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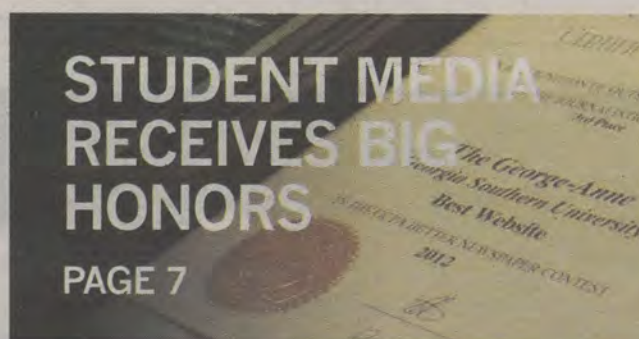
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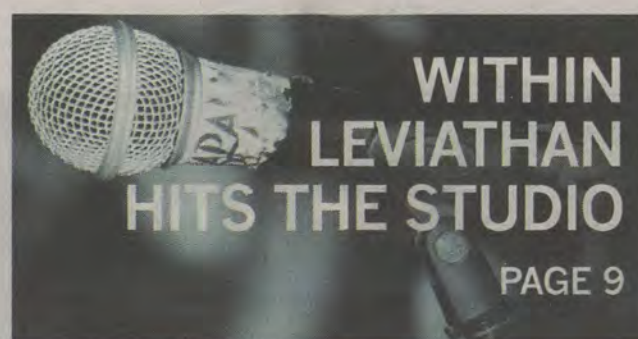
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# THE GEORGE-ANNE

## V is for voices

Women speak publicly about their privates

**BY LAURIANNA CULL**

The George-Anne staff

Intimate secrets, sexual encounters and the most pleasurable part on the female body: That's what you can expect at "The Vagina Monologues."

"The Vagina Monologues" is based off of interviews with over 200 women about their memories and experiences of sexuality and was created to raise awareness about violence towards women.

It will be held at Georgia Southern University in the Carter Recital Hall in the Foy building Feb. 6, 7 and 8 at 7:30 p.m., and all of the proceeds will go to the Statesboro Regional Sexual Assault Center.

"The Vagina Monologues" is a collaboration of multiple women telling amusing anecdotes such as their experience with their first period or what vaginas go through such as the use of tampons, douches and the tools used by OB/GYNs. The show also

touches on the dark side of sexual abuse.

"I think the show really gives a voice to women who have maybe had similar experiences or are just shy about talking about this kind of stuff. This show is going to give girls a chance to laugh together about things we've all gone through," Aurora Kirbo, freshman political science major, said.

"It's really entertaining. It's really funny. You get to hear a lot of girls say the word 'vagina' and other words that don't often get said aloud," Lizz Moncure, performer and freshman fashion design major, said.

The show also includes sensual stories like a woman sex worker who talks about her career and how she enjoys pleasuring other women: However, not all of the monologues are funny or seductive. There are testimonials about rape and genital mutilation in the show as well.

"The Vagina Monologues" tells about all of the wonders of the vagina as well as the crimes against women. These stories have been told across the country and have raised awareness to stop violence against women in what is now referred to as V-Day.

"For many young women, the V-Day Organization helps them to become active in the movements to help women heal from domestic

and sexual violence. The show and GSU NOW helps young women form communities of support through which they can find their own ability to value themselves, a very important thing in a culture that can still give women the message that they are not valuable," Lori Amy, former director of women's and gender studies, said.

"It's definitely more real-world, and it is raising awareness not just entertainment. I feel like I'm doing something important and more worthwhile," Moncure said.

The monologues include stories about women's struggles and their triumphs with issues varying from self-confidence to sexual preference.

Amy said, "The performance celebrates women's strength, resilience and capacity to love, grow and heal which is why I think it is so important to our students and why it has become a central part of our campus community."

See pg. 10 for fresh takes on  
"The Vagina Monologues."



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## Police Beat

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10:10 a.m.: Officers responded to a sick person at the Math/Physics Building. The sick person received medical treatment.

12:39 p.m.: Officers responded to a motor vehicle accident on Malecki Drive. A motor vehicle accident report was completed.

4:32 p.m.: Officers responded to a drug complaint at Eagle Village 2. No illegal drugs were located.

4:53 p.m.: An incident report was taken for the theft of a bicycle at the College of Business Administration. This case was turned over to criminal investigations.

8:12 p.m.: Officers responded to a motor vehicle accident at Freedom's Landing Building One. A motor vehicle accident report was completed.

12:49 a.m.: Officers responded to Southern Courtyard in reference to an intoxicated person attempting to enter a residence. The intoxicated person, Jeremy Leon Steller, 18, was arrested and charged with criminal trespass & possession of alcohol under 21 years of age.

7:00 a.m.: Criminal Investigations arrested Jeffrey Chisholm, 49, with theft of lost/mislaid property – misdemeanor.

### Friday, Feb. 1

8:05 a.m.: Officers responded to Deal Hall in reference to a burglar alarm. An employee accidentally activated the alarm.

11:07 a.m.: An incident report was taken for lost/mislaid property at the Henderson Library.

12:12 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property in Lot 41.

1:59 p.m.: An incident report was taken for a theft at the Sigma Nu House on Olympic Boulevard. This case was turned over to criminal investigations.

2:00 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at the Russell Union.

3:11 p.m.: Officers responded to Chick-fil-A in reference to an injured person. EMS was notified, responded and transported the injured person.

5:58 p.m.: Officers responded to a panic alarm at Centennial Place. Maintenance was notified and responded. Officers made entry, and no one was located in the room.

9:02 p.m.: Officers responded to a sick person at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon House on Olympic Boulevard. EMS was notified, responded and transported the sick person.

11:28 p.m.: Officers responded to a report of a burglary and an affray at University Villas. This case was turned over to criminal investigations.

### Saturday, Feb. 2

12:48 a.m.: Officers discovered an intoxicated person on Chandler Road and Plant Drive. The intoxicated person, Brian Leonard Griffith, 19, was arrested and charged with possession of alcohol under 21 years of age & disorderly conduct.

2:19 a.m.: Officers conducted a

traffic stop on Lanier Drive at Robin Hood Trail. The driver, a 15 year old juvenile, was charged with failure to maintain lane, false ID, no driver's license, DUI and giving false information to an officer.

3:16 a.m.: Officers responded to an unwanted person and criminal trespass at Freedom's Landing. This case was turned over to criminal investigations.

7:31 a.m.: Officers responded to a panic alarm and a sick person at Centennial Place. EMS was notified, responded and transported the sick person.

7:46 a.m.: An incident report was taken for an injured person at the Herty/Hollis parking lot.

9:55 a.m.: Officers responded to the Hollis Building in reference to a fire alarm. The Statesboro Fire Department and maintenance responded. The building was checked with no problems found.

10:56 a.m.: Officers responded to a motor vehicle accident on Akins Blvd at the RAC parking lot entrance/exit. A motor vehicle accident report was completed.

