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Gun drawn on student

By **PATRICK STOKER**
Staff reporter

A Georgia Southern University student reported having a gun pulled on him in C-Lot Overflow, located next to Landrum cafeteria, after being involved in a traffic accident on Friday, Mar. 4.

GSU Police responded to the complaint, which occurred around 6 p.m., regarding a weapon on university property.

According to the incident report, the complainant stated "that a black male driving a four door green in color Honda rolled into the back of his Jeep Wrangler."

The complainant then stepped out of his vehicle and "looked at the black male with his hands out to his side," the report states.

"That's when the black male pulled a black in color gun and pointed it at him."

The complainant was unable to provide police with a clear description of either the suspect or the suspect's vehicle.

GSU Police have been unable to locate any vehicle fitting the description the complainant provided.

Regents to vote on Brannen

By **DANIEL FITZGERALD**
Staff reporter

The Georgia Board of Regents will vote today to determine the plans for Brannen Hall's future renovations.

The board will choose a design firm to appoint to the project.

According to project information from the Board of Regents, "[Brannen Hall] will house multiple departments, but will primarily

be used for the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences. Faculty offices and labs will be provided for the Department of Psychology in addition to administrative offices for other departments. The intent is to keep the exterior shell of the building intact, retaining all of the building's original architectural character."

Michael Nielsen, Department of Psychology interim chair, explained that the Department of Psychology

is interested in using Brannen Hall for its offices and labs, but intends on keeping the classes in the Carroll Building.

"The preliminary stated cost limitation (SCL) or construction cost of the project is estimated at \$6,330,000," the request states. "The eventual SCL may differ due to actual program requirements, funding, and other circumstances."

Because the project is in the early planning stages it is not clear how

soon the building will be available for academic use.

"The Design Professional's services are anticipated to commence by April 2011 with construction documents anticipated for completion in June 2011," the request states. "The start of construction is contingent on the availability of funding."

Earlier this semester Interim Provost and Vice President for **See BRANNEN, page 3**



GORILLA THRILLA THRILLS

Ashley Bradford/STAFF

Members of the Alpha Phi Alpha step team from Clark Atlanta University perform their routine at the Gorilla Thrilla step show at Hanner Field-house Saturday night. For more photos and the full story about the event, turn to the Arts front on page 10.



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Picture Deadline:
Wednesday, March 23, 2011

Police Beat

Saturday, March 26, 2011

• Officers issued five traffic warnings, four traffic citations, assisted three motorists and responded to one alarm.

• Jamie Linn Deratt, 18, Centennial Place, was charged with underage possession/consumption of alcohol.

Sunday, March 27, 2011

• Officers issued four traffic citations, assisted two motorists, assisted one sick person and responded to one alarm.

• Michael James Fowler, 20, Porthlake Road, Gainesville, was charged with underage possession/consumption of alcohol.

• Joseph Arthur Green, 19, Brandie Elaine Avenue, Snellville, was charged with theft by receiving stolen property.

Monday, February 28, 2011

• Officers issued 12 traffic citations, two traffic warnings, assisted one motorist, assisted

two sick persons, responded to a drug complainant at Southern Courtyard and investigated one accident.

• Someone took the headlights from a vehicle at the ZTA House on Olympic Boulevard.

Tuesday, March 1, 2011

• Officers issued six traffic citations, assisted 12 motorists, assisted one sick person, responded to one alarm and investigated two accidents.

• A verbal altercation was reported at Southern Courtyard.

• A book bag was taken from the RAC.

• A notebook and a set of keys were

Wednesday, March 2, 2011

• Officers issued four traffic citations, three traffic warnings, assisted six motorists, responded to two alarms and investigated two accidents.

• A book bag was taken from the RAC.

Thursday, March 3, 2011

• Officers issued two traffic citations, six traffic warnings, assisted nine motorists, responded to three alarms and investigated two accidents.

• Demetrious Keaune Patterson, 19, University Pines, was charged with theft by taking and entering auto.

• George Cornell Truell, 18, University Pines, was charged with theft by taking and entering auto.

• randon Paul Rhodes, 18, Catalina Drive, Tybee Island, was charged with underage possession/consumption of alcohol.

• Dillon T. Hair, 18, Centennial Place, was charged with underage possession/consumption of alcohol.

• Ridge Eric Wozniak, 20. Catalpa Lane, Newnan, was charged with underage possession/consumption of alcohol and public indecency.

Information listed in this report is taken from incident reports and arrest reports, which are public records and available at local law enforcement agencies. Not all arrests lead to a conviction. Guilt or innocence is determined by the court system. If you witness a crime, visit <http://welcome.georgiasouthern.edu/publicsafety/silentwitness.htm> and fill out the anonymous Eagle Eye Witness report.

Brannen

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Academic Affairs Jean Bartels said that plans for Veazey Hall, which the administration is currently planning to repurpose, depend on how the Brannen Hall renovation turns out.

“Any final plans for campus renovations affecting Veazey Hall

will hinge on potential renovations to Brannen Hall that are also being planned,” Bartels said.

Regents will also vote on potentially modifying the budget for the Physical Plant Administration Building from \$2,687,000 to \$3,279,000.

Correction

An article in the March 1 edition of The George-Anne, titled “Drag kings and queens shock audience” incorrectly attributed “The students started it nearly eight years ago. It’s always been popular so we’ve continued it,” Allen said about the lap dance competition.’ to Jessica Allen.

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Our View

‘Green’ fee proposal should be reconsidered

Last week, SAGE introduced a proposal for a mandatory \$12 “green fee.” Improving sustainability on campus is certainly a respectable cause and Georgia Southern University has already made great strides to make our campus more efficient.

