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C.Y.'s firing to cost GSU

BY JACKIE GUTKNECHT
The George-Anne staff

The dismissed men's basketball head coach Charlton Young still has three years and a half million dollars remaining on his contract at Georgia Southern University.

Young has a yearly salary of \$174,999.96, according to open.ga.gov. That adds up \$524,999.88 for the three years left on Young's contract. Athletic Director Tom Kleinlein declined to discuss the agreement of Young's severance package.

"Charlton has a financial agreement that will guarantee his salary for three years beyond where he is at right now. Other than that, his arrangements that I have with him will be between myself and his representative, but there is an arrangement out there," Kleinlein said.

Kleinlein wants a change in direction for the men's basketball program, so he went public with the decision to remove Young during a news conference Tuesday.

The Eagles just finished their season Saturday at the Southern Conference Tournament with a 14-19 record overall and a 7-11 league record. GSU won a SoCon Tournament game for the second consecutive year, defeating Wofford College 60-44 in the first round before falling to the No. 1 seed Davidson College in the quarterfinals.

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I HEART SUMMER?

GSU could lose millions with low enrollment, pushes on-campus jobs to attract students

BY ALANNA NAVIN
The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University is combating its decreasing summer enrollment rate by offering more summer classes and on-campus student jobs.

According to the Faculty Senate Meeting minutes from Feb. 20, summer enrollment is down about 800 students compared to the same time last year.

The decrease in enrollment will cost the university approximately \$2.5 million in revenue.

"A decline in enrollment will not only negatively impact the university financially, but it will also limit the number of classes

that we can offer during the summer term," according to a message from President Keel on March 8. "Additionally, it negatively impacts employment and also our overall economic impact on the region."

According to the minutes, part of that decline is due to the limited access to the Pell Grant during the summer.

"For the entire history of the Pell Grant, it was always a fall, spring award, unless the student did not attend full time either fall or spring or both. Then there would be some money left over for the summer," Ellen Seel, assistant director of financial aid, said.

Another factor of enrollment being down is most likely for economic reasons such as finding a summer job, Paul Michaud,

associate vice president of the department of human resource, said.

"One of the ways that we have identified to help boost summer enrollment is by offering summer jobs for our students," Keel said in the email. "We believe that ability to work to help pay for their summer classes will help improve our current enrollment numbers."

A message sent by GSU through the MyGeorgiaSouthern page states that students who have enrolled in summer classes are allowed to take part in a summer job fair.

The job fair will take place on Tuesday, March 26 from 9 - 12 p.m. in the Russell Union Ballroom.

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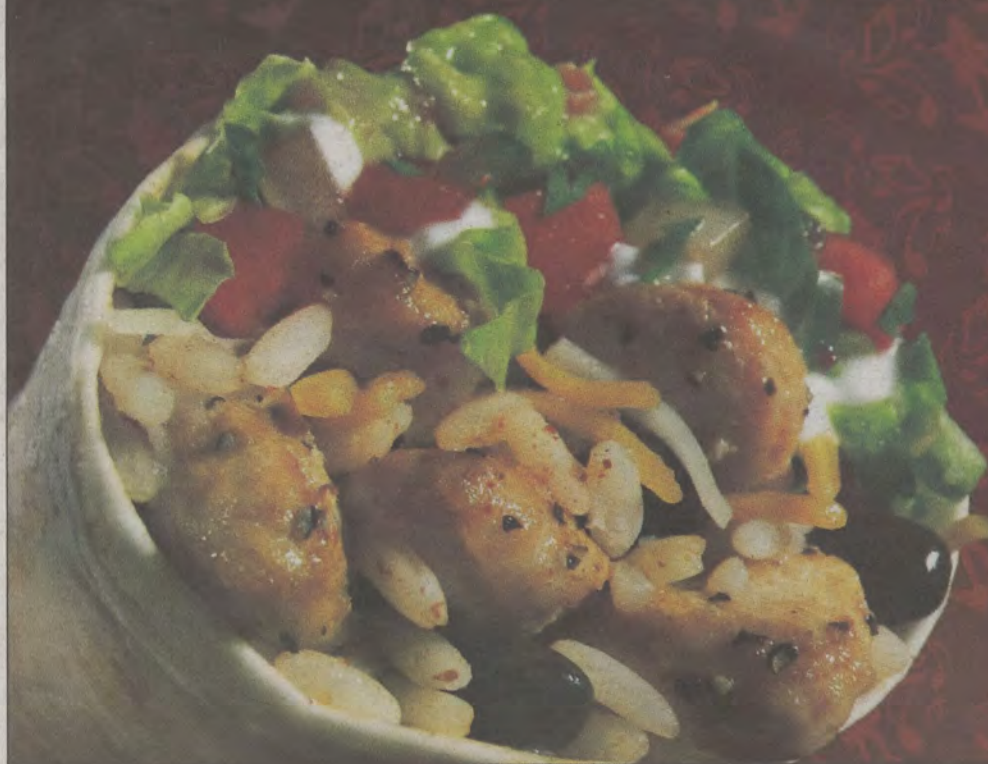
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Monday, March 11

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7:08 a.m.: Officers responded to Centennial Place apartment 1469 in reference to a fire alarm. Maintenance responded. The apartment was checked with no problems found.

10:45 a.m.: An incident report was taken for a theft at the RAC. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

3:58 p.m.: Officers responded to Paulson preferred parking in reference to a dog inside a vehicle. The animal appeared to be in distress. The owner was located and advised not to leave his dog in a hot vehicle.

4:00 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at the Henderson Library. The items were placed in the police department property room.

4:56 p.m.: Officers attempted to make contact with skateboarders skateboarding on the Rotun-

da. The subjects ran when officers attempted to make contact. The subjects: John Francis Bebevino, 22, was arrested and charged with obstruction - misdemeanor. Police also found a wanted person out of Bryan County, 14, taken into custody and referred to juvenile authorities for obstruction - misdemeanor. Both offenders were banned from Georgia Southern University property.

5:44 p.m.: Officers responded to a burglar alarm at the Center for Art & Theater. Maintenance responded. The building was checked with no problems found.

7:38 p.m.: Officers met with an RD in reference to a subject/graduate student carrying a firearm at Freedom's Landing Club House. This case was turned over to criminal investigations.

7:52 p.m.: Officers responded to a battery at the RAC basketball court. The offender had left prior to officer's arrival. An incident report was completed and warrant procedures advised to the victim. A waiver of prosecution form was completed.

10:10 p.m.: An incident report was taken for a theft at the RAC. This

case was turned over to criminal investigations.

5:18 a.m.: A motor vehicle accident report was taken for a single motor vehicle accident on Forest Drive at the biology building construction site.

Tuesday, March 12

7:32 a.m.: Officers responded to a burglar alarm at the Center for Art & Theater. The building was checked with no problems found.

10:58 a.m.: An incident report was taken for a suspicious person/incident that occurred on Plant Drive at the pedestrian crosswalk. The complainant advised she was almost struck by a vehicle.

4:47 p.m.: An incident report was taken for lost/mislaid property at the Forest Drive Building.

9:04 p.m.: Officers responded to a panic alarm at Kennedy Hall. The occupant was found to be sick. EMS responded and transported the sick person.

12:16 a.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check at Freedom's Landing. The occupant was found to be fine. An incident report was completed.

