GSU voices wanted

Admin. to include community in VP of business and finance choice

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A cross-section search committee will hold an open forum featuring candidates for the vice president of business and finance position.

The open forum will be from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. both today and tomorrow in the Williams Center.

The student body is encouraged to come out to the different information sessions because student opinion is valued, Garrett Green, search committee member and vice president of auxiliary affairs for the Student Government Association, said.

The vice president will work with multiple departments that students rely heavily on like parking and transportation and dining, Green said.

"It's really important that we choose a good candidate, as a student, because that person has a lot to do with a lot of student-affairs-type departments," Green said.

"The vice president of business and finance handles all of the financial part of the institution, that could be up to 25, 30, 40 budgets," Dr. Teresa Thompson, vice president of student affairs and enrollment management, said.

The new vice president will replace Dr. Ron Core, current vice president of business and finance, who will be retiring April 30.

The search committee has narrowed the candidate pool to three potential individuals: Kim Thompson, associate vice president of business and finance at GSU; Robert Whitaker, vice president of finance and administration at Georgia Highlands College; and David Carson, vice president of business and finance at Armstrong Atlantic State University.

The minimum qualifications needed for the position include a bachelors degree and 10 or more years of experience, five of which need to have been served on an executive level.

The qualifications for the position are general to ensure no potential candidates are excluded, Paul Michaud, associate vice president for the office of human resources, said.

"A degree is one thing, but experience is extremely valuable as well," Michaud said.

Organizational skills, a well-rounded understanding of the departments, being budget-minded, charismatic and being a good listener are all necessary for being the vice president of business and finance, Michaud said.

"You need someone with financial, accounting and budgeting experience. It's kind of a no-brainer. But not just any finance, accounting and budgeting experience," President Brooks Keel said. "You really need someone who has that experience in a higher education setting, which is a different setting than what you would have in corporate America."

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7:42 p.m.: Officers investigated a motor vehicle accident in the RAC parking lot.

**Tuesday, Feb. 26**

3:53 a.m.: An incident report was taken for criminal trespass at Eagle Dining Services.

9:49 a.m.: Officers responded to a fire alarm at the Hollois Building. The Statesboro Fire Department and maintenance responded. The building was checked with no problems found.

11:19 a.m.: Officers responded to the Hanner Fieldhouse in reference to an injured person. EMS transported the injured person.

1:03 p.m.: Officers responded to the Sigma Alpha Epsilon house in reference to a possible natural gas leak. The Statesboro Fire Department responded. The house was checked with no problems found.

1:27 p.m.: Officers responded to the Hanner Fieldhouse in reference to an injured person. EMS transported the injured person.

2:38 p.m.: A subject reported that an unknown person was hacking into her computer.

4:01 p.m.: An incident report was taken for lost/mislaid property at the RAC.

5:16 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at the Henderson Library.

5:35 p.m.: A motor vehicle accident report was taken for a motor vehicle accident—hit and run in Lot 42.

6:19 p.m.: An incident report was taken for lost/mislaid property at the Carruth Building.

7:42 p.m.: Officers investigated a motor vehicle accident in the RAC parking lot.

1:03 p.m.: An incident report was taken for lost/mislaid property at the Hanner Fieldhouse.

5:22 p.m.: An incident report was taken for a theft at the RAC. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

12:55 a.m.: An incident report was taken for criminal trespass at Freedom’s Landing. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

6:21 a.m.: Officers responded to the Center for Art and Theater in reference to a fire alarm. Maintenance responded. The building was checked with no problems found.

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Eating healthy shouldn’t cost us more money

On March 6, 13 and 27, Eagle Dining will host demonstrations on how to cook healthy meals with foodstuff that is available for purchase with a meal plan at the Pickle Barrel. Georgia Southern University offers a wide variety of places to eat, but few are what students consider healthy. Eagle Dining’s efforts to teach students to cook meals for themselves will introduce some healthy alternatives to students’ diets, as well as teach students valuable skills.

Teaching students how to cook healthy meals is great, but it is only a half-measure. The food that is available in the Pickle Barrel and the Market at Centennial is not varied enough, and it is more expensive than food that can be bought elsewhere in the city, such as Harvey’s or Walmart.

The price of food at the two options on-campus shopping options is prohibitive for new students whose only source of money to use for food purchases is the meal plan. Meal plan holders are given a limited amount of money that can only be spent in allotted values a certain number of times per day. The variety of food at the two establishments needs to be expanded as well.

GSU should assist Eagle Dining in teaching students not only to eat healthy, but also how to prepare their own healthy meals. As it is, students will only be learning that it is more expensive to eat healthy than not.

A precedent needs to be set for transgendered people in society

A transgender group has filed a complaint based on the case of a Colorado transgendered boy being told he could not go to the girls’ restroom. The boy was allowed to use the girls’ restroom for the first half of the year, but school officials told him that he would have to use the boys’ or nurse’s bathroom.

The boy, Coy Mathis, was born with male sex organs but has identified as a female for as long as he has been able to express himself, the parents said. Mathis’ parents have pulled him out of school in fear of bullying or discrimination. I don’t know what the etiquette is for addressing transgendered children, so I’m going to be referring to her as a girl for the remainder of the column, as her passport and state-issued I.D. both recognize her as a girl.

The school district’s attorney has stated that there is nothing on the books that requires the school to let Mathis use the girls’ restroom. Others have expressed concern that letting her use the girls’ restroom could make the other students using it uncomfortable. They have said that, as the male genitals develop and Mathis develops, it may have adverse effects on her and other students.

What really needs to happen is that concrete ground rules for this kind of thing need to be laid. Some would have transgendered individuals be treated as the gender they identify as, without conditions. Others would have everyone treated as the gender that their nether regions indicate.

A precedent needs to be set for transgendered children in public schools. This isn’t the first case of a conflict with a school, and a major uproar was made over a transgendered boy joining the Girl Scouts. It’s pretty obvious that we are not proficient at handling these situations yet.

