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THE GEORGE-ANNE

*LOOKING FOR ANSWERS  
EAGLES LOSE TO APP STATE  
FOR SECOND STRAIGHT YEAR  
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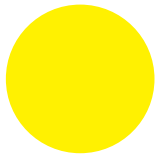
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Wednesday



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Thursday



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## Weather Bar

Despite Thursday's tough loss, the weather should be sunny and warm throughout the week. Be sure to wear layers as the afternoons will be warmer than the mornings.

# SURVIVING FLU AND COLD SEASON

BY MARQUETTA GREEN  
The Reflector staff

The fall and winter seasons can bring a lot of fun and adventure, but they can also be a nightmare with a runny nose, scratchy throat and nonstop sneezing which are all signs of getting a cold, or maybe even the flu.

## WHAT IS THE FLU?

According to the Center for Disease Control (CDC), Influenza is a serious disease that can lead to hospitalization and sometimes even death. Every flu season is different, and influenza infection can affect people differently. Even healthy people can get very sick from the flu and spread it to others.

## WHAT IS THE FLU VACCINE?

The flu vaccine includes antibodies that provide protection against infection with the viruses that are in the vaccine. ... Traditional flu vaccines are made to protect against three flu viruses an influenza A H1N1 virus, an influenza A H3N2 virus and an influenza B virus.

"There are multiple strains of flu viruses in existence, and each year a few of those strains predominate in circulation. The vaccine is changed each year to cover the 3-4 strains that are predicted to be most prevalent during that flu season," Medical Director of Georgia Southern Health Services, Dr. Brian Deloach said.

## WHY SHOULD YOU GET IT?

It is important to get the flu shot each year because there are multiple strains of flu viruses in existence. People who do not get vaccinated are at a higher risk of contracting the flu.

"Yes I get the flu shot each year. I think it is important to get it because if you don't you are more prone to getting an infection and bacteria in the air," junior sociology major Autumn Williams said.

According to the CDC, the flu vaccination is a preventive tool for people with chronic health conditions, may make your illness milder if you do get sick and protect those

around you who are most vulnerable to getting sick, such as babies, younger children, older people.

"Even in those healthy folks the flu will cause at least 7-10 days of absolute misery, leading to missed class, missed work, money spent going to the doctor or hospital, etc. Most importantly, getting vaccinated is the best way to reduce your chances of getting the flu," Deloach said.

## THE STIGMA

Most people assume that one of the side effects of the flu vaccine is catching the flu, that it doesn't work or that the vaccine itself are the actual virus.

"No, I don't get the flu shot because I don't really see a reason to, as a kid my parents never made me do it. I've gotten sick but I don't think I've really gotten the flu, I think my grandma gets the flu shot but that's the only person I really know that gets it and she never got the flu," freshman electrical engineer major Steven Hart said.

Although there are several others that intentionally don't get vaccinated for the simple fact that they don't feel the need to or that they've never had the flu before it is important to consider these biases when making the decision to get it or not.

"Most importantly, you do not get the flu from the flu

vaccine regardless of what your mom, friend, or roommate has told you," Deloach said.

"It takes about two weeks for your immunity level to rise to the point that you are protected from the virus," Deloach added

## HOW CAN YOU GET THE VACCINE?

There are many places available that offer the flu vaccine, according to the CDC, .For the 2016-2017 season, manufacturers have projected they will provide as many as 157 to 168 million doses of injectable influenza vaccine for the U.S. market.

Georgia Southern Health Services offers the injectable flu vaccine Monday-Friday. Patients may get the vaccine while being a seen with their health provider or as a walk-in.

"Also, Health Services hosts flu vaccine clinics for students on various locations around campus on several occasions throughout the flu season, and we have on campus vaccine clinics for faculty and staff. Finally, our Health Education and Promotion department deploys information throughout campus regarding steps to avoid the flu," Deloach said.



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# TOM BRADY IS THE G.O.A.T.



## DEVIN CONWAY

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

Tom Brady is the greatest quarterback of all time, and it's not even close.

## BEFORE BRADY WAS BRADY

Brady grew up as a two-sport athlete, playing both baseball and football until he left for college. He was actually taken in the 18th round of the MLB Draft upon graduation, but decided to forego an attempt at playing professional baseball in favor of attending college at the University of Michigan on a football scholarship.

When Brady arrived at Michigan, he was the seventh quarterback on the depth chart. Eventually he fought his way up the roster and ended up starting during his junior and senior years, posting a 20-5 overall record.

His unprecedented dominance of the National Football League is all the more impressive when considering that he entered the league as an overlooked

and out-of-shape prospect.

He wasn't drafted until the sixth round, when the New England Patriots selected him with the 199th pick in the year 2000.