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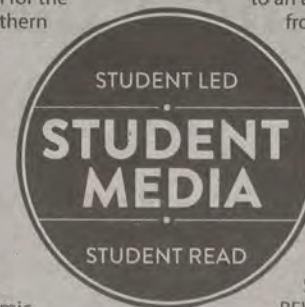
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Tobacco-free campus proposed today

BY LAUREN GORLA

The George-Anne staff

America Minc, associate director of Campus Recreation and Intramurals, has been working towards creating a tobacco-free campus and today will present her project to the faculty senate.

Minc is seeking feedback and support for a change to the current policies regarding smoking on campus, Chad Harmon, vice president of academic affairs for Student Government Association, said.

"Staff council has submitted (to have a) tobacco-free campus overall, and tomorrow it will be the faculty senate's decision, and (Minc will) take

that to the president's office and try to move forward with that," Dominique Quarles, SGA president, said.

In the fall of 2011, a survey was given to students regarding smoking on-campus.

The results showed that the majority of participants were in favor of tobacco-free zones, so as a voice for the students, SGA decided to also support tobacco-free zones, Harmon said.

"SGA interpreted the survey and



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decided that the students were more for tobacco-free zones, so that is the resolution that we passed and they've asked us to bring it back to faculty senate so it can be presented in its last leg," Quarles said.

Quarles said that smoking on campus has been a part of faculty senate discussion in previous years but this year it was motioned that the movement be adopted and a final decision be made.

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Our View

Statesboro spring break nonexistent

Spring break is almost here, and students will travel the country for a place to relax and enjoy their time off, but Statesboro is not one of those places. Statesboro has the bar scene down, sure, but the city doesn't have much else to offer.

Other cities have parades, concerts or beaches to offer St. Patrick's Day and spring break revelers. Statesboro doesn't do much to retain the high student population that lives on campus and in the city, despite students being a very large source of revenue. It could be argued that Savannah is near enough for students to travel there to enjoy the holiday, but that is not an attitude a city should have toward a source of revenue as large as Georgia Southern University's student body.

Statesboro is missing out on a huge chance by not capitalizing on spring break. If the city wants to continue growing and bringing more people into its downtown business district, it should not ignore this occasion.

Statesboro has organized events to encourage people to visit downtown already, with the monthly First Friday and the Farmers' Markets. Perhaps moving the Music Festival to St. Patrick's Day weekend, or a parade would get people to stay. There are many clubs on campus, some of which would be willing to build floats for it. Students are a largely untapped resource in Statesboro, which is something that should change.

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Do not give in to Argentina

Argentina is beginning to make new claims to the Falkland Islands, which have been under British rule since the 19th century. Argentina has been claiming that they belong to it for just as long. In 1982, the Falkland Wars were instigated when Argentina invaded the islands, an act seen by them as a reclamation of land they already owned. The British saw it differently, and took the islands back.

The Argentines' desire to own the Falkland Islands is part of their culture, to the point where it is even part of their constitution. The British, being the developed country that they are, wanted to hear the Islanders' opinion. The Falkland Islands collectively voted yet, with a 90 percent turnout voting 99 percent in favor of remaining a British territory. According to CNN, only three people voted in favor of joining Argentina.

The Argentine president, being the third world ruler that she is, said that

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TAYLOR COOPER
OPINIONS EDITOR

the inhabitants of the islands didn't have a say in the matter and called the vote a parody. I assume she meant a parody of a legitimate referendum because she does not see the Falkland Islanders as the real inhabitants, but as British occupiers, despite most of them living there their entire lives.

The people of the Falkland Islands have just as much ownership of their land as Argentina does. If Venezuela or Cuba started trying to lay claim to Puerto Rico, the United States wouldn't just hand it over. Puerto Ricans have the right to

decide who, if anyone, rules them. This is the 21st century; international law and U.N. mandates have set ground rules for how ownership of land and governance of people are handled to prevent territorial disputes that could harm local populations.

The Falkland Islands have just as much a right to self-determination as anyone. Many countries would not exist, as they are today if people had not fought and died for that right all throughout the 18th and 19th centuries, including Argentina. The revolutions that took place in the Americas in those centuries set a new precedent for personal and national freedom, and allowing Argentina to take control of the Falklands would not only be unfair to the Islanders, but would undo much of the work of the past few centuries.

Cooper is a junior journalism major from Rincon. He is the Opinions Editor.

Kelly highly hypocritical

Mark Kelly, the husband of former congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords, thought that he would be clever to demonstrate just how flawed our system of buying firearms is. He posted a photo on Facebook of himself purchasing an AR-15 military style rifle. He made a statement on the photograph saying that he wanted to demonstrate just how easy it is to buy the weapons he's lobbying for Congress to ban.

In the post that he made he stated that the background check was completed quickly and that it was scary to think about criminals getting a hold of weapons like the AR-15 as easy as he did. Well, my question is this, Mr. Kelly, would you want it to be harder for yourself to buy this rifle? You passed a background check, and unless you're hiding a criminal background or trying to cover something up, that should be all that is required. It is your Second Amendment right to purchase and own that rifle, so why complain about

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BLAIR MUTIMER

how easy it is to get it?

As a model law-abiding citizen, there shouldn't be any more red tape involved with purchasing said weapon. When he purchased these weapons there was a mandatory waiting period, which was only noted and wasn't emphasized, I'm assuming because it's valuable to the argument of the NRA. A local ordinance required that he had to wait for 20 days, in order to ensure that the guns were not stolen or used to commit a crime. Now, if you passed the background check, and the weapon check comes back clean, what is the problem?

If you ask me, this seems like

a lot of trouble to go through to try to make a useless point. Kelly followed all the rules and guidelines to purchase this weapon, so why is he making a scene about how he shouldn't have been able to do so? It could be one of two different things; according to him this was just a rather expensive publicity stunt. With the heat and criticism that these people keep drawing to these weapons, is it possible that he bought this rifle as an investment? If stores stop selling these weapons then the value of these guns are going to skyrocket. The free market shows that with fewer guns and higher demand the value is going to go up. So what do you think? Is this a model citizen's publicity stunt? Or, in fact, a smart man making a smarter investment?

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

Unemployment rate down

The February jobs numbers showed some love to the Obama administration this past week. The unemployment rate dropped to 7.7 percent, adding 236,000 jobs to the economy. It seems like we are finally beginning to shake off that hangover that came with the massive economic collapse as we continue to add more jobs and the market continues to grow.

Now that the unemployment rate is at 7.7 percent, the Obama administration will ultimately find itself in a rather commanding position in the upcoming weeks. Now that the "sequester" is in effect, it is obvious that the economy will take a hit from that. But the new job numbers gives the Obama administration much more confidence concerning negotiations when it comes to solving the sequester issue. Since the job numbers were much better than expected, President Obama has the

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CHRIS WARE

opportunity to tell the Republicans that his plans are adding the jobs while their obstructionist attitudes concerning every issue that has fallen upon America since 2009 has solved nothing. And if the Republicans refuse to give the president more of what he wants in the sequester deal and they fail to resolve the issue, the American people will blame the Republicans, not the Democrats and the White House, because the Republicans will be accused of hindering growth due to their inability to compromise with the Obama administration since the Obama administration will ultimately receive the credit for the economic

growth that took place in February.

The Republicans need to realize that President Obama received something called a mandate from the American people on Nov. 6, 2012 and their very existence in the House of Representatives can only be accredited to gerrymandering. President Obama has already put cuts on the table. He's expressed his willingness to reform entitlements, even though his party has opposed even thinking about the notion. Now he has the job numbers, and he's finally trying to get the Senate to propose a budget. The Republicans are running out of talking points concerning the economy and jobs quicker than they can imagine, and if they keep it up, they will be the reason of their own demise in 2014 and 2016.