SAGE’s proposal cites data from 2008 in which 95.9 percent of students surveyed stated that “clean, renewable” energy was important or very important and 56 percent would be willing to pay more than \$20 toward the fee.

However, with the future of financial aid for students so uncertain, is this data still reliable? Cuts to the HOPE Scholarship and federal financial aid are lurking around the corner.

The way students approach paying for college and finding financial aid has changed over the last three years as have students’ attitudes about what they want from GSU.

Certain departments on campus lack homes. Residence halls need updating. Some students want a new student union. Some students want more money given to athletics and some to academics.

While becoming a greener campus is a noble goal, perhaps no new fees should be introduced until student attitudes are properly assessed.

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Marcus Barkley/STAFF

Recession is America’s hangover

Hangovers are legendary. Everyone remembers one night of debauchery and, more importantly, the morning after. These catastrophic events of the collegiate night life can have altering effects. Perhaps, liquor is sworn off for life or a specific brand of beer will be marked as the devil because of unwanted effects. Then again, many times, alcoholic anomalies are handled differently, while the gin or Irish whiskey might be reserved for that “special” night, which previously earned the drinker ascension to a new level of lamentation.

However, come daylight people suddenly turn into vampires, fearing the light and suffering from the pains of the previous night. Looking like something out of a George A. Romero film, college students spend the subsequent morning sunk into their sheets and contemplating never drinking again and cursing the creators of fire water.

Most people have some kind of hangover remedy, which can help to cease a churning stomach or a pounding cranial split. Whether it’s a Hair of the Dog or a Prairie Oyster, hangover cures that get us through



BROCK VICKERS

a long Sunday cram session will continue to be invented.

Though we are in a world of virtual revolutions, the hangover has not changed. Not that it has to be a fact of life, as a life of abstinence means no more days of agony and regret. Or, does it? Then again Mark Twain once said, “Total abstinence is so excellent a thing that it cannot be carried to too great an extend. In my passion for it I even carry it so far as to totally abstain from total abstinence itself.”

College in general has the reputation of one big, long-lasting party that is met swiftly with a hangover or reality. Most drinkers in college would be considered alcoholics by some standards, or at least problem drinkers. Being responsible outside the classroom is not a stereotype that goes along with

the college experience. What comes with this experience is like being knocked off a horse. It’s humbling and reminds us of our mortal roots. Funny how over consumption can lead to a lesson.

We’re in a hangover period right now. Not just college students, but most of America. People call it a recession, but it’s nothing more than a hangover. A hangover passed on from a fun long night where we just kept pounding the booze. Is there a hangover cure for this? Who knows if it’s out there, but let’s hope so.

Now with the remnants of a good time being felt all over, it’s time to get out of bed and do something. We are all here, college that is, to make something better of our lives, that or we’re here because we had nothing better to do with a couple of grand and four years of our lives.

Due to our given circumstances, we are no longer the “middle children” of American history. It is our task to now drive America out of bed, swallow four aspirins with four gallons of water, and get moving.

Vickers is a senior theater and journalism major from Alma, Ga.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Should Jesus or other radicals be allowed to speak at GSU?

Dear Editor,

Could we allow the moneychangers and dove sellers that had their tables and chairs physically overturned and thrown about (Matthew 21:12-13) by Jesus to speak at the Rotunda to share their personal experiences with what it was like to have their legal businesses physically assaulted by Jesus?

John Adams at Russell Union? "As I understand the Christian religion, it was, and is, a revelation. But how has it happened that millions of fables, tales, legends, have been blended with both Jewish and Christian revelation that have made them the most bloody religion that ever existed?"

Adams radically suggested too many wars are being caused by religions many of us hold dear. Finally, should that lifelong slaveholder, Thomas Jefferson, who had the audacity to cut/paste his own Jefferson bible with only the parts of sacred text he liked, be allowed?

We've known what happens when real radicals speak on campus for 50 years – Sir Mick Jagger spoke at Hanner in the early 1960s. I say "spoke" in the most general way as he was purported to have screamed at our students "I can't get no satisfaction" and other unsightly phrases perhaps profoundly influencing them.

And how have our students been influenced by Jack Kingston ("I don't believe in evolution, only adaptation" – Jan. 28, 2011, 10:15p.m. national television – HBO).

Who is funding this radical who is ignoring thousands of refereed scientific articles? Why has he been allowed on campus?

Dr. Gregory J. Brock
Professor of Economics

Sheen overtakes serious news

Last weekend, a high school basketball player died only minutes after winning a perfect season for his team.

Wes Leonard died of an enlarged heart, right there on the court in Michigan at the age of 16.

And we're wasting time paying any attention to Charlie Sheen?

This isn't the first time I've complained about celebrities and the attention we give to them, but it's a message that bears repeating. Life is shorter than we realize. Every day, we run the risk of death in ways we don't even realize surround us.

Spike TV has an entire series devoted to the myriad weird deaths that could befall us all.

But when the actions of a washed-out, drugged up celebrity overtake the loss of a young man with his whole future ahead of him, whose only concern was, at that moment, looking good for a team picture and going on to the playoffs, something is wrong.



JOHN DIPIETRO

Sheen isn't - or shouldn't be, at any rate - an influence on anyone's kids. I can't think of anything he was in that the average child would have watched, especially recently. He's just the most public example of a man with money and fame who ends up in need of rehab. No attention should be paid to his antics or troubles, except by his family, lawyers and the psychologists at Betty Ford.

It's a tragic story, sure, but only in the way that all addictions are tragic; the fact that he's famous and makes money off of his fame makes it no different from any other similar situation that befalls hundreds of Americans, and makes

me care even less because he had other options. It's a situation of his own making, and worthy of no more public concern than as a sidebar in the entertainment section, not the realm of exclusive interviews.