## USHERING IN A NEW ERA

Brady arrived in New England as a backup to Drew Bledsoe, the former number one overall pick from Washington State. During his rookie season, he hardly saw any action on the field.

The following year, Drew Bledsoe was injured in the Patriots' second game of the season. Brady was sent in to relieve Bledsoe, and the rest is history. The Patriots ended up winning the Super Bowl in that first season under Brady, and they never looked back.

## A DYNASTY IN THE MAKING

The Patriots missed the playoffs the year after that first Super Bowl win, but won back-to-back titles in the following years.

Brady has remained the team's starting quarterback since the Bledsoe injury, and in the meantime, the New England Patriots have become one of the most dominant franchises in the history of professional sports.

The Patriots have won 77 percent of the regular season games in which Brady has started, including an undefeated regular season in 2007 in which Brady set then NFL records for passing touchdowns and touchdown-to-interception ratio.

He has appeared in six Super

Bowls, which is more than any other quarterback in NFL history, and has won four of them, which places him in a three-way tie with Joe Montana and Terry Bradshaw for most all-time.

He has the most touchdown passes in NFL playoff history, and also the most touchdown passes in Super Bowl history.

He has also won two regular season MVP awards and three Super Bowl MVP's.

## THE OTHER SIDE OF THE GAME

Brady is a player that appreciates the mental side of the game as much as the physical.

He understands that his success goes hand-in-hand with his own personal development, and he has acknowledged this fact through the actions he has taken over his career.

When he arrived at Michigan and was struggling to get time on the field, he actually hired a sports psychologist to help him with his confidence and mindset.

He credits a book on mindset, "The Four Agreements," for helping him through some turbulent times in his life, namely that of the Deflategate scandal that led to a four game suspension for the beginning of the 2016 season.

Following his suspension, Brady has won his first four starts of 2016, and at the age of 39, is looking better than ever.

"To me, football is so much about mental toughness, it's digging deep, it's doing whatever you need to do to help a team win and that comes in a lot of shapes and forms," Brady said when asked about his mentality.

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## MOST PLAYOFF WINS, ALL-TIME

**Tom Brady – 22**

Joe Montana – 16

Terry Bradshaw – 14

John Elway – 14

Peyton Manning – 14

## MOST PASSING YARDS, ALL-TIME

Peyton Manning – 71,940

Brett Favre – 71, 838

Drew Brees – 63,268

Dan Marino – 61, 361

**Tom Brady – 59,347**

## MOST PASSING TOUCHDOWNS, ALL-TIME

Peyton Manning – 539

Brett Favre – 508

Drew Brees – 446

**Tom Brady – 440**

Dan Marino – 420

## HIGHEST PASSER RATING, ALL-TIME

Aaron Rodgers – 103.6

Russell Wilson – 100.5

Tony Romo – 97.1

**Tom Brady – 97.0**

Steve Young – 96.8

## MOST REGULAR SEASON WINS, ALL-TIME

Peyton Manning – 186

Brett Favre – 186

**Tom Brady – 176**

John Elway – 148

Dan Marino – 147

## MOST FOURTH QUARTER COMEBACKS, ALL-TIME

Peyton Manning – 45

**Tom Brady – 37**

Dan Marino – 36

John Elway – 35

Joe Montana – 31



# GS VIA program creates leadership opportunities in Statesboro

**BY TANDRA SMITH**  
The George-Anne staff

The Office of Career Services has recently begun Volunteers in Action (VIA), a new volunteer program for Georgia Southern students that allows them to take advantage of leadership experiences in the Statesboro community.

The Volunteers in Action program started around four years ago in the Office of Leadership and Community Engagement (OLCE). The program grew so much that this spring, the program moved from the OLCE to Career Services.

"There was a need to develop a program that allowed students on an ongoing basis to work 5 to 15 to 20 hours a week in the same location," Jason Pollet, assistant director of experiential learning, said.

Since the office got control of the program, they have attempted to grow it by offering more opportunities and urging

more students to get involved with the program.

"The Volunteers in Action program allows students to begin their professional development and knowing that experience in a way that is not so official, in terms of getting on a corporation's job site, loading up your resume and having someone you don't know look at it," Pollet said.

Once in the program, individuals are called "VIA Project Leaders." They work anywhere from 5 to 20 hours a week managing special events, writing grants, planning activities and more.

"I think it sounds like a good experience," Mary Hinson, junior athletic training major, said. "Getting involved in the community is very important. So it's a great opportunity to do that."

Students can find local agencies participating in this program by going to the Career Services page, hovering over "Students", then clicking

on "Volunteer in Action Experiences". Many of the programs take applications at anytime, while others have specific application due dates.

Savannah McNeely, sophomore IT major, likes the idea of the program and would definitely participate in it if she didn't have other things scheduled.

