GSU seeks spot in PINK collection

Fashion

BY KORRI CURTIS
The George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University could soon be one of 10 schools to gain a spot in Victoria's Secret PINK's Collegiate Collection. Only the top 10 schools will be chosen, and GSU is now in 16th place with 2,317 votes. George Mason University, in Fairfax, Va., is currently holding the first spot with 10,285 votes.

"We're 2,800 votes behind on a daily basis. We have 20,000 students. If we got half of our students to vote at least once we could almost be in first place," Jackie Riggs, sophomore fashion design major, said.

Victoria's Secret PINK line is known for their colorful, cotton sweats that feature the word "PINK."

GSU students can vote on Victoria Secret PINK's website to win two campus representatives and GSU Pink apparel.

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Sigma Nu develops stronger philanthropy

BY LAUREN GORLA
The George-Anne staff

Fraternities are often associated with huge parties, beer kegs and tailgates, but one fraternity at Georgia Southern University is looking to change that perspective entirely.

The members of Sigma Nu fraternity have been working for the past year to remodel their entire philanthropy efforts and set a bar not only for other GSU fraternities, but for themselves as well.

Brian Griffin, philanthropy chair for Sigma Nu, is the main promoter of this change with inspiration coming from his father, a fellow Sigma Nu brother and sufferer of multiple sclerosis.

"I just saw a real need for (more community service) in our chapter, so I

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GROOVIN’ TO THE END

Perpetual Groove's lead singer sings one of his last songs on stage at the Statesboro Music Festival on Saturday night. The group announced in January that they are taking a leave of absence from the music scene with no promises of returning.

Check out online coverage of Music Fest at thegeorgeanne.com

Andy Morales/The George-Anne
BY SARAH RYNIKER
The George-Anne staff

Provost Jean Bartels presented Georgia Southern University’s plan of articulation with Savannah State University at a Complete College Georgia summit in Athens, Ga., in February.

The plan, which was put in place to create continuity between schools, allows students to transfer credits from SSU and continue on the pathway to receive a master’s degree or doctorate at GSU.

“The system was impressed with how Georgia Southern worked with other institutions to find those kinds of pathways that would be beneficial to the student while obviously not compromising the education,” Bartels said.

In an effort to raise the graduation rates of the schools within the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System, Gov. Nathan Deal asked for degree input and data. One of GSU’s main focuses will be on the retention rate of second-year students.

“Numerous studies show that in the future, jobs will require advanced skill levels and (Complete College Georgia) is a credible program in light of the economic needs,” Benji Thompson, CEO of Development Authority of Bulloch County and committee member, said.

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Police Beat

Thursday, March 7

12:19 p.m. Officers found a male juvenile in the Library who matched the description of an individual suspected of making inappropriate remarks to others in the past. He was found to be skipping school and later admitted making the remarks. He was banned from campus and released to his mother.

2:05 p.m. An officer found a wallet near the Wiggins Baseball Building.

2:18 p.m. A student reported two individuals made inappropriate comments towards her as she walked past the Biological Science construction site.

2:14 p.m. An officer observed a male strike a female near the Russell Union. Ricky Mobley was arrested and charged with Battery (domestic violence).

2:30 p.m. Jamal Wilcox was arrested and charged with Criminal Trespass.

3:21 p.m. Several items that were found at the Forest Drive Building were turned in.

3:44 p.m. A resident of Eagle Village reported his bike stolen. The incident was turned over to Investigations.

3:49 p.m. A student reported seeing two suspicious males in the Russell Union parking lot. Officers searched the area with negative results.

7:18 p.m. EMS responded to The NEST in reference to an employee who had taken too much medication.

8:00 p.m. EMS responded to the RAC in reference to an injured person.

11:33 p.m. Officers overheard unauthorized individuals talking over a GSU radio.

Friday, March 8

1:25 a.m. A clock was found in Centennial Place.

7:48 a.m. Officers were dispatched to a welfare check at Southern Pines. The subject was located at Southern Pines.

11:00 a.m. An incident report was taken for found property at Freedom’s Landing. The owner of the property was located and advised she would retrieve her property on March 11. The item was secured in the police department property room.

4:48 p.m. A motor vehicle accident report was taken for a motor vehicle accident at Paulson Parking.

4:48 p.m. Officers conducted a traffic stop in J Lot. Four subjects were arrested: Tyler Robert Grant, charged with possession of marijuana – less than 1 ounce, Raquel Whitcomb, charged with possession of marijuana – less than 1 ounce, Dalton Schmittou, charged with possession of alcohol under 21 years of age, false ID and possession of marijuana – less than 1 ounce, Joshua Trompke, charged with possession of marijuana – less than 1 ounce.

Saturday, March 9

3:42 a.m. Officers responded to Southern Courtyard in reference to a drug complaint. One occupant was judicially referred.

4:23 p.m. An officer assisted the Statesboro Police Department with a subject trying to locate a Georgia Southern University employee in reference to a civil matter. The subject was advised that no assistance could be rendered and the subject left.

7:23 p.m. An incident report was taken for a criminal trespass, front windshield of a vehicle damaged, at Southern Courtyard. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

Sunday, March 10

12:25 a.m. An incident report was taken for a criminal trespass, a broken resident hall window, at Eagle Village. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

12:43 a.m. An incident report was taken for found property at the IT Building room 2203. The owner of the property could not be located and the property was placed in the police department property room.

7:02 a.m. Officers responded to a panic alarm at Freedom’s Landing. Contact was made with the occupants and no problems were found. Maintenance was notified and responded.

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Correction: Contact the editor at gaeditor@georgiasouthern.edu for corrections and errors.
GSU should offer house-hunting help

Housing agents from apartment complexes around Statesboro came to campus to sign students on for next semester. This gives freshmen the chance to see what other housing options there are in the city without having to leave campus. In response, we published an article about how to negotiate with the off-campus apartments in order to get a lower rent.

