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SGA voting to open Monday Debate, Q&A session to be held tonight

Garrett Green, higher education
administration graduate student

Previous experience in SGA

2010 CLASS senator, 2011 and 2012
Executive Vice President of Auxiliary
Affairs

**Q: Can you give 3 words describing
yourself in relation to SGA?**

A: Hard-working, determined, outgoing

**Q: What committees have you served on
to improve students' lives?**

A: Vice President of business and
finance search committee, parking and
transportation director search, university
athletic committee, appeals committee

**Q: Do you think SGA has had trouble this
year connecting with students and finding
out what their issues are?**

A: I think it's something that we can get better
at and that's a problem that not only Georgia
Southern Student Government Association
has but a lot of Student Governments across
the state and nation have.

**Q: What will you continue to do or start doing
if elected in relation to SGA's relationship
with administrators?**



A: Continue to be critical. This is a position
where you're really looking out for the well-
being of the student body, so I think it's really
important to question why things are done
certain ways so if I get that question from a
student I can voice that back to that student.

**Q: What would you tell your parents if
you ever ended up on GSU Problems in a
compromising situation?**

A: I'm sorry, short and sweet.

Annalee Ashley, junior marketing major

Previous experience in SGA

Served as freshman college senator, executive
assistant, currently serving as COBA senator

**Q: Can you give 3 words describing yourself
in relation to SGA?**

A: Passionate, executor, responsible

**Q: What committees have you served on/
work done to improve students' lives?**

A: HOPE renewal committee, senate selection
committee, Student Activity Fee committee

**Q: What will be the first thing(s) you do if
elected? Goals?**

A: More guest speakers at SGA meetings:
I want to have someone speak as often as
possible from different entities around the
university. Senators in the colleges would
then have a forum at least once a year on the
information presented at the meetings to better
communicate with students about things going
on.

**Q: Do you think SGA has had trouble this
year connecting with students and finding
out what their issues are?**

A: From a senator's perspective, it's better. More
senators have been stepping up in classrooms
and talking about SGA, but there's always room
for improvement.

VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE



**Q: What is the single most important thing for
students to know about you and your goals?**

A: I genuinely care about the university and the
work I do. I'm not doing it for the title, I want to
make a difference for students and this position
would be the ultimate service to the student
body.

**Q: If you could have dinner with a person from
the past or present who would it be and why?**

A: Susan B. Anthony: She dedicated her life
to the acknowledgment of women's rights in
America, and she paved the way for many to
come after her.

Lauren Gorla completed this report.

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Police Beat

Sunday, March 31

8:12 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at Centennial Place, building four lobby. The owner of the property could not be identified. The found property was placed in the police department property room.

9:38 p.m.: Officers responded to Eagle Village, third floor community room, in reference to a fire alarm. The Statesboro Fire Department and maintenance responded. The alarm was activated by an occupant cooking, creating smoke.

Monday, April 1

10:00 a.m.: Officers responded to a simple battery/theft by taking at the Hollis Building. This case was assigned to Criminal Investigations.

10:52 a.m.: Incident report taken for forgery at Deal Hall. This case was assigned to Criminal Investigations.

1:29 p.m.: Officers responded to a motor vehicle accident on Sweetheart Circle. A motor vehicle accident report was taken.

2:42 p.m.: Officers conducted a welfare check at the Hollis Building. EMS responded to the location but did not transport the individual.

3:46 p.m.: Criminal Investigations arrested Andre M. Bellamy, 20, for theft by taking.

4:25 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at Centennial Place. The owner was contacted and the property was returned.

6:58 p.m.: Officers responded to a motor vehicle accident at parking lot #12. A motor vehicle accident report was taken.

12:11 a.m.: Officer responded to Eagle Village in reference to a drug complaint. James Surrette, 19, was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana/less than one ounce and judicially referred.

Tuesday, April 2

10:07 a.m.: An investigation was initiated into a report of a missing person (Georgia Southern University Student). Criminal Investigations is investigating

this case.

1:40 p.m.: An incident report was taken for a harassment case. This case was turned over to criminal investigations.

2:05 p.m.: An incident report was taken for lost/mislaid property at the RAC.

3:00 p.m.: An incident report was taken for criminal trespass at Hanner Fieldhouse. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

3:53 p.m.: Officers responded to multiple panic alarms at Kennedy Hall. Maintenance was on scene and advised the system had malfunctioned.

4:05 p.m.: An incident report was taken for a suspicious incident in C Lot.

6:52 p.m.: An incident report was taken for a theft of a bike at Southern Pines. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

11:38 p.m.: Officers responded to a panic alarm at Freedom's Landing. The occupant activated the panic alarm when a cooking pot flamed-up.

GSU professors featured on PBS

BY ALANNA NAVIN

The George-Anne staff

Two Georgia Southern University professors have been featured on the PBS Talk show Tavis Smiley to discuss the long-term effects of childhood obesity.

Dr. Jacob Warren and Dr. Bryant Smalley, co-executive directors of the Rural Health Research Institute (RHRI) were invited to Los Angeles to discuss their new book, "Always the Fat Kid: The Truth About the Enduring Effects of Childhood Obesity," which was released last week and is available in bookstores nationwide.

"We were very excited to get the invitation to discuss this issue with a national audience," Smalley said in a press release.

"The time for action is now, and getting people engaged in a conversation about childhood obesity is the crucial first step in turning the tide," Smalley said.

The book has received much international attention through features on TakePart.com and an upcoming feature in the London Times.

While not only discussing the negative health effects of childhood obesity, Warren and Smalley also

discussed the new, emerging evidence of the "fat kid syndrome," a collection of physical, psychological and social consequences of obesity that haunt overweight children for life.

"In writing the book, we drew upon decades of medical, psychological and social research, as well as bringing in our own lived experiences as formerly overweight children," Warren said in a press release.

Warren said, "Our goal is to empower parents, community members, teachers and members of the healthcare workforce who are trying to make sense of this growing threat."

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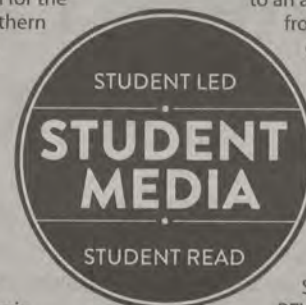
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Our View

Plus/minus system can be positive

Georgia Southern University is in the process of deciding whether or not to switch to using the plus/minus grading system. The plus/minus system does have its advantages, such as students with a grade of 89 will receive a higher score than one with an 80; it also has disadvantages in that not all professors will be required to use it, creating inconsistency.

To a single student, this could seem like an unnecessary move or a waste of time by the school. Students may dislike it because, if a student is aiming for an A, it would require goals to be set higher to earn the score. The plus-minus system may also not be appropriate for every class. Classes in mathematics and economics might benefit, but other classes where grades are largely subjective, such as writing or art classes, may not.

The plus/minus system could have large positive effects on GSU. Many respected institutions in the state use this grading system, such as the University of Georgia and Georgia State University. GSU is growing its national recognition and reputation through the athletic program, and using the plus/minus grading system would supplement that endeavor. If larger colleges are using plus/minus, but GSU is not, many might think twice before applying.

The decision to use this system is ultimately up to the university, but students should think about more than what it means to them as individuals, instead looking at how it can serve the Eagle Nation.

