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Keel injured at App State

President breaks, dislocates
ankle, undergoes surgery

By JANNAH BOLDS

George-Anne staff

During Saturday's rivalry game against Appalachian State, the Eagles offense was forced out of bounds and into the crowd of sideline personnel, which included Georgia Southern University President Brooks Keel.

Keel was transported to East Georgia Regional Medical Center and was confirmed to have a broken and dislocated ankle by orthopedic surgeon Doctor John Hodges. With an ankle broken in two places, it was mandatory to conduct immediate surgery Sunday morning.

Arising from the stampede in pain, Keel was carted off the field to the training room and cared for by both GSU and App. State medical teams. Executive Associate to the President Marilyn Bruce received updates from Keel via telephone. "Keel said that the App. State trainers and staff were absolutely wonderful," Bruce said. "They did everything

they possibly could to treat him and make him comfortable."

Dr. Keel was released from East Georgia Regional Medical Center Monday afternoon and returned to his home in Statesboro. "Dr. Keel will have to work from home temporarily, but I'm sure he is still gung-ho to continue doing what he is doing," said Bruce.

Following the injury, Keel received moral support from many Eagle fans and supporters.

"Keel said that he and his wife, Dr. Tammie Schalue, both appreciate all the well wishes and that they have received an enormous amount of emails wishing them well," Bruce said. "He said that has meant a lot to them both," she added.

"He is the Eagles biggest fan and this has not dampened his spirit at all and he hopes to be on the sidelines again this Saturday for Homecoming," said Bruce.

Keel will have to be on crutches for the next several months but is expected to make a full recovery.



Akeem Hill/ STAFF

Georgia Southern University President Brooks Keel is carted out of Kidd Brewer Stadium on Saturday. He was present for the first defeat of the Eagles' 2011 football season. The Eagles lost 24-17 to Appalachian State.



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Monday, Oct. 24

- Officers issued four traffic citations, three traffic warnings, assisted two motorists, responded to one injured person and responded to one alarm.
- A makeup bag and three bottle of prescription drugs were taken from a vehicle in the Hanner parking lot.
- Joseph Raymond Goydish, 18, was charged with possession of a controlled substance.

Tuesday, Oct. 25

- Officers issued five traffic citations, one traffic warning, assisted seven motorists, responded to two sick persons and one injured person and investigated one accident.
- A statue was taken from the Russell Union.
- A case of harassment was reported at Centennial Place.

Wednesday, Oct. 26

- Officers issued six traffic citations, two traffic warnings, assisted seven motorists, responded to two alarms and investigated two accidents.
- A cell phone was taken from

the Information Technology Building.

- A harassing phone call was reported at the Information Technology Building.

Thursday, Oct. 27

- Officers issued five traffic citations, five traffic warnings, assisted three motorists and responded to two alarms.
- Someone reported possible drug activity near University Villas.
- An intoxicated person was reported at Eagle Village.
- An intoxicated person was reported at Southern Courtyard.
- A bicycle was damaged near the Nursing/Chemistry Building.
- A purse was taken from the Lakeside Cafe.
- Sean Christopher Lock, 18, was charged with underage possession of alcohol.
- Kadin A. Stewart, 18, was charged with underage possession of alcohol.
- Jonathan Ross Sellers, 22, was charged with pedestrian under the influence.
- A vehicle fire was reported near the Transportation Department Building.

Friday, Oct. 28

- Officers issued four traffic citations, two traffic warnings and assisted six motorists.
- A side view mirror was broken on a vehicle in the Lot 42 parking lot.

Saturday, Oct. 29

- Officers issued one traffic citation, one traffic warning and responded to one alarm.
- A domestic problem was reported at the Haunted Forest.
- A drug complaint was reported at Eagle Village.

Sunday, Oct. 30

- Officers issued one traffic citation, assisted two motorists, responded to one sick person and one alarm.
- Some prescription drugs were taken from Kennedy Hall.
- An intoxicated person was reported at Eagle Village.
- A golf cart was found in Ruby Lake.
- Bernard Seth Kramer, 22, was charged with DUI and failure to notify owner upon striking a fixture.

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Our View

Student must properly represent university

On Oct. 15, several Georgia Southern University students were escorted from the GSU versus Furman University football game for using foul and profane language in their cheers.

Immediately following this behavior exhibited by students at the game, GSU head football coach Jeff Monken wrote a letter to the George-Anne in which he said, "The vocal support of our fans is important, but we have to remember to be respectful in how it is expressed."

The behavior that was shown by GSU students was an inappropriate act of vocal support for the team.

It is understandable that these acts may have been committed with all good faith intended for support and motivation of the team that Eagle fans love, but there are different ways of voicing that support.

GSU football games are a part of a tradition that is shared with both the university and the community.

Just like students, these members of the community come and pay to see and cheer on a good game with their families and friends.

That is one reason why student fans should be more respectful in how they show their support for the team.

Upon each student's arrival to GSU, they participate in a SOAR student activity about the traditions of the university, including traditions of how to show spirit at the football games.

Instead of shouting out vulgarities, students should revert back to what they were taught upon their arrival to the university and use the various fight songs and chants that have earned their place as a part of Eagle tradition.

While cheering on a team that "feeds off the energy from their fans," Eagles should be mindful and respectful in their vocal support because they not only represent themselves but also the team, the players, the university and the community.

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Letters to the Editor

Army manual teaches more than expected

Dear Editor,

In response to the George-Anne story of Oct. 26, yes it is true that the CLASS chairs and dean are reading and discussing the "U.S. Army Leadership Field Manual."

The book presents leadership in a military context, but the principles it conveys are not unique to the military.

Instead, they are applicable to a variety of organizations and contexts, which helps to explain why the book is often used in college and university public administration and other academic programs.

David Dudley's description of our discussions, as quoted in the George-Anne story, is much how I would describe it.

We do discuss what we gain from the book, but we also discuss what does not apply and the points that diverge from our experience in an

academic context.

We commend, and we criticize.