"It [the program] gives you good experience with people and you get to see things from a different perspective," McNeely said. "It's also good to get involved,"

Pollet believes that the program is a good way for GS students to begin being more marketable, even from early in their college career.

Pollet said, "It's like a soft landing for freshman and sophomore students, even junior students to go ahead and start to build that experience so they can be more competitive in their own internship or full time job search."

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**MARY HINSON**  
Junior athletic training major

## Steps to Becoming a VIA Project Leader

1. Determine what position you're interested in by going to <http://students.georgiasouthern.edu/leaderserve/agencies/via>.
2. Touch up and prepare your resume before sending it to the agency your position is at.
3. Complete an interview if the agency contacts you.
4. If you secure a position, congrats!

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**Paige Taylor**  
FOR Duchess

- Volunteers at Habitat for Humanity with the Office of Leadership
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- Delta Phi Epsilon Intramural Coordinator

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# Anonymous social media's effects on GS

**BY BAILEY ADCOCK**

The George-Anne staff

Anonymous social media platforms, like Yik Yak and Whisper, are popular in the college student community, Georgia Southern being no exception, but these networks can have many negative effects.

These platforms allow students many opportunities to express themselves without worrying about other people finding out their true identity.

However, there is a darker side to these apps and websites that people tend to ignore.

"There was an app called AfterSchool the beginning of my senior year of high school last year and there were always ugly things posted about people," Shelby Todd, freshman multimedia journalism major, said. "At first I found them kind of funny until the rumors and nasty comments started coming toward me."

As with any social media platform, the risk of emotionally harmful posts is high, but with anonymous posting, there is an even higher risk of hurtful comments because nobody knows who is posting these.

"There were things on there about me that had never happened before, that I was never aware of, and there were things that absolutely crushed my entire reputation as the innocent girl at school," Todd said.

Cyberbullying typically begins in high schools, but unfortunately, it doesn't always stop there. Students in college are still affected by anonymous cyber bullying.

"On Yik Yak once I mentioned that I'm a criminal justice major and I had some people tell me they hope I get killed in the line of duty," Kayleigh McVey, junior justice studies major, said.

A study of the platform Whisper, conducted in Germany, found that about 28 percent of Whispers elicited negative emotions in readers, with responses like "hurt", "ugly" and "nasty".

Not only is cyberbullying a major concern when it comes to anonymous social media, but there have been many incidents involving bomb/shooting threats. While some threats are hoaxes, some have been serious and there is no way to tell.

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Kirstie Harsha  
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# Health Services went pink to honor nursing assistant

**BY CAITLYN OLIVER**  
The George-Anne staff

For Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Health Services employees wore pink every Wednesday to honor Deborah Kirkland, a certified nursing assistant who died of terminal cancer this year.

Kirkland began working with Health Services in 2007. As a nursing assistant, she was dedicated to students and loved her job.

"[Kirkland's] boyfriend lived in South Georgia, and I asked her, 'Why don't you go live closer to your boyfriend, why are you still here?' She would go every weekend to see him or he'd come here," Diane Norris, director of Health Services, said. "She said, 'Because I don't want to

leave my job. I love my job and I love taking care of the students.' It's a real testament to her and her dedication to the students."

Kirkland, a breast cancer survivor after 16 years, was diagnosed with breast cancer again in 2011, and was in remission for several years before she was diagnosed with terminal cancer in Aug. 2015.

She died at age 47 the following January.

While Norris knew the severity of Kirkland's diagnosis, her job was kept open for her in case she was able to return.

Health Services plans to do more for Breast Cancer Awareness next year, but this year was important because it was the first awareness month since Kirkland's death.

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### Brooke McConnell

- 2015 SOAR Leader
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- Susan G Komen race volunteer
- Making Strides 5K volunteer
- SOAR Alumni Club
- Student Eagle Club Member



# YMCA to open in Statesboro

**BY ERIN MCGUINNESS**  
The George-Anne staff

The YMCA of Coastal Georgia will open a location in Statesboro in the first quarter of 2017 at the previous location of the Sally Zettenhower school.

The 60,000 square foot space, located on the corner of Gentilly Road and Brannen Street, is in the process of architectural drawings and will go out for bidding in the next 30 days, according to Joel Smoker, CEO of the YMCA of Coastal Georgia.

The Statesboro YMCA board conducted a preliminary survey to get a feel for what types of programs this community needs the most.

Smoker said that there is a strong need for seniors' programs related to the health of the community as well as youth development, wellness and social responsibility programs.

"Growing up in Statesboro,

I never had anything like this, so I think it will be good for kids and teens and give them more opportunities to learn," Blake Barnard, freshman pre-nursing major, said.

The landlord will demolish the circle classroom in front of the gym on the property in the next 30 days to kick off the project.

