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COVERING THE CAMPUS LIKE A SWARM OF GNATS

## The new face of Freshmen housing

### Centennial Place nears completion

By Chris Buchanan  
Staff writer

Centennial Place will open on time and is filled to capacity, according to Director of Resident Life Vickie Hawkins.

Hawkins said the new residence hall will be ready for the August 14 move-in date and already has two of the four buildings furnished.

"As of right now, all of our beds are filled," Hawkins said. "We're in good shape for this coming fall."

The hall's primary focus is housing incoming freshmen, who are now required to live on campus for the first year. Of the capacity, 600 beds are reserved for first-year students.

"[Students] will be more satisfied with their entire college experience by living on campus," Hawkins said. "We know that we can offer them that good foundation that first year."

Though, currently, no shortage of housing is expected – with rooms available in other halls on campus – Hawkins explained that the campus has helped students in the past when issues with housing availability arose.

"This past year we placed students in a local hotel for a week or so until we had vacancies on campus," she said.

"We've had students in study lounges until we had vacancies on campus and this past year we partnered with a local off-campus apartment complex and placed students there."



Deborah Inskip/STAFF

Students will be able to move into Centennial Place starting August 14.

Hawkins said that students still interested in being in on-campus housing should apply as soon as possible.

"We can work with those students for the next 10 weeks and try to get them in," she said.

Hawkins said that the current housing rate of total students is 25 percent with a long-term goal of 30 to 40 percent of all students.

While there is no word on new halls or purchases aimed at fulfilling that goal, Hawkins said, the removal of older houses purchased by the

university on Knight Drive is already underway to make room for more parking to accommodate the current increase.

"This year, we've increased by over 1,000 beds, but we still are filled for this coming year, so that's a good sign that students want to live on campus," she said.

With the introduction of these residence halls and the reclassification or demolition of traditional dorms comes new challenges in bolstering a strong sense of community,

Hawkins said.

She said that this was the primary deciding factor behind the decision to rename and reclassify the jobs of residence hall advisors – now dubbed community leaders.

"Traditional residence hall programs will no longer be what we have offered in the past," Hawkins said.

We are concentrating more on a one-on-one relationship between the community leader, which is the new [resident advisor] and the first-year student."

### Freshmen enrollment of previous years

Fall 2004: 3,547

Fall 2005: 3,644

Fall 2006: 3,181

Fall 2007: 3,419

Fall 2008: 3,738

Office of Strategic Research  
Fall Semester Enrollment Summary

"This year, we've increased by over 1,000 beds, but we still are filled for this coming year, so that's a good sign that students want to live on campus."

**Vickie Hawkins**  
Director of Resident Life

Construction on Centennial Place began in 2008 with the demolition of Olliff and Winburn halls that housed 550 students collectively.

The new hall – a group of four buildings – has different floor plans with price points ranging from \$2,350 to \$3,200 per semester. In addition to housing, the new hall will include a Cold Stone Creamery and Einstein Bros. Bagels.

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## New Bishop Alumni Center to open in July

By Ditoria Geddis

Guest writer

The new Welcome and Alumni Center will be changing its name to the Bishop Alumni Center, named for Gene Bishop.

Bishop, according to William I. Griffis, vice president for University Advancement, provided the biggest contribution to fund this project.

"Bishop is a major philanthropist who has consistently been very supportive of Georgia Southern University and this building is another example of his generosity," said Griffis. "All of us are deeply appreciative of his support."

The alumni center will be housing the Office of Annual Giving, Office of Advancement Services, Office of Alumni Relations, Office of Development, and the Office of Governmental Relations.

The alumni center will also have an Alumni

Hall, Alumni Gallery, and Conference Room in the alumni center.

July 6, 2009 is the schedule move-in date for all faculty that work in this department.

Saterah Bigham, senior, psychology major, "I am very excited about the new alumni house at Georgia Southern.

This campus is full of beautiful buildings, and I think that the new alumni house will be a great addition."

The old alumni center, John O. Eidson Alumni Center, will still honor John O. Eidson but will be used only for office space, according to the Marketing and Communication Department.

According to Curtis Woody, professor and alumni of Georgia Southern, the old building wasn't very functional for Alumni events, and he felt like the alumni center was often taken over by people working for the foundation to be used for other purposes.



Deborah Innskeep/STAFF

The new alumni center located at the RAC will be renamed the Bishop Alumni Center.

"We were in need of a new building," said Woody. "I think it's a step in the right direction, in terms of giving the alumni a place to meet and get to know each other better."

## Local Hearts and Hands Clinic scheduled to open doors in August

Tiffani Addison

Guest writer

Non-profit organization, Hearts and Hands Clinic, is formed by students to provide primary medical, dental, and healthcare to the uninsured on campus and in the community.

This organization began last August with President and CEO Andres Montes. Montes is a senior pre-med and philosophy major who said he was motivated by the previous presidential election and all of the discussion about change.

"It was time to make a change and give back," said Montes.

They plan to host a forum in July and their opening day for the clinic will be August 22. One week later, on August 29, they plan to host a huge fundraiser.