I have found the book to be far less top-down than I expected it to be. For instance, it uses the actions of Warrant Officer Hugh Thompson, who intervened at the My Lai massacre during the Vietnam War, as an example of staying true to one's values. Thompson rescued Vietnamese civilians who were being massacred by American soldiers.

The George-Anne story did not mention that we also are reading "The College Administrator's Survival Guide", a well-regarded book aimed at leadership issues in academia.

As we are working our way through these books, I am finding that they complement each other.

The US Army book has tended to be more abstract, while The College Administrator's book has tended to be more concrete. Each has their own strengths and weaknesses, with things

to like and to dislike.

In all honesty, because of my preconceptions I did not look forward to reading the "U.S. Army Leadership Field Manual".

My personal philosophical stance is much more "dove" than "hawk", and I have published scholarly research on peace psychology.

Despite this, I have been glad to see that the book encourages readers to consider their own values, skills, and actions, and how these may be used in accomplishing goals.

In this way, I appreciate the opportunity the book has given me to consider my values, and the ideals to which I aspire. I must confess that my first impression of the book was a false one.

Instead, I have been reminded that I shouldn't judge a book by its cover or, for that matter, by its title.

Michael Nielsen
Chair, Department of Psychology

Informed voting is imperative

Voting is the backbone of an out revered political system. It is the method in which we attain public happiness and a way of making our voices heard.

I have no empathy for the non-voter who complains about political decisions. The only reason for not voting (outside of legal reasons) should be that you are not 18 or you're dead.

Political apathy is what causes our government to fail us. If we don't vote for those who we believe to be the best for the job, somebody else will vote their guy in.

People seemingly have the mindset that their one vote doesn't matter. How many other people do you think have the same mindset?

We, as individuals, cannot rely on others to voice our opinions for us! There's no reason to believe that you shouldn't vote or that your vote doesn't matter.



ROB ROBERTS

Now, of course I want everyone to vote but voting just to vote should not be allowed.

You have to be informed and know what you're voting for or you're doing the candidates, fellow citizens, your country and yourself a huge disservice. Voting uninformed is similar to not voting. You don't have to follow politics religiously, watch every debate, read every column or anything that extreme. But before voting, read up on the candidates.

Not just the main two, but all of

them. Know what you're voting for because by voting for a certain party just to oppose the other can hurt you if you don't know what your candidate stands for.

I love the feedback regarding our political columns, especially when it's negative because it shows that our readers are intelligent and instead of just reading the column that coincides with your views.

The educated few who read both columns I believe are the opinion leaders on campus.

So I leave it to you to disseminate what you read and educate your fellow students. Not everybody actively searches for information. Most are passive in my view. It's up to those who care to inspire the uninspired so we can salvage our future.

Roberts is a senior public relations major from Warner Robins, Ga.

GSU tobacco compromise needed

Last week, I took part in the survey that Georgia Southern University did about on-campus tobacco usage.

I expressed my opinion that students who choose to smoke should do it in a designated area. I am a smoker who rarely smokes on campus. Who wants to enjoy a nice Rocky Patel cigar on the way to class?

Students that smoke are engaging in a completely legal activity, assuming that they are over the age of 18.

It is their choice if they choose to smoke so they should not be completely discriminated against.

Yes, they might be discriminated for having to go to an area that may be inconvenient for them, but they are compromising for the sake of those who don't want to smell like smoke.

Others say they don't want secondhand smoke to endanger their lives. Several scientists and groups, such as the CATO Institute and the American Council of Science and Health have started to discredit the



FRITZ CHAPIN

EPA's findings that secondhand smoke is directly linked to developing lung cancer.

The EPA, according to these sources, skewed their numbers in order to reach the preconceived notion that secondhand smoke caused this awful disease and should be banned from every public place.

If this science had been properly checked and not accepted so quickly by the public and lawmakers, much of the anti-smoking legal precedence would not exist.

I also don't believe that smokeless tobacco should be touched under this new possible change. Smokeless tobacco users should not be forced to

use the new smoking areas to dip.

Many say that it's litter and makes the campus unattractive with tobacco stained brick and wads of used dip in the paths, but I haven't seen any of this.

All the smokeless tobacco users that I know are using plastic bottle "spitters" to take care of the excess saliva that accumulates during dip usage and put the used tobacco in the "spitter" when they're finished.

Just because we disagree with someone engaging in an activity that only hurts him or her doesn't mean that we should make it illegal.

We should accept that we all have different habits and needs and we should have the right to satisfy those needs as long as it doesn't hurt anyone else in the process. I'm ok with giving out the information for adults to make informed decisions with their lives, but forcing those decisions on them is just plain wrong.

Chapin is a political science major from Roswell, Ga.

Student Views on News

Taleicia Edwards

Sophomore, Fashion Merchandising Major

How do you feel about the use of profanity at football games?

I think you should be able to say what you want but everybody should know the limits. You are in public and you should know how to act as a person representing the school and your family or whomever you represent. There should be a limit but nobody should be censored because we have the right to say what we want to say.



Joshua Mackrill

Freshman, Anthropology & Biology Major

How do you feel about the new shuttle system SGA has?

In proposal to the shuttle system I think that that is a great idea because in the beginning of the semester I had my car then I got into a car accident three weeks ago so not being able to have a vehicle and being able to rent a car that means I can go to the places I need to go to off campus and the shuttle system will allow me to get some of the groceries at Wal-Mart that I need.

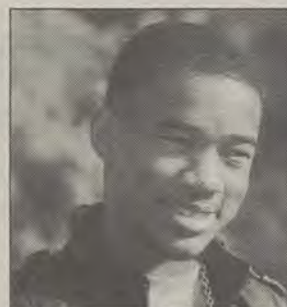


Jacobi Anderson

Sophomore, Mechanical Engineering Major

Do you feel that the rental cars were a good idea from the university and how do you feel it will impact students?