4:08 p.m.: An incident report was taken for a criminal trespass at Centennial Place Building Two. This case was turned over to criminal investigations.

4:46 p.m.: An incident report was taken for criminal trespass at Freedom's Landing. This case was turned over to criminal investigations.

9:48 p.m.: Officers responded to Freedom's Landing apartment 1421 in reference to a loud noise complaint. One occupant, Keith Scott Crawford, 19, was arrested and charged with possession of alcohol under 21 years of age.

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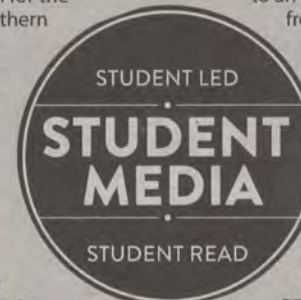
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## Our View

### Mobile app contest will strengthen community

As was reported in Thursday's issue of The George-Anne, Georgia Southern University will be organizing an app creation competition that will go on through the semester. It is aimed at bringing the colleges closer together. The contest isn't just for the technologically inclined colleges. The contestants will be walked through the process, so a high level of programming knowledge is not required. All are invited to compete for the \$500 prize. Contestants have until Feb. 22 to submit their app ideas.

This contest is a great idea. Its goal, to foster competition and an atmosphere of community between the colleges that make up GSU, is admirable. The fact that the winning team will not be the only one to be able to see their app to completion makes the deal sweeter. Runners-up will still receive help in creating their app. It gives plenty of incentive to win, but not to the point of prohibiting friendly competition.

The fruits of the contestants' labor will also give GSU students who don't compete something to look forward to and something to be proud of. The apps created by students for students will undoubtedly be useful for those living the campus life. The apps that catch on can be a point of pride for those who created and the classmates of the creators.

Another goal of the competition is to display the ingenuity and innovativeness of the GSU student body to the rest of the academic community. So to those of you competing, do GSU proud.

The George-Anne welcomes letters to the editor and appropriate guest columns. All copy submitted should be 350 words or fewer, typed, and sent via e-mail in Microsoft Word format to [gaeditor@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:gaeditor@georgiasouthern.edu). All submissions must be signed and include phone number for verification. GSU students should include their academic major, year and hometown. The editors reserve the right to reject any submission and edit submissions for length.

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## Lesson to learn from Super Bowl ads

On Sunday night, millions of people around the world saw the Super Bowl, one of America's biggest moneymaking machines. Two teams full of players making millions of dollars a year played in the Superdome, which cost billions of dollars to renovate after hurricane Katrina. Viewers enjoyed a halftime show featuring Beyoncé, who is worth around \$300 million. But the real money was in the Super Bowl ads, which ran around \$4 million for a 30-second clip.

So with all this money being poured into a small time frame, the commercials are supposed to be good, right? Well, sometimes. Here are the best and the worst ads from Super Bowl Sunday.

The worst: GoDaddy.com's terribly awkward model-nerd make-out session. Seriously, did anyone actually watch that ad and not cringe terribly? For those lucky few who missed it, Danica Patrick introduces a sexy girl and a stereotypical nerd guy and compares them to the parts

### THE FARM LIFE



JAMES FARMER

of GoDaddy.com's service. She then declares them a perfect match, and they make out for an uncomfortably long time. While the guy in the commercial probably had his entire life made by making out with that very attractive girl, the rest of us wish we had never seen his greatest moment.

The best: Taco Bell's old people. It made being old look fun. The commercial starts off with an elderly man in a nursing home, being shown to his room. He then sneaks past his nurse, joins up with his geriatric gang and goes crazy, going to clubs, getting tattoos and winding up at Taco Bell. My

favorite part about the commercial is that the song "We are young" translated into Spanish is playing in the background. Everyone loves seeing old people happy, and this commercial is no exception. While it is a little unbelievable, it is a cool thought that the elderly woman going 20 miles under the speed limit during the day goes out and tears it up at night.

These commercials were both very expensive to make for the companies involved. However, the reactions by the audience and potential blowback for the businesses will show how much people liked and didn't like these ads. My guess is that Taco Bell will see rave reviews and a nice return due to its ad, while GoDaddy.com will lose some potential customers. The message we can all learn from this is simple: Invest your money wisely.

*Farmer is a senior international studies and political science major from Thomasville.*



# Boy Scouts are not ready yet

The Boy Scouts of America is expected to announce whether it plans to change its national policy on openly gay members from an outright ban to leaving the decision to the discretion of the individual troops. Many will hail this as a good thing, a progressive move toward an enlightened way of thinking. As I wrote in my column last week, homosexuals are human beings and Americans too and deserve their rights as such. That being said, I'm not entirely convinced that allowing homosexual men and boys to join the BSA is a good idea.

I'm very aware of what the BSA is and what it stands for. I joined the Boy Scouts as a tiger cub and advanced to the rank of Eagle, which represents a roughly 10-year period of my life. I am perfectly qualified to speak on what a Boy Scout is and why it may not benefit the organization to allow homosexuals in. Some have noted that it goes against the Boy Scouts tenets to deny a decent person membership. This is true,

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TAYLOR COOPER

but I have two reasons for believing that it would do the organization more harm than good.

I was part of Troop 207, out of Brunswick. We were known among the other boys as being a somewhat rough troop – a reputation earned through numerous pinecone wars and stick-sword fights. We were a very close-knit bunch, which is not surprising when you do everything together one weekend a month. Throwing a homosexual boy into the equation would have undoubtedly caused

a lot of unnecessarily uncomfortable situations.

My second reason is that any deviation in personality or appearance from the norm was grounds for ridicule. By "the norm," I mean tough, loud and in a relationship. This wasn't just my troop, but every one that I had any interaction with. I honestly don't think a homosexual boy would have done well in an environment like that.

Allowing the troops to decide individually is a good move, but the BSA as an organization needs to take further steps if they want homosexuals to be accepted by the majority of troops. Giving troops material for educating the members would help, or chartering entire homosexual troops, but just opening the gates and leaving them to fend for themselves isn't the best way to do it.

*Cooper is a junior journalism major from Rincon.*

# Scout's honor for everybody

The Boy Scouts of America is set to vote Wednesday on membership and to leave decisions on openly gay members up to individual troops.

The current proposal wouldn't mean that all Boy Scout troops would admit gay members, but it would allow some troops to choose to do so at their own discretion. This is in contrast to the existing all-encompassing ban on gay members.

I support this potential shift in policy, and you can as well. What's important to remember is that this sort of change goes past the existing debate over gay marriage. Even if you don't support the legalization of gay marriage, you can support the idea of everyone being treated with human dignity and respect.

Ideas like dignity and respect are taught when we are young, when we are of age to be a Boy Scout or Girl Scout.

