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## Fraternity closes

TKE in 'non-operational' status for academic violations; can return in 2013

By **NIKKI WILEY**  
and **CHARLES MINSHEW**

News editor  
and Editor-in-Chief

A fraternity was moved to non-operational status Wednesday by their national organization after failing to meet academic and membership requirements.

The Lambda-Upsilon chapter of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity will not be recognized as a student organization at Georgia Southern University but will be able to re-colonize a chapter in spring 2013.

Joy Hamm, assistant dean of students and director of fraternity and sorority relations, said that the decision was made by the national organization with support from GSU "based on low academic performance and membership numbers."

TKE requires that all members maintain a 2.5 GPA, while GSU requires a higher GPA.

The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Relations website states, "Failure to comply [with GPA requirements] will result in further reduction of participation in social activities or possible loss of recognition of the chapter as a member of the Georgia Southern University Greek community."

“We don’t want the guys to necessarily put all of their focus into building the chapter stronger when individually they need to work on academics for themselves”

- Adam Kearns, TKE’s asst. director  
of chapter services for standards

Assistant director of chapter services for standards for the fraternity, Adam Kearns, said the fraternity’s members have been working to meet the university and national requirements for the last year.

“They’ve improved. It’s been up and down for the last year or so,” he said. “They were above it and then below. Above and below, so it’s been back and forth.”

According to Hamm, TKE was placed on a “corrective action plan,” but the national organization made the decision to deem the charter non-operational after it failed to meet the objectives in that plan.

“We’ve been working them to improve

the GPA and the size of the chapter to working standards and at this time it’s not somewhere that we see the chapter going,” Kearns said.

Additionally, the chapter failed to meet the fraternity’s recruitment standards.

“TKE does have an international standard for our chapters to have 20 men minimum so with that we were working with the group to recruit more men,” Kearns said.

Kearns said the decision was based on the organization’s desire for members to improve their academic standing before focusing on building the fraternity.

“So, with the current men with academic requirements being the issue revolving around this, we don’t want the guys to necessarily put all of their focus into building the chapter stronger when individually they need to work on academics for themselves,” he said.

“But like I said before, with the academic requirement not being there, we wanted them to focus more personally than for the chapter. That’s where the agreement with the university came in to where we were having these guys focus on their academics”

Joshua Franz, president of the chapter, declined to comment for this story.



Akeem Hill/STAFF

Lady Eagles guard Jamie Navarro protects the ball from a College of Charleston player.

## Lady Eagles fall to Charleston, 51-39

By **ERIC WILEY**

George-Anne contributor

The Georgia Southern women’s basketball team lost their first conference match at Hanner Fieldhouse Wednesday night.

The Lady Eagles fell to the College of Charleston Cougars, 51-39. The team is now 11-15 in overall play and 8-9 in Southern Conference play.

The Lady Eagles 10-game winning streak was ended by the Cougars. Jamie Navarro broke the single-season record for three pointers in a season.

The team will travel to Davidson on February 19th. For the full game story, visit [www.thegeorgeanne.com](http://www.thegeorgeanne.com).



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# Local businesses violate underage alcohol laws

By **TREVOR MARKS**

George-Anne contributor

Several Statesboro businesses were under fire recently at a city council meeting for underage alcohol violations.

The Georgia Department of Revenue's Alcohol and Tobacco Division organized an evaluation of multiple local businesses.

Agent Ronald Huckaby lead a team of undercover agents who attempted to purchase alcoholic beverages at a number of locations.

Six businesses failed to check his identification.

Five businesses were named as first offenders, including Kevin's Food Mart, Sunny Food Mart, Buffalo's,

Christopher's, and Holiday Pizza.

The first offenders saw no sanctions.

"Everyone for the past two years has gotten a warning for a first offense. First one's on us, the second one's on you," said City Councilman Travis Chance.

The Rusty Tavern was the only business to face its second offense for the sale of alcohol to a minor.

"The girl who sold the alcohol [to the agent] had only been there for two days," said Rusty Ledford, the bar's license holder.

"It was a mistake; she no longer works at the Rusty Tavern. We will make all future bartenders go through ID training before they step behind the bar."

The motion was passed that The

Rusty Tavern would see a 10-day suspension of its alcohol license.

However the establishment is open two days a week, so the suspension will only affect two business days.

The council only has the power to determine how long the suspension lasts.

"It doesn't stipulate how the punishment will be carried out," Chance said.

Overall, Chance said that alcohol violations in Statesboro are relatively infrequent.

"We haven't had more than a half-dozen in the past year," he said.

"People are going to make mistakes; we understand that, that's why we've taken our stance on first offenses. We understand that is a little severe."

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## Police Beat

**Monday, February 14, 2011**

- Officers issued five traffic warnings, five traffic citations, assisted seven motorists, assisted one sick person, responded to a drug complaint at University Villas, responded to a drug complaint at Centennial Place and investigated one accident.
- A book bag was taken from the RAC.

- A vehicle was damaged at Eagle Village.
- Mykelti Kivongh Davis, 18, Georgia Avenue, was charged with possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, minor in possession/consumption of alcohol and crossing guard lines with drugs (entered the jail with drugs).

## Corrections

An opinion column in the Tuesday, February 15 edition of The George-Anne entitled "Bright Ideas: Be smart and Frugal" written by columnist John DiPietro was incorrectly attributed to Charles Feagain.