Instead, we should be spending the time we're wasting on Sheen caring about the people in our lives, the friends and family who surround us on a daily basis.

We should spend it caring about the people who are in need through no fault of their own.

A friend of mine had a car accident a week and a half ago; that's been more important to me than the latest meme-inspiring rant that Charlie has made on national television.

The people around us could all be gone tomorrow. Let's spend time with them. Let's give them our focus, our attention, our concern.

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

Savannah Port loses support

On Monday, President Obama revealed his fiscal year 2012 federal budget and, while in Washington the spending argument rages, here locally the debate becomes much less divisive when it comes to "investment spending."

Lawmakers from Georgia have been searching for money to fund the Port of Savannah dredging project. The plan, which costs in the hundreds of millions range, cannot be funded alone by the state, but is vital to the next decade of growth for the region.

The executive budget provides a mere \$600K for pre-planning and engineering costs, which are sure to be eaten up as soon as they are disbursed.

How did we get here? We are the country that built the Hoover Dam, a public works project that has paid for itself three times over in the seventy years it has been operational. To find the answer, let's look at what the political leadership of our state has said about our current president's administration.

"One man ruled with an iron fist, giving us politics and laws we did not want, and did not support. When challenged, he was thin-skinned and arrogant, putting the blame on others.

"Think we're talking about Barack Obama? We're not. We're talking about former Gov. Roy Barnes. Roy Barnes ruled Georgia for four years, and the results were disastrous. Can Georgia really afford more of the same?" – RGA Ad September 2010

The tone of the ad depicts a reoccurring theme throughout the 2010 election cycle. Pictures of the president looking down, frustrated, or irritated flood the screen behind negative phrases, seizing the opportunity to clearly communicate to voters the level of rhetoric.

The more anti-Obama a candidate appeared to be, the higher his or her chances of being elected. This led some candidates to use racy images, negative slurs, and plain mistruths in depicting the leader of the free world. With a dominant narrative of out



CHARLES FEAGAIN

of control spending and too much taxation, the new Republican house majority is itching for a fight on the federal budget.

All across Georgia, Democrats once thought to be safe had challenges and defeats by candidates who pushed the theme of anti-incumbency. Republican candidates including Nathan Deal berated federal public spending like the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Stimulus Bill) while Republican state officials reveled in the help to balance the state budget. Now that those stimulus funds have been used, state budgets, particularly in education look forward to round three (or is it four?) of major budget cuts.

Negative rhetoric is to blame for the loss of initial support from the president for the Port of Savannah funding. Perhaps veteran political advisors like Nick Ayers (2010 RGA Director) should take into consideration long-term federal state relationships before just the next election win.

An even bigger conclusion begs the question that continues to dominate our nation: What should the reach of government in the lives of our people be?

In one year, Republicans are uniformly opposed to laws that help the most vulnerable of our society and in the next are begging for millions for a local project that may have a big national impact. As conservatives continue to walk the line of reduced spending and reduced government action, so goes the saying, "Be careful what you wish for."

Feagain is a senior sociology major from Detroit, Mich.

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Free safety seminar offered to students

By JENNIFER CURINGTON

George-Anne contributor

Tuesday students can attend a free class that provides tips and information on how to have a fun, safe spring break.

'Safe Spring Break' will be offered at 4 p.m. in room 2041 of the Russell Union.

The Counseling and Career Development Center and Health Services of Georgia Southern University are collaborating to provide the class.

"The goal is to make sure they have the most fun spring break they can," said Stefani Rodriguez, a counselor of the GSU center.

The class will cover a range of topics including alcohol and drug issues, safe sex, proper sunscreen use, awareness of pickpockets and other hazards in your surroundings.

"College students are targeted for a lot of things," said Rodriguez.

"You can have a lot of fun [on spring break] but be careful and have your guard up."

Jackie Florence, a freshman interior design major, said, "I think it's really important because it's something we've been taught for a long time but it's good to be reminded. If you get that reminder, then it's in the back of your mind and helps you make better decisions."

However, Joyre Bohanon, a freshman majoring in chemistry, disagreed. "Honestly, I don't think it's that necessary," Bohanon said that, "They would be better off putting up tips in the union."

There will be a question and answer session at the end of the hour in a group setting, as well as the opportunity to speak with a counselor one on one.



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Cards offer lower prescription price

By **BRITTANY TATE**

George-Anne contributor

Bulloch County residents and Georgia Southern University students will have the opportunity to save an average of 24 percent on prescription drugs with the use of a new prescription drug discount card.

The program is free and will help residents save money on their prescription medications.

According to the National Association of Counties, any time their prescriptions are not covered by insurance, the card will assist cardholders by providing a discount to citizens.

"Most college students don't have insurance, which makes it harder for them to purchase prescription drugs at a discounted price," said senior political science major Jasmine Jackson.

"This card will definitely help students out financially, and will help promote the pharmacies that are participating," Jackson said.

This program also has a safety feature that alerts the pharmacists when one medication has a negative interaction with another medication that the cardholder is taking.

The pharmacists will also be able to inform the cardholder of available discounts on other medications he or she may be using with the use of the discount card.

This ensures that the cardholder is up-to-date with their prescription information.

The discount cards will be distributed on April 5 at any of the 18 participating pharmacies in Bulloch County.

Some of the participating pharmacies in Bulloch County include Kmart, Wal-Mart, Rite Aid, Harvey's Supermarket, Walker Pharmacy, and Walgreen's.

Other distribution locations in the area include the Statesboro Regional Library and a cultural fair hosted by Voces Unidas. The cultural fair will be held Saturday, April 23.

Discount cards can also be printed at the convenience of the cardholder through www.bullochcounty.net.

Another website, www.caremark.com/

naco, can be accessed after April 5 to look up prescription prices.