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

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Say yes to U.N. Arms Treaty

The United Nations Arms Trade Treaty had passed by a huge majority, with 154 for and only three against. Russia and China were among the 23 nations that abstained from the vote. The treaty has been talked about for early as long as the U.N. has been around, and it was a major goal of nearly every international humanitarian organization. The treaty has passed in the U.N., but the U.N. is hardly a one-world government. Each member state must sign the treaty for it to mean anything.

The treaty is pretty abstract, but in essence it requires all U.N. members to regulate their conventional weapons trading and gives countries the ability to determine their own regulations. The treaty defines conventional weapons as armored combat vehicles, large-caliber artillery, combat aircraft, warships, missiles and missile launchers and small arms, among other things. Ammunition, parts and components must also be

THE COOP SCOOP



TAYLOR COOPER
OPINIONS EDITOR

regulated. It forbids trading for the purpose of genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes or terrorism. Pretty reasonable stuff. It also required that member states do their best to prevent weapons from entering the black market. It's very similar to the nuclear non-proliferation treaty, but for conventional arms.

The treaty may have passed a vote in the U.N., but it still has to be ratified by Congress. Herein lies the problem. Members of Congress are concerned that it may conflict with the Second Amendment. This treaty needs to be

ratified in the same fashion as anything else: by a two-thirds majority in the Senate. This resistance isn't a new thing. The Senate was facing calls to reject the treaty long before it was voted on.

Russia and China are still deliberating on whether or not to sign it, and if the United States doesn't sign the treaty, you can bet neither of them will either. If China signs the treaty, then North Korea will also be negatively affected.

Our government should not let the gun control debate in American stop this treaty. This treaty will go a long way towards strangling the Middle-Eastern conflicts and reducing the likelihood of more conflicts. Our government needs to decide what's more important, the Second Amendment or reducing human suffering all over the world.

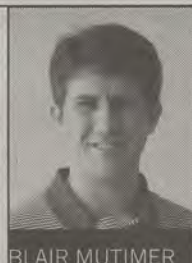
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Honor the Fort Hood victims

Back in November 2009 the worst shooting to ever take place at a military base occurred in Fort Hood, Texas. Major Nidal Hasan was charged with the crime of killing 12 people and wounding a total of 31. It was a terrible massacre for which the man has not even been tried yet. The worst part of the entire situation, though, is that the White House announced that victims of this attack will not be awarded Purple Hearts.

The difference between a Purple Heart and other military decorations are that where other decorations an individual would be "recommended" for the decoration, individuals in this case are entitled to the Purple Heart upon meeting specific criteria. Criteria for such include: Any member of the United States Armed forces that are wounded or killed. Specific examples include any action against an enemy of the United States. I would like for somebody to please tell me how a man turning on his own men and his own country can

IN MY HUMBLE OPINION



BLAIR MUTIMER

be considered anything other than an enemy.

The Pentagon released a statement saying that "awarding this honor would undermine the prosecution of Major Hasan" by materially and directly compromising Hasan's ability to have a fair trial, and that by awarding this honor to the victims, the American military would be admitting that Hasan is a terrorist. I don't think that there should be question as to whether or not he should be considered a terrorist. The prosecution has expert witnesses that can already show that Hasan fits six different factors that would indicate a homegrown terrorist, one

of which is evidence that he was in communication with Al-Qaeda leader Anwar al-Awlaki leading up to this attack on a United States military base. He should absolutely be considered a terrorist. There are many situations where issues cannot be considered black or white when evidence shows up, but connections with an Al-Qaeda leader alone should be enough to consider this an act of terrorism.

These men and women were killed by a man who attacked a military base that had connections to dangerous enemies of the United States. He should absolutely be considered a terrorist, and these victims should be awarded the decorations they deserve. Our fallen soldier's families have suffered enough; it's time that they are properly honored.

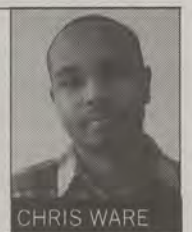
Mutimer is a senior construction management major from Augusta. He is involved in the College Republicans and has worked on political campaigns in Augusta.

The NRA does not understand

Our elected representatives and citizens in general are continuing the debate on guns from the Senate floor to the dining room table. We are in a desperate search to find the balance between safety and not violating the intent of the 2nd Amendment. Due to the severity of this issue, one would assume the partisanship and pride that accompanies other valence issues would not play the role it has taken on in this debate by certain entities that have a stake in what will be decided on this issue. But nevertheless, we continue to see childish tactics and hear unrealistic measures intended to end the gut wrenching violence that plagues our nation.

The NRA has introduced yet another unrealistic measure that fails to address the crisis the nation is facing. It seems like every asinine idea they produce, we take two steps in the wrong direction as far as addressing

A LIBERAL DOSE



CHRIS WARE

our problems. Recently, the NRA proposed that every school should be armed with a guard in the event of an intruder. According to the NRA, those guards should be trained teachers, administrators or police officers. But yet again, the NRA misses the mark on the entire issue.

First off, the job of the teacher and the administrator is to facilitate learning, not tote pistols. And in the event of an intruder, if that said intruder has a weapon with capabilities that will more than likely outperform any weapon given to a teacher or administrator, we will

more than likely find ourselves with a tragedy on our hands.

The NRA needs to do its part in addressing gun violence as a whole. Arming a teacher in Georgia won't stop someone from shooting up a shopping center in California. But maybe a universal background check will so that a gun will never end up in the hands of that gunman in the first place. Maybe limiting the amount of bullets someone can have in a clip might save a life too; hunters already face limitations concerning clip sizes today. We need some real leadership on this issue. With every day that passes without a change, more people will lose their lives to the senseless violence that haunts our nation.

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

AP style guide change is a good decision

FROM THE MARGINS



ADRIANNA PULLEY

If you've ever picked up a local newspaper or search news online you've probably run across an article from the Associated Press

(AP). They are one of the largest newsgathering organizations in the world. This week they themselves are in the news for making the decision to exclude the term "illegal immigrant" from their stylebook, meaning their writers—as well as the many newspapers who follow their stylebook—are advised against referring to a person who has entered the country illegally as an "illegal immigrant".

The Senior Vice-President and Executive Editor Kathleen Carroll said that the change was influenced by their intent to not label people with their behaviors. Many will argue that the move is taking political correctness to the extreme, but I believe that their move is a step in the right direction. The term "illegal immigrant" has had enough time to take on connotations and most of them are negative and misguided. That is how our language works; simple terms become loaded with other meanings, and then those meanings are transferred to the people who are labeled with them. A lot of English words are like this; they transform and evolve.

I believe that not just news agencies, but the average American could look to the AP as a good example on how they should treat people in their daily lives. The words they associate with a person or a group of people may carry a heavy weight. Of course, some may think it's easier or faster to just refer to someone with the same out-of-touch terms we've been using, but just look at the evidence. No one uses the terms Negro, colored, or retarded anymore, or at least they shouldn't be.

Knowing which term to use to refer to a co-worker or fellow student isn't difficult either. One of the best ways to be sure about not offending someone is to ask them. Simply asking can avoid confusion or hurt feelings and in the best cases open up discussion for things we too often regard as taboo in this country. No one should be embarrassed to bring up the differences among us.

Pulley is a junior English major from Florence, S.C. She is also the vice-president of International Club.

A new grade, more or less

In an effort to further complicate our lives, Georgia Southern University Faculty Senate is considering the option of moving the current grading scale to the plus/minus system of grading.