Montes, 10 students and countless volunteers



Katherine Kennedy/STAFF

The Hearts and Hands Clinic will be housed in the Ogeechee River Baptist Association building at 17 North College Street, Statesboro.

teamed up to put together the Hearts and Hands Clinic with the goal to open and build a network for all businesses in Statesboro, Savannah, and sur-

rounding counties.

The Hearts and Hands Clinic is the first student undergrad organization that has received assistance

from the Volunteers in Medicine.

Through the assistance of Volunteers in Medicine they will receive help through discounted pharmaceuticals. East Georgia Regional Hospital has helped with supplies and lab work.

The Board of Local Leaders in Statesboro has joined with the organization to help spread the word about the clinic to local businesses. The organization hosted a forum last week in the Town Hall as a way to introduce the clinic to the community.

"Our vision is to grow and to make this project sustainable. We want to pass the torch on to the community after we've graduated," said Montes.

First Vice President and COO Emma Boyer said, "We want to focus on student's needs with this clinic."

The clinic started out with Montes and Boyer. "We really need donations and to get our name out to the community. We're always in search of volunteers and they don't need any experience."

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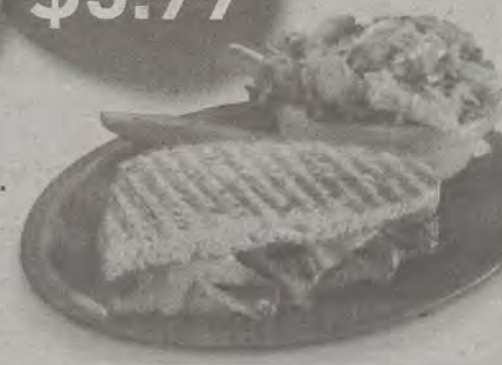
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## New exhibits open in Georgia Southern Museum

*The Indelible (P)ink and The Inspector's Mystery Maze opened in May*

By Abbey Lennon

Guest writer

The Georgia Southern University Museum is host to two new exhibits which have been on display since May 11 and will stay until July 19, 2009.

The two exhibits are "The Inspector's Mystery Maze" and "The Indelible (P)ink: The Pink Panther and Popular Culture" in which original animation sketches are on display, according to the Georgia Southern University Museum Director Brent Tharp.

"It includes original cells and art drawings, and other artifacts from the 1993 version of the Pink Panther cartoon as well as some movie posters and other items related to the original movie and the original cartoon," said Tharp.

The Pink Panther exhibit is a traveling exhibit, originally from the Daura Gallery from Lynchburg College in Lynchburg, Virginia, and explores larger themes in relation to popular culture.

"It really looks at the impact of popular culture of the Pink Panther especially with the brand bringing out one more movie that has been pretty popular," said Tharp, "so you'll see in stores the image of the Pink Panther coming back out again," he said.

Students, and others have brought in Pink Panther paraphernalia from umbrellas to flip flops, says Tharp, to add to the exhibit.

In the second exhibit, "The Inspector's Mystery Maze," which has been at Georgia Southern before, children have to navigate themselves through a maze to try and solve a murder mystery, according to Tharp.

"We decided to take an opportunity to bring back our popular maze that we have here," said Tharp.

"Kids have to find their way through the maze and also discover clues about a murder



Shannon Knepp/STAFF

GSU student and museum employee, Jess Miles, introduces students from The Learning Treehouse to the new Pink Panther exhibit at the GSU Museum on Thursday, May 28, 2009.

mystery, and then there are hands-on activities on cartooning and animation through history."

The exhibits are for all ages and open to the public, and because the museum is not funded by the state, donations are welcome and appreciated as well as opportunities for membership at the museum.

According to the Georgia Southern University Museum Web site, admission for the Mystery Maze is \$2 each with members having free access.

The Mystery Maze will end August 16, 2009 and the Pink Panther exhibit will end July 19, 2009.

For more information go to the Georgia Southern University Museum's Web site at <http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/museum/exhibits/upcoming.html>.

## POLICE BEAT

Friday, May 29, 2009

Officers assisted two motorists and responded to a report of a domestic dispute at University Villas.

A Walmart gift card and \$150 was taken from a wallet at the Child Development Center.

Sunday, May 31, 2009

Officers issued three traffic warnings, assisted one motorist, responded to a report of a domestic disturbance near Hanner Fieldhouse.

Gregory Jay Fletcher Jr., 22, Robin Hood Trail, was charged with public intoxication and criminal trespass.

Christopher Dale Webb Jr., 25, Pulaski, was charged with DUI, failure to maintain lane and noise ordinance violation.

George Rynalder Sabb IV, 19, George Sabb Road, was charged with criminal trespass.

Monday, June 1, 2009

Patrick Leondor Tippins, 22, Denmark Street, was charged with driving with suspended license and no proof of insurance.

Tuesday, June 2, 2009

Officers issued one traffic citation, assisted two motorists and responded to one alarm.

A set of keys and two books were taken from the Henderson Library.

## CORRECTION

Rusty Herrington was the organizer of the Navion event at the Statesboro Airport over Memorial Day weekend.

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## Georgia Southern keeps on growing

Georgia Southern freshmen will be doing things a little different this year. They will all be living on campus.

