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CAMPUS-WIDE
OUTRAGE ON SOCIAL
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THE UNIVERSITY BY
THE GS NAACP. HAVE
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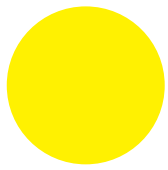
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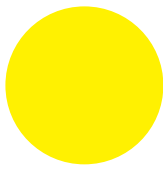


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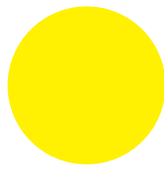


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BRUNCH in the 'Boro

BY CHERYL NUZUM

The George-Anne staff

A few weeks ago, I wrote an article about my first experience at brunch. I was on Spring Break with my friends in beautiful St. Augustine, facing the waterfront view and enjoying the sunny weather. While not much could top that experience (I may be a little biased), ever since then I've been yearning to find a way to bring that experience back to Statesboro.

Brunch is a meal that is entirely underrated. It's so versatile. A casual morning-after with your friends after a long night, a final send-off with your parents before they head back home, a post-church occasion with your loved ones. There's really no bad excuse for brunch, so now all we need is a good place to go. Here's a look at two beloved spots here in Statesboro – one a little more fine dining, one a little more casual.

441 Public Kitchen & Bar

After suffering a terrible fire a year and a half ago, South & Vine Public House reinvented itself to the downtown destination 441 Public Kitchen & Bar. While it boasts wide range of cuisine for its lunch and dinner menus, it's also a hotspot for Sunday brunch. Some of the more popular choices include French toast, ham or crabmeat eggs Benedict, steak and eggs, pancakes and biscuits and gravy. Also, feel free to chat with owner and chef, Seni Alabi, who likes to make his rounds with customers when he gets the chance.

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What Trump and Obama's Meeting Suggests About Trump's Presidency

ALEYNA RENTZ

Rentz is a senior English and writing and linguistics major. This is a guest column.

A Different Trump

The Donald Trump we saw during his victory speech was not the same Trump we saw during his campaign. Reneging on the divisive rhetoric of his rallies, he asked for America to "bind the wounds of division," the very wounds he and his supporters opened. He came into this election with a sword but now preaches peace, a transformation that might seem promising, but could be no less bombastic than his usual bravado.

While I can easily imagine Kellyanne Conway slipping him a Xanax and coaching him in angry whispers on proper presidential etiquette, I am trying to be less cynical. With the sobering results of this election, I have to learn how to be hopeful.

Right now, my hope lies in Trump's fear. His contempt for political correctness has begun to disappear now that he is actually a politician, a shift in strategy that shouldn't puzzle anyone who saw the photograph of Trump and President Obama shaking hands after their meeting at the White House. Obama, his face stern and unsmiling, stared straight at Trump, who could not bring himself to look back. Trump's face was tilted down, his eyes closed, his expression showing hints of burgeoning shame.

Perhaps this was the first time Trump ever experienced such a feeling.

President-Elect Meets the President

Unlike past meetings between President-Elects and their predecessors, there was no warm handshake on the front lawn, no grinning for photo-ops, no attempts at feigning camaraderie, despite Trump's insistence that the two had "great chemistry."

Given the frigid, pained atmosphere of the meeting, clearly that was not the case. After all, it is difficult to have great chemistry with someone whose career you've repeatedly attempted to undermine.

Yet Trump seems to think, or is at least pretending, that over the course of their 90 minute meeting, the two miraculously

forged a close friendship—so close, in fact, that the Obamas are now "Mr. and Mrs. O." We will never know what actually happened during this ostensibly productive meeting, but it probably confirmed what Trump must have realized upon learning he would be our next President: that he is going to have to spend the next four years (barring the possibility of impeachment) working with the same politicians he spent his entire campaign gleefully insulting.

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About his meeting with Obama, Trump quipped, "We've never met each other before," an unsurprising revelation considering that Trump prefers to slander his enemies from a safe distance, separated from the real world and its consequences by thick crowds of his supporters.