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Our View

## Drug task force is good for community

As with the conventional thinking that crime increased at Georgia Southern last year, the increased number of drug-related arrests doesn't mean illegal substances have become a greater problem at GSU.

Instead, Georgia Southern University police has teamed up with the Statesboro Policed Department to crack down on illegal drug use. In other words, they are shining a new light on an already existing issue.

Even though they are different departments, the united front of the GSU and Statesboro police forces is more effective than the ineffective head bumping, authority chains, and infamous red tape ways of old.

The task force is in place to help maintain security of students, faculty, and visitors of GSU and the Statesboro area from drug, gang, and firearm related crimes.

Officials have said that they have seen no incidents involving firearms or gangs. But, this force might just persuade those who want to cause trouble from doing so.

For officers this means just a little more work, but with this new effort will be bigger and better rewards.

For students, this means living at a safer Georgia Southern.

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## Modern times most powerful tool

The internet is quite possibly the most powerful technological tool of modern times. It allows people a function that was previously unimaginable, and it offers more than just unlimited access to adult sites.

One thing the internet has spawned out of our generation is an explosion of user-generated content. Films, music, art, short stories and fan fiction all have homes on the internet, and all are created because people wanted to make something.

Anyone at any time can decide to create their own low budget TV show, their own remake of The Dark Knight or their own rap single and publish it via the web. The internet allowed a starving human characteristic, the need to create or the need to make something, to be pursued.

That doesn't mean anyone is going to watch all the garbage that has been produced, but the net exists as a home for endless amounts of free speech and creativity.

Before, it seemed as though our society was becoming a "Read Only" society in which people were only performing half of a critical



BROCK VICKERS

thinking process, the other half being writing.

In college, professors are seen as evil human beings bent on crushing students with research papers and pointless reading and writing assignments, right? Or, perhaps teachers know that reading is only half the battle.

The minds of students who articulate their thoughts into words or visual products are stimulated more than those who simply read an article from a text book.

Everyone has the desire to create something, whether it is babies or a work of literary art. People naturally desire to voice some aspect of their existence and say "I was here!"

Even the social networking site Twitter, that god awful waste of time, gives people an outlet of self-expression. With Twitter, everyone can make fun of the Black Eyed Peas

half-time show at the Super Bowl and everyone can follow the humor immediately.

Sarcasm aside, people are finding new ways to use the internet. Tosh.0 would not even have a show if there were not endless amounts of bad creations out there on the web. The internet is the modern medium for individual expression.

The novel House of Leaves by Mark Z. Danielewski, and unbelievably strange novel that twists the mind of readers to say the least, started out as an internet experiment. A man with an idea had a way of expressing those strange thoughts without any assistance from producers, presenters, or backers of any kind.

That is the same relationship that the web offers. The point is that we all have a publisher now. While this could be considered an information overload, it should be thought of as a potential tool that gives people a creative outlet.

The internet can be a playground, so go play and go create.

**Vickers** is a senior Theater and Journalism major from Alma, Ga.



## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor :

Good luck, Mr. Randall, in relation to your bringing such pseudo-scholars as Beck, Coulter, and Limbaugh to campus. You will need in excess of \$200,000 to bring any of them. If you succeed in raising that kind of money, then I would challenge the stewardship of using it that way in any case. Ayers came for \$500. Your letter was "cutesy" but hardly to the point of what should go on for an institution of higher learning. Free speech, yes ; double ignorance, no. Let me also say that all of us are a bit liberal as well as a bit conservative. There is such a thing as

secular fundamentalism in relation to this discussion. This movement and persons seem to believe that they have all the truth and then proceed to misrepresent in emotional language anyone who disagrees with their views. This is diatribe but not dialogue and illustrates what a medieval scholar called "double ignorance". We are all ignorant of so many things, but double ignorance is defined as "not to know but not to know that you don't know and yet to think that you know." One may have opinions but must not confuse them with facts. To deny facts is really an illustration of double ignorance, and this has clouded this whole discussion

involving Ayers. As an historian, I have given a life-time to the study of facts and their meaning for our lives. When anyone pays no attention to established facts due to opinions that collide with the facts, there you have secular fundamentalism and double ignorance. Ayers' style was that of dialogue about facts, even in relation to his past history which by admission he regrets. He was "open" to all ideas, but those who disagreed with this openness are prime examples of secular fundamentalism. Such attitudes are terribly unhealthy for any institution of higher learning.

**Dr. George Shriver**

## Setting the political scene straight

As a supporter of the administration, I have to shake my head at critics these days. Previously, a passionate letter to our newspaper's editor called out a group on campus that has been inactive for the last year: the Young Democrats.

While I would never use this medium to play partisan politics with another group, I must point out some claims made. The assumption that nothing "really" has been achieved in the two (writer uses three) years that President Obama has been in office is not exactly valid.

Contrast this view with the view of the Director of Congressional and Presidential Studies at American University, James Thurber. "I look at the productivity of this Congress as comparable to when President Johnson was in office and even comparable to FDR," said Thurber.

The current stimulus bills possibly saving the nation from economic collapse, The Lilly Ledbetter Act for equal pay rights for women, The Repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," a healthcare reform that has been danced around for nearly one hundred years, New Financial Markets Reform, Student Loan Reform with additional Pell Grants, Credit Card Reform, the Bush Tax Cuts Deal, the 9/11 First Responders Bill, the confirmation of two Supreme Court Justices, first-time homebuyer's



**CHARLES FEAGAIN**

tax credit, Food Safety overhaul, and Tobacco reform are things that President Obama has done, just off the top of my head.

