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COVERING THE CAMPUS LIKE A SWARM OF GNATS

One confirmed case of H1N1 during first week of classes

Health Services official: Allegations university will close for extended period are not true

By Laura Kelly
Staff Writer

Georgia Southern University Health Services treated approximately 60 people with flu-like illnesses during the first week of school. Of the 60 tested, 28 were positive for Influenza A, and only one tested positive for swine flu.

Dr. Brian DeLoach, chief of medical staff at Health Services, reported that there were seven reported cases of the H1N1 virus during the summer, but now the number has reduced to one case and has not increased.

Students who became infected with flu-like illness have experienced weakness, fever, nausea and coughing, but have not been diagnosed with H1N1.

"The H1N1 Virus is a type of Influenza A and is no more harmful," said DeLoach.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, individuals who have become ill are encouraged to stay home and avoid contact with other students and faculty members to prevent the spread of possible infection.

Betsy Nolen, assistant director of communications for GSU's Department of Marketing and Communications, said, "The University is working with students who are ill to make sure that they are able to make up class work and are not penalized for their absences."

Allegations that GSU will be closing in the near future because of the H1N1 Virus are false, according to DeLoach.

"Due to the mild nature of the H1N1 Virus, the University will, more than likely, not be closing, unless we see a

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Katherine Kennedy/STAFF

This sign greets visitors to Health Services, reminding them that there is a second waiting lobby for people with respiratory symptoms.

Feeling bad?

According to a release from GSU Health Services, flu-like symptoms include but are not limited to:

- Fever of 100 degrees or more, plus cough and/or sore throat
- Headache
- Runny or stuffy nose
- Body aches
- Chills
- Diarrhea
- Vomiting
- Tiredness

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Local businessman DeWayne Grice announces that he is candidate for Statesboro mayor

By Charles Minshew
Editor-in-chief

Statesboro business owner and Georgia Southern University alumnus DeWayne Grice announced Monday that he will be a candidate for mayor in this year's election.

Grice said that he has been considering a run for mayor for the past two years, but that serious consideration began about six months ago.

"I just felt like it was an opportunity and a time for someone of our genera-

tion to step up and help lead the city in the direction that we think it needs to go," Grice said.

While not a native of Statesboro, Grice grew up in Claxton. He began his studies at Georgia Southern College in 1983 and graduated with a degree in business from GSU in 2003 as a nontraditional student.

"Statesboro is such a wonderful city. It's a city that has been very good to me and very good to my family," Grice said.

Grice said that the students, faculty

"I would be a strong advocate of making the president of Student Government an ex-officio member of our city council."

DeWayne Grice

Candidate for Mayor of Statesboro



and staff of GSU are an important part of Statesboro. He said that he hopes to

see the relationship between the two communities continue to flourish.

"Georgia Southern is the economic

engine that drives our community," Grice said. "I think anybody that doesn't realize that just really is not living in the present time."

Grice said that he "unquestionably" supports a strong relationship between the Student Government Association at GSU and the City of Statesboro. He said that he has proposed the idea of having student representation of the City Council to the current administration and will explore it if elected

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LEED Certification plaque unveiled at RAC Monday

By Charles Minshew
Editor-in-chief

Approximately 100 people turned out for a ceremony celebrating the unveiling of a plaque recognizing the RAC for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification.

LEED recognition was awarded by the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) for the various environmental initiatives that were included in the construction and renovation of the RAC.

"Today represents a dream that began in 2002. There was a desire to build a campus recreation expansion that was environmentally friendly," Gene Sherry, Director of Campus Recreation and Intramurals, said. "This 100 percent student funded project is a great source of pride for Georgia Southern University."

Sherry said that since the opening of the expansion on November 6, 2006, there have been 1.5 million visits to the RAC.

Sherry said, "Definitely there's a sense of achievement in setting a goal and achieving that goal."

He also noted the challenges of coordinating the environmental goals among all parties involved.

"What happens in LEED certification is that

everybody involved has to be on board," Sherry said.

"LEED Certification is all about employing strategies," Campus Architect Haroun Homayun said, "I was a link in deciding which one of those strategies were right for us."

Homayun added that even though the RAC is now LEED certified, there is an added challenge to GSU's ability to have more buildings meet LEED standard since there is not a dedicated infrastructure that meets these standards.

"It gives us a foundation to work with," Homayun said, noting that the current infrastructure makes planning for LEED buildings difficult.

Student Government Association President Samantha Young said, "Today was amazing because what you have is a better known campus that has said 'Hey, we're committed to hearing what students want and acting on it.'"

Young added that she felt that every new building on campus should be built to LEED standards or as close to those standards as possible.

"I don't want today just to be one of those celebrations people forget about," Young said. "This is the official beginning of a huge commitment. We've shown the university students, staff, and the entire administration that this is a building to model after."



Kelly Vermeil/STAFF

Director of Campus Recreation and Intramurals Gene Sherry (left) and Student Government Association President Samantha Young unveil the LEED Certification plaque at the RAC on Monday.

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Presidential forums to open on campus

By Ally Rakoczy

Staff writer

The Presidential Search and Screen Committee (PSSC) will be holding forums open to the student body, faculty, press and community for the final six candidates selected.

The dates of the forums have been pushed back from previously published times to Sept 10, 17, 21, 24, 28 and October 1.

Trey Denton, chair of the PSSC, the times had to be pushed back from earlier dates in order to accommodate the schedules of the candidates.

The forums will be 90 minutes each, from 4-5:30 in the afternoon. According to Denton, the candidate will be introduced by a committee member, then he or she will be permitted to make 10-15 minutes of formal remarks.

The candidate will then answer questions. All questions will be asked by Denton, who will serve as the moderator.

"Some questions will be generated by the Search and Screen Committee, some we will solicit from campus in the days preceding the forums, and some will come from the floor during the session. Anyone including students, faculty and staff may submit a question," said Denton.

Denton added that the aim of the forums is to gauge how well a candidate communicates and

thinks on his or her feet.

"We will be better able to evaluate whether or not a candidate has the comprehensive knowledge and skill set necessary to be an effective president," said Denton.

According to Denton, it is the one of the Committee's goals to show the candidates the caliber of students, faculty and staff that comprise Georgia Southern.

"We have talked extensively with the candidates about our campus culture of kindness, civility and student engagement. I would imagine that the candidates want to see if what we said is true! I am also sure that they will be interested in how many people choose to attend," said Denton.

"The Presidential Search and Screen Committee is excited to get to bring these candidates to campus."

Each possesses a record of scholarly and administrative achievement and each would bring a unique leadership style to the position," said Denton.

At this time, all comments and questions on the presidential search process are to be referred to Denton.

For more information on the Presidential Search and Screen Committee, please visit <http://www.georgiasouthern.edu/presidentsearch>.

POLICE BEAT

Thursday, August 20, 2009

William Mitchell Sartor, 22, The Woodlands, was charged with pedestrian under the influence of alcohol.

Travis Christopher Tarrant, 18, Southern Pines, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol and possession of a false I.D.

Justin Casey Farmer, 18, Sanbuck Lane, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

Saturday, August 22, 2009

Officers issued one traffic citation, issued five traffic warnings, assisted six motorists and assisted one sick person.

Drug complaints were reported at Brannen Hall and Centennial Place.

Christopher Wayne Jones, 21, Olympic Blvd., was charged with DUI.

Sunday, August 23, 2009

Officers issued two traffic citations, issued five traffic warnings, assisted two motorists and responded to two alarms.

William Jeffrey Mullins III, 22, University Pines, was charged with public intoxication and disorderly conduct.

Ralph Clinton Porter Jr, 29, Plantation Pointe Dr., was charged with DUI, driving in violation of conditions of limited permit, no proof of insurance and headlight requirements.

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Special Cartoon CHICAGO TRIBUNE

GOP squanders chance at health care offensive



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Just last week, a potential compromise on health care was suggested. Now, I doubt many of us remember it being on the table, much less what it entailed.

I'm referring to Senator Kent Conrad's (D-N.D.) health care "co-op." Under this plan, the government would set up a health co-

operative to offer theoretically cheaper insurance than the companies, but after federal money starts the program, control (and thus the survival) would theoretically be left to the consumers who choose to buy into said co-op.

I can't say whether I support the plan or not, mainly because it hasn't been presented in bill form in Congress, much less gone through the amendment process which could sweeten or sour the deal. But without any bill presented, both sides have let loose on it.