That's right, on campus. With enrollment at an all time high, this means less room for upperclassmen in both campus housing and campus parking. This rule, however, is bad news for upperclassmen who are still interested in living on-campus, and who need the luxury of on-campus living (for example, those upperclassmen who don't have cars).

This new development means many things, but one word in particular comes to mind: competition.

With Georgia Southern steadily gaining more freshmen each year, as well as the retention rate of students growing, GSU is definitely on the fast track to expansion.

To accomodate this, GSU built Centennial Place, which is due to open this fall. This new complex has ample room for new freshmen and upperclassmen who are looking to live on-campus.

However, in spite of this wonderful and uplifting news, it makes competition for housing more intense for the upperclassmen vying for a coveted spot in one of these new mega-dorms.

The bigger issue at stake here, however, will inevitably be on-campus parking.

Due to this on-campus housing requirement

for incoming freshman, the question in most of our minds most certainly is, "Where will all these people park?"

As if parking isn't enough of a hot button issue for students that must brave on-campus parking every day, and even with those who simply try to find a parking spot at the library in the middle of finals week, there will now be a whole slew of freshman to add to the mix.

With record high enrollment for summer school, hopefully we brave souls that can handle Statesboro for the summer will be acclimated to the situation and bravely be able to handle the extra competition for parking and housing on campus in the fall.

However, not all this news is bad news. A larger student body means more opportunities around campus and with the nearly complete Centennial Place comes Cold Stone Creamery, for those excruciatingly hot days down here, and and Einsten Bros. Bagel shop, to grab a quick bite before your morning class.

Although the competition for campus privileges will greatly increase next year, growth is always a positive thing, especially in terms of our thriving university.

So next year when you're driving around the parking lot for the fiftieth time trying to find a spot before you're late for class, just remember, only the fittest will survive.



Graham Gedgney

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## Vote for Darius and support Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy research for a cure



**Marshall Hooks** is a senior political science major from Dawson, Ga. He is the Editor in Chief of [gadaily.com](http://gadaily.com).

As I sat down to do some of my homework earlier this week, I received a message from my sister on Facebook.

The message she sent me was in support of Darius Weems, a young man from Athens, Ga., who was born with Duchenne muscular dystrophy or DMD, the number one genetic killer of children in the world.

This genetic disease, which has a 100 percent death rate according

to [charleysfund.com](http://charleysfund.com), also took the life of his older brother.

According to [kidshealth.org](http://kidshealth.org), Duchenne is the most common type nine types Muscular Dystrophy.

My sister graduated from the University of Georgia with a B.S. degree in Family and Consumer Science and worked with Darius at a summer camp in Athens, Ga. Darius' story was not only an inspiration to her, but it also gave her a stronger will to pursue a teaching degree in special education.

Darius' story dates back to 2005, when at the age of fifteen he left Georgia for the very first time with eleven of his best friends on a cross-country trip where they tested wheelchair accessibility across the nation.

Along the way they filmed the journey and made a DVD out of it entitled "Darius Goes West."

The group spread the word about DMD to anyone who would listen to them and attempted to reach Los Angeles and convince MTV's hit show "Pimp My Ride" to pimp out Darius' wheelchair.

In the message my sister sent me, she also sent a link to the Do Something Awards!, which is a non-profit organization aimed at recognizing individuals who have made an impact in their community or in the world.

Darius was nominated for the award and was one of the five winners.

It is up to the people of America to vote for the overall winner and a cash prize of \$100,000,

which will be donated to the charity of the winner's choice.

Darius' charity is Charley's Fund, a nonprofit organization aimed at finding a cure for DMD.

I ask you to please vote for Darius by going to: <http://www.youtube.com/dosomething1>. Click "vote" above the video box and then click "next video" to the lower right of the video box until you reach the video "DO SOMETHING-Darius 2." From there click the thumbs up button and that's it, you have successfully voted.

You may only vote once per day and voting ends this afternoon at 3:00 Eastern Standard Time.

For more information about Darius or the Do Something Awards! please visit [www.dariusgoeswest.org](http://www.dariusgoeswest.org).



## Georgia's schools switch to new processing system

Tiffani Addison

Guest writer

The Board of Regents mandated that schools a part of the University System of Georgia switch to an automated data processing system known as ADP.

This new system will be used to centralize work information for faculty and staff here on campus.

According to the Department of Human Resources, the new system is currently in testing stages and will go into effect July 1.

The same computers will be used to store employee information; it will just be run off of a different database.

The way the new payroll system works is that students will punch in their employee identification information into the computer every day when they attend work.

Work-study students and student service workers will all follow the same directions. Instead of paper statements or time sheets, this database will be used as a time stamp.

GSU will now be able to transfer information on employees and their position information to any school in the USG.

"It is like one big company with a lot of dif-

ferent branches; everyone is linked together to make transfers easier," said Assistant Director of Human Resources Vicki Hodges.

Senior graphic communications management major Andrew Guernsey is a cashier at the GSU bookstore and he said, "I don't know a lot about the system yet, but I know it's supposed to simplify everything. I'm not sure if it will necessarily be easier but it will be more accurate."

Junior psychology major and GSU bookstore cashier Nyonnohweah Seekie said, "The way the system was explained, everything will be the same; it will just be a different way to clock in that's more efficient."