Transgendered children are still children and need to be educated. Whether or not they as a child can truly understand what it means to be transgendered is still up for debate. Whether or not the parents are doing what is best for the child by pursuing this is up for debate. But in the mean time, ground rules need to be set in order to prevent things like this from happening.
Some requests should be ignored

Tonya Battle, a nurse who works at Hurley Medical Center of Michigan, sued the center after she was removed from caring for a newborn because the father requested that no black nurses touch or care for his baby. The hospital granted the request and made a note of it on the child's medical chart that read "Please no African-American nurses to care for [name redacted] Baby per Dad's request. Thank you." The hospital is being accused of racial discrimination and violation of the state civil rights act, and a lawsuit has been filed by Battle.

The hospital's lawyer decided that the action was discrimination based on race. Battle and other nurses claim that the hospital still didn't assign any black nurses to the baby. Claims were also made that the father pulled up his sleeve to reveal a swastika tattoo that caused the hospital supervisor to feel concern for the staff's safety.

This situation has sparked an online debate over whether this man was within his rights to decide who gets to care for his baby. Some people try to compare this situation to when women ask for only female OB/GYN doctors—which I find highly ridiculous. I try to put myself in the shoes of each of the parties. From the hospital's perspective, this man is a paying patron and is allowed his own preferences while he entrusts his child's care to them. However, the staff is important as well and no request made should make them feel uncomfortable or insulted. I feel that the best thing to do in this situation was to inform the man that what he was asking did not fall in line with the values of their medical center and refer him to services that would be able to grant him his request, such as a home nurse.

I cannot quite fit into the shoes of this neo-Nazi father. I don't understand how he felt he would be allowed to make such an offensive request. Thankfully there is outrage at his actions because that means these views and his way of life will not be acceptable in our society.

Some requests should be ignored on race. Battle and other nurses claim the action was discrimination based on race. Battle and other nurses claim the action was discrimination based on race. Battle and other nurses claim the action was discrimination based on race.

Marijuana legalization can only help

Many years from now, our great grandchildren will look back at some of the laws we subjected ourselves to, laugh and say, "What were they thinking?" It is apparent that the American citizen is still subject to intrusive, unnecessary laws that do nothing but kill freedom and inhibit the pursuit of happiness. One of those laws that achieve the aforementioned is the prohibition of the sale and use of marijuana.

Older people may feel like this stance is a bit foolish, but many younger Americans are beginning to realize the utter pointlessness in marijuana being an illegal drug. Although their reasoning behind why they support legalization may be different from my reasoning, the basic concept of legalization is still gaining support across the country.

Legalizing marijuana will have a drastic effect on two realms of society: law enforcement and the economy. When the War on Drugs, which has proven to be a failure, began, marijuana was labeled as a Class One drug, which meant the possession, sale and distribution of marijuana became a federal offense. Because of this, our prison systems began to see drastic changes in prison populations. Wardens began to see more non-violent drug offenders populate the prisons. For instance, in 2010, a staggering 51 percent of federal inmates were non-violent drug offenders according to the U.S. Dept. of Justice. With marijuana being the drug of choice in America, we are busy filling up our prisons with pot smokers and pot dealers when we should in fact be focusing on bringing the murderers, sex offenders, thieves and other real lawbreakers to justice. Law enforcement wastes millions of dollars in their failed attempts to rid the streets of marijuana when those funds could be used for actual crime prevention.

Marijuana makes a good business case as well. It is fact that marijuana is one of the primary cash crops in the United States. Marijuana is estimated to be a $120 billion industry that shows no signs of slowing down any time soon according to ABC News. States that allow the use of marijuana regulate the plant much like how alcohol is regulated, which means there are rules to be followed when selling and consuming the plant. In Denver, Colo., there are over 200 dispensaries that serve over 100,000 people. Needless to say there is money to be made, and Denver has yet to turn into a drug-crazed zombie city where no one works or lives a productive life.

Being the realistic person I am, I know that there will always be opponents to legalization. Due to this, the decision on legalization should be left strictly to the states to decide what is best for their constituents. The federal government needs to step out of the equation because it only adds confusion to the debate. America could be missing out on something monumental here, it's time to cash in on the opportunity marijuana brings.

I am proud to say I've been blessed with perhaps the best family that any child could possibly hope to be raised in. I have a mother who was always very nurturing and made sure that I was taken care of no matter what and a father who worked hard to provide for his family and came home every night with a smile on his face, knowing he was coming home to a family that loved him. I am very grateful for this, but unfortunately this is no longer the norm in today's society.

Today we live in a society that has really lost the feeling of necessity of a strong centralized family. Divorce rates are higher than ever before, with roughly 50 percent of marriages ending in divorce. Statistics show that back in 1960 roughly 300,000 divorces occurred per year. This number is just a drop in the bucket compared to the 47,000 divorces that happen per week in today's society. More and more children are being raised in a broken home, either by a single parent or going back and forth between mom's house and dad's house. These are just the households where children were actually born to a married couple, though. According to the Center for Disease Control, 40.8 percent of all births in 2010 were to unmarried women. I would say at least half of those might not ever find out who their father actually is.

This is no way that a child should be raised; children deserve to be raised in a house with a strong family that will put the child's needs before their own. Numerous studies have shown that children being raised in single parent homes are twice as likely to end up incarcerated than those in a home with two parents. This is regardless of socio-economic status or race. If we were to really look into most of the crimes that we see, like the ones The George-Anne reported on in its last issue, what would we find?

This is not an excuse in any way for what criminals do, but we should be curious to see what their home lives looked like growing up. If we want to truly reduce the amount of crime that we see in our society let's strive to fix it at the source. Raise these children properly and be there when they need you. Let's work to make our families strong.

Mutimer is a senior construction management major from Augusta. He is involved in the College Republicans and has worked on political campaigns in Augusta.
Opportunity for change in Vatican

Around 5 p.m. today, Pope Benedict XVI will leave Vatican City for the last time as pope. The last time a pope left his post before death was in 1415. Benedict's official reason for his early retirement was a "lack of strength of mind and body," but rumors still swirl that he was influenced by the strain of multiple child sex-abuse scandals throughout the church.

