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# THE GEORGE-ANNE

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COVERING THE CAMPUS LIKE A SWARM OF GNATS

## Student arrested as Micah speaks

### Group gathers to hear preacher's message Tuesday

By Robert Greene II  
Staff writer

Tuesday afternoon saw Micah Armstrong, known also as "Brother Micah," preach to students in the "free speech" zone in the grassy area across from the Russell Union. During his remarks, students became visibly upset, and one student was arrested for resisting orders and resisting arrest, according to police.

According to Sgt Michael Griffin with the Bulloch County Sheriff's Office, Richard

Stocks, 18, was taken to the Bulloch County Jail Tuesday afternoon by the University Police on the charges of obstructing a police officer and disorderly conduct. Stocks has been released on \$2,000 bond.

A list of University Police arrests also names a Richard Stocks with the same charges.

Stocks was arrested after getting close to Brother Micah on the free speech grass zone.

Sgt Lee Jones, the arresting officer, said that, "He failed to comply to lawful orders about

### Students encounter Brother Micah

Visit GADaily.com to see video of the events of Tuesday afternoon.

where he was standing."

Jones added, "Initially, he was resisting orders," and then said, "Then he was resisting arrest."

According to Director of Communications Christian Flathman, the Office of Public Safety

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Katherine Kennedy/STAFF

### And Students Say ...



"We have come too far along in society to deal with people spewing bigotry."

Cristina Holt  
sophomore



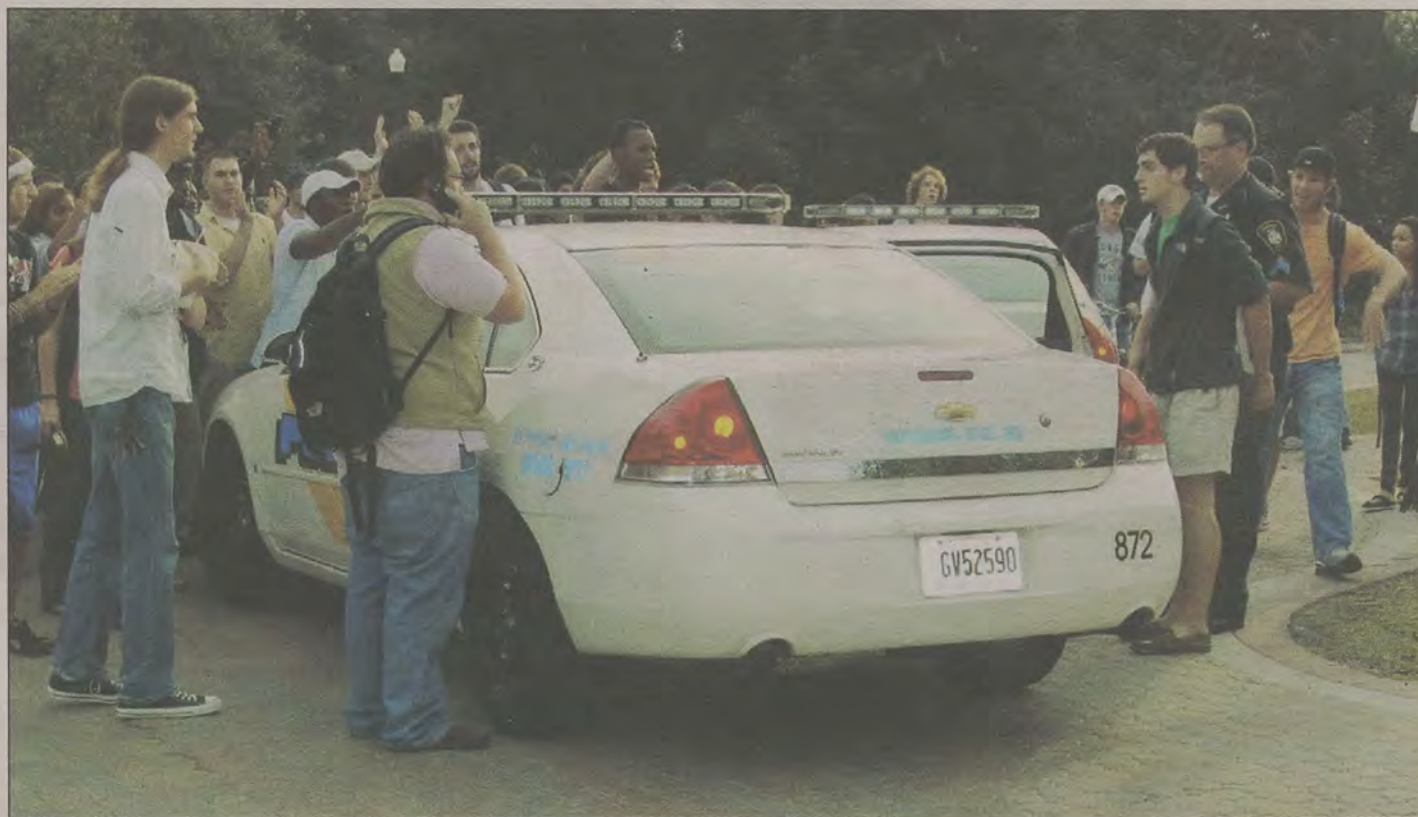
"I'm a Christian, and he was totally misrepresenting my religion."

Daniel Palmer  
freshman



"In this situation, I feel the arrest was unjustified. If anybody should've been arrested, it was him."

Shane Wright  
freshman



Chris Buchanan/STAFF

Above: An officer escorts Richard Stocks to a University Police cruiser Tuesday afternoon. Stocks was charged with obstructing a police officer and disorderly content after an incident during Brother Micah Armstrong's speech. Top: Armstrong shares his views with a group of GSU students.

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### Three-Day Forecast



Today  
Partly Cloudy  
74/45



Friday  
Sunny  
74/47



Saturday  
Chance of rain  
65/57



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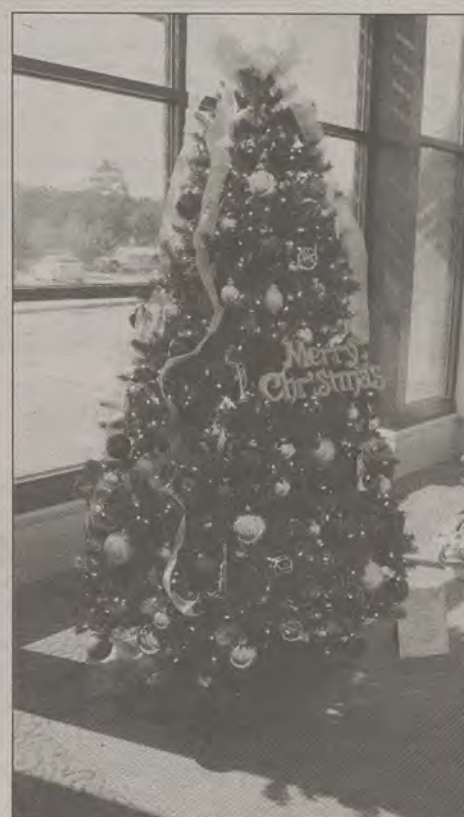
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Rob Eakins/STAFF

Above: A Georgia Southern ornament adorns a tree in the Nesmith-Lane Continuing Education Building. Right: The trees and donated items will remain on display through next week and will be made available for raffle Saturday.