Politics is a game, and sometimes you have to shake up the roster and send scouts out. Bringing in veteran William Daley as the President's chief of staff while sending out David Axelrod and Robert Gibbs into the field is strategy more than a lack of control of the cabinet.

Contrary to popular belief, the President has brought the troops home. During his campaign, he pledged to bring home troops from Iraq first. This has happened. Combat operations have ceased and a peaceful transition to one hundred percent Iraqi rule is underway. Afghanistan, while a bit more complicated, is still on target. The troop surge that had bipartisan backing appears to be working, and troop withdrawal from the region has been scheduled for summer 2012.

Your point on the fair weather

members is valid; however, the policy points behind it leave little room to stand on.

The 2012 presidential budget has been published, releasing an outpouring of commentators from the Bernie Sanders left to the Rush Limbaugh right. At first glance, the budget takes direct aim at programs targeted for the working poor, middle class, and especially students.

Following an election narrative that on the surface appears to be spending, the budget makes cuts to Heating Aid, Fossil Fuel Subsidies, Community Organizing, and Democracy Promoting programs in the state department. These cuts run deep and affect the everyday lives of some of our society's most vulnerable people, and while I do support a balanced budget, it cannot be achieved by using spending cuts only.

These cuts, averaging about \$100 billion each year over the next ten years, happen mainly through social programs. With so many talking points about "The Record \$1.6 Trillion" dollar deficit, it's amazing that no one mentions the Bush Tax deal, adding \$858 billion onto the deficit (\$56 billion in UE insurance). Honesty is usually a good policy, regardless of party affiliation.

*Feagain is a senior sociology major from Detroit, Mich.*

## UN's necessary cooperative support

Last week, our nation's ambassador to the UN began a nationwide speaking tour, calling for a "strengthening" of the world body, rather than a "starving" of it that many, such as conservatives, are calling for. Apparently, she (and by extension, the Obama Administration) thinks that the world would be best served by expanding the international body's power. But that view fails to see that the body's problem isn't a lack of power, it's how that power is wielded. We could surrender all of our rights to the purview of the body, and fail to address the problems that UN suffers from, not to mention the issues troubling the world.

As any scholar of the UN worth their tuition knows, just about every decision the UN makes must be signed off by the Security Council. And in order to get it past that, it has to win the support (or at least the abstainment) of all five permanent members. That's right - even every other nation in the UN wanted to do something, all one of those five (the US, Russia, the UK, China and France) has to do to kill it is vote "no." THIS is why the UN didn't declare Sudan a genocide - China would have said no to any measure that got through the rest of the General Assembly. The idea that a "stronger" UN would be better only works if you weaken those five powers and - oh, wait, you CAN'T, because they'll veto anything condemning them! The UN could be responsible for every facet of life in every country, but if it didn't satisfy all five of those states, whatever they decided would fall on deaf ears.

And you know what? Even if making the UN stronger would allow it to respond to in a better manner to issues around the world, I don't think we'd be better off. The structure of the UN suffers from other flaws that make those responses unlikely to pay off. For example, the various panels that handle specific topics, such as nuclear weapons or human rights, are chaired in a rotating order. This means that Iran can (and has recently) been responsible for overseeing nuclear non-proliferation effort, which recently



**JOHN DIPIETRO**

have been aimed at them specifically. That means China or Sudan could take charge of investigating human rights abuses, despite their own records. Worse, being in charge of those bodies allows those countries to turn the tables on their critics, and while they won't get anything done due to the reason above, the international debacle could help damage the reputations of states trying to get things done.

And even if these items were addressed, the UN would still be mostly toothless. The international body must abide by rules and regulations regarding the sovereignty of the states it deals with. Even if China allowed Sudan to be sanctioned, the Communist government (and other nations) can go around the sanctions anyways without fearing much more than a negative speech and maybe a harshly worded resolution. Even if peacekeepers were to intervene, the most they could do (unless they were attacked) would be to stand between government forces and their targets. Strength isn't the issue, when it comes to the UN. Cooperation is. And in that regard, the UN has been failing for years to foster the cooperation necessary to solve the world's problems. In fact, its existence may have stymied other avenues to solving problems, and continuing support of the UN may be an obstacle to world peace in the ultimate twist of irony.

Many of you won't agree with me. That's fine. But take a moment to think about it. If we continue to foot the bill for the UN, both in direct support and indirect costs (protecting diplomats, maintaining the HQ, etc), what are we getting for our money?

*DiPietro is a senior political science major from John's Creek, Ga.*

# Revised GRE to launch in August 2011

New examination attempts to address accuracy concerns; exam will be longer and more complex

By **COLLEEN McNALLY**

Assistant news editor

A new Graduate Record Examination will take effect next semester after a four-year revision process.

The exam is commonly required for graduate school admissions.

Dr. Charles E. Patterson, the Vice President for Research and Dean of the Jack N. Averitt College of Graduate Studies, said that the GRE is only one admissions standard used to screen graduate applicants and that the changes will not have a major impact.

"Not unlike the SATs for undergraduate admissions, the GRE has been criticized for being too standardized and simply another

test to determine how well students can perform on a standardized test format," Patterson said.

"However, the new GRE format is meant to address some of these concerns and criticisms. It remains to be seen how effective these changes will be in addressing the concerns by critics, though initial data collected has been positive."