The election of a new pope is always an important event, but this is the first time in almost 600 years that one has retired. Is that a big deal?

Is the ex-pope Catholic?

Benedict's retirement is such a change for the Vatican that it brings with it the prime opportunity for significant reforms.

The Catholic Church is a religious organization, and moral behavior should be paramount. You don't have to be a member of the church to know that child abuse is a sin. I can't imagine covering up those sins is much better, but that's what many Vatican officials have done. Covering up the crimes of abusers is not only illegal, but immoral by the church's own rules, and it needs to stop.

But reforms shouldn't stop there. The Vatican would do well to start using its clout to put more time and resources into advocating for human rights and charity abroad. I'm not a theologian, but I'm pretty sure that the Bible would prefer to be honored by acts of charity, more so than the wearing of large, gold-plated hats.

These changes shouldn't even be contested for religious reasons. They make sense for both members and non-members of the church, and the reach of the Vatican goes far beyond immediate religious adherents. The church is a global organization that is not hindered by the same borders as nations.

If the church can take a serious look at reform, which they should, then they also have a chance to restore the rest of the world's trust in the Vatican. Until then, that trust remains strained, no matter who the next pope is.

Opinions

Make yourself employable

It's been a busy week for Georgia Southern University students looking for post-graduation prospects. There was a job fair on Wednesday at the RAC to show off grad schools and job opportunities for GSU students. One former Eagle had the job tryout of a lifetime at the NFL combine, as well.

J.J. Wilcox had an impressive showing at the NFL combine on Tuesday, finishing with one of the top times in the 20-yard shuttle and benching 225 pounds 17 times. His potential employers got a great look at him over the course of the Combine, and he seems to have made a good impression.

As good an athlete that Wilcox was during his time here at GSU, he was aided by spending time training in Florida before the Combine. What would it look like if we could all take time off from our lives to train for a job interview?

One of the exercises that we would all be sure to take would be the posture, appearance and enunciation drill. Your first impression on a potential employer plays a large role in getting a job. Looking presentable is important and the first thing an employer will notice, but it goes beyond your haircut and clothes. Keeping your back straight and speaking clearly does wonders during an interview as it shows you are confident in your own abilities.

Another key training exercise would be the "elevator pitch." This pitch should be a 30-second or less explanation of why you are deserving of the job you want.

The concept behind the pitch is that if you happen to wind up in the elevator with a potential boss, you can finish your pitch before the doors open again. This has the added bonus of being flexible once you are employed. If you have a great idea while in the company and get in the elevator with the right person, you can also pitch your corporate idea as well.

We don't all have the advantage of working with training professionals for months on an end to make ourselves a more attractive potential employee like Wilcox, but we can all try to make ourselves as employable as possible. After paying to come here, it's the least we can do for ourselves.

LaSalle is a senior writing and linguistics major from Cumming. He is the current Arts & Entertainment Chief and former Opinions Editor.

I hear your music

So I get on the bus, minding my own business, silently quizzing myself on all of the material I stayed up studying last night for my huge test today, when I hear "Thrift Shop" by Macklemore.

Thank you, random person who's sitting in the row in front of me, for turning your iPhone volume all the way up so I could enjoy the music with you. That is exactly what I wanted to hear when I got on the bus today.

Because of you I no longer remember what "¿Cómo estás?" means. As if I couldn't fail Spanish on my own. You have caused me to completely lose my focus, and now I am stressing out even more.

There is a certain volume that is acceptable when listening to music through headphones or ear buds and that volume is anything that I can't hear. If I can hear your music there has to be a problem. How can you stand to have something that loud in your ears?

Music is a way for many people to escape, and by broadcasting what you're listening to for everyone on the bus you are no longer escaping. Instead, everyone in hearing distance is now a part of your morning get-away.

I don't even understand how some people can do it. I know I would have a headache if I had Trinidad James screaming "All Gold Everything" in my ears. The buses are already miserable enough without hearing every word to the song you chose today.

There's a reason why you use headphones: To keep your music private. If I can hear it, the song's too loud for you, bro.

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Do you like to draw? The George-Anne is looking for a new cartoonist. The applicant must be able to draw a cartoon twice weekly that addresses events, happenings or common experiences among GSU students.
Conference aims to empower GSU’s women

BY EDEN SMITH
The George-Anne contributor

The Annual Women’s Empowerment Conference is scheduled to take place at Georgia Southern University on Saturday, March 9 in the Russell Union Ballroom from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

“The conference is for women of all cultures and all ages to come together and learn about love, relationships, spiritual and financial wellness,” Michelle Allen, coordinator of the conference and education administration graduate assistant, said.

The cost of the conference for students is $15 and for non-students is $20, which will cover the cost of two meals and a conference gift.

“The goal of the conference is to educate all women, on and off campus,” Allen said. “We want to let women know what their options are. I hope after the women of Georgia Southern University attend the conference, they will feel more empowered and do what they want to do.”

The theme of the conference is “The Journey: A Woman’s Path to Progress,” Shakita Jenkins, marketing chair of the conference and public health graduate student with a concentration of community health education, said.

There will be a number of guest speakers at the conference this year to speak about women’s wellness. After each session, attendees will be able to talk with the speakers.

Those interested may register online or in the Multicultural Student Center on the second floor of the Russell Union. The Multicultural Student Center is accepting registration fees until the date of the conference or until 400 people register.

“Last year we had over 400 women come to the conference. This year we would like to see the same turn out, but we are capping the registration at 400,” Jenkins said.

“The conference is for all ages, but we are targeting 18-to-22-year-old women,” Allen said. “We encourage all faculty, staff and students to come to the conference.”

The conference will include a breakfast and lunch, with a variety of classes offered throughout the morning and afternoon, Jodi-Ann Simpson, a junior public relations and member of the conference’s marketing committee, said.

“The last hour is usually dedicated to networking and exchanging cards with people that are there so you can learn more about each other,” Simpson said.

Even though this is a Women’s Empowerment Conference, men are encouraged to attend and take part in the event as well.

“Men will be able to attend the conference and go to each session and learn about a woman’s wellness from a different perspective,” Jenkins said.