We would hardly be the first school to do this—even UGA and that “other GSU” in Atlanta have adopted this system—but it would be a mostly pointless change.

The idea behind a plus/minus system is to have students’ grades more accurately reflect that student’s performance. It might succeed in that in the long run, but there is still one little problem.

Grades themselves are a bit absurd. When did we decide what percentage of correct answers on a test constituted an A? The usual system is 90-100 is an “A” grade. But why not 95 and above? 85 and up? Going along those

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ALEX LASALLE

lines, why do we stick with the normal A-B-C-D-F? Aside from the absence of an E, why not just use the whole alphabet? Along the logic of the plus/minus system, that would be even more accurate.

For that matter, even our use of letter grades is arbitrary. From now on, I propose we get grade animals. Did you do really well in that biology class? You get a tiger. Did you forget to show up for half of the tests? You get a platypus.

You see, grades in college are a bit silly. When we received a precise GPA in high school, we only cared about

it in terms of what school it would get us into. But we’re in college now. This is the end of the academic road, grad school aside. The only “grade” we really have any use for is “pass” or “fail.”

If the administrators at GSU attempt to implement a plus/minus system, then I would probably give them a platypus grade in “doing something useful.” In fact, from here on out we should call the plus/minus system of grading the Platypus System.

Like the actual platypus, the platypus system of grading is weird, unnecessary and ultimately does little good for GSU students.

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

There’s more than one reason for N. Korea’s aggression

North Korea is being a royal pain in the butt of the entire world right now, threatening to nuke both the USA and South Korea. There’s a lively debate as to whether Pyongyang is

just blustering about or actually making threats it intends on carrying out going on right now, but a more important question is why Kim Jong-Un decided now was a great time to start saber-rattling. Those who study international relations have differing views on this.

The two dominant theories in international relations are realism, which is the classical power politics method based largely on military strength, and liberalism, which stresses international cooperation and economic relationships to maintain the peace.

The realist would say that the North’s aggression is a result of both an increase in power of the dictatorship and a weakening of power in the US-South Korean alliance. Pyongyang successfully detonated a nuclear weapon to start all of this mess off, resulting in sanctions. It’s a safe bet that Kim wouldn’t test his entire stockpile of nukes, so he probably has a few sitting on a shelf somewhere, giving him a sense of power. This, coupled with a reduction in the US defense budget that started on March 1, only weeks after the nuclear test, gives Kim a sense of superior power. South Korea just inaugurated its first female president, whose term started two weeks after the nuclear test. Kim may see a female president as weak and reluctant to go to war, a trait attributed to many female leaders.

The liberal would also see the nuclear test as a key point in the crisis. After the test, the UN Security Council voted to increase already harsh sanctions against North Korea. These sanctions further cut off North Korean trade from the rest of the world, resulting in further economic despair from the state and decreasing its already-low faith in the UN. From this perspective, the threats and blustering are an attempt to get to the negotiating table, where the state would offer concessions to see a return to the trade and foreign aid that are barely keeping the citizens of North Korea alive.

No matter which theory is applied to the situation, this crisis with North Korea is a serious matter. Whether the White House chooses to pursue the realist or liberal approach to the matter, things need to be done soon. Because even if the North will be easily defeated in an armed conflict, it won’t be subdued until it has killed thousands of Koreans.

THE FARM LIFE



JAMES FARMER

Farmer is a senior political science and international studies double major from Thomasville. He is the current Copy Editor and former Opinions Editor

Internships shouldn’t be a hassle

Interning: The word sounds so official, so grown up. Due to the importance that is placed on it, the university should do everything in its power to help us every step of the way, right?

Wrong.

I am a junior, which means that a year from now I will be getting ready to walk across the stage in Paulson Stadium. This summer I was planning on getting that experience through an internship in Atlanta. You couldn’t be blamed for thinking that the summer before a student’s senior year would be the best time to get an internship to gain “real world experience” that GSU always pushes us to utilize.

I was so excited when I got the acceptance offer, but there was a catch: Because it is not a paid internship, I would need to get class credit instead. I have seen many of my friends accept internships for class credit, so I thought my case would be the same.

MY VIEW



LINDSAY GASKINS

I scheduled a meeting with someone from my department’s internship program, hoping to walk out with everything taken care of. Instead, I walked out utterly confused. I was told I was not eligible to apply for class credit until the fall or spring semester of my senior year. What? They do realize I am a full-time student who also happens to have an almost full-time job, right?

What kind of program denies students from applying for internships until their senior year? Needless to say, I am still doing the internship this summer but it is not through my major’s department. It took almost three months to get

everything finalized and sorted out. That is three months too long.

GSU should act as a guide to its students. We have no idea what we are doing. All we know is we have four years to learn and prepare as best we can before we are officially thrown into the world on our own.

Students should be allowed to intern as soon as possible, not until their senior year, to “better their chances of getting hired.” Advisors should be there for the student, communicating with them as often as possible, helping them with every step along the way. It is not fair that we have to figure this out on our own when we are just praying to make it to the next semester. This system needs to be improved. The bridge of communication needs to be repaired.

Gaskins is a junior multimedia communications major from Duluth. She is the Video Content Chief and Former News Editor

Meet the 2013 SGA executive candidates

VP of Academic Affairs

VP of Auxiliary Affairs

VP of Finance



AZELL FRANCIS
Senior
Mechanical Engineering



JACOB JAY
Sophomore
Biology, Pre-med



CHARLES GLOVER
Junior
Psychology



MADISON BAJC
Sophomore
Biology, Pre-vet



ELLEN HOGAN
Sophomore
Logistics

Previous experience in SGA:

Current At-Large senator and has served as chairperson at-large for the past two years

3 words describing yourself in relation to SGA:

Committed, innovative, reflective

Q: What will you continue to do or start doing in relation to SGA's relationship with administrators?

A: I want to continue the meetings with the Provost, college chairs and deans and others. Communication is the only means to achievement.

Q: What professor would you bring with you if you were stuck on a deserted island?

A: Dr. Barry Balleck. He's the advisor for the Model U.N. team.

Q: What would you tell your parents if you ever end up on GSU Problems?

A: YOLO. Okay, just kidding. I would probably cry. I mean there had to be a reason for it so I would just explain the situation, and if I made a mistake on my part I would admit to it and correct my actions.

Previous experience in SGA:

Senator for freshmen college, voted to college chairperson for freshmen college, COSM senator and chair person

3 words describing yourself in relation to SGA:

Concerned, optimistic, reliable

Q: What sets you apart from your opponent?

A: My opponent is extremely qualified, however I feel that I bring more leadership in SGA itself. She has more external experience with other organizations. I have overarching experience working with other senators, classmates and deans.

Q: What is the single most important thing for students to know about you and your goals?

A: That I'm not in it for myself. My life would be much easier if I wasn't in SGA, but I have a great passion for student learning.

Q: What song best describes you?

A: "Tiptoe" by Imagine Dragons

Previous experience in SGA:

Senator for CLASS, served past two years as CLASS college chairperson

3 words describing yourself in relation to SGA:

Dedicated, understanding, creative

Q: What sets you apart from your opponent?

A: I feel like I'm a bit more experienced. I've been told this is a high-conflict area, and I work really well in high-conflict areas, and I'm able to visualize different scenarios.

Q: What does your major say about you?

A: That I'm analytical, and I always get that I'm trying to read people. I hope it means that I'm easy to talk to because that's what I want to do, be a counselor.