Hurling Insults

Now, he actually has to face these people, both Democrats and Republicans. He has to go to work with them every day.

Elizabeth Warren, who he called "goofy," "Pocahontas," and "the Indian."

John McCain, a "dummy" who is "incapable of doing anything."

Cory Booker, a Senator about whom Trump said, "If Cory Booker is the future of the Democratic Party, they have no future!" and "I know more about Cory than he knows about himself."

Paul Ryan, who is "very weak," "ineffective" and "disloyal."

Trump's bravado and smug rhetoric disappeared when he was stuck in the same room with the man he's spent the past eight years slandering, so one can only imagine what will happen to his machismo when he is forced to live and work amongst the objects of his ridicule. In a Republican-dominated federal government, this might be our country's saving grace.

The Art of the Compromise

If Trump can't even look Obama in the eyes, he will scarcely be able to bully into reality some of the more audacious policies from his plan for his first 100 days in office, such as renegotiating NAFTA, withdrawing from the Paris Agreement and, of course, building his infamous wall.

Instead, he will have to learn compromise, which means swallowing his pride and leaving behind many of his proposed policies on the campaign trail.

He has already begun back-pedaling, or is at least trying. In addition to his victory speech's plea for unity and his newfound respect for Obama, he has also praised his own protestors in a bizarre Tweet. Watching these awkward attempts at reconciliation with the people he alienated makes me wonder what's going on in Trump's head. The optimist in me likes to think that he is beginning to understand, like so many elementary school students before him, that words have consequences, that every bully eventually has to face his victims and own up to his actions.

Unfortunately, Trump's searing rhetoric cannot be fixed with a little introspection and apology. He has already turned hate speech into a normal mode of discourse, and whether or not he chooses to abandon this kind of language will not undo two years of damage. It will, however, at least help our country heal, and if Trump actually wants this healing to begin, he needs to understand that sometimes words are louder than actions.

Let's hope he chooses the right ones.

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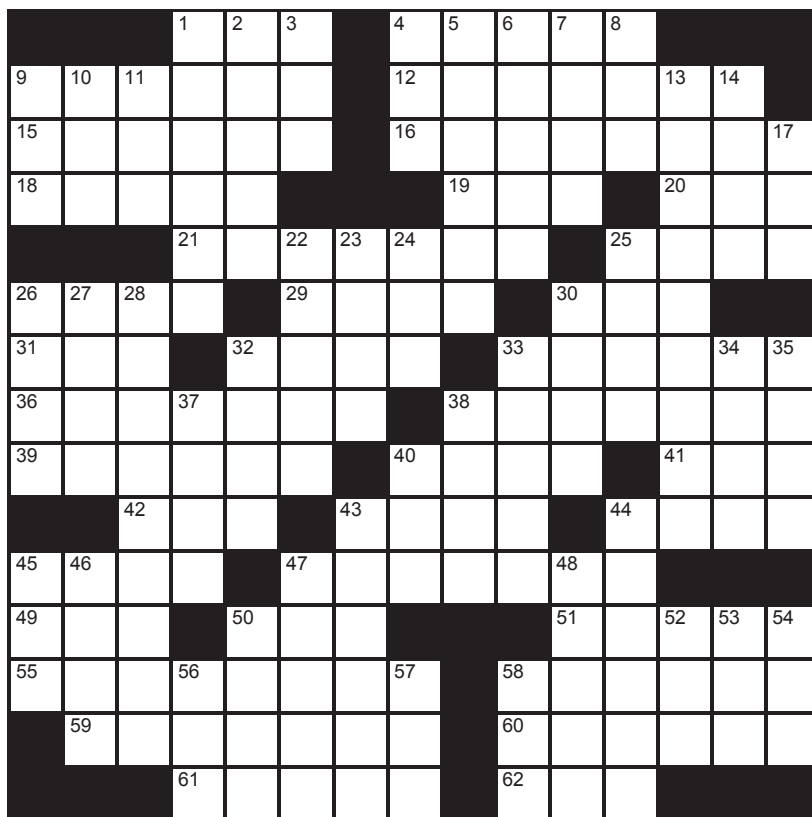
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- 16 One buck, in slang
- 18 Andrea Bocelli, for one
- 19 Plant production
- 20 Tax pro, for short
- 21 Destroyer, e.g.
- 25 Kind of aerobics
- 26 Emphatic agreement
- 29 Wood sorrels
- 30 Jacuzzi
- 31 Brine-cured smoked salmon
- 32 Corset part
- 33 Rough-cut
- 36 Alfresco
- 38 Admonition
- 39 Panic
- 40 Subdued
- 41 Wassail alternative
- 42 Long, long time
- 43 Like the White Rabbit
- 44 Uses a Singer
- 45 Cavort
- 47 Shed light on
- 49 "Wheel of Fortune" buy
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- 51 Strainer
- 55 Attractive
- 58 Type of lotion
- 59 Medical instrument