"I think [students] should be excited for a lot of different reasons," Smoker said. "First and foremost, I was a struggling college student at GS myself, and I needed a job, and the YMCA will provide many jobs such as helping with childcare programs and employment in wellness and fitness programs."

Because of the 60,000 square feet of indoor space, Smoker said that this property has the potential to have social service opportunities, rooms available for think tanks, shared work space and other opportunities.

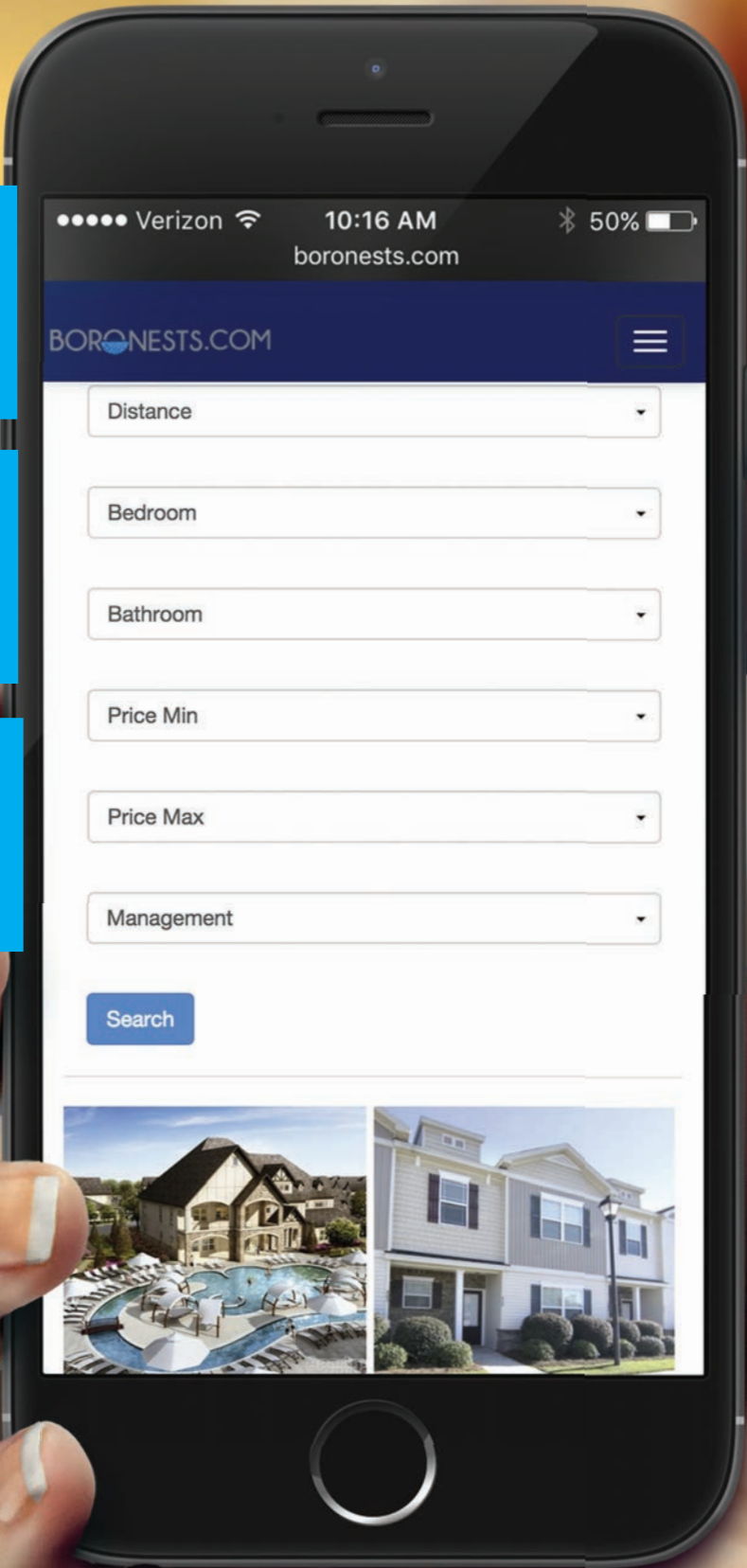
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## DEMONS, GHOULS AND WITCHES, OH MY! HAUNTED STATESBORO



The Packinghouse building is located on its namesake road in Statesboro. According to “The Packinghouse Project” Facebook page, the former meat packing plant will be renovated into apartments.

**BY CHERYL NUZUM**

The Reflector staff

Just a hop, skip and jump away is Savannah, Ga., one of the most haunted cities in the country. But what many people don’t realize is there are plenty of hometown haunts right here in Statesboro. From local restaurants to abandoned buildings, our college town has its fair share of ghost stories to keep you up at night.