Q: If you could have dinner with a person from the past, present or future, who would it be and why?

A: Lupe Fiasco. I would have dinner with Lupe Fiasco right before he released his second album because that's when he wasn't crazy.

Previous experience in SGA:

First-year College of Science and Mathematics senator

3 words describing yourself in relation to SGA:

Passionate, determined, outspoken

Q: What will you do to better GSU students and community?

A: Work on informing students. I want to work with the Parking and Transportation office in creating documentation for students to understand regulations, especially during opening week. We have new (buses) but the schedule just doesn't seem to be working out right.

Q: What will be the first thing(s) you do if elected? Goals?

A: I really want to push the new senators and mentor them to keep the progression that we've started going.

Q: What sets you apart from your opponent?

A: I grew up in an international environment and because of that experience I can adapt really easily to new situations.

Previous experience in SGA:

Freshmen senator, currently serving as an at-large senator

3 words describing yourself in relation to SGA:

Passionate, forward, involved

Q: What is the biggest impact you think you've made while serving on SGA?

A: I think I would say since I was the co-chair for the Fee Initiative and we had 55 percent of the student body come out and vote.

Q: Do you think SGA has had trouble this year connecting with students and finding out what their issues are?

A: I feel like we definitely have room for improvement and there will always be room for improvement, but compared to previous years I feel like we have done better and that we continue to do better.

Q: What professor would you bring if you were stuck on a deserted island?

A: Dr. Lorne Wolfe. He is nuts and he is the most awesome professor.

SGA elections explained

BY LAUREN GORLA

The George-Anne staff

Student Government Association elections will take place from April 8 to April 10.

"Students can vote through their WINGS account, and we're also working on having voting stations in the commons stage Tuesday and Wednesday for students who want to vote that way," Carrie Cristancho, SGA executive assistant, said.

The voting station will be run by the SGA elections committee, comprised of SGA senators not affiliated with the campaign, Cristancho said.

Seven senators are running for the five executive board positions, with Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs and Executive Vice President of Auxiliary Affairs being the only two

contested positions.

There are eight colleges that form SGA, and there are five open senator seats that candidates are able to run for in each college.

The competition provided for each college's senate seats varies from one person running to ten people running.

This will be the second year in a row that the SGA President position has been uncontested.

"I think that competition is healthy, but we'll just have to go with what we have," Patrice Jackson, dean of students, said.

SGA needs candidates who will come in ready to work and take SGA to the next level, Jackson said.

"There is an option for someone to not vote for the candidate and vote opposed. Students really need to listen to what candidates are saying and

know their stance before that option though. If you really don't agree, then vote opposed," Cristancho said.

Within SGA, there are eight colleges that represent the colleges of Georgia Southern University and each college has five senate seats to be filled.

SGA will host a debate tonight in the Williams Center Multipurpose room at 7 p.m.

The debate will be comprised of three different sections, including a moderated debate between executive board members, senate candidate introductions and a question and answer period from students, Cristancho said.

Cristancho said, "We've been keeping everything under wraps to keep everything fair, and we're going to let everyone know at one time before the debate starts."

Ballot change affects senators

BY LAUREN GORLA

The George-Anne staff

Student Government Association voted earlier this semester to change the form of ballots for future elections to not include the name of the ticket a college senator is running on, in order to increase fairness across the board.

"Before, it had been voted that (executive) tickets could include three members of each college for senate. This semester, it was voted that senators could not be part of that ticket," Carrie Cristancho, SGA executive assistant, said.

The change came from a speech given at an SGA meeting by COSM senator Jacob Jay about the unfairness of senators running on a ticket.

Previously, students would see a ticket name next to a senators' name when voting on WINGS. The new change now takes away the ticket name and leaves only the senator name, Cristancho said.

"I feel that it will create more competition in senate positions because so many people run but now

no one can be affiliated," Dominique Quarles, SGA President, said.

Robert Roberts, 2012 graduate of Georgia Southern University and former SGA member, ran against Alton Standifer for the executive president position in spring 2011. This election was GSU's last contested election, which was two years ago.

Roberts said he was surprised when he logged online to vote and discovered that Standifer's ticket included other senators not running for executive positions.

Roberts lost the election and contested the results after learning that he had the possibility of having a ticket.

"I was against (tickets) from day one because I feel like running on a ticket is running based on the other person's merits. I feel like people would just identify who has a better chance to win and run on that ticket rather than stand on your ideals and run on what you believe in," Roberts said.

Quarles, who was running for executive vice president of finance on

Standifer's ticket, felt that the use of tickets was a campaigning strategy.

"I feel like the usage of a ticket name, anyone could've done it. (Roberts) made the situation larger than it needed to be because tickets were within the guidelines but not exactly spelled out. It's not the job of the elections committee to tell you everything you can and can't do," Quarles said.

By having senators run on a ticket with executives, the average student will see one candidate as having lots of support and therefore be a better leader, Roberts said.

Roberts also commented on the new changes to the ballot system this year and praised the change.

Roberts said, "I love that change. I think it's the best way to go because honestly people aren't going to pay attention to SGA to know who or what the senators stand for but it's the people who have the biggest network that are going to be elected. I think that's a good change and it's what I was pushing for when I initially lost my election."

SENATE ELECTIONS



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Model UN ranks outstanding at competition

BY SARAH RYNIKER

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University's Model United Nations ranked Outstanding Delegation at a conference in New York last week.

Out of the 10 committees, which form a single delegation, five committees won awards for position papers on topics such as access to education, resource extraction, food scarcity and the North Korean nuclear situation, Barry Balleck, director of Model UN and political science professor, said.

Six students were given Outstanding Delegate Awards, Balleck said.

Samuel Ivey and Azell Francis won for Indigenous Issues.

Aya Chebbi and Patrick Teate won for General Assembly.

Brittney Bullock and Marissa McOmber won for United Nation Habitat.

This was the third year in a row that GSU has been ranked Outstanding, Balleck said.

Out of 193 countries represented in the Model UN, only 22 ranked outstanding. Over 3,000 students attended from over 43 countries,



UN photo courtesy of Aya Chebbi

Georgia Southern University Model United Nations was one of 22 delegations ranked Outstanding at a conference in New York.

Jeffery Thorpe, graduate student in public administration, said.

"Our Model UN delegation represented Finland. The conference gives you the chance to

communicate on an international level," Chad Harmon, head delegate and senior political science major, said.

"People with all different backgrounds and

ages are represented. We learn a different skill set and are taught to be more critical than in the classroom," Thorpe said.

Harmon said students have the ability to learn more about a country by diving deep into the policy and internal affairs of a nation.

"At Georgia Southern, the delegation is composed of undergrad and graduate students, and they must enroll in a model UN course in the spring," Thorpe said.

"Model UN gives students the opportunity to simulate a country that is not their own and interact with other students who have done the same," Balleck said.

This program provides an insight into why real political action can take a long time, Aya Chebbi, Tunisian graduate exchange student, said.

"We start working in November and then break up into committees where we research non-stop," Harmon said.

Shareen Clement, junior sociology major, said, "Model UN is a great learning and growth opportunity. Even if you have little interest in something, go for it. You never know where it will take you."



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ATO to golf for youth

BY LILLY MCCANN

The George-Anne contributor

Alpha Tau Omega is hosting its first Mini-Masters philanthropic event supporting Joseph's Home for Boys at Hackers Golf Club on April 10 from 6-8 p.m.