If children are taught to judge a person by the color of their skin, they'll grow up to be racist. If children are taught to judge people by their gender, they'll grow up to be sexist. If they are taught to put money

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ALEX LASALLE

before people, they'll grow up to be a member of Congress.

If you teach children to treat other people with respect and tolerance, they grow up to be respectful and tolerant. Gay people are no less deserving of this respect.

Of course, they do not yet have it. In 2011, there were 1,572 hate crimes committed against victims who were targeted due to their sexual orientation. That is 20.4 percent of all hate crimes that year, second only to racial crimes. Most of us here at Georgia Southern probably grew up in an environment where anti-gay slurs, notably the "other F-word," were common insults given out like KFC gives

out chicken.

Just like dignity and respect are taught, so are hatred and intolerance.

The Boy Scouts of America is, at its core, a teaching organization for boys. They seek to teach responsible citizenship, character development and self-reliance. I put this one under "character development." We as a society have a choice: Raise our children to have a character of tolerance and respect, or a character of intolerance and disrespect.

In the words of comedian Denis Leary: "[Prejudice] isn't born, folks. It's taught. I have a 2-year-old son. Know what he hates? Naps. End of list."

We can continue to take whatever political view we want. We can continue to attend whatever church we want. We can still eat at Chick-fil-A whenever we want, except on Sundays. We can do all that, and we can still choose respect for others.

*LaSalle is a senior writing and linguistics major from Cumming.*

# Bus drivers do need a break

I know what it feels like to be a sardine crammed into a tin can. I am a student of Georgia Southern University, and I am ashamed to admit it, but I ride the bus.

## MY VIEW



SARAH RYNIKER

Don't get me wrong; my problem is not the pleasant bus drivers, but the poor transportation machines and the practically useless bus routes GSU provides. When it is below freezing, I have to take the bus. When I want to go to the RAC, I need the bus. When I have a sudden urge to sit by the Union and stare at the beautiful bookstore in a large, congested, wheeled object for five to seven minutes, I use the bus.

Yesterday, I met two students on my ride to the Forest Drive bus stop. One was tall and covered in sweat in an old cut-off shirt. The other smelled like marijuana and looked like he had never seen the inside of a shower. Typical bus riders.

Although these students did not look up for a chat, we still managed to have a conversation about bad bus service for five minutes as we waited for the bus driver to get back on the bus. She clearly needed a break from the crammed atmosphere public transportation provides, and maybe even an Einstein's bagel.

This morning, I waited at the bus stop for fifteen minutes—three rounds of buses—before one was empty enough to force my way on to. It would have been faster to walk to class if I dared risking frostbite.

GSU does not have the best reputation with their bus services. Last year, a bus caught fire. This year, a grad student hit a bus. The problem is not the drivers; they are friendly and polite. The problem is the absurd amount of traffic on the bus, and the lack of buses to fulfill student needs.

Overpopulation can lead to accidents that may even harm students. Maybe the new buses—that the Student Government Association seemed to will to campus—can help prevent accidents and make the bus service faster. Maybe the heat will work and the air will circulate.

But until these magical modes of transportation arrive... when we ride a bus, can we say thank you to the driver? Students think simply riding the bus is hard. Driving a giant can of putrid sardines around in the same monotonous path day-in and day-out cannot be an easy job. Maybe these drivers do deserve a bagel run.

*Ryniker is a sophomore anthropology major from McDonough.*



# Black History Month should not be needed

Now, before you go out and grab your pitchforks, bear with me for a little while. The idea of Black History Month stems

## FROM THE MARGINS



ADRIANA PULLEY

from the notion that blacks are not represented within the annals of American History. A Black History Week—and subsequently, Black History Month—was recognized by the federal government, as President Gerald Ford regarded, to “seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history.”

It is a cause for concern for black history to be delegated to a single month out of the year, when black history is so intertwined and woven into the fabric of American history. The stories of the heroes and heroines that we revisit once a year should be told alongside the stories of popular American figures such as Benjamin Franklin, Ernest Hemingway or Eleanor Roosevelt.

This is a popular trend in America to assign each minority group a small chunk of every year. Not only black Americans, but also women, Asian/Pacific-Americans, American Indians and Hispanics all receive about four weeks of recognition as well. However, it is my opinion that by specifying months for celebration we are further separating all of these people from some white American male standard. I'm not saying that we should all ignore our differences from this “standard” but that we should seek to eliminate the idea that it is okay to isolate the knowledge of certain figures and events within our history and allocate it all to a specific time of the year.

Black history is American history, and so are Asian American, Latin American and Native American histories, among others. American solidarity stems not only as a response to tragedy within our borders but as a hallmark to the way knowledge is represented within our history books and classes.

So what do you think, America? Do you agree with the notion of separate histories to appease our racial minorities, or do you walk the line to unify all of our histories into an American history?

*Pulley is a junior english major from Florence, S.C.*



# Republicans see revelation

Last week, America witnessed what seemed to be an awakening by the Republican Party. Senate Republicans and Democrats held a press conference together where they announced their support for a set of immigration policies they hope to put into law. Many of the measures that the bipartisan group introduced seem to be fair and achievable and will hopefully create a route to citizenship for illegal immigrants and equip our border states with the resources they need to keep our borders safe and secure.

This effort seemed to be an honest attempt to solve a major issue in our nation, but it only turned out to be a maneuver fueled by politics by the Republican Party. The driving force behind the Republican Party is not to help immigrant families achieve the American Dream or to make sure innovators from around the world who want to become citizens of the United States have the ability to do so. Their primary motivation behind this new plan is winning Latino support for the 2016 Presidential election.

Of course I wouldn't make such a claim without proof. When Senator John McCain was asked why the Republicans came out to support immigration reform, he said, “Look at the last election. We're losing dramatically the Hispanic vote.” I guess the Republicans want Latinos to forget the “self-deportation plan” and replace that memory with the press conference they held where they

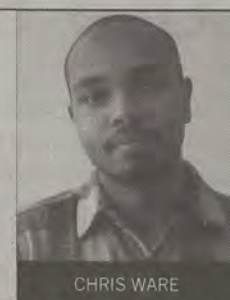
introduced their “game-changing legislation.” My guess is Latinos across the country will expect

much more out of the Republicans than that. Republicans will have to actually get some work done before they can expect gaining any new support from any group they have wronged in the past four years.

It is evident the Grand Old Party doesn't want to solve our country's problems because it's what they were elected to do. They're finally doing something because they know they have to. They know they're fighting for the future of the Republican Party, and they know if they don't get it together, their party is over. But I must admit I am glad to see some bipartisanship after four years of gridlock, name-calling, and finger pointing. This will be a good start for this new Congress. Hopefully it will be a do-something, as opposed to a do-nothing, Congress.

*Ware is a freshman political science major from Griffin.*

## A LIBERAL DOSE



CHRIS WARE



## New major will not create diploma issues

BY TAYLER CRITCHLOW

The George-Anne staff

When the Multimedia Communications Department and Journalism Department merge in the fall, upperclassmen will not have to add to their class load in order to complete their degrees.