This website also offers information about other participating pharmacies and the distribution points for the cards.

Bulloch County is not the only county benefitting from the program.

"Hundreds of counties across the nation are participating in the NACo program," said the Bulloch County Board of Commissioners Chairman Garrett Nevil in a press release.

"We are proud to join them because of the significant savings that can be realized by uninsured and underinsured residents," said Nevil.

"Medicare beneficiaries can use the card, and so can insured people, in cases where a prescription drug is not covered."

More than 60,000 pharmacies nationwide accept the card, including most chain pharmacies and many independent pharmacies, according to NACo.

The cards can be used by all residents and their family members.

The cards can also be used on pet medications that also treat human conditions.

This card is not for the use of over-the-counter products and non-prescription medications.

However, discounts may be available for diabetic supplies.

"Using the NACo prescription discount card is easy," said Nevil. "A cardholder will simply present it at a participating pharmacy. There is no enrollment form, no membership fee and no restrictions or limits on frequency of use. Cardholders and their family members may use the card any time their prescriptions are not covered by insurance."

Some GSU students are finding this program a relief to their pockets.

"It's hard in this economy just to pay for gas and bills," said junior education major Ciara Tyce. "I know friends who are struggling to pay for their prescription drugs because they are so expensive. This discount card will definitely help take the edge off of that bill."

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Interview is not over when you leave the office; send a thank you note!

There is one key step in the interview process that many people seem to forget. They concentrate on the questions and what to wear then breathe a sigh of relief when it is over. But it is not over! After the interview, there is the thank you note. This key piece of paper can help you get the dream job you want so much. It allows you the opportunity to thank

the interviewer for the interview and let them know one more time why you would be the best person for the position. The Thank You note could be the tipping factor in the decision process for some.

So now that you know you should really, really write one here are some facts/tips to guide you.

Send the thank you letter

within 24 to 48 hours of the interview. This will keep you fresh in the interviewer's thoughts plus you want them to get it before they make a decision.

Your thank you can either be typed, written, or emailed. Choosing which one is a judgment call. If you want a formal letter go with typed, personal hand written, and email if you know the person prefers

that type of contact.

If it is hand written remember to write legible. If the interviewer cannot read your writing the letter will loose its value as a tool to promote yourself.

Your thank you letter does not have to be on fancy paper or cards. You can buy nice thank you cards at most retail stores in the area at a low cost. Just make sure your cards are

professional looking and do not feature the cute bunny rabbit motif.

Remember, write the thank you note to help seal the deal on your interview process at your dream company. The Office of Career Services provides sample thank you notes on our website at www.georgiasouthern.edu/career to help guide you.

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The Georgia Association of Colleges & Employers (GACE) College to Career Fair

Tuesday, April 12, 2011 from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Cobb Galleria in Atlanta

Georgia Association of College & Employers (GACE) is an organization made up of career services offices from University System of Georgia schools and employers from across the state of Georgia. Every year Georgia Southern along with other member schools team up to bring to you the College to Career Fair (C2C). This annual event held at the Cobb Galleria in Atlanta,

GA connects students from across the state of Georgia with a variety of employers.

We expect a variety of employers who will be seeking students for internships, part-time jobs, and full-time, post-graduation jobs. In addition to employers, graduate schools also participate in this event. Many of Georgia's most prestigious colleges and universities have solicited recruiters from their

employer databases to attend this event.

The C2C is the largest collaborated career fair in the state of Georgia and is open to students and alumni of member schools. GACE hosts this event and the fair is managed by several career services offices from member colleges & universities in the state of Georgia.

Students and alumni

attending the event must dress in professional business attire and are encouraged to bring the school ID.

To view a list of registered companies please visit - <http://gace.org/careerfair>

The Office of Career Services will be providing transportation to the College to Career Fair for students on a first come, first serve basis.

The van will leave from the

Russell Union promptly at 8am on Tuesday, April 12th and return between 5:30 – 6:30 pm.

If you are interested in riding the van to Atlanta for the College to Career Fair please call Career Services at (912) 478-5197. SPACE IS LIMITED TO THE FIRST 25 STUDENTS.

If you have any questions please contact the Office of Career Services at (912) 478-5197.

Graduation Gala was a success

By: Noele Crooks, Career Educator

Career Services wrapped up their spring semester events with the Graduation Gala which was held last Tuesday and Wednesday at the Nessmith-Lane Continuing Education Building.

"It was an easy one stop shop," a graduating Masters in Business Administration student, Adam Allen said. "Everything I needed to do to clear for graduation was right in front of me."

Students were given a check list when entering the Gala regarding the multiple booths they needed to visit including the

Registrar's office, Bursar's office, Herff Jones, Parking and Transportation and more.

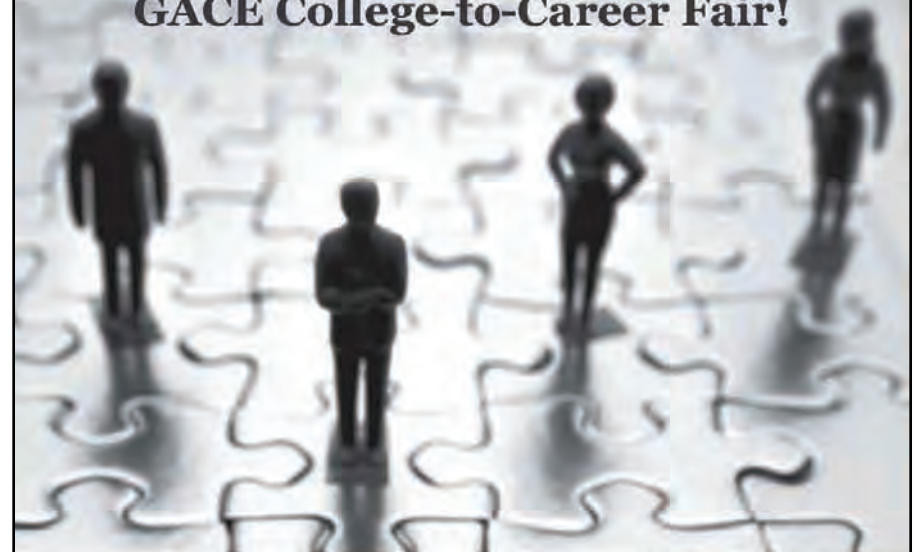
"I liked the concept of the Graduation Gala," Brooks Strickland, senior marketing major said. "Everything you needed to do was in one place."