“I hope that women and men will see that we can come together to build a better sisterhood and that you don’t really need to join a sorority to be in a sisterhood,” Simpson said. “You can come together to try to uplift each other. My goal for this is that women can come in with one mindset of what they think it will be and come out with something completely different and a more positive aspect.”

“I would like to encourage everyone to register as soon as they can so they know they have a spot at the conference. We do not want to turn anyone away at the door,” Allen said.

Jenkins said, “We hope that when women come and attend each session, they can take away something that they learned and apply it to their life and that will help their progress or their path to progress.”
Aspen Heights of Statesboro is revealing model homes with a grand opening party. Seventy percent of the available spaces were filled before future residents had a physical model to see.

Aspen Heights will host a grand opening party today from 3-7 p.m. with two, three and four-bedroom model units open to tour.

The event will take place at the Aspen Heights property located at 17358 Hwy 67.

"The units are fully functioning. The bathrooms and the electricity is all up and running, and we have had an interior decorator from our main offices come by," Lindsey Griffith, Aspen Heights employee, said.

The grand opening party will have free food catered by Retrievers, free drink tickets for Rum Runners and an in-house DJ. Gift cards and a raffle will occur on-site every hour.

Aspen Heights will offer a shuttle to transport students to the property.

"A shuttle will run from University Plaza to the property for students who don't have cars or transportation, and they can sign up on our Facebook page," David Hoersten, Aspen Heights employee, said.

Our hope is that people who haven't seen the site will sign up tomorrow for a lease, Hoersten said.

Two hundred and fifty people have signed up for the event through Facebook, although many more are expected to show up.

"We are hoping for a big turnout, but it will be a toss-up," Hoersten said.

Most people are waiting to sign the lease until after they can see the finished units, Griffith said.

"I am looking forward to seeing where I'm living next year since we really haven't been able to see an actual model yet," Abby Henderson, junior middle grades education major and future Aspen Heights resident, said.

There are 339 available cottage-style and town home units on the property.

"We are almost seventy percent filled up, 750 people have already signed with us," Hoersten said.

Construction is not finished, but it is almost complete. The property is 65 acres, and construction is expected to be completed by June or July at the latest. Move-in day will be Aug. 3, Griffith said.

"Students will be able to walk down the street and see where their unit is," Griffith said.

The most popular amenity on the property is the 12,000 square foot clubhouse with a full-scale gym, Hoersten said.

"It has free weights, cardio equipment and large TVs, plus we always stock the latest and greatest DVDs in case some of our residents want to work out that way," Hoersten said.

There is also a 25,000 square foot study space that is open 24/7, with many different types of media equipment, a game room and a PlayStation, Hoersten said.

Aspen Heights will have two swimming pools and seven sports courts, Griffith said.

Hoersten said, "The grand opening party will be a lot of fun and a lot of crazy. We've been looking forward to it."
SGA: Bus routes dependent on student support

BY ASHLEY CRAVEY
The George-Anne contributor

The Student Government Association is encouraging students to voice their needs for a bus route expansion.

While some students have brought the issue up to SGA, representatives said that they need more students to express interest in an expansion.

"Personally, I think it would be a good idea to expand the bus routes. A lot of students have voiced that, and I believe that if the students continue to voice that opinion to SGA, then SGA can make a louder voice to the administration," Garrett Green, SGA vice president of auxiliary affairs, said.

The Shuttle Gus, an alternate bus option for students sponsored by SGA, will expand its services and will offer transportation to Walmart on Sundays, which is projected to start in the fall, Green said.

Some students have expressed to SGA that the bus routes need expanding.

"I feel like we should have another bus route going to the other side of Forest Drive, have a main stop at the library and maybe for like freshman or people who don't have cars have a bus route going to like places off campus that most people go to," Courtney Colburn, senior recreation major, said.

"Off-campus expansion would depend on students' needs," Dean of Students Patrice Jackson said.

"Students could really benefit from a new bus route to places such as Walmart and the Market District," DJ Greenberg, senior political science and philosophy double-major, said.

"Right now I need to go to Walmart, and I do not have a way, so I'm going to end up having to call somebody and give them gas money. Which if we had a bus that went to Walmart, I would just get on the bus to get to Walmart, and I wouldn't be in this predicament," Steven Dabney, freshman information technology computer science major, said.

For the bus routes to expand, students will need to voice their opinions by attending SGA meetings and emailing the executive board members or senators of SGA, and then SGA can address the department of Parking and Transportation on the matter, Green said.

"SGA is a good vehicle for these sorts of things if students would like to send a proposal forward," Jackson said.

Some students want the route to expand to Sweetheart Circle.

"I really don't feel like Sweetheart Circle has that much traffic as it is right now, looking at it from a student's perspective. I honestly do not think it will cause traffic," Green said.

Jackson said, "I think it would take students asking the questions so there's a proposal. Not just one student saying it's a good idea, but a few students saying this is what we need."
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‘Take Back the Night’ comes to GSU campus

Victims of sexual abuse will gather around campus tonight to shed a different light on sexual assaults and abusive encounters during the “Take Back the Night” march for awareness.

The march is put on by Georgia Southern University’s Sexual Assault Response Team and begins tonight at the University Store at 7 p.m. The goal of the march is to raise awareness on sexual violence and assaults.

“I’ve had friends who have dealt with sexual assaults. Coming to school made me realize how many people don’t know that these things happen. That’s what motivates me to tell people about this,” Shanna Felix, president of Sexual Assault Student Educators and junior psychology major, said.

This is the 12th annual march at GSU. The march will last about 45 minutes, and immediately after there will be a rally with an open mic for students to voice their opinions or give testimonials. Once the rally concludes, a candlelight vigil will be held to remember the victims of sexual crimes.

“Domestic and sexual violence have existed and flourished because silence has surrounded them. It was taboo to talk about sexual violence in public. The march and rally are changing that,” Jodi Caldwell, director of the Counseling Center, chair of SART and president of the Board of Directors of the Statesboro Regional Sexual Assault Center, said.