The Democratic leadership has refused to back off their "public option" (with the notable

exception of the president himself), and the Republicans have given up the chance to run with a potential compromise, giving the idea little if any attention.

While I recognize the likely concern that any government plan can be reworked to give the government too much power, the concept isn't in and of itself alien to my own conservative ideals.

The price tag, a few billion dollars, admittedly, would be nothing compared to the plans in Congress right now, and with the Democrats leaving one of their own out to dry, the Republicans are giving up a valuable opportunity to take the bill and take the side of compromise.

Even if they later drop it after amendments make it unpalatable, they could take the steps to support something and disarm criticisms that they are not adding anything constructive to the debate.

I'm not saying the plan is, or would end up being perfect, it could be turned into a disaster in very short order, but with the current plan becoming increasingly unpopular, both sides need to give serious consideration to any compromise, both for the public and for their own careers.

Being involved matters more now than ever



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Whether you are new to the Georgia Southern campus, or are in your fifth year of a five-year plan, you have heard many times about the importance of being involved on campus in various organizations and activities. The virtues of being involved include having that extra something on your resume

to help you get a job after college, helping you to become a better organized student, and aiding in a student becoming a well-rounded citizen.

Being involved starts off with being informed about events on campus. Whether it's from our humble newspaper, from the GSU website, or campus emails, staying on top of what is going on around campus and in the city of Statesboro is very important.

This fall being involved as a GSU student takes on an added importance for a variety of reasons. First among those is the presidential search, which began as soon as President Grube announced his intention to step down from the presidency in November 2008.

Starting in early September, presidential candidates will be coming to campus to tour the facilities and also answer questions from faculty, staff, and students. Of course, these forums are where you, the student, play an especially important role. Having the opportunity to ask a question to a university presidential candidate is a privilege GSU students gain, on average, only once every ten years. The importance of a university president should not be trivialized, especially by GSU students. The history of Georgia Southern is

filled with presidents who set goals for the school to strive for, and more often than not, usually met them. The impact of such leaders as Marvin Pittman, Dale Lick, Nicholas Henry, and Bruce Grube cannot be overstated.

Statesboro will also be holding a mayor's election this fall. Voting in Statesboro is important for local citizens, especially for students. If you are a first year or transfer student, Statesboro as home may not yet be a reality. But soon you will find yourself caring about this place as a second home. Making your voice heard in how that home is governed is extremely important, especially in light of controversies over the right of students to vote for city council members in the fall of 2007.

The rights of students living in Statesboro was challenged by residents of the city who argued that, since they did not live in the city the entire year, they were not entitled to the right to vote in the city elections.

Students who bothered to vote, especially those whose rights to vote were challenged, responded by saying that Statesboro was their home as much as anyone else, especially considering the economic power of the GSU student body in the region.

Both this fight for voting rights, which reached national attention, and previous battles over voter rights are irrelevant if students do not bother to vote. Voter turnout for the 2007 elections was very low, but having the right to vote challenged is not a sufficient excuse to avoid the ultimate duty of a citizen. Although I was informed my vote would be challenged, I still decided to make my voice heard. Nor is apathy. Being involved in the affairs of Statesboro is only logical, as it is the place where you will spend the next few years of your life, as well as your hard earned (or parents' hard earned) money.

Get involved. Stay involved. The stakes are too high to do otherwise.

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It's time to say a final goodbye



Shannon Knepp is a senior broadcasting major from Albany, Ga. She is the managing editor for the George-Anne.

For the past two months, all of my news-gatherings have had one major thing in common: Michael Jackson.

At first, this is something that is to be expected. The King of Pop had just died. I would have been concerned if every channel that I flipped to didn't have some blurb about the just fallen singer. However, by month two I feel like the

story seems to be dragging on.

For instance, last week at work, my coworker told me about an article on an Egyptian bust that looked like Michael Jackson. Bored and curious as to what this could be about, I looked. I expected to find this story on some website like the Onion, or some tabloid website. However, I found results hitting at NBC Chicago, and the Chicago Sun Times. It seems like there are many more things that could be discussed than whether or not MJ fashioned his face after the bust of an Egyptian sculpture found in a Chicago museum. Is this really what news has come to?

We are in the middle of interesting times. We

are making huge decisions about healthcare, there are wars being fought, and hurricanes coming, but we still can't seem to get over MJ.

Even today when browsing MSNBC.com, I found an article called, "The Mystery Man behind Michael Jackson." Later, when then searching yahoo.com news, there was another MJ story about how he died, and how there was propol found in his system and that was the cause of his death. At this point, it's like stories are being searched for to keep MJ's story going.

Don't get me wrong; I'm not saying we shouldn't be talking about MJ. I mean, the man made even the shyest of people get up and dance with "Thriller." He was a legend, and this is something that should be celebrated. However, he was also a man, and one who, near the end of his life, became known for his excessive spending and for his off the wall attitudes, including questionable activities at Neverland Ranch.

Regardless of how you saw MJ, the amount of publicity his death is receiving two months after the fact is becoming increasingly more excessive. Maybe it's time to back off and let his family have some peace and stop searching for something, anything, that we can keep talking about him.

It's time to say goodbye to Michael Jackson. After two months of a constant discussion, I think it is definitely time.

I'm down with the sickness



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

Getting sick the first week of school was not in the plan. I mean, when you get back to school after a long summer, there are a set list of expectations for the first week: catching up with lost friends and classmates, reviewing syllabi and then living it up in the evening. Wrong,

wrong, wrong.

Last Tuesday, I thought I had a common cold, only to find on Wednesday that I caught the flu business flying around campus. I was stuck in bed from that point until Saturday as life moved on without me. Everything started to pile up, and if there is one thing I hate, it is getting behind on anything.

My roommates, who were kind enough to deposit chicken noodle soup at my doorstep, laughed when I emerged from my room in the mask that Health Services provided (and provides to everyone with upper respiratory symptoms, after hearing them into a separate waiting lounge).

While I sweated away in my bed prison, my thoughts meandered to killing whoever sickened me. I mean, how dare they ruin my first week back? Of course, there were a few advantages. For example, when I was able to get out of bed, the free time allowed me to finish all of my Georgia View quizzes for one of my classes for the entire semester (much to my professors surprise).

Returning to class Monday, I was greeted with many shocked faces, ranging from comments like, "James, I'm so glad that you're alive!" to "You are feeling better...right? Because I don't want to catch what you had."

However, there are a few easy solutions to stay healthy; namely, wash your hands and sanitize everything. My mom bought our apartment a big bottle of hand sanitizer that's now sitting in the kitchen; I use it every time I touch something public. Take it around to classes too, even though the University is taking extra precautions to clean computers.

Secondly, take some Vitamin C while drinking your orange juice. Keep your immune system well, and you'll probably be better off. Finally, if you start to feel bad, go to Health Services immediately. Nip it in the bud early, and it will run its course quickly.

Get down with the sickness, don't let the sickness get down with you.

This week in the world: Afghanistan elections, the threatened right



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Explosions. Hangings. Suicide Bombers. Fear and hysteria. These are just a few words to describe the condition present during the elections that took place in Afghanistan last week.

In the second democratic election in the nearly eight years since the Taliban regime was ousted from power, 13

candidates emerged vying for the presidential seat. The two candidates that surfaced as major contenders were the incumbent, President Hamid Karzai, and Abdullah Abdullah, the former foreign minister.

Two days before the presidential elections were scheduled to take place, violence and terror filled the streets in many towns in every province in the country. The Taliban wished to make a statement, and one that meant death for any Afghan citizen that chose to exercise their right to vote in this weak democracy.

The Taliban unleashed suicide bombings and rocket assaults at the Presidential Palace, while the

government and the Afghan Foreign Affairs Ministry were discouraging members of the domestic and international media to cease reporting on the violence until after the elections, for fear of terrifying potential voters.

The Taliban threatened to explode polling stations and severely "punish" those who voted in the elections. One method of punishment cited by the Taliban was to cut off the index finger with which citizens verify their identity when voting if they were found with the purple ink used by the election monitors to insure a voter's validity.

Two men were hanged after being discovered with purple ink stains on their fingers by Taliban insurgents. Two women in the southern province of Kandahar, the province known to be the spiritual birthplace of the Taliban, were seized by the militants and only released after their fingers, bearing the same purple stain as the men who were hanged, were cut off.

One bombing killed eight people in Kabul, the capital city, including one soldier with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization as well as two Afghan soldiers working with the United Nations. Fifty other citizens were wounded in the bombing.