## Festival of Trees kicks off this week

Jeff Harrison

Guest writer

Christmas trees adorned with multi-colored trim and ornaments of the holiday season line the hall of the Nesmith-Lane Continuing Education Building this week, as the second annual Festival of Trees is underway.

Beginning Monday, the community fundraiser opened its doors in an effort to raise money for local families in need.

The Festival of Trees will again donate all of its proceeds to the children and families of "Christmas in the 'Boro" – a shared effort between the Statesboro Police Department, Bulloch County Sheriff's Department and Toys for Tots to buy and deliver toys on Christmas morning to local children.

"It was started as a way to promote community involvement through a family-oriented

event that allows us to provide a way for the entire community to kick off the holidays, and help some of our area's children in need," said Kelly Pye, program development specialist for the festival. "Last year we earned over \$1,300 by raffling eight trees and five wreaths."

The donated items, including trees, a gingerbread village, centerpieces, gift certificates and wreaths, will remain on display throughout the week and will be made available for a raffle Saturday, Nov. 21.

Tickets can be purchased for \$1 each and will be drawn Saturday evening.

"This year we will be raffling 13 trees, eight wreaths and 10 elf trees tiny trees decorated with goodies from local merchants," said Pye.

The week-long festival will culminate Saturday with a full schedule of activities beginning at 11 a.m. and ending at 6 p.m.

Santa and Mrs. Claus will be on hand for part of the afternoon, and GSU Catering will serve cookies and hot chocolate during the day.

The Statesboro Regional Library will perform puppet shows, and live music will echo throughout the building for most of the afternoon.

"We have a small, bluegrass group performing, and then we have two young men, Ross and Jered McKenna, who will be playing Christmas music on the piano for the remainder of the day," said Pye.

Along with the raffle items, a collection point for Toys for Tots will be nestled inside the Nesmith-Lane Building and will be used to aid in an effort to improve the holiday season for local families.

"I am definitely excited about playing at the Festival of Trees," said Beth Rushing, a member of the bluegrass band set to perform.

"The fact that the Festival of Trees is a benefit for those that are not able to have a Christmas is a big factor in my choice to perform. The money raised by this benefit will give those less fortunate a chance to celebrate Christmas and to be able to receive gifts when they normally would not be able to."

Admission to the Festival of Trees is free.

Viewing displays and purchasing tickets can be done Nov. 16-20, 1-6 p.m.

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## The trials of 9/11 conspirators



**John DiPietro**  
is a junior political science major from John's Creek, Ga. He is a guest columnist for The George-Anne.

The trials of various 9/11 conspirators have been set – in New York. And it's going to be civilian in nature. Although the Obama Administration is seeking the death penalty in these cases, many people are in uproar over allowing individuals who conspired to

attack America from without to have a civilian trial and not a military tribunal. And for various reasons, I'm one of them.

First of all, the government had already started a trial in a military tribunal in Gitmo. Rather than move the trial to a different military base, Obama seems to have decided to throw away a perfectly good and legal trial and start over with a new Federal hearing.

As a political science major, all I can say to that is, please fire Attorney General Holder for not reading his U.S. Constitution. Right now, the defense has a very neat case for double jeopardy – the government cannot try Mohammed twice for the same crimes. Since the trial had already started, even if he's convicted in Federal court, he could easily get the whole case thrown out on

appeal for that reason. I only pray that I'm the only one who's thought of that.

Second, talk about your security nightmares. All five men will undoubtedly have to be held in secure holding cells and solitary confinement for the trial and afterwards. You're putting them in New York, the city they hit, in a jail full of hardened criminals, some of whom have taken lives before. I can't say with any accuracy or statistics, but do you really doubt that there is no one in an N.Y. jail who wouldn't be willing, able and wanting to shank or beat to death an accused terrorist? This doesn't even take into account getting them to and from trial – Someone in New York may very well be planning to be a Jack Ruby to Mohammed's Oswald, despite the fact that the ends don't usually justify the means. The media circus will certainly increase these risks, not to mention making the court house a terror target. The cost could make many voters balk.

And should these men – God forbid – be acquitted, what then? They can't just join American society freely. Guess what? The tax payers get to pay for a few tickets back to the Middle East, complete with bodyguards, a la the Lockerbie bomber. Obama had better pray that these guys are found guilty, or at least that the verdict doesn't come down before the election, because the American people will not lightly forgive him if they do.

## How to finish the semester strong



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

Do not fear...it's almost over. No, not the class you are reading this article in, but the semester. Tomorrow or soon after, you will probably leave Statesboro and go back home for the holidays with old friends and family. Then, when you come back, there is one week and BAM! Finals week! I know this excites you. It excites me

as I write this.

While this is a terribly exciting time in the lives of college students, here are a few little tips to help you drive on and finish this semester strong and get those juicy kisses from Aunt Betsy when you leave campus in December because her baby has made her so proud:

Prioritize. At this point there are only a few papers, assignments, and online quizzes left to finish. If you are not sure if you have any more, check your syllabus. That's the paper that your professor gave you on the first day of class. It comes in handy this time of year. Write a list of all the things you still have to do and their due dates, then plan backwards to budget your time. Get 'em all done, and you're free!

Reconnect. Not your cable, I mean with old friends. You may have spent this semester buried in

your books, and now all of your friends have forgotten your name. Now is a good time to re-introduce yourself. Go out for a coffee break between studying. Go on a power walk. Just reconnect with them. It'll be a good stress reliever.

Get off your butt. Hit up the RAC, walk your pooch or jump into Lake Wells for a swim. Your mind will be cleared up by some type of activity. You do not have to do a half marathon, but if you want to, go for it. Play soccer. Walk around your neighborhood. Go for a midnight run while you are studying. Just give that tush a push.

Get some rest. After you exercise, you will sleep better. It's science. But pulling three all-nighters with the help of that pill you bought off your classmate is not good for your body. If you focus best in the morning, go to bed early the night before and get up to hit the books. If you are a night owl, stay up late and buckle down. But make sure you are getting enough rest, because even though you pulled an all-nighter, you will still fail if you sleep right through your exam.

Try new places to study. Sure, everyone loves the library. But during finals week, the entire university is there, and it can be tough to focus when you keep seeing your friends every seven minutes. Some of my favorites are off the beaten path and open 24 hours, such as IHOP and Waffle House and McDonalds. Oh, and you get free drink refills. Awesome.

There is only one week left now! So buckle down, study hard and sprint to the finish line. Aunt Betsy is just a waitin'!