Not all of the faculty, staff and student workers were thrilled about the change. Senior psychology major Eddie Holt is a customer service representative at the GSU bookstore.

"I don't like the ADP payroll system because it runs through the Internet and it is really slow. Once the system is upgraded it may be better," he said.

Bill Smith, a GSU postal clerk said he was having a hard time registering into the system.

He said he experienced several difficulties and still had no progress. "It may take a while to get used to but I'm excited, it's just different."

## Carey Hilliard's to open in August 2009



Katherine Kennedy/STAFF

A Carey Hilliard's restaurant is currently under construction in Statesboro at Statesboro Crossing, the shopping center that houses Books-A-Million and PetCo. According to Tom Richardson, a corporate assistant with Carey Hilliard's, the restaurant is currently on track to open August 3, 2009. Applications are currently being accepted at other Carey Hilliard's locations. Richardson said that the closest store to Statesboro is located in Pooler, 198 Pooler Parkway, Pooler, GA 31322. Applications will be accepted in Statesboro beginning in July.

## Statesboro businesses react on how decline in students affects summer sales

By Tiffani Addison

Guest writer

Summer time means summer school and a decline in students on campus and in the community.

Businesses around Statesboro and campus had different opinions on how the summer term affects productivity.

Wooden Nickel employee, Scott Bacon, has worked at the bar for four years and he said that business has declined a little.

"Our student employees go home for the summer but there are no drastic changes. We've

come up with ideas such as BINGO nights and trivia nights to bring in students during the week on slow nights."

John Crawford, operations manager at Gray's Bookstore stated that the bookstore establishes sales for the summer so it does not affect them. "Business drops a good bit during the summer but it's expected so the budget is planned accordingly."

Crawford also stated that their business is specifically for students so they base sales on the school calendar year. Accounting major, and core employee at Gray's Bookstore, Frank Morris, said, "Later into the summer sales pick up when we make school paraphernalia sales towards football season."

Solar Rays Tanning Salons employee, Lindsey Cairney has been employed there since November and said, "Tanning is seasonal so business falls during the summer despite summer school. We make a year's worth of profit throughout the spring to cover the summer's decline in business so there is no loss."

Wal-Mart Department Manager, Sonja Mikell stated that business slowed down a little and there are not as many students shopping in the store.

"Departments like Grocery and Garden Center are doing well because of the season but sales in departments such as Fabrics and Crafts and Stationery have fallen because school is out for both high

school and college, and teachers are not coming in to buy certain necessities." Mikell stated that sales will pick back up when school starts back.

Gamesboro store owner, Sidney Bottoms, said business declined a little for his store as well but they have fail safes, which secures the store during seasonal changes.

Also business is not as low now as it is planned for the month of July which is their "deadest" time due to the ending of Term B and the break before fall semester begins.

"An advantage for our business is that people need entertainment during the summer and this summer we're making better progress than last."



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# Locals, experts weigh in on weather's effects on the spring planting season

By Chris Buchanan  
Staff writer

Last month ranked among the most difficult spring planting months in 30 years for local growers thanks to cold days and excessive rain, according to Bulloch County Extension Service agent Wesley Harris.

"The overall temperature level for this year has been much cooler than normal," Harris said. "That certainly has some impact on our ability to really germinate and get our crop up and going as quickly as we'd like to see it."

According to Harris, May's low temperatures – in the 50s on some days – only added to the troubles that local growers have had planting the traditionally very profitable spring crops.

"The real challenges come into play in being able to get into the field," Harris said. "We're way behind in completing cotton planting and peanut planting."

Many local farmers began moving toward corn earlier in the year, Harris said, for its profitability and ability to grow in cooler conditions. However, with the onset of the summer months, fears of the other extreme – heat – may also come into play.

"Unfortunately, it has started getting hot again, and corn does not like it when it gets above 95 degrees,"

he said. "We could run into some pollination issues and might still not make a good crop if we don't see some cooling down and rain at the critical period."

Harris said that planting crops late could lower yield. This could mean higher food prices in the near future.

According to Meteorologist Mike Emlaw, of the National Weather Service Forecast Office (NWSFO) at Charleston, the chance of low temperatures in May, while low, were "in the realm of possibility."

"Even now, at the end of [May], our record lows are mostly in the 50s," Emlaw said. "To drop down fairly low in the 50s even into the 40s is certainly not unusual for the first part of May."

According to some growers at the Main Street Statesboro Farmer's Market on Saturday, the rain received in May was helpful in sustaining their existing crops and staving off the effects of the cold snap.

"The rain and the heat does great for our crops," said Vicky Lee of Lee Family Farms. "It makes them produce like crazy."

Lee said that only some watermelons and cucumbers were lost as a result of recent weather.

While rain was, in part, helpful, it may have been too much for other local crops.

"Too much rain delays the growth," said local farmer Raquel Allen. "You need mediocre rain



Chris Buchanan/STAFF

Vicky Lee of Lee Family Farms sells fresh produce to Charlie Jackson and Adrian Foote at the Main Street Farmers' Market on Saturday, May 29, 2009.

and sun."

But Harris said that all hope is not lost for local farmers still looking to have a successful planting season.

"This week looks like it's going to open up for us, and I think if we get most of it done in the next seven or eight days, then I think we've got a chance to catch up," he said.