Lee Weiss, director of graduate programs for Kaplan Test Prep, said that the official position of the test maker is that changes are intended to improve test security as well as help schools better evaluate candidates.

According to Kaplan's 2010 survey of 108 graduate school admissions officers at top programs in education, engineering, psychology and public

administration, the GRE is the most important admission factor and 66 percent say that a high GRE score can help an applicant gain financial aid.

"Overall, the new GRE is going to be a more complex exam and one that is about an hour longer than the current exam," Weiss said.

Also, the new version will be adaptive at the section level instead of the question-level.

"The new format will allow test takers to skip questions within a section and come back to them, a function not available on the current test," said Weiss.

Senior film major Steve Nyberg is in the process of applying to graduate schools and has taken the current GRE twice.

"I didn't think it was hard, but the whole thing is being timed so I couldn't give my full concentration to each question, like the SAT," said Nyberg.

As for the new version, Nyberg feels there are both pros and cons.

"I wish I had the aspect of being able to go back to a question, but four hours was already killer," he said.

Similarly, Weiss believes it's a "trade-off" when it comes to affecting students.

"[The new GRE has] more flexibility in skipping around on questions in exchange for a new test that is about an hour longer than the current one and includes potentially harder math. With any test change comes an added level of uncertainty,"

he said.

Students planning to apply to graduate school should plan to take the test currently offered, according to Weiss, because the results are valid for five years.

"Students considering grad school would be smart to take the test now, before it changes. The safe bet is to take the current GRE. It's a known test," he said.

"Even if you don't plan to apply to graduate school or business school in the next few years, it's to your advantage."

Weiss also suggested that taking the test while in college is beneficial to students because generally college students perform higher than test takers who have graduated.

# Egypt protests see increases in gas prices

By **TREVOR MARKS**

George-Anne contributor

Gas prices have been on the rise, following weeks of protests in Egypt.

Although their annual oil production is a small percentage of the United States' consumption, Egypt has a large effect on the price of oil, and gas in Statesboro.

"What that means is that what happens in Egypt can influence other Arab states, like the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries.

Arab dictators around the world are nervous, which makes U.S. investors and speculators nervous because of the unpredictability of what might happen in that region," said Krista Wiegand, Georgia Southern University political science professor.

With a history as an Arab state trailing back more than 5,000 years, Egypt is the epitome of Arab nationalism.

"Egypt is politically very influential as the most important Arab state," said Wiegand. "Egypt is

the central nerve of the Arab world."

She said Egypt's protests were the most closely followed by the population of the surrounding Arab countries who were on the brink of revolution.

According to Wiegand, U.S. investors and speculators predicted the rise of oil prices on assumptions of what could happen in these countries.

"The price of oil is not being affected by what's actually happening; it's by the nervousness of what could

happen, the unpredictability, and that is the only reason oil is being affected," she said.

U.S. speculators and investors have created a climate of uncertainty about the future of politics in the Middle East, driving up the cost of oil in U.S. markets.

"What's interesting is that the oil companies are not all that concerned. It's politicians. They're kind of making something out of nothing. Oil prices should not really change, but they are because [the oil companies] are

nervous," Wiegand said.

The Muslim Brotherhood, which is an Egyptian political group, was among those to support the protesters.

"There are misunderstandings about this group, the Muslim Brotherhood, and whether they're radical. They're conflated as a terrorist group or a radical group; they're really a moderate mainstream group that wants more religion in politics just like Christians in [the U.S.] want more religion in politics."

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# Winner of 'The Apprentice' to speak

Bill Rancic will share his lessons from 'The Apprentice' during a keynote speech at the Life After College Conference

By **COLEEN CUREAU**

George-Anne contributor

Bill Rancic, the first winner of Donald Trump's "The Apprentice," will visit Georgia Southern University as the keynote speaker for the Life After College Conference.

"We wanted to bring a well-known keynote speaker who could provide advice to students about the job search process. Bill Rancic basically survived one of the toughest job interviews through his experience on 'The Apprentice,'" said Assistant Director of Career Services, Amy Rowell.

Rancic will share tips on how to navigate job interviews, recognize and seize opportunities, and how

to effectively communicate in the workplace.

"We're just excited for students to hear his personal story and a very inspiring, motivational presentation about what it takes to be successful from someone who knows. And that, of course," said Rowell, "is something we want for all our students."

Rancic's presentation will be given in addition to breakout sessions and workshops occurring from 10:10 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 21.

In the workshops, recruiters from big name companies such as Geico, Wal-Mart and Wells Fargo will present topics on job search, interviewing, résumé writing, financial planning and more.

Rowell said, "With the workshops, the biggest advantage is, we have employers. [Students] hear from the people doing the hiring, so they know what they need to do in order to be successful."

Freshman Andrew Allen said, "[The workshops] are important. You might learn something different."

Sophomore special education major Mary Katherine Gossett agreed and said, "It's important for us students to know how to do all those things when we go out into the workforce."

“ We wanted to bring a well-known keynote speaker who could provide advice to students about the job search process. ”

- Director of Career Services Amy Rowell

The sessions will take place in Russell Union rooms 2080 and 2084. Rancic will speak in the Performing Arts Center at 7 p.m.

The presentation is sponsored by Career Services, CLEC, and the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement.

Everyone is welcome to attend the conference as well as see Rancic speak. There is no attendance fee, but seating is limited, so early arrival is recommended.



Special photo  
**Bill Rancic**, author of "You're Hired: How to Succeed in Business and Life" will speak Feb. 21.