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

NYC soda ban just goes flat

It has many different names. Soda. Cola. Pop. Soft drinks. Being a Georgia native, I just call it Coke. It's fizzy, sweet, bubbly and best served cold in an oversized container.

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ALEX LASALLE

Oh, and Mayor Micheal Bloomberg of New York City has tried to limit access to it by forbidding the sale of drinks over 16 ounces. At the joy of soda-gulping folks everywhere, a state Supreme Court judge in Manhattan invalidated the city's sugary-drink ban on Monday afternoon.

I don't even live in New York City, but I'm happy to say that the silly law was vanquished before it had a chance to starve the good people of NYC. On top of the usual complaints about Big Government acting like an overprotective mother, I'm more offended by how silly the law actually was.

The law itself would have had about the same effect as the old fireworks laws in Georgia. Sure, it's technically against the law, but it's not going to stop anyone from blowing stuff up/drinking Big Gulps. The same way firework markets popped up on the Alabama and Tennessee borders, I would imagine a bunch of big drink markets popping up outside of NYC city limits.

Wait, nevermind. That would be unnecessary because large drink containers would still be available at convenience stores and grocery stores. It also doesn't affect drinks that are more than 50 percent milk, so go ahead and down that giant milkshake.

There's also the part about refills going unregulated. The end result is a law that wasn't going to change the amount of soda you drink but make it as inconvenient as possible.

It's dumb and ineffective governing.

I know sodas are bad for me if not countered with a healthy diet and enough exercise. I know fireworks are dangerous if not properly handled. Nobody needs to be told that.

Mayor Bloomberg, please listen to us. The soda ban is ineffective and insulting to your constituents. The court has rejected it, so can we just leave it at that?

Let my people drink.

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

What your plans for spring break say about you

The plans you make for Spring Break say a lot about what type of person you are. Don't worry, I'm here for you, and I can help you ensure that your plans for next week say exactly what you want them to say about you.

St. Patrick's Day in Savannah

You are a lot of fun! Going hard decked out in green, drinking green beer and making a fool out of yourself on River Street shows you're a dedicated party animal. The reason this shows so much dedication to your party ways of life is because you had to be planning this months ahead of time to be able to book a room anywhere near Savannah. So, congratulations. Drink it up, but make sure to not fall for anyone trying to say they're Irish.

Panama City Beach

Are you crazy? Spring break is the time to get away from the people you see day to day, and going to PCB is an easy way to see all of the people that you hung out with tailgating. Sure you get to see Luke Bryan shake his country ass on the beach, but is it worth it to also be stuck with every other student from GSU? You are supposed to leave whatever happens on spring break on spring break, but I assure you that if you hook up with a random in PCB you will also run into them a week later at the Plaza.

A Cruise

Cruises are the way to go! You spend one set price and everything is included. This way you know how much money you are really going

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JACKIE GUTKNECHT

to spend instead of going in with a budget to and coming out broke and not having fun. The only thing about cruises though, if you do find that one guy or girl that you think is worthy of one night of fun, you are stuck on a boat with no escape if things don't work out as well as you thought they should. Tread lightly; you wouldn't want to sink your whole vacation over one night of random fun.

Going home/staying in Statesboro

I am so sorry for you. I know some people just don't have the money to be splurging on spring break plans, but come on, you could at least go to Tybee. Going home or staying in Statesboro is by far the worst thing you can do with your college spring break. You are only in college for a couple years and then after that, unless you become a teacher, you don't get random week breaks to go absolutely crazy, so appreciate it while you can and change your plans.

Spring break is a time to have fun, so make sure to start your planning and tanning now and you should be sure to have a good time.

Gutknecht is a junior journalism major from Conyers. She is the Sports Editor.

Letters to the Editor

Message of appreciation

Dear Editor,

We would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to everyone who participated in the Cory Wilson benefit held at Rum Runners Jan. 24, 2013. The funds generated from this benefit assisted us with setting up the Cory Joseph Wilson Scholarship Fund.

Obviously we have been devastated by Cory's loss, but we have also been blessed in many ways by the amazing support we have received from Cory's friends. We thank all of you for whatever role you played in Cory's life. We especially would like to thank the KAs for the beautiful vigil held in Cory's memory and for all they have done to lift us up during this difficult time. We

extend a thank you as well to Georgia Southern, which flew flags at half-staff on Jan. 25 and who have also offered support in so many ways.

Cory loved being at Georgia Southern. He was never happier than when he was with his friends just hanging out and enjoying life. We are blessed to have had Cory for 21 years, and hope that his friends will carry on his legacy by remaining positive, loving generously and living fully.

Sincerely,
Kenny, Lisa and Morgan Wilson

Editor's note: Cory Wilson passed away on Jan. 17 after collapsing unexpectedly while in class.

Silver's family criticism is flawed

Dear Editor,

Marc Silver's letter to the editor is another example of liberal ideologies conflicting with logic and only attacking conservative views. Silver chooses to only see the success stories of "non-traditional" family structures. Silver gives examples of the most notorious criminals in recent memory such as Dahmer, Madoff, Gacy and Laughner to delegitimize the traditional family structure. Liberals choose to ignore numbers and facts when attempting to appeal to Americans. Instead, liberals go for the emotional shock factor while in an argument. Diane Feinstein recently made comments that there are regulations on the number of rounds in a magazine while duck hunting, but no magazine regulations for hunting humans. Yes, Feinstein actually said "hunting humans."

Silver uses the same tactics when tying murderers to having both a mom and a dad. I assume Silver chose to ignore Ted Bundy, whose father was never identified, Charles Manson, who never knew his biological father, or Lee Harvey Oswald, who never met his father. I wouldn't even blame a fatherless or motherless childhood for murderous behavior in every

case, but Silver's letter endorsed the idea that all family structures are equal. Everyone knows that poverty rates are higher among single-parent homes, and that poverty is a major cause of violence and failing education.

Silver leads many easily influenced readers to believe that a single-parent household is equal to a two-parent household. The facts are not on Marc Silver's side and that is why he mentions that he has "no evidence" to support his insane claim. I could count off success stories from two parent households until my fingers bleed, and Silver could mention single parent or same sex parent households until he feels that his liberal counterparts are more comfortable with the "every decision is equal" ideology. Marc, naming presidents and actors who had one parent, doesn't account for all of the disadvantages of single parent households. Until Silver can generate logical ideas without robbing previous criticisms of Blair Mutimer, Marc shouldn't be taken seriously.

Sincerely,
Wesley Larkin
Junior history major and political science minor
Leesburg

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GSU looks to strengthen retention rates Area F courses give students a preview of major

BY SARAH RYNIKER

The George-Anne staff

Studies show students who start Area F coursework early stay beyond sophomore year, and because of a statewide initiative to raise college graduation rates, that Area F coursework is a critical focus at Georgia Southern University.

The Area F requirements include prerequisites and lower-division major classes. The Complete College Georgia committee has looked in-depth at clarifying this area major-by-major to encourage students to start Area F coursework sooner.

"I think that there is concern

“ I see students who get into their major too late and then discover they don't like their chosen pathway. ”

-Dr. Patricia Humphrey,
professor of mathematics

that our students are not engaged in the material soon enough," Dr. Sue Moore, professor of anthropology and interim dean of College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, said.

"I see students who get into their major too late and then discover they don't like their chosen

pathway," Dr. Patricia Humphrey, professor of mathematics, said.