Students were able to pay graduation fees, clear outstanding parking tickets, library fees and order graduation invitations as well as caps and gowns.

Students that were unable to attend the Graduation Gala can visit each department individually to make sure they are in the clear to graduate.



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Above: Dyversion dances to Chris Brown's "Make a Movie" and other hip-hop songs during the intermission of the competition.

Right: GSU's Phi Beta Sigma steps out a story about their fraternity in comparison to the others at the competition.

Far right: Savannah State University's Sigma Gamma Rho performs as school girls in a story line to prove to their teacher how they can be the best at stepping.



The Buzz List

- 'Rango' walks away with \$38 million after its first box office weekend. With fresh looking characters, philosophical messages and a Mexican quartet of owls, I really enjoyed this one. I love a good western based on anthropomorphic animals. And, yes, Clint Eastwood is the spirit of the west. It's his day job since he retired.



Mallory McLendon

- Miley Cyrus hosted Saturday Night Live this weekend, which included her performances as Justin Bieber and Lindsay Lohan. It's funny because of how easily girls can be believable as fake Justin Biebers. Burn.
- 'Twilight' has brought home the big bucks for Studio Summit, closing at \$750 million deal for refinancing. Apparently, vampires are a really good investment. Well, of course, millions of hormone-crazed teenagers with no interest in any kind of well-written fiction are desperate and willing to fork out the cash for a pasty guy with a pretty face.

- Charlie Sheen is looking for a social media "TigerBlood Intern" to join his "Team Sheen." To applicants, he asks: "Do you have tiger blood?" and "Are you all about winning?" I bet the pay is awesome, but it's probably in illegal drugs and alcohol. Applications are due this Friday. Go! Go! Go!

Information compiled by Arts Editor Mallory McLendon from TheHollywoodReporter.com, and Aria Gabol, assistant editor.

Thrill of Gorilla Thrilla takes stage

By QUANIQUA EPPS

George-Anne contributor

Pilots, beat-boxing break dancers, school girls, firemen, a marching band, and female Native American warriors were all a part of the huge event that was Gorilla Thrilla this past weekend.

The Hanner Fieldhouse was jam-packed Saturday night as college students from all over Georgia came to watch as different Greek Organizations from colleges all across the state competed to take home the title of the 2011 Gorilla Thrilla step show champion.

The night kicked off with the singing of the black national anthem by Adrenaline's own Jaleesa Jackson.

The band Dyversity and Georgia Southern University idol LaJon also helped to begin the show with a soulful performance of two original songs.

Christopher Pugh, assistant director and map coordinator, who served as the show's host, began the night with comic relief in an effort to get what he called "the biggest step show in the southeast," off to a good start.

The show opened up with a very energetic performance from Georgia Southern's own Xi Tau chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha, followed by the Savannah State University chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho dressed as school girls.

Next, the Alpha Rho chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha, from Morehouse College wowed the crowd, and took some of the audience members back to the 80s with their Run DMC inspired performance.

The steppers took a break as GSU's dance team Dyversion took center stage in a performance that not only had the crowd on their feet, but gave audience members a great laugh as well.

Shortly after, the steppers continued without missing a beat, as the Pi Rho chapter of Phi Beta

Sigma garnered the audience's attention, followed by the Zeta Pi chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha from the University of Georgia, performing as a marching band.

Not to be outdone by the men, the women of the Alpha Pi chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha from Clark Atlanta University took the stage as women warriors. Last but not least, the step show finale came from the Clark Atlanta University Alphas, who performed as firemen.

While the judges were tallying up votes to determine the show's winner, the Xi Tau chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha called for an Alpha stroll contest, in which they took three female participants and showed them how to walk like Alphas, and the audience got to choose who did it best.

After the stroll off it was announced that the winner for the men was the Alphas from UGA, and the female AKAs from Clark Atlanta University.

Students look forward to new spring albums

By ALEX LaSALLE

George-Anne contributor

With spring comes flowers, showers and a great haul of new albums for the music-consuming public. Every genre has something to offer this spring, with both younger and established artists preparing for releases between now and the end of May. There will be comebacks, follow-ups and completely new bands.

As a large college campus, Georgia Southern University fits an interesting mold as a collection of the most aware listeners and music-lovers. Being in constant contact with so many other listeners of every genre gives students the opportunity to discover music styles and artists they wouldn't find on TV or in their parent's CD collection.

The biggest musical story of the year so far is the May 23rd release of Lady Gaga's new album, "Born

This Way." The song, which has been lauded for its positive gay rights message and catchy melody, has also been criticized for being similar to Madonna's "Express Yourself."

Vincent Garret of GSU's 91.9 The Buzz said, "Expect ['Born This Way'] to be more serious and more direct, less symbolic."

Success is sure, as it took only five days for the "Born This Way" single to reach one million downloads on iTunes.

Another dance/pop album set for release is "Femme Fatale," Britney Spears' second post-breakdown production. Garret said that Spears found a successful dance/club sound with her last album, and that listeners should expect more of the same from "Femme Fatale."