It’s estimated that nearly 80 percent of sexual assaults or rapes go unreported and untreated, according to the Georgia Network to End Sexual Assault.

“Take Back the Night is a great way to raise awareness in a university community. It’s a time when domestic and sexual violence is at its highest rates. I think it’s really important to let folks know this is an issue relevant to them,” Caldwell said.

The "Take Back the Night" initiative started in England as a protest for women to express their frustration with the harassment they received walking down streets at night.

Since its beginning, the movement has spread to every major city in the United States and nearly every country in Europe. The march reigns especially popular on college campuses.

“If you can’t be comfortable talking about an issue, then it becomes extremely difficult to promote change or make change happen. If the issue is under wraps, nothing will change,” Deborah Perez-Lopez, assistant director of the Student Disability Resource Center and co-chair of SART, said.

The goal of the march is to have people discussing these issues in a public setting, Perez-Lopez said.

“When there’s a march, you have to talk about this topic. You can’t avoid it, even if it’s just asking what these people are marching for, at least you’re talking about it,” Felix said.

Caldwell said, “I think a lot of victims realize, ‘Wow, I’m not alone’ which really helps them heal internally. It can be very powerful to receive support from the community you live in.”
Georgia Southern University's Southern Pride band received an opportunity to send four of its members to New York City to perform live on The Late Show with David Letterman.

Junior music education major Sergio Arreguin, senior exercise science major Trey Exley, senior communication arts major Jose Morales and junior nursing major Jimmy Rotureau will leave GSU on March 12 and travel to New York City. Country music singer-songwriter Elizabeth Cook will join the students on Wednesday to rehearse "If I Had My Way, I'd Tear This Building Down." This song will be performed Thursday night on the Late Show with David Letterman.

The show will air on Thursday, March 14 at 11:35 p.m. on CBS.

"I talked with Dr. McKenzie last Monday morning, and he told me that Elizabeth Cook was going to play on the Late Show if she could get a percussion section from a marching band to perform with her. He asked if I was interested, and of course I was, and things progressed from there," Exley said.

Colin McKenzie, director of Southern Pride, chose four members of the Southern Pride Marching Band's drum line to represent GSU on the Late Show. Seniority, leadership and academic performance were all factors in McKenzie's decision.

"We walked into his office and shut the door, and he asked me straight forward. I thought I was dreaming or he was joking. It still doesn't seem real. I don't feel much emotion right now, but I'm sure that once we hit the road north, I will get really excited," Arreguin said.

"Personally, as a musician, performing in any outlet is an amazing opportunity, whether it is in Paulson Stadium, Hanner or David Letterman," Morales said.

"The song we're playing is called "If I Had My Way, I'd Tear This Building Down." The four of us will be playing different percussion parts with her, a bassist and a guitarist," Rotureau said.

Cook graduated from GSU in 1996 with two degrees in Accounting and Computer Information Systems. Her first album came out in 2000, and she has released four albums since. "Balls," her most popular record to date, was driven by the success of 2007 single: "Sometimes it Takes Balls to be a Woman." She has performed over 200 times at The Grand Ole Opry in Nashville. Cook hosts the Sirius XM radio show "Elizabeth Cook's Apron Strings."

"Elizabeth Cook could have chosen any other drummers in the country, but she requested the Georgia Southern drum line. I think that's pretty awesome," Exley said.

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Students to ‘Swing Out’ with Swing Cats

Performing Arts

BY LAURIANNA CULL
The George-Anne staff

The students of Georgia Southern University can show off their best dance moves and learn some new steps at “Statesboro Swings Out.”

Hosted by the Swing Cat Society, “Statesboro Swings Out” will consist of multiple classes beginning on Friday, April 12 and ending on Sunday, April 14.

The Friday classes will take place in the Swing Cat Society’s usual meeting place at College Plaza Studio, and the Saturday and Sunday classes will be held at the Statesboro Boys and Girls Club.

“Statesboro Swings Out” will offer multiple styles of dancing such as Swing, the Lindy Hop and the Charleston.

“The free-style dancing after the lesson is my favorite part. You can try different partners and see what dances you like best,” Quincy Martin, junior international studies major and club participant, said.

The Swing Cat instructors will not solely teach the event. New dance teachers from outside of Statesboro will be attending as well.

“The thing that is most exciting to me about it is the opportunity to learn from and dance with people from out of town. When you dance with new people, you get excited about the dance all over again because it’s different,” Megan Bowen, event coordinator, said.

There will be a lesson on Friday, April 12 at 7:30 p.m. for beginner dancers that will teach the participants the basic steps and will guide them through the rest of the dances that weekend.

“It’s definitely an interesting, new, fun experience. You don't have to have a partner. You don't have to know how to dance. Just come as you are and have a good time,” Marchel Kemper, club president, said.

There will be more difficult classes available for advanced dancers as well. These classes will start on Saturday afternoon. They will be accessible to beginners if they attended the Friday night lesson.

“I think GSU students would benefit from the weekend because it is the most exciting time to be a part of the club. It will have the biggest turnout of any of our meetings and the most exciting classes. Also, it’s totally free for GSU students,” Bowen said.

Participants are required to pre-register on the “Statesboro Swings Out” Facebook page.

Kadia Scott, club public relations officer, said, “If anyone wants to learn to dance and have a crash course, this is definitely a good experience. It’s great for exercise too.”

The Carter Lecture Series

Featuring guest lecturer: Dr. Tim Clipson

“Cracker Jacks, Kangaroos, and Snipe Hunting: LIFE Lessons for Today’s Leaders”

Dr. Clipson is a Professor of Executive Communication and Executive Leadership in the MBA program at Stephen F. Austin State University where he also coordinates the Freshman Success Program. Dr. Clipson is President and co-founder of LIFE!, a leadership consulting firm dedicated to improving the quality of life in organizations and individuals.

Thursday, March 7, 2013 at 7 p.m.
Nessmith-Lane Assembly Hall

To contact the arts & entertainment editor, email gaartsandent@georgiasouthern.edu.
Here's a new idea: let's take ghost-voiced Radiohead singer Thom Yorke, longtime Radiohead producer Nigel Godrich, a couple session musicians and toss in Red Hot Chili Peppers bassist Flea.