Three soldiers and two civilians were killed when a Taliban militant walked up to the Afghanistan

National Army checkpoint and detonated a bomb on his suicide mission.

There were areas in the southern provinces where citizens were told they would be shot if they left their houses after noon on election day, and many shop owners closed their shops early for fear of attack, according to correspondents with the *New York Times*.

According to President Karzai, there were approximately 73 attacks made by the Taliban in 15 provinces around the country. However, 94 percent of the polling stations still opened on Thursday.

The goal behind this malicious violence and slaughtering of innocent people? To crumble the resolve felt by citizens of this struggling country that they now have a right, granted them by many years of war and struggle, to hold elections in their country and be able to decide their own future and the future of their children.

However, despite this widespread panic, chaos, and fear, citizens understood the importance.

Two voters in the Helmand Province voted despite rocket attacks in their town, and insisted that their chance to vote and have a say in their own government was more important to them than any scare tactic or threat by the Taliban, they stated in the *New York Times*.

During the 2008 presidential election, approxi-

mately 56.8 percent of the population went to the polls and cast a ballot. However, what happened to the 43.2 percent of citizens that are of age to vote?

We live in a land of "freedom." We are given the right to vote and the right to abstain from voting. I am neither condoning nor condemning those that chose not to cast a ballot in the 2008 election, for I myself questioned whether or not it was worth it after all the political mudslinging, name calling, back biting, and propaganda present in the 2008 campaign season.

But the answer to that question is almost undeniably, yes. We were given these rights because someone saw fit to die so that we could have them. Citizens of Afghanistan continue to die for the rights that so many Americans took for granted in the past presidential election.

Let's break it down even further shall we? How many of you voted in the student government elections here at GSU last year? Now, I'm not going to continue on a soap box about claiming your rights as a citizen and even more as a student on Georgia Southern's campus, but next time you make the conscious decision to not practice a right granted you as a citizen or as a student, just remember that there are people across the globe dying for the same rights you so willing and thoughtlessly cast aside.

New CLASS Dean Smith feels that it is 'an exciting time to be at GSU'

By Robert Greene II
Staff writer

Michael Smith, professor of political science, was named dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences in the spring of 2009, and assumed his duties on June 15.

Smith entered the position of dean after serving as the chair of the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice at the University of South Carolina.

"[GSU] is the type of university I want to be a dean at," said Smith.

"It places a premium on both teaching and research," he said.

Smith said that GSUs "reputation in academics is well-known" and that since it is in a region of the country with which he is familiar, it was a perfect place for him to work.

The committee set up to find a new dean looked for, according to Assistant Dean Olivia Edenfield, a person who "could help us balance [the] two missions" of research and teaching students.

"We wanted someone who is forward-looking, someone who is an advocate," she said.

She added, "We wanted someone who understands the complex make-up of the departments."

Smith has already set new goals for the college to attain. One of the challenges Smith has decided to tackle is the growth of the university into a Carnegie-Doctoral level research institution.

With the new designation, said Smith, comes new standards for professors on the GSU campus.

"We will be emphasizing research and funding more than in the past," said Smith.

Due to the growth of the university into a Doctoral-level institution, GSU will need "more scholarship productivity and grant writing than in years past," Smith said.

While not yet on the level of a University of South Carolina, Smith said that the difference between the two schools is only the "degree to which a university devotes resources to research."

While Smith looked at the additional grant money South Carolina receives as a dividing line between the two schools, he also pointed to the emphasis at Georgia Southern on edu-

cating students first.

"What a university like ours does better is to teach students, teach them well, and also research," said Smith.

Smith also wants to help CLASS grow into its role as part of a doctoral research institution.

With doctoral programs in psychology and a new PhD. program in the College of Business Administration, the role of research and education is shown to be on the rise at Georgia Southern, according to Smith.

"Georgia Southern is on the cusp of its next phase of development as a university," said Smith.

Along with the growth in research, Smith also cites the economic challenges the country and the university are facing as additional problems for CLASS to handle.

Growth in the number of students at GSU affects CLASS, said Edenfield, because the college "has a major responsibility to deliver the core" classes all students are required to take, such as English 1101.

The growth of students is attributable partly to the rise in retention rates, which, according to Edenfield, make up one-third of the growth

in numbers between the 2007-2008 and 2008-2009 school years.

Edenfield insists that this is a good problem, as it shows that CLASS has "made retention, progression and graduation rates higher" than ever before.

Smith said he looks forward to making CLASS students realize they are part of something more than their separate majors.

To that end, he has started the CLASS Notes newsletter, which is emailed to students, alumni and faculty every two weeks.

The intention of the newsletter is to "reinvigorate the college brand" and it will "provide an opportunity to tell people what we're doing."

For Smith, the importance of the college is about more than the retention rates or the growth of research, shown in such areas as the new Undergraduate Research Symposium, now entering its second year.

"Our college forms the intellectual heart of what it means to be a college educated person," he said.

"It's an exciting time to be at GSU," said Smith.

Three buildings on campus cleared after five fire alarms were activated

Alarms activated in Lakeside Cafe, Russell Union, Child Development Center within days of each other

By Abbey Lennon
Guest writer

According to Georgia Southern University's Department of Public Safety, fire alarms were activated on campus at Lakeside Café, Russell Union and the Child Development Center.

The fire department responded to an alarm at Russell Union on Aug. 17 at 2 p.m. according

to Captain Laura McCullough.

"The alarm system detected some sort of vapors, possibly water vapors from all of the rain, that caused the alarm to go off in the building," said McCullough.

Two more alarms were activated the same week, one at Lakeside Café and one at the Child Development Center.

The alarm was activated at the Child De-

velopment Center on Aug. 19 at 11:45 a.m.

"Personnel in the building stated that water had boiled over onto the stove and created smoke/steam within the building which activated the smoke detectors," said McCullough.

The Lakeside Café alarm was activated Aug. 20 at 4:30 p.m., by an unknown suspect. GSU police are investigating the incident, as there are no eye witnesses to know who actually

pulled the alarm.

"Our officer found an activated pull station near the kitchen exit," said McCullough.

"The employees of the building were questioned, but no one admitted to pulling the alarm," she said.

The fire department responded to all alarms, and all three buildings were cleared for reentry.

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Ticket distribution for the upcoming Condoleezza Rice lecture are underway

By Marc Silver

Guest writer

Condoleezza Rice will be coming to Georgia Southern on Sept. 8 to speak and answer questions in the Hanner Complex in an hour long presentation.

Many GSU students have already picked up their tickets like Will Turner. "It's kind of my passion, my dream job in life, to become Secretary of State. She is one of my huge role models and one of the deciding factors in why I want to get into international studies, which is my major," he said.

Students have questions they would like to ask the former Secretary of State. Students like Bradley Corbin, who wanted to ask what Rice's opinion on healthcare would be, or Kimberly Vegliante who would like to know what life has been like after being Secretary of State, and if Rice agrees with how Hillary Clinton is doing her job right now.

Director of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement Todd Deal said, "We have asked students to go to our website [georgiasouthern.edu/speakerspotlight], and down on the bottom right-hand corner there is a form you can use to submit your questions.

"Those come to our office and then we're thinking about with the questions selected we will have those students come in, videotape them asking the questions. We are going to have big screens at Hanner that day and so the question would come from the student in like a Youtube kind of format and Dr. Rice will answer the question."

There is still time to pick up tickets for Rice's lecture.

"Hanner Field House will hold approximately 5000 attendees. We are planning for a little bit of an overflow there for those tickets.



Jessenia Martinez/STAFF

GSU students line up to receive their free ticket to Condoleezza Rice's long anticipated speech on September 8th. Tickets are available to students first, and then faculty & staff are allowed to pick up their tickets. The Statesboro public is then allowed to pick up tickets for the event

So we got right about 5000 tickets available."

Tickets will be available for students Aug. 25. For faculty and staff, tickets will be available Aug. 26-28.

According to Deal, "[We will be distributing tickets to the general population] Aug. 31, Sept. 1 and 2 but since it is open to the community we are trying to be sensitive to those getting off from work so it is going to be from 4-7 p.m.

"If it still seems to be a huge demand

or we run out of tickets then what we are looking at is simulcasting potentially to the Union ballroom or Union Theater. We won't make that decision until probably the first of September."

Deal said they chose Condoleezza Rice, "for several different things; first of all, obviously, she is a national figure and a tremendous, tremendous leader. She was the provost at Stamford and she is a professor there now."