Halloween celebrations may

have been in full swing all weekend, but if you’re looking to stretch the festivities once more night, take a break from the costume parties and spend the night ghost hunting.

(Obligatory if you dare warning inserted here).

### HARVILLE HOUSE

Located on Harville Road, the property was purchased

in 1862 by Samuel Winkler Harville, who was a delegate from Bulloch County sent to the 1861 Secession Convention in Milledgeville. He voted for Georgia to secede during the convention. His son built the house in 1894 as a small, one-story farmhouse. Additions were added over generations and by 1946, the Harville House was a self-sustaining farm. However, in the 70’s the house was abandoned.

The hauntings occurred when two women died in the house but their deaths went unnoticed and their possessions remained. It is said that the two women can be seen in their rocking chairs from the front porch.

There is an added bonus of the Harville Cemetery, which is located a quarter mile away from the property. While the cemetery is not haunted, it is known to be a rather spooky addition to a haunted trip.

### MEAT PACKING PLANT

The most notorious haunting in Statesboro, the former meatpacking plant was the sight of a gruesome mass murder during the Great Depression. The owner set fire to the building but not before putting chains on all the doors and blocking the exits, trapping 23 employees inside. The owner then shot himself in the head, committing suicide.

People have reported seeing shadows running towards exits and the image of a woman through a third floor window, stricken with fear. During a full moon, it is said you can hear the sounds of gunshots and screams.

### OLD GHOST ROAD

This is one of the scariest hauntings in Bulloch County simply because not much is known about it. Robertson Road is located in Brooklet, just outside of Statesboro, and it is said that if one drives down it, an orange light will begin to appear, followed by a man digging a ditch. After a certain amount of time, the man will begin to approach the car, but will disappear before ever reaching it. No one knows who the man is, why he is digging or what the orange light is meant for. However, as a result, the road has been nicknamed “Ghost Road.”

### THE BEAVER HOUSE

The house was built in 1911 by John Alexander McDougald, a former mayor of Statesboro, and inherited down the family line until it eventually became the The Beaver House Inn & Restaurant that it is today.

There are rumors of six different ghosts that haunt the property, mostly from the family, including Ruth McDougald, who is one of the great-grandmothers, as well as two uncles and an aunt. There are, however, two ghosts in particular who are the most notable. One is Roy Beaver, one of the grandfathers, who stood at 6’6” weighing 480 lbs. The other is a girl named Annie who died on the same property that Pizza Hut now sits on, when she fell out of the tree she was climbing. Her spirit is the most prevalent of the six.

The ghosts are not harmful and many patrons only see them as glimpses or shadows, a blink-and-you-miss-it moment that is waved off. However, it has been known for small pranks to be played, locked doors to come unlocked and silverware to go missing.

## KAPPA DELTA SUPPORTS GINN FOR THE WINN!

- Leads Kappa Delta's chapter by serving on the Executive Council Board as the Panhellenic Delegate, acting as the liaison between Kappa Delta and the Panhellenic Community. (2015/2016) She also oversees multiple chairs within the chapter as her efforts of being a strong leader.
- Sigma Chi Sweetheart, Eta Zeta Chapter, Georgia Southern University (2016)
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- Supporter of Prevent Child Abuse Philanthropy (2013-2016)
- Campus Crusade for Christ - CRU (2015-Current)
- CURE Organization
- Consecutive Dean's List Recipient





# A PROM FOR EVERYONE

## GS' 2016 PRIDE PROM

BY JULIA FECHTER  
The George-Anne staff

Colorful lights dance along the walls. A large dance floor spans the ballroom, and attendees clad in their best dresses, tuxedos and costumes enter the venue.

This experience may sound similar to a prom or other themed dance you attended while in high school, but there is one notable difference.

This is the Georgia Southern Gay-Straight Alliance's annual Pride Prom. The campus GSA teamed up with Health Services and the Multicultural Student Center (the MSC) to host an "Alice in Wonderland" themed Pride Prom.

This Pride Prom was a first for many of the GS students who may not have had the opportunity to fully express themselves before.

"It's the first pride prom I've ever been to. I recently came out as transgender. It's always been my dream to go to prom, and this is just an amazing experience for me," Kinsey Myers, a junior software engineering major, said. "I feel so accepted and loved here, like I can be who I want and who I am and not feel judged."

The prom was also a first for students and attendees new to the Statesboro area because it



gave them a chance to network with others.

"It's been pretty great. One of the reasons I think I'm doing so well right now is because of the GSA...because I'm not very social. This [event] is kind of making me be more social and allowing me to be okay with myself," Nix Powell, a freshman business management major said.

Students were not the only ones celebrating at Pride Prom. Byron Anthony Green, the Resident Director for Eagle Village, attended the event.