Current juniors and seniors will not need to take any additional classes due to the departments blending and any needed classes will transfer over or equal out if students wanted to change majors, Dr. Pam Bourland-Davis, department head professor for the department of communication arts, said.

Many classes are already cross-listed, such as ethics, history and law. Combining the programs will create a common prefix and make it easier for students. This change will not affect graduation or create problems receiving diplomas, Bourland-Davis said.

"It offers students a broader contemporary training for the field," Bourland-Davis said.

Alumni in the field and current practitioners reviewed the curriculum, which is still awaiting approval by the university.

Members of the faculty are good at staying up-to-date either by learning the curriculum of each department's

classes on their own or by teaching it already, but the department will be bringing in others from other universities after spring 2013, Bourland-Davis said.

A major change will be more integration of technology, such as iPads, Twitter and blogging, in the classrooms, Bourland-Davis said.

Integrated technology is already being used by most professors, but now the focus will be on how it fits into telling a story, Bourland-Davis said.

There may be some substitutions because the classes will be revamped and more in-depth, Melanie Stone, assistant professor in the department of communication arts, said.



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More of the production and film divisions of multimedia communications will be integrated, while the journalism and multimedia communications information classes will be bringing the ideas together, Bourland-Davis said.

For example, feature writing will now incorporate how to tell the same story in video format, Bourland-Davis said.

Stone said, "The new curriculum will be a wonderful opportunity for students."

## Student Media comes home with 13 GCPA wins

BY SARAH RYNIKER

The George-Anne staff

This past weekend, Georgia Southern University's Student Media placed in 13 different categories at the Georgia College Press Association's annual Better Newspaper Contest in Athens, Ga.

Student Media won six first-place, five second-place and two third-place awards: first place in Best Photo Essay, Best Campus Community Service—Editorial, Best Column, Best Sports Photo, Best News Photo and Best Sports Story; second for Best Campus Community Service—Sports, General Advertising, General Photography, Best Editorial or Editorial Series and General Excellence; third for Layout and Design and Best Website.

"I am so proud of Student Media for all of the different categories we placed in, but I couldn't be more proud for our wins in website design and advertising," The George-Anne Editor-in-Chief and junior writing and linguistics major Arielle Coambes said.

The George-Anne placed second in General Excellence, a category the organization did not qualify for last year, News Editor and junior multimedia communications major Lindsay Gaskins said.

"It puts us at number two in the entire state



JESSIE REESE



LINDSAY GASKINS

of Georgia. Of course we strive for number one, but for this year, that is very good," Coambes said.

"I was surprised at the awards we did get. I definitely think we should strive for more always," The George-Anne Managing Editor and junior journalism major Jessie Reese said. "I'm very proud of the staff and what we have accomplished so far."

Last year, Coambes was president of GCPA, and this year she nominated two of The George-Anne editors who received positions on the board for this upcoming year. Members of GCPA voted Reese as vice president and Gaskins onto the Board of Directors.

"I am so proud to have served this year, a year of fighting the good fight for student journalists across the state. Hopefully the next president will have the same pleasure," Coambes, as president of GCPA, said.

"I was nominated for vice president of

the Georgia College Press Association and was elected after running unopposed. I have to step in if the president cannot fulfill his duties, help in the event coordination and I design and put together a bi-annual newsletter written by board members," Reese said.

"I was elected among my peers to be a representative on the Board of Directors for the GCPA. It's a great opportunity, and it is a great way to network with other peers and professionals from around the state," Gaskins said.

"I'm part of the voice of GCPA, and I will be a part of the event planning and the choice of what speakers will attend. I have to write a column in the bi-annual newsletter as well," Gaskins said.

This year the GCPA partnered with the Georgia Press Association, which provided more opportunities for networking, Reese said.

"GCPA is a group of student journalists who get together a few times a year to network and share ideas. It's a way to connect with people who do the same thing you do, who are looking for the same jobs you are," Reese said.

Speakers from major news outlets came to speak and advise conference attendees, and the quality of the presenters continues to improve

each year, Gaskins said.

"We attended classes to talk with both professionals in the field and other student journalists about problems they might have in the newsroom, story ideas and how to grow your staff," Reese said.

"Working with professionals in the field is so fantastic because you learn so much from them. They are always willing to help student journalists," Coambes said.

Topics featured in the classes were varied, from social media to design to the Open Records Act, but the environment the classes were presented in was very open, Gaskins said.

"You could go in and bring up problems you had and talk to the board about it. Some classes were lecture, but many were round table, which gave you the chance to converse with professionals," Reese said.

"It's important to realize that we are a college paper, and we can do things one day and the next say, 'oh, that didn't work.' It's about branching out," Reese said.

The George-Anne is really excited to see what the future holds for student media because it has grown so much already, Gaskins said.

"If the paper continues on the road they are on, it will keep growing. Awards do not matter," Coambes said. "It is the growth of Student Media that matters the most."



# The rush is over: Greeks welcome new members

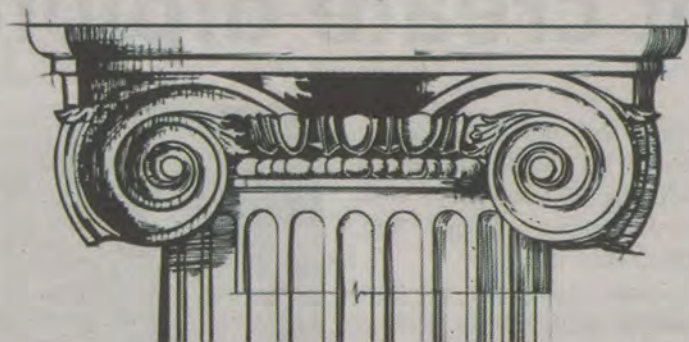
BY PHYLICIA GALLMON

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University Greek life welcomed in 50 new members for the Interfraternity Council and around 25 new members for the Delta Phi Epsilon sorority last week during Recruitment Week.

"I am really pleased at how our executive board members handled everything. They really have stepped up and taken charge of what recruitment looks like on our campus and what makes sense for our campus," Jess Turuc, interim director and United Greek Council advisor, said.

The IFC had 55 men who were interested in joining during recruitment week and 50 were able to finish the process, Susan Matheison, IFC graduate advisor, said.



## INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL

Photo courtesy of the office of fraternity and sorority relations

"A lot of the new members are excited to take on leadership roles, not even just with the organization they joined, but within the IFC executive board, which is exciting for an advisor to hear," Matheison said.

Delta Phi Epsilon shared recruitment week with the IFC and had a good number of women able to complete the recruitment process to join, Turuc said.

"Delta Phi Epsilon just had their

spring recruitment last week, and from the new members we expect for them to become very involved. All sororities across the board are pretty involved throughout campus, so we definitely want to see them continue being involved and strive for academic excellence," Roberto Gutierrez, Panhellenic Association graduate advisor, said.