Georgia Southern University has made efforts to educate students outside the classroom, and this is another good opportunity to give students practical skills that they can't learn in an official class. Initiatives like the Eagle Career Fairs and the cooking program offered by Eagle Dining give the students the ability to learn and gain useful skills that aren't taught as part of a class. In both cases, what is taught will prove useful to students long after they have graduated.

The university could offer a seminar to instruct students on good negotiating techniques that could not only be used here in Statesboro, but could also be used when students are looking for a place to live after graduation. Parents of students would also benefit from this information, were it put online. Most students consult their parents heavily when looking for a place to live.

The university has an obligation to give us the best education possible, but that doesn't have to stop in the classroom. GSU's extracurricular educational opportunities benefit students.

Sequester not going to help

As we are all painfully aware, the sequester is beginning to take effect. Normally, I wouldn't be too concerned, but the cuts are coming at a concerning time. The situation with North Korea is escalating, and these cuts are the last thing we need.

The sequester has, so far, yet to affect much. The cuts are on the way now, and it's not going to help our reputation or us. Due to the cuts, the Marine Corps has been told to check their bullet usage to save money. James Amos, Marine Corps Commandant, told Marines to "save every bullet, every gallon of gas," as part of a video that was put online last Friday.

North Korea has decided that the armistice that secured relative peace on the Korean peninsula was a little too restrictive. Pyongyang has declared that the armistice will no longer be recognized and cut off their hotline to the demilitarized zone. Anyone that has been keeping up with Kim Jong Un's silly antics will understand that this could potentially be a very bad thing. Of course, the UN's response to this action was more sanctions, because those have been working. The increased sanctions prompted Pyongyang to respond, saying that the sanctions are pretty close to a declaration of war.

Meanwhile, Congress has yet to come up with an adequate solution to the sequester and is still debating whether American citizens really need due process when drones will do. The assault-style weapons ban is still on the agenda as well. The other NATO members are having their own problems.

So we've got a very angry nation right next to three of our allies and the only significant threat. That angry nation is not just an ally of the only significant threat, but also either has nuclear weapons or is very close to having them. It seems like a pretty bad situation, which only becomes more of a problem when you are cutting your spending on military to the point where Marines are being told to take it easy on the trigger. War is not the time you want to be saving your bullets.

If anything does come of the current situation in Asia, the rest of the world is going to be looking to the United States to act. Our government either needs to find a better way to deal with rogue states like North Korea, or deal with the sequester. For both our nation's safety and reputation.

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Stand with Rand against drones

Last week, we witnessed Rand Paul deliver a true filibuster on the Senate floor. His filibuster was not formed on a partisan premise but was rendered to find the answer to a question that many people, including myself needed an answer to: can the President execute drone strikes on U.S. citizens on American soil?

A few weeks ago, I wrote about the Obama Administration’s heavy use of drone attacks, but I failed to mention the story of Anwar Al-Awlaki. Al-Awlaki was a U.S. citizen born and raised in New Mexico. He was an engineer but that’s about where the commonalities end. Al-Awlaki was also a high-ranking member with Al-Qaeda who often seemed like he always had a part in the killings carried out by Al-Qaeda members. Soon enough, the Obama Administration felt like it had enough intelligence to go after Al-Awlaki, but then they went after him was unprecedented. The Obama Administration used a drone to kill Al-Awlaki, barring due process and a day in court. A short time after Al-Awlaki was killed the Obama Administration went after Al-Awlaki’s 16-year old son, Abdulrahman Al-Awlaki, who was also a citizen of the United States born in Denver.

I am not saying that these men are innocent, virtuous people who were unjustly targeted—I know many of you will write a letter to the editor claiming I am a terrorist-sympathizer if I don’t include a disclaimer—but the fact that they are U.S. citizens means they are entitled to rights that are granted by the Constitution. When these two U.S. citizens were targeted and killed by drones without a trial, many people on the right and the left wanted to know how such an action was justified, and it began a debate we really needed. Rand Paul was truly working for the best interests of the American citizen when he used the filibuster on President Obama’s CIA nominee. He saw a potential problem concerning the drone program spilling over to American soil, and if the Obama Administration could justify killing an American citizen on foreign soil, what would stop them from doing the same on American soil?

When all was said and done, Rand Paul was delivered a letter from Attorney General Eric Holder stating that targeted drone killings on U.S. soil are unconstitutional. Rand Paul did what was right and did not assume anything concerning the matter. When it comes to our freedoms, we must be vigilant and unwavering. We cannot assume we are exempt from something that other citizens are subject to. Although neither I nor anyone reading this sympathizes with Al-Awlaki and his son, the American people learned a valuable lesson from them. Our government has powers that are expanding exponentially in the name of counter-terrorism fueled by neoconservatives, and they are willing to do anything to achieve their war goals.

Ware is a freshman political science major from Griffin. He is involved in the Young Democrats.

Size of drink is a personal freedom

Today, up in New York City, the newest law went into effect to try to combat America’s obesity problem. Lawmakers decided that the sale of any sort of sugary drink over 16 ounces needs to be illegal. In a place of pointless and insane rules and regulations I must say that this one takes the cake for one of the dumbest laws to be put in action.

Firstly the ban is only affecting concession stands, restaurants, drink carts or any form of establishment that is regulated by the city. This doesn’t include corner stores or chain stores such as a 7-Eleven or other stores that offer discount fountain drinks much like Statesboro’s own beloved Parker’s. So what benefits will this new regulation have when it will still be so easy to get larger drinks elsewhere? Now Americans are not denying that there is an issue that we’re facing when it comes to people’s health when dealing with weight—Americans are fat, we get it—but regardless of what health issues that individuals are facing, all restaurants will have to replace the current glasses that they use to avoid fines. Depending on the size of the restaurant, these businesses are going to be taking on a huge financial burden. Replacing anywhere from as few as 1000 to as many as 5000+ drinking glasses is not cheap, that’s money that could also be used to pay employees or invest back into their own business.