The most influential dropout reasons the committee found revolved around engagement, financial instability and academic achievement, Dr. Caren Town, director of Graduate Studies for Literature and Philosophy, said.

"There are layers and layers of problems, but if you don't know what the problem is, you can't fix it," Town said.

Contact between professors and students have always been a large part of what GSU strives for and CCG may call for stronger teacher-student relationships.

"We need to make sure students are satisfied with their time at Georgia Southern. We need to create rich experiences inside the classroom," Moore said.

"We offer a lot of extra help, but often students do not take advantage of it. Some students are wary of coming to the professor for help. Some are simply irresponsible," Humphrey said.

The university's graduation initiative aims to subtly benefit student achievement.

Town said, "Overall, the effect on students that will come from Complete College Georgia will not be perceived. They may notice that they are achieving more success."

Future of online classes questioned

BY ELLIOT KING
AND NEIL ALPERSTEIN

The Baltimore Sun (MCT)

The debate about massively open online courses, or MOOCs, has reached such fevered pitch that we recently got to witness an internecine argument about it at The New York Times.

On one side was the technology-optimist columnist Thomas Friedman, who imagines a time when students in a remote village in Egypt could install a couple of computers with high-speed Internet access, hire a local facilitator and study with the best professors in the world.

On the other side, the Times' editorial board felt compelled to point out that most online courses are pretty dreadful, with high dropout rates and poor learning outcomes.

Of course, online education and its first incarnation, distance learning, have been around for a long time. MOOCs have leapt onto the front pages because of their scale - 10,000, 100,000, 200,000 students - and the name-brand schools involved.

Students can study with M.I.T. professors. Wow. As exciting as that may sound, the shortcomings and challenges have also been well known for years. The problem with the current debate is this. The quality of the education a student receives at Stanford or M.I.T. is not driven by the large lecture classes offered there. It rests on the more intimate opportunities to study, learn and conduct research alongside the top researchers in the world and their graduate students in small classes, seminars and labs. And though the formula changes from institution to institution (smaller liberal arts colleges

give more direct access to professors, for example), no college or university promotes its 1,000-seat lecture courses as its strength or a reason to enroll. So what's the ongoing attraction of a 100,000-seat class?

On the other hand, the criticism of most online classes really involves looking backward. Over the past couple of years, new technology, particularly the ability to produce and stream video at low cost, has emerged that promises to be a game-changer for online courses. Not surprisingly, MOOCs make extensive use of video.

Noting that online education has not really been that beneficial so far is like saying in 1985 that cellphones have very limited applications. The real debate should be about how to create online educational experiences that are as rich or richer than the traditional classroom.

The quality of an educational experience rests on four dimensions: the quality of the student-teacher interaction; the quality of the directed student-student interaction; the ability of the teacher to build an authentic connection with the student to foster a relationship that inspires and motivates students to learn; and the engagement with content of the course.

MOOCs may excel on the last dimension by making complex material more accessible, but it is hard to see how they can compete on the other three. As for other kinds of online classes, to date, they too have often failed in the same ways. It is not that online classes can't work. They just haven't worked yet. The size of the class and the prestige of the institution or professor are not the issues. What is important, however, are the characteristics of the experience.

SGA discusses pursuing plus-minus grading

BY LAUREN GORLA

The George-Anne staff

Faculty senate is looking to consider implementing the plus-minus grading system but is first looking to the Student Government Association for suggestions.

"There are no plans to move forward with any recommendation to faculty senate until they hear from student government, so they really want to get our perspective on things before they take it from the committee and bring it back into the faculty senate," Dominique Quarles, SGA president, said.

The faculty senate executive committee is in charge of the academic standards committee,



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- Dominique Quarles,
Student Government Association president

which has decided to develop a subcommittee to research the plus-minus system, Quarles said.

"In the state of Georgia, there are only two universities (that use the system). That's the University of Georgia and Georgia State University. They already abide by the plus-minus system," Quarles said.

Five out of GSU's 10 peer institutions are using the plus-

minus system currently, Quarles said.

11 out of 12 institutions that we aspire to be like already use the plus-minus system, Quarles said.

Seven of the 11 Southern Conference schools that we play against are already using the plus-minus system, Quarles said.

This system, if implemented, will benefit students by providing a grade that more accurately

reflects their performance, predicting borderline grades more efficiently, aiding in reducing grade inflation and providing a better expression of the range of a letter grade, Quarles said.

For example, if two students receive the grades of 92 and 98, both will receive an A in the current system.

With the plus-minus system, the first student will receive an

A-minus and the second will receive an A-plus, if the teacher uses the normal grading scale.

Drawbacks with the new system would include the lack of requirement of faculty and staff to use the plus-minus system of grading, possibly creating inconsistencies between professors, Quarles said.

This system would also create the possibility of grade bargaining, so a student could persuade a professor to bump up a B to a B-plus, Quarles said.

SGA senators expressed their concerns regarding this system, including the possibility of being optional for professors to use, if professors would decide to use this system during the semester or if they would have to decide before the semester starts.

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Nutritional information software still in early stages

BY ALANNA NAVIN

The George-Anne staff

Eagle Dining Services is working to provide Georgia Southern University students with readily available nutritional information on the food served in The NEST.

In the meantime, students may make a request for the information from Brittany Parham, nutritional director of Eagle Dining Services, or Jason Pickard, executive chef of Eagle Dining Services.

Currently the information is not readily available for a student's viewing at the facility. Eagle Dining is currently in the process of choosing a software to present the

information, Parham said.

Eagle Dining is working on compiling a database that will be available online and a brochure form of the nutritional information, Pickard said.

Eagle Dining is looking at different software to house the nutritional information such as NetNutrition, FoodPro and EatTech, Michael Murphy, marketing coordinator of Eagle Dining Services, said.

It is unclear when the program will be ready because of the processes of approving the project, finding a project manager and approving the software, Murphy said.

"I think the biggest thing is even though that it's not available right now, it can be

told to the students, students can find out that information if they ask for it," Valerie Thompson, senior administrative coordinator of Eagle Dining Services, said.

"They can find out by asking me because I have the information. It's really on a request basis," Pickard said.

Students can email Pickard or Parham to request the information and schedule a tour if they have medical issues.

The biggest nutritional concerns are not so much calorie count and fat count, but it is more gluten-free and vegetarian concerns. Some students choose to eat like that, for others it is medically necessary.

Students with medical needs have to

go through a process with Parham to find the best food for them at all of the campus facilities.

Parham takes such students to all of the facilities and introduces them to the managers and chefs, and they are aware of who is there to help them.

"The percentage of students who have these concerns is very small. We don't want them to be neglected at all," Pickard said.

Parham has her contact information available to students on business cards at The NEST and on a newsletter that she sends out which are available at the RAC, Pickle Barrel, The Market at Centennial and the Wellness Center.



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SUMMER, from page 1

GSU has created a campus-wide effort of informing students of the benefits of taking summer classes as well as to inform students about possible summer job opportunities.

"We've always started advertising maybe a few months from now in the past. We are doing it now so that students can go home and tell their parents," Michaud said. "In essence, we are almost moving everything up a few months than what we've done in the past in order to guarantee students jobs," Michaud said.

In the past there was not a strong effort to advertise for summer jobs and classes, but this time there is an effort. Recently a letter was sent out to all of the departments on campus to inform them to RSVP to the job fair Michaud said.

"Our main reason is to provide job opportunities and entice them to stay here to take summer classes," Michaud said.