Delta Phi Epsilon was able to recruit over 20 women into their sisterhood through its recruitment process, Turuc said.

"It is nice to see our Panhellenic community grow. These are opportunities that women want. They want that sisterhood, and I am happy that we can provide that for them on this campus," Turuc said.

It is the mission of the office of Fraternity and Sorority relations to help bridge the gap between

students and Greek life and the new members of the IFC. Delta Phi Epsilon will be an asset in doing just that, Matheison and Gutierrez said.

"A lot of these students are already involved in a lot of different organizations, so as long as they are continuing their involvement outside of the fraternity or sorority, I think that will help erase that line," Turuc said.

Not only will Greek life continue its involvement on campus through its unique organization, but they also plan to reach out to the student body through different programs and events, Gutierrez said.

Gutierrez said, "We want students to be more aware of what we do because a lot of the times you will hear the bad stuff. You don't hear the good stuff that we do."

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## Students begin recording album

BY WILL PEEBLES

The George-Anne staff

Four friends crowd behind a computer screen at Georgia Southern University's recording studio as Ryan Lawhon pieces together the "heavy and melodic" tracks they recently recorded.

Phillip Smith, Patrick Smith, Tyler Falls, Jake Sanders and Lawhon make up Statesboro's own loud and energetic melodic hardcore band, Within Leviathan.

Since the inception of the group in 2010, the five GSU students have performed in countless shows across the southeast, all while juggling school, jobs, personal lives and music. The band is currently

in the process of recording their first full-length album, entitled "Odyssey," at GSU's recording studio. Last Saturday, Lawhon spoke candidly about the band, recording at GSU and what it means to be a college student.

### Q&A with Lawhon

**So who is Within Leviathan? What kind of music do you play?**

I won't say we have our own unique sound, but we have a lot of influences. If there were any band I would relate us to, it would have to be Gideon or The Ghost Inside. Melodic hardcore music has really influenced our sound, and so does

hip-hop because I rap in a few songs. It's a big cluster of things. Heavy, yet melodic is what we go for. It's like two spectrums clashing.

**I understand you've been producing for the band. How long have you been doing that?**

My dad was in radio for a long time, and he did a lot of audio editing, and it always seemed interesting to me. I started to fall in love with music, and eventually I got the point where I wanted to start writing my own music. I started messing around with instruments and audio recording software. I made my first hip-hop beat in 8th grade with a \$10 microphone and a \$50 keyboard, and it just progressed from there.

**How are you able to use the studio at GSU? Who set that up?**

We basically got really lucky. We're broke because we're in college, and one thing we've never been able to afford is studio time. Dr. John Thomson oversees a lot of what goes on in the music technology department, and he's always been kind in letting us use the studio. We initially recorded in 2010 at the GSU studio with a friend who had access. Now, Phil is a grad student in the music technology program, so he has total access.

**Why do you play? What does recording an album mean to you?**

When we first started writing songs they were mostly positive and sometimes cheesy. My intentions were good, but as we came into our sound we wanted something people could relate to that didn't really have to be positive. I have this view on life that we're here on earth for the purpose of improving other people's lives. Personally, I have a difficult time expressing myself if it's not through music. I want this album to grab people's attention. I want it to lead me to people I can help in some way.

**Why is the album named "Odyssey"? What does that signify?**

We chose "Odyssey" because that's what life is: a giant adventure. We're all at this age where we're thrown into the world of adulthood, where everything is uncertain and chaotic. Sometimes I'm scared to death because I don't know what I want to do next. But there's no point in giving up. That's the idea behind the album: Everything is uncertain and life is hard; but there's a reason for all of it. It's about finding what we want out of life.

**When will the album be released?**

If all goes according to plan, you can expect it by late April. It'll be available on CD and on iTunes and Spotify. There will also be merchandise packages.

### The Buzz List Super Bowl Edition



Alex LaSalle

- The big story this past weekend was the televised **Beyonce** concert, which was delayed slightly due to a football game or something. Her widely praised performance also included an appearance from **Destiny's Child**, proving that they did, after all, survive.
- **Beyonce** moved right past criticism over her lip-synching of the national anthem during the presidential inauguration—you can't fake dance moves like that. The high heels of her huge army of back-up dancers would probably stomp out anyone that did criticize her.
- In fact, **Beyonce's** show was so stunning, staff at the Superdome went ahead and started shutting off lights after she was done. Then they remembered about the football game a few people still wanted to watch.
- Another big winner on Sunday was rapper **Soulja Boy**, who won \$200k on a Super Bowl bet thanks to the Baltimore Ravens. I'm hoping he plans to buy 2 Chainz that big-booty ho he's been wanting for his birthday.
- In non-Beyoncé news, the **Robot Uprising** has finally begun, and it's happening in Tacoma, Wash. That's where **Little Caesars** recently unveiled its new promotional sign shaker—a humanoid robot. If a robot can shake a cardboard pizza sign, then there's nothing they can't do. The end is truly near.

Information compiled by Arts & Entertainment Editor Marissa Martin and Arts & Entertainment Chief Alex LaSalle from perezhilton.com and TMZ.com.



Photo Courtesy of Jacob Edde

Within Leviathan band members are producing and recording their first album on GSU's campus.



# Fresh thoughts on 'The Vagina Monologues'



"I think it's really cool. There's so much you could do with that. I mean it's a whole seminar on vaginas. There's a lot of topics."

-Tyauna Ellison,  
freshman nursing major



"I feel like it'll sell, and it's an eye catcher. When I first saw the poster, I thought it must have been misspelled or something. I was kind of confused."

-Matt Ackerman,  
freshman business major

"When I first read it, I didn't think it was actually going to be about vaginas."

-Brandon Kircher,  
freshman electrical engineering major



"It looks like it would be entertaining. It'd be kind of weird but funny and uneasy all at the same time."

-Aaron Alexander,  
freshman political science major



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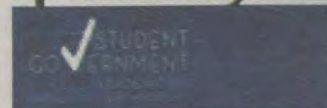
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"Vagina is my favorite word for the vagina. I don't like all the other words for it. I'm excited just to see what it's about and to see other people's reactions."

-Jessica Shanken,  
freshman history major

"I don't have much experience because I'm a virgin, but I feel like it's very comedic and estrogen-dominated."

-Grant Purvis,  
freshman music composition major



**COMPILED BY LAURIANNA CULL**  
The George-Anne staff

"The Vagina Monologues" comes to Georgia Southern University every

year, but the freshmen students have yet to see it.

Many students agreed that the show is something they would want to see, even with its risqué nature.



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By: Taylor D. Terrell  
*Public Relations/Events Intern for Career Services*

The Office of Career Services will be hosting the first Résumé Boot Camp event on Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. on the first floor of the Williams Center in room 1047.

Haley Johnson and Catherine Wagener, both Career Educators, are hosting this event in response to an outstanding number of students who need help with creating a résumé during the office's walk-in hours. "We wanted to invite students who were unable to come during business hours to be able to share this same experience," Johnson said.