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## Theta Xi sponsors blood drive



Katherine Kennedy/STAFF

GSU senior Matthew Anderson donates blood Wednesday, June 3, 2009, in the Williams Center. Theta Xi sponsored the blood drive that ended with a total of 26 productive units collected. Another blood drive is not scheduled to take place on campus until August, but, according to Nancy Martin, senior account manager for the American Red Cross Blood Services, all that is needed are organizations to sponsor events. To sponsor a blood drive, contact Martin at 912-663-6721 or Diana Hensley, of GSU's Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement, at 912-478-0010.

## National brief

### Abortion doctor's murder under investigation

By Stan Finger and Joe Rodriguez  
Uwire.com

The angry reaction from both sides of the abortion debate that exploded onto the Internet in the aftermath of the murder Sunday of one of the few doctors in the United States willing to perform late-term abortions has drawn the attention of police who are trying to understand if George Tiller's killer acted alone.

Tom Stolz, the deputy chief of the Wichita police department, said investigators will look into the Internet comments because the discussion could bear on public safety. He didn't elaborate further.

Statements from both supporters and opponents to abortion were highly charged.

"George Tiller was a mass-murderer," Randall Terry, the founder of the anti-abortion group Operation Rescue, said in a statement. "We grieve for

him that he did not have time to properly prepare his soul to face God."

National Organization for Women president Kim Gandy said: "The cold-blooded murder of Dr. George Tiller this morning in church is a stark reminder that women's bodies are still a battleground, and health care professionals are on the frontlines."

President Obama expressed anger at the shooting. "I am shocked and outraged by the murder of Dr. George Tiller as he attended church services this morning. However profound our differences as Americans over difficult issues such as abortion, they cannot be resolved by heinous acts of violence."

Police identified the 51-year-old man arrested in the shooting as Scott P. Roeder of suburban Kansas City.

Stolz said police will "investigate this suspect to the Nth degree, his history, his family, his associates, and we're just in the beginning stages of that."

## Calendar

### Today

**Term A students:** Today is the last day to withdraw without academic penalty.

### Friday

**FIRST FRIDAY** Downtown will be in downtown Statesboro beginning at 5:30 p.m. The event is free and open to the public. For more information about the monthly event, contact the Averitt Center for the Arts at 912-212-2787.

**The MFA Graduate Students** will exhibit in the Legends Gallery at the Averitt Center for the Arts beginning Friday. The opening reception will begin at 6 p.m.

**The opening reception** for the Linda Bobinger Invitational, a show of ceramic sculpture, will be Friday in the Averitt Center for the Arts beginning at 7 p.m.

**The Georgia Southern Planetarium** will present "Clusters of Stars" on Friday at 7 and 8 p.m. The event is free and

open to the public. For more information and map, please visit <http://cost.georgiasouthern.edu/planetarium> or call the Department of Physics at 912-478-5292. The Statesboro Astronomy Club will meet following the final presentation; visitors and new members are welcome.

### Saturday

**The Main Street Statesboro Farmers' Market** will be open from 9 a.m. until noon. The market is located behind the Sea Island Bank in the parking lot, on the corner of East Main and South Main streets. For more information, call Manda Corley at 912-764-7227 or visit [mainstreet@mainstreetstatesboro.com](mailto:mainstreet@mainstreetstatesboro.com).

To submit items for the calendar, send an e-mail with the name of the event, location, time and contact information to [assignments@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:assignments@georgiasouthern.edu). Information needs to be submitted at least two weeks in advance of the event.




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### 140 Other Announcements

Barbara Harris, longtime friend and counselor of many at GSU is being treated for cancer. The cost of treatment is high. Persons interested in making a contribution may call Trey Denton at 478-0802.

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1				2			6	
6			8		5		9	1
		7			9	3		
			3		2	8		
9	5		1		8			
	3			5				7
8				9				

Level: 1 2 3

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit [www.sudoku.org.uk](http://www.sudoku.org.uk).

Solution to Monday's puzzle

4	1	7	6	3	2	8	9	5
3	9	5	4	1	8	6	7	2
2	8	6	5	7	9	3	4	1
7	2	1	9	8	5	4	3	6
9	3	4	1	6	7	5	2	8
6	5	8	2	4	3	9	1	7
1	4	9	7	5	6	2	8	3
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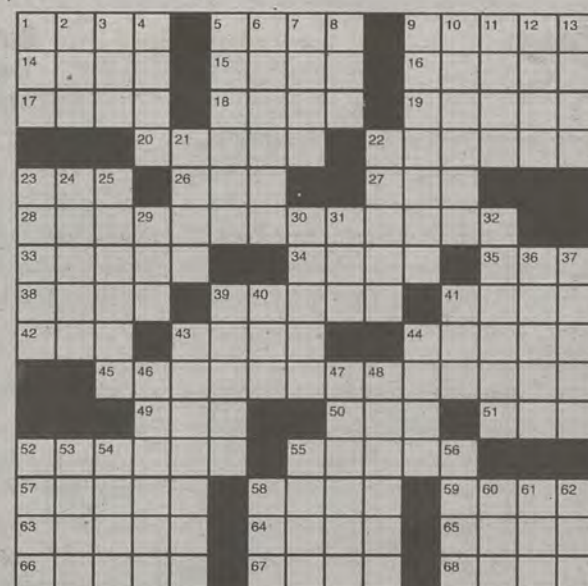
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## Crossword

NOTE: This puzzle uses the numeral "8" several times in answers — such as "DON8" meaning "DONATE." These are not errors.