Sounds crazy, right? Well, that is Atoms for Peace. Their debut album "AMOK" was released Feb. 25.

"AMOK," like latter-day Radiohead, runs through the realm of electronic music. Or rather, it sort of jogs through. On the opposite end of the scale from Skrillex and the land of louder-than-loud drops, AMOK is humming synths and clicking percussion.

The lead track "Before Your Very Eyes" opens with Thom's ghostly singing, a repetitive percussion loop and eventually a solid bass groove from Flea. And that is where it stays.

Each song on "AMOK" has a rhythm, some vocal and some synth melodies, but there is no shifting, no changes in volume or tempo. That would be fine if what was there was particularly exciting, but it isn't.

Flea's bass work is the only thing separating this from Radiohead's "King of Limbs" - or even Yorke's solo record, "The Eraser" - but there really isn't enough of it. More melodic than his slap-funk work with the Chili Peppers, Flea spends most of the album either too far down in the mix or not in it at all.

It's only halfway through the album, on "Stuck Together Pieces," when his bass really starts to fill things out. It's one of the album's highlights.

Unfortunately, it still doesn't save "AMOK." Yorke is content to hover over the songs in his softer, higher range. The percussion never really changes from handclaps and pencils tapping on desks. The synthesizers occasionally build up to a climax that never comes.

If this was a new band, then the album would be seen as a sign of a future full of potential. But, considering the copious amount of talent in Atoms for Peace, "AMOK" is a let-down. Each song than something complete. The result is an album that, in spite of its few highlights, doesn't really go anywhere new or exciting.
‘Death of a Salesman’ to open at Black Box Theatre

Performing Arts

BY LAURIANNA CULL
The George-Anne staff

The American Dream may not be enough for Willy Loman, who will be played by a Georgia Southern University professor in “The Death of a Salesman.”

“Death of a Salesman” will play at the Black Box Theater from Wednesday, Feb. 27 to Saturday, March 9.

“Death of a Salesman” is different from other shows performed at GSU because the cast does not solely consist of students. GSU theatre professor Jim Harbour will play Willy Loman, the main character in the show.

Harbour will be retiring after this semester, and “Death of a Salesman” will be his final role at GSU.

“It’s a huge role in terms of the sheer quantity of lines. The other thing about it is that it follows the character as his mind fractures, and he goes crazy,” Harbour said.

Many of the students acting in the show have either taken Harbour’s classes or been directed by him in a previous show. So, acting along side him proved to be a different experience for them.

“Working with Jim is a crazy experience. He’s been doing this longer than I’ve been alive. Having dialogue with him raises my potential ability to be the best actor I can be just by working with him,” Leonard Morrow, freshman theatre major and cast member, said.

“I’m in Jim’s acting class, and it’s interesting to see how he gets directed and how he directs his class. It’s very personal to work with a professor since he’s acting and not directing,” Lori Beth Dickey, freshman theatre major and cast member, said.

“Death of a Salesman” was first published in 1949 and has become a classic American tale since then.

“It’s a classical play and piece of American literature. People may not think they may be interested in watching a play, but they should educate themselves. Plus it’s just a good show. It’s really intense so it’s not just like a bunch of kids putting on a show, and it’s cheaper than a movie,” Julianna Norkus, junior theatre major and cast member, said.

Ticket prices are $5 for students, $10 for faculty and staff members and $15 for general admission.

Court will convene at the Averitt in ‘12 Angry Jurors’

Performing Arts

BY LAURIANNA CULL
The George-Anne staff

AND ERINN WILLIAMS
The George-Anne contributor

The Averitt Center of the Arts will bring "12 Angry Jurors," a story that gives a glimpse of the difficult decision-making process that goes on when one man's fate is put into the hands of twelve strangers.

The show will be at the Emma Kelly Theater Friday, March 1 and Saturday, March 2 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, March 3 at 2 p.m.

In the show, the defendant has been accused of killing his father, and if convicted, he will receive the death penalty. But in order to convict him, the jury must come to a unanimous decision.

"I want the audience to be entertained first by the actors and their performance, and then I wish for them to obtain a better understanding and appreciation for the jurors in the judicial system," John Gleissner, director of the play, said.

The play depicts twelve jurors locked in a room arguing and attempting to decide whether a man lives or dies. While in the room, the jurors are forced to face their own prejudices about race, background and troubled relationships.

"The show itself is very thought provoking. It deals with race and discrimination through the theme of capital punishment. Students would love to see the show because of the many ideas that it brings up and the questions that arise from them," Tim Chapman, executive director, said.

"12 Angry Jurors" is an adaptation of "12 Angry Men" that attempts to get the audience to better understand the value of human life when the defendant is up for the death penalty.

"It's one of the most versatile shows. I've seen five different versions of it, and this will be my sixth. This particular version I have not seen before, but I've seen a little bit of their rehearsals, and I'm very excited to see this adaptation and what flavor it will bring," J.D. Lane, box office manager, said.

The audience in their own mind has to go through the same process as the jurors using what the actors depict on stage to find the truth between the verdicts of guilty or not guilty, Chapman said.

Ticket prices are $13 for balcony and orchestra seating and $18 for box seats.
Mississippi

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Male sublease available at The Pointe. 4 BR/4 BT. Two rooms available. One at $369 / month and one at $385 / month, utilities included. Fully furnished, washer/dryer, great roommates, close to campus. Property includes pool, gym, tanning bed, computer lab, basketball/volleyball court. Contact Brian at 706-399-1860 or bb01693@georgiasouthern.edu.

Female sublease available in the Islands for Fall 2013. 3BR/3BT duplex. One room available. Rent is $475 /month: includes water, electricity, trash, cable and wifi. Has water and dryer in unit as well as a full size kitchen. Also has walk-in closets and back patio. Unfurnished. Not far from campus. Islands have a basketball court, 24hr computer lab, outdoor pool. Property includes full A/C, TV, internet included. Lease is 12 months starts August 1st-July 15th. Contact Sarah at sf02176@georgiasouthern.edu.