I think it's pretty good because a lot of people don't have cars and they have places to go and they have to get where they need to be. They have good prices too. A lot of people our age can't rent cars because they aren't 21 and all that. For somebody who doesn't really have a car, they will love it.



Aniqua Barksdale

Sophomore, Nursing Major

How do you feel about the new rental cars available for students?

I feel that the car rentals are a good idea because a lot of people don't stay in this area and are without a car too, so they are now able to see their family. Like me I don't have a car and I will be renting my first car next week.



Ben Fitzgerald

Sophomore, Mechanical Engineering Major

How do you feel about the new shuttle system SGA has?

I live off campus so it really wouldn't affect me but it seems like a good idea for the people that live on-campus. I have some friends that don't have cars that live on-campus and I'm always giving them rides to like Wal-Mart and stuff so it seems like a good idea.





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Guest Column

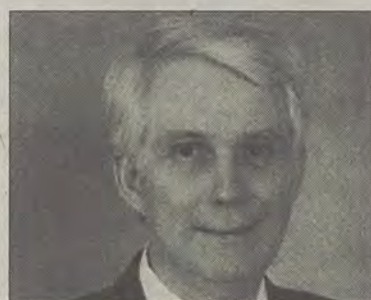
Dean's use of army manual beneficial as leadership guide

In Tuesday's article, "Faculty concerned by dean's leadership," by Editor-in-Chief Arielle Coombes, the Army's "Leadership Field Manual" is described as "authoritarian," evidently by an anonymous faculty member.

Ms. Coombes reports that "Other CLASS faculty agreed..." While there is much in the story that could be addressed, in this letter I limit my remarks to what I believe may be a mischaracterization of readings such as the "Leadership Field Manual".

Moreover, I may be able to lend a historical perspective on why the Army adapted its approach to leadership in significant ways that are now reflected in the "Leadership Field Manual".

In the introduction, Jeffrey Krames, a civilian and well known author of books on leadership and management, notes that "If, when you think of the Army, you imagine an officer standing on a perch barking



WILLIAM T. MOORE

out commands to his troops, this manual will surprise you."

This is not the Army way. Leadership is not about rank or stripes on a uniform, but about responsibility, accountability and achievement of mission.

I believe that as one reads this manual, a picture of leadership emerges that is far from the stereotypical and dated view of the U.S. military. Indeed, I would argue that the modern leadership climate in

the military is as enlightened as in any organization, and this manual reflects a major and historic change that took place as a result of experiences of the Vietnam War and its aftermath.

Clearly the military is a hierarchical organization, but leadership goes well beyond organizational structure.

During the Vietnam War, the U.S. military experienced some well-known leadership failures as it struggled with an horrific and hugely unpopular war that lasted nine years, involved over 3 million American men and women, and resulted in over 58,000 American dead, as well as the deaths of about one million Vietnamese.

Over 47,000 Americans were killed in action or died of wounds, and over 300,000 were wounded in combat. It was a dangerous place, and soldiers were asked to endure unspeakable horrors and to do

extraordinarily difficult things.

To say that this was a leadership challenge is an understatement. The soldiers were young, most "grunts" (infantrymen) being 19 or 20, and many had been drafted.

In many cases, unit-level leaders, the lieutenants and sergeants, "threw the book away" upon finding that more traditional leadership approaches did not succeed in those conditions. In several units, morale had collapsed and drug abuse and dozens of other problems had become all too common.

It was this experience, coupled with the move to an all-volunteer force that led to a complete overhaul of the leadership climate.

The "Leadership Field Manual" reflects the modern era and its emphasis on integrity, character and the empowerment of all members of an organization.

Many academic, government

and corporate leaders benefit from the approaches that were found by the Army to work best under some extreme conditions.

Though it was not mentioned in the article, it is worth noting that the dean and department chairs in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences are discussing this manual as well as The "College Administrator's Survival Guide" (Harvard University Press) by C. K. Gunsalus.

Both of these sources reflect experiences that have served to help us understand the demands of leadership.

These are challenging times in higher education, and it seems prudent for all of us to be informed by the experiences of others as we plot a course for Georgia Southern University.

Moore is the provost for Georgia Southern University.

Spice announced as violation of conduct code

By JESSIE REESE

George-Anne staff

An announcement was made yesterday by the Dean of Students Office that synthetic marijuana, commonly called spice, is now considered a violation of the Student Code of Conduct.

The announcement was sent through Georgia Southern University student email. Students in violation will now be referred to the Office of Student Conduct and will fall under sanctions similar to those of other drugs.

"These sanctions will include six months of disciplinary probation, a \$150 fine, mandated marijuana education and the potential removal from University Housing (if applicable)," according to the letter.

The letter also stated that some of the ingredients of spice are illegal and if a student is caught with them, that student will face charges.

"These substances are schedule one narcotics and those involved in the sale (or) consumption of them can be charged with a felony. Students involved with schedule one narcotics would face suspension from the university for a first offense," according to the letter.

The letter stated that the university recognizes that the substance is sold over the counter, but also listed the dangers of the drug.

"Some have reported vomiting, having tremors (or) seizures and or having a psychotic episode. Nationally, there have been hospitalizations, car accidents and suicides connected to the use of this substance," the letter stated.

Students expressed their feelings about the recent ruling and about spice in general.

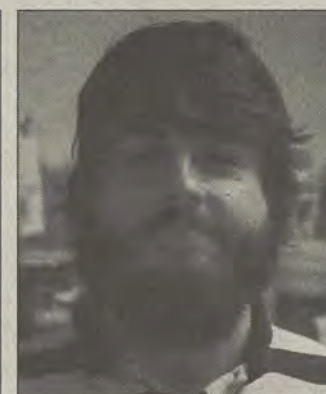
"I think it's nasty and the legal weed. I just don't think it's good for you. It is a lot of chemicals that is going to damage your brain. It's the worst invention ever made," said Christian Lewis, junior business major.



CHRISTIAN LEWIS



JEREMY HODGES



RALIEGH HETH

Lindsay Hartmann/STAFF

Students voice their opinions on spice holding the same punishment as marijuana. Each student said they think the rule is fair and that spice is a dangerous drug.