- ACROSS
- Villain
  - Latin I verb
  - Map book
  - Business transaction
  - Bananas
  - Clear a winter windshield
  - Give
  - Expand
  - Was bold
  - Containing sediment
  - Divide
  - double take; look twice
  - Teacher's group: abbr.
  - Commotion
  - Lack of empathy
  - Weaken; impair
  - ...the frost the punkin...
  - "a Rock"; 1965 hit song
  - Pain
  - With 45 Across, timely greeting
  - 1st name in country music
  - School for priests: abbr.
  - "Sport of Kings"
  - nothing
  - See 39 Across
  - Don and family
  - Contraction
  - Nov. 1 honorees
  - Finally
  - Choose
  - Breakfast item
  - Locks
  - Trumpeter Al
  - External
  - Consumer
  - Actor Gross
  - Precede in time
  - Oscillate
  - Was patient

- DOWN
- Strange
  - Storm or Prizm
  - Hightailed it
  - Gladdens
  - Confuses
  - Fruity cocktail
  - in the ointment
  - Declare
  - Inserted
  - Whistler
  - Old Italian money
  - Maple genus
  - Put to sleep
  - Natural
  - French region
  - Prima donnas
  - In readiness
  - Lung disorder
  - Part of the "Old MacDonald" refrain
  - the iceberg; tiny evidence of a thing hidden
  - AOL or Qwest
  - Gives in
  - "If I Had"; Lyle Lovett hit
  - Martin and Steenburgen
  - Lift with effort



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## Solutions

D	E	B	M	8	H	A	G	8	D	E	R	D
E	A	V	Y	H	E	S	H	H	E	L	N	O
I	R	I	H	B	I	V	H	I	S	V	O	L
				T	C	E	L	E	S	V	T	V
S	I	S	E	A	I			S	O	H		
A	V	D	S	T	O	O	F	T	I	R	V	
H	O	T	V		O	T	O	P	W	E	S	
V	B	B	A	D	V	H		E	H	O	V	
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D	E	B	M	8	H	A	G	8	D	E	R	D
C	E	I	C	D	E	I	F	D	A	V	E	O
S	V	T	V	A	S	A	M	A	E	R	E	O

- Everyone
- Literary initials
- Lying flat
- Guinness
- out; eliminated
- Greasier
- Value too highly
- On
- Guided journey
- Overdue
- Uncomplicated
- Melt
- Show affection
- Furious
- Deli purchase
- Knight, for one

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# Let there be rock: Summer festival guide 2009

By Jeff Sanford  
Uwire

Fill up the gas tank, break out the sunglasses and get the camera ready — it's time for a summer road trip. And there's no better event to plan a spontaneous getaway around than one of the many thriving summer music festivals scattered across the country. Record sales might be at an all-time low, but the buzz around these outdoor extravaganzas is getting louder and louder every year. This anticipatory enthusiasm is justified by colossal bills bringing the most fawned-over Internet bands and legendary rockstars together in one destination.

If you've never had reason to pile into a crammed car with your buddies and drive for hours on end, here are four great excuses:

## Bonnaroo Music and Arts Festival Great Stage Park, Manchester, Tenn., June 11-14

Talk about a getaway. The closest city to Manchester is Nashville, and even that's an hour away. Despite its remote location, the festival draws in the business' most talked-about acts, and fans respond by turning out in massive numbers. Camping is the norm at Bonnaroo, which is known for the complete immersion of its attendees. The rural atmosphere is a nice alternative to the hustle and bustle of the big city, where most other festivals are held. Originally, Bonnaroo was designed as an oasis for jam bands, but has transformed into a venue for a much broader range of genres. This year's headliners include Phish and Bruce Springsteen & the E Street Band. The festival has its share of one-of-a-kind events including the "Silent Disco," a tent where participants wear headphones and DJs channel their music through them so as not to disturb those trying to sleep. With tickets starting at \$224.50, the price is shocking but worth it. Slang for "a really good time," Bonnaroo is sure to be just that.

## Rothbury Festival Double JJ Ranch, Rothbury, Mich., July 2-5

Hippies and hipsters will unite on the west coast of Michigan to celebrate our nation's birthday. After a successful inaugural year, Rothbury looks to avoid the sophomore slump by staging rare performances from two bands (The Dead, The String Cheese Incident) that will bring their cult-like fanbases from all corners of the country. The rest of the bill consists of legends (Bob Dylan and His Band, Willie Nelson & Family), rappers (Kid CuDi, Matisyahu), straight-up rock'n'rollers (The Hold Steady, Cold War Kids) and one guy who mashes it all up (Girl Talk). Touted as the most environmentally friendly of the festivals, organizers are sure to keep things green. The "zero-waste event" will include the use of compostables (i.e. plates made of sugarcane) and alternative energy. Whether you're an indie-rock enthusiast, a jam-band groupie or a casual listener looking for a unique experience, Rothbury will provide much brighter sparks than your local fireworks. Two-day passes start at \$149.50.