"Students need to know what content is important when writing your résumé, and how you can use your résumé as a marketing tool to sell yourself to employers," Johnson said. Often, students who are creating their résumé for the first time "will have much more going for

them than they realize," noted Johnson. By attending this event, students can expect to:

- ☐ Learn the basics of résumé writing
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- ☐ Build and create their résumé
- ☐ Take critical experiences and translate them into relevant résumé content

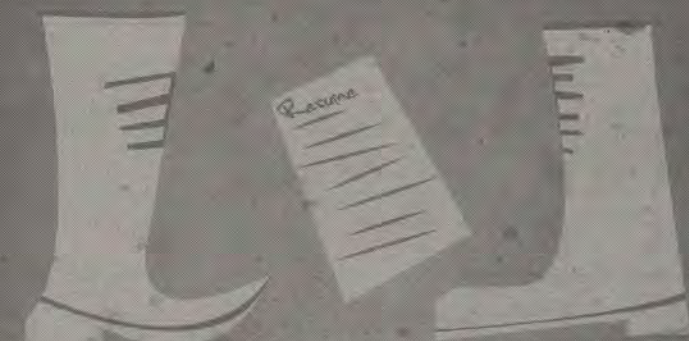
"Overall, students should be prepared with their résumés for upcoming events- we want to enhance their knowledge of résumé building," Johnson said.

The event will have free pizza and drinks, while supplies last. Those with laptops are encouraged to bring them to the boot camp session, while others are able to use the office computers.

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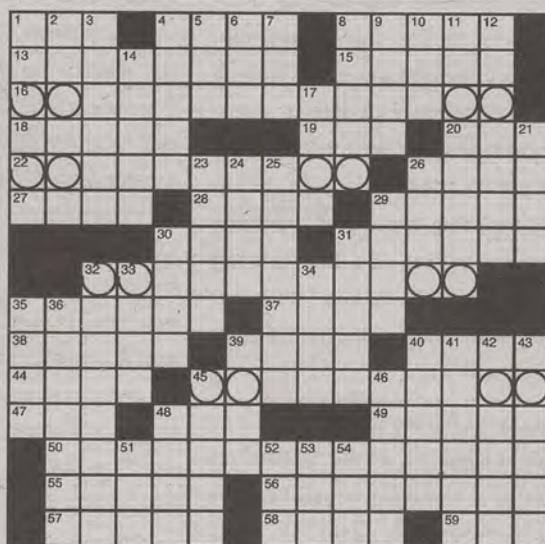
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## Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

### ACROSS

- 1 Word in discount store names
- 4 Hand-holding dance
- 8 Reveal all?
- 13 Set right, in a way
- 15 His voice is heard after "Live, from New York ..."
- 16 Rewards cardholder's benefit
- 18 Brazilian novelist Jorge
- 19 Horace's "Poetica"
- 20 Roulette option
- 22 Computer-generated visual media
- 26 Athlete dubbed "O Rei do Futebol"
- 27 One known for great service
- 28 Limerick fifth
- 29 Environmentalist Sigurd
- 30 Show of strength?
- 31 Baseball div.
- 32 Time for laundry and such
- 35 Bright
- 37 Yale grads
- 38 Tiffany collectibles
- 39 Key not used by itself
- 40 Curved molding
- 44 Road maneuvers, briefly
- 45 Salad dressing ingredient
- 47 Rhinitis doc
- 48 Dads
- 49 Infomercial kitchen brand
- 50 Starting a project ... and what the letters between each pair of circles are doing?
- 55 Bizarre
- 56 Audience member
- 57 Does some yard work
- 58 Solomonic
- 59 Hosp. areas



By Don Gagliardo and C.C. Burnikel

### DOWN

- 1 Tetley competitor
- 2 Infinitesimal
- 3 Long sail
- 4 Spartan serf
- 5 Time and again, in verse
- 6 "The Natural" protagonist Hobbs
- 7 Surrealist Jean
- 8 Hunting or fishing
- 9 IDs on a carousel
- 10 Grade sch. basics
- 11 "My thought is ..."
- 12 Thick-skinned citrus fruit
- 14 Zenith's opposite
- 17 In short supply
- 21 Unfavorable impression?
- 23 Calm
- 24 Bank claim
- 25 "The handmaiden of creativity": Eliot
- 26 Guilty, for example
- 29 Bygone GM division

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- 31 Nimble
- 32 Got real?
- 33 They may be sealed
- 34 Workers' rights org.
- 35 Risqué
- 36 Illusory hope
- 39 Mozart's "\_\_\_ fan tutte"
- 40 Pungent bulb
- 41 Reveal all?
- 42 Former Disney chief
- 43 Ducks
- 45 "Land \_\_\_ alive!"
- 46 Concur
- 48 Cowpoke's pal
- 51 Côte d'Azur saison
- 52 "I'm thinkin' not"
- 53 Sporty VW
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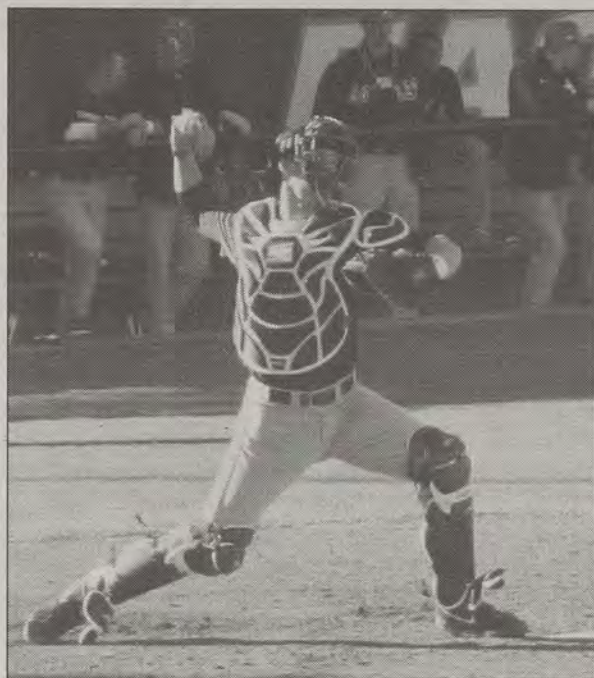


Shakeem Holloway





## Birds of a feather go against each other



Tasha Lund/The George-Anne

GSU baseball players scrimmage against each other.

### Baseball

**BY RANDALL HAMPTON  
AND COLIN RITSICK**

The George-Anne staff

There are not even two full weeks until the Georgia Southern University baseball team squares off with the University of Georgia Bulldogs, but until then it will have to continue team scrimmages.

The team held another series of intrasquad scrimmages at J.I. Clements Stadium this weekend in preparation for season opener.