"I identify as part of the LGBT community, and I think it's very important for not only my students [at Eagle Village] to see me out at events like this, but [for me to] recognize myself that I'm a very proud member of the GSM [Gender Sexual Minority], so that they will feel the same pride," Green said.

Overall, the Pride Prom seemed to be a place where GS students and employees could freely express themselves, whether that be by donning a Halloween costume or by busting out some moves on the dance floor. It is one of the many events in which GSA is involved in around campus.

For more information about GSA's upcoming events, you can check out their social media accounts.



Nix Powell, a freshman business management major, and Ashley Strickland, a freshman sociology major, dance to a slow song.



From left to right: GS students Tralen Rhone, Alexis Pratt, Camilla Gonzalez, Damon Strozier and Eboney Hall, freshman public health major dance to Drake's song "Controller".



Michael Weddingcamp, the graduate assistant for SGA, dances at Pride Prom. "I like to see all the students who might not have felt 100 percent comfortable at their [previous] proms be able to be who they are here," Weddingcamp said.



Kinsey Myers, a junior software engineering major, received an award as part of Prom Royalty, a twist on the concept of a prom king and queen. "I got the crown because I was Prom Royalty," Myers said.



Byron Anthony Green, the Resident Director of Eagle Village, describes his costume. "This summer, Todrick Hall did that movie-slash-visual album called 'Straight Outta Oz'... I thought 'how awesome would it be if I did my own version of the wizard of Oz,'" Green said.



GS catering provided the food for the Pride Prom, including the chocolate cake pictured above. There were also cups of Halloween candy for attendees to take home with them.



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## WHAT THE EAGLES SAID

### HEAD COACH TYSON SUMMERS ON THE OFFENSE:

"We were not able to establish a run game. For us here at Georgia Southern, that's what we have to do."

### LINEBACKER UKEME ELIGWE ON HIS TOUCHDOWN:

"The ball just shot my way, and I just did what I used to do in high school-stiff arm and keep running. I knew I just had to beat (the kicker) to make my way down field."

### RUNNING BACK MATT BREIDA ON HOW THE MOUNTAINEERS PERFORMED:

"They're a good team. We let them get away with things that can hurt you. We played good football in the first half and in the second half we let it get away from us."

### QUARTERBACK KEVIN ELLISON ON THE LOSS:

"They were hitting on all cylinders. We have to just start putting things together and start playing as a team."

# STATE OF THE NEST

BY HAYDEN BOUDREAUX  
The George-Anne contributor

It has been almost a week since the Eagles lost their long-time rival, Appalachian State. This came as no surprise to many fans who watched their team fall for the fourth time this season, giving them a .500 record.

Last week's game was a lot of what we have seen all season. It was a group of amazing athletes and players making athletic plays to try and keep themselves in the game.

Linebacker Ukeme Eligwe scooped up a 90-yard fumble to score, a pair of interceptions including one that resulted in a drive that was stopped at the five-yard line. Quarterback Kevin Ellison scrambling all over the field to try and make plays late in the game, and many more efforts from players on both sides of the ball.

In the end, the Eagles allowed nearly 500 yards of offense from the Mountaineers while picking up only 159 themselves, with over 100 of those coming in the fourth quarter.

We have seen these displays of athleticism all year. A blocked field goal secured the win over UL Monroe. In our most recent win the Eagles blocked a punt, recovered four fumbles, and hit three field goals, all in service of a three-point win over one of the worst teams on our schedule. There are too many other examples to list, not to mention the constant displays by players like Favian Upshaw, who is using every shred of his athletic ability to make plays work. This is not a sustainable model moving forward and it is a problem that will only compound as we move further.

In the two nationally televised games the Eagles have played this season, both have ended in losses from conference opponents. Potential recruits look at players like running back Matt Breida, a Doak Walker nominee, who averaged 17 touchdowns on the ground the last two years, and now has only one rushing touchdown through eight games. They see a developing true freshman quarterback who had his redshirt pulled half-way through the season and has had tremendous weight put on his shoulders when it may not have been necessary.

Most of all, they see a 4-4 record with a chance of not even making a bowl game, along with the general disdain on social media regarding the leaders of the program.

There are four games left in the season. The next one is against Ole Miss that must win three of their next four games for bowl eligibility and will be looking for someone to bully after having a rough few weeks. The final game of the season is against Troy, who is having one of their best seasons in a quarter of a century and is a legitimate contender for the Sun Belt.

This leaves UL-Lafayette and Georgia State. Both teams have losing records and, for all intents and purposes, should never be able to keep up with Georgia Southern. In my opinion, this is how the rest of the season will turn out.

We will pick up wins over those two programs and be granted bowl eligibility. The athletic program will focus on that, almost to say that the fan outcry for changes all season was needless because we made it

to a bowl game despite injuries and losses to good programs. To me, that is a disservice to these players that have fought tooth and nail to bring this program to where it is today.