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- 60 Some are vital
- 61 Beginning
- 62 Increases
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- 14 Ignoramus
- 17 Short snooze
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- 23 Lasting impression
- 24 It's cut and dried
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GEORGIA SOUTHERN VS. GEORGIA STATE

THE GAMEDAY PREVIEW
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19 - 2:00 P.M.
GEORGIA DOME, ATLANTA, GA
WILL BE BROADCAST ON ESPN3



GEORGIA SOUTHERN BY CHRIS SMITH

On Saturday, Georgia Southern University will travel up to Atlanta to face their in-state rival, Georgia State University. This is the ultimate battle for the right to be called the real GSU.

The last time Southern and State played in Atlanta, Eagles fans traveled well and turned the Georgia Dome into Paulson Stadium East by defeating them 69-31 in 2014. This team is different than the one two years ago. State got the better of Southern last year in Paulson Stadium, pulling off the upset and winning 14-7.

Injuries have been a nuisance to Southern all season long, and it showed last week against the University of Louisiana-Lafayette. The Eagles were without co-starting quarterbacks Kevin Ellison and Favian Upshaw. Ellison missed the game last week due to an injury he sustained against Ole Miss. Upshaw has not played since the Georgia Tech game. Coach Tyson Summers is hopeful that he will have either one or both of those players back this weekend.

"We should be able to have Kevin, and we are hoping to have Favian as well. Kevin is a little further ahead than Favian is," coach Summers said.

By getting one of these two

players back, possibly both, they will be able to get back to their option run attack. Last week, the team passed the ball 37 times compared to their 28 attempts on the ground.

The running back situation did not look for the Eagles last week, either. Running back Wesley Fields missed the game last week due to injury, and L.A. Ramsby and Matt Breida struggled to get anything going on the ground. Ramsby appeared to limp off the field after he ran his second touchdown in against ULL.

As many fans know, the Eagles need to win out to get a chance for their second bowl berth in the school's history. State has won two games this year and has undergone a coaching change, but they are not to be overlooked. One slip up against them and, the Eagles can kiss their season goodbye.

"We have two games left, and we need two games to get into a bowl game. This is an opportunity to send these seniors out right, and that's the emphasis for me," Summers said.

The two teams will kick off at 2 p.m. Saturday inside the Georgia Dome. The game will be broadcast on ESPN3.



GEORGIA STATE BY ROBERT GEORGE

While a game against an in-state rival will always be an intense and emotional contest, this game this weekend between Georgia Southern (GS) and Georgia State (GSU) should have a little extra juice for both teams.

GS is fighting for bowl eligibility. They have to win their final two games, and that begins with the Panthers. The Eagles also want to avenge last season's loss to the Panthers, and this senior class wants to cap off their impressive careers with wins in their final two games.