The Mini-Masters event is a putt-putt tournament where two-person teams or individuals can compete for winning prizes, including a \$50 gift card to R.J. Pope and R.J. Pope t-shirts. The top prize is a football signed by head coach Jeff Monken.

"We decided to make this happen because of how excited everyone, especially in the state of Georgia, gets about the Masters as well as the constant need for more resources for Joseph's Home for Boys," Josh Archer, freshman public relations officer, said in the press release.

All proceeds raised from Mini-Masters will be donated directly to Joseph's Home for Boys, ATO's local philanthropy.

Joseph's Home for Boys is a group home in Statesboro that houses children ages 6 to 21 and provides them with long-term support.

"This isn't the first time we've supported Joseph's. We take the kids out to events here like basketball games and we play flag football with them. We just really want to support them however we can," Andrew Robertson, senior ATO president, said.

Mitchell Ramey, sophomore ATO philanthropy chair, added Mini-Masters to ATO's spring philanthropy because putt-putt makes golf easier for people to play.

"We wanted to have a fun way to support our community and in a way that benefits everyone," Archer said.

The event is open to all Georgia Southern students for \$5 a ticket. Pizza from Hungry Howies is included in the ticket price.

"I think Mini-Masters is a good idea because it can attract a bigger diversity of people because, let's be honest, everybody loves putt-putt," Ryan Neimier, junior ATO member, said.

Tickets can be purchased from any member of ATO or can be purchased at Hacker on Wednesday, the day of the event.

Archer said, "Tickets are going fast. We expect a big turn out."



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Art, food, fun available at Saturday's ArtsFest

Culture

BY WILLIAM PRICE

The George-Anne staff

The Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art is at it again for the 31st annual ArtsFest, which will take place on campus this Saturday.

ArtsFest '13 includes live cultural and musical performances, interactive art workshops, an artist market and food venues. The event will take place from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at Sweetheart Circle.

"Our main objective is to unite our local community under the arts and display all the talent we have here. ArtsFest gives artists a platform to show off their skills in a community where that's not often possible," Cinnamon Dowd, ArtsFest coordinator, said.

The festival attracts more than 6,000 attendees each year and is operated by more than 200 volunteers. Students and volunteers are able to get more involved than in previous years.

"This year we're encouraging more student involvement than ever. For the first time we're permitting students to share their work in the Artists Market," Dowd said. "We want students to be able share their talents and hard work with the community just as local artists can."

Live performances at this year's ArtsFest will bring local and regional talent to the stage.

Two of the headliners at ArtsFest are a traditional Japanese drumming ensemble in Tampa Taiko and the Chien Hong School of Kung Fu.

Another highlight of this year's ArtsFest is the 30 Art Stops open for attendees to explore. Art Stops are an opportunity for festivalgoers to engage in different forms of art, from cartooning to rocket races.

"We want to show people that



File photo

Scott Fox, GSU art professor, painted faces at ArtsFest last year. The festival will take place on Sweetheart Circle Saturday from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

physics is fun, not just a bunch of calculations and equations," DJ Cistola, physics Art Stop coordinator and junior physics major, said.

There will be two separate rocket races. One involving smaller, straw rockets and the other larger rockets you use your foot's force to gain speed, Cistola said.

"The event has grown quite a bit in recent years. More and more students are getting involved through volunteering and attending," Dowd said.

Food available at the event will range from baked goods, BBQ, authentic tamales, Italian Ice, pizza, hamburgers and hotdogs.

Beginning as a celebration of National Arts Education Month, ArtsFest has been a Statesboro staple since its inception in 1982.

Dowd said, "It's a perfect opportunity to see what our students and community are capable of artistically. We hope that at ArtsFest everyone can release their inner artist."

Local artists to perform

Performing Arts

BY LAURIANNA CULL

The George-Anne staff

ArtsFest 2013 will have six hours of non-stop performances and two stages for music ranging from the Chien Hong School of Kung Fu to Pladd Dot School of Rock.

There will be a main stage and a community stage. The main stage performers are ArtsFest veterans and were asked to perform by the Art Department of Georgia Southern University.

"I think it's important to have both stages because the community stage showcases regional and university talent, and the main stage showcases professional talent that festival goers have never seen before," Cinnamon Dowd, ArtsFest coordinator, said.

There will be 15-20 performances, and the festival will consist of talent from Georgia Southern University and the Bulloch County community. The performances will range from dance, song and instrumental ensembles.

Some of the performers at ArtsFest will be making their debut this year, whereas others are veterans of the fest. Some of the returning groups are The Southern Saxophones, who will be the opening group, and the Pladd Dot School of Rock.

"The 'Pladd School of Rock' is a crowd favorite because it is unique to see young adults and even children perform at such an advanced level. They're a phenomenal and talented group," Dowd said.

Two groups that have been asked to perform this year are the Chien Hong School of Kung Fu, which will play a traditional Chinese Lion Dance, and Tampa Taiko Japanese Drumming Ensemble, which plays Japanese-style drums that are handmade from recycled wine barrels.

"We're excited to return to Statesboro for ArtsFest. We've heard only good things about it, and we're ready to share our passion with locals," Ron Collins, managing director and performer of Tampa Taiko, said.

Tampa Taiko will share its knowledge on the Japanese-style drums, how they train with them and the history behind the tradition, Collins said.

"Everything about our performance is traditional and accurate as it can be. We made the drums ourselves using Japanese methods, and how we play reflects that," Collins said.

Dowd said, "I picked both of these groups because they bring a cultural flair that hasn't been seen at the past ArtsFests. The Drum Ensemble brings high energy and the Chinese Lion Dance is supposed to bring good luck and who doesn't need that?"

Student's music to bring acoustic feel to ArtsFest

Music

BY WILL PEEBLES

The George-Anne staff

Low-key sounds and a mellow strumming of a guitar can be found from a young performer almost every Tuesday night at GSU's Unplugged, as well as Sugar Magnolia and The Daily Grind on weekends.

Spencer Paul, freshman music major, will bring his alternative rock sound to stage Saturday at ArtsFest with his acoustic guitar in hand and 40 songs in his arsenal for Statesboro's largest festival.

He is one of the youngest performers at ArtsFest and already recorded his first EP, "These Days," in November. He will be performing this Saturday at ArtsFest, as well as The Daily Grind on April 12.



SPENCER PAUL

Q&A with Paul

Q: How long have you been playing?

A: I started at the beginning of seventh grade. There was a really cheap bass guitar that my mom decided to buy, and I took a couple of lessons but stopped playing. I didn't really play anything for a few months, but then started I playing a lot of rock stuff, and my dad bought me my own acoustic.

Q: When did you make the transition to being a singer-songwriter?

A: At first, I just wanted to play things that I liked listening to. Eventually, I started playing things that hadn't been played before, just kind of messing around. I didn't really think of that as writing, it was just me playing. Then I thought "Oh, I can write songs I guess."

Q: How has your songwriting changed over the years?

A: You draw influences from everything you hear. As my taste began to change, my friend showed me a Jason Mraz song, "Life is

Wonderful." That kind of music started to get mixed into my writing as I listened to it more. There are still bits of rock and stuff in my music, but it isn't nearly as prominent.

Q: What is your style of music now?

A: My style is depressing at times. I don't have very many songs that are not in minor keys. I'd probably describe it as an alternative sound with lots of elements of folk and a few elements of rock.

Q: What places around town have you played?