It is important to stress that these players are some of the most talented that I've ever had the pleasure of watching in college football. I think it is a shame to watch these seniors, who have accomplished so much in their time as Eagles, have to take these losses week after week. I cannot to figure out why such a talented group of players who have seen so much success have had the year they've had thus far. I can only point to one area, coaching.

It is no small matter to label a coach or a group of coaches as the problem with a program. There are so many moving parts to put a team together that it seems almost unfair to point the blame at any one group. It is undeniable that many coaches struggle in their first year at the helm, even more at the helm of a new team.

However, the amount of skill and talent on this team is one that we will likely not see in Statesboro for a long time to come. We have already hurt our recruiting for next year and we will be losing a ton of talent over the next two off seasons. This all begs the question, if these coaches couldn't dominate the Sun Belt with this team, can they do it with anyone?

**Update:** Tyson Summers announced that David Dean, co-offensive coordinator, will take over play-calling for the offense. Rance Gillespie will continue to be QB coach.

## PLAYERS OF THE WEEK



### UKEME ELIGWE

Eligwe was one of the bright spots for the Eagles against the Mountaineers, as his game-high 10 total tackles came all over the field. His 90-yard scoop and score off a botched field goal attempt gave the Eagles their only touchdown of the night.



### TRE GRIFFIN

The senior defensive end has been solid all season, and continued that on Thursday. He finished with four tackles, one tackle for loss, a pass break-up and a quarterback hit, all game-highs among the defensive linemen.



# AROUND THE SUN BELT

BY ROBERT GEORGE  
The George-Anne staff

The 2016 football season is halfway over, and the Sun Belt title race is fully underway for a handful of teams. While there are plenty of opportunities for teams to move up or down in the standings, a few things have started to sort themselves out. Here’s three developments in the Sun Belt that will influence the later part of the season.

### TROY, ARKANSAS STATE AND APP STATE ELEVATE TO THE TOP

Troy was off this weekend, but Arkansas State and App State both cruised to easy wins over UL Monroe and Georgia Southern respectively. The open week came at the right time for Troy, as they’ll face the Red Wolves and the Mountaineers over the next three weeks. After that stretch of games, their should be a definitive front runner for the Sun Belt title.












### GEORGIA SOUTHERN FALLS INTO THE PACK

After the 34-10 home loss to App State last Thursday night, the Eagles are now tied for third place in the conference standings with UL Lafayette and Idaho. Their two conference losses places them two games back of the first place position, and with just three conference games left, it’s a long shot that the Eagles will capture their second Sun Belt title this season.

### TROY’S OFFENSE REMAINS ELITE

The Trojans are undefeated in Sun Belt action, and their offense is the main reason why. They’ve scored an average of 37 points per game this season, which is 10 more points than the next closest team. Quarterback Brandon Silvers has the best passer rating in the Sun Belt, and running back Jordan Chunn has seven rushing scores, tied for most in the conference.

## 2016 SUN BELT CURRENT FOOTBALL STANDINGS

		CONFERENCE	OVERALL
	TROY UNIVERSITY	4-0	6-1
	APP STATE	4-0	6-2
	ARKANSAS STATE	3-0	3-4
	GEORGIA SOUTHERN	3-2	4-4
	IDAHO	2-2	4-4
	LOUISIANA LAFAYETTE	2-2	3-4
	GEORGIA STATE	1-3	2-6
	LOUISIANA MONROE	1-3	2-6
	NEW MEXICO STATE	1-3	2-6
	SOUTH ALABAMA	1-4	4-4
	TEXAS STATE	0-3	2-5

## SPORTS SHORTS

- **Women’s Volleyball** lost against Arkansas State, 0-3, on Friday.
- **Women’s Volleyball** lost against Texas State, 0-3, on Saturday.
- **Men’s Soccer** lost against Howard, 0-2, on Saturday.

## UPCOMING GAMES

Men’s Soccer	Men’s Basketball	Women’s Basketball
App State	Lees-McRae	Coastal Georgia
Saturday, Nov. 5	Thursday, Nov 3	Tuesday, Nov 1
Statesboro, GA	Statesboro, GA	Statesboro, GA
7 p.m.	7 p.m.	7 p.m.



## Ahead in CLASS

All events are open to the public, and admission is free except where otherwise indicated. For more information, please visit [GeorgiaSouthern.edu/class](http://GeorgiaSouthern.edu/class).



**Now-4/12 - Spanish in Georgia: A Forgotten History** Museum on Main, Statesboro Convention & Visitors Bureau.

**11/2 - Faculty Artist Series with David Murray, Piano.** 7:30 p.m., Carter Recital Hall.

**11/2-11/11 - 18th Annual French Week** Lectures, Food, and Art highlight Georgia Southern’s French Week. A full list of events can be found at [class.georgiasouthern.edu](http://class.georgiasouthern.edu).