So why does New York City feel the need to regulate the size of soft drinks? There are so many other issues that could use attention why waste time and money putting a useless cap on sodas. We’re adults; we can make our own decisions. If they want a better solution why not open a gym so people can go exercise for free rather than telling them what they can’t do.

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Opinions

Steubenville has earned its reputation

The case that rocked the small town of Steubenville, Ohio and caused national uproar goes to trial this week. Two teenage football players were accused of the rape of a 16-year-old female that occurred last August. The accused, Ma’Lik Richmond and Trent Mays, allegedly raped the victim and carted her from party to party while she was unconscious.

The uniqueness of this case lies in the web attention it garnered. Some of the witnesses—arguably participants—of the attack on this young girl tweeted and texted photographs and videos of the victim to one another. A widely circulated image shows the victim dangling, being held by her ankles and wrists by the defendants. Another boy, not charged with any crimes, is seen in a leaked video posted on YouTube joking about the victim. Allegedly posted the night of the incident, in the video this former Steubenville High School student repeatedly refers to the girl as “dead” and as “so raped right now.”

Townsperson themselves feel as if they are being judged too harshly for the crimes of these boys, and don’t believe they deserve it. They don’t want their reputation darkened by what has taken place there. However, I believe the town wouldn’t be receiving such harsh criticisms if they prosecuted all the people involved in this crime. The town seems to be more worried about their reputation than they do about the victim who was not only raped, but also put on display afterwards as a joke to her peers. All of the student athletes who were at these parties saw what was going on with this girl and should have known it was wrong. Instead, they decided to photograph and report the incident not to the authorities, but to their friends online and further humiliate her. These teenagers are old enough to understand what’s wrong and should be held responsible for what they posted.

They were only sent letters chiding them like toddlers and informing them they wouldn’t be prosecuted. This is where the anger from outsiders comes from and how Steubenville receives a bad reputation. I hope this case doesn’t follow this trend of light response and the victim receives her due justice.

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IN MY HUMBLE OPINION

New York does not have the right to tell people how small of a drink they have to purchase. The government was not put in place to play the part of parents to the American population. It is made very clear that sodas and other soft drinks are unhealthy, so if a man chooses to buy a 44 ounce soda it is his right to do so. That being said they also can’t complain when they get fat as a consequence. It’s called personal responsibility.

It will have negative impacts as well, most restaurants, whether they be a fast food chain or privately-owned, sell their drinks in sizes that range anywhere from 22 ounces to 30 ounces. Almost
Party politics evident in Rand’s Senate filibuster

Rand Paul’s throwback filibuster last week brought attention to the President’s drone policy, or lack thereof. Paul, son of the most popular libertarian candidate in years, filibustered for 13 hours on the appointment of John Brennan as CIA head. His concern was over the White House’s ability to call in drone strikes on U.S. citizens on American soil.

Paul’s actions are to be lauded, but the rest of Congress should come under question. There was a question of the government’s right to kill U.S. citizens without trial and only one senator stood up and made a fuss about it. If that doesn’t strike you as wrong, what will?

There was a time that the Democratic Party would go off on a tear about the government infringing on people’s rights. The Patriot Act and other pieces of post-9/11 legislation were all met with opposition from the left.

Letters to the Editor

To cyclist, from pedestrian

Dear Editor,

You do not trust drivers, so you ride on the sidewalk, which you acknowledge is illegal? If you’re too scared to ride where you are supposed to, do not ride a bike. Derek, I see many men and women cyclists obeying the law on Georgia Avenue, so why can’t you? You do not belong on a bike. You want pedestrians to be more mindful of you on campus? Sorry, but it doesn’t work that way.

You must be more mindful of us, according to the law. You are counting on me to continue on my current path? You truly have no idea how to ride a bike. Sure, you know how to make it work, but that is not enough. Sell your bike. You do not deserve it. You have no right to ride it in public.

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Bring a ‘No Man’

The one bright side of the whole debate is the fact that the US populace seems to be turning away from the counterterrorism policies that have emerged in the past decade. The public support for Paul was bipartisan, even if the congressmen still played party politics. It seems we’ve all had enough of wire-tapping, email-watching and getting our privacy abused.

Democrats will look out for the best interest of their party and the GOP does the same, so our voice is the only thing looking out for our interests. So keep your voice up and we can prevent the further abuse of personal rights.

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University Park still under construction

BY MADISON ROESEL
The George-Anne contributor

Developers of University Park are working to create a budget to maintain the future golf course that is costing $3.5 million of student recreation fees to construct.

Set to open in the fall this year, the course’s rates and other similar details have not been worked out yet and are still in the beginning phases, Gene Sherry, executive director of Campus Recreation & Intramurals, said.

"Work on University Park is continuing, and we hope to have additional details for the campus community in the future," Christian Flathman, associate vice president of the department of marketing and communications, said.

"The operating pieces are still coming together. Our director of golf started working on all of it (last) Monday," Sherry said.

Marten Olsson was hired last week as CRI’s director of golf.

"He’s an expert. He comes from running golf courses," Sherry said.

Construction of the course has been the sole focus, Sherry said.

Construction on University Park, formerly known as Southern Links Golf Course, continues despite the rainfall this past month.

According to the construction blog, development of University Park is still well under way but has been delayed due to receiving over 11 inches of rain since Feb. 7.

"We have been able to accomplish some limited work, but at a much slower pace than we had been working," Patrick Reinhardt, CRI golf course superintendent, tweeted from the Georgia Southern Golf Course Twitter page.