This event is solely designed for on-campus departments to conduct their hiring for the summer and will allow them to start hiring students for the fall semester if they wish, Demetrius Bynes, assistant director of employment services, said.

"They have the opportunity to meet students who are seeking summer and fall employment," Bynes said.

"Here we are extremely flexible around a

student's schedule. Plus, everything is right on campus," Michaud said.

When coming to the job fair, Michaud recommends that students come professionally dressed, prepared to be interviewed and with multiple resumes in hand.

At the job fair, students will be interviewed on the spot and will have no need of filling out job applications at that time.

"The goal is to get the job, and we will deal with the bureaucratic paperwork after," Michaud said.

"We are happy to work with the administration of this university to offer summer employment job fair to our students. It's just one of the ways I believe this institution is trying to reach the student population," Bynes said.

For the summer of 2010 and 2011, the federal government put extra money into the Pell Grant fund so that if students used all of the money for the entire academic year, there would be another semester worth of funding to take summer classes, Seel said.

"That had a devastating effect on the federal deficit. It just costs so much more money than the government thought that it would that they had to discontinue it," Seel said.

Seel said the government did not fund summer Pell Grants in the summer of 2012 and will not fund for 2013. There is no indication that they will ever have an extra fund for the grant ever again.

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GSU professor's fashion to hit runway

Fashion

BY LINDSEY MCCORMICK

The George-Anne staff

Sewing and crafting alongside her grandmother sparked the beginning of a fashion career that will soon lead one professor's work

down the runway.

"Creativity was all around me, and I knew by the time that I reached high school that I wanted to pursue a career in fashion," Hope Wallace, fashion merchandising and apparel design professor, said.

Hope Wallace was a little girl when she knew that she wanted to be a part of the hustle and

bustle of the fashion world.

"My childhood was filled with fashionable figures. I grew up before it was cool to dress down, and I was amazed at how diverse a person could become just by dressing for events in their lives. Whether you want it to or not, your clothing and adornment makes a statement about you," Wallace said.

Now, Wallace will be displaying clothing that she has been working on over the past three months, along with many other designers at the Charleston Fashion Week.

Wallace submitted photos in September of her clothing line to an emerging designer competition and was chosen to showcase her clothing in the show. CFW will be held this upcoming week from March 19 - 23 in downtown Charleston at Marion Square.

The clothing line is inspired by art deco colors and structure. There is a lot of geometric seaming and some graphic prints. Black and white pieces are put into the designs and will be shown as well, Wallace said.

Wallace expects to gain some exposure from the show to help build her clothing brand. This experience will help Wallace see if she has a steady following toward her designs.

"I am excited, nervous, anxious and sleepy. I hope that all of my garments are completed to my standards and that I get positive feedback from the industry judges," Wallace said.

The two main pieces that Wallace will feature at Charleston Fashion Week is a one piece, geometric patterned romper and a black and white cape. The cape is Wallace's favorite piece of her collection.

"This is something from a previous collection that I am going to show. This was so much work, but it makes a woman look sort of like a fashion-forward superhero," Wallace said.

Many people on campus agree that Wallace more than deserves this opportunity.

"I know that she is definitely the hardest working person on campus. She is always teaching, working on her own projects and helping students with anything that they need," Beth Meyers, fashion merchandising professor, said.

Bre Hargrove, senior fashion merchandising major, and Niya Euwing, junior apparel design major, are both past students of Wallace.

She is an amazing woman and teacher and she creates amazing clothes, Euwing said.

"I second that. I agree with everything Niya said. She keeps it 100 with you. She is one of those teachers that tells you when you need to get things done. She isn't one to pat you on your back and wish you the best," said Hargrove.

Wallace said, "I am just looking forward to the opportunity to showcase my work at such an amazing venue."



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Nikki Takemura, senior fashion-merchandising major, models an outfit that will be in the Charleston Fashion Week. Professor Hope Wallace's clothing line won a spot in the show after she applied for the competition in September.

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Statesboro celebrates St. Patrick's Day

Culture

BY WILLIAM PRICE

The George-Anne staff

Not much has changed in 400 years of celebrating Saint Patrick's Day, and students will continue the traditions this year with a weekend of dancing, food and alcohol.

St. Patrick's Day in Statesboro is a hectic time for students and locals as people are shifting in and out for spring break. Local restaurants, bars and businesses are preparing for the weekend in different ways.

"St. Patty's Day is a huge holiday in college towns because of its association with drinking and having a good time," Justin Driskell, owner of Tom's Beverage and Tobacco, said.

Tom's is bringing in a few unique Irish beers especially for St. Patrick's Day, Driskell said.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, every year from February to March beer imports to the U.S. increase by nearly \$100 million. The vast majority of the increase comes from Ireland.

"I think the staples of St. Paddy's day beer are Guinness and Killian's. One of my personal favorites we carry is a brew called McSorley's," Driskell said.

Gnat's will be celebrating St. Patrick's Day all weekend long with SPD specials and deals lined up Saturday and Sunday, Ben Worthy, general manager at Gnat's Landing, said.

Gnat's will be offering a lot of drink specials as well as serving Irish Car Bombs, green beer

and hosting the band Next Level Ensemble, Worthy said.

"It'll be ridiculously packed all weekend long. We're decorating the place in all green and are excited to have some fun. It's going to be a great time for sure," Worthy said.

The GSU Department of Public Safety asked to have fun but stay safe over the weekend.

It's not different safety-wise than other weekends, just on a larger scale with St. Patrick's Day and spring break together, Mike Russell, Chief of the GSU police force, said.

Russell said, "Be a good neighbor and look out for one another. This rule applies to this weekend in particular. Stay in groups, assign designated drivers, lock up your valuables."



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Many Irish-themed drinks will be available in Statesboro's bars during Saint Patrick's Day celebrations this coming weekend.

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Peachy drinks add variety to bar scene

Culinary Arts

BY GRACE HUSETH

The George-Anne staff

Spring break has arrived and so have some peachy new drinks in Statesboro's bar scene.

One of the most popular summer drinks at Millhouse are peach martinis, with peach schnapps as the star ingredient, Jessica Lucas, bartender at Millhouse, said.

The peach-flavored beverage trend adds more variety to the average bar drink. Picking up a bottle of peach schnapps or making peach honey to add to a drink will give endless combinations, Lucas said.

Drinks like these show that bars are trying to keep on top of trends to give their customers a wide range of seasonal specials, Lucas said.

Old standbys like Arnold Palmers can be revitalized with the addition of

homemade peach honey. To make a type of peach honey, simply boil a mixture of smashed peaches and sugar until it becomes smooth like honey, Lucas said.

Peach flavors can really be drawn out in white sangrias that are already famous for their combination of peach with white wine, apples and lemon.

"White sangrias are easy to make if you have a mix and would be great with a splash of peach schnapps," Lucas said.

A drink called "Peach Moon" is rising in popularity at bars and is a combination of Blue Moon and peach schnapps, Lucas said.

Many customers that already enjoy the light flavor of Blue Moon enjoy adding a little peach to liven it up, Lucas said.

Stephanie Owens, owner and manager of Dingus Magee's, said that serving creative drinks that break the norm is what will really set you apart in a social setting.



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In place of smoothly produced songs about pickup trucks, farms and country music itself, there are rough songs about more introspective topics. Instead of a smooth and clear southern drawl, Farrar sings like he's had a couple

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of beers and is aiming to have a few more.