"[It's] great for parties, not as much to listen to," said Garret.

Outside of Lady Gaga and the bigger pop stars, the first half of March

is set to bring highly-anticipated albums from popular alternative rock bands. R.E.M.'s March 7th release, titled "Collapse into Now," will mark their 15th albums release.

Slightly younger bands, political punk band Rise Against and indie-rock dieties The Strokes, are releasing on March 15th and 18th respectively. On April 12th, Foo Fighters will be releasing "Wasting Light," that Foo Fighters' frontman Dave Grohl has described as being their heaviest album yet.

On the other end of the musical spectrum, the most anticipated hip-hop album of the season is Dr. Dre's new release, "Detox," set for April 1st. The hip-hop veteran's first album since 1999's "2001" has been in the works since 2004, but Dre has been focusing on producing other artists' albums since.

On March 18th, R&B star Chris Brown is set to make a comeback

of sorts after his recent domestic violence controversy involving his then-girlfriend and fellow singer Rihanna.

Garrett said, "Expect this to be Brown's most honest album to date."

Aside from these highly-publicized releases, many students at GSU are close fans of less visible acts with upcoming releases.

Allysa Shigetomi, a fan of the "post-hardcore" rock band Escape the Fate, said "The main one would probably be (singer) Ronnie Radke's new band, Falling in Reverse's new album. I love him in Escape the Fate, and I hope he'll be just as good in this band." Radke and his band are set to release in early 2011.

A rising progressive metal band, Protest the Hero, has been getting rave reviews from both music critics and student Axel Wright, who has described them as being "some of the best musicians... like classical music

turned into metal." Protest the Hero's new album, Scurrilous, is set for release on March 22nd.

The low point of this upcoming spring is what appears to be a slight drought of big-name country music albums. The most notable upcoming album is Brad Paisley's "This is Country Music."

Hopes are set on the album being better than the title track/lead single, which was released last December to cool reception. However, Paisley benefits from being popular outside the typical country music range.

Country music fan Corey Pate said, "My boy Trent Tomlinson has an album that will be big."

Tomlinson prepares to release his untitled sophomore album after a 5-year gap since his successful debut.

A more comprehensive list of upcoming releases and descriptions can be found online at thegeorgeanne.com.

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Environment inspires 'The Art of Stewardship'

By SHANNON PATRICK

George-Anne contributor

Thursday night, artist and sustainability advocate Greg Mort spoke on "The Art of Stewardship" as part of the eight-week Sustainability Seminar Series. Mort focused on environmental awareness while inspiring the audience with his watercolor and oil paintings.

"Our mission is to encourage the use of the art to support stewardship of earth," said Mort. His Stewardship Collection, on display at the Averitt Center for the Arts, includes paintings depicting apples as the globe.

In "Stewardship IV," blood drips from the core of the apple, symbolizing the "blood, sweat and tears we will have to pull together to understand

our environment and make it work," said Mort.

Another inspiration of Mort's is Georgia. His mother, a Statesboro native, showed him the beach, where he fell in love with the ocean and discovered the oneness of the earth, displayed in many of his paintings as the sky meeting the sea.

"Like all great art, you can see what you want," said Mort. "These [paintings] go back to the notion of the connectedness of all things in the world, and in the universe."

After working on paintings for former President Bill Clinton, Mort's influence was spread throughout the nation. His paintings are displayed in 24 major museums, including the Smithsonian and The National Air and Space Museum in Washington



Randy Hudgins/STAFF

Gregory Mort (left) discusses his work for "The Art of Stewardship" with crowd.

D.C.

Mort advised the audience to be active and join other organizations. Mort promotes The Circle of Blue, a global organization fighting for the

fresh water crisis.

"Oil may be our problem now, but next is fresh water," said Mort. "The Art of Stewardship is a challenge. Everyone needs to add their own voice.

The more people that are involved, the better place it is."

Greg Mort's Art of Stewardship Collection is on display at the Averitt Center for the Arts through April 29.

Unedited creates new opportunities for writers

By MATT LANE

staff reporter

The club Unedited opens a new way for writers to get together and bond through their writing.

Georgia Southern University may already have the Creative Writing Club, but Unedited takes a different approach on writing that you won't find in the CWC.

"It's for writing in all careers," said Gerrard Davis, founder and president of Unedited. "I wanted to bring all

writers together, but it turned out to be something better. Sometimes I feel as though I should've started this earlier."

Davis said the CWC is nice, but left their meetings wanting more from a club about writing. "[Most of what they have done] is workshop and that's great, but with Unedited I wanted to give [members] more of a critique."

The main motive of Unedited is to get people writing more, and to help writers to get out into the community to gain new perspectives. This helps writers better understand the reader-

“ I wanted to bring all writers together, but it turned out to be something better.

-Gerrard Davis, writing major and president of Unedited

writer relationship.

In the beginning, Davis said, "I feel writers around the community are somewhat distant and should come together not only as a network but as a family."

Davis had plenty of help from both friends and his advisor to make his idea become a reality.

"My best friend, Charles Bulger, was 'forced into it.' He, my advisor Janice Walker and Randall McClure

helped get all of this organized for me. They have been a big help in getting the organization started," he said.

The group is doing some public work in honor of Frank Warren.

"We are collecting secrets and are either going to hang them in the union or have microphones set up where students can pick out a random secret and read it out loud," said Davis.

Unedited is open to students of all majors. Meetings are on Wednesday nights at 7:30 p.m. at the Russell Union in room 2042.