## True Blue and the voices of dissent



**Robert Greene II**  
is a graduate student in history from Augusta, Ga. He is a staff columnist for The George-Anne.

When the few hearty Eagle fans at the stadium last Saturday heard the announcement that all signs had to go down, after more than a few spotted signs in the student section that said "Fire Sam Baker!" and "Bring Back the Triple Option!" it became clear how angry

some Eagle fans have become. That is not to say, however, that this story is over. There is one football game left, and one more chance for fans of Georgia Southern football to say whatever they want about

the state of the flagship sports program here.

GSU has always been in the shadow of other universities, most notably the University of Georgia and Georgia Tech. For years, you've been able to see in the pages of The George-Anne letters to the editor and editorials condemning the lack of pro-Georgia Southern spirit in favor of support for the teams of other universities. Tied into that was the gnawing perception that GSU has been a school for people who were unable to get into UGA.

The university as a whole is attempting to change the tenor of the average GSU student with the "True Blue" campaign. Born out of recent programs such as Spirit and Traditions and the Traditions Council, True Blue is the best attempt yet at trying to instill a positive spirit into all students that being an Eagle is something to be proud of.

The irony of this is, while more and more students see GSU as a first-choice institution the one thing that gave students a greater sense of identity as Eagles – football – is on the decline. That came to the forefront last Saturday, but it's been lurking since the 2006 3-8 campaign.

Another irony is that the lack of true spirit at GSU was most glaring during the late 1990s, when our football team was king of I-AA football. Looking at G-A archives from that time period, I'm astounded to see editors and columnists write about the decided lack of student interest in games during the regular season. Perhaps being used to the playoffs made them that way, but the student body of today has set attendance records for the past few seasons without playoffs to look forward to.

No one knows what the future holds for Eagle football or for our overall athletics program. But it's clear that the True Blue campaign came just in time to raise our spirits and toughen our resolve. Being "True Blue" means more than supporting the football team. It means having a respect for what came before at GSU and also looking towards the future with hopes and aspirations.

That's exactly what the two students with their signs on Saturday were doing. And it's also what people on forums, criticizing or defending Coach Chris Hatcher and Athletic Director Sam Baker, have been doing.

Being True Blue means not just loyalty to your school, but a willingness to step back and analyze what's being done in your name as a member of the Georgia Southern community.





# WEEKLY BUZZ

## Today

OSLCE: Blood Drive

6:45 PM - 9:00 PM "Paradise Now" (movie), Russell Union Theatre

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Bouldering Night Out, RAC

## Saturday, November 21st

GSU vs. Citadel

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# Professors: Work comes whether pay follows or not

## Teachers share plans, concerns for furlough days

By Lynn Simmons and Chris Buchanan  
Staff writers

A furlough may not mean a day off for many of Georgia Southern's professors with the end of the semester bringing final projects and yearly planning to a head.

"They give them a furlough on a planning day, well, that just means they'll do their planning at home," writing and linguistics Professor Janice Walker said.

Walker has worked at GSU for 11 years.

Earlier this year, the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia instated mandatory days without pay for all faculty and staff making above \$23,660.

While the campus will be shut down excluding essential services, Walker said that many professors will spend this time grading final projects. Walker, who serves as an executive committee member

for the Conference on College Composition and Communication, will be spending her time working in Philadelphia. As an elected member, she is required to attend The National Council of Teachers of English Conference on the furlough days.

"So basically I'm working. I won't be on campus," she said, "but I am doing something for the university and my field that I am not getting paid for."

But management marketing and logistics Professor James McDonald said that the cut is a small price to pay in the current economy.

"I've gotten to know a lot of people in southeast Georgia and around the nation – graduates – that are out of work," said McDonald. "For me to complain about a 3 percent pay cut – I'm searching for reasons to be unhappy."

According to the Georgia Department of Labor, the unemployment rate is currently 10.1 percent,

which is slightly higher than the national rate.

"I really think it's not as big of a deal as the folks in Detroit – the thousand unemployed folks in Georgia," said communication arts Professor Joel Boyter. "This is really just a bump in the road."

Boyter said that he will be planning for next semester and creating syllabi for upcoming classes.

Other professors such as Adjunct Assistant Professor of music Karla Qualls said that the furlough won't have an effect on her holiday season.

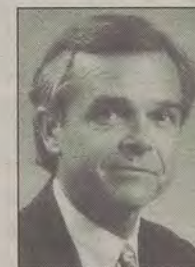
"I have a pretty good handle on what I do with my money," she said. "I shop throughout the year for Christmas, and I don't put things off."

Qualls said that she wouldn't be traveling during the break and that she has "to do [her] job whether [she] is paid or not."

However, she said she is worried about families already dealing with financial crises.

"Especially those who have families, small children or even elderly parents or just extenuating circumstances where they really need every penny," she said.

"I've gotten to know a lot of people in southeast Georgia and around the nation – graduates – that are out of work. For me to complain about a three percent pay cut – I'm searching for reasons to be unhappy."



James McDonald  
Management Marketing  
and Logistics Professor

## THE DAILY GRIND

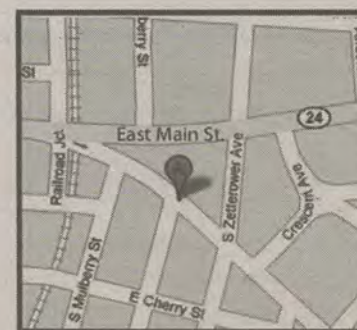
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## POLICE BEAT

*Wednesday, November 11, 2009*

A report of simple battery was made at Lewis Hall.

*Thursday, November 12, 2009*

A burglary was reported at Southern Pines.

*Friday, November 13, 2009*

Several pairs of frames were taken from the Optical Center at Centennial Place.

*Saturday, November 14, 2009*

A vehicle was keyed at Southern Pines.

A case of harassment was reported at Eagle Village

*Sunday, November 15, 2009*

Layne Stelling Matthews, 20, St. Thomas Place, Macon, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

Mark Layden Rosenthal, 18, Brannen Hall, was charged with DUI, driving without license and failure to notify owner upon striking an unattended vehicle.

Deandre Daemond Stewart, 18, Oak St., Washington, was charged with giving false information to an officer, no driver's license and failure to meet headlight requirements.

Justin Todd Henry, 20, Bentwood Circle, Macon, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

Tim Patrick Pittman, 18, Brannen Hall, was charged with theft by taking.

*Monday, November 16, 2009*

Officers issued one traffic citation, assisted one sick person, responded to two alarms and investigated four accidents.

*Tuesday, November 17, 2009*

Richard Edward Stocks, 18, Sanford Hall, was charged with disorderly conduct and obstruction of an officer.

## Road by Hendricks Hall to close

By Zack Lee

Guest writer

While students are beginning their Thanksgiving holiday this Saturday, dedicated workers here at Georgia Southern will be busy making our campus a safer place for students.

Chilled water lines will be installed between the existing Hendricks Hall parking lot and the Child Development Center. Along with this, new electrical services will also be installed in the same area.

The work will require a road closure, which will require all students and faculty to use an alternate parking lot to access the Center for Art & Theatre, Interior Design buildings 211/212, IT, ROTC and Carroll buildings. While both lanes of the road will be closed on Saturday, one lane will open up on Sunday, Nov. 22nd allowing for easier access through the area.