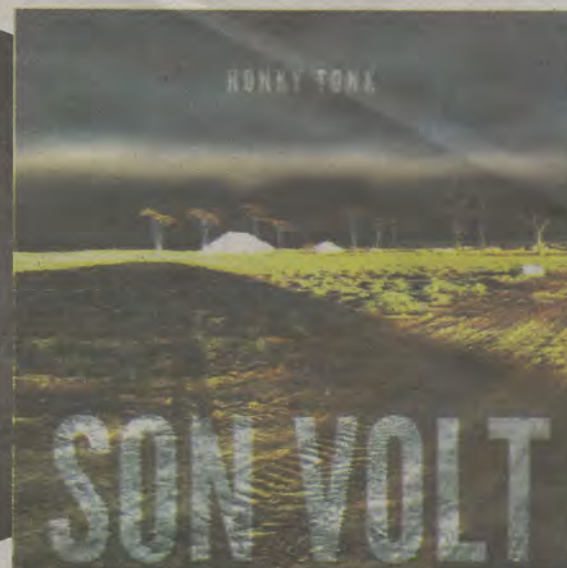
The so-called "Bakersfield Sound," which originated decades ago in Bakersfield, CA, is the prominent sound through "Honky Tonk," Son Volt's 7th album. It's a successful mix of guitar, fiddle and a sweet-as-tea pedal steel guitar, all on display with the upbeat two-step of opening track "Hearts and Minds." It's relaxed without ever descending into melodrama.

This is the kind of music you

hear in movies whenever the scene takes place in a half-empty bar on the side of a southwestern highway.

Son Volt's version of Bakersfield is relaxed and easy-going and it works for them. This is good, considering they went so far as naming one of the tracks "Bakersfield," a bouncy tune with touches of a bright electric guitar.

For all the strong points of Son Volt's sound on "Honky Tonk," the one glaring weakness is that they never really take any risks with it. The album is almost too consistent with few breaks from tempo or easy-going melodies, and



Farrar's voice never moves away from a half-sober, melancholy drone. You can easily get lost on the back half.

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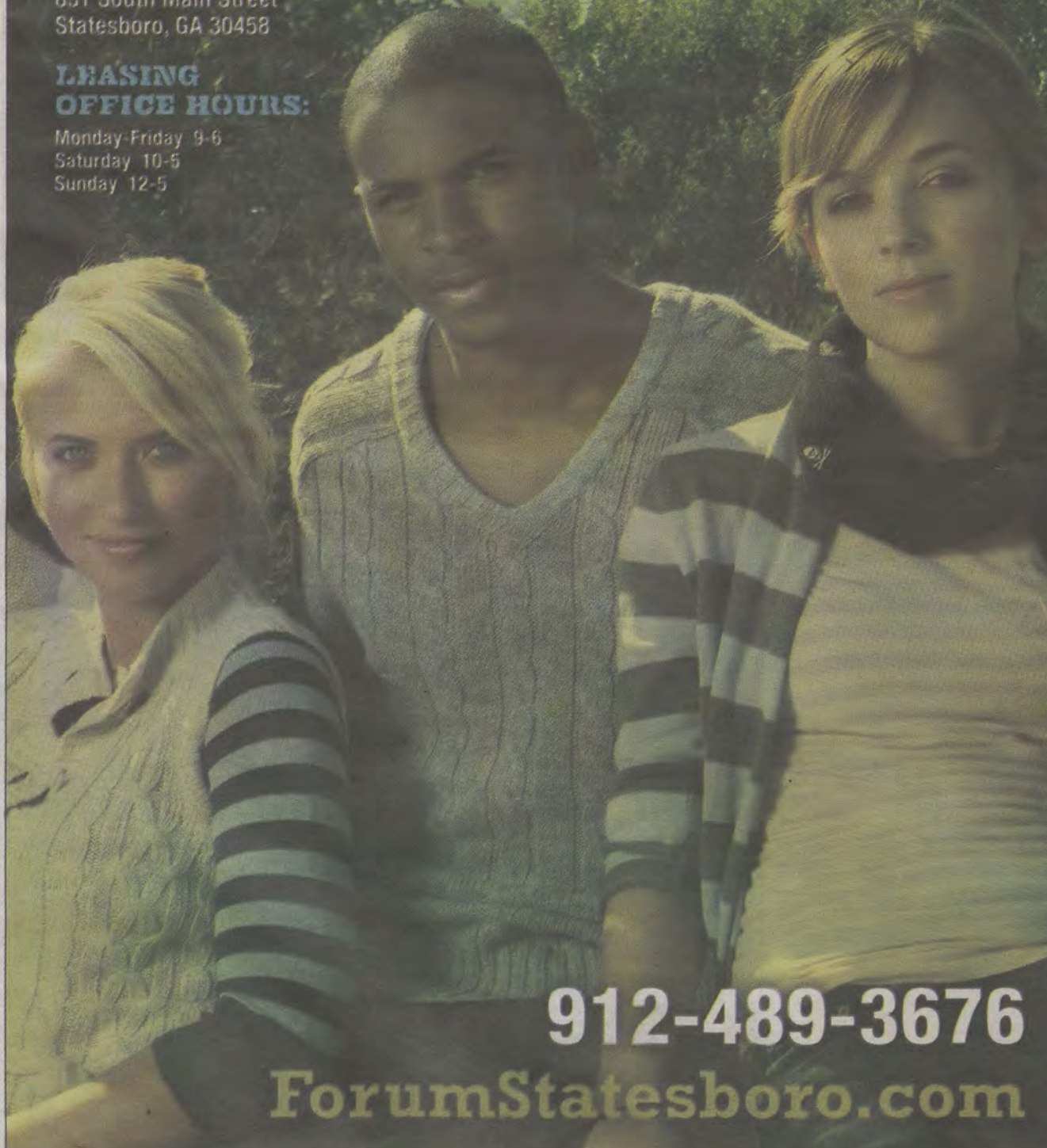
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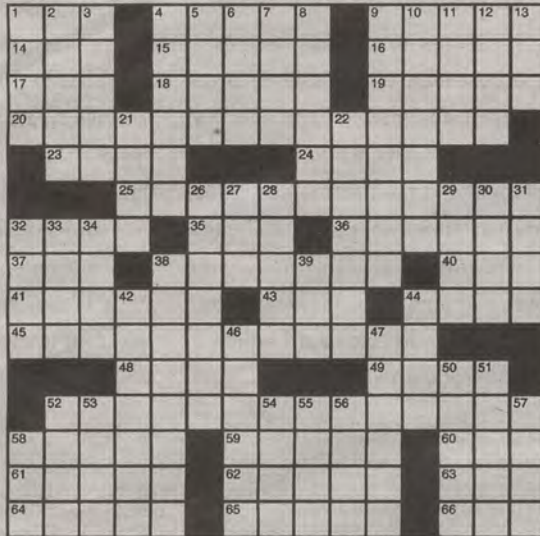
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By Victor Barocas

