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BY MARQUIETTA GREEN

The Reflectors staff

Do you remember watching your very first workout video, or walking into a group fitness class at the Recreational Activity Center for the first time? How did you feel?

I bet the room was full of people that were probably in better shape than you and throughout the workout, all you could think about was what you were going to eat when you got home.

Sound familiar? Well, have no fear, Women and Weights is here.

Georgia Southern University’s Women and Weights class has officially begun. It encourages women to face their fears and learn the ability to do weightlifting and training on their own. Through super-sets and power workouts women learn flexibility, intensity and balance.

“In this class women usually are less insecure and are more comfortable,” Briana Ogleby, teacher and kinesiology graduate student, said.

Some women also feel that being in this type of environment makes them feel more comfortable and creates a less competitive feeling.

“Most who are in the class usually pair up and become workout partners throughout the class,” Ogleby said.

“I think that I would definitely feel more comfortable, and I would be more focused on myself, than the other people in the room,” Taylor Torrance, senior public relations major, said.

Although successful since last semester, some feel that this should be expanded to other areas and more classes such focus on other areas of women’s health and fitness.

“I think I would like to see more variety for women who obviously have goals when it comes to their health, like I feel more comfortable, being in the gym filled with people who are on the same level as me or have some of the same goals and issues that I have personally regarding my weight,” Caitlin Buzzee, senior hospitality major, said.

Ogleby is really dedicated to what she does. She is very enthusiastic about the progress of the women and about the results their work ethic will show.
Try Your Luck

Each and every year, Americans spend more money on the lottery than they do on tickets for sporting events, books, music, video games and trips to the movies combined, according to the NASPL.

For as much as we are conditioned to believe that financial success can be achieved with a lot of hard work and a little bit of luck, we have a serious addiction to finding short cuts, and the lottery offers just that. Although it may seem like it goes without saying, it’s important to understand that the lottery acts as a regressive tax; those who are in the lower classes are much more likely to participate because it offers a slim chance, but a chance nonetheless, to escape from a vicious cycle of financial insecurity and discomfort.

Helping Outstanding Pupils Educationally

In 1993, the state of Georgia found an innovative way to make the lottery become a productive commodity for the community instead of merely a guilty pleasure for its citizens.

Governor Zell Miller introduced the HOPE scholarship, a college scholarship program that was to be completely funded by the Georgia Lottery. The basic idea behind the scholarship was that hard-working students deserved an opportunity to pursue higher education without having to permanently indent themselves. As of 2006, the HOPE scholarship has raised over $3 billion dollars that has gone to almost a million students, according to a report by New Georgia Encyclopedia.

Losing HOPE

However, the HOPE scholarship is threatened by rising college costs and the lack of money being poured into the Georgia Lottery. According to a report by the Committee to Preserve HOPE scholarships, at our current trajectory for college attendance, the scholarship could run out of money by 2028. While they are certainly going to work to avoid that, it’s a frightening predicament that faces upcoming generations, and we have to be sure to act responsibly if we wish to see those generations succeed.

This program has been extremely helpful for those families that otherwise would never be able to afford to send their children to college. There is a huge overlap between the aforementioned families that receive assistance in paying for higher education via the HOPE scholarship and the families that actively participate in the Georgia Lottery.

Against All Odds

How our state lottery helped college become more affordable for students

DEVIN CONWAY
Conway is a junior journalism major from Manchester, New Hampshire.

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“Because of the new laws that have been passed, we are going to have all kits tested. So from now on, that’s the procedure we will follow,” GS Public Safety Lt. Christopher McBride said. The kits that were sent to the GBI were from a combination of years between 2011 and 2015. Of the 10 kits sent, most of them weren’t going to be prosecuted by the DA or the victim and a couple of the cases even went inactive.

Before the passing of the new law, the rape tests would be stored if the victim chose not to prosecute the accused, or if there was not enough evidence to go forward with a criminal case.

Now, all kits must be sent to the GBI, regardless if there will be a criminal case or not. GS Public Safety follows a very strict and serious procedure once a sexual assault is reported. “Once the incident is reported to [Public Safety] we have a sexual assault protocol that we follow that is in place. We follow that protocol and the victim is taken to what’s known as the Teal House for the sexual assault exam,” McBride said. “Once the exam is complete, the sexual assault nurse examiner will secure the kit and they will turn it over to the police agency, which will be us. From there, we will secure it to our evidence and we will continue our investigation.”