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# University gallery features natural art

By JULIA WELCH and ARIA GABOL

George-Anne contributor and assistant arts editor

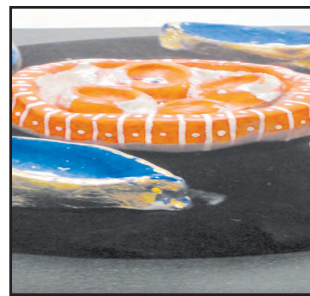
Art in the woods gives an entirely different meaning to “art”. Not only does this one day art exhibit occur outside, but also gives the viewers something new to gaze at around every tree trunk.

“Arts in the Woods: A Retrospective,” is being featured in the University Gallery, downstairs at the Center for Art and Theater, until Feb. 24. The artists include Mel Cartaya, Anthony Faris, Bryan Ghiloni, Jean Gray Mohs, Nick Nelson, Desmell Purcell, and Brandon Tatom. Mohs, Nelson, and Purcell attended Georgia Southern University.

Purcell is also a founder and is still an active member of the group. He graduated in 2004, and visits campus and the art galleries often. Purcell and Mohs attended a student trip to Washington, D.C. together, and that’s where the idea of getting out of the gallery formed.

The gallery consists of pictures and pieces from past shows in the woods near Stillmore, Ga. over the last eight years. The members have changed since 2003, but the concept remains the same. Their works include performance art, interactive pieces throughout the woods, and even themselves.

“As a student, the work that I came to produce and came away with was at opposite ends of the spectrum. I



Ashley Bradford/STAFF

Visitors take in the sights of unconventional art at the Center for Art and Theatre Wednesday night.

was just constantly challenged,” said Purcell. “We share common concepts sometimes, but either handshakes or fists, we learned and pulled from it. We became a common pool all bonded together through differences.”

The artists chose the woods as their location to express their artwork. “The pines choke out all the light. It is a dead space, an unnatural space, and disconnected from the gallery setting,” said Faris.

Purcell relates the group to a

classroom experience where you get critiques and feedback from other people. He said, “The ‘Art in the Woods’ is a collaborative event, a common thread tying individual work together.”

Faris, the youngest member of the group said, “My artwork is not a vacuum; my work is about communication. The group’s artwork would be nothing without the viewer.”

Faris also said, “Working together is really like one big support group.”

Whether the viewers are local or not, all of them are important to the artists. Ghiloni said, “The best times we had were unexpected, [and] not always what we had in mind. The group never shows the same work twice; every time is a new experience.”

Their next exhibition is March 26 in Stillmore. The theme or artwork to be showcased is never described before the event. Faris said, “We don’t tell you what you’re in for. You have to find out for yourselves.”

## The Buzz List

Commentary by Mallory McLendon

- Billy Ray Cyrus is blaming the Disney Channel for ‘destroying’ his family and estranging Miley Cyrus. No, Cyrus, I’m pretty sure that was just you not being a good dad. Now go cry alone in your bathroom, singing ‘Achy Breaky Heart’ to your self. Alone.
- Jeopardy! is getting its best ratings in six years with day two of the IBM Challenge with Ken Jennings, Brad Rutter and IBM Watson Supercomputer. I always knew technology was going to take us over. I just didn’t think it would start with game shows.
- ‘Skins’ is still getting called out for portraying minors in lingerie by the Parents Television Council. Listen, if they’re doing it now, they’re still going to do it as adults.

Information compiled from TheHollywoodReporter.com, Variety.com and Billboard.com

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# Femininity embraced

## Performance Review

By SARAH FONSECA

staff reporter



Utter the words “Vagina Monologues” aloud and you’re likely to get a few curious looks.

Regardless of initial reactions, the performance was met by an almost full house at the Performing Arts Center on Wednesday night. The initial curiosity of the show draws students in.

The tone of the individual monologues branches from the hilarious “My Angry Vagina”, performed by Kay Head to the heart-wrenching “My Vagina Was My Village”, performed by Harley Quinn.

Each audience member is bound to walk away with a heightened sense of awareness of the issues facing women today or a general sense of liberation and sense of openness.

This year’s production included many outstanding performances, including “The



Blair Martin/STAFF

Vagina Workshop” performed by Amanda Mullany, which is about a young woman’s first time experiencing an orgasm; and “Because He Liked To Look At It” performed by Honour Hayes, a monologue about how a woman came to accept herself through the love and acceptance of her partner.

In addition to the usual audience favorites, this year’s production closed with a new monologue. “Myriam Merlet” performed by Zulema Ibarra paid homage to the Haitian feminist who was killed in 2010’s catastrophic earthquake.