University Park is the 167-acre tract of land located six-and-a-half miles from campus that CRI is developing as an off-campus recreational facility for students, faculty and staff.

"The scope and capacity of this particular facility is going to bring recognition to the university. It’s just one more thing that will turn people to look at Georgia Southern," Sherry said.

"It will be similar to any golf course. You’ll pay to play and there will be cart fees. It has to support itself," Sherry said. "However, there will be discounted rates for students."

The price scale is not available yet, Sherry said.

"We’re working on putting stuff together and looking at surrounding areas to get a good competitive rate, but it’s too early to say," Olsson said.

"This is going to be a huge expansion of our recreational offerings. People do a lot of things with their recreation time, so any time we can add an option for our students, it’s huge," Sherry said.

A clubhouse will be renovated to have two spaces large enough to hold 80 to 90 people, Sherry said.

"There will be opportunities for student organizations to host events at the clubhouse," Sherry said.

"Christian Flathman wants to do a media tour soon. I think then we will be able to provide more information," Sherry said. "This is still phase one, but we want people to know as much as possible."

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War prisoners’ stories to be shared today

BY LAUREN GORLA
The George-Anne staff

The experiences of prisoners of war from the Civil War through World War I will be presented in, "Captive Warriors: The History and Archaeology of POWs."

The free presentation will be today from 3:30—6:45 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center and is hosted through a collaboration of the Georgia Southern Museum, the Department of Sociology and Anthropology and the Department of History.

GSU historians Brian Feltman and Michael Van Wagenen and archaeologist Lance Greene will be presenting on the experiences of prisoners of war from the Civil War through World War I, according to a news release from Georgia Southern University.

Special guests also include David Bush of Heidelberg College, the lead archaeologist from Johnson's Island, Ohio, the site of a Union prison camp for captured Confederate officers and historian John Derden, the author of "The World's Largest Prison: The Story of Camp Lawton," according to the news release.

John Derden was working on the history of Camp Lawton before GSU archaeologists uncovered the site, Dr. Peggy Hargis, chair of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, said.

"This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in history or archaeology, or anyone learning about the major wars, especially the Civil War," Hargis said.

A book signing and reception will be held at the GSU museum along with tours of the Camp Lawton exhibit.

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If you like Piña Coladas, and getting caught in new spring break trends

BY LINDSEY MCCORMICK
The George-Anne staff

Don't chance a visit from the beach police by showing up with last year's spring break style.

Whether students decide to party hard in Panama City or relax on Tybee Island, looking the part of a trendy beach babe is a must. Choosing the right outfit can be a little more exciting with help from GSU fashion majors.

High-waisted shorts, crop tops, bandeau bikinis, bright colors and patterns were all seen repetitively on this season's runways and have found their way into GSU fashionistas' spring break style.

<< Bangles & accessories

Adding elements of glitz and glam will surely make your spring break outfit shine.

“I couldn't go on spring break without lots and lots of metal bangles. I'm also a huge fan of Knot + Bow jewelry, made by GSU alumna Karli Campbell,” Nobles said.

“I love to layer my bracelets. Bangles are great, but I really love the new 'cross' jewelry that has been coming out. I always also have a lot of different rings,” Edmondson said.

Glover said, “I really like gold watches and long, charmed necklaces.”

High-waists >>

The 80's have returned and are making legs look sexy with shredded denim and high waists.

“If you have the body to wear a crop top and high-waisted shorts, I like it. They have a really good design element, especially because they're so young and fresh,” Lenzee Nobles, senior fashion merchandising major, said.

“I do like high-waisted shorts, but only if they've done the right way,” Lynsey Edmondson, senior fashion merchandising major, said.

Choosing the right pair of shoes to wear with these shorts can make or break the outfit.

“Jeffrey Campbell's big platform shoes have been really cute this season. I also like to wear my combat boots with high-waisted shorts all the time,” Kathryn Lim, senior fashion merchandising major, said.

<< Hats & shades

Three must-haves that students can't go without include hats and shades. Students can make like Audrey Hepburn by throwing on her famous giant sunglasses and beach headwear.

“I would definitely bring anything big: big hat, big wedges and my big aviators,” Meyers said.

“Three items I would never go without on spring break would be a big, floppy hat, a flowy cover-up and a pair of Jackie-O sunglasses,” Glover said.

Tribal & vintage swimsuits ^^

Exotic prints are on the prowl, and classic bathing suits from the 20's are tagging along right behind them.

“I would pick a high-waist vintage swimsuit with a cute bandeau top. I'm also into the mix and match color concept with bikinis right now,” Miah Glover, senior fashion merchandising major, said.

“I'm really into the tribal prints. It has become a huge trend and it's awesome if it's used correctly. A lot of stores have tried to use tribal print and you look at the clothes and you can see where they're going, but it's not quite as good as you want it to be,” Lim said.

“We're seeing a lot of Chevron print right now, black and white, tribal and of course emerald green, the color of the year, shown in this season's swimsuits,” Beth Meyers, fashion merchandising and apparel design professor, said.

Edmondson said, "I definitely go towards more of a bandeau style with a skimpier bottom, like cheeky style."
Road music for #SB13

Music

BY WILL PEEBLES
The George-Anne staff

When planning a spring break trip, most people put a lot of focus on the destination, but the journey is important too. The destination makes a difference in music choice and the ideal music for a beach trip will set the tone for your spring break location.

Q&A

Q: How do you choose the music to listen to for a long drive? What factors do you take into account?
A: I usually listen to whatever kind of music fits my destination. If I'm going to the mountains, I'll listen to country or bluegrass. I listen to whatever prepares my mind for where I am going, Ben Ratliff, junior music education and composition major, said.