"She is very interested in higher educa-

Condoleezza Rice Ticket Distribution Info

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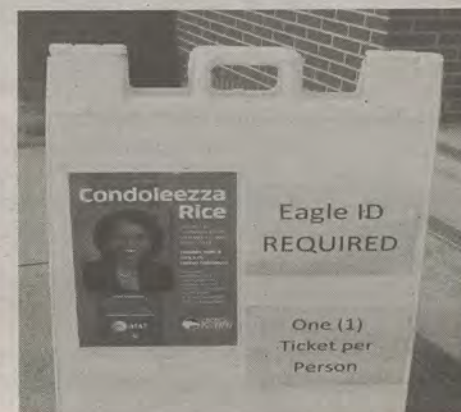
For Faculty and Staff pick-up:

- August 26, 27 & 28 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For Public pick-up:

- Aug. 31, Sept. 1, and Sept. 2 from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Tickets will not be available at the door on the evening of the event.



tion and being a leader. We really wanted to make that connection because this fall, we are rolling out a leadership program called the Southern Leaders Program, and her being an educator and an international leader, she's kind of the person we thought of who could really help us bring this out in a big way we thought of her," he said.

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Little Eagles

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Photos by Rob Eakins,
G-A staff photographer

Above: Jordan Palmer tries her hand at volleyball at Hanner Fieldhouse during the women's volleyball clinic Saturday.

Far right: Camp participant Dale Yawn runs through Eagle football players during a drill at the Little Eagles Football Camp.

Right: Daniel Pennington practices his bumping skills Saturday at the Eagles' volleyball clinic.

Below: Lee Chapple and teammates spent time after football camp signing autographs for participants and fans.



Left: Nicholas Foreman practices his kicking skills with Eagles punter Chris Williamson.

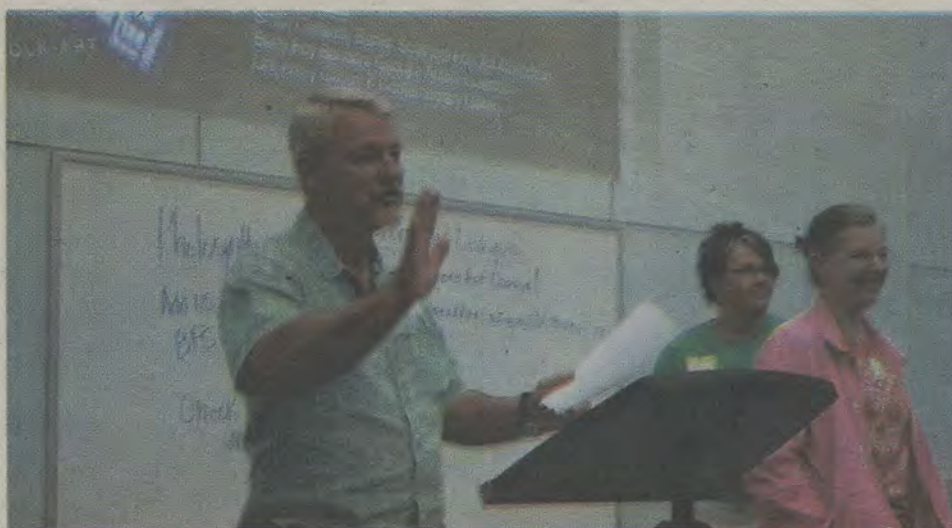
Far right: Kids wait in line to get the autographs of the Georgia Southern volleyball players.

Right: Reese Hadden, son of Ryan Hadden who played on the 1999 and 2000 Georgia Southern championship teams, walks through the line of Eagle football players.

For complete coverage of the event, see Sports, page 20.

Find more photos at GADaily.com.





Kelly Vermeil/STAFF

Bruce Little (left), Patricia Carter (middle), and Jane Pleak (right), speak to students during convocation.

Art Department holds annual convocation

Tony Visintainer

Guest writer

This past Friday, the Georgia Southern art department held its annual convocation ceremony. The ceremony began with Patricia Carter, the chair of the department, introducing the department faculty.

"It always amazes me how diverse our faculty is... they really come from some amazing institutions, and, of course, are amazing artists in their own right," said Carter.

Next came a brief welcome speech by the dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Michael R. Smith. Smith emphasized that CLASS, and the art department in particular, is a vital part of GSU.

"We [CLASS] touch every student here at Georgia Southern through core classes... our department is, I hope, the crown jewel of the university. I'm glad you chose [a CLASS major] like I did, and I welcome you to a new year here at Georgia Southern."

The upcoming year has some difficulties in store for the Art Department, though. According to Carter, changes have been made to the Art curriculum for the upcoming semesters.

Like many other departments, the art department is feeling the effects of budget cuts due to the economy.

"We're not able to offer as many upper level classes as before. The alterations to the courses we can offer are based on the economy. We just don't have the money... and the faculty to teach these classes," said Carter.

Despite any budget cuts or canceled classes, students and faculty alike seemed eager and ready for another year at GSU.

Jokes and laughter were common through the

entire convocation, and everyone seemed generally in high spirits.

After Carter gave an introduction of GSU's art galleries, a number of items were given out in a free raffle.

Among the items were tote bags, T-shirts and prints of various works either made or on display at the university.

After the raffle, Foundations Director Bruce Little introduced the Foundations Program.

Students majoring in art are required to take a number of specific foundations courses to prepare them for the higher level classes in their major.

"It's the platform from which you launch your studies," said Little. "We've done a lot of work over the years to make it hard, challenging... and at the same time, foster a positive attitude in students."

During his speech, Little addressed the misconception that majoring in art is just an easy way to get a degree.

"There are people on this campus who think that all we do here is play with colored crayons and have a good time, but our work is rigorous and difficult... and we should be accepted as members of the academic community," said Little.

Students and faculty cheered in affirmation, and the proceedings continued with students introducing their various organizations.

The convocation ended with Rebecca Ziegler introducing herself as the library liaison and offering help to anyone needing resources for research, studying or just looking at art.

As students were preparing to leave, Carter gave a final announcement regarding measures to be taken against the spread of the flu.

Both before and after the ceremony, faculty members served students free ice cream in the entrance area of the Arts Building.

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Fall diversity calendar available for students

By Abbey Lennon
Guest writer

The Multicultural Student Center has released its yearly Diversity Calendar, which includes a wide range of events from salsa lessons to Unity Fest and much more.

Every spring the Multicultural Center opens a session for all departments, faculty, staff and students to come and add input, according to Consuela Ward, director of the Multicultural Student Center.

"We go there with a template of some things that we've already thought of, and we ask their opinion about it, they either say yes or no," said Ward. "They also are prepared to come to that meeting with other things they want to see done, and they come prepared with other things they are willing to do. We have been fortunate to be able to collaborate with several student organizations as well as several academic departments."

Two years ago the calendar was restructured to provide a wider angle of diversity, which Ward believes is important for student growth.

Instead of focusing on one group in a designated month, the calendar has been changed to encourage people to think about the many different groups year round.

"Instead of celebrating those pieces of diversities and educating about those areas only during those months, we actually take our calendar and educate throughout the entire academic year about all those events. So you're likely to see a Native American program in February rather than November," Ward said.

Each spring, the Multicultural Student Center hosts a meeting to decide the events for the calendar, and feedback is offered throughout the year for the next year's planned events, according to Assistant Director of the Multicultural Student Center Christopher Pugh.

"All of the programs we have done in the past that have worked well, we've received feedback on. We actually have input from several different students, and student leaders," he said.

The calendar serves many purposes, according to Ward, and even some faculty have incorporated events on the calendar with their courses, which also helps with student turnout.

Ward said "I specifically sent it out to our faculty lists on, and that is because our research has shown that 69 percent of students who attend our programs come because faculty encourages it. So, faculty for the past few years have been able to use our calendar to implement it into their course syllabus".



Special Photos

Above: Chef Brian Hancock prepares a dish in the catering kitchen, where he serves as head chef. Below: Hancock was certified as a Chef D' Cuisine by the American Chef Federation on August 10.

Dining Services chef receives ACF certification

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On August 10, Chef Brian Hancock became a certified Chef D' Cuisine by the American Chef Federation (ACF).

Hancock has worked for Dining Services for the past four years. He started as a chef in Talon's Grille and has recently moved to head chef of the Catering kitchen.

The certification process tested Hancock on menu preparation, culinary skills, cleanliness, final presentation, taste and much more.