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# WEEKLY BUZZ

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FEBRUARY 17 - FEBRUARY 23

## thursday 2.17.2011

1:00 PM

### Graduate School Information Session

*Russell Union*

7:00 PM

### Beyond the Border: The Politics of Immigration

*Russell Union*

7:00 PM

### Man Law: The Conversation

*Russell Union*

## friday 2.18.2011

1:00 PM

### Graduate School Information Session

*Russell Union*

## MONDAY 2.21.2011

1:00 PM

### Body Image Screening

*Russell Union*

3:00 PM

### Take Control of Your Academic Future

*Cone Hall*

4:30 PM

### Apply to be a BUILD Leader

*Russell Union*

5:00 PM

### Learning Styles

*Cone Hall*

6:00 PM

### Reading Effectively

*Cone Hall*

7:00 PM

### Bill Rancic, You're Hired

*PAC*

7:00 PM

### Math 1112 Test 1 Study Session

*Cone Hall*

## tuesday 2.22.2011

11:00 AM

### STEM Career Fair

*Nessmith Lane Continuing Education Building*

3:00 PM

### Top Ten Study Tips

*Cone Hall*

4:00 PM

### Time Management

*Cone Hall*

## wednesday 2.23.2011

10:00 AM

### Eating Disorder Awareness Day Table

*Russell Union*

4:00 PM

### Note Taking in Lectures

*Cone Hall*

5:00 PM

### Goal Setting

*Cone Hall*

6:00 PM

### Preparing for Exams

*Cone Hall*

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### Math 1112 Test 1 Study Session

*Cone Hall*

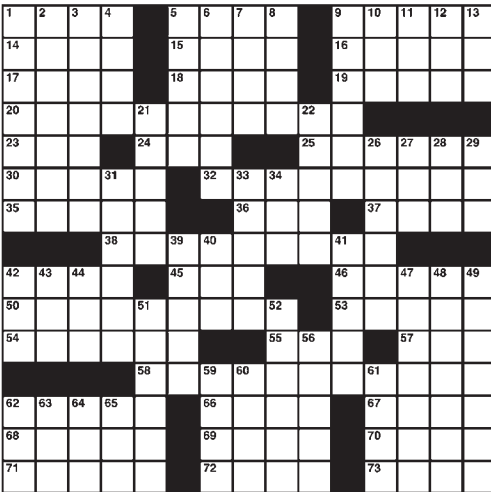


## Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

## ACROSS

- 1 \_\_\_ effort  
5 Without restraint  
9 "\_\_\_ luego"  
14 Merrill in movies  
15 Microwave  
16 "\_\_\_ Smith and Jones"; 1970s TV Western  
17 List maker  
18 Swank's "Amelia" co-star  
19 Stealthy Easterner  
20 Fancy greens dish  
23 Storm hdg.  
24 Out of sorts  
25 Cloud in Orion  
30 Spay or neuter  
32 #1 tennis player for much of the '80s  
35 "I can help"  
36 2012 Ryder Cup captain Davis Love \_\_\_  
37 News organ?  
38 In reverse position  
42 Cross over  
45 Be less than healthy  
46 Greek with lessons  
50 Feminist's concern  
53 \_\_\_ myrtle: tree or shrub in the loosestrife family  
54 Skirmish  
55 Where Eth. is  
57 Chess pieces  
58 Bit of modern folklore  
62 Howled  
66 Upscale hotel chain  
67 Without thinking, with "by"  
68 Tequila plant  
69 It often involves steady losses  
70 Privy to  
71 With 72- and 73-Across, what this puzzle does literally at six different intersections  
72 See 71-Across  
73 See 71-Across



By Elizabeth A. Long

2/17/11

## DOWN

- 1 Supplementary items  
2 He plays Lord Voldemort in Harry Potter films  
3 Where the teacher might casually sit  
4 Rajah's wife  
5 Guardian, maybe  
6 Vegan's morning meal  
7 Cajun staple  
8 Stabilizing part  
9 "Water Music" composer  
10 Clay, today  
11 Offense  
12 Atlantic City casino, with "The" matter of fact  
21 Sly female  
22 Musical based on a comic strip  
26 Binge  
27 A quarter of cuatro  
28 Mormons, initially  
29 Bar option  
31 Corrects, as text  
33 Instrument in Schubert's "Trout Quintet"

## Today's Puzzle Solved



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- 34 \_\_\_ conditioning  
39 Provocative sort  
40 \_\_\_ leaf  
41 Mother-of-pearl  
42 Certain NCO  
43 Little, in Lille  
44 "Jeopardy!" ques., really  
47 Identical item  
48 Summer shoe style  
49 Hanging  
51 Gets by  
52 Gave one star, say  
56 Moves like a moth  
59 Portend  
60 Exiled African tyrant  
61 Dreadful  
62 Bit of Lagasse lingo  
63 Turkish title  
64 Asian ox  
65 First lady?