"They are going to be digging a trench across the road, laying down new water lines and electrical lines," said Sgt. Laura McCullough of Georgia Southern Public Safety.

All work for this project is expected to be completed during the furlough days prior to Thanksgiving. The expected day of completion is Wednesday, Nov. 25. Once completed, students will be able to access the parking lot as normal.



Kelly Vermeil/STAFF

Road work near Hendricks is expected to be completed over the Thanksgiving holidays.

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## ARREST

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said that the incident Tuesday escalated after a student, who Flathman said that he could not identify, got very close to Micah and encroached on his space.

A police officer asked him twice to move away from Micah. While trying to bring the student away, the officer's arm was moved away from him, according to Public Safety. The student pointed to the officer, shouted profane remarks and was told he was under arrest.

The student began to walk away from the officer, then began to run. After that the officer caught up to him and placed the student under arrest for disorderly conduct and obstruction of an officer.

Brother Micah claimed to the student audience that he was free of sin, and that God wanted him, among other things, to renounce the musical acts of Vanilla Ice and the Beastie Boys.

However, his remarks concerning the gay and lesbian community were what most upset students.

Wearing buttons with stripes through the words "porn" and "homo," Brother Micah antagonized members of the gay and lesbian community by referring to lesbians as "lesbos" during his remarks and stating that his only opposition to interracial marriage was between members of the same sex.

"The issue is not skin, it's sin!" Brother Micah said.

During this time, one student yelled, "How about you stop hitting your Bible and open it!"

Students were upset about the arrest of Stocks. Shane Wright, a first-year student, said, "In this situation, I feel the arrest was unjustified.

"If anybody should've been arrested it was him [Brother Micah]," Wright added. "There was no



Katherine Kennedy/STAFF

Students shot video and photographs of the Brother Micah Armstrong's demonstration Tuesday.

violence, no disrespect. The officer was embarrassed he couldn't control the situation, so they arrested him [the student]."

Flathman said, "We certainly encourage students to express their opinions but to also obey requests from law enforcement officers." In reference to the arrest of Stocks, Flathman added that if the request had been followed, an arrest may not have been made on Tuesday.

Students were also abuzz about Brother Micah's remarks after he was escorted off of the free speech zone by several police officers.

"I'm a Christian, and he was totally misrepresenting

my religion," said Daniel Palmer, freshman. "He was not preaching the truth."

Danielle Duncan, a sophomore and a Community Leader in the Department of University Housing, was offended by Micah's remarks about the gay and lesbian community. She took particular offense to what Micah said about homosexuals choosing to live that lifestyle.

"Most of my friends are gay, and we did not choose to be gay," said Duncan.

Christina Holt, a sophomore, added her sentiment to what Duncan said. "We're going to be sure to stop them from getting a permit ever again" to speak on

campus, she said. "We have come too far along in society to deal with people spewing bigotry."

Brother Micah has said that he will probably return next semester. "The policy there [at GSU] is that they allow one and a half hours a day once a month," he said. He said he plans to visit Georgia Southern again next semester and claimed that he has preached at GSU in 2006 and 2007.

"My main goal is to preach the Bible, the truth," Micah said. "People won't be saved if they think they're okay."

On the response to his visit on Tuesday, Micah said "it was a lot more rowdy [than past visits]." He added that, to his knowledge, no one preached here last year, and that when more preachers are on a college campus, "people are just used to it."

"We're representing Jesus Christ," Micah said. "I expect opposition." He also had words for Christians in the audience who were among his most vocal opponents.

"They want to be Christians, but they want to be accepted by their peers," Micah said. "They can't preach because they haven't repented."

One of those in the audience offended by the remarks was Preston Cox, an intern for the Wesley Foundation on campus. He said, "I'm against his gospel. He's using scripture but not in the context of Christ."

During Brother Micah's remarks, Cox, wearing a blue bandana, led some students away from Micah.

He said he just happened to have his Bible with him by accident on Tuesday. "When I walked up, I felt like God was preparing me for this all day," he said.

Brother Micah said that, while his mission is to help people become "saved," he can't force people to come over to his views. "People can take the truth or leave the truth. I can't make them convert."

Charles Minshew contributed to this report.

## No Statesboro Bank of America creates dilemma for customers

By Kelsey Sorrell

Staff writer

Bank of America, a bank selected by a large portion of Georgia Southern students currently does not have a branch in Statesboro. The bank gave one ATM for students in the Russell Union on campus but still has not attempted to open a branch at this location.

Jessica Long, a senior at GSU, came to school her freshman year as a Bank of America customer. She thought about switching banks at first, but chose to remain faithful with Bank of America instead.

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"A lot of people end up having to switch over to another bank," she said. "I think it's really inconvenient that they don't have a bank in Statesboro. The ATM in the Union always has a huge line since a lot of students have it. There are a ton of BB&Ts and Wachovias in Statesboro, but there isn't a Bank of America, which I don't get, because they could build a bank really easily."

Unlike Long, some students at GSU were forced to switch banks in order to make their banking needs more convenient. Junior Mitchell Shaw, a long time Bank of America customer, chose to take his business to Wachovia.

"I've had Bank of America since I was in sixth grade and never had any problems with them. The only reason I have Wachovia is because there isn't an actual branch down here. I believe that Bank of America is losing a lot of business to Wachovia, and

they'd be wise to open up a branch in Statesboro," he said.

According to Peggy Chapman, the president of the Statesboro-Bulloch Chamber of Commerce, many banks come and go in Bulloch County, but Bank of America has never tried to open a branch in this county.

"It seems like enough students use the bank, so maybe the students should just let them [Bank of America] know that they would like to see one at this location because as far as I know, they've never tried to come here," she said.

According to the Bank of America in Charlotte, N.C., students can send a letter to the Bank of America Corporate Headquarters for the Southeast Region requesting that they open a branch in Statesboro, Bulloch County. The address where the letters can be sent is 100 North Tryon Street in Charlotte, NC, 28255.



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## H1N1 vaccine available

Compiled by Staff

An H1N1 influenza vaccine clinic will be held today in Russell Union room 2048 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

The vaccine is free of charge to all Georgia Southern students, faculty, staff and retirees.

According to Assistant Director of Communications Betsy Nolen, the purpose of the clinic is to "reduce influenza exposure during this period of increased travel and family contact."

More clinics will be planned on a weekly basis beginning Nov. 30 based on the availability of the vaccine.

GSU received a new shipment of the H1N1 vaccine on Nov. 13 after exhausting supplies of the vaccine earlier that week. It is unclear how much vaccine is still in supply.

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## USG increases fees

Compiled by Staff

On Monday, The Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia approved an 8 percent budget reduction plan and an additional mandatory student fee to take effect in the spring 2010 semester.

Georgia Southern students have already seen a \$100 mandatory fee in their invoices this year.

The increase brings the mandatory fee to \$200 for students at GSU and those at nine other institutions.

The fees collected from students will raise \$24 million for the USG, according to the release.

The regents also set a moratorium on student fee increases for fiscal year 2011.