Q: Using the same old day-to-day music may not match the frame of mind of a spring break trip. Do you listen to the same music everyday? Do you choose a specific genre for a road trip?
A: I listen to mostly anything that's upbeat and keeps my energy up and alert, especially if I'm driving. Jasmine Hines, junior music education major, said.

Q: If the drive is a long one, there could be danger in choosing music that has slow melodic rhythms that could facilitate falling asleep at the wheel. What role does music play in safe driving? What type of music keeps you alert and focused while driving?
A: You have to be both entertained and able to pay attention to the road while driving. I listen to rap, hip-hop, R&B and pop. Anything that has a great melody upbeat is good, Diamond Patton, junior vocal performance major, said.

Pack your spring break style

Fashion

BY LINDSEY MCCORMICK
The George-Anne staff

There are only a few select times a year when a suitcase gets to see the light beyond the closet, so it's important to prep properly before heading out to the beach.

First things first, know what to put in the suitcase three days before your trip to avoid last-minute anxiety.

Pack a lot of different swimsuits to avoid having a startling tanning line when hitting up the nightlife. Since swimsuits are the primary outfit of choice for spring-breakers, bringing a variety never hurt anybody.

If bringing many pairs of shoes is necessary, try putting some shirts or undergarments inside of those shoes to save space. Bring only as many tops as necessary and don't think about the "let's bring extra just in case" mentality.

When packing these shirts in the suitcase, fold and stack them, don't roll them up. Stacking shirts gives a lot more space than rolling and leaves more room for essentials.

Get a little creative when packing accessories because these can easily get tangled. Try threading your necklaces through straws or wrapping them around a tube of toothpaste. Also, wrapping earrings individually in your socks or undergarments will save an untangling session.

Don't forget to pack some sunscreen or tanning oil in a plastic bag before taking off. There is nothing worse than a bathing suit with a side of Banana Boat tanning oil.

When getting all of these items ready, keep in mind not to over pack. Mr. Suitcase does not want to feel bloated, especially when he is heading to the beach. If it doesn't zip, it's time to strip.
Getting through the Statesboro blues

Stuck in the ‘Boro?

BY WILLIAM PRICE
The George-Anne staff

Those students who stick around the ’Boro over spring break may not be doomed to week of boredom if they treat their staycation right. This Friday, and for some Thursday, starts the beginning of a much-anticipated weekend in Savannah.

Beginning at 10:15 a.m. on Saturday is the 189th edition of Savannah’s St. Patrick’s Day Parade. The parade runs through the heart of Georgia’s oldest city. It’s the second largest St. Patrick’s Day Parade in the world, attracting well over 600,000 attendees per year.

Georgia Southern University will be well represented at the parade with President Brooks Keel, head football coach Jeff Monken, Gus, Freedom and Miss Georgia Southern Reedi Hawkins all having a part in the parade.

“This is the first time I’ve been to the parade, so I’m pretty excited just to be there. I’m even more excited I get to help represent GSU there,” Reedi Hawkins, Miss Georgia Southern and senior multimedia communications major, said.

“I know the parade in Savannah is a huge deal and that it’s pretty hectic, overall I think the whole thing is going to be a lot of fun,” Hawkins said.

Winding down from the St. Patty Day weekend in the ’Boro may not be the most exciting thing after the festival but there may be more to do than you think.

There are a plethora of movies in theaters playing over the break, including “Or the Great and Powerful,” “The Incredible Burt Wonderstone,” and “21 & Over.” Carmike Cinemas offers GSU students matinee priced tickets through the evening every day of the week.

“We hope students in Statesboro over spring break come in and enjoy themselves here, we think we offer GSU students a pretty good deal,” Tiffany Hedrick, complex manager at Carmike Cinemas in Statesboro, said.

For students looking to stay active or start a new exercise plan, the RAC remains open through spring break this year as well, opening at 6 a.m. and shutting down at 7 p.m., Monday through Friday.

“Spring break is pretty cool at the RAC. You don’t have to wait in lines for equipment because most of the students are gone, and even the basketball courts are free a lot of the time. It’s a nice change from how packed we are normally,” Kelli Chandler, recreation facility assistant at the RAC and junior nursing major, said.

“Spring break really gives an opportunity for some folks who may be nervous to come work out when there are hundreds of people here to try it out. It can be great stress relief and the mood is much more relaxed when there aren’t so many people,” Chandler said.

Spending spring break in Statesboro doesn’t have to be all-bad, there are plenty of activities to fill free time, and if all else fails the bars still have your back all break long.

Test this time-killing top-10 list

1.) Watch sad movies and ask yourself why you stayed here

Pretty self-explanatory. I recommend “Old Yeller,” “Marley & Me” and “Titanic.” Add a full carton of your preferred ice cream and call it a night.

2.) Creep on your friends’ spring break pictures on Facebook

If you can’t be at the beach what’s the next closest thing? Follow your friends’ instagram accounts and feel your face fade to green as you sit in your apartment eating Thin Mints.

3.) Go to a movie by yourself while drunk

This one is a personal favorite of mine. Get a little buzzed and go see some serious, grave movie like “The Last Exorcism, Part II” and laugh your way through it.

4.) Go to PetCo and play with animals

You’re going to be a sad, sad person during your week alone in Statesboro. To remedy your inevitable depression, go to PetCo and play with adorable kittens and puppies.

5.) Pretend it’s the zombie apocalypse

Wake up on Saturday like you’re Rick Grimes from the Walking Dead, except this time Shane isn’t there to save you from your inescapable doom, or in this case boredom.

6.) Enjoy free parking anywhere

How many parking tickets have you tallied up on campus? Three? Five? 12? Enjoy a week of parking anywhere you please without repercussion.

7.) Hang out in the sauna at the RAC

First of all, yes, there is a sauna at the RAC. Secondly, you can pretend you’re Al Capone and put fake hits out on your friends having fun in PCB.