**11/3 - History Fall Film Series: John Rabe** Film tells the story of a German businessman who rescued more than 200,000 Chinese during the “Nanking Massacre.” Introduced by Dr. Juanjuan Peng. 6 p.m., Sanford Hall, room 1002.

**11/5 - Georgia Southern Strings Chamber Recital** 7:30 p.m., Carter Recital Hall.

**11/6 - Brass Studio Chamber Recital 2** p.m., Carter Recital Hall.

**11/7-12/9 - Tonal Relativity** Work by Alyce Santoro. Public lecture and reception 11/10 at 5 p.m. in the Visual Arts Building, room 2071. University Gallery at the Center for Art and Theatre.

**11/8 - Southern Circuit: NUTS!** A Q&A with Writer and Co-Editor Thom Styliniski will follow the screening. 7 p.m., Sanford Hall, Room 1002.

**11/9 - Georgia Southern Percussion Ensemble** 7:30 p.m., Carter Recital Hall.

**11/9-11/16 - She Kills Monsters** Student and youth tickets \$6. Faculty, staff, and community tickets \$12. 7:30 p.m., Center for Art and Theatre.

**11/14 - Georgia Southern Jazz Ensemble** 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center.

**11/15 - Georgia Southern Wind Symphony** 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center.

**11/16 - Georgia Southern Symphony** 7:30 p.m., Performing Arts Center.

**11/28 - R. Frank Saunders, Jr. History Lecture Series** Ahmet Akturk, Ph.D., will present “Tanks, Smartphones, and People: The July 15 Failed Coup and the Future of Democracy in Turkey.” 6 p.m., Nessmith-Lane Center Auditorium.

**12/2 - Georgia Southern Guitar Ensemble** 7:30 p.m., Carter Recital Hall.

**12/4 - Georgia Southern Choral Christmas Concert** 3 p.m. & 6 p.m., First United Methodist Church.



# GEORGIA SOUTHERN VOLLEYBALL RECAP

**BY CASEY ROHLEN**  
The George-Anne contributor

Playing for the first time since Monday’s win against Savannah State, the GS Woman’s Volleyball team took the court at Hanner Fieldhouse this weekend looking to turn their floundering season around.

Friday night marked the Eagles’ annual Dig Pink Match to show support for breast cancer awareness as GS squared off against the talented Arkansas State Red Wolves.

The energy in Hanner Fieldhouse was tempered after the Red Wolves made short work of the Eagles in the first set, leading by as many as 11, winning 25-14. Arkansas State carried their momentum into the second set jumping out to a 6-1 lead before a timeout, a rally, and a fierce spike by GS junior Cathrine Murray tied things up. The set saw several lead changes until the Red Wolves staved off the Eagles with a 25-22 win. Even though GS gained an early lead in the third, Arkansas State battled back winning the set 25-23 and the match 3-0.

Not to be discouraged, nearly 200 fans came out to support their Eagles in Saturday’s barn burner against the Arkansas Little

Rock Trojans. The first set saw both teams vying for a small lead until the Trojans pulled away and took the set 25-17. Whenever the Trojans made a run in the second set, the Eagles remained steadfast, ending with a final exchange capped off by a Cathrine Murray kill for the Eagle win 26-24. The blocking duo of sophomore Lauren Reichard and senior Katie Bange combined with the set-winning kill by junior Anna Wenger earned the Eagles the third set win 25-23. Unfortunately, this was the high point for the Eagles as the Red Wolves came back with a 25-23 win in the fourth before taking the fifth 19-17 and the match 3-2.

“We had opportunities that you have to take advantage of so we’re disappointed in that. They had seven blocks in the fifth set alone, and we hit negative so when you have match points not playing that well, you have to take it and run with it. We didn’t do that tonight,” GS head coach Dustin Woods said.

Georgia Southern has now dropped five straight Sun Belt matches, falling to 12-14 overall and 4-6 in conference play. Their next game will be against Coastal Carolina at Hanner Fieldhouse on Wednesday, Nov. 2 at 6 p.m.



The Eagles huddle up in a game against Arkansas State. The Eagles have an overall record of 12-14.



## UPCOMING GAMES

<b>COASTAL CAROLINA</b> WEDNESDAY, NOV. 2 STATESBORO, GA 6 P.M.	<b>COASTAL CAROLINA</b> FRIDAY, NOV. 4 CONWAY, SC 6:30 P.M.	<b>APP STATE</b> SATURDAY, NOV. 5 BOONE, NC 8 P.M.	<b>APP STATE</b> SUNDAY, NOV. 5 BOONE, NC TBA
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