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SOFTBALL SCRIMMAGES
Now is your chance to practice some softball with a scrimmage. If you signed up for a scrimmage, make sure you show up to play before the league play begins on March 4th.

7 P.M. Bouldering Night Out
SOUTHERN ADVENTURE CENTER
This event is open to all ranges of experiences, whether you are an experienced climber or a first timer. Participate in the event and get the chances to win prizes while enjoying some free food. The theme for this event is wreslin’ (Southern wrestling). Best dressed may receive a prize as well.

TEEN TENNIS SINGLES SCHEDULES AVAILABLE
You can now check out the schedules for intramural tennis singles. The tournament begins Monday, March 4th. Find them at http://services.georgiasouthern.edu/cr/intramuralSports/sports#spring.

FRIDAY 3.1.2013

12 P.M. - SUN. 2 P.M.
NATIONAL INDOOR ARCHERY TOURNAMENT BEGINS
MAC GYM
Come to the RAC and check out all the talent that will be on our campus this weekend.

4 P.M.
SOFTBALL SCHEDULE AVAILABLE
Intramural softball schedules are available on this date at 4 p.m. Find out what all your favorite teams will be playing and cheer them on. Schedules will be available at http://services.georgiasouthern.edu/cr/intramuralSports/sports#spring.

6 P.M. AND 8 P.M.
UPB MOVIE
RUSSELL UNION THEATER
The University Programming Board sponsors a weekly movie series every Friday in the Russell Union Theater. You can enjoy the newest, hottest and most popular pre-home releases for free with concessions going for as little as $1 each. You can't beat the value of UPB Cinema. Make sure to bring your Eagle ID.

SATURDAY 3.2.2013

8 A.M. - 7 P.M.
MEN'S SOCCER TOURNAMENT
RAC SOCCER FIELDS
Don't spend your Saturday indoors! Go to the fields and watch some competitive soccer games! Visit http://services.georgiasouthern.edu/cr/clubSports, for details.

8 A.M. - 5 P.M.
WRESTLING CONFERENCE
COURTS 1, 2 AND 3
Come on out and watch some wrestling at the RAC!

8:30 P.M.
DIVE-IN-MOVIE: TWILIGHT: BREAKING DAWN
RAC INDOOR POOL
Join us at the RAC indoor pool to watch a movie while floating around! The movie will be Twilight: Breaking Dawn 2. Doors will open 30 minutes prior to the movie beginning.

SUNDAY 3.3.2013

10 A.M. - 4 P.M.
MEN'S SOCCER TOURNAMENT
RAC SOCCER FIELDS
Visit Club Sports at http://services.georgiasouthern.edu/cr/clubSports, for details.

MONDAY 3.4.2013

SOFTBALL BEGINS
Head out to the softball fields and watch the opening games of the season. Visit Intramural Sports at http://services.georgiasouthern.edu/cr/intramuralSports.

TENNIS BEGINS
Enjoy some tennis by coming to the RAC to watch the tennis singles tournament. Find the schedule at http://services.georgiasouthern.edu/cr/intramuralSports/sports#spring.

8:30 P.M.
CLIMBING TECHNIQUE CLINIC
This clinic will have a short lecture session followed by some time spent at the climbing wall working on technique. This clinic will help you on your technique and prepare you for outside bouldering trips.

BASKETBALL ALL-STAR NIGHT
Head to the RAC courts and watch some of your favorite intramural basketball players compete in these games. The teams and CRI staff will nominate players for these men’s and co-rec games.

TUESDAY 3.5.2013

8 P.M.
BELAY CLINIC
This clinic is geared to help you gain the SA Climbing Wall Belay Certification. This certification allows you the opportunity to belay other participants, which can help you avoid lines for belayers.

6:30 - 8:30 P.M.
UNPLUGGED
RUSSELL UNION COMMONS
The University Programming Board invites you to our weekly UNplugged Series! Looking for something fun to do on campus? Want to watch some live performances? Maybe even want to try out that new song of yours? Georgia Southern UNplugged is a coffeehouse series Open Mic Night held in the Russell Union Commons. Come see the talented students of Georgia Southern showcase their skills. Free Starbucks coffee for attendees. Make sure to bring your Eagle ID.

WEDNESDAY 3.6.2013

5:30 - 6:30 P.M.
SOLD WORKSHOP
RUSSELL UNION 2048
The SOLD Workshop Series is coordinated by the Office of Student Leadership & Civic Engagement and the Office of Student Activities. The SOLD Workshop Series is designed for Student Organizational Officers and for students who would like to hold a leadership position within an organization. This series is an excellent way for student organizations to train their next leaders. The cost of attending this outstanding workshop series is free! Dr. Tina Powellson will be discussing the topic of Gender Issues in Leadership in this week’s SOLD Workshop.
## Boro Beat

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Xavier set to face GSU

BY SHAKEEM HOLLOWAY
The George-Anne staff

This weekend the Georgia Southern University baseball team is set to play against the struggling Xavier University Musketeers (2-4) in a three-game series at home.

So far this season the Eagles have proven to be a team that can compete with teams from bigger conferences by winning the series against the University of Georgia and finishing the series against Indiana University tied at 1-1. Xavier, despite its record, will be another test for GSU.

The Musketeers’ offense has been struggling as the team has yet to hit a homerun this season. Senior first baseman T.D. Davis has hit two homeruns in one game for the Eagles. Junior first baseman and outfielder Brian Brumining is the catalyst for the Musketeers’ offense with a batting average of .400.

If the pitching rotation can hold the Musketeers to a few runs, the Eagles offense led by Davis should be successful enough to pick up a win. The Musketeers are winless when scoring at least five runs or less.

GSU has been consistent this season in scoring runs, especially in the first inning. This will be a priority when facing the Musketeers. The Musketeers are also winless when their opponent scores first, the Eagles should look to jump out to an early lead.

So far this season Davis is batting .500 with three homeruns and 11 RBI. Junior third baseman Ben Morgan is batting .385 with two homeruns and six RBI.