GSU, however, is not playing for a bowl game. At 2-8 overall, their season will end on Dec. 3 after their final game against Idaho. However, they'll be doing it without their head coach of four years, Trent Miles. Miles was fired last weekend following the loss to UL Monroe, ending his tenure at GSU.

Miles was never able to get much going other than last season, when the Panthers pulled out six wins and went to their first ever bowl game. He was respected by his players, but ultimately wasn't able to keep his job after going 9-38 during his time at GSU.

GS head coach Tyson Summers talked about how a new head coach for GSU could impact the game this weekend.

"As late as it is in the season, I don't think you'll see any huge changes," Summers said. "There may be a little

bit different personality from a play-calling standpoint. I certainly don't think you'll see a lot different things from a defensive or special-teams standpoint."

Offensively, GSU is led by their senior wideout Robert Davis. Last season, he and fellow wideout Penny Hart formed a devastating combo on the outside, and was a big reason why the Panthers won six games. However, Hart has only played two games this season due to injuries, and Davis has hauled in four touchdowns and 780 yards so far.

"I think the big thing [with GSU] is their overall speed," Summers said. "They got a bunch of long guys that can run, particularly at the skill position."

Defensively, Chandon Sullivan leads a secondary that is probably the best position group on their team. He's been the anchor for a unit that has made plays in the passing game all season. Sullivan and fellow defensive backs BJ Clay and Jerome Smith all have three interceptions each on the season.

However, the Panthers haven't been able to stop the running game all season. They give up about 200 yards per game on the ground, and should play into the Eagle's strengths. That's provided, however, that the Eagles can put together a rushing attack like the one they mustered against Ole Miss and not the one against UL Lafayette.



Logan Hunt (91) brings down the GSU ball carrier in last season's contest. The Panthers shocked the Eagles in a 34-7 win in Paulson Stadium to be able to make a bowl game.

FROM THE EDITOR



RASHAD MILLIGAN

The Signal Sports Editor
Twitter handle: @jeff3006

Q: What kind of effect will the firing of Trent Miles have on the game this weekend?

A: The thing I'm most sure it will do is give the players a lot of emotions for this game. If you look at a lot of the players tweets after the decision, you can tell the genuine respect they had for Coach Miles as not just a coach, but a man.

Over the summer, some of the players participated in the Black Lives Matter protest in Downtown Atlanta. A lot of college coaches would avoid addressing the issue because the discussions about it have been so controversial. The first thing Coach Miles did was tweet support for the guys marching amongst the masses. When I asked him about it on media day, he explained to me that his job goes beyond just recruiting the best players and yelling at them on the field. He said his job was also to make men and that one of his most important characteristics he looked for when signing high schoolers was character.

The thing I'm not sure about this weekend is is that emotion will benefit or hinder the team's performance.

Q: What were some of the reasons that Miles was let go?

A: Sources told me in January that our athletic director Charlie Cobb didn't really like Coach Miles. Cobb said that he lacked charisma and he wasn't involved enough with the GSU community. Of course, Cobb couldn't fire him right after he was named Conference Coach of the Year and he led us to our first Bowl Game, but he knew he wanted a fresh face leading the charge to start the Turner Field era. Starting 2-8 made that decision easier I suppose.

Q: At 2-8, what are the Panthers playing for at this point in the season?

A: GSU seniors like Bobby Baker, Keith Rucker, Jr., and Robert Davis are playing for a spot in the NFL. Other guys on the team are working to build some chemistry and momentum for next season. We never got settled in this year with the continuous cycle of quarterbacks we rotated, injuries also hurt us missing an All-American freshman like (now sophomore) Penny Hart.

Q: Who's been the MVP for the Panthers so far this season?

A: I'd probably say the MVP for GSU has been Chandon Sullivan. He plays in the secondary for us and he's been huge all season. Him, Jerome Smith and Bobby Baker have been leading "The Dark Side" all year.

