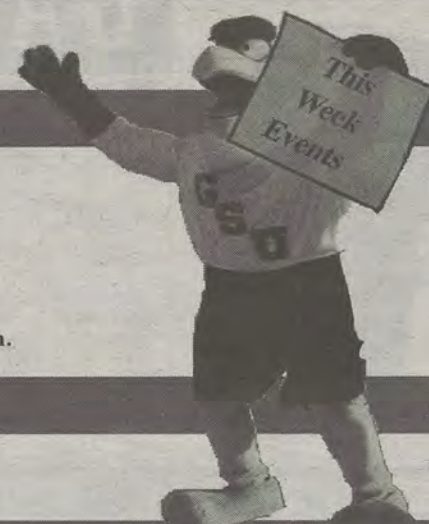
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# GSU Equestrian team picks up their first win of the season.



Special Photo

Equestrian team member Kristen Bulkeley leads her horse, Tucker, over a raised cavalatti in the team's recent win over Savannah College of Art and Design.

By Molly McNally  
Staff writer

On Saturday Feb. 28, the Georgia Southern Equestrian Team had their first win of the season at Evermore Farm in Brooklet, Ga. The Eagles beat second place Savannah College of Art & Design 43 to 36.

The Eagles Equestrian Team also came in third place on Sunday, March 1, despite the obstacles posed by the freezing rains and high winds.

They finished the day with 30 points, eight points behind the winner Savannah College of Art & Design.

Eagle winners on Saturday include the Equestrian team president, Kirsten Bulkeley, in Open Equitation over Fences and Open Equitation on the Flat, Kaitlin Coffey, who is the vice president of the Equestrian Team in Novice Fences, and Intermediate Flat.

Katelyn Riposa won in the Advanced Walk Trot Canter event as well.

Kaitlin Coffey won High Point Rider for the day, and Kirsten Bulkeley won Reserve High

Point Rider.


This was the first time in the history of the Georgia Southern Equestrian Team that two Eagle riders have won these awards at the same time.

"I was very proud of the team's recent accomplishments," said Equestrian Team Secretary Kelsey Sorrell. "As for further expectations for the season I hope we can do well in our two shows left that are coming up this weekend."

The team was created as a club sport at GSU in 1993 by four students, according to the team's official website (<http://studentorg.georgiasouthern.edu/gsuet/Welcome.html>). One of the members acted as a student coach until 1998 when Eleanor Ellis came on the scene. Ellis continues to coach the Eagles today. Hans Mortenson is the faculty advisor for the team.

A highlight of the program includes a trip to Nationals in 2006, after the western team won their region (southeast). The team competes in a region against teams such as Georgia Tech, Emory and the University of Florida.

The Eagles Equestrian Team hopes to continue their success at their upcoming and last shows of the season on March 14th and 15th.



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# SERIES SHOWDOWN



GEORGIA SOUTHERN EAGLES AT UNC GREENSBORO - MARCH 13-15

## Eagles kick off SoCon competition hosting UNCG



Rob Eakins/STAFF

Freshman Eric Phillips aims and swings for a pitch in a recent game.

By Jessica Martin

Sports editor

The Eagles baseball team will open their Southern Conference part of their schedule this weekend against the UNC Greensboro Spartans.

They will play a three-game series, starting Friday at 7 p.m., continuing Saturday at 2 p.m., and finishing up Sunday at 1 p.m.

The Eagles are currently (at press time) 11-2, with their second loss of the season coming early this week (Tuesday) at Jacksonville, 8-7. Starter Colin Snow gave up five unearned runs early in the game, but the Eagles made a comeback to try to knot it up.

Kevin Bowles was hit by a pitch in one inning and made it all the way around the bases to score after multiple wild pitches.

Ty Wright went 3-5 with two hits in the game, while Phillip Porter picked up two RBIs.

Senior catcher Griffin Benedict was named this week's "Player of the Week" from the Southern Conference. He tied a NCAA record with two solo homeruns in the Eagles 14-4 stomp of then ranked no. 20 East Carolina.