The GBI’s State Crime Lab is currently dealing with a backlog of kits, according to myajc.com. Many students couldn’t believe that it could take years for GBI scientists to see the GS kits. James Spangler, undeclared Move on When Ready student, said, “It’s ridiculous. They probably should’ve been sent in immediately.”

Officials have said that it could be until after 2017 before all of the backlogged kits are tested and McBride agrees. “Under normal circumstances, it usually takes the crime lab anywhere from 90 to 120 days. Under these circumstances, unless they have hired some more personnel, I expect for us to not have results until maybe a year and a half or two years. It’s going to take a while,” McBride said.

Students were surprised at the number of kits that public safety had as well. “To me, it’s a high number. It’s higher than I thought,” Devon Platkin, freshman undeclared, said. “Rape is a big problem. I don’t think testing the kits should take that long.”

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GS students concerned about future of HOPE scholarship

The HOPE scholarship, a state-funded scholarship that sends millions of Georgia students to college, could be out of money by 2028, according to a recent report by the Committee to Preserve HOPE Scholarships.

The report states that though lottery spending is up, the need for scholarships is steadily increasing, and the spending is not enough.

"Despite a tidal wave of cash from the Georgia Lottery, demand for tuition assistance among Georgia families is overtaking the ability to fund the scholarships as intended," Chip Lake, President of the Committee to Preserve HOPE Scholarships, said in a cbs46.com article.

Peter Gardner, freshman physics major, believes that the state of Georgia will find some way to keep funding for HOPE, if the program does run out of money.

"By the time it runs out, the state will likely have a solution. Either higher taxes, or raising the taxes on the lottery," Gardner said.

Some lawmakers have proposed other methods of funding the scholarship, such as legalizing casinos, an wabe.org article reported.

"The Committee to Preserve HOPE Scholarships is a private entity with no affiliation with the Georgia Student Finance Commission (GSFC). We just received this report and look forward to analyzing it over the coming days. As with any long-term projection, it is critical to understand that there are many factors that can impact program costs – tuition, enrollment, etc," the GSFC said.

Though the potential for lack of HOPE won’t affect current college students, it will most likely affect children that are currently in Pre-K and Kindergarten.

Roikiesha Tennant, junior nursing major, has a younger sibling that this could possibly affect. She is currently on the HOPE scholarship.

Tennant said, "[The scholarship] shouldn’t [run out] because the students work too hard for it."

BY TANDRA SMITH
The George-Anne staff

Many GS students rely on the HOPE scholarship to pay for school. The end of the program could be the end of college for some students.
Office of Alcohol and Other Drugs informs students about alcohol effects

BY TAISHA WHITE
The George-Anne staff

Underage drinking dangers is a topic that the Office of Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) is attempting to communicate to GS students after the shooting death of Georgia Southern student Blake Shurling on Aug. 31.

The Office of Alcohol and Other Drugs Programs (AOD), located in the Dean of Students office, is a campus resource where students can learn about the negative impact alcohol and other drugs can have on themselves as well the people around them. Students, faculty and staff can receive help as well as counseling if alcohol or any other drugs become a negative influence in their life.

Aijah Phillips, graduate assistant at the AOD office, explains how the AOD helps students understand the consequences of alcohol.

“We offer presentations on drugs and alcohol and if a teacher would like to have that presentation in their classroom, they would have to request it. Most of the teachers that request presentations are from freshman professors,” Phillips said.

Phillips encourages students to come by the AOD office to receive any help they might need.

“We also want people to know that we are here to help with any drug related issues that students have. What people need to understand is that they can not get in trouble if they come to us with their issues. We keep all information confidential and we are willing to work with students to provide accurate help,” Phillips said.

The usage of alcohol in any college atmosphere has become a norm over many years.

According to a study conducted by the National Institute of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, in 2014, 87.6 percent of people over the age of 18 reported to have drank alcohol at one point in their life.

The negative effects of alcohol can result in problems, not only in a physical sense, but mentally and emotionally as well.