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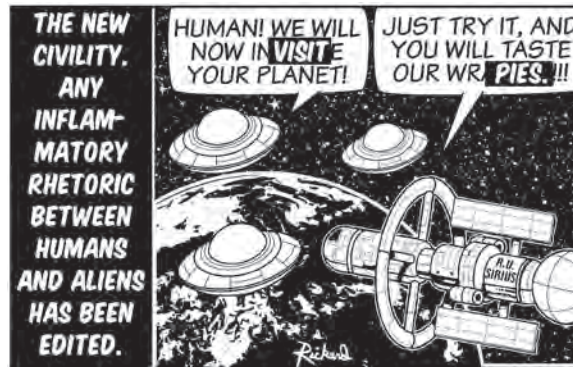
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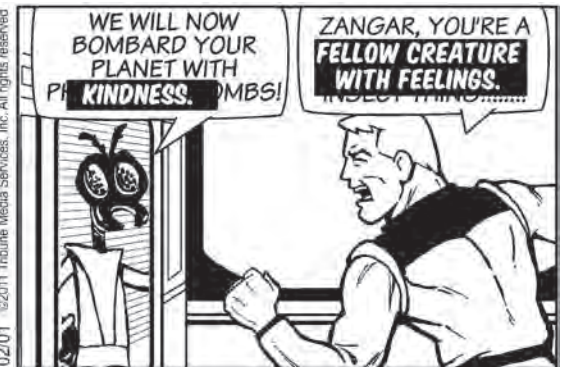
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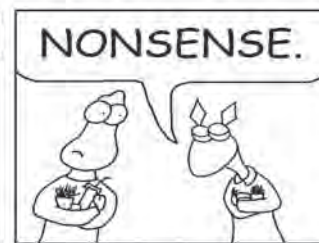
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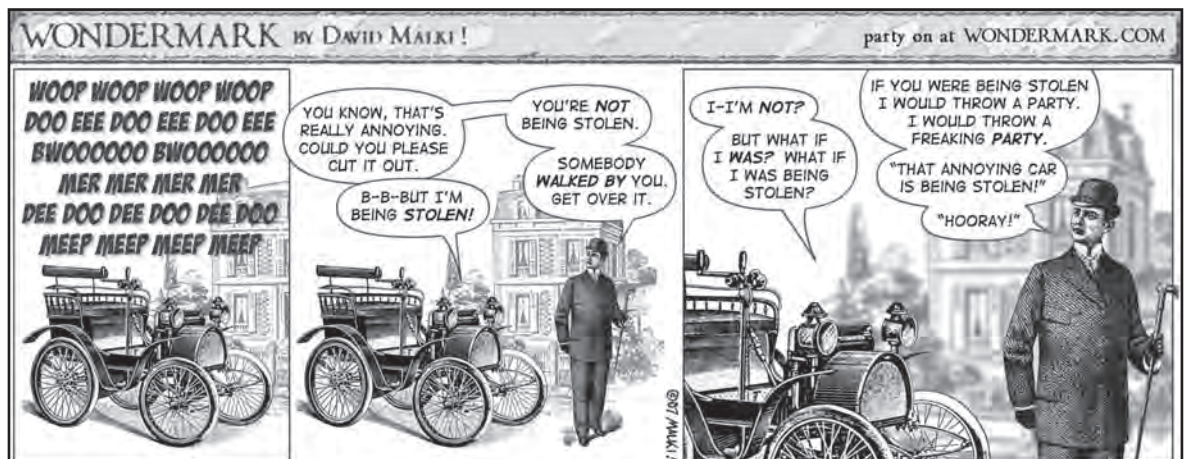
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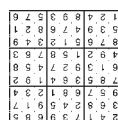
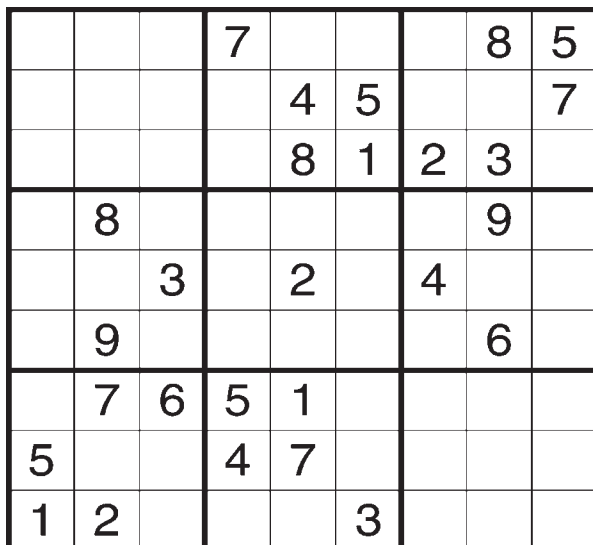
## Shrimp



By Garrett Pekar



## Sudoku





## Smith to lead the Lady Eagles to a Southern Conference Championship

By BIONCA BALL

George-Anne contributor

Preseason Player of the Year Megen Smith is ready to lead the Georgia Southern University Softball team to another exciting year. Her drive, dedication, devotion to the game, and the position she holds at Georgia Southern University is recognizable.

"Softball is not only just an opportunity to go out there and use the talent that God has given me, it is not just a game that I play, but it is about various things such as learning character and being an exemplary model to younger athletes," said Smith.

Smith chose to be an Eagle because she felt the Southern comfort. "It's close enough to go back to home, but far enough to get away. I came here. I liked it; it felt

like home. It just felt like the place for me to be."

Smith is ranked third in GSU history with 22 home runs and is ninth with an 87 RBI. She currently holds the GSU career record with seven saves, and was a three-time All-Southern Conference selection, playing first team in 2009 and 2010. That is only a small portion of the positive impact she has made upon the Eagle Nation.

As a team, Smith said she simply hopes for a gradual and persistent increase in their skills and abilities to play excellently and win games.

"Definitely our number one expectation is to try and win SoCon. We have to get out here and practice every day and take it game by game - that is to say, instead of just waiting for the conference tournament, we have to focus game by game on what we can do to make

ourselves better."

Smith said that it would be incredible if the team could beat one of their most significant rivals, The University of Tennessee-Chattanooga; however, she noted that every game on the schedule is vital.

"There is not one game that I look at as being more important than the other. I look at every game as if it is the conference tournament or championship. I look at each game as an opportunity to not only win, but to get to where we need to be."

Upon the completion of her softball career here at GSU, when the prints of her cleats have faded in the dirt by the gust of the wind, when the last whistle has sound and all is packed away, she'd liked to be remembered for her efforts on and off the field.



Randy Hudgins/STAFF

Senior pitcher Megen Smith winds up on the mound during the game.