According to the release, this does not include fees for public and private ventures such as residence halls and student-financed recreation centers.

The Board of Regents also decided that the mandatory fees will be eliminated on June 30, 2012.

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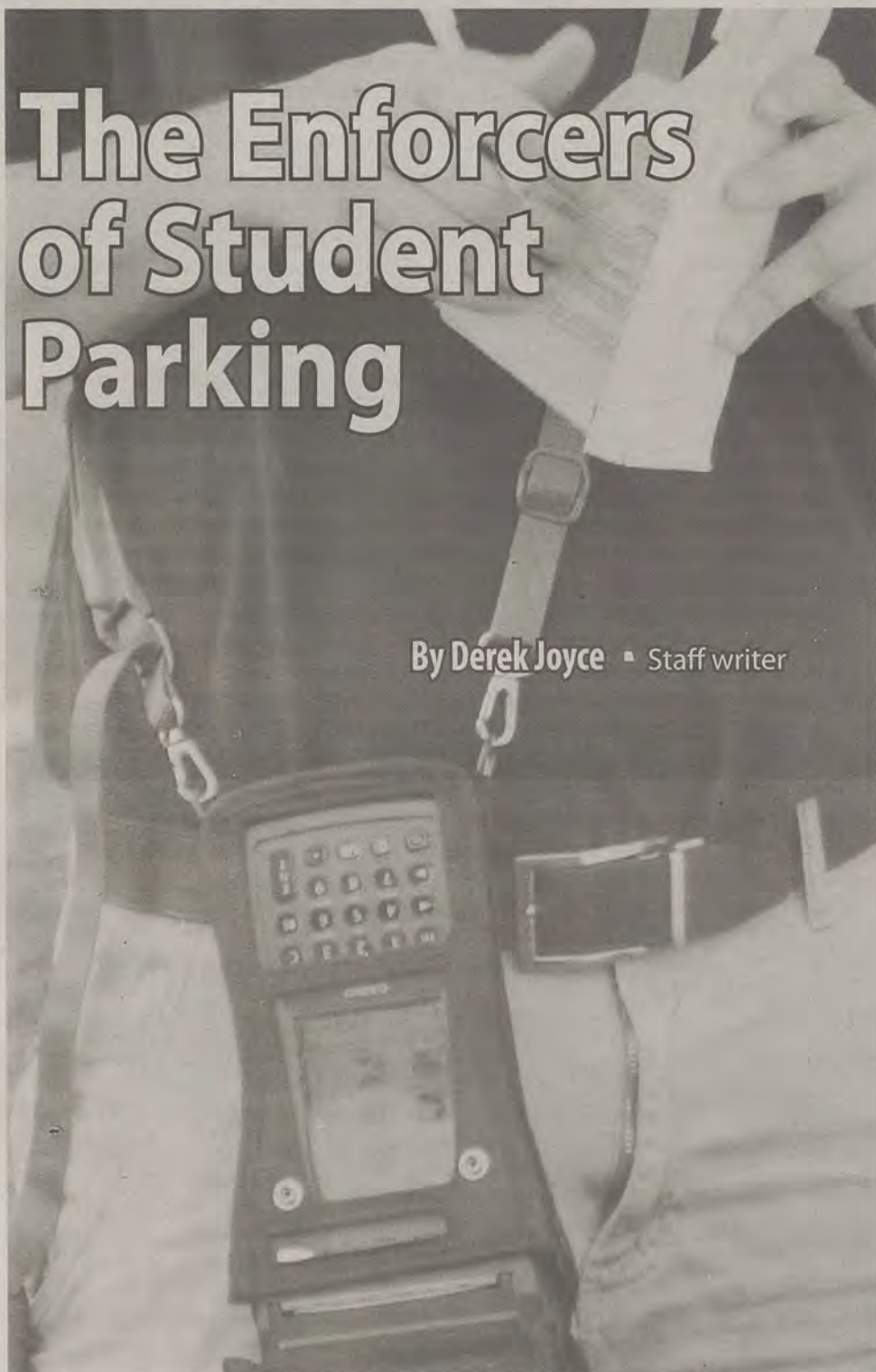
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## The Enforcers of Student Parking

By Derek Joyce ■ Staff writer



Derek Joyce/STAFF

**Parking attendants** are unanimously feared and loathed, but their work is essential to the university.

**H**ave you ever walked out of class to find a ticket posted under your windshield wiper? Most likely you are one of several people suffering a \$30 fine for parking in the wrong zone. Do you feel like you were wronged by the parking attendants? To see the other side of the story and help prevent

students from being ticketed, I followed one parking attendant for an hour to see what's done.

The attendant I followed is known as PT82. PT82 has been working for the Department of Parking and Transportation for four years. During the hour, over six citations were given out. All of these citations were for one of two

reasons: not having a permit or parking in a lot that did not match the permit.

"The two most common violations are parking without a permit and parking in the wrong area," said Kristi Bryant, an enforcement supervisor for Department of Parking and Transportation who accompanied me on my trip. "If you purchased a permit and know where that permit allows you to park, you can avoid about 60-70 percent of our citations."

According to Joanie Greenlees from the Department of Parking and Transportation, there are currently 7,809 automobiles registered at the Department of Parking and Transportation: 4,670 commuter vehicles, including those for students parked off-campus, 2,886 residents and 163 motorcycles.

Each of these permits are divided by the status of the holder and where they are allowed to park. The permits are given out this way because of how the parking lots are divided.

The parking lots across campus are labeled as one of seven zones: 1. The area around the Russell Union, 2. Around the Sports Complex and Hanner, 3. Sweetheart Circle, 4. Between the Health Center and Performing Arts Center, 5. Back of campus, including the Education building and the Ceramics and Sculpture Studio, and 6. The Residence Halls. The RAC and Paulson Stadium do not require a permit and are always open.

In each zone is a different lot, which has a specific number. Within each lot may be signed areas such as Limited Parking, Faculty and Staff and Permit Parking. Unless otherwise signified, any space in that lot is reserved for those with a permit to that specific lot. Limited parking has a time limit set to it, usually 30 minutes to one hour, and this time is recorded by a tool that the attendant carries.

The attendant types in the license plate number and position of the tire caps to determine if the car has moved between the times it was checked. If the car has exceeded the time limit, it is given a citation with the times it was checked printed on it. This time counts for the vehicle's time in the limited lot, not just the one particular space.

Graduate Teacher Assistant and Faculty and Staff parking areas are usually reserved for the described persons. However, this restriction is only applicable during the times posted on the sign. Permit Parking means that as long as the car in question has a permit of any kind, it is allowed to be parked in that area. The applicable areas are signified by the arrows on the sign posted

between spaces.

Special Accessibility permits may be given by a doctor for those with limited mobility and teachers may give a letter to students for a limited permit to park near the building if it pertained to class.

One major dispute is over the visitor parking lots. Until 4 p.m. on any weekday, students are not allowed to use these lots. "We hold these open for visitors. We don't want students taking up those spaces that visitors need to be using as well," said Bryant. Despite this, three of the citations given during my observation were for students who parked in the visitor zone.