8.) No lines anywhere

Approximately 20,000 students attend Georgia Southern and every last one of them goes grocery shopping the same time you do. You’ll be running errands for fun by the end of the week.

9.) People watch in Wal-Mart

Let’s be real here, there is an above average number of odd people in Statesboro, and if you’re bored on a Wednesday afternoon what better place to go observe them but in their natural habitat?

10.) Nap in Sweetheart Circle

If you’re going to be spending a lot of time getting ahead on sleep, which you are, why not enjoy the nice weather hanging from a hammock under a tree?

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April Hall, sophomore fashion merchandising major, and Riggs are both hopefuls for the campus representative spots.

Being a campus representative would include running the social media for GSU’s Pink pages, promoting the Pink line and planning events on campus.

The collection would “show school spirit in a girly way,” Amber James, freshman exercise science major, said.

The University Store currently carries most of the GSU apparel with its line of “True Blue” items.

The University Store’s selection is not as feminine as it could be, and Pink would give us more feminine quality, Hall said.

Everyone wears the same True Blue apparel from the bookstore, it’s starting to look old, JerRhonda Matthews, sophomore psychology major, said.

The collection already features 55 schools across the country and the United States Army.

“Becoming a Pink campus would just be another step in our aspirations of achieving national status,” Beth Meyers, instructor for the fashion-merchandising program, said.

The Pink line could bring more people to the school and get GSU recognized for more than athletics, Hall said.

“If we don’t get that many more votes pretty soon, we probably aren’t going to make it, but if we can get a bunch of people to vote soon the we might have a chance,” Riggs said.

The final results will be available on March 25 when voting ends.
‘Sankofa’ to bring history

In the Ghanaian language, “Sankofa” means “to go back and take,” which is the theme for the Sankofa African-American Museum on Wheels.

Students can take a guided tour through the past and present of African-American history at an interactive display on wheels. This moving museum will exhibit its historical collection of artifacts, pictures, drawings and writings in the Russell Union room 2047 on Thursday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

The Multicultural Student Center is sponsoring the exhibit, which aims to educate Georgia Southern University students on the unique heritage and culture of African-Americans from the slave trade up to Barack Obama's presidency.

“I appreciate the existence of this collection because it means that someone thought it was important enough to educate people about my culture, and I like that we are being shown in a good light,” Allegra Johnson, freshman international studies major, said.

Prominent figures including Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., the Tuskegee Airmen and Ida B. Wells will have their own sections in the exhibit as well.

“The exhibit is taking place in order to give students the opportunity to be exposed through artifacts and documents to the uniqueness of African cultures including the Gullah-Geechee heritage that the museum comes from,” Darius Robinson, Multicultural Student Center graduate assistant, said.

A question and answer section will be held after the tour along with a presentation and proof of attendance will be provided.

Jessica Shanken, freshman history major, said, “As a history major I think it is amazing to learn about history that we don't place enough emphasis on in many of our history classes. I'm excited that students can experience this, and I can't wait to go.”

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EAGLES OUT

Senior guard C.J. Reed (24) prepares for a free throw against Furman University. Reed ended his senior season with 422 total points.

Freshman guard Alexis Sams (23) battles around a University of Tennessee at Chattanooga player to the basket. Sams tallied a total of 113 points this season for the Eagles.

Eagles fall to 14-19

Men's Basketball (14-19)

BY KATIE TOLBERT
The George-Anne staff

At the 2013 Southern Conference Tournament, Georgia Southern University's men's basketball team went 1-1, defeating Wofford College 60-44 in the first round and losing to Davidson College in the second.

Traveling to Asheville, N.C., the Eagles' first opponent on Friday was Wofford. The Terriers were no match for GSU in this game as the Eagles led the entire time besides one moment in the first half when the Terriers were in the lead by two points, which was quickly followed by a 16-0 run for the Eagles.

GSU's defense made this possible for the Eagles. GSU had 40 rebounds, seven steals and made the Terriers turn over the ball 10 times. Shooting for both teams was relatively close, so the defensive performance was the key to the Eagles victory.

The Eagles had several players that stepped up to make their victory possible. Leading the team in points, junior forward Eric Ferguson posted 17 points along with five rebounds. Junior guard Tre Bussey was present on offense and defense with 12 points, nine rebounds and one assist. Guiding GSU was senior guard C.J. Reed with 10 points, six rebounds, four assists and one steal.

The following day, GSU played the No. 1 seed Davidson. The Wildcats set the stage for the game when they scored five points in the opening minute of the game. Davidson had four players in double figures, and outshot the Eagles by 17.7 percent from the field and 33.9 percent from the arc.

The Eagles' leading scorers in this game were not the same as the first game. Freshman guard Cleon Roberts and junior forward Marvin Baynham, previously high school teammates, each posted 13 points. Senior forward Cameron Baskerville also contributed with 11 points and six rebounds. Although the Wildcats outshot the Eagles, GSU made 88 percent, 22-25, of its free throws.

Davidson finished the game defeating the Eagles 86-59 ending GSU's 2012-2013 season with an overall record of 14-19 and a SoCon record of 7-11.

Season ends with loss

Women's Basketball (8-23)

BY RANDALL HAMPTON
The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University women's basketball team pulled out a victory in the Southern Conference tournament before top-seeded University of Tennessee at Chattanooga ended its season.

GSU dominated Western Carolina University en route to its first SoCon tournament win in three years.

GSU split its two prior games with WCU. Unfortunately for the Eagles the odds of knocking off top seeded UTC were not there. The Eagles went into halftime down 42-32 as the ladies shot 40 percent from the floor in the first half compared to 47 percent for UTC.

The second half was a different story as the UTC defense only let GSU make 6 of its 27 shots. Guards Frye and Knight each put up 15 points to go along with 13 from junior guard Mimi DuBose, but it was not nearly enough to stop the balanced attack of UTC.