Q: What are the keys for the Panthers if they want to win the contest this weekend?

A: For GSU to win, special teams have to limit their mistakes, whoever the quarterback is has to show up and the defense needs to be rested. They also can't let the emotion of a rivalry game and losing Coach Miles ruin their composure.

GEORGIA SOUTHERN	2015	GEORGIA STATE
7	SCORE	34
135	RUSHING YARDS	143
68	PASSING YARDS	346
2	TURNOVERS	1
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● **UPB Presents: UnPlugged - November Edition**

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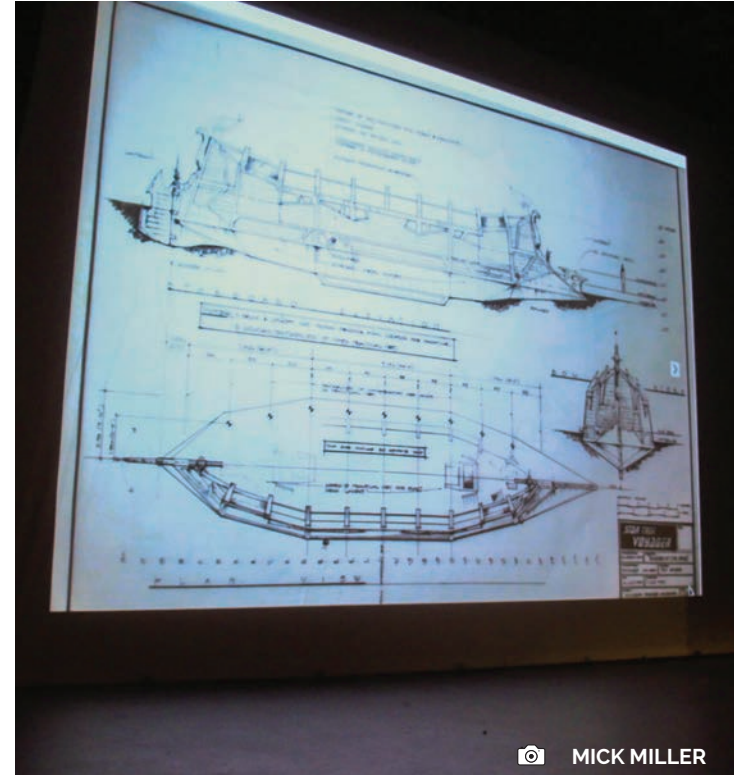
YOUR STUDENT ACTIVITY FEES AT WORK

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MICK MILLER

Timothy Earls is a GS graphic design graduate of 1992. Earls was inspired to pursue the major after working at a local architectural firm during college.



MICK MILLER

This is a sketch for one of the props Earls drafted for "Star Trek: Voyager". "Voyager" was a television series that focused on the Star Trek ship the USS Voyager.

ONE GRADUATE'S VENTURE INTO MOVIE SET DESIGN

BY THOMAS BARSZCZ
The George-Anne staff

Whether you know it or not, Georgia Southern has produced some talented and successful individuals of all different types of trades. One such example is Timothy Earls, an accomplished designer of movie sets who has worked on many famous productions such as Iron Man, Mr. & Mrs. Smith and Batman vs. Superman.

Earls came back to GS for the second time this past Monday to present his story in the Blackbox Theater and encourage aspiring art students to pursue their dreams.

IN THE BEGINNING

Earls graduated from GS in 1992 with a degree in graphic design and a goal of becoming an architect. That was, until his brother asked him to move to Los Angeles to help him design a video game.

Unfortunately, that project failed, leaving Earls in L.A. with nothing but an art degree and a passion for drawing. That was when he stumbled upon the set of a developing, soon to be successful sci-fi television series known as "Babylon 5."

"One of the things that benefits me in my work in film is my love for science-fiction," Earls said.