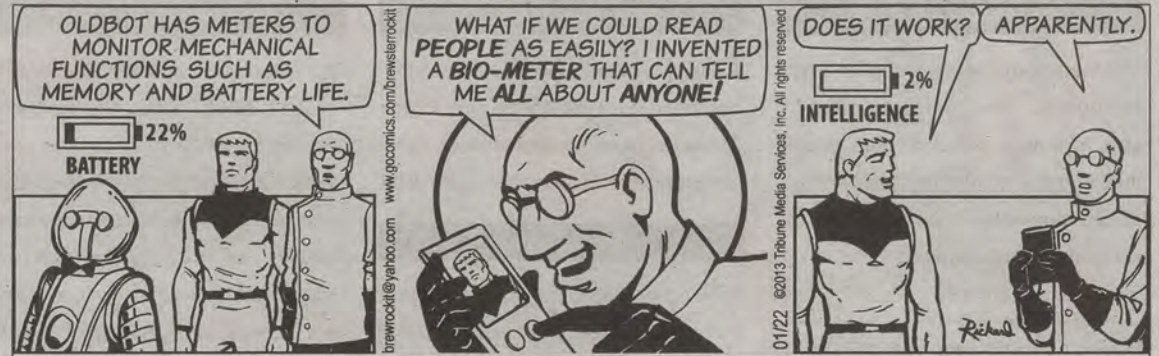
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FRIDAY 3.8.2013

NO GROUP FITNESS CLASSES

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5 P.M.
ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET NOMINATIONS ENDS

The Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement is now taking nominations for our Annual Awards Banquet. Nominate a student leader, a student organization, your advisor, or yourself! Deadlines for submissions are March 15th at 5p.m. To nominate, go to our website at georgiasouthern.edu/leadserve.

SATURDAY 3.9.2013

THE RAC WILL BE CLOSED THIS WEEKEND

10:15 A.M. - 1 P.M.

SAVANNAH ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE
SAVANNAH, GA

University President Brooks Keel and first lady Tammie Schalue will join Head Football Coach Jeff Monken, Miss Georgia Southern, Freedom, Gus and Georgia Southern's cheerleaders to ride in the annual St. Patrick's Day parade. This three-hour parade consists of more than 350 units included several U.S. military divisions, many award-winning bands and the world-famous Budweiser Clydesdales. For more information about the parade, visit: <http://www.savannahsaintpatricksdays.com>

SUNDAY 3.10.2013

THE RAC WILL BE CLOSED THIS WEEKEND

MONDAY 3.11.2013

6 A.M. - 7 P.M.

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TUESDAY 3.12.2013

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WEDNESDAY 3.13.2013

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See ya, C.Y.

Men's basketball to see drastic changes

Men's Basketball

BY KATIE TOLBERT

The George-Anne staff

This past Tuesday the new Athletic Director Tom Kleinlein announced that the Georgia Southern University's men's basketball head coach, Charlton "C.Y." Young, was fired, and the search for a new head coach will soon begin.

C.Y. graduated from GSU in 1993, and 16 years later he was hired as the head coach for the Eagles. At age 37, he was hired as one of the youngest head coaches, not only in the league but also in the nation. Young's second appearance at GSU lasted the same amount of time as his first one: four seasons. In these four seasons as head coach, Young has had a 43-84 overall record, finishing with a 14-19 record for this season.

Kleinlein chose to let Young go in order to move the team in a new direction. This move was crucial for Kleinlein to prove his place at GSU and prove that his new ideas for the athletic program will be positive. In the coming

season, the success of the Eagles will rely heavily on this particular decision to let Young go.

This is a decision that will bring in another coach that will offer more experience in head coaching on the court and more successful plays behind his or her clipboard.

Having a coach with playing experience is important, but a head coach needs to have even more experience leading players along with a coaching staff. The GSU players and students loved Young, but sometimes intimidation is what needs to be instilled in a head coach. These players need to be able to have a coach that is less like a friend and more like an authoritative mentor.

Young has only had one other head position in coaching, and that was associate head coach at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. This is exactly the history that Kleinlein is looking to improve. In order for GSU to start having an impressive history in athletics, the individuals that are hired in coaching positions need to have impressive histories on their own.

For players like junior forward Eric Ferguson and junior guard Tre Bussey, this coaching

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KATIE TOLBERT
MEN'S BASKETBALL
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change might be difficult because Young has guided them their entire collegiate career. But going into their senior year without one appearance in the conference championship or in the national tournament might give these upcoming seniors the drive to make their hopes for the past three years a reality.

GSU is looking to move to a different conference, possibly into the Sun Belt Conference, and with this move, bigger and better things need to happen all throughout the athletic program, not just in football expansion. Basketball is a well-regarded sport all over the nation, and it should be at GSU as well.

Kleinlein came to Southern proclaiming that he wants GSU to become a name that everyone knows in the nation, and the first step is GSU's move to FBS. This move to FBS puts GSU on center stage. This move can either be an epic failure or an incredible move for the athletic department and the university as a whole. Kleinlein should feel compelled to make decisions no one else would have made in the past because he needs to take GSU to a new place with new authority in order for this move to FBS successful.

Letting go of a beloved GSU alum coach was a risky decision, but these are the decisions that are going to make GSU's move into FBS substantial and worth the extra bucks. As a football school, GSU focuses on the football aspect of things, but Kleinlein's decision for basketball is an open door for all the other sports on campus. This decision is allowing other sports to have a voice and make moves into a new positive direction as well.

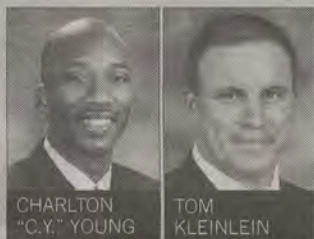
GSU says goodbye to C.Y., and the nationwide search for a new men's basketball head coach will begin immediately.

C.Y., from page 1

Kleinlein is searching for a coach to come in and embrace the opportunity of becoming the CEO of the basketball program.

"At this time I will announce the fact that we are starting a national search for our basketball program," Kleinlein said Tuesday. "We have not entered into any kind of agreement with a search firm at this time. I will make that decision in upcoming days."

"Somebody has to come in here and take us to the next level in terms of everything that we do, in terms of our basketball performance on the court socially and grow



CHARLTON "C.Y." YOUNG
TOM KLEINLEIN

our program," Kleinlein said. The GSU alum became the 12th head coach of the Eagles' basketball team in the 2009-2010 season and the third alum to guide the program.

"Charlton Young represents Georgia Southern with the utmost character. He has done a tremendous job of taking a program that had trouble when he arrived and getting it to a level of respectability," Kleinlein said.

With the student vote last semester supporting a fee to move up to the Football Bowl Subdivision level, it is important to Kleinlein to get every sport at the top of whatever conference GSU is in.

"In my mind, it doesn't matter if we're playing FBS football or FCS football. We as an institution have to be as good as we can be in all sports across the board. We have got to be at the top level at our competition, whether that's the Southern Conference, whether that's the Sun Belt, whether that's the Mid-American, whether that's Conference USA. Whatever conference we're competing in, I expect our

sports at the top of those conferences continually, and that's why the decision was made—because I felt we weren't heading in that direction," Kleinlein said.

Before his coaching career, Young sported the number 12 for the Eagles from 1989 to 1993 and started in 97 games at point guard averaging 14.8 points and 4.9 assists per game. He graduated as the school's career leader in assists (570) and scored a 1,517 career points which ranks eighth on GSU's all-time list. In September of 2008, Young was honored by GSU when he was inducted into the Georgia Southern University Athletics Hall of Fame.



Demario Cullars/The George-Anne

Georgia Southern University Athletic Director Tom Kleinlein announced men's basketball head coach Charlton Young's dismissal Tuesday at a press conference.