## Meisenheler seeks to break the Georgia Southern record

By ERIN DENMARK

George-Anne contributor

Sara Meisenheler is a freshman from Carmel, Indiana, who is diving her way closer to breaking the school record in three meters score meet.

In Meisenheler's last meet, she missed her goal by only .25 points; however, she is confident that

she will beat it at the conference championships. An accomplishment like this would be a colossal feat. "It would mean a lot, especially as a freshman, to come in and beat it after six years since the record was made. It would just be a huge honor! It would really mean the world to me."

Meisenheler didn't fall far from

the family tree, as she spent many years learning diving from her aunt. With her aunt's experience from University of Indiana, Meisenheler soon began her journey towards her path now at Georgia Southern University. Through her determination and trials, Meisenheler prepared herself for the journey. "This season looks really good for me, and I have set

some personal best scores every meet."

This season has been a very successful year for the team. Their record this year shows only four losses and a whopping thirteen wins, along with finishing first out of eight teams in the Highlander Invitational.

Meisenheler mentioned that a key part of her life is the support

of her family. "All of my family and friends are very supportive of me, and they call me all the time. My parents take a 13 hour drive each meet just to watch me dive." No matter what pressure she faces, when she is up on the high-dive, or who is in the stands to cheer her on, Meisenheler puts forth her best effort for her team and for herself.



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# Streetmon begins senior season with honor, high expectations, and determination

By **MEAGAN JORDAN**

George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern softball player Brianna Streetmon earned the title of 2011 Preseason Pitcher of the Year through her years of hard work, devotion, and the inspiration from loved ones.

Streetmon's successful softball career began in Winder, Georgia where she played various positions on local teams. Family and friends inspired her to go far in the game, including her grandfather who played Major League Baseball in the early 1960s.

"That was just how everything got going. I am the oldest grandchild, too, so I was pushed to do something more than the other ones have been so far. He influenced me a lot to want to play, but the person that most influenced me was my pitching coach," said Streetmon.

After seeing the fast pitch league girls pitching 70 mile per hour balls, she knew she was meant to be a pitcher.

Many colleges began recruiting Streetmon during her sophomore year of high school when she played for Atlanta travel leagues. GSU became Streetmon's top pick after visiting the campus with recruiters. "As soon as I came here I was ready to stay because I loved it. It's very similar to home," said Streetmon.

Streetmon is a general studies major and has learned to balance her love for school and softball. "I am really into my studies. I study a pretty good bit and we still manage to go out and have fun regardless," said Streetmon.

As an Eagle, her greatest accomplishments include winning the Southern Conference Pitcher of the Year consecutively, and recently, Preseason Pitcher of the Year.

"For the past two back to backs, my sophomore year was my favorite one. I sat down with coach at the beginning of the season and told her that's what I wanted to be and at that time I had literally probably thrown ten innings in a game," said Streetmon. Streetmon is currently ranked first overall in several categories, including games pitched and started.

As a senior this year, Streetmon has high hopes for the Lady Eagles. One of her main goals for her teammates is to have balanced playtime.

"I want everyone to do good. It would be nice even if you aren't playing in the game to come out and step up and get a hit, even if you have been sitting on the bench," said Streetmon. Streetmon and the Lady Eagles started out the season last weekend with two wins and two losses.

The Southern Conference tournament will be held at GSU this

year, making it an even greater aim for the Lady Eagles to win. Streetmon's two key expectations this season include winning and improving the team's SoCon ranking.

"I want us to win the Southern Conference Championship. I also want to beat our ranking we were given in the preseason polls because every year we have really met the goal of being what they chose us to be and I think it would be great to be better," she said. The Eagles were ranked third overall for the 2011 season, just behind Elon and Chattanooga.

Streetmon does not have any plans to play softball after college. "As much as I would love to play, I have done my duty here for four years," she says.

Although she may not be play professional softball, she will continue to share her love for the game with others. She plans to go back home to Winder and teach lessons with her pitching coach.

## The Press Box

What's going on in GSU sports

- Lynndsey Hyter was named the Southern Conference Indoor Field Co-Athlete of the Week for her outstanding feat at the Tiger Paw Invitational.
- The Georgia Southern Women's Basketball team added three new signees to its roster all are from Georgia.
- The Baseball team will host eight games, including two against Georgia Tech, and three against George Washington University.
- Saturday, February 19th, the men's basketball team will return to Hanner Fieldhouse and face The Citadel at 7 p.m.

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Senior pitcher Brianna Streetmon prepares to start off the game with a strike.



# Intramural Scores

## Basketball

### Men's

Sky High 67, Ducks 55  
Blazers 20, BOOM 0  
Outta Breff 49, White Boys 46  
The Saltines 56, Glacial Speed 40  
SAPA's Revenge 45, Wetter Than Your Mom 47  
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## Tennis Singles Registration Opens Monday

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## Busy Weekend for Club Sports:

- Men's Lacrosse beat Valdosta State 24 – 4.
- Women's Rugby defeated Georgia Tech 50 – 7.
- The Swim Team placed third overall out of seven teams.
- Women's Swim Team placed third.

GSU cycling hosted the annual 'Battle in the Boro' this past weekend, bringing in some of the top schools and riders in the nation! The event brought together 13 different schools from six different states. The Eagles had 14 riders, which is the biggest team in school history. Both the men's and women's teams had cyclists place within the top 10. The team is excited to have a strong start to the season, and is looking forward to competing at Florida State University on Feb. 26- 27.





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