This certification test marked a different kind of achievement as well. The test was administered in Dining Services' very own Catering kitchen.

Not any kitchen is used as a testing venue; the kitchens must be approved (meet specifications) by certified chefs.

Dining Services now has an ACF certified kitchen on campus which will be used to certify many more chefs in the years to come.

The test was judged by three ACF certified chefs: Ron Andrews (Certified Executive Chef), Jean Vendeville (Certified Executive Chef & Certified Executive Pastry Chef) and Wolfgang Bierer (Certified Executive Chef & Certified Pastry Chef).

The practical test in which Hancock had to prepare three different courses lasted for three hours. At the end of it all though, his preparation and performance paid off as he became a Certified Chef D' Cuisine.



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as mayor.

"I would be a strong advocate of making the president of Student Government an ex-officio member of our city council," Grice said. "I don't think I can express my desire to work on that relationship any stronger than that."

As for the support of a voting precinct for GSU, Grice said that there are many challenges on the local and state level, but that he would still look into it if elected mayor.

"I'm willing to explore anything as mayor that will help bring our communities together and help strike that balance," said Grice. "I know that there are some challenges in doing that but certainly I'll look at it every way possible to learn more about it and see if that's something we can make happen."

Grice added that he hopes to meet with each of the candidates for President of GSU during their respective visits.

He wants to that he may personally tell each of them about his vision for Statesboro and his hope for the relationship between the university and the city if he is elected.

Grice also talked about his connection to GSU's history and the community of Statesboro.

"I've seen a lot of incredible things happen. I was at Erk Russell's first and last press conferences. I was there the night that they tore the sign down at Georgia Southern College and made it Georgia Southern University. I was at the groundbreaking of Briggs and Stratton, Wal-Mart, Viracon and East Georgia Regional Medical Center.

"Those are all tremendous reasons to be part of this community. But, they are also tremendous reasons to applaud a community that is a regional community. But, I feel like Statesboro's best days are ahead and I would love to be a part of the team that helps lead us in that direction."

Grice believes that the actions of the current

administration should not be based on any one decision that has been made. He urged people to look at the record from the entire eight-year period.

"Look at the last eight years as a whole and let's not judge our mayor or our council or anyone in city government right now by a one or two, or singular decision that they may have made," Grice said.

Grice also said that he believes many challenges have been presented to Statesboro over the past year.

"I think we have a lot of challenges honestly," said Grice. "I think the probably the biggest challenge is that we've been through some turbulent times over the last few months inside city hall and inside city government. Our city employees are confused about the leadership and concerned about some of the things going on inside city hall. They're hungry for some stability and consistency."

Grice continued, "I think the electorate is hungry for some consistency. They're looking for a leader that can help move us forward and not try to fight battles of the past, which we've had a lot of strong battles."

Grice said that Mayor Bill Hatcher called him Friday to inform him that he was not seeking re-election. Grice added that Hatcher "encouraged me to be successful" and to "always be the servant of the people."

Official qualifying for candidates for the mayoral election begins on Monday, August 31. Grice has already filed a "document of intent" with the city, allowing him to raise funds and form an exploratory committee.

Grice said, "I think it [qualifying] starts at 8:30 on Monday, and I plan to be there at 8:30."

Grice believes that Statesboro is "in an incredible position for opportunity and growth."

"Our people are the greatest potential of Statesboro," Grice said, "There are very few communities that you can find that are better than Statesboro."

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trend of students becoming increasingly more ill. If the school were to close, that decision would be made based on decisions from the state, district and other local public health authorities," said DeLoach.

Some of the actions that GSU officials have taken to prevent outbreaks of the H1N1 virus and other flu-like illnesses included a series of

emails sent to students, faculty and staff with list of symptoms, updates, and prevention procedures.

This information can also be found on the university's home page. Also, a flyer was given out the first day of classes to provide tips for staff and students to avoid illness during this school year.

Nolen said, "Dr. DeLoach has been, and remains, in contact with health officials from around the area and the Center for Disease Control in an effort to stay on top of the latest information and trends regarding this illness."

Southern students awarded GAFCE scholarships Two GSU forensic accounting majors were awarded \$1,000

By Abbey Lennon

Guest writer

The Georgia Chapter Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (GAFCE), has awarded two Georgia Southern students \$1,000 scholarships each.

Students Joshua Blanchard and Justin Reynolds received their scholarships in Atlanta on Aug. 7 at the Ansley Golf Club in Atlanta.

Both Blanchard and Reynolds are enrolled in GSU's fraud examination and forensic accounting program at the School of Accountancy.

Blanchard and Reynolds were two of five selected to receive scholarship awards.

Recipients must be a full-time student, a rising junior or senior, express an interest in fraud and forensic accounting and a resident of Georgia.

The GACFE is only one chapter of the 50,000 member national organization to help prevent fraud. Scholarships are not limited to five according to Jennifer Birtz, GACFE Scholarship Chair.

"This year we awarded five scholarships, but it varies depending on the number of applicants we receive," said Birtz, "we have a fundraising event during the year, and it depends on how that goes as well," she said.

Blanchard is attending GSU for his Master of Accountancy and appreciates the award.

"I'm really grateful," said Blanchard. "I'm a single parent, so any little bit helps. HOPE was cut off, and that was supposed to pay for graduate school. The day that I found that out was the day I found out I won the scholarship," he said.

GSU is a leader in the area of forensic accounting education and offers 10 fraud examination courses.

Students in the fields of accounting, criminal justice, risk management or law degree programs in the state of Georgia, and take an interest in fraud prevention are eligible for these scholarships.

According to the GACFE website, the national organization, the ACFE, is committed to helping increase fraud education for prevention.

"The Georgia Chapter of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners sponsors monthly meetings and an annual seminar to provide continuing education in fraud detection, deterrence and prevention," according www.gacfe.org.

"The Association also is committed to the education of accounting and criminal justice students who will become the Certified Fraud Examiners (CFEs) of the future."

Students interested in applying for scholarships with the GACFE may apply at <http://www.gacfe.org>.

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Spotlight on Student Leaders: Samantha Young

Current SGA president looks forward to the upcoming school year

By Tiffani Addison

Guest writer

With the same bright smile on her face that students may see on her daily on campus, Samantha Young walked into Einstein Brothers Bagels to be interviewed once again.

Students may recognize the name; Samantha is a senior history major with a political science minor, a member of Southern Ambassadors, an intramural basketball official through the Campus Recreation and Intramurals, and most importantly, the new Student Government Association President.

A 2006 high school graduate from Dublin, Ga., Young said, "I visited Georgia Southern in high school for a basketball camp, and from then I wanted to play for Rusty Cram and be an Eagle. I did not apply anywhere else; it was a done deal."

Although Young never played for Cram, she most certainly became an Eagle, and a soaring Eagle at that.

Young has been in SGA the past three years, serving two administrations as a member since the second semester of her freshman year. She served as a Southern's Orientation Advisement and Registration Program (SOAR) leader as a freshman and returned to the same position as a sophomore.

After SOAR, Young served as a (BUILD) leader for Builders United in Leadership Development, which work with incoming freshmen and provides leadership and community service opportunities.

As head of the government body, the senate and representatives from every college, Young oversees a total of 60 people, including the vice



Charles Minshew/STAFF

Samantha Young, president of SGA, has devoted much of her enthusiasm and hard work to better GSU's campus. She's been a member of numerous campus organizations, and continues to work hard

president of academic affairs, finance and the executive vice president. Young stated that strengthening the body was the most important focus of her presidential term.

"We must be strong internally," said Young. "Redesigning internally, updating the constitu-

tion, updating the website and working with Mayor Hatcher and developing a good relationship with the city."

Young explained the importance of informing students that once they come to Statesboro they are a part of the community as well, and it

How Samantha Young keeps busy

- SGA President
- Presidential Advisory Council
- Strategic Planning Council
- Student Organizational Review Committee
- Alcohol Task Force
- Student Involvement Council
- ShuttleGus Board of Directors
- Tech Fee Committee
- Student Activity Budget Committee (ABC)

is important for them to be involved. "We have lunch with Mayor Hatcher and the entire exec board regularly. We want to come up with ways to ensure that students are involved in the city."

"I'm excited about improvement, redesigning student leadership and working with the city." Young wants SGA to be as transparent as possible because she feels that students always need to know what is going on.

Young stated that the most memorable things about GSU, besides all of her achievements and experiences, are, "the people, the culture, the atmosphere and the camaraderie. I don't know if I'll feel this anywhere else."