Physical effects

Depending on the person, too much consumption of alcohol can result in brain damage, memory loss and anxiety, according to knowyourlimits.info. Bodily damage that comes from too much consumption of alcohol includes liver failure, heart damage and infertility in both men and women.

Law and criminal effects

The overconsumption of alcohol has led to numerous arrests and issues around the world.

In the state of Georgia, if under the influence and driving, the blood alcohol level for anyone under the age of 21 should be less than 0.02, and anyone over the age of 21 should be less than 0.08. Anyone who is considered over their limit will likely face multiple charges, including a DUI and could possibly receive jail time.

Student views

Freshman psychology major Najeh Thompson feels that colleges have the ability to teach about the effects of alcohol, but students have to be willing to take advantage of the information.

“I feel like knowledge is power, but at the same time, it depends on what you do with that knowledge, that gives you that power,” Thompson said.

“People know that certain things like smoking and drinking are bad for you, but it doesn’t mean that it’s going to stop them from doing that. It all depends on the perception and what people do with the information.”

Senior Mechanical Engineering major Sarah Black believes that colleges have more alcohol-related issues because of the amount of freedom students have.

Black said, “There are a lot of students that were under such strict rules when they were in their parents’ house, that the moment they get to college, they realize there are no rules. They kind of get really wild.”

For more information on alcohol-related issues, head over to students.georgiasouthern.edu and or head to their office in the Russell Union building, room 2022.
A look at alternative energy resources on campus

BY GEORGE ANDERSEN
The Georgia-Anne Staff

Georgia Southern has more alternative energy resources than ever, and the list of solar- and wind-powered resources is expected to grow.

The University now has an alternative energy resource collection in the form of wind and solar energy on campus, with a significant portion of the energy available to students directly in the form of electrical outlets.

One convenient new resource that is now directly available to students is the addition of four Solgreen Evidia SmartTables that were installed in front of the IT building in January of this year. These tables allow for the charging of phones, laptops and any other device that is compatible with a standard outlet.

“The tables are a great example of alternative energy use on campus,” Lisa Leegge, director of the Center for Sustainability, said.

These solar powered charging stations are not the only alternative energy resources on campus however. The biology building also has 57 solar panels on its roof that provide all of the energy for hot water in the building. The solar panels also contribute at least one percent of the overall energy for the building.

Wind energy collection is also in play at GS, with a wind turbine connected to the “chiller” in the Math and Physics Building. The energy collected from this turbine is also available to students through an electrical outlet in the building.

According to Leegge, the future of solar panels and other alternative energy resources on campus looks bright. With the successes of other alternative resources on campus, extensions and additions can be expected.

Leegge said, “I would anticipate we will have more in the future if they work well.”

BY ERIN MCGUINESS
The Georgia-Anne Staff

The Office of Leadership and Community Engagement hosts several alternative break trips each semester to provide students the opportunity to get involved in the community and make a difference through their service.

“Alternative break trips allow you to experience eye-opening and immersive opportunities while helping a community or organization strengthen. All of the work we do as a team is something we can bring back to the community of Statesboro,” Sarah Oliver, alternative break site coordinator, said.

Although each alternative break trip is different, they each focused on serving a social issue through community service tasks and activities.

The payment deadline is October 17th! Trip is limited to the first 88 students! Don’t miss out!

Contact Information: OSA@GeorgiaSouthern.edu
http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/wow/events/

WOW is a jam-packed 5 weeks of events and activities to assist first-year, transfer and returning students in making new friends and getting involved on campus. You don’t want to miss out! The more events you attend the greater your chance to win prizes! For a complete list of events and activities visit: http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/wow/events/

OSA: New York Annual Winter Break Trip- Registration open now!
The Office of Student Activities is gearing up for their Annual Winter Break Trip in December! Join us for an informational session to find out how you can experience New York City with 88 other Georgia Southern students! Information Sessions:

• Wednesday, September 14th at 4:00 pm in Russell Union 2080
• Thursday, September 22nd at 5:00 pm in Russell Union 2080
• Dates of Trip: Saturday, December 10th - Friday, December 16th
• Cost: $475 (covers transportation and hotel)
• Optional $100 deposit secures a seat.