Yoshida adds to GSU football

Football

BY SHAKEEM HOLLOWAY
AND RANDALL HAMPTON

The George-Anne staff

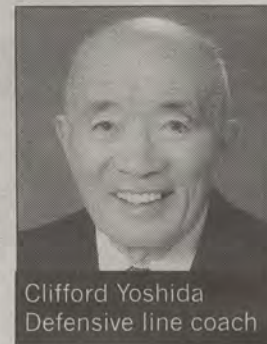
With experience in building defensive systems as the coordinator at eight collegiate programs, Clifford Yoshida will now join the Georgia Southern University football team as a defensive line coach.

Yoshida's career spans more than four decades at more than 12 different schools.

"Cliff Yoshida is one of the most knowledgeable defensive coaches in the nation, and he brings a background of more than 40 years of coaching to Georgia Southern along with his experience as a Marine Corps officer," head coach Jeff Monken said in a news release. "We are thrilled that coach Yoshida has accepted a position with us, and I know he will have a tremendous impact on the lives of our young men and the future success of our program."

Yoshida has been on many great collegiate coaching staffs including Grambling State

University, North Carolina Central University, East Carolina University, Wake Forest University and Duke University among many other schools and now he gets a chance to share his experience with GSU.



Clifford Yoshida
Defensive line coach

"Well, I've just got a lot of coaching experience. I hope I benefit. I hope I can bring some improvement. They're a very good football team, and I'm just pleased and tickled to death to be here," Yoshida said.

While at Grambling State, the Tigers won their 14th black college football national championship and two Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) titles in 2008 and 2011 while contending for a third during those six years.

In 2008 during his tenure with the Tigers, defense improved upon already impressive rankings in total and scoring defense from the year before, holding its opponents to only 170 points (13.07 per game), the lowest Tiger total allowed since 1985.

In four years with NCCU as defensive coordinator, he helped turn around a program that had limited success into one that posted double-digit wins for the first, and second time ever also winning the black college national football championship in 2006.

In 1992 when Yoshida was at Wake Forest, a team that included Georgia Southern Athletic Director Tom Kleinlein, the Demon Deacons beat Oregon in the Independence Bowl earning a top-25 ranking in the final polls.

With experience come results. A number of Yoshida's former student-athletes have gone on to professional football careers where many were very successful.

"He coached several all-pro players. Several NFL players have played for him at the colleges he coached. I think the kids really respect his knowledge, certainly I do and the rest of our coaching staff does," Monken said.

As for what Yoshida envisions for GSU football, he said, "I think we are going to have a winning football team, and I'm hoping for the best. The kids are working hard."



Andy Morales/The George-Anne

Redshirt freshman wide receiver Ed Collins (12) and junior wide receiver Allen Lee (85) cross over the Beautiful Eagle Creek on their way to the first football practice of the spring.

OUTSIDE THE LINES WITH...



Oliver Webb

YEAR: Junior

SPORT: Men's Tennis

FROM: London, England

Q: Who is your favorite tennis player?

A: My favorite tennis player is Roger Federer.

Q: Other than tennis what sports have you played?

A: I've played soccer, I've played rugby at home in England—a lot of sports.

Q: What is your major and why did you choose it?

A: I am a sports management major, and I chose it because I want to be a part of a sports organization. I mean I can't see myself going into an office and working, so I want to be outside doing something challenging.

Q: What are your expectations after college?

A: Hopefully stay in the country, stay in America and see where I can go from here.

Q: If you could play a match against any tennis star who would it be?

A: I actually would play against Novak Djokovic because I don't really like him. I would like to beat him. have a great time."



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Senior pitcher Justin Hess (8) throws a pitch during the Georgia Southern University game against Xavier University. Hess posts a ERA of 5.32 for the Eagles. GSU went 2-1 in its series vs. Xavier.

Eagles look for revenge against Bulldogs

Baseball (10-6)

BY COLIN RITSICK

The George-Anne staff

The last time that Georgia Southern University and Samford University met on a baseball field the Bulldogs left as the Southern Conference champions, and the Eagles left with a bitter taste in their mouths.

Samford (11-7, 1-2 SoCon) took down GSU (10-6, 3-0 SoCon) three times out of four games

last season. This statistic, however, is not too telling of the overall record between the pair. GSU holds a 44-13 all-time record against the Bulldogs.

These rivals meet for the only time this year in Birmingham, Ala. at Joe Lee Griffin Field.

The Bulldogs won 41 games last year. The three weekend starters that bolstered the Bulldogs all the way to the school's first ever NCAA Tournament are now gone, leaving behind a team that is struggling to find its identity on the mound.

The Eagles on the other hand are looking to extend their current four-game win streak

after beating Mercer University and sweeping Wofford College last weekend. GSU will take to Birmingham one of the most dominant two, three and four hitters in the conference.

Junior infielder Ben Morgan is tied for second in the SoCon in runs scored and tied for seventh in total hits. Sophomore catcher Chase Griffin ranks first in runs batted in and senior infielder T.D. Davis ranks fifth. Put these three batters together back-to-back-to-back in the lineup and there is a recipe for success.

As potent as the offense for the Eagles has

been so far this year, the young left-handed starting pitchers have been equally, if not more so, effective for GSU.

Sophomore pitcher Sam Howard and freshman pitcher Jason Richman both hold 3-1 records. Howard has struck out an impressive 25 batters this year and holds a 4.18 ERA. Richman has a 4.50 ERA but has only allowed opponents a .256 batting average this season; the lowest of any starter for GSU.

First pitch is set for 6 p.m. tomorrow, 2 p.m. on Saturday and 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Sunshine state to strike one more time for Eagles



Lindsay Hartmann/The George-Anne

Junior pitcher Sarah Purvis (0) dives to prevent a Florida International University runner from scoring at home. The Eagles lost this game 2-0.

Softball (14-10)

BY RANDALL HAMPTON

The George-Anne staff

The state of Florida has not been kind to the Georgia Southern University softball team, but the Eagles will be ready to compete in the Florida State University tournament this weekend.

This will be the final trip GSU makes to Florida as the team prepares to do battle with the University of Minnesota and Florida State University.

The Eagles went 4-6 in their two previous trips to the Sunshine State against some highly touted opposition. UM and FSU are no slouches on the softball field as the teams hold records of 13-9 and 17-8 respectively.

GSU is currently 14-10 and is coming off a three-game sweep of Southern Conference rival Elon

University. The sweep pushed the Eagles' current winning streak to five games.

First up against GSU will be UM at 2 p.m. The Golden Gophers are coming off a 4-1 victory over Florida Gulf Coast University. This is the same team GSU knocked off by a score of 4-2 back in mid-February.

UM is 13-9, but its record is a bit deceiving. All 13 victories have come when junior pitcher Sara Moulton stepped into the pitcher's circle. Moulton leads the Big Ten Conference in innings pitched with 113.1.

Despite the workload Moulton has an ERA of 0.99 that ranks first in the conference for pitchers with more than three starts.

GSU will be back on the field for a 4 p.m. game against FSU. The Lady Seminoles are on a seven-game winning streak including two wins over Appalachian State

University.

The Lady 'Noles are second in the Atlantic Coast Conference and defeated GSU the last seven times the two teams played. In the last meeting two seasons ago, the Eagles came up short by a score of 6-4.

FSU sophomore pitchers Lacey Waldrop and senior Monica Perry both have an ERA under two while striking out 92 and 90 batters respectively.

The Eagles will lace up their cleats for another contest against UM but this one will be a 10:00 a.m. game. After the early game with UM, the Eagles will end their time in the Sunshine State with a 2:00 p.m. game against FSU.

GSU may have a 4-6 record when playing in Florida this season, but a solid showing this weekend will help the team put Florida in its rearview mirror on a winning note.

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