Young also had advice for freshmen and future students. "Learn, practice and time management, often. Don't be afraid to ask for help. Southern is full of people who want to help students and lots of people who want to point them in the right direction."

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'Inglourious Basterds' is a great film from Quentin Tarantino

By Ryan Babula
Features editor

Quentin Tarantino's seventh film, "Inglourious Basterds", is a true return to form for the inventive filmmaker after his boring and underwhelming "Death Proof". The advertisements sell you the story of Brad Pitt's Nazi-killing Jewish soldiers, but the film is really a collection of three storylines, and their intersections throughout the film.

One could say that it's "Pulp Fiction" set in WWII, but it's really not. While it's not as good as said masterpiece, "Basterds" is extremely entertaining, thoroughly engaging, and incredibly fulfilling. For once, someone is not afraid to craft an alternate ending for Nazi history, and it's extremely gratifying.

The film opens with our main antagonist, Col. Hans Landa, interviewing a French dairy farmer with his three daughters. Landa is nicknamed "The Jew Hunter" because of his intuitive skills in locating and killing Jewish families in hiding. His correspondence with the farmer is incredibly taut, and is one of the best Tarantino dialogues I've seen thus far.

When he finds the family, he has them mercilessly executed. Amongst the gunfire, though, a young girl named Shoshanna escapes. She goes on to hide her Judaism, and operate a cinema in France. The film then goes on to introduce Lieutenant Aldo Raine and his "basterds", and the film connects the two stories in exciting and intense ways.

To say that Pitt's Aldo Raine is the main protagonist here would be a disservice to Melanie Laurent's Shoshanna. While Pitt plays a pivotal role in the film's storyline, it's Shoshanna that goes through the most conflict. It's her family that is massacred, therefore her plan has the most motivation behind it. She's a smart and cunning planner, and she's a great feminine hero.

Tarantino excels in portraying strong female characters, as most obvious in "Jackie Brown" and "Kill Bill", and Shoshanna Dreyfus is a great addition to this line of characters.

Of the "basterds", Raine tends to get the most screentime, but two other members of the group shine here. The first is Til Schweiger's Sergeant Hugo Stiglitz. He is a renegade SS officer that turned against the Germans, and killed many of his own men. Raine's group pick him up, and his temper and cold demeanor make him a fun and volatile character. One of the film's most intense sequences hinges not on action, but on fear for what Stiglitz will do and how he'll react.

The other is Eli Roth's Sgt. Donnie Donowitz, better known as "The Bear Jew". Roth, the director of "Hostel" and "Cabin Fever" gives a surprisingly good performance here as a bat swinging Nazi killer. He strikes the most fear into the Nazi's hearts, and is one of the most memorable characters in the line up.

Going back to our antagonist, Landa is played by Austrian actor Christoph Waltz, and his performance is the strongest part of the movie. He makes Landa a villain that you wouldn't expect. He's charming, sophisticated, and completely interesting.

When he commits heinous acts throughout the film, they are all the more shocking because of his charming demeanor. He's the ultimate snake, and a striking personification of evil. Waltz deserves accolades for his performance.

The great thing about a Tarantino film is knowing that the dialogue will most likely be more engaging than the action. Here, this is no exception. Many sequences, like the one mentioned before, rely heavily on long stretches of dialogue to ratchet the tension higher and higher.

Some of the dialogue might seem unnecessary to some, but even the most mundane conversation only builds to an exploding conclusion. One such sequence that takes place in a tavern is a



Brad Pitt de-briefs his squad of Jewish Nazi-hunters in Quentin Tarantino's "Inglourious Basterds"
Special Photo @ The Weinstein Company and Universal Pictures

great example of this.

Also, Tarantino has layered his film in numerous symbolic touches. Hitler is more of a buffoon than a villain, wearing a quasi-cape in one scene, and constantly shouting and acting bewildered. When Donowitz is introduced, he emerges from a tunnel that look eerily like an oven, thus creating a triumphant reversal of fate for the Nazis in the scene. Other flourishes are in the film, but to avoid spoilers, I'll leave them for you to discover.

Much of the film centers on Tarantino's love for film, and the climax of the film takes place during a screening for a Nazi propaganda film. Film lore is intertwined throughout all of the characters, and the power of its usage is very effective in the film's final minutes. It's one of the most satisfying climaxes I've seen in a long time.

Overall, not only is "Inglourious Basterds" one

of Tarantino's best (right behind "Pulp Fiction", I'd say), it's also one of the year's best films. It contains an energy and a love for the material that had me smiling for much of its 152 minute runtime. It's a great, great film.

'Inglourious Basterds'

G-A Rating: 5 out of 5 stars

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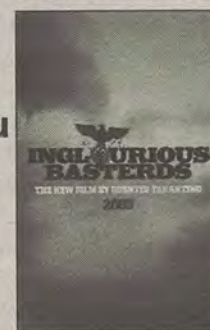
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'Block Party' held for GSU students



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Students take part in many of the free events offered during last Friday's "Block Party" event

By Ryan Babula

Features editor

This past Friday Eagle Entertainment held their first "Block Party" event to help welcome students back to Georgia Southern. Set on the corner of Georgia Avenue and Forest Drive, the event was met with much enthusiasm from those who attended.

Various activities were set up for the students. One of the most popular attractions was the dunking booth, which held none other than Mike Russell, the new chief of Georgia Southern Police. Many students were spot on with their throwing skills, and everybody involved had a good time.

Other attractions at the event, which were provided by Eagle Entertainment, included two water slides, an inflatable slip and slide and two challenge-oriented attractions.

The first game was an "American Gladiator"-esque jousting contest where two students stand on top of elevated posts and have to knock the other student off with a large padded stick.

The other challenge-oriented game was a little more complicated but just as fun. The inflatable attraction consisted of four elevated stands and a "wrecking ball" that was suspended from the top of the structure.

Four students would climb on top of the stands, and then proceed to swing the ball in the direction of their fellow players, thus trying to knock them off. Both of the events were great fun and were very popular overall.

For those who were hungry, the Multicultural Student Center was on hand to provide students with hamburgers and hot dogs. Snow cones and cotton candy were provided by Eagle Entertainment as well.

Also, various staff members were promoting GSU's new True Blue campaign by sporting shirts with the campaign's logo on it. The campaign is an attempt to raise school spirit and Eagle pride on campus.

Attendance at the event was good the entire time, despite worsening weather conditions. Much of the traffic centered around the various attractions that were set up.

J.J. Potgieter and Rachel Smith, sophomores, had nothing but great things to say. "We've found tons of stuff to do, with the slip and slide being our favorite," Potgieter said.

Smith said that "the wrecking ball [attraction] was really fun" as well. Both agreed that the event should take place again in the future.

Great Movie: 'Saving Private Ryan'

By Ryan Babula

Features editor

"Saving Private Ryan" is easily one of Steven Spielberg's best films and is possibly one of the best war films I've ever seen. As most people know, it follows eight American soldiers after the D-Day invasion of Normandy, France, and their Public Relations mission to find and save Private James Ryan after his three brothers are killed in action. The film stars Tom Hanks as Captain John Miller, the officer in charge of the mission.

One of the most distinguishable aspects of the film is the level of realism that Spielberg brings to the action during the intense battle scenes. When the film first premiered back in 1998, it was met with much criticism and praise for its graphic portrayal of the opening Omaha Beach invasion.

No doubt, this is one of the most intense battle sequences I've ever seen, but it also plays an alternative role in introducing the audience to the soldiers who will be followed for the remainder of the film.

If intense battle sequences are what you want to see, then "Saving Private Ryan" offers them in spades. Despite this, the film's true success is in its core philosophical question: Is it worth risking eight lives to save one?

Of course, the mission at hand is cooked up for

good public relations and to raise goodwill with the American public. The mission of saving Private Ryan has its good moral basis, but at the expense of eight lives? Also, is it truly the men's primary mission? What about winning the war?

These questions and dilemmas plague the soldiers as they make their way across war-torn France, and the actors portraying them give Oscar-worthy performances.

Hanks' depiction of a leader torn between his mission and his men garnered him an Academy Award nomination for Best Actor. Edward Burns plays the cynical and loud-mouthed Pvt. Reiben, and his observations and attitudes toward the mission may reflect many audience members' feelings.

Tom Sizemore, Adam Goldberg, Barry Pepper, Vin Diesel and Giovanni Ribisi all give powerful performances as well.