After working on the set for "Babylon 5," Earls was discovered and hired to work on the set of Star Trek Voyager, thus continuing working in a field he loves.

"Babylon 5 and Star Trek were the most fun jobs I've ever had," Earls said.

TOOLS OF THE TRADE

Earls is grateful to have the opportunity to come back to GS and tell students about his

tenure in the film industry.

"I want to share the lessons that I've learned and give students a foundation to achieve their goals faster than I did," Earls said.

Earls explained that in his constantly evolving field of work, it is most important to keep up with the developing technology.

"When I first started in film design, everything was hand-drawn," Earls said.

Earls advised aspiring designers to become familiar with programs known as Sketchbook, Photoshop and Rhino because they are most widely utilized in the field today.

"The most important thing [now] is learning the programs because everything has gone digital now."

INFLUENCES AND ENDURANCE

Earls also encouraged artists to look at concepts and designs from their favorite movies.

"Many films today have what is called an 'Art of' book which shows the process of the designers with their original sketches," Earls said. "My biggest influence [in design] came from an 'Art of Star Wars' book I read when I was younger."

Earls spoke while presenting a slideshow of some of the many works he has either designed or created.

From Tony Stark's garage in Iron Man to Bruce Wayne's Batcave in Batman vs. Superman, Earls has proven that with passion, you can achieve greatness.

Earls said, "Sometimes you hit a brick in the wall but it's under circumstance. and if you have the ambition and drive, you can get into the film industry."



PHOTO COURTESY OF TIMOTHY EARLS

Earls designed the Batcave for Ben Affleck's Bruce Wayne in "Batman Vs. Superman: Dawn of Justice".



MICK MILLER

Earls elaborates on his role in making sets for Iron Man. He designed the garage for Robert Downey Jr.'s Tony Stark.



PHOTO COURTESY OF TIMOTHY EARLS

Earls dutifully designed a drone for "Fast and Furious 7". His colleagues then took that design and built the actual drone.

How to have the ultimate friendsgiving feast

BY ARAYA JACKSON
The George-Anne staff

The George-Anne reminds you that it's illegal for people under the age of 21 to drink alcohol. We encourage you to drink responsibly.

We may not realize it, but as college students, there is a lot we have to be thankful for in our lives. In the midst of all the stress from midterms, football season and the presidential election, students need to take a moment and enjoy what matters.

A great way to come together and rejoice is by planning out a friendsgiving feast. It is more than just Thanksgiving with your closest friends. It is a time to celebrate the semester and other old memories – the good, the bad and the downright embarrassing- with more inappropriate jokes and alcohol than you can with the family.

You can plan the dinner before or after actual Thanksgiving, whatever works best for the crew. Here are a few tips and ideas to assure everything runs smoothly for an unforgettably fun night.

1. First things first, create a GroupMe and include everyone who is invited. This will keep all the information in one place, and no one will be left out of the loop.

2. Create a Spotify playlist and paste the link into the GroupMe. This way, you can please everyone. People can add their favorite new hits, a few fun holiday tunes or those throwbacks that remind you of those hard to remember weekends. Either way, this will keep everyone jamming throughout the night.

3. This may be a dinner with people you see almost every day, but dressing like the adults you all think you are will bring a sophisticated

atmosphere to the event. Plus, everyone will look great for pictures. You do not have to pull out pencil skirts and ties, just a nice cute-casual outfit.

4. Make the room's atmosphere match as well, with holiday-scented candles, some warm colored placemats and of course, some Christmas lights. Think about hanging a "thankful" banner or painted pumpkin centerpieces. Pinterest is the perfect place for DIY decoration ideas.

5. This event would be nothing without food. Plan for everyone in your group to bring a dish. Usually, the host makes the turkey, because that would be difficult to transport. This is a great time to think outside the box with unique and fun dishes, because you will get plenty of the basic turkey and vegetables at home.