Motorcycles have a special permit applied to their front forks and often have special areas. There is also a new type of parking space in development that is designed to fit three motorcycles to a space.

Scooters, being light and easy to steal if not attached to something, are currently allowed to be chained to the bicycle racks. However, once an ordinance is passed, scooters will soon be given spaces with something to connect them to and will require permits.

Bicycles are not handled by the Department of Parking and Transportation, but by the Physical Plant, the grounds department.

When facing a possible parking violation, the attendant undergoes the seven-point check. This process checks the seven points in which a permit is placed to allow the park. These points consist of the lower corners of the front and rear windshield, the front and back bumpers and the rear-view mirror. The dashboard and the floorboards are also checked in case a permit fell off.

The Department of Parking and Transportation is then radioed to verify the status and permit of the violating car. If the car's permit does not match the zone it is parked in, it is given a citation. On the ticket is the license plate number of the vehicle, the vehicle description, the parking lot it was in and the violation for which it is being fined.

Depending on the violation, fines can range from \$5-100. The ticket number is also written on the envelope in case the ticket is lost.

Citation fines are paid at the Department of Parking and Transportation. A discount is given if the fine is paid within five business days. If a student has three outstanding fines, a boot will be applied to the vehicle in question.

If a student has one outstanding fine, that student is not allowed a permit for the next year or the ability to graduate.



# The Eighth Regiment Band performs on Veterans Day

By Robert Hook

Guest writer

With Veterans Day still fresh in everybody's mind, war has become a major topic of discussion. The Georgia Southern Museum remembered U.S. veterans by hosting the Eighth Regiment Band.

On Sunday, Nov. 15, the Eighth Regiment Band came to GSU's Performing Arts Center to play a concert celebrating the music of the Civil War and the 19th century. This will be the third time that the Regiment has come to Georgia Southern.

"Every time the band comes to Georgia Southern, they play a great show. We hope to keep having them come," said Museum Director Brent Tharp.

The band, which comes from Rome, Ga., plays historic music from both the Confederate and Union sides while giving the historic background behind each song.

The 14-member band was formed in 1986 by former Rome Symphony Orchestra Leader John Carruth, who now serves as the band's conductor. The Eighth Regiment began playing together when Carruth, while conducting the Rome Symphony, gathered brass percussion players to work on Civil War-era music. What started as a hobby became a passion, and the band soon began gaining popularity.

The band began using some original instruments dating back to the 19th century and now uses all restored Civil War instruments.

During their shows, the Eighth Regiment plays in both Confederate gray and Union blue and strives to celebrate the music from each side.



Nico Adams/STAFF

The Eighth Regiment Band performed this past Veterans Day at the PAC. Their show consists of Civil War music from the Union and Confederate sides.

The show they put on not only displayed the music that time, but also gives of the history of 19th century music. "We dress, feel and act so that you'll think you're in a time capsule, so you can feel what the men and women of the Civil War period felt," said Carruth.

The band works year round and has performed at numerous Civil War and 19th century reenactments. The band does not charge for their performances; they "play simply for the love of the music," said Carruth.

The show at the PAC began with the band coming in wearing their Confederate gray uniforms and began playing some Civil War tunes. Before each song, Carruth gave the history behind each one. He would tell who wrote the song and how each song affected American life during the

Civil War.

With Carruth doing this, the crowd was not only entertained by the music, but also with the stories and histories of the songs.

"The music the band was playing was beautiful and different all at the same time, but I was really interested with all the cool stories they were telling," said Megan Lansing, a student who attended the show.

During the first set, the Eighth Regiment played some of the great war songs of the time. However, not all the songs played were war songs. Many of the songs played were love songs dating back to the 1860s including "Lorena" and "Ora Lee."

After the intermission, the band came back wearing Union blue uniforms and started the set off with the "Star Spangle Banner." Everyone in

the crowd stood up and paid their respects to our national anthem.

During the second set, the crowd was able to get more involved with the show. During the song "Battle Hymn," the crowd stood up and sang the words to this famous battle song.

Other songs played were "Yankee Doodle," "Enduring Young Charms" and "Dixie," the final performance.

After the show was over, audience members were allowed to come up to the stage and talk to the band members, as well look at the 19th century instruments.

The show the band put on was an overall great experience. The Eighth Regiment keeps the music from the 19th century alive and tries to share it with as many people as possible.

## A cure for the 'Statesboro Blues': GSU sponsors winter break trips

By Amber Laurin

Guest writer

The holidays are quickly approaching, and for many students that means a month without exams, quizzes, projects or presentations.

With a total of 720 hours of free time, students may find themselves searching for things to help keep them busy. This is one of the many reasons why Georgia Southern offers several affordable, fun and safe trips for its students.

Kerry Greenstein, Assistant Dean of Students, said, "There is a lot of students who don't have other things they can do over the holidays, so to be able to have a trip they can connect to and feel that they have an opportunity to do is great for them."

Winter break is especially a great time for students who suffer from 'Statesboro Blues' to

find a cure before returning for spring semester in January. The small town of Statesboro does not always offer things that are accessible to students who call large cities, like Atlanta, home.

Caitlin Shockley, a senior child and family development major, said, "Not everyone has made the adjustment to the small town. I not only think it is important for students to get out of Statesboro for the break but also for them to see their family and friends at home."

Organizations like Eagle Entertainment, Southern Adventures and the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement are sponsoring trips for students over the break. Each trip offers a unique opportunity for students who are interested to fill their free time over the break.

Eagle Entertainment will be sponsoring the 4th annual New York City trip Dec. 12-18. Students have the opportunity to participate in guided

tours of the city and a taping of the Today Show with chaperones or explore the city on their own.

"The trip has always been popular; we have thought about going to other places but the students keep picking New York. Each year we have different groups that go, but we do have a hand full of returners who have gone the past four years," said Sriravong Sriratanakoul, activities coordinator for Eagle Entertainment.

Southern Adventures offers adventure trips throughout the semester including canoeing, kayaking, climbing and mountain biking day and weekend excursions. The group will be traveling to the Florida Keys Nov. 21-28 for a Thanksgiving trip.

The Winter Break Trip is scheduled for Dec. 13-18. Students will be going to a community within driving distance from Statesboro to serve. While many students will be leaving campus for one of

these trips or traveling home, some students will be spending the holidays in Statesboro.

There are opportunities to cure the 'Statesboro Blues' without having to actually leave.

Kelly Schowalter, a senior early education major, said, "I will be in Statesboro working for some of the break, and I plan to take weekend trips to Savannah with friends and try out new restaurants and entertainment in town."

Whether you choose to spend your long break on a school sponsored trip or to take it easy, many students are itching to return to the 'Boro in January.

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# PARKING

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If you feel like you have been wronged by the attendant, you may take the ticket to the Appeals Committee which is comprised of faculty and staff members who are not otherwise associated with the Department of Parking and Transportation. Officers will also explain their reason for giving a citation if asked.

Towards the end of the hour, we came across two students and asked their opinions about the parking services. The two students' opinion reflected common opinions throughout the student body.