Given the role of Pvt. Ryan, Matt Damon makes the most out of his small but pivotal role. Yes, the squadron does find Ryan, but the decisions they make as a result change the outcome for many of the key players. The final 45 minutes of the film are incredibly powerful.

Nominated for 11 Academy Awards, "Saving Private Ryan" went home with five, including Best Director for Spielberg. I feel that "Saving Private Ryan" is a classic in the war genre.



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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.

Solution to Monday's puzzle

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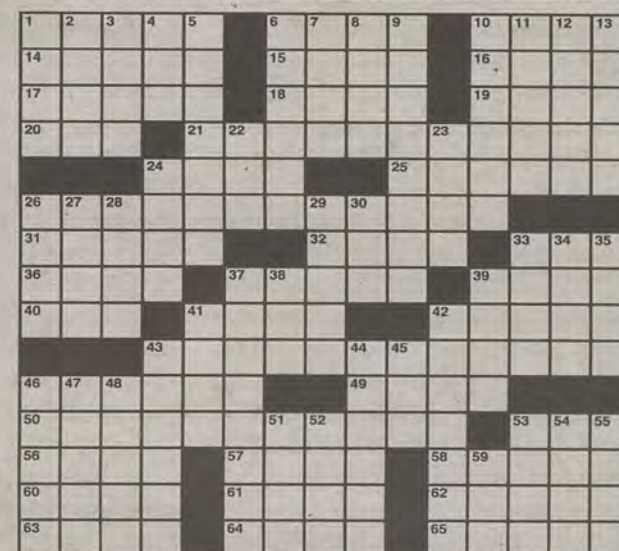
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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

- ACROSS**
- Punch line's lead-in
 - Where many a T-shirt is tie-dyed
 - Mil. truant
 - Bernardo's girl, in "West Side Story"
 - "Rubáiyát" poet Khayyám
 - Type of lily
 - Generous sort
 - Put the kibosh on
 - Like most hoopsters
 - Fuss
 - Helpless
 - Landed
 - London insurance market
 - Something wonderful, in old slang
 - "How much wood a woodchuck chuck ..."
 - Weapons
 - Curly and Larry's cohort
 - Concerning, in memos
 - Rum-soaked cakes
 - Cass or Michelle, in the '60s
 - Prefix with thermal
 - First Bond movie
 - Protection
 - '80s animated character assisted by the seven Color Kids
 - Bring in from abroad
 - Overconfident morality tale critter
 - Character who, in a movie released nationally 70 years ago today, sang the ballad formed by the first words of 21-, 26- and 43-
 - Across
 - Past
 - Take a gander
 - Exploitative type
 - Felt the effects of overexertion
 - Morlocks "The Time Machine" prey
 - Physical lead-in
 - Not save



By Donna S. Levin

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- Hotel repository
- Important times
- Domesticates

DOWN

- Drawn-out story
- Oklahoma city on the Chisholm Trail
- VCR successor
- Sporty truck, briefly
- Released with conditions
- Violates the Tenth Commandment
- OAS part: Abbr.
- Espionage name
- Predicaments
- Houston team
- Exhausted
- Leered at
- Reclines lazily
- Compete
- Brewpub brews
- Competent
- Piece of kindling
- Sharpen
- Mark's successor
- "Shish" dish
- Second Amendment advocacy gp.
- Biblical gift bearers
- Leave out

Monday's Puzzle Solved

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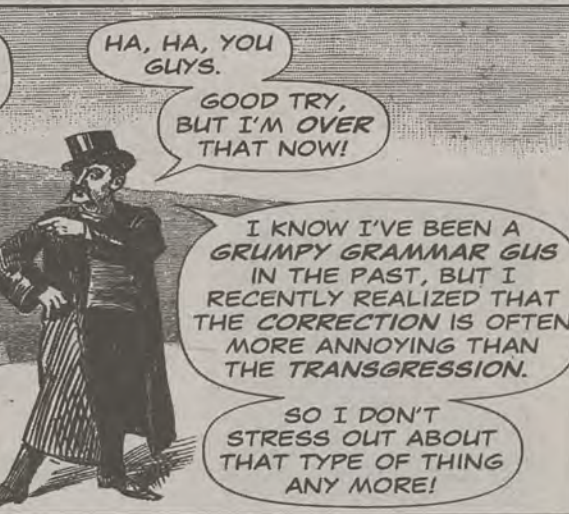
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- Alleviate
- "Fox News Sunday" panelist
- Michigan's Arbor
- No more than
- Dressmaker's seam
- Side by side
- First-year player
- Tara family
- Mart
- Doesn't do a thing
- Gelt
- Smoking gun, e.g.
- River through France and Belgium
- "I Kick Out of You"
- Polite interruption
- Trait source
- Bookie's concern
- Numbers pro, briefly

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GSU football tickets on sale

By GSU News Service

Single game tickets for the upcoming 2009 Georgia Southern football season are currently on sale. The Eagles play five regular season games at Paulson Stadium, starting Saturday, Sept. 5 against Albany (N.Y.).

Tickets are \$25 each, and youth tickets for each home game are also on sale for \$10 each (ages 3-12). In addition to the single game tickets, season ticket packages such as the Subway Family Plan and Coca Cola Mini Plan are also available.

The Albany game is also Junior Eagles Day and Faculty/Staff Day. Kickoff is scheduled for 6 p.m. All Faculty and Staff of Georgia Southern University can purchase one ticket at full price and receive the second ticket free.

On Sept. 19, the Eagles open Southern Conference play against Western Carolina. There will be a firework show sponsored by Briggs and Stratton following the 7 p.m. game, and it also marks the 'Cheerleader for a Day' promotion and High School Band Day.

GSU plays host to Chattanooga on Oct. 17. The Family Weekend kickoff is scheduled for 6 p.m. The Eagles have two home games to close out the regular season.

On Nov. 14, GSU plays host to Furman in

Homecoming 2009, which has also been designated as the BLUE OUT game. Kickoff starts at 2 p.m.

The Eagles face the Citadel on Nov. 21, celebrating Senior Day. Other activities that day include Military Appreciation Day, and the reunion of the 1989 and 1999 National Championship teams. Kickoff is slated for 2 p.m.

A limited number of tickets for two GSU road football games are available for purchase by GSU students. Tickets for the Oct. 10 game at North Carolina and Oct. 24 game at Appalachian State went on sale at the Athletics Ticket Office on Lanier Drive on Thursday, Aug. 20.

Students may purchase up to two UNC tickets per Georgia Southern student ID card at \$50 per ticket. Only one ticket per Georgia Southern student ID card is allowed for the Appalachian State game. Each ticket for the game against the Mountaineers is \$27.

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News from the Nest

Women's soccer falls in exhibition

By GSU News Service

The Georgia Southern women's soccer team rallied from a two-goal deficit to prevent a shutout but was unable to complete the comeback, dropping the season opener to Charleston Southern 2-1.

Newcomer Krystin Smith cut the Buccaneers' lead to a goal in the second half and broke up the shutout with a strike from the top of the penalty box off of a pass from Danae Kaimulua (Escondido, Calif.).

Jenny Anderson (Birmingham, Ala.) tallied three shots including one on goal from the forward

position. Kate Boardman (Hilton Head, S.C.) and Morgan Springer (Mandeville, La.) also added a shot on goal.

The Eagles' all-time saves leader, Lauren Santos (Berwyn, Ill.), tallied eight more saves in her first start of the season.

Charleston Southern scored two first half goals. Jen Vroman placed both in the net for the Buccaneers. Marky Boyce assisted on the first goal, a through pass from the left side. Caitlin Wesnesky set up the second goal in the 23rd minute of play.

Women's soccer heads to Washington, D.C. Friday and will face American at 3:30 p.m.

Men's soccer defeats Georgia State in pre-season game

By GSU News Service

Matt Crowell (St. Augustine, Fla.) and Jon Cox (Alpharetta, Ga.) scored goals within four minutes of each other in the second half to give the Georgia Southern Men's Soccer team a 2-0 win over Georgia State in the first exhibition match of the season.

Crowell scored off of a deflection to give the Eagles their first lead of the match in the 73rd min-

ute. Cox added the second goal in the 77th minute on a free kick placed over the head of the goalie.

Joey Ralph (Evans, Ga.) held the Panthers scoreless and recorded three big second half saves.

Freshmen Zach Johnson (Duluth, Ga.) and Rich Heyer (Tupelo, Miss.) both recorded shots on goal in their first action.