## Pitchfork Music Festival Union Park, Chicago, July 17-19

With \$75 three-day passes, the question isn't whether you should go to this summer's Pitchfork Music Festival or not, but exactly how deep a V-neck you should sport while watching such indie-tastic bands as Grizzly Bear, The Pains of Being Pure at Heart, Wavves, Beirut, Yeasayer, M83, The Black Lips, Mew, and The National. Pitchfork, housed in Chicago's Union Park, is probably the "coolest" festival of the summer with its hipster-friendly lineup, but that's nothing to roll your eyes at. Beneath all that blog-fueled buzz, these Pitchfork bands can actually bring the rock. Friday night has a "Write the Night" feature where fans create setlists for Built to Spill, Yo La Tengo, Tortoise and The Jesus Lizard through online voting. Plus, DJ/Rupture, Pharoahe



Special photo

Music festivals have a long tradition of bringing people together. From Woodstock to Bonnaroo, they have provided people with a way to connect to others through a common bond that is music.

Monch and Doom will inject some eclecticism into the indie-oriented roster. And besides, we all need to see a confetti-filled, rabbit-suited live performance by headliners The Flaming Lips at least once.

## Lollapalooza Grant Park, Chicago, August 7-9

Originally conceived in 1991 as an itinerate rock'n'roll freak-show — complete with body-piercing booths, Shaolin monks and a real-life circus sideshow — Lollapalooza brought 90s alt-rock culture to the backyards of folks all over the country. But after six glorious years, Lou Pearlman (essentially the Phil Spector of boy bands) shifted

the musical zeitgeist from angsty post-grunge to bubblegum radio pop, and lagging ticket sales couldn't keep the festival afloat. Resurrected in 2005 as a weekend-long event anchored in Chicago's Grant Park, it has thrived ever since. This summer, Lollapalooza offers a little something for everyone: from Depeche Mode and the Beastie Boys, to Lou Reed, Tool, Kings of Leon, TV on the Radio, Animal Collective, The Killers, Fleet Foxes, STS9 and even Snoop Dogg. Also, there will be a separate tent for DJ-sets from the likes of MSTKRFT, Animal Collective and Kid CuDi. Advance 3-day passes are \$190, and for those with thicker wallets VIP passes sell for \$850.

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# 'Up' is another beautiful and poignant film from Pixar

By Jonathan Pope

Guest writer



For over a decade, the men and women at Pixar have crafted animated features with a consistency and quality that is second to none.

Their films are not only some of the best that animation has to offer (winning many Oscars for Best Animated Feature no less), but they easily outclass many non-animated films bar none. They are modern day classics in the eyes of many, and rightfully so.

Continuing their tradition of excellence, Pixar recently released their newest film, "Up," and it should stand as no surprise that it is absolutely spectacular.

"Up" tells the tale of Carl Fredricksen (voiced by Ed Asner), an elderly man who has grown cold and bitter in his years alone. As the outside world quickly billows in around him, he devises a way to leave his everyday life behind: literally floating his house high above the ground with hundreds of balloons.

However, his lofty solitude is quickly interrupted when he discovers that Russell (voiced by Jordan Nagai), a young Wilderness Scout, has accidentally stolen a ride aboard Carl's flying house. Together, they set sail for South America, the place of Carl's childhood dreams of adventure.

"Up" is arguably Pixar's most emotionally powerful film to date. Themes of love, acceptance, shattered dreams, life, and even death are prominent throughout. While the action and vivid imagery will undoubtedly captivate the younger audience, it is in the handling of these deeper themes that the film truly shines.

Pixar does a marvelous balancing act in making sure that the film never feels heavy-handed or forced, but at all times genuine. They do so in a way that will surely allow "Up" to resonate with audiences of all ages.



Special Photo

"Up," the latest Pixar 3D movie hit theaters May 29, and is currently the number one movie in America.

Along with the moving narrative, the animation is once again impeccable. From the lush South American jungle to the intricacies of Carl's home to the subtle nuances and movement of the characters, "Up" drips with vibrant and exquisite detail.

Injecting even more life and energy into the film are veteran actor Ed Asner ("The Marry Tyler Moore Show") and newcomer Jordan Nagai, who lead a small but altogether wonderful voice-acting cast. In an interesting side note, Writer and Co-Director Bob Peterson lent his voice to Dug, a lovable talking dog that Carl and Russell meet on

their adventure.

Dug is sure to stand out as a highlight and is my personal favorite character from the film (perhaps thanks to my bias toward dogs, but I digress).

In what seems to be an exponentially growing trend in most animated and even some non-animated films, "Up" is presented in both 3D and standard viewing formats.

However, unlike most films using the popular 3D format, "Up" never once becomes so aware of it that it becomes dependent. Instead, the film uses it simply to enhance its already gorgeous

presentation.

So, movie-goers debating over which format to see (and hoping to save a few bucks) will lose nothing by seeing "Up" in the standard format. While the 3D is nice, it's not mandatory.