"Problems are limited space and the deep restriction of where to park," said Austin Marcus.

He also mentioned an incident where he parked for five minutes to give his teacher his excuse for not coming to class and came out to find a ticket on his windshield. He also complained about people who park in the wrong space.

The students suggested the implication of a universal parking permit, which GSU has had in the past, and "a few more 30 minute parking spaces or visitor parking," said Marcus.

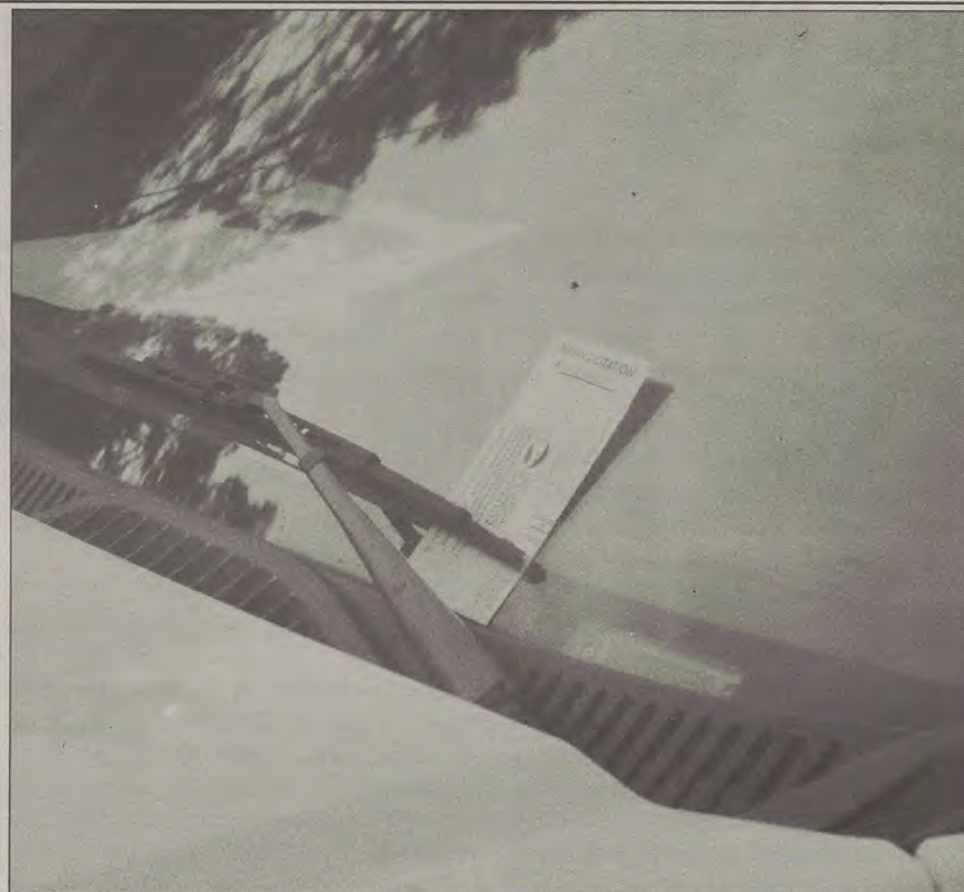
"We moved from that [university parking permit] system and that was the biggest mess,"

said Bryant. "I can tell you from my experience my freshman year we had commuter permits and resident permits, and it would take you thirty minutes to find a space," said PT82.

After just one hour, I completely changed my views on the parking attendants. As with most students, I once saw them as only seeking to make money through fines. "The fine is meant to be a deterrent, to deter you from using a space that a permit holder paid to park in," said Bryant.

I now believe this to be true as well, knowing the battle for a parking space in some areas. "You need to be ethical in what you are doing. The fact is that people park illegally and they should not be able to. If we were not here, it would be a huge mess. People would be parking everywhere, parking on the curbs and parking on the grass. It would be complete chaos," said PT82.

Permits may be purchased at the Department of Parking and Transportation behind the Russell Union or at <http://services.georgiasouthern.edu/park/>



Derek Joyce/STAFF

Parking attendants use the fines they sanction as a deterrent to students who park in unauthorized zones. These zones are essential to uphold or else students would park wherever they felt.

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## Can we retire Raymond Gross' number?

COLUMN

By Robert Greene II

Staff writer

The story of Georgia Southern football is one is hard working players, legendary coaches and spectacular games. All true blue fans know Erk Russell, and quite a few know Paul Johnson, whose exploits at Georgia Tech have brought him back to the forefront of Eagles' fans' minds.

Most fans know about or have seen footage of the great Adrian Peterson, the running back star who carried the Eagles to three consecutive championship game appearances and two national titles. Still others know a thing or two about Tracy Ham, the first great Eagle football player, who led the comeback against Furman in the 1985 national title game.

His jersey number 8, along with Adrian Peterson's number 3, are retired and on prominent display at Paulson Stadium.

It seems to me, however, that a name is missing from that last paragraph.

No, I'm not talking about Jayson Foster, although I'll get to him in a moment.

Who I am talking about is Raymond Gross, who proudly wore number 11 for GSU for four years.

If you don't know who he is off the top of your head, and you consider yourself a true Eagles fan, then that's a shame.

Gross was the kind of a leader that helped give Georgia Southern the championship luster that it has, until recently, enjoyed in excess.

Gross's career began in the shadow of the great Tracy Ham.

When Ham's career was over, he'd carried the Eagles to two consecutive national championships and had taken the Eagles from obscurity to national power.

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## Quick Hits

Football concludes its season this Saturday in Paulson Stadium against The Citadel. Kickoff is scheduled for 2 p.m.

Men's basketball travels to Jacksonville State on Saturday after back-to-back road games.

Women's basketball travels to Duke today to face the Blue Devils. Tip-off is scheduled for 7 p.m.

This Saturday's football game is Military Appreciation Day as well as the National Championship Reunion where the '89 and '99 teams will be recognized.

Swimming & diving travels to South Carolina today to compete in the Gamecock Invitational. The contest lasts through Saturday.

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## GROSS

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Most quarterbacks, at any level, would've caved in under such pressure to follow such a legend.

However, Gross found a way to take the Eagles to the playoffs in his first season.

It was here that he had his first stroke of genius, engineering a second half comeback against Maine in the first round of the 1987 NCAA I-AA playoffs.

While the Eagles would go on to lose at Appalachian State on a frozen field, it was clear Gross had arrived.

A recognition of the greatness of this team would be seen by fans everyday if they saw Gross's number next to Ham's and Peterson's.

Such a move also opens the door to the recognition for other players, such as the aforementioned Jayson Foster, Greg Hill, Chaz Williams, and Joe Ross, not to mention numerous players on the defensive side of the ball that never seem to get their due in Eagle football lore, such as Edward Thomas, who leads the Eagles all time with 30 sacks, or Paul Carroll who leads the Eagles in all-time tackles at 375.

While all of these people may not deserve to have their number retired, something should

be done at Paulson Stadium to honor their sacrifices for Eagle football.