The deadline is October 12th! Trip is limited to the first 88 students! Don’t miss out!

Contact Information: OSA@GeorgiaSouthern.edu

Fall Family Weekend Block Party
Friday, September 16th @ 6:00 - 8:30 pm
University Bookstore Plaza (Georgia Ave.)
The block party is free and open to all families and students of Georgia Southern University. There will be FREE food, great music, and FREE giveaways. This event is hosted by the University Programming Board. If you need assistance, related to access for this event, please email: upb@ GeorgiaSouthern.edu at least 2 weeks prior to the event. Contact Information: UPB@ GeorgiaSouthern.edu

UPB Outdoor Cinema: Finding Dory- Friday, September 16th @ 9:00 pm, Sweetheart Circle
his event is free and open to the public. Students please bring your Eagle IDs. There will be one showing only. Concessions will not be available for this movie. Be sure to bring your favorite snacks, lawn chairs and/or blankets.

The event of inclement weather, this movie will be shown at 8:30pm in the Russell Union Theater. If you need assistance, related to access for this event, please email: upb@ GeorgiaSouthern.edu at least 2 weeks prior to the event.

Student Organization & Leadership Development (SOLD)
Wednesday, September 21st @ 5:30 pm, Russell Union 2080
Topic: Leadership & Ethics by Masters of Public Administration Student Association

The SOLD Workshop Series is designed for any student seeking to develop their individual leadership capabilities and for students who currently or aspire to hold a leadership position within a student organization. Topics change per week and are free to all students.

YOUR STUDENT ACTIVITY FEES AT WORK

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What is Eagle Nation on Parade?

Eagle Nation on Parade is a public art project where selected students are given the opportunity to uniquely design an eagle sculpture and then unveil it at a selected area of the community. The program hopes to promote campus and community unity, as well as contribute to the quality of life here in Statesboro.

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**BY LUKE PASHKE**

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Howard Lumber yard receives new Eagle statue

In Nov. of 2013, a vandalism rampage left the previous eagle destroyed. The base cost of the eagle was over 3,000 dollars.

**BY GEORGE ANDERSEN**

The Service Officer Program, commonly referred to as “Escort Service,” will be available again this year to help students, faculty, staff and anyone else on campus to travel around the university and arrive home safely.

The Department of Public Safety advertises positions for the program through the student employment center, meaning all service officers are GS students.

“We wanted to provide a service to make our students feel safe when walking around campus at night,” Laura McCullough, Chief of police for GS, said.

The service is available Sunday through Thursday nights from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. The Service officers also assist with notoriously busy events such as football games, graduation ceremonies and the homecoming parade.

This service is also available as a feature in the LiveSafe App. The feature allows students to contact their friends or those they trust to escort them to their destination as another way to provide a source of surveillance.

McCullough said, “We hope to provide a service that gives security to our campus community.”

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**Service Officer Program helps GS students walk home safely**
BY SKYLER BLACK
The George-Anne Staff

Assisting in desegregating the school system, fighting the axis powers in World War II, and boosting the housing market are just a few of the multitude of contributions from the Hispanic community in the United States. The US has observed September as National Hispanic Heritage Month since 1988. This month celebrates the histories, cultures, and contributions of those from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, as well as Central and South America.

Hispanic Heritage Month begins today, September 15, and ends on October 15. Georgia Southern’s own Spanish Club is planning events to help educate students and faculty during this month.

New leadership, new ideas

Madelyn Harvin, freshman Spanish major and President of Spanish Club, explained that this month would be one where the club could branch out and try some new things.

“This year we are starting out with a new advisor and a whole new senate of people in charge. In past years, the central idea has been to educate people on the language as well as the culture and get people a little taste of something that they wouldn’t normally get. This year we are going to do a lot more fun stuff like cooking and watching some movies,” Harvin said.

This semester the club elected a new board which includes Vice Presidents Caleb Beatty, freshman electrical engineering major and Emily Pressler, sophomore Spanish major as well as a new advisor in Leticia McGrath, Spanish professor.

As a unit they decided that an interesting and fun way to get more students interested in celebrating this month would be learning through film.

“The meaning behind the month

This month is important to understand and celebrate in this country for many reasons. One being that as of 2015, the Hispanic population of the USA is 17.6 percent. By learning from this month and understanding why it is celebrated, knowledge of those around you increases as well.