Despite the domination of competition and defeating two separate nation-

ally ranked teams, the Eagles remain unranked in the national polls. But this does not mean that they are not getting noticed.

In the NCBWA poll, the Eagles have earned votes, thus earning mention. University of Georgia is the no. 1 team on this poll, while Georgia Tech, whose only loss of the season came against GSU, is currently no. 8.

The UNC Greensboro Spartans are having a rough season, going 1-8 (at press time) so far.

They have already opened up the SoCon portion of their schedule, but were swept by College of Charleston in a three game series this past weekend. The Cougars won by scores of 8-0, 11-4, and 7-1 respectively. UNCG's only win was a narrow one over non-conference opponent Princeton, 6-5.

True freshman Trevor Edwards is starting his career strong, leading the Spartans in four different batting categories: batting average (.385), slugging percentage (.500), RBIs (6), and total bases (13), according to the UNCG Web site.

Junior outfielder Corey Overholtzer was named to the second team preseason All-Conference team for the SoCon.

The Eagles collectively had four members named to preseason All-Conference squads.

## just the basics

### SCOUTING REPORT

The UNC Greensboro Spartans are having a rough season thus far in 2009. The team is currently 1-8 and has already started their Southern Conference schedule with a series against College of Charleston.

The Spartans were swept by the Cougars, losing by eight, seven, and six runs respectively. In fact, in their eight losses so far, UNCG has lost by an average of 9.375 runs. Their worst loss came in the first game of the season, when they fell to no. 18 Kent State by a score of 18-2.

UNCG's only win came over Princeton by a score of 6-5. Senior Pedro Leon hit a walk-off double in the bottom of the ninth to give the Spartans the edge. The other two games of that series were rained out.

### AT A GLANCE

2009 overall record: 1-8  
2009 Conf. Record 0-3  
2008 overall record: 36-21  
Upperclassman players: 7  
Freshman players: 15  
2008 players lost: 10

### DID YOU KNOW?

GSU and UNCG met last year in the first round of the Southern Conference tournament. GSU picked up the win, 21-9.

Former pitcher Aaron Eubanks picked up the win and senior pitcher Kyle Kamppi pitched 4.1 innings.

### GAME WEATHER



High: 62-78°

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## Spring Break Sports

Though you may be going away for spring break, Eagles athletics aren't taking a break. Follow your team throughout the break at Gadaily.com

### Baseball

Fri 3/13- vs. UNCG 7 p.m.  
Sat 3/14 vs. UNCG 2 p.m.  
Sun 3/15 vs. UNCG 1 p.m.  
Mon 3/16 @ NCA&T TBA  
Wed 3/18 @ Winthrop TBA  
Fri 3/20 @ App State 3 p.m.  
Sat 3/21 @ App State 2 p.m.  
Sun 3/22 @ App State 1 p.m.

### Softball

Sat 3/14 vs. App State 3 p.m.  
Sat 3/14 vs. App State 1 p.m.  
Sun 3/15 vs. App State 1 p.m.  
Tues 3/17 @ Presbyterian 2 p.m.  
Tues 3/17 @ Presbyterian 4 p.m.  
Sat 3/21 @ W. Carolina 1 p.m.  
Sat 3/21 @ W. Carolina 3 p.m.  
Sun 3/22 @ W. Carolina 1 p.m.

### Men's Tennis

Sun 3/15 @ S. Alabama 10 a.m.  
Tues 3/17 @ Samford 2 p.m.  
Wed 3/18 @ UAB 2 p.m.  
Sat 3/21 @ Wofford 12 p.m.  
Sun 3/22 @ Furman 1 p.m.

### Golf

F-Sa 3/14-15 @ W. Kentucky  
F-Su 3/20-22 Schenkel E-Z-Go

### Women's Tennis

Sat 3/14 vs. Davidson 1 p.m.  
Sun 3/22 vs. WCU 10 a.m.

### Track and Field

F-Sa 3/14-15 @ C. Carolina Inv.  
Sat 3/21 @ Bulldog Relays