The starting rotation for the Musketeers has struggled. The only three pitchers that have started in games have an ERA over 2.00 and two have an ERA over 3.50.

The first pitch will be at 6 p.m. tomorrow.

Check thegeorgeanne.com for updated coverage of last night’s game against Georgia Tech.
Softball travels home for Eagle Classic

Softball (7-7)
BY RANDALL HAMPTON
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Tomorrow the Georgia Southern University's softball team will try to add some wins to its 7-7 record when the team kicks off the Eagle Classic at Eagle Field.

A weekend at home might just be what GSU needs to bounce back from a 1-4 showing in the Citrus Classic last weekend.

The Eagles played their first weekend of inconsistent softball of the season. Junior pitcher Sarah Purvis gave up 12 hits and seven earned runs in her two starts, and GSU dropped both games.

Her numbers were not bad, but her record setting start to the season has set the bar high every time she steps into the pitcher's circle.

Purvis and the Eagles will try to return to their winning ways against Alabama State University and Florida International University in a double header tomorrow.

ASU comes into the game 1-9 with a team ERA of 10.49. A shaky effort in the pitcher's circle from ASU could bring the pop back to GSU's bats. First pitch is set for 3:30 p.m.

FIU will step up to the plate for the second half of the double header at 5:30 p.m. FIU is 10-6 this season and is coming off a one run loss to Mercer University.

FIU let a run in the top of the seventh inning cost the team a chance at a 10 game winning streak. The team has a lower ERA than ASU at 2.96, but this will be the first time FIU plays away from home this season.

The Eagles will welcome Kennesaw State University on Saturday at 3:30 p.m. before the team gets a second crack at FIU at 5:30 p.m.

KSU is 10-2 with five of its wins coming by one run this season. KSU's experience in one run games means GSU will need to put some runs on the scoreboard. GSU won all three meetings with KSU last year by a combined score of 24-5.

GSU will close the Eagle Classic on Sunday against the University of South Carolina. SC has been tearing it up offensively putting up 17 runs in its last game and nine runs in the game before that one.

GSU is 0-36 against SC on the softball field, but the teams have not played since a 2006 7-0 shutout. Sunday the Eagles will try to upset the Gamecocks for the first time ever at 2 p.m.

Junior shortstop Kortny Thomas (14) lines up for a pitch. Thomas leads the team in home runs with 4 and RBIs with 10.
Davidson and GSU to face off on the road

BY SHAKEEM HOLLOWAY
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In the final game of its regular season, the Georgia Southern University mens basketball team will face Davidson College on the road this Saturday at 2 p.m.

The Wildcats have the best record in the Southern Conference at 21-7 overall and 15-1 against SoCon opponents, with their only loss coming against the Eagles. GSU was able to defeat the Wildcats 70-57 at home, which stopped an 11-game losing streak for the team.

However, the Wildcats have not lost a game since the teams last met up, going 12-0.

Davidson is easily the best team in the conference and will prove to be a tough opponent for the Eagles.

The Wildcats are first in the conference in both scoring offense and scoring defense averaging 74.4 points per game and giving up only 57.1 points per game as a team.

Senior forward Jake Cohen leads the charge for the Wildcats averaging 15.0 points per game in addition to 5.7 rebounds. Cohen is the team’s leading scorer and fifth in the SoCon.

Cohen shoots a stellar 49.6 field goal percentage including a solid 38.8 percent from behind the arc.

Junior forward De’Mon Brooks is the second leading scorer for the Wildcats averaging 13.3 points per game on 48.1 percent shooting.

Defensively the Wildcats are equally as tough. They are third in the conference in field goal percentage defense, sporting a 41.7 field goal percentage defense.

Davidson has size with Cohen and Brooks, who are 6 foot 10 inches and 6 foot 7 inches tall respectively, which may cause problems for the Eagles as they start three guards, senior C.J. Reed, freshmen Cleon Roberts and Brian Holmes, none of which are over 6 foot 4 inches tall. The Wildcats only have one guard shorter than 6 foot 3 inches tall.

The Eagles will have to be quick defensively with their full-court pressure defense; they must harass the Wildcats in order to contain their offense.

The Eagles are a solid team defensively; they have the sixth ranked scoring defense giving up only 64.2 points per game. If the Eagles can hold the Wildcats to 64 points, their chances of winning increase dramatically.

Saturday will be the final regular season game for the Eagles, and they look to finish strong before the SoCon tournament begins.

Check thegeorgeanne.com for updated coverage of last night’s game against UNCG.
GSU women’s basketball begins last home stand

Women's Basketball (6-21)

BY COLIN RITSICK
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The Georgia Southern University women’s basketball team begins its final home stand of the regular season on Saturday against Southern Conference foe, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

The Eagles (6-21, 5-13 SoCon) last faced the Spartans (6-20, 3-14 SoCon) on Jan. 26 in Greensboro, winning that game 63-56 for one of its only two conference road wins this year.

A key statistic in this upcoming game, and one that has haunted GSU all season long, is turnovers. The Eagles have the worst turnover margin in the SoCon alongside one of the highest turnover rates in the conference as well. UNCG, although ranking near the bottom in many of the team stats, has one of the better turnover margins in the SoCon with a +.23 ratio opposed to GSU's -4.00.

Junior guard Mimi Dubose leads the Eagles in scoring with 13.1 points per game. She, alongside sophomore guard Anna Claire Knight and senior guard Meredith Frye, will look to exploit UNCG's bottom-ranked defense. All three players average double-digit points per game. The Spartans have allowed a SoCon worst 68.9 points per game.

During the last matchup between these two teams, Dubose dominated offensively. She scored 21 points on 8-20 shooting. She and junior forward Danielle Spencer, who dropped 14 points, led GSU to victory. The factor in January's matchup that the Eagles will need to reproduce is the field goal percentage.

GSU shot 40 percent from the field against the Spartans. That mark is well above the team's average of 33.5 percent for the entire season, a number that puts the Eagles in last place in the SoCon.

Taking care of the basketball and high percentage shots have the potential to be the deciding factors on Saturday in Hanner Fieldhouse. Tip-off is set for 7 p.m.
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