“In the United States, Hispanic heritage is very much prevalent and with recent political issues going on, I feel like it is important for people to be educated. It is very important for people to celebrate their country and where they are from. This is their month to celebrate,” Harvin said.

Upcoming events

The Spanish Club will be screening films starting on September 25 in the Education Building room 1115 and will continue throughout and after Hispanic Heritage Month.

Additionally, the Multicultural Student Center will be hosting a flag parade at the Rotunda tonight from 4:00 p.m to 7 p.m. to celebrate the beginning of Hispanic Heritage Month.

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HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH MOVIE TIMES

- The Motorcycle Diaries - Sept. 25
- 13 Roses - Oct. 9
- Like Water for Chocolate - Oct. 16
- The Official Story - Oct. 30
- Belle Époque - Nov. 6
- The Sea Inside - Nov. 13

Education Building room 1113 at 7:15 p.m.

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7000 LIKES ON THE OFFICIAL MOE’S STATESBORO FACEBOOK PAGE AND FREE BURRITO DAY IS YOURS!
This Saturday, the Georgia Southern Eagles will face-off against the University of Louisiana-Monroe Warhawks, making it the second conference game for the Eagles in this early season.

GS is coming off of a very strong performance against South Alabama last Saturday. They were able to keep their opponent out of the endzone for the second straight game. In the matchup against ULM, the Eagles will continue to enforce their intense defense. The focus for this game will be stalling the Warhawks dual-threat quarterback, Garrett Smith. Smith leads the Warhawks on the ground averaging 7.8 yards per carry, while also averaging nearly 230 yards passing per game. It will take a team effort from the Eagles top-20 defense to make this containment possible. Players like Darius Sapp and Ukeme Eligwe have a chance to be the backbone of the defense. Southern is ranked seventh in the nation when it comes to stopping the run.

The Eagles are averaging 362 yards per game offensively and can look to Kevin Ellison to be a huge factor in the game. Ellison is the sixth player in GS history to both rush and pass for over 2000 yards. Fans are still waiting for Maxwell Award hopeful Matt Breida to have his breakout game. Around this time last year Breida was in the top 10 in rushing yards. His production in the first two games has been limited because of all the carries he splits with running backs Wesley Fields and L. A. Ramsby. The Warhawks are ranked 122 out of 128 when it comes to stopping the run. GS leads the all-time series against ULM 4-2. This weekend Paulson Stadium has a great chance to break the attendance record. Georgia Southern Athletics is looking to sell out Paulson. At halftime, there will be seven new inductees in the Georgia Southern Athletic Hall of Fame.

The Warhawks enter this Week 3 match-up with a 1-1 record. They were beaten by Oklahoma 59-17 last week, but come into Statesboro looking to get a win at Paulson for the first time in their program’s history.

When discussing the Warhawks style of play, GS head coach Tyson Summers said that everything they do is meant to pressure their opponents. Their game plan on offense revolves around creating pressure and trying to create turnovers. "We gotta be able to figure out who they’re trying to stress and make sure our players know they’re in that situation before the ball is snapped," Summers said.

Offensively, their star player is the sophomore quarterback, Garrett Smith. He’s averaged around 230 passing yards per game so far, and has shown the ability to extend plays with his legs. Their staff will put him in a position to make plays through the air or on the ground.

They also have a pair of talented guys at the skill positions. Running back Ben Luckett averages 5.3 yards per carry and wide receiver RJ Turner has hauled in 166 yards and a touchdown in their first two games. GS’s defense should be up to the task, however. The unit hasn’t allowed a touchdown in 10 straight quarters.

"They’re going to try to control the clock. There’s a true intent with every play on offense," Summers said.

Defensively, they’ve moved to a four-down scheme after years of having a multiple-look defense. However, they still bring pressure and will try to keep GS’s offense on the side line. "They’re a talented group," Summers said. "They still continue to bring pressure."

The Warhawks will need to create turnovers on defense and hit some big plays on offense if they hope to keep the game close. GS should cruise to their second conference win on Saturday.
PROTECT THIS HOUSE

Paulson Stadium has a capacity of 25,000 fans. Kickoff against ULM is set for 6 p.m.