Eleven of the 12 players in uniform for UTC scored at least two points to help the team advance with a 78-53 win.

GSU women's basketball had some highs with a dramatic buzzer beater and a win in the SoCon tournament, but the team also had some lows with tough blow-out losses at inopportune times.

Head coach Chris Vozab helped the ladies win a game in the SoCon tournament for the first time in three years. Next season Vozab and her squad will be looking to build on the positives from this year.
GSU shows well-rounded effort at Palmetto Classic

Track and Field

BY ROBERT HUITT
The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University track and field team traveled to Mt. Pleasant, S.C. and secured 11 top-five finishes at the Palmetto Classic on Friday.

Despite the well-rounded effort from the team, head coach Marlo Mincey still expects more as they continue building toward the outdoor championships.

"We always strive to be faster than we've ever been before," Mincey said. "We definitely want to be more competitive in terms of times and try to reach the times it will take to compete in the postseason."

Senior Jasmine Billings delivered the best result of the tournament with her win in the 100-meter hurdles. Billings had a final time of 15.17 seconds, narrowly edging out second place by .05 seconds.

Junior Dana Edwards placed third in the same event with a time of 15.58 seconds. Dana Edwards also competed in the 400-meter hurdles and sprinted to a second-place finish in 1:05.45, two spots ahead of junior Deanna Edwards.

"(Dana Edwards) opened up at her personal records in all of the events, she almost matched her personal record in the 100 hurdles, almost matched her personal record in the 400 hurdles, so that's a great opener. We're just going to improve from there, and we're really happy for her," Mincey said.

Junior Aarian Tipton and sophomore Kimberly Thomas both competed in the 200-meter dash and both achieved personal bests. Tipton finished third in 25.16 seconds and Thomas rounded out the top-five with a time of 25.54 seconds.

Tipton and Thomas also raced in other events as well. Tipton came in fourth in the 100-meter dash and Thomas finished second in the 400-meter dash.

In the shot put event, sophomore Alexis Jacobs captured fifth place after a throw of 12.66m (41'6.5"") and set a new personal best in the process.

Junior Mallory Fannin just missed out on a top-five finish in the hammer throw. Her throw of 43.41m (142'5") landed her in sixth place.

Now, the Eagles will be hosts for the first time this year at the Georgia Southern Invitational.

"We're always excited to give the parents, families and other students an opportunity to see us compete," Mincey said.

Hosting a tournament on a familiar surface can be an advantage for the team, but Mincey wants her team to stay sharp.

"Sometimes when there are a lot of familiar things, there is some lack of focus, but I don't see us having that problem. I think we are going to be really focused and come out and do well," Mincey said.

The tournament will be held on Friday, March 15 at the Track and Field Complex at the Erk Russell Athletic Park. Field events will kick things off starting at 9 a.m. followed by running events at 11:30 a.m.

Campus Recreation and Intramurals Scores

Softball

Monday, March 4
No Glove No Love- 8, Writers On The Storm- 9
Fast Pitches- 11, Ball Busters- 9
True Blue- Co Rec- 29, Strykers- 0
Real Men of Genius- 5, No matter what she says don't stop at 2nd- 2
Balls Deep- 17, University Villas Mens- 16
Tuesday, March 5
Courtyard Crew- 5, That Pitch is Crazy- 15
Wii not Fit- 33, Balls and Dolls- 1
Kappa Alpha Order- 32, Theta Xi- 13
Delta Sigma Phi- 1, Alpha Tau Omega- 40
Pitch Make Me A Sandwich- 9, Brew Crew- 7
Wednesday, March 6
The Legacy- 2, Victorious Secret- 29
Delta Phi Epsilon- 3, Alpha Omicron Pi- 13
Sandlot Crew- 14, Big Bats and Tight Gloves- 13
Where My Pitches At- 9, All My Pitches Love Me- 16
Hiney Hole Horrors- 2, Finesse- 23
Thursday, March 7
RUF Big Sticks- 26, Epic Domination- 1
Make it Nasty- 16, Team H&K- 9
Shop With Us- U Store- 8, Pitches Man- 14
Angry Brewers- 6, Wish They Had a D League- 24
Un-STACK-ed- 23, Heat Seeking Moisture Missiles- 2
Sunday, March 10
Writers On The Storm- 3, Fast Pitches- 13
True Blue- Co Rec- 7, Denny's Grand Slam Sluggers- 0
No Glove No Love- 5, Don't Swing At Our
Pitches- 3
Strykers- 0, Ball Busters- 7

Basketball

Wednesday, March 6
Pi Kappa Phi- 74, Delta Chi- 43
Alpha Tau Omega- 41, Sigma Nu- 54
Alpha Phi Omega- 52, Sigma Alpha Epsilon- 48
Delta Tau Delta- 48, Kappa Sigma- 24
Splash Gang- 52, Manti Teos Girlfriend LOL- 29
Team Ramrod- 66, Rim Jobs- 72
Thursday, March 7
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Pressure D- 77, 2Chainz- 36
Czech Money Boys- 66, Juice Babies- 51
South Augusta Boyz- 36, We Just Playing- 35
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Sunday, March 10
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Hoosiers- 59, Nightmare- 70
Team Kobe- 69, Elite- 52
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Softball sweeps Elon in conference opener

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The Georgia Southern University softball team fought its way to a 3-0 Southern Conference record over the weekend after sweeping Elon University in a weekend series on the road.

The Eagles defeated the Phoenix 8-5 and 6-4 in a doubleheader on Saturday, then once more with a score of 5-2 on Sunday.

To start their doubleheader, the Eagles scored three runs in the first two innings, but Elon was quick to respond with three runs as well to tie the ball game.