Try fried mashed potato gravy bombs, twice baked sweet potatoes with marshmallows, or spicy cranberry barbecue meatballs. This is the best part of the night, so get creative with it.

6. There are always those who have no talent when it comes to cooking, so assign them drink duty. Some drinks they could serve are gallons of tea, apple cider, hot chocolate, or pumpkin spice lattes. Bringing drinks will include cups and maybe ice duty, too. But do not forget to add the very necessary twists to those drinks, making a Pumpkin Spice White Russian, apple pie jello-shots or holiday wine bottles.

7. Speaking of wine, suggesting everyone bring their favorite bottle of wine is a great way to bond over similar drink tastes and to try some flavors you would not usually have. Stray away from the typical Liberty Creek Moscato. You and your friends deserve a night to splurge. Some good suggestions are Apothic Crush, Erath Pinot Gris or Protea Chenin Blanc.

8. Food and drinks? Check. Now, in its own category separate from the main course, we have desserts. Try pecan pie cake rolls, pumpkin spice cheesecake, snickerdoodle party mix or strawberry pecan pretzel salad. Cue the drool and growling bellies.

9. What is a dinner party without drinking games to incite a little competition or tipsy fun? Have your friends drink every time someone says how good the desserts smell, when someone says the turkey is moist (or dry, depending on the outcome), or when someone says they are going on a diet the next day.

Charades and heads up are an awesome way to get some high energy competition going, because we all know everyone gets really involved with those games. Cards Against Humanity is also a good game to do while sitting and eating.

10. Finally, have plenty of blankets and pillows prepared for those either too drunk to drive home or that pass out from eating too much. Make sure to thank your friends for a successful night.

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A look inside the Tech Corner Sales and services



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The Tech Corner has a multitude of products available for students to purchase. The store tries to match prices with online retailers.

BY GEORGE ANDERSEN
The George-Anne staff

With the holiday season fast approaching, the Georgia Southern Tech Corner is having sales and services to optimize convenience for students.

The Tech Corner will have a sale on Nov. 16 in which all Apple products will be 10 percent off of regular educational prices. Educational prices for Apple products, which are always available at the Tech Corner, are already 10 percent off of list price, making this sale a full 20 percent off of regular list prices for Apple products.

The Tech corner is Apple-certified, which gives the store the ability to sell products at educational prices. This also means that they have an Apple support team, which assists students with technical problems.

"Everything is marked down and educationally priced, which is cheaper than what you'll find at another store," Randy Fields, Assistant Manager at the Tech Corner, said. "We try to tell

people to come through us to get it cheaper."

The store has also started carrying more household items recently such as hair-dryers, blow dryers and electric razors.

A variety of video games, consoles and pre-owned games are available to students.

"You can preorder games just like you can at Gamestop," Fields said.

According to Fields, the Tech Corner strives to have competitive pricing to appeal to students.

"We try to match Amazon," Fields said. "If someone can find a product we have on Amazon for twenty dollars cheaper, they would buy it there, and we know that."

To increase convenience to students, the third party affiliate Staymobile is available for cell phone repair, including screen replacement.

School essentials are available at Tech Corner, including backpacks with a lifetime warranty, a range of headphones and tablets, laptops and Apple products.

Housing for professionals and graduates to open soon

BY CAITLYN OLIVER
The George-Anne staff

Beacon Place is an upcoming one-story apartment complex aimed at Statesboro professionals and Georgia Southern University graduate students that will open this winter.

The grand opening of the apartment clubhouse was held Tuesday night, and the buildings will be opened in phases as they are finished, beginning in December.

The new apartments boast an atmosphere void of noisy neighbors and an easy move-in process because there are no breezeways or multiple floors, according to Robby Waldrop, manager of Beacon Place and the Hampton's, another Statesboro apartment complex.

"We like the market here, and after we built the

Hampton's property, we saw a lot of professors and retirees. There isn't much general housing, since everything is geared toward students. Professors don't necessarily want to live next to their students," Waldrop said.