"It's just something we don't need on our campus. I have friends that tried it and it screwed them up," said Jeremy Hodges, freshman middle grade education major.

"We have a couple of friends that do it. They

just don't act the same anymore," said Lewis.

Raleigh Heth, senior history major, said, "I don't think people should be doing it anyways. I feel if it's the campus rule then you should follow it."

Search for head faculty to soon come to a close

By TAYLOR COOPER

George-Anne contributor

The College of Public Health and the Center for International Studies are close to naming a new dean and director after months of evaluating candidates.

The search for these candidates began in June of this year and are now coming to a close, said Dean of the Library, University Librarian and leader of the CPH dean search team Bede Mitchell.

"We're very close, there are just some details that need to be worked out," said Mitchell. "I wouldn't be surprised to see a formal announcement any day now."

Each college is looking for different qualities in their candidates.

"We're looking for an individual capable of energizing campus about all things international. That includes study abroad, the international studies major, attracting and taking care of international students, and making sure all Georgia Southern students are prepared to succeed in the new global

environment," said Trey Denton, director of the center of global business education and leader of the CIS director search.

"No matter what occupation GSU students choose, they're going to be greatly influenced by foreign influences, and it's this person's job to make sure that they're prepared to succeed, not just in the United States, but also in the global arena," said Denton. "So in a sense this person will help all Georgia Southern students prepare for success."

"We had eight or 10 finalists and had what you would call 'airport meetings,'" said Mitchell. "We selected three to be interviewed on campus in late August and early September."

Students shouldn't expect to be majorly affected by the new dean immediately, said Mitchell.

"I wouldn't anticipate that any dean would come in and make any radical change right away," said Mitchell.

Dr. Ted Williams, vice president of Student Affairs, said, "I am confident that the searches will turn up good candidates and that we will have the positions filled soon."

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Two arrested in relation to armed robbery

Two warrants issued for more suspects in armed robbery at The Avenue at Southern

By **LINDSAY GASKINS**

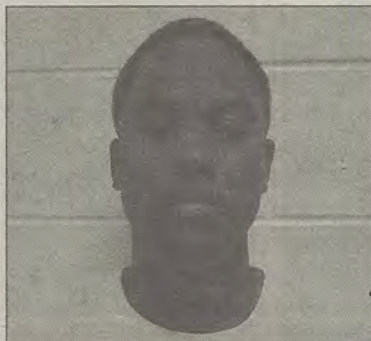
George-Anne contributor

Police responded to a report of a break-in at The Avenue at Southern apartments on Oct. 24 at approximately 6 a.m.

"Four offenders broke into the apartment, I believe it was 47, at The Avenue at Southern," said Major Scott Brunson of the Statesboro Police Department.

The victims woke to two males with handguns in their bedroom, according to the press release issued by Statesboro P.D.

"One of the victims yelled and the offenders fled the apartment on foot. The suspect's clothing and physical descriptions were issued to all patrol units searching the area," said Brunson.



SCOTTIE FRANKLIN

Two of the four suspects have been arrested, according to the press release.

Justin Gabriel Monroe, 18, was charged with one count of armed robbery, one count of burglary, one count of possession of a firearm during the commission of a crime and one count of obstruction of a



BYRON HILL

Law Enforcement officer.

Scottie Lakeith Franklin, 19, was charged with one count of armed robbery, one count of burglary and one count of possession of firearm during the commission of a crime.

Warrants for the arrests of the other two suspects have been issued, according to the press release.

Byron Claude Hill, 19, was charged with one count of armed robbery, one count of burglary, and one count of possession of firearm during the commission of a crime.

Anthony Taquan Davenport, 17, was charged with one count of armed robbery, one count of burglary, and one count of possession of firearm during the commission of a crime.

While on patrol after the break-in, Officer Justin Samples noticed a suspicious vehicle exiting the area, said Brunson.

Samples pulled over the vehicle, which was driven by Scottie Franklin, from Alpharetta, Ga., but had no reason to detain him at that time so he let the driver go after gathering his information, according to the press release.

"Officers continued to check the area on foot, investigating several footpaths that are commonly used between the apartment complexes," said Brunson.

Samples contacted one of the suspects that fit the description given running towards Copper Beech apartments. After chasing him on foot, Samples identified the suspect as Justin Gabriel Monroe at The Pointe at Southern apartments, according to the press release.

"Detectives Ben Purvis and Keith Holloway began developing leads and identifying other suspects involved with this case," said Brunson.

Anyone that has any information can anonymously call Detectives Purvis or Holloway at (912) 764-9911.

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Obama announces removal of troops from Iraq

By **AMBER GORDON**
George-Anne contributor

President Barack Obama announced on Oct. 21 that the United States will be withdrawing nearly all American troops from Iraq by the end of the year.

Obama's announcement has spurred differing opinions from students all over campus.

"I think that announcing a withdrawal is counter intuitive. It's kinda like your mother telling you when she's gonna leave and when she's gonna be back. You just wait till she leaves before you take the cookies out of the cookie jar. As soon as we leave, they (Iraq) will be right back at it," said Second Vice-Chair of the Georgia Southern University College of Republicans, Aron Randall.

"No, the timeline for

announcing the withdrawal was already set that we would remove our troops by the end of the year," said Young Democrat President Marc Silver. "The belief is that after we invade a country, we will set up a base. We'll still be able to watch them closely, but Iraq is stable now."

The war in Iraq was worth it because troops were able to help people who were being harmed, said Randall.

"My father always used to tell me that if your neighbor's house is on fire, you don't argue about how much your hose cost. You just put out the fire," said Randall. "We had a situation where we were looking for a man, and we saw an unstable region and dictatorship and regime and people being injured and hurt. It's morally responsible for the United States to stop an

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-Dane Derriso, freshman business major

injustice.”

The war wasn't worth all the people and money that was lost, said freshman business major Dane Derriso.