At the very least, players who wear their number should realize who came before them every time they play at home and say, "I have to live up to what he did before me."

Such a problem has a myriad of solutions, the easiest of which could be recognition in the areas next to the retired jerseys of Ham and Peterson.

One possible solution could be putting retired numbers on blue jerseys below the press box where the numbers of Peterson and Ham currently reside, while putting important, but not retired, numbers on white uniforms next to them.

Regardless, it is time to open up the recognition of so many Eagle greats.

As the 1989 and 1999 championship teams are honored this Saturday, we should all work hard to make sure that more players from those teams, and other Eagle teams, are honored every Saturday at Paulson.

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## NEWS FROM THE NEST

## Rivalry renewed at Duke

By GSU News Service

The Georgia Southern women's basketball team rekindles a rivalry that has been absent for nearly 25 years as the Lady Eagles travel to No. 11 Duke Thursday, Nov. 19. With two meetings in the record books, the programs have not met since 1985. The first meeting came three seasons prior to that in 1982. Tip inside Cameron Indoor Stadium is set for 7 p.m. and Ryan Chambers of the Georgia Southern Radio Network will call the game on 102.9 WPMX-FM. The contest can be heard globally on [www.GeorgiaSouthernEagles.com](http://www.GeorgiaSouthernEagles.com)

The Lady Eagles (1-0) opened the 2009-2010 campaign Friday night on Homecoming with a 96-44 rout over Brewton-Parker. J'Lisa Ogburn jumpstarted her senior year with her fourth career double-double posting a career- and game-high 18 points alongside 10 rebounds. Returning to the floor for the first time since last December, senior Carolyn Whitney collected 14 points with two assists in the start. And freshman Kayla Dayton opened her collegiate career as an Eagle contributing 12 points and tied for a game-high

five assists in the win.

The Eagles shot 49.4 percent from the floor, with 51.4 percent in the second half, and won the edge on glass 55-42. The Lady Eagles recorded 55 rebounds and 20 steals in the win. The Lady Eagles' defense held Brewton-Parker to a 23.7 percent shooting for the game with a mere 18.8 percent in the second half.

No. 11 Duke (1-1) opens its home schedule Thursday night playing host to GSU. The Blue Devils returned two starters from a 2008-09 squad that went 27-6 overall. With nine returned lettermen, Duke also brought back 58.5 percent of its shooting and 63.3 percent of its rebounding from last season.

GSU and Duke will meet for the third time in program history Thursday night. The first meeting occurred back in 1982 at the Lady Hatter Classic. The Lady Eagles picked up the win, 64-58. The two schools then met again three seasons later in the South Florida Christmas Tournament in 1985. The Blue Devils defeated the Lady Eagles, 71-65.

This will be the first meeting between head coaches Rusty Cram and Joanne P. McCallie.

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# GAMEDAY MAYDAY

GEORGIA SOUTHERN EAGLES (4-6, 3-4) VS. THE CITADEL BULLDOGS (4-6, 2-5)



Rob Eakins/STAFF

Georgia Southern quarterback Kyle Collins (12) huddles the offense together as he got the start in last week's game against Furman.

By Thom Cunningham  
Sports editor

The last game of the season has arrived with the Georgia Southern Eagles falling to the sixth ranking in the SoCon.

In last week's contest against Furman, the Eagles decided to start junior quarterback Kyle Collins over Lee Chapple. Will Collins get the start for two straight weeks? Possibly, but this contest against The Citadel is the last of the 2009 season, so expect anything and everything on both sides of the ball for GSU.

As we conclude the season, let's go over GSU's biggest playmakers throughout the year.

One of the bright spots in last week's game was the play of cornerback Laron Scott. His man-to-man ability is one of the best, and he always makes a play on the ball when it is thrown his way. Brent Russell has been a workhorse for the season as well. Russell has the strength and attitude to shed many blocks, including double teams.

Offensively, it was tough to find a playmaker who has been consistent for the Eagles. Although he doesn't touch the ball every play, wide receiver Jamere Valentine has made plays each time the ball is thrown to him. Similar to a young Raja Andrews, Valentine's ability to run downfield and make a play on one-on-one situations is often overlooked.

Other obvious playmakers include Dion Dubose, Harland Bower, Adam Urbano and Darrell Pasco. But as last week showed, the entire team and not just the playmakers have to show up to win this Saturday.

## Inside the Huddle: The Citadel Bulldogs

### Offense

The Citadel has had three different quarterbacks play under center this season. Redshirt freshman quarterback Miguel Starks has played the most time for the Bulldogs this season. Although Starks plays the most at the quarterback position, he leads the team in rushing yards and rushing touchdowns. Redshirted junior Bart Blanchard is the more traditional quarterback for The Citadel. In the eight games Blanchard has played in, he has completed 61 percent of his passes and threw for 12 touchdowns.

A quarterback carousel seems to be The Citadel's offensive identity, but the Bulldogs have other playmakers as well. Wide receiver Andre Roberts is averaging a total of 71 receiving yards per game. The Bulldogs' redzone threat through the air is tight end Alex Sellars, who has six receiving touchdowns this season.

### Defense

A bright spot in The Citadel's defense lies in their secondary where they have accumulated a total of 11 interceptions in the '09 season. Redshirted junior Cortez Allen ties the team for most interceptions with three. Out of those three interceptions, Allen has 112 return yards, making him a threat in the open field after he picks off the ball. Allen also leads his team in passes defended with five and broken up plays with eight.

The Citadel's trenches are also something to not take lightly as the Bulldog's defensive line has combined for a total of eight sacks, six of which are combined between players Kyle Anderson and Terrence Reese.

An overlooked aspect of football is the special teams, where the Bulldogs have blocked a total of four kicks against opponents this season.

### Players to watch

Jamere Valentine  
Adam Urbano

Darrell Pasco  
Brent Russell

Dion DuBose  
Laron Scott

## Around the SoCon

### Standings

Team	Overall	SoCon
App. State	(8-2)	(7-0)
Elon	(8-2)	(6-1)
Furman	(5-5)	(4-3)
UT-C	(6-4)	(4-4)
Samford	(5-5)	(3-4)
GSU	(4-6)	(3-4)
The Citadel	(4-6)	(2-5)
Wofford	(3-7)	(2-5)
WCU	(2-8)	(1-6)

## SoCon Stars

Samford tailback Chris Evans now leads the SoCon in total rushing yards with 1,053. He is the only tailback to eclipse the 1,000 yard rushing mark in the SoCon.

Although he is a quarterback, Appalachian State's Armanti Edwards leads the SoCon in rushing touchdowns with 16. He also has 10 touchdowns through the air, bringing his touchdown total to 26 on the year.

Western Carolina linebacker Adrian McLeod leads the SoCon in tackles with 126. Currently, McLeod is averaging a total of 12.5 tackles per game which is also a SoCon high.

Chattanooga kicker Craig Camay currently leads the SoCon in field goal percentage after converting 16 out of his 19 attempts this season. Camay also holds the longest field goal made in the SoCon with a 52 yarder.

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