With two innings left in regulation play, neither team could get a run on the board, so the game rolled over into extra innings. In the top of the 10th inning, junior infielder Kourtney Thomas scored off of a double by senior infielder Tabby Douberley, but the Phoenix responded with a run right back.

With the tie scored again, the Eagles were back at the plate in the top of the 11th inning. With a mixture of hits, errors and walks, the Eagles scored four runs, which triumphed over the Phoenix’s one run in response.

Doublerley was essential for the Eagles on Saturday, earning three RBI’s off of three hits, one of which was the run scored in the tenth inning and another in the eleventh inning to keep GSU’s lead. In the circle, sophomore pitcher Brooke Red went seven and two-thirds innings earning her career-high 11 strikeouts.

With one long game under GSU’s belt, it was a slow start into the second with no runs scored in the first inning by either team. In the second inning, Douberley was back behind the plate and scored a solo homerun to take the lead and to add to her already successful day.

That was followed by another scoreless inning, but in the fourth inning, two walks led to a two run single straight up the middle by sophomore pitcher Savannah Coon. Later on, singles by sophomore outfielder Kaitlyn Johnson and junior infielder Gabrielle Story put more runs on the board and the Eagles were leading 6-0.

Just when the Eagles looked like they were in a perfect position for the win, Elon started to make a comeback and scored four runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to cut GSU’s lead from six runs to only two. In the seventh inning, the Phoenix was close to earning two runs to tie the game, but junior pitcher Sarah Purvis had two consecutive strikeouts to end the game.

The following day, the Eagles had to take on Elon once more to finish out the weekend. From the start of the game, it looked like this game was going to be a close one, with both teams scoring two runs in the first inning. But the Eagles were able to follow up with two more runs with no response from the Phoenix.

In the final inning of the game, the Eagles once again scored a run, leading to the final score of 5-2. In the last two games of the weekend, the pitching for the Eagles was very strong. Sharing the final two games, Purvis earned a total of 10 strikeouts and junior pitcher Allie Miles fanned eight batters.

GSU will continue to play on the road at the Florida State University Tournament in Tallahassee, Fla. on Saturday and Sunday against the University of Minnesota and FSU.

Senior infielder Tabby Doublerley (13) prepares for a pitch against Florida International University. She is third on the team in runs with 11 so far this season.
Bears provide Eagles with tough matchup

**Baseball (9-6)**

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Undefeated at home, a 14-3 Mercer University team awaits today's arrival of the 9-6 Georgia Southern University baseball team, which is coming off a sweep against Southern Conference foe Wofford College.

In 162 games against the Bears, GSU holds a 114-44-2 all-time record. The Eagles are 18-12-1 all-time in Macon and 13-6 against the Bears under head coach Rodney Hennon.

Up to this point in the season most of the Eagles games have been at home, where their record is a solid 8-5. The Eagles have managed a 1-1 record in two road games with the lone win coming over the 13th ranked University of Florida.

The Bears only have three losses with one of them coming against the Georgia Institute of Technology that beat the Eagles twice. GT beat the Bears 16-9. So far this year the Bears are a complete team, they have a good lineup of heavy hitters and an impressive pitching rotation.

The Bears have six batters in their starting lineup that have a batting average of .295 or higher. Offensively they are led by junior outfielder Derrick Workman posting an amazing average at the plate of .442 backed by 23 hits, 23 RBI, 14 runs scored and four homeruns.

Also boasting a good batting average is sophomore infielder Chesny Young who bats .352 with 25 hits, 19 RBI, 17 runs and three triples.

On the mound the Bears are led by junior right-hander D.J. Johnson and his 3-0 record as a starter. Johnson has a 1.12 ERA in 24 innings pitched allowing only three earned runs on 13 hits.

Two other starters, right-handed pitchers junior Brandon Barker (1.90 ERA) and sophomore Ben Lumsdon (2.12 ERA), are 2-0 on the season.

The Eagles have hot bats of their own to contest the Bears' rotation. Junior infielder Ben Morgan and junior outfielder Robbie Dodds lead the Eagles in batting average with .371 and .393 respectively.

Morgan also leads the team in hits (23) and runs scored (18). Morgan is 10-12 in stolen base attempts this season.

As far as the Eagles' rotation is concerned it is not as strong as the Bears' rotation statistically, but GSU has starting pitchers with wins, the only statistic that matters.

Right-handed pitcher Josh Stevenson will start for the Eagles today, his second straight mid-week start. Stevenson is 0-1 with a 9.95 ERA in four appearances and one start.

Sophomore pitcher Sam Howard and freshmen lefty Jason Richman are both 3-1 on the season. However, both also sport an ERA above 4.00.

In the last five games, the Eagles' rotation has come on strong averaging a 1.84 ERA and allowing only nine runs.

This will be the beginning of a five-game road trip for the Eagles, and it begins at 6 p.m. today.

Scooter has a painful way to get to first

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 Senior outfielder Scooter Williams gets set for a pitch against Xavier University. Williams currently leads the team in HBPs with 10.

in getting hit by pitches with 10 through 15 games, including being hit twice in the last game.

"The last one, it really hurt. Usually I'll be able to shake it off but that one kinda hurt," Williams said after Sunday's game. "It's not fun getting hit."

No one on the team has more than three HBPs for the Eagles, and if you tripled that Williams would still be leading the team.

Williams also leads the Southern Conference with his 10 HBPs he has four more than any other player in the SoCon.

"That's my job as a leadoff just to get on base at any time, whether it's a hit, a walk or hit by pitch," Williams said.

When he gets on base, Williams is an excellent thief going 8-8 in stolen base attempts. He has the second highest number of stolen bases on the team.

Williams is second in runs scored for the Eagles with 16, and he also has the fifth-highest batting average on the team at .302.

Williams said, "It definitely benefits the team."