Senior pitcher Justin Hess and sophomore pitcher Sam Howard went toe-to-toe with a little more than just team bragging rights on the line in Friday's scrimmage.

Either Hess or Howard is going to start against UGA, and both pitchers

tried to make a strong push for the opening day start.

Hess allowed the first run of the game on a double down the right-field line by junior infielder Garren Palmer. Hess would allow two more runs before the night was over.

Howard did not allow a run to cross the plate while he was on the mound. He was instrumental in the 3-0 shutout during the first scrimmage of the weekend.

As for the scrimmage on Sunday, there were a bit too many ground balls booted and plays not made for head coach Rodney Hennon's comfort.

"The biggest thing right now is cleaning up our defense. We struggled making a few routine plays," Hennon said.

On the offensive side of the ball, bats were cracking left and right in the crisp afternoon air. Last weekend's scrimmages were heavy on pitching,

with many of the hitters appearing behind, but on Sunday the players did a better job of making contact.

"We did a better job of getting the barrel on the ball and getting our bats around compared to last weekend," Hennon said.

Sophomore catcher Chase Griffin was one of the players with an improved approach at the plate on Sunday. With his squad leading 2-0 early in the scrimmage, he roped a stand-up double to the warning track that scored two runners, putting his tem up 4-0.

Griffin was named to multiple All-America lists after his standout freshman season last year which featured a .320 average 10 homeruns and 42 RBI.

Griffin and his teammates will look to upset the No. 29 ranked UGA when the Bulldogs roll into town Feb. 15 for the season opener. First pitch is set for 6 p.m.

## All-Star gives baseball team preseason advice

**BY COLIN RITSICK**

The George-Anne staff

Former Atlanta Braves coach and World Series champion Ned Yost gave advice to the Georgia Southern University baseball team during his speech at an annual fundraiser for the team.

"My advice, and this goes from young kids to old kids, is have fun playing the game, and don't ever, ever, ever be afraid to make a mistake. Never. Because that's how you learn the game, by making mistakes," Yost said.

The third annual Evening with the All-Stars is an event for the baseball team put on by the GSU Dugout Club on Thursday. The banquet raised money from ticket sales as well as an auction that included four SunTrust home plate seats at Turner Field and a bat signed by John Smoltz.

"It gets people thinking about baseball. Not a lot of people have baseball on their mind on the last day in January, but the college season is two weeks from tomorrow," head coach Rodney Hennon said.



Jessica Stanfeild

Ned Yost gave advice to the GSU baseball team at the third annual Evening with the All-Stars.

Yost, who was a coach during the 1995 World Series team for the Braves and is currently the Kansas City Royals manager, spoke to the packed house about his career and his time with the Braves.

In addition to Yost, former Eagle greats Victor Roache and Chris Beck were in attendance. Roache was drafted in the first round by the Milwaukee Brewers last year and was just yesterday named the best

power hitter in the Brewers farm system. The Chicago White Sox drafted Beck in the second round last year as well after a stellar career at GSU. Both players spoke to the team at the fundraiser.

"If I could give one tip to the guys it would be to appreciate everything you get at Georgia Southern," Beck said in regards to how his life has changed since he has become a part of professional baseball. "I think we had three off days in three months."

"College gave me a better perspective on how to interact with other people, and I think that helps in the long run about being a good teammate," Roache said.

A pitcher that preceded Beck and Roache at GSU, Everett Teaford, was also on hand on Thursday night. He pitched in 14 games for Yost and the Royals last year after being called up midway through the season. He is the connection between GSU and the Kansas City manager.

The Eagles open their 2013 campaign at home against the University of Georgia on Feb. 15.



# Multiple Eagles set personal bests



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**Senior Ebony Carter** is currently the reigning champion of the 100 meter dash.

## Track and Field

**BY ROBERT HUITT**

The George-Anne staff

Top 10 finishes were difficult to come by for Georgia Southern University's track and field team this weekend at the Hilton Garden Invitational.

Although the team did not get the results it may have wanted, multiple Eagles set personal records and head coach Marlo Mincey had a positive attitude about her team's performance.

"I feel like we did okay," Mincey said. "Like I always say, we have things that we need to work on, and that's never going to change, but all in all it was a pretty decent performance."

Junior Dana Edwards got things started for the Eagles with a ninth place finish in the pentathlon.

She accumulated 3043 points after the 5 events and broke her previous record by more than 300 points in the process.

Edwards' sister, junior Deanna Edwards, was also able to set a new personal record in the 400-meter run event with a final time of 1:01.48 finishing 48<sup>th</sup> in a field of 78 participants.

Sophomore Kimberly Thomas and junior Cherrelle King competed alongside Deanna Edwards in the 400m run. Thomas crossed the finish line at 58.85 (11<sup>th</sup>) and King at 1:01.18 (38<sup>th</sup>).

The best result of the weekend for the Eagles came in the long jump where freshman Alyssa Felton finished fourth. Felton jumped 5.69m and achieved a personal best.

Freshmen Keyanna Harris and Taylor Johnson joined the party and also achieved personal bests in the high jump.

Harris and Johnson finished 12<sup>th</sup> and 35<sup>th</sup> respectively after jumps of 1.62m and 1.42m.

Freshman Jami Joyner was busy on the second day of the tournament competing in two events, the 800-meter run and the one-mile run.

Joyner finished 52<sup>nd</sup> and 54<sup>th</sup> in the two events but was able to set a new personal record in the one-mile with a time of 5:44.92.

The tournament was held in Winston Salem N.C. at the JDL Fast Track.

This is significant because this track will also host the Southern Conference Indoor Championships Saturday, Feb. 23 through Sunday, Feb. 24.

"We come to this meet because we always want to give them the opportunity to preview the surface so they can kind of get familiar with it," Mincey said.

Before the Eagles make a return trip to North Carolina, they will travel to Birmingham, Ala. to compete in the Samford Multi and Invitational on Feb. 8 and 9.

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# Students react to Super Bowl



William Millians  
Sophomore  
Biology, pre-med

"I'd rather see Atlanta in the Super Bowl, but at least I got to see a good game. It's nice to see Ray Lewis go out well."



Kimberlee Beall  
Junior  
Exercise science

"I'm glad the 49ers came back and made it an actual real game."



Anthony Hughes  
Junior  
Psychology

"That game was deja-vu of the NFC championship game. Falcons all day."



George Jones  
Sophomore  
Sports management

"That should have been a pass interference on fourth down in the fourth quarter."



Brandon Turkowsky  
Senior  
Information technology

"I really thought the 49ers were going to come back in the fourth quarter after the power outage."



Kiley Horton  
Freshman  
Public relations

"I had more fun at GATA's than actually watching the game."



Pierre Hendrix  
Senior  
General studies

"The Super Bowl was amazing. I enjoyed seeing Ray Lewis get his final ring on his last season."



Tyler Nunn  
Adviser for Baptist Collegiate Ministry

"It was great. I enjoyed the comeback by the 49ers and the last second stand by the Ravens."