"Up" is a thrilling, majestic, and often deeply moving film that ranks among the very best that Pixar has to offer (and that's saying a lot). It's an enormously strong candidate to nab yet another Oscar for the studio, and it's a definite must-see. Just don't be surprised if you leave the theater with a smile on your face and a lump in your throat.



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# Season Recap: Baseball concludes impressive season

By Thom Cunningham  
Sports editor

The Georgia Southern Eagles (20-8, 42-17) were eliminated from the NCAA baseball tournament last weekend, after losing games to both Gonzaga and Utah.

Although GSU lost its only two games in California, it should be noted the Eagle baseball club had one of its most impressive seasons in recent memory.

The Eagles bats were one of their strong points this year. Senior catcher Griffin Benedict finished the '09 season with a .412 batting average.

Five other Eagles that played in 50 plus games had a .323 batting average or higher. At least five batters also contributed for 10 homeruns or more.

Pitching seemed to progress this year with the arrival of Chris Mederos, who went 11-1 with 113 strikeouts.

Pitchers Jake Brown, Matt Murray and Andy Moye overall had a productive year. The Eagle starters calculated a 28-8 record, and they will all be back next year.

The seniors on the GSU baseball club will be missed next season. Griffin Benedict is leaving after finishing his final season as an Eagle. His batting average is impressive, as well as his 65 RBIs (which leads all active Eagles).

"Benedict was not a streaky hitter by any means," said 91.9 The Buzz's GSU baseball play-by-play commentator Rusty Brown. "He was a consistent leader in that ball club and found ways to get on base."

Daniel Sallerson is 91.9 The Buzz's color commentator for GSU baseball, and he feels Benedict's defense is under-looked.

"I call him 'the wall,'" said Sallerson. "He was much more than a bat who could swing. This guy helped pitchers out every time he was behind the plate. Overall, he was the leader in every way for this ball club."

Shortstop Brian Pierce is another senior who



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Griffin Benedict (21) and Phillip Porter (15) tag helmets as their baseball careers at GSU comes to an end in California as they were eliminated from the NCAA baseball tournament.

finished off his GSU career on the right note. Pierce's '09 stats include a .362 batting average and 43 RBIs.

"More than anything, Pierce was a quiet defensive leader," said Brown. "He is one of those players that leads by example. This is important, especially for the younger players like Eric Phillips."

"I call him the vacuum cleaner," said Sallerson. "Every ball that was hit his way he just sucked up. He was a very clutch and sound hitter as well."

Silent but deadly seems to be Pierce's style to his game, but there are a lot more seniors that contributed to the GSU success in different ways.

Outfielder Ty Wright contributed in his own way. The Eagle's leadoff hitter had 13 homeruns, 63 RBIs and 15 stolen bases.

"Ty Wright is the most untraditional leadoff hitter, in a good way," said Sallerson. "His ability to get on base, I feel, got him the leadoff spot. What is unique about Wright as a leadoff hitter is the power he holds. It is very rare to have a leadoff hitter who

can not only get on base, but can hit the long ball as well as he can."

His role in the GSU lineup was crucial, but there is always room for improvement.

"This guy showed tons of improvement defensively," said Brown. "He is a straight athlete and gym rat."

Outfielder Phillip Porter played a more important role than most people realize.

"This guy was the glue that kept the middle of the lineup going," said Sallerson.

"Porter was the big spark that most people didn't recognize because of Benedict," said Brown. "He was always the guy who rallied the team around hitting. His speed doesn't hurt either."

Porter calculated a .362 batting average, 11 homeruns, 51 RBIs and 11 stolen bases.

The Eagles will only lose one arm in the bullpen, but they might be losing more than just a pitcher. Closer Kyle Kammpi led the Eagle's bullpen in saves

(8) and strikeouts (40). Kammpi, however, was much more than a closer for the club.

"Kammpi was without a doubt the leader of that bullpen," said Brown. "He always did a good job of keeping those guys focused. He is a funny guy which helps the chemistry for a young and developing bullpen."

Although Kammpi leads the bullpen in saves, his role as a closer goes much deeper.

"What is great about Kammpi is that he can not only close games, but he can come in middle relief as well," said Sallerson. "He has a good amount of stamina and can pretty much do whatever is asked of him."

Other seniors leaving after the '09 season include Jonathan King, Will Southwell and Chris Banker.

In the 37 games Southwell played, he accumulated a .277 batting average and produced over 20 RBIs.

King, although he struggled this year, had a .317 slugging percentage and stole 3 out of 4 bases.

Banker, a catcher, did not see much playing time behind Benedict, but played in 13 games and recorded a perfect fielding percentage (1.000).

All of the seniors leaving will be missed, but they have all made their impact inside the GSU community. What is unique about this senior class is that each one contributed to the GSU ball club in their own way. Whether it is hitting the ball, getting on base, stealing bases, playing fundamental defense or just being a leader when your team needs you, this senior class was a huge piece to a successful GSU season.

The Eagles were ranked a couple of times this season, but one highlight is a 23-3 victory against Georgia Tech in Atlanta. Despite the early exit in California, the GSU season was an overall success.

For all of the players and coaches on this GSU baseball team, congratulations on a terrific season. It was a great privilege to watch such an amazing group of players compete. Good luck to the seniors in the near future and thanks for everything.

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