The men's soccer team continues exhibition play home against Lander Saturday at 2 p.m.

GSU place kicker Adrian Mora earns pre-season All-American honors

By GSU News Service

Eagle sophomore kicker Adrian Mora earned another accolade Friday when he was named Preseason Honorable Mention All-America by College Sporting News.

Mora finished with a team-leading 61 points last year in just eight games, converting 31-of-31 extra points and 10-of-12 field goals.

He kicked at least one field goal in every game played. Last month he was named Preseason First Team All-Southern Conference.

Last season, Mora earned Second Team All-SoCon honors as well as making the SoCon A All-Freshman Team.

He did not start the first three games last season, but got the start against Elon and has remained the starter ever since.



SPECIAL PHOTO

GSU sophomore kicker Adrian Mora received a Preseason Honorable Mention All-American Friday by College Sporting News. Mora kicked at least one field goal in every game played.

Can he LEE-d the Eagles?



Rob Eakins/STAFF

GSU quarterback Lee Chapple (No. 14) now has the starting role for the Eagles.

By Latrice Williams

Staff writer

After sharing the role as the leader of the pack, Lee Chapple has captured the starting role as the Eagles' quarterback and is eager to get back into action. The first step is getting through camp, which Chapple realizes is important.

"Camp has been really good," said Chapple. "It's really hot, but good. There is a lot of consistency and the freshmen and transfers are really adapting well."

Last year's season overshadowed much of the success Chapple actually achieved. As a freshman, Lee Chapple surpassed many of his predecessors

by obtaining the fourth highest passing yardage in program history. He ended the year as starting quarterback and led the Eagles to a 17-10 victory over Furman.

The SoCon dubbed him "Offensive Player of the Week", and he helped the Eagles stage the NCAA record fourth quarter comeback at Western Carolina.

Some spectators question the team's ability to even make it to the playoffs, but Chapple has high hopes for his team, and he recognizes the significance of being a leader.

"Any quarterback has pressure, but I embrace it because I like being a leader," said Chapple. "You get more respect when you show leadership."

Projected Starters

Offense

(QB)	Lee Chapple
(HB)	Adam Urbano
(HB)	Darreion Robinson
(WR)	Garryon Taylor
(WR)	Jonathan Bryant
(WR)	Tyler Sumner
(LT)	Daniel Few
(LG)	Jared Flowers
(C)	Trey Dunmon
(RG)	Jonthan Loving
(RT)	Cole Fountain

Defense

(DE)	Kerry Bonds
(NT)	Markeith Wylie
(DE)	Harland Bower
(OLB)	J.B. Shippy
(ILB)	Dion Dubose
(OLB)	Calvin West
(CB)	Ronnie Wiggins
(CB)	Darrell Pasco
(FS)	Derek Heyden
(Rover)	Hudson Presume
(Bandit)	K.R. Snipes

The Eagles realize the importance of making it to the playoffs, but Chapple isn't putting a lot of stress on himself or his team.

"We have a really good team and we're ready to get out there and win. I really feel like this a championship caliber team. We have a great group of guys here and I know we can make it there."

GSU's biggest rivalry, Appalachian State, has proven to be one of the team's biggest and most anticipating opponents every year, but Chapple finds the intensity of the game more exciting than nerve wrecking.

"We're really looking forward to playing App State and getting a win there," he said.

During his toughest moments, Chapple quotes Jimmy V "Never give up." He reminds himself that playing football is something he chose to do and he wants to embrace every moment of it.

"It takes a special group of guys to play football," said Chapple. "Nobody makes us get out here and work hard and do the things that we do. There has never been a point when I just wanted to give up, never. Of course there's going to be times when you get frustrated, but I've never just said 'I don't want to play football anymore'."

Although Chapple has won numerous accolades, there's one accomplishment that sits above the rest.

"Topping off Furman has been the biggest accomplishment for me so far," said Chapple. "We beat them on their own turf and it felt good to finish off the season with a win."

This year marks the ten-year anniversary of the 1999 National Championship and as the season quickly approaches, Chapple and teammates prepare for bringing a national title back to the 'Boro.



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GSU hosts Little Eagle Football Camp

By Justin Pilgrim
Staff Writer

As clouds filled the Statesboro skies Saturday morning, Paulson Stadium was filled with footballs flying and tackling dummies popping. The Georgia Southern team was spread across the field, but today was different.

The Little Eagles football camp is something that has been held by the Eagles football team since Coach Chris Hatcher's arrival in Statesboro three years ago.

"It's a big thing being a football player," said Hatcher. "So it's important to give back to the community that supports us."

Hatcher had a similar youth camp during his stint as the head football coach at Valdosta State University, so this is nothing new to him.

He has put a few new twists on the program while at GSU, which includes having the players lead the children through the drills. This gives the children even more of a connection to the men they look up to on that same field every fall.

The main goal of the camp is to give back to the community and build a young, energetic fan base to support Eagles football. This personal interaction really lights up the children's faces,

which is only shared by the players.

"Watching the kids run around and to see how much fun they are having really puts things into perspective," said quarterback Lee Chapple. "It makes you feel like a kid again."

"My favorite part of the day was signing autographs for everyone," said defensive back E.J. Webb. "It allows us to show appreciation to the fans for all their support."

This year's turnout was the largest in the camp's short history, with attendance numbers growing every year. The huge turnout, which topped 170 campers, showed that support for Eagles football is as high as ever this year.

Saturday was about more than football. "You realize that people are looking up to you," said Chapple. "You are a role model whether you know it or not."

When the camp finally wrapped up, it was a success for everyone involved. The campers left with smiles on their faces and a team schedule signed by every member of the team.

The Eagles begin regular season play next weekend on Saturday, Sept. 5 at Paulson Stadium.



Rob Eakins/STAFF

Eagle defensive back E.J. Webb signs autographs for the fans that attended Saturday's football clinic.

Volleyball holds clinic and scrimmage

By Dylan Thompson
Staff writer

The scene at Hanner Fieldhouse for Georgia Southern volleyball's first annual clinic was one of fun and fundamentals. The clinic, which was followed by a Meet the Eagles session and a short intra-squad scrimmage, was attended by volleyball players ranging from little rookies to some legitimate older players.

The volleyball team, with guidance from Head Coach Chad Callihan, ran the clinic smoothly by splitting the sessions. One session was for the older players that focused on drills and fundamentals, while the other session was a modified version for the children in attendance.

All parties involved seemed to enjoy the event that is part of a larger plan to get the Eagle volleyball team out to the people of Statesboro.

After the clinic broke, the players and Callihan took a seat and greeted everyone in attendance with an autograph session. This was a great opportunity to talk with members of the team about what they hope to accomplish with the clinic and open scrimmage afterwards.

Sophomore outside hitter Bethany Sanford spoke about what the Eagles hoped to accomplish with an event like this.

"We've been trying to get volleyball out to the

people of Statesboro because it's a new thing around here," said Sanford. "They don't play it in the high schools around here so we've been trying to get people into it. We want to get people excited and get some good crowds for home games here."

The Eagle volleyball players have been hard at work in the community drumming up support for what has the potential to be a very good product on the floor.

Callihan commented on how the team was progressing in its second year on the court. "Of course there are always things to improve," explained Callihan. "Compared to this time last year, we're pretty far ahead. The players really understand what we're trying to do on offense and defense scheme wise, and they've been able to work on the execution side of things a lot more."

Another major variable in the success of the team will be how cohesive the new freshmen can be with the returning players.

Danielle Graham, a 5'11" middle hitter from Cincinnati, Ohio, is one of those freshmen coming into the program. "It's really important to play together in volleyball," said Graham. "That's one of the things we're trying to do this year."

The team chemistry shined through in the scrimmage that pitted blue versus white, each side consisting of half of the team. When the players hit



Rob Eakins/STAFF

Jordan Palmer gets autographs from members of the women's volleyball team Saturday at the Meet the Volleyball Eagles event in Hanner Fieldhouse.

For more photos from the event, see page 12.

the court, it was crisp setting that was hammered home by powerful spikes.

There were also sky-high blocks and a dizzying array of fantastic digs, such as the one Lindsey O'Connor offered up at the tail end of the first game.

The score, and even the individual personnel, weren't what Coach Callihan was looking for in a

scrimmage, however.

"We're really using this scrimmage to get some of the players comfortable with playing in a game like environment," said Callihan. "Hopefully get out some of those nervous jitters before the real thing."

The real thing begins Friday, Aug. 28 against Presbyterian here in Statesboro.