A: As far as finding locations, I think of where my kind of music fits in and where it's normal to have acoustic artists perform. I'll visit those kind of places, search for coffee shops and small places like that. I'll go in and see if I like the environment. When they're not busy I'll ask if an employee if they have people perform there.

Q: How do you decide what songs you're going to play?

A: It can vary depending on the location. What night it is, who's there, if they're there alone, if

they're talking to someone and what kind of conversation they're having are all factors.

Q: Is it an active decision? Do you decide onstage?

A: Yes. I tried making set lists and sticking to them, but you have to be able to adapt to whatever is happening. I have my tablet up there attached to the mic stand with a list of all the songs that I play. While I'm playing, I think of what I want to do next and based on the environment I decide what to play. I usually do between two to three hour sets, so I usually have around 40 songs or so.

Q: What does writing and playing music mean to you?

A: I'm not really good at talking to people, and that can be bad if you just let all the stuff that you deal with sit inside you. It's a way of getting it out. I don't write for other people. I do like using music to help people, but as for what I write, that's much more selfish. I enjoy soothing people with music. I like helping people, but I don't write for that. Writing is a therapeutic thing.

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The Paper Arcadia

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9-11p.m.
DJ Hurricane

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\$3 sangria
Live music

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\$2 wells
Next Level

El Sombrero

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Mellow Mushroom

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\$3 wells
\$2 margaritas
\$2 beers

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\$2.50 Long Island Iced
Tea
\$2.50 draft beer
\$3 Bud Lite and Miler
Lite

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\$2.99 Margaritas

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Light
\$2.50 Imports and Craft
beers
\$1.00 Shots all night
starting at 9p.m.
\$2.00 Well Vodka and
Bourbon Doubles till
11p.m.

Gnat's landing

Happy hour 5-7p.m.
Bottomless pitchers

Dingus Magee's

Happy hour 5-7p.m. and
9-11p.m.

Retrievers

\$3 Jaegerbombs all
night
DJ Animosity

Loco's

Happy hour 5-7p.m.
\$6 Miller Lite pitchers
Live music

Millhouse

\$2 Domestic beers
\$2 wells
Do Good DJ's

El Sombrero

\$2 Margaritas

Mellow Mushroom

Happy hour 5-7p.m.
\$2.75 pint drafts
\$3 wells
\$2 margaritas
\$2 beer

Applebee's

\$2.50 Margaritas
\$2.50 Long Island Iced
Tea
\$2.50 draft beer
\$3 Bud Lite and Miler
Lite

Chili's

Happy hour 5-7p.m.
\$2.99 Margaritas and
wells

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\$3 Wells
\$5 Draft beers
\$4 Bottle beers

SUNDAY**Millhouse**

\$2 Domestic beers
\$2 wells

El Sombrero

\$3 Bloody Marys

Mellow Mushroom

Happy hour 5-7p.m.
\$2.75 pint drafts
\$3 wells
\$2 margaritas
\$2 beer

Applebee's

\$2.50 Margaritas
\$2.50 Long Island Tea
\$2.50 draft beer
\$3 Bud Lite and Miler
Lite

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\$2.99 Margaritas and
wells

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\$4 Bottle beers



STUDENT EMPLOYMENT WEEK APRIL 8-12

MONDAY, APRIL 8

Early Morning Network Labor Symposium

8 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Breakfast with coffee and juice. 8:30 a.m. - 10 a.m. Labor Symposium. The symposium will feature a panel of labor leaders and a Q&A session with the panelists. The symposium will be held in the Ball Room of the Georgia Southern University.

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

Student Exchange of the Year Award

10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Student Exchange of the Year Award. The award ceremony will recognize the top student exchange students from the College of Science and Mathematics. The award will be presented by the Dean of the College.

Global Southern Symposium

12 p.m. - 1 p.m. Global Southern Symposium. The symposium will feature a panel of global leaders and a Q&A session with the panelists. The symposium will be held in the Ball Room of the Georgia Southern University.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

Student Employment Day

10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Student Employment Day. The day will feature a panel of student employers and a Q&A session with the panelists. The day will be held in the Ball Room of the Georgia Southern University.

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

The Student Employment Symposium

10 a.m. - 12 p.m. The Student Employment Symposium. The symposium will feature a panel of student employers and a Q&A session with the panelists. The symposium will be held in the Ball Room of the Georgia Southern University.

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

Student Employment Day

10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Student Employment Day. The day will feature a panel of student employers and a Q&A session with the panelists. The day will be held in the Ball Room of the Georgia Southern University.



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First 'All Paws for a Cause 5k' to help charity

Culture

BY WILLIAM PRICE

The George-Anne staff

Saturday morning students and Statesboro citizens can stretch their legs with their dogs for a good cause in the "All Paws for a Cause 5k run/walk."

The "All Paws for a Cause 5k" run has attendees run or walk with their dogs to support the Statesboro Humane Society and Julie Barnes Horse Rescue. The run is organized by GSU Future Veterinarians of America group.

"(FVA is) thinking of ways we could help local, non-profit animal organizations like the Humane Society and Julie Barnes Horse Rescue, and we thought a run-walk with your dog would be tons of fun and relevant," Shelbe Harry, organizer of the event, president of GSU's FVA and senior biology major, said.

Check-in begins Saturday at 7 a.m. until 8:45 a.m. and the run will begin at 9 a.m. outside the Recreation Activity Center. Registration is \$20 before the day of the race and \$25 on the day of.

"Non-profit organizations like these need all the help they can get. We felt like we needed to do something to help them out," Harry said.

This is the first time FVA has put on a fundraising event for animal shelters.

"This is a huge fundraiser benefitting organizations that require community involvement to be successful. Any help we can give them counts," Kelly Gagel, FVA advisor and academic advisor in the College of Science and Mathematics, said.

Attendees are not required to have a dog or pet with them, Harry said.

"I'm going to the run because charities like these are extremely worthwhile to our community. This is a great way to give back while having fun running with your

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Saturday, April 6

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dog," Johanne Lewis, assistant professor of biology at GSU, said.

FVA aims to help pre-veterinarian students complete their degrees and promote animal rights. The group said they chose the two animal shelters in Statesboro because they wanted to help the local community.

"I think through this FVA will be able to get to know the students and our community better and do some good at the same time," Gagel said.

Shirts will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis as well as snacks for the runners, Harry said.

"I think things like this leave a mark on the community in a very positive way," David Cano, junior biology major, said. "I'll take any opportunity I can to give back to the community I live in."

Workshop to provide sustainable food ideas

Culinary

BY ALEXANDRA MCCRAY

The George-Anne contributor

From farmers markets to recycling bins to certified eco-friendly buildings, Georgia Southern University takes its impact on the environment seriously.

This Friday, GSU's Center for Sustainability and the Green Ambassadors will host an all-day workshop showing how to incorporate sustainable foods into universities' dining halls. The Farm to Table workshop will take place from 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

"We'll feel successful if people are excited about what they hear at this conference and are able to even take a small piece of what they learned to take to their campus," Lissa Leege, center for sustainability director and biology professor, said.

Registration ended on Monday with 45 students and faculty signed up, and seven

different universities will be represented, Leege said.

The workshop will include a keynote speaker Rashid Nuri, who will talk about community gardens in cities and towns like Statesboro.

The day's events will also have a panel with a sustainable produce grower, a grass-fed cattle farmer, a farmers market representative and a university dining hall employee. Each panel member will teach the attendees how to utilize local and sustainable food resources.