“Even though when you compare this war to other wars it may not seem like we lost a lot, we still lost a lot of people and a lot of money. I'm still wondering

what we gained from it,” said Derriso.

The announcement should not affect Obama's chances in the 2012 elections said both Silver and Randall.

“I think the announcement will get a neutral response from young adult voters,” said Silver. “Our troops haven't been getting

much attention in the media because right now the American people are more focused on looking for jobs.”

“No, I don't think this will attract young voters to vote for him. I feel like this will just secure his base in saying that he delivered a campaign promise. It gives him something to talk about when he stands up there and talks,” said Randall.

This announcement will allow families with a loved one in the military to know their loved one is coming home, said Derriso.

“Obviously, the rest of the family is going to be happy because their loved one isn't going to be put in harm's way anymore,” said Derriso. “After being in this war for almost nine years, I'm sure it's really relieving to not have to worry about being sent to Iraq anymore.”



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Students 'Paint the Campus Blue' for homecoming

By COURTNEY ESCHER

George-Anne contributor

Homecoming week's "Paint the Campus Blue" took over Georgia Southern University's campus yesterday afternoon.

"Paint the Campus Blue" is a competition among student organizations that allows the groups to display their school spirit through fun decorative paintings.

"Paint the Campus Blue" is a big piece of the large puzzle that is homecoming week," said homecoming coordinator and Traditions Council member Emily Salling, junior international studies major.

"Paint the Campus Blue" is the first of the noon-day activities that the Traditions Council has planned for the week.

Noon-day activities include: "Paint the Campus Blue," and "Homecoming T-shirt Swap" on Monday, "Sculpt it for the Hungry" on Tuesday, "Blood Drive" on Wednesday, and "Swampin' at the Rotunda Tailgating" on Thursday.

Noon-day activities take place from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. everyday this week and have been organized by Brittany Bullock, event coordinator and Traditions Council member.

The tradition was originally created for community members



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Mardi Gras themed paintings, like this one on the University Store's window show Eagle pride and "Let the good times SOAR!", as the homecoming theme reads.

to participate in the school spirit.

Small business owners all over Statesboro decorate their windows with GSU colors and show off their pride in the town and school they

support.

The idea came from the age old expression "paint the town red," only in this case changing the name to "Paint the Campus Blue."

In 2009 GSU's Traditions Council bought back the rights to the event and re-vamped the tradition for student organizations only.

Student organizations compete

by designing their painting and displaying it on campus.

The Traditions Council then chooses a winner based on theme, creativity and originality.

This year's theme is a Mardi Gras based slogan with a GSU twist: "Let the good times SOAR!"

"I love 'Paint the Campus Blue' because it shows Georgia Southern spirit through the eyes of the student groups," said Chance Beasley, a sophomore logistics major and Traditions Council member.

"I saw them and it looked like all of the organizations were enjoying it and having a good time," said Steven Mayfield, a Traditions Council member and senior finance major.

Throughout campus, student organizations have provided an array of paintings that show both pride and spirit of GSU and the Eagles.

Themes of football and Mardi Gras surround Gus as he dominates homecoming week and takes Statesboro by storm.

The winners of 'Paint the Campus Blue,' along with the winners of other homecoming events including the Doo-Dah Step Show and GSU Idol, will be announced during the homecoming celebration on Friday at 6:30 p.m. at Sweetheart Circle.

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GSU IDOL

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GSU Idol final contestants will take the Ballroom stage

By JULIA WELCH

George-Anne staff

Contestants in the annual installment of GSU Idol are warming up their vocals in preparation to compete in tomorrow's show.

The contestants have been putting much time and effort inside and outside of practice for the show.

"It's a lot of time commitment but it's all worth it. It's going to make homecoming week a lot more fun," said Emily Pacitti, sophomore marketing major and contestant in this year's competition.

Contestants have been practicing two times a week for the past two weeks.

Even though they are all competing for the title of 2011 GSU Idol, competitors are making the most out of the experience.

"The chemistry between all of us is awesome and we all feed off each other's confidence. It's a friendly competition and we're having a great time," said Pacitti.

Contestant Jasmine Pollard, sophomore communication arts major, also feels that the competition is a friendly one.

"We have a lot of fun. It's a good support system and we give each other good feedback."

Pollard competed in last year's show and came in second place behind Lauren-Ashley Redmond.

Redmond, who recently received a record contract, has opened for country artist and GSU alumni, Luke Bryan.

Pollard is enjoying her second time around and thinks there is great talent and competition for this year's show.

"I think there's pressure for me personally since I was in last year's show. I'm anxious, excited and ready to compete," said Pollard.

The show will feature a wide variety of

singing styles.

"It will be an interesting group of people to watch," said senior business marketing major and contestant, Lauren Hagan. "It's a good mix of people. Some are blues and some are country."

Although styles of music are different, an equal amount of talent remains among the participants.

"We were all blown away on the first day we had to sing in front of each other," said Pacitti. "Everyone is so good."

Most competitors in the show have been singing for a number of years, said Pacitti. Pacitti, Pollard and Hagan have all been signing since their childhood.

Together, the contestants will perform an opening number for the audience just like on American Idol.

Each contestant will then sing a two-minute song of his or her choice.

The judges will narrow the competition down to a top five selection of contestants to compete in the final round.

The audience will have the ability to then vote for the top three, who will each sing an Adele song.

Contestants encourage their peers to attend the Idol competition for the entertainment and to help boost the amount of funds for charity.

"It will be a fun event to come to during homecoming week," said Hagan. "It's just like the real American Idol and students have a say in who wins."

The GSU Idol competition will take place tomorrow, Nov. 2, at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union ballroom and will run until all the votes are in and the winner is announced.

Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door. All proceeds will go toward Statesboro's

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Rotunda 11am-2pm
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Characters take over the University costume contest

By JAZMIN DAVIS and
QUANIQUA EPPS

George-Anne staff

Students dressed as infamous childhood characters such as Pikachu, Darth Vader, and Mario and Luigi were spotted on campus yesterday as the Georgia Southern University store hosted their Halloween costume contest.