ROBERT GEORGE
Robert is a senior multimedia journalism major from Lyons, Ga.

The game this Saturday against ULM will be the last home game until Oct. 27 when we host Appalachian State. And that is on a Thursday night, so it’s not even a typical Gameday.

The Georgia Southern football program is about to endure one of the longest road stretches in the history of the program. It will be a whopping 40 days from after the final whistle blows until we get to fill Paulson Stadium again to cheer for the Eagles. In that 40 days, GS will play four road games and have a bye week.

Luckily, one of those road games is against Georgia Tech in Atlanta, a location that is well within driving distance from Statesboro. This is also the only road game during the stretch that’s in the southeast part of the country. Students in need of a GS football fix can easily make the three-hour drive north to Bobby Dodd Stadium to watch the Eagles take on the other Georgia team that plays in Atlanta.

Another big game in this stretch will be on Oct. 5 when the Eagles travel to Jonesboro to take on defending Sun Belt Champs Arkansas State. That’ll arguably be the toughest conference game of the season. Fortunately, the team does get a bye week before that to rest and prepare. That extra week could go a long way in helping them recover and game plan for the Red Wolves.

So take advantage of this weekend and go extra hard at the tailgates before the 6 p.m. kickoff. Show up loud and ready to cheer on the Eagles for four quarters. That’s right, four quarters. Don’t leave at halftime to go drink more at a bar or at the house. We’ll have 40 days to drink at home or at Gnats or Gata’s or wherever. Take this opportunity to enjoy 60 minutes of GS football as they take on the Warhawks, the same team that the Eagles beat in Paulson to win the Sun Belt trophy outright in 2014.

SEE YOU ON GAMEDAY.

Monday 9/19
Black by Popular Demand
Retunda 11-2pm
Guest Speaker 7pm RU Ballroom

Tuesday 9/20
Cards Against America
Williams Center 7-8:30pm

Wednesday 9/21
Stay Woke
RU Theater 7-8:30pm

Thursday 9/22
#All Lives Matter
Nat. Sci. Bldg - 7-8:30pm

Friday 9/23
Ball for a Cause
RAC 5-8:30pm
Check in at 3:30pm

Saturday 9/24
Lift Every Voice
Rotunda 4-7pm

Sunday 9/25
United Fellowship Worship Center
Church Service 11am
The Georgia Southern Women’s Volleyball team has been on a roll recently and home court has been a major key.

The Eagles record fell to 6-6 overall Tuesday night with a loss to North Florida. This marks the end of a stretch where the Eagles played eight of their last nine games in Hanner Fieldhouse.

The Eagles took advantage of the home stand posting a home record of 6-2 with the losses coming in a five-set nail-biter against an undefeated South Carolina team and a four-set loss to North Florida last night.

Head coach Dustin Wood credited the great play at home to the comfort of a routine, the support of the student body, and the support of the band. While the Eagles are 0-4 away from home, two of the team’s road losses came at the hands of top-25 opponents.

The tremendous play at home last week was acknowledged by the Sun Belt Conference as they named redshirt senior, Katie Bange, the conference offensive player of the week. Bange posted 42 kills, 73 assists and 29 digs in the three game Spring Hill Suites Invitational with an additional 15 kills, 21 assists and 11 digs against Winthrop last Monday.

“I think it’s our first time having a Sun Belt offensive player of the wee. She’s been playing really well, she’s the glue that holds this team together and just an outstanding student athlete,” Wood said.

**NORTH FLORIDA RECAP**

The Eagles fell to 8-4 overall Tuesday night as they lost a four-set game against the Ospreys. North Florida took the first two sets 25 to 20 and 25 to 19. Down two sets, the Eagles worked to battle back by winning the third set 25-23 before dropping the fourth set 25-16. Katie Bange continued to lead the Eagles with 10 kills, 15 assists and 7 digs.

**COMING UP**

The Eagles look to carry the momentum they gained at home on to the road for a five-game stretch, including a three game tournament at the University of Alabama this weekend and their first two conference matches the following weekend against Louisiana Monroe and Louisiana Lafayette before returning to Hanner to face South Alabama in two weeks on Sept. 30.

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