"I think something like this is one of the best things GSU can offer because a lot of college students struggle with eating well, and learning how to eat well with the food provided is a good educational experience," Hayley McGhee, sophomore journalism major, said.

Workshops in the afternoon will include a sustainable food lesson with a step-by-step guide from campuses that have already integrated sustainable food choices on their menus.

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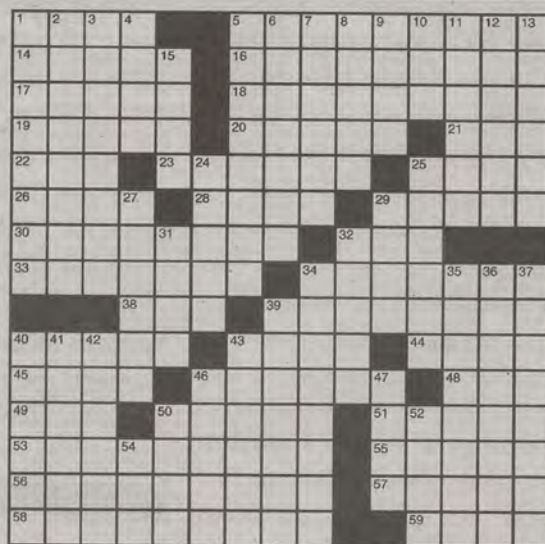
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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

ACROSS

- 1 Twisted
- 5 Completed
- 14 Virtually done deal?
- 16 Pure as the driven snow
- 17 Light unit
- 18 Mentalist who failed to bend Johnny Carson's spoons
- 19 Out
- 20 Rips into
- 21 Go down the wrong path
- 22 Brooding sort?
- 23 Like some ball gowns
- 25 Cheese originally from the department now called Seine-et-Marne
- 26 Prevented a return from
- 28 Safari setup
- 29 Troubled
- 30 Expense account item
- 32 The younger Hardy boy
- 33 Involves
- 34 Canines
- 38 Gov., e.g.
- 39 Husband
- 40 Throws in the towel
- 43 Traditional time for hot cross buns
- 44 Early word
- 45 Co-star of Hugh on "House"
- 46 One who got plenty of sack time in Rome?
- 48 Crestor target, for short
- 49 Acct. entry
- 50 Green sauce
- 51 One may be seen from a box
- 53 Repulsive
- 55 "Good ____": 1966 #1 song
- 56 "Evidently ..."
- 57 Energetic
- 58 Locke pieces
- 59 Candy machine input



By Jeffrey Wechsler

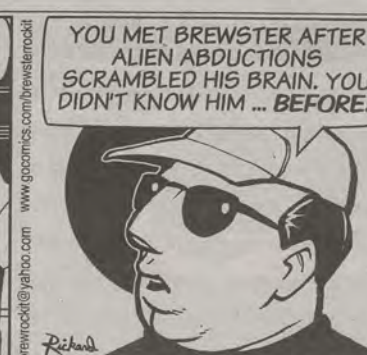
DOWN

- 1 Therapist's challenge
- 2 Confident declaration
- 3 Ensued
- 4 Bauhaus school teacher
- 5 Many flowers grow in them
- 6 High overhead business?
- 7 Supple
- 8 ____ hippo
- 9 Lea grazers
- 10 FedEx rival
- 11 Four-time 1980s Stanley Cup champs
- 12 Ont. site of a War of 1812 battle
- 13 Bring to light, with "out"
- 15 Purposes
- 24 Whatsoever
- 25 Emitted a backup signal?
- 27 Bum wrap
- 29 Top dog
- 31 Verizon communications service

Last Edition's Puzzle Solved

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- 32 Interim ruling group
- 34 Backs up
- 35 "Deathtrap" playwright
- 36 Popular burning spot
- 37 Cruise routes
- 39 Haitian coin
- 40 Fail
- 41 Satellite's eye
- 42 Crooner Rudy
- 43 They may be seen around calves
- 46 "____ la giubba": "Pagliacci" aria
- 47 1970 Kinks classic
- 50 Over
- 52 Game with four-person teams
- 54 Sumac of song



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Senior pitcher Justin Hess (8) winds up a pitch. Hess holds a 5.05 ERA.

Future Sun Belt foes to face off

Baseball (19-9)

BY SHAKEEM HOLLOWAY

The George-Anne staff

After dropping its last Southern Conference weekend series, the Georgia Southern University baseball team will look to reassert themselves against rival and future Sun Belt foe Appalachian State University.

With a 9-3 record against SoCon opponents, GSU sits atop of the conference with the chance to increase its lead over Elon University and its 10-5 conference record. The Mountaineers are tough to beat at home where they are 7-4, but the Eagles are no pushovers on the road with a record of 6-4.

Sophomore catcher Chase Griffin and

senior first basemen T.D. Davis lead the SoCon with 34 and 33 RBIs respectively.

The top of the lineup for GSU is strong, along with Griffin and Davis; junior infielder Ben Morgan and junior outfielder Robbie Dodds are batting above .300 on the season.

This offense can put runs on the board but its decision-making needs to improve, the Eagles' offense leads the SoCon in strikeouts while the Mountaineers are dead last.

The GSU offense, through 28 games played, has more strikeouts (248) than the Eagles' rotation (237).

Not allowing this Mountaineer offense to make contact will be tough for the Eagles' rotation, the Mountaineers, through 24 games played, have only 161 strikeouts as an offense.

Senior infielder Hector Crespo has a

.327 batting average in 107 at-bats, and he leads the Mountaineers in hits (35) and runs scored (21).

Despite their difference in strikeouts, the two teams have similar batting averages. The Eagles' batting average is .279 while the Mountaineers' batting average is .275.

The game will come down to the team that thrives on the mound. Both teams have stellar rotations and a strong bullpen.

The Mountaineers are better than the Eagles when it comes to ERA, posting a 4.43 ERA in comparison to a 5.01 ERA.

However, the 237 strikeouts by the Eagles' rotation are more than the 192 strikeouts by the Mountaineers.

First pitch is set to be thrown at 6 p.m. tomorrow, with game two beginning Saturday at 2:30 p.m. and the finale beginning at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday.

OUTSIDE THE LINES WITH...



Jeff Monken

POSITION: Head coach

SPORT: Football

FROM: Joliet, Illinois

Q: What's your favorite movie?

A: "I love Clint Easwood. I love those hardcore Westerns, the Clint Eastwood movies. I liked "Hoosiers." I like Gene Hackman and Morgan Freeman. Those are two of my favorites."

Q: What's your favorite food?

A: "I love barbeque. I would eat barbeque every day of my life if somebody would allow me."

Q: What coach or player makes you laugh the most?

A: "Kevin Ellison gives me a good chuckle every once in a while. He's a funny guy."

Q: What kind of music do you like?

A: "I'm a big fan of the Blues. Buddy Guy is my favorite. I like classical music."

Q: What do you look forward to in the off-season?

A: "Spending time with my family."