Although the costumes differ every year, the Halloween costume contest is no stranger to GSU. In fact the contest has been an annual event for the past 20 years.

"This year [the contest] has been really good. Last year, there was little participation, but this time, the contest has been very well received by not only students, but from faculty and staff as well," said costume contest head Holly Berry who serves as senior buyer at the University Store.

Becoming a part of the contest was very simple, all participants had to do was dress up and go to the university store with their costumes on. Inside of the University Store, the staff welcomed all participants and took pictures of them in their costumes.

The individuals with the best costumes will be awarded gift cards to the University Store.

The gift cards range from 100, 50, and 25 dollar increments for students and 50 and 25 dollar increments for faculty and staff members.

The winners will be announced on this Friday on both the University Store's website and Facebook page.

Although the prize served as an incentive for students to dress up, many did it purely for the fun of the holiday.

"It's a chance to dress up and have an escape from everyday life," said sophomore marketing major Devan Ware, who dressed as a Crossroads Demon.

Students were original in coming up with the concepts for their costumes.



Lindsay Hartmann/STAFF

Right: Shelby Freund, Leann Luckett, Bridget Lee, and Holly Berry, employees at the University Store got involved in the event with students. **Top Left:** Becki Akins, budget analyst for the Continuing Education department was a flashing grandma. **Bottom Left:** Junior Katie Floyd, exercise science and athletic training major rode into the contest on her inflatable pony.

Some dressed up as a group with their friends and others dressed as individuals.

Freshman pre-nursing major, who dressed as the Cheshire Cat

from "Alice in Wonderland",

Sophia Reuter said, "I decided to be the Cheshire Cat because my friend is the queen of hearts from "Alice in Wonderland" and her

mad hatter ran out on her."

Berry participated in the excitement of costume creating when she got the idea of her vampire costume from her daughter who

also dressed up as a vampire.

Photos of all the contestants will also be posted on the Facebook page for everyone's viewing enjoyment.

Surprises jump out at every turn on the Haunted Forest trail

By **COURTNEY ESCHER**

George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University's scariest charity event, the Haunted Forest, was held last week at Paulson Stadium.

The forest was divided into six sections of terror, each organized by a different non-profit group: the Boys and Girls Club of Bulloch County, GSU's Gay Straight Alliance, Center for Addiction and Recovery, a local women's half-way house, local zombie enthusiasts and a local men's half-way house.

Volunteers from each of the groups, along with random volunteers came together to create a thrilling and scary experience for all who dared to enter.

The first section contained dark, menacing figures in masks (much like the Death Eaters from the Harry Potter series) that terrified the groups of thrill seekers over a bridge and into the next section.

Claire Torell, a freshman English major, said, "The people in the first section wanted to kill me. I could feel it."

Next, groups found themselves in a rogue insane asylum, filled with mentally deranged patients leaving them to question their own sanity and sanctity.

Junior psychology major and GSA member volunteer in this section, Jay O'Shields said, "Seeing the giant men you hear about and make fun of on Eagle Alerts screaming like



Lindsay Hartmann/ STAFF

Screams echoed from the Haunted Forest trail as creepy zombies and China dolls mess with students' minds.

babies is the best part."

Groups then found themselves surrounded by disease in a quarantined contagion section put on by the Center for Addiction and Recovery.

After running away from disease groups ran into a China Doll tea party gone wrong.

Groups were bombarded by psychotic dolls and pushed to their breaking point.

Josh Wallis, a sophomore public relations major said, "I liked how well done the themes were in the doll section, it's like every Disney princess had gone mad."

There were interactive parts to the trail also.

"The wet noodles they threw on us got in my hair and really freaked me out," said Jodie Boyette, a junior English major.

"I hated the webs in the doll

section, it was like constantly walking through a spider web and it was really creepy," said senior general studies major, Michael Hendley.

Next, brain thirsty zombies with chains greeted the groups.

"The chains were the creepiest part of that whole thing," said senior health education major, Monica McKenzie. "It's like you don't want to go forward because you don't know what will happen next and you don't

want to go back because you can remember how scary that was."

There were only minor accidents.

"The zombies are really creepy, that's usually where people pee," said Emily Eisenhart Moore, director of the Center for Addiction and Recovery.

Finally, groups were lured to the end: a circus. Clowns came from every corner with a maniacal laugh and deranged look in their eye. At the end of the forest, a surprise came from behind and rushed the groups out with a chainsaw.

"The surprise ending really got to me," said Corey Cormier, a second year graduate student majoring in psychology. "I was sweating the whole time."

Moore, and the Haunted Forest workers designed and planned the event months in advance. According to Moore, it takes over 100 volunteers each night to make the forest possible.

"I love hearing the screams and watching all of the volunteers have fun," said Moore.

"I was impressed," said haunted house enthusiast and junior fashion design major, Amanda Cook.

"There were random people grabbing me for protection the whole time," said Charlie Reyes, senior exercise science major.

"I'm going to go change my underwear now," said Brandon Muggy, senior theater major.

The scaring will continue next year in this new GSU tradition.