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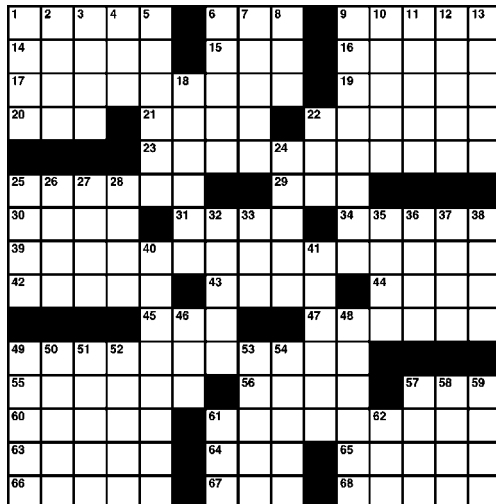
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19 Tri- plus bi-
20 Drink from leaves
21 Hockey legend Bobby et al.
22 Sea north of Poland
23 Exam taker's dread
25 Grubs and maggots
29 Manhattan sch.
30 "Garfield" pooch
31 Fan mag
34 Annual parade celeb
39 Daydreams
42 Joe Cocker's "You _____ Beautiful"
43 Formal coiffure
44 Alan of "The Aviator"
45 Slangy "No reason"
47 "Amen to that!"
49 Devoid of niceties, as some politics
55 Disinclined
56 Works a tough row?
57 "The Amazing Race" airer
60 Prove apt for
61 Racer's edge, or the ends of 17-, 23-, 39- and 49-Across, unflatteringly
63 Mountain ridge
64 www address
65 Otherworldly
66 IHOP condiment
67 1/30 of abril
68 Seed anew

DOWN

- 1 Sort through, as for clues
2 Fit of fever
3 It's near the 17-Across



By Robert Fisher

3/8/11

Today's Puzzle Solved



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5 Cellist with 16 Grammys
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9 41st president, affectionately
10 Clear as
11 Slowly, in music
12 "It slices! It dices!" gadget
13 Wallop
18 Zephyr
22 Journalist Nellie
24 What all good things come to
25 Crazy, in a Ricky Martin song
26 Month after Shevat
27 Increase
28 November honorees
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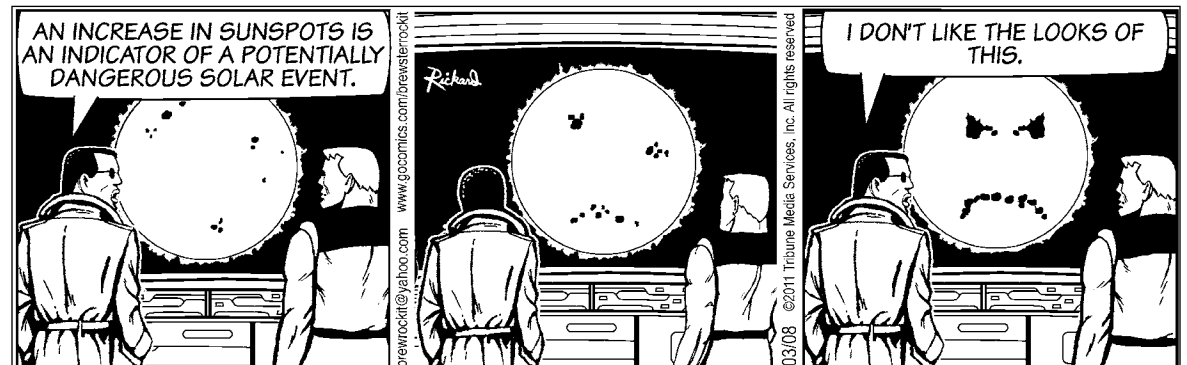
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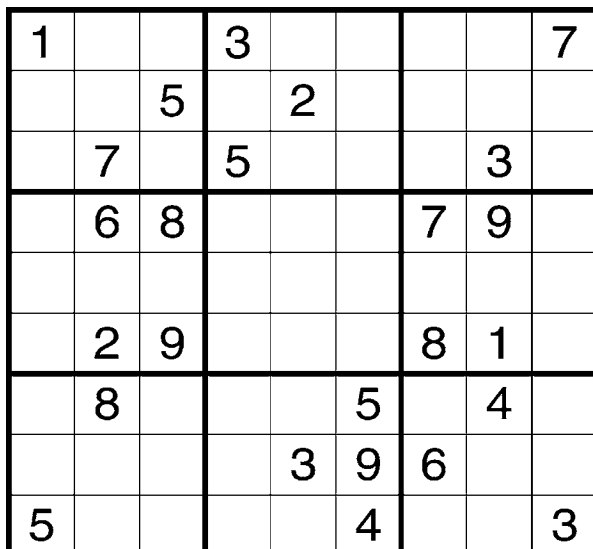
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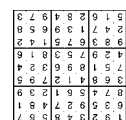
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St. Johns wins series 2-1 over Eagles

BASEBALL

By **JAMES FARMER**

George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University dropped the middle game of a three-

game set with Big East member Saint John's on Saturday.

A day after beating the Red Storm 4-3 and outhitting them 13-5, GSU lost 14-3 and was outthit by a margin of 19-4. Michael Burress led the

Eagles in hitting, going 2-5, and Justin Hess recorded four strikeouts in three innings for the team.

Josh Adams allowed several well hit balls, but SJU's aggressive base running backfired on them, as Joe

Panik recorded the second out of the inning by trying to stretch a single into a double.

A Paul Karmas fly out to first baseman Steve Cochrane stranded Pat Talbut on third to end the inning. Adams settled down a bit in the second inning, retiring all three batters, including the last two on consecutive pitches.

Adams was replaced at the start of the fifth inning by Taylor Burke, who surrendered a run while only facing three batters. Kyle Hansen also hit Eric Phillips, who later stole second. Shawn Payne's walk also extended his on-base streak to 40 games.