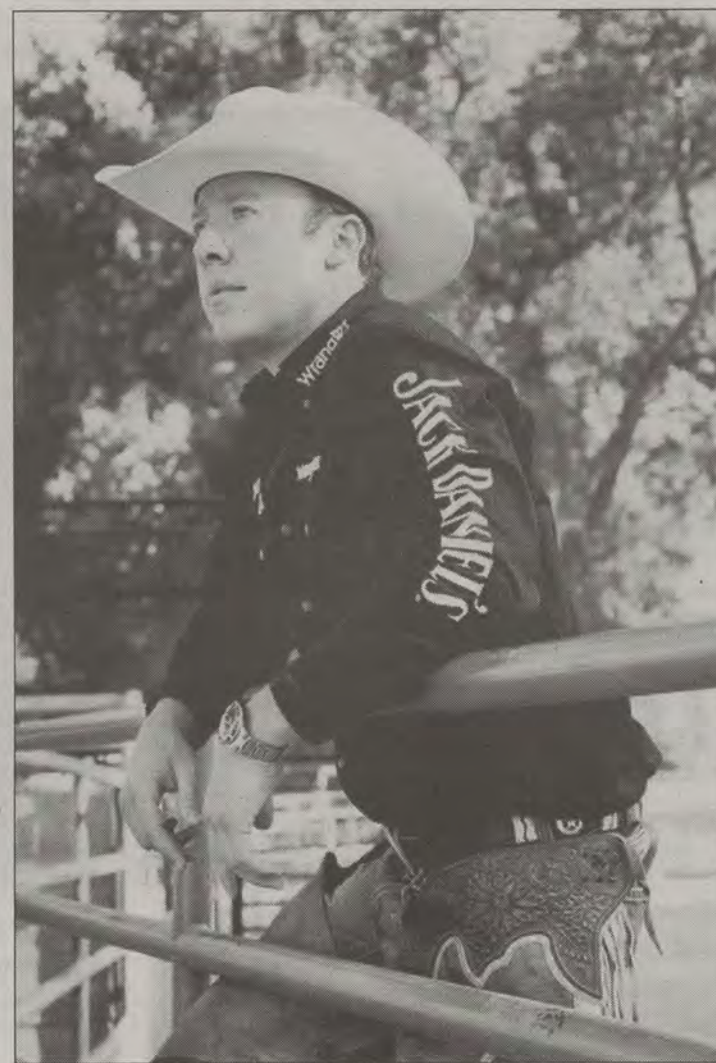


Photo courtesy of Smith Baggett

Smith Baggett will compete in this weekend's Kiwanis Rodeo at the Kiwanis Ogeechee Fairgrounds. **Left:** Baggett covers a bull during a belly roll. **Right:** Baggett reminisces on his bull riding career.

Born to buck

Award-winning rider to compete at Statesboro Kiwanis Rodeo

BY JACK MAGRUDER

The George-Anne staff

Tomorrow, local celebrity Smith Baggett will compete in the Statesboro Kiwanis Rodeo at the Kiwanis Ogeechee Fairgrounds.

Baggett was a student of Georgia Southern University in the late 1990s and early 2000s before eventually transferring to the University of Florida.

Baggett is originally from Statesboro and he grew up on a large, family cattle ranch in Bulloch County. He is a third-generation cowboy and has been comfortable with livestock and ranching practically since birth.

Baggett started riding bulls at age 24 in

smaller rodeos and has been climbing the ranks ever since.

For much of the year, he travels out west competing in rodeos and frequenting honky-tonks, but this year's Kiwanis Rodeo is the first that this Statesboro favorite will compete in front of his hometown crowd.

Baggett's last rodeo win was at Bull Bash in Jackson Hole, Wyo., and he is looking for another win this weekend. He is a sponsored rider, by both local and national businesses: West Coast Chill, Line-X, Southeast Customs and Superior Automotive of Statesboro.

Although sponsors help, "if you're not riding, you're not making money," Baggett said.

To explain how serious these bull riders

are, Baggett spoke of a rider who had broken his ankle just before competing in the finals, and instead of calling it a day, the rider took a spur to the hospital with him to have it set inside his cast so that he could compete in the finals.

"I've been pretty lucky," Baggett said as he told of the multiple broken bones, fractures and hematomas that he has incurred over the years. "But ask any cowboy, the thing that hurts the most about bull riding is retiring. Once you do it that first time, you're hooked."

"I guess different people do it for different reasons, I was drawn to it because it was involved in the Western lifestyle which my family has always been involved in. What's

pretty cool about rodeo is that when you get back there, all the cowboys that are competing are there to win money, so technically they're competing against each other, but no one sees it that way. It's the cowboys against the bulls, and that's what it's all about," Baggett said.

"The comradery is awesome, the traveling, the driving, the stuff you get to see, going to the honky-tonks. It's a lifestyle that I take a lot of pride in," Baggett said.

The Statesboro Kiwanis Rodeo is an International Professional Rodeo Association event and opens its gates at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow and Saturday. Baggett is set to ride tomorrow night, but will be in attendance both days.



Crystal Riley/The George-Anne

Senior infielder **Andrea Tarashuk (5)** looks to make contact with an outside pitch in GSU's game against Mercer.

Eagles prepare for three-game road swing vs. UTC

Softball (17-20)

BY KATIE TOLBERT

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University's softball team 17-20 will be back on the road this weekend for a three-game weekend series to face off against the second place University of Tennessee at Chattanooga (21-16).

Just recently, the Eagles went 1-2 in a home weekend series against Furman University and went 2-0 against Mercer University in a home doubleheader just three days later. Now, the Eagles will be traveling to the Mocs' home field, where UTC just had a 3-0 away weekend series against Western Carolina University.

When comparing these two teams' schedules, the Eagles went 2-0 against Mercer, while the Mocs went 1-2 against Mercer. Also, both teams went 1-2 against Furman. The Mocs also perform better at home with

a 6-4 record compared to the Eagles away record of 5-6.

The edge that GSU has over the Mocs going into this game is the amount of errors committed. GSU has a total of 38 errors, while UTC has a total of 57 errors. The Eagles also have double the amount of homeruns that UTC has, but the Mocs outnumber the Eagles in both hits and runs this season.

Most of the teams GSU has come into contact with have not been able to outnumber the Eagles in strikeouts, but the Mocs come very close to the Eagles' number. This season, junior pitcher Sarah Purvis has posted 130 strikeouts and junior pitcher Allie Miles has posted 79 strikeouts. Closely behind for the Mocs sophomore pitcher Taylor Deason has posted 115 strikeouts and freshman pitcher Rachel Albritton has posted 61 strikeouts.

The Eagles will face the Mocs on Saturday in a doubleheader at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. and then again on Sunday at 1 p.m.

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FRIDAY 4.5.2013

4 - ON - 4 FLAG FOOTBALL SCHEDULES AVAILABLE

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8 P.M. MEN'S LACROSSE

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6 P.M. AND 8 P.M.

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SATURDAY

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4.7.2013

10 A.M.

SOFTBALL VS COASTAL CAROLINA

SOFTBALL FIELDS

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MONDAY

4.8.2013

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INTRO TO OUTDOOR CLIMBING

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SOLD WORKSHOP

RUSSELL UNION 2048

The Office of Student Activities and the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement will be holding a SOLD workshop each week this semester. These workshops are available for students who wish to develop their leadership skills and make the most of their college experience at Georgia Southern University. The next SOLD workshop's presenter will be Todd Deal dealing with the topic of ethics in leadership.

TUESDAY

4.9.2013

8 P.M.

BELAY CLINIC

The clinic is geared to help you gain the SA Climbing Wall Belay Certification. This certification allows you the opportunity to belay other participants, which can help you can avoid lines for belayers. Check out the Southern Adventures website to find more information

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UNPLUGGED

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WEDNESDAY 4.10.2013

8 P.M.

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