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By Sarah Dixon, PR/Marketing Intern

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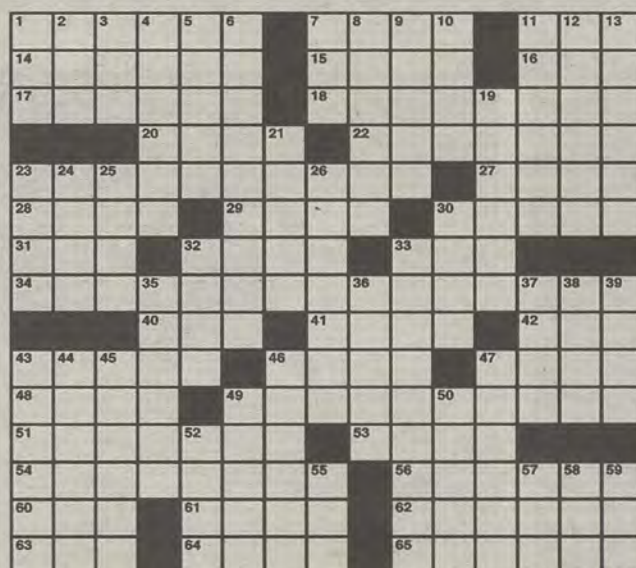
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- 7 Beggar's request
- 11 T-shirt sizes, for short
- 14 Bow user
- 15 Homebuyer's request
- 16 "Bali" _____
- 17 "Great" Russian emperor
- 18 Missing someone special
- 20 Modern recording device
- 22 "Now, listen to me ..."
- 23 Start of a fictional sea shanty
- 27 Flair
- 28 "Was _____ forward?"
- 29 Have on
- 30 Enjoys the shallows
- 31 Duke U.'s conference
- 32 Jib or spinnaker
- 33 Flab
- 34 '80s-'90s ABC drama
- 40 Time workers, briefly
- 41 Topsoil
- 42 Not worth a _____
- 43 Doorposts
- 46 Male swine
- 47 Poetic black
- 48 Layer between the sclera and retina
- 49 Quick nap
- 51 Interrupt
- 53 Adam's second
- 54 Competitive look
- 56 Black Sea port
- 60 Before, in an ode
- 61 Country south of Iran
- 62 Discrimination based on years
- 63 Damascus is its cap.
- 64 Divisions in 65-Across
- 65 Where one hears the starts of 18-, 23-, 34-, 49- and 54-Across

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- 1 Oozy tree output
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By Todd Gross

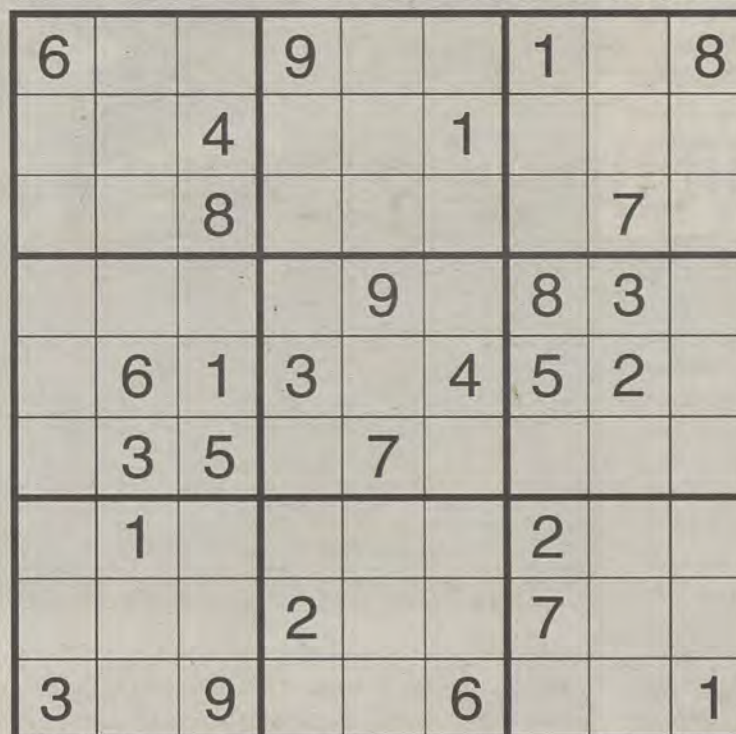
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- 4 Inner city area
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- 8 Not so tight
- 9 Expert
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- 12 Gordon of "Oklahoma!" (1955)
- 13 Notes similarities (to)
- 19 Blade cover
- 21 "_____ the loneliest number": old song lyric
- 23 Italian automaker
- 24 Skin irritation
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- 26 Unpleasant smell
- 30 Measure of power
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- 44 Zoo section
- 45 German physician from whose name a spellbinding word evolved
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- 52 Sci-fi subjects
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Eagles rocked by Mountaineers in Boone

Football

By JAMES FARMER

The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University football team lost its first game of the season Saturday at Appalachian State University by a margin of 24-17.

"It stings a little bit, actually it stings a lot just to be honest, it stings a lot but you just got to learn from it," said Laron Scott.

After Scott picked off Jamal Jackson and returned it to the App. State nine-yard line with 5:28 left in the game, the Eagles looked like they would at least tie the game. However, the Mountaineers surrendered no yards on the ensuing Eagles' possession and received the ball after GSU ran out of downs.

"We weren't getting much movement, we weren't doing a very good job on blocking on the perimeter, we just weren't making plays," said head coach Jeff Monken.