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# Eagles split pair of SoCon games

## Men's Basketball (10-13)

BY KATIE TOLBERT

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Georgia Southern University's men's basketball team was defeated on the road Thursday 81-74 by Furman University but was victorious at home on Saturday against the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga winning 59-57.

"Every game is a learning experience. It's about three games in March and the preparation for that third season. We've had some big, big wins; we've had some tough, tough losses. But, we've learned from each one and we are getting better as we go," head coach Charlton Young said.

Both of these games came down to the final seconds of the game, but one was not in the Eagles' favor. In the game versus the Paladins, GSU struggled in the first half, especially for the six minutes in the first half that it did not make a single shot. At the end of the half, the Eagles trailed by 15 points. GSU was shooting strong in the first half, making 47.8 percent from the field and 60 percent from behind the arc. But Furman still out-shot the Eagles making 72 percent from the field and 66.7 percent from behind the arc.

In the second half, the Eagles came out a different team that was determined to come back. GSU began to put the pressure on Furman's offense, cutting the Eagles' deficit to 10 points and forcing several turnovers by the Paladins. GSU went on a 9-0 run to gain the Eagles' first lead of the game but could not hold it long when Furman made back-to-back threes that would take the lead and the win.

Two days later, the Eagles returned home to play the Mocs, but this game was a complete switch from the previous game. GSU dominated the first half making five threes, four points off of fast breaks and nine points off of the bench, while UTC did not make one point from threes, fast breaks or off of the bench.

"Talking to coach yesterday, coming down the stretch we need to have a lot of energy in the first half and we can't let these games get

away. We need to take one game at a time and have a lot of energy because we come out very slow at the beginning of the game at times," senior guard C.J. Reed said.

At the beginning of the game, the Eagles did just that when junior forward Eric Ferguson was recognized as a member of the 500-rebound club, which only stimulated the energy level for the GSU team. Within the first five minutes of the game, Reed shined on offense, making three consecutive shots from behind the arc, followed by an assisted alley-oop to Ferguson that sent the GSU fans wild.

Just in the first half, the Eagles had seven members of their team on the board for points and also seven members on the board in rebounding as well. On both sides of the court, GSU was coming together as a team and players were stepping up to make needed contributions.

"It's great when we get everybody involved; everybody involved makes everybody happy. We play harder as a team, and we are just starting to come together so, it's a great thing for everybody to get numbers in the scoring," Reed said.

Starting out the second half, the Eagles had a strong 21-point lead over the Mocs, but that did not last long. UTC began to put pressure on the Eagles and no longer let easy threes pass them by. The Mocs defended the perimeter strong and began their comeback with a 15-5 run making the score 56-52 with less than four minutes on the clock.

With less than one minute left in the half, the Eagles no longer had the lead and were now down by one point. But with 31 seconds on the shot clock and 36.1 seconds left in the game, Ferguson made a three to take the lead and to take the win 59-57.

"The Georgia Southern University hasn't been to the NCAA tournament since 1992, that's pre-internet. It's time for us to get back, and this is year four of us building the program. Last year we finished 12-6, second in the division, got to the quarter-finals, now we are looking to take that next step in tournament play," Young said.

The Eagles will once again be at home to play against rival Appalachian State University on Thursday, Feb. 7 at 7 p.m.



# Swim and dive survives 'tough' weekend

Swimming and diving (11-3)

BY JACK MAGRUDER

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Over the weekend the Georgia Southern University swimming and diving team dominated the competition away, returning home with a weekend record of 5-1.

The Eagles are now 11-3 in the season.

On Friday evening, the GSU swimming team handed Gardner-Webb University its first dual-meet loss, taking home the win with a score of 104-101 after clinching the final event.

After placing second in the 400-medley relay, the Eagles won three straight events. Sophomore Amber Juncker started off that streak in the 400 individual medleys with a finishing time of 4:35.13.

Freshman Kylee Parsons added a first place finish of her own in the 200 freestyle finishing in 1:55.29, followed by sophomore Elaina Lanson who won her first event of the day, finishing the 50 freestyle in 24.41.

The Eagles were able to sweep the top three in the 400 medley when sophomore Rikki Babuka 4:39.79 and senior Lindsay Mullican 4:40.13 finished third and fourth respectively.

The next five events became a back and forth battle as the Gardner-Webb Runnin' Bulldogs claimed the 200 individual medley, butterfly and backstroke.

The Eagles answered back as Lanson and Parsons once again showed their dominance in freestyle events, claiming wins in the 100 free (Lanson, 53.67) and 500 free (Parsons, 5:09.63). The Eagles claimed number two finishes in both of those events as well with junior Devan White finishing right behind Lanson in 54.58 and Juncker touching the plate a few seconds after Parsons in 5:11.07.



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The GSU swimming and diving team went 5-1 in the weekend's tournaments. The Eagles have less than three weeks remaining before the CCSA Championship.

The Eagles went into the final event trailing Gardner-Webb, but the Runnin' Bulldogs were not able to hold onto the lead.

The Eagles 400 freestyle relay team outraced the Runnin' Bulldogs to claim the final points needed for the win. Parsons, freshman Christina Moran, freshman Becca Alves and Lanson teamed up to win the final event of the day with a 3:34.14 finish, good for a new Gardner-Webb pool record and an Eagles win.

On Saturday, the Georgia Southern swimming and diving team had a successful final rehearsal against six different conference

opponents in a dual meet hosted by Davidson.

The Eagles bested four out of five conference opponents, losing only to Liberty University, last year's Coastal Collegiate Swimming Association (CCSA) Championship runner-up.

The Eagles beat Davidson College 151-149, Radford University 234-65, Howard University 250-43 and North Carolina A&T 254-34, but lost to Liberty University 165-129.

"It was certainly a tough and emotional two days. We were not very sharp through the first seven events, but we rallied and started to compete for each other and we were

much better," head coach Nathan Kellogg said in a news release.

Juncker led the Eagles, claiming those two wins of the day in the 1000 freestyle, 10:39.19 and 500 freestyle, 5:10.96. Parsons finished second both events, touching the plate in times of 10:44.70 and 5:11.48 respectively.

More second place finishes came from Moran in the 200 backstroke finishing in 2:06.23, junior Sara Meisenholder in the one-meter dive with a score of 243.05 and Lanson in the 50 freestyle with a time of 24.38.

Meisenholder and Lanson both added third place finishes to their

scores in the three-meter dive with a score of 255.05 and 100 free, finishing in 53.98.

Junior Megan Ostrom swam the 100 breaststroke in 1:06.53 and the 200 breaststroke in 2:26.57, good for two third place finishes. Other Eagles finishing third were sophomore Sarah Schwartz in the 200 backstroke with a time of 2:10.91 and Alves in the 200 individual medley, finishing in 2:11.85.

The Eagles now have a little less than three weeks without competition and will turn focus to the CCSA Championships on Feb. 21 through the 23.