There will be 176 units total, with between 20 and 44 units open before the New Year, Skyler McColl, on-site manager, said.

"It's aimed at professionals, not really undergraduates. Graduate students are welcome, but they'll need paperwork to prove their status," McColl said.

Beacon Place is located at 1881 S&S Railroad Bed Rd. and will have amenities such as a pool, a 24/7 fitness center, a bamboo studio for yoga, group fitness and other activities and a cyber cafe with a coffee bar and Wi-Fi.



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Beacon Place is set to open this winter. The housing is geared towards graduate students and professionals, who lack off campus housing options.



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Revisiting the NAACP demands a year later

University statement on NAACP demands

A silent protest was held in regards to the GS student's Facebook post. Many students and organizations came out to voice their opinions and feelings.

BY TAISHA WHITE
The George-Anne staff

Last year, a former Georgia Southern student caused an uproar amongst the Georgia Southern community following a threatening Facebook posting.

A year after that post, the GS community had mixed feelings regarding how the situation was handled, as well as what the university could do to improve race relations on campus.

How it started

In November of 2015, a GS student responded to an article regarding the Black Lives Matter protest in Michigan. The student then threatened those in the GS community if they were ever to partake in such protest.

After the post was sent, word got around about the content of the post. From face-to-face conversation to social media outlets including Facebook and Twitter many took to their accounts to voice their opinion on the controversial topic about many racial and discriminatory issues on and off the Georgia Southern's campus.

Later on in the day, the student released another Facebook post, expressing the motive behind the post. The topic lead to the release of the NAACP's list of demands to the university.

NAACP Demands Released

Before they released the demands by GS' NAACP chapter, the university released a statement, encouraging students to exercise their right to free speech and that all threats made towards anyone will not be tolerated.

Soon after the university released their statement, the GS NAACP chapter released a one page statement on the racial and discriminatory issues against African Americans and other minorities on GS campus.

A list of demands followed, asking the university to take on specific tasks to create a more diverse campus. The demands included a campus climate survey and a 12 percent increase in the hiring of black professors by 2020.

One year later

Since the release of the NAACP demands, little has been said about progression made or if any of the demands were handled.

GS students expressed their opinions about the demands and how they felt the school handles racial issues.

Fatima Sallah, junior nursing major, still believes the university has not fully handled racial and discriminatory issues since the release of the demands.

"I don't feel like they have done anything to be honest," Sallah said. "I feel like they just wrote that [statement] for us and made it seem like they were doing something about it."

Will Long, sophomore business management major, expressed how the demands were necessary, but possibly difficult to execute.

"In regards to the demands, I feel like they had a reason to ask the school for specific things," Long said. "At the same time, there is only so much that the school can do."

The NAACP chapter at GS could not be reached for comment.

The university responded to an inquiry from The George-Anne, expressing their quest to creating a more diverse campus and how they plan on handling each demand:

"Last year increased conversations began on campus among students, parents, alumni, faculty and staff on the issue of race in our community. As working together to resolve these issues is a priority for Georgia Southern, we are proud of those who shared opinions and offered suggestions. The University's leadership remained open to and encouraged open discussion and dialogue with respect to all points of view on these issues with any student organization. These are ongoing conversations on valid concerns that are leading to positive changes at the University. When concerns were presented to the University, they were assessed for areas in which University leaders could

promptly make effective changes. Some areas, including the naming of the 13th president of Georgia Southern, needed to be addressed by the University System of Georgia. Other issues require long-term attention. The University continues to hire the most qualified faculty to represent our diverse student body and to grow quality programs of study that contribute to the success of our students and reflect this diversity. We remain committed to making it a priority to create an institution where no student feels ignored, mistreated or neglected by providing improved resources for involvement and new opportunities for learning about each other. We continue to do the work to reach this goal."



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