The Red Storm hitters managed to make the sixth inning just like the fourth. The Red Storm kept getting base hit after base hit, scoring five runs in the inning to bring the score to 11-2. SJU was aided by a throwing error that scored two. The Eagles' hitting woes continued through the sixth inning, as the Eagles again were held hitless, even though Hansen was removed from the game after one out. He finished the day with two hits

allowed in 5.1 innings.

"That guy had a big presence on the mound," said Burress.

After retiring the first two Red Storm batters quickly, GSU's pitching staff got into trouble, giving up a homerun, double, and another homerun in consecutive at bats before retiring Sean O'Hare with a groundout. Even though he had to use six pitchers in the game, Head Coach Rodney Hennon wasn't worried about that affecting his team down the road.

"We still got some guys available," Coach Hennon explained.

The Eagles showed some signs of life in the seventh, with three consecutive base runners reaching base, and Phillips batting in Payne with a nice base hit to cut the deficit to 14-3. "You got to keep fighting," said Burress.

Although the Eagles put two men on base in the ninth, neither scored, and the game ended with a score of 14-3.

The Eagles defeated St. John's 4-3 on Friday, but fell short again on Sunday with a 7-3.



Blair Martin/STAFF

Eric Phillips prepares to bat against Saint Johns as teammates look on.

Cochrane looks to finish career strong as an Eagle

BASEBALL

By **JANNAH BOLDS**

George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern baseball player Steve Cochrane is getting off to a good start by being named the SoCon Player of the Week.

"It's a great award and I am extremely humbled by it. It's a great honor, especially after having such a tough year last year, but to come in early and have a week where I played well enough to receive that award humbles me. It just makes me realize that I'm doing what I'm supposed to be doing out there," said Cochrane.

Cochrane's baseball career began at a young age where he watched as his father played professional baseball with the Seattle Mariners.

"Just being around him and being around the clubhouse all the time is when I fell in love with the game," Cochrane says.

Cochrane's collegiate career began at Yavapai Community College in Prescott, Arizona back in 2007. He then transferred to Spartanburg Methodist in Spartanburg, South Carolina where he led the team to the Junior College World Series.

Cochrane decided to become an Eagle his junior year when Coach Mike Tidick recruited him.

"All I've heard were great things about Georgia Southern," Cochrane says. "I checked it out online and knew immediately this is where I wanted to be," he added. This is Cochrane's senior year, and he admitted that he is not ready to leave Eagle Nation.

"Oh, I don't want to go. I wish I could stay here forever," Cochrane says. "It's a ton of fun playing on this amazing field. The fans are awesome, too," he adds.

Although he has only been on the squad for two years, Cochrane has developed a special relationship with his teammates.

"I'm going to miss my teammates and the baseball atmosphere when I leave. I'm also going to miss the entire Georgia Southern community," stated Cochrane.

In May, Cochrane will receive his degree in general studies and will move on to other aspects of life.

"When I get out, I'll definitely be applying for jobs, but I would like the opportunity to play professionally. I have been drafted twice before so hopefully I will get another shot to

play," Cochrane says.

Cochrane mentioned if he had a choice, he would choose the team that would give him the best opportunity to advance.

"I would choose to go to the team in the big leagues that has the most opportunity in their farm system because that means I would have a better chance at making it all the way up to the top."

Cochrane said that his desire to become a professional athlete is inspired by one of the best players in the NBA.

"My idol is Kobe Bryant because of his ability to close and compete at such a high level and I admire that," he says.

He concluded his admiration for Bryant by saying, "Lebron can't close, but Kobe can!"



Randy Hudgins/ STAFF
Cochrane runs the bases during the matchup against the Cougars.

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Club Sports Scores

Women's Soccer lost to Duke 1-0

Women's Lacrosse lost to Coastal Carolina 11-10

Men's Lacrosse lost to SCAD 15-7; and defeated Georgia State 15-7

Baseball played Miami and had a 3 - 0 Sweep. The scores were 16-2, 6-5, and 16-6.

Club Volleyball had a number of games this weekend and performed extremely well.

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Eagles end SoCon run

BASKETBALL

By **MESHA RUSSELL**

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The Georgia Southern men's and women's basketball team couldn't escape the first round of the Southern Conference Tournament in Chattanooga, Tennessee on Thursday, March 3rd and Friday, March 4th.

Turnovers and lack of momentum on offense plagued both teams and were key factors in their loss.

The Lady Eagles came out with a loss to tenth ranked Western Carolina University, while the men suffered a loss as well to Appalachian State University.

The Lady Eagles and Catamounts match-up boiled down to the final moments of the game, but GSU fell short of the victory by a mere six-point margin, which resulted in a 48-42 loss.

During the first half of the contest, despite shooting 22 percent from the floor, the Lady Eagles managed to go into the half trailing only by five. In the second half, WCU bullied GSU at the charity stripe, which made up for their poor shooting average.

The Catamounts continued to drill free throws down the stretch to secure the victory. Guards Krista Tate and Meredyth Frye were the only Lady Eagles in double figures. The Lady Eagles finished the season (9-11) in conference play and (12-18) overall. The GSU men's team came within four points of the win, but the Mountaineers would not let the Eagles steal their momentum. The contest saw eight lead changes and eight ties. App. State took a 22-21 lead at the half.

The close game carried over into the second segment of play with six ties and two lead changes over the initial ten minutes. The Mountaineers found an offensive rhythm that gave them a 50-47 lead.

The Eagles cut the deficit to 58-54 late in the second before ASU found a way to fend them off. The Mountaineers only allowed GSU to sink one basket for the remainder of the game. GSU lost 65-57. Ben Drayton led the team with 16 points while Jelani Hewitt followed with 15 points, respectively. Donald Sims led App State with 20 points. GSU finished the season (1-17) in conference play and (5-27) overall.

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