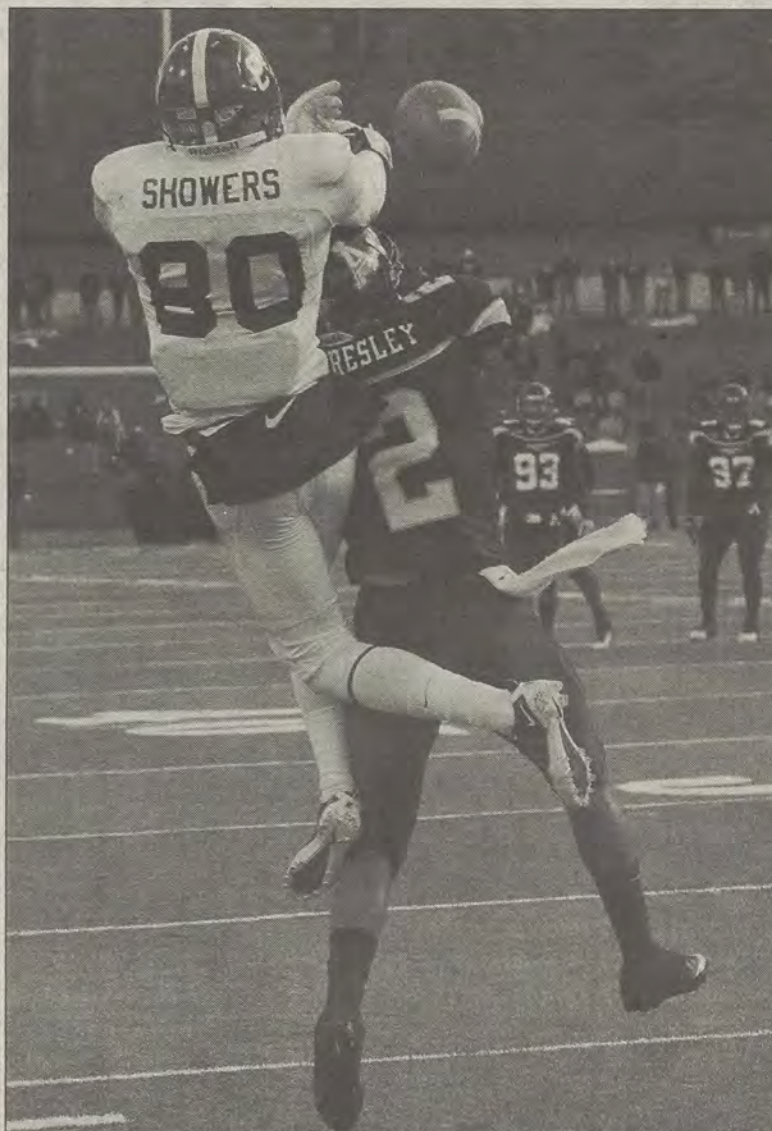
Offensively, the Eagles could not find an answer for the speed and strength of the Mountaineer defense. The Eagles were stopped within their own 10-yard line twice in the second half, and only gained 201 yards in the game. In comparison, the Eagles averaged 369 yards rushing per game coming into the game.

"I'll say we struggled, that's a pretty good description, but credit Appalachian State, that has a lot to do with them and the job that they did," said Monken.

The Eagles' longest rush of the day was 12 yards, after the team posted at least one rush of 20 or more yards in each of its first seven games.

"They moved pretty well on defense, no doubt," said Robert Brown. "They kind of clogged up our holes so we weren't able to make the bigger plays we usually make."

"App. State had a good defense, offense we had some errors we had to fix, we couldn't fix what we needed to fix, App. State made



Akeem Hill/STAFF

Above: Kentrellis Showers (80) make a play on a Jaybo Shaw pass.

Top Right: Johnathan Bryant (23) rushes around the left side of his line.

Bottom Right: Michael Butler (40) wraps up against a App. State ball carrier.



plays," said Jerick McKinnon.

The passing game, a hidden strength for GSU coming into the game, couldn't muster any success. The Eagles finished 4-11 passing and threw their first two picks of the season.

Defensively, the Eagles rebounded from a rough first half to give the offense a chance to win the game. After surrendering 17 first half points, the defense allowed one touchdown and less than 100 yards

in the second half.

"The coaches made some good calls, and we all fit together, we're a team," said Russell.

As it has been all season, the special teams unit played extremely well. Darreion Robinson returned a punt for a touchdown, Scott returned a kickoff 78 yards to the App. State 20 yard line, Charlie Edwards pinned the Mountaineer offense within its own five yard line in the second half and Adrian Mora continued his streak of

made field goals and extra points.

"Two great returns, Laron had a great return on the kickoff that set up points and then just a remarkable performance by Darreion on that punt return for a touchdown," said Monken. "I wish we could have matched that intensity and efforts in other areas."

The loss was GSU's second in its last 15 games, and the second straight loss that the Eagles have suffered in cold weather games.

"It's one thing we can't control, is the weather. We can control what time we play and where we play at, but we can't control the weather," said Russell.

The loss will add another chapter in the historic rivalry between the two most dominate teams in the Southern Conference since 1993, when the Eagles joined the conference. For the second straight year, the No.1 team in the FCS was unable to survive this rivalry game.

Eagles battle the elements at App State



Akeem Hill/STAFF

Cornerback Laron Scott (34) returns an interception to the App. State nine-yard line.

Football

By **DERREK ASBERRY**

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For the Georgia Southern University Eagles, Saturday was a test in many aspects.

It was a test against their longtime rivals, the Appalachian State University Mountaineers, who served as a legitimate FCS top-10 opponent for the Eagles. It was a test of maturity, to see if the Eagles could successfully defend the pass against quarterback Jamal Jackson, who has been improving each game.

Saturday, in Boone, N.C., the Eagles also faced a test of weather. So far this season, the team has played against Samford University in Alabama, and Elon University, which is also in North Carolina. The temperature has rarely dropped below 60 degrees at game time for the Eagles this season.

After practicing all week in an average

high of 78 degrees and an average low of 46 degrees, the Eagles started the first drive of the game in Kidd Brewer Stadium facing not only the No.5 team in the nation, but a temperature of 39 degrees with a wind chill of 29 degrees.

"Football players play in any weather," said Eagle running back Robert Brown. "Big plays get made regardless of what the weather may be."

While the Eagles refuse to make excuses for their first loss of the season, their last two losses came against App. State and University of Delaware. Both of these games were in cold weather situations. However, the team is confident that cold atmospheres will not affect their game.

"We just have to play," said cornerback Laron Scott. "No matter whether it's cold or hot, playing hard can be done in any weather. So we really try not to pay too much attention to it and just focus on the game."

GSU manages to keep game close after tough first half

Football

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The Georgia Southern University Eagles may have suffered their first loss of the season, but even the loss came with a bit of good news.

The Appalachian State University Mountaineers are the first top-10 team GSU has faced this year. By getting back into the game and keeping the score close, GSU proved that they could contend with the elite talent in the Football Championship Subdivision.

Saturday's game against App. State proved to be their biggest challenge of the season. The 24-17 final score shows who won, however, it does not show that GSU was down 17-3 at halftime or that it took second half heroics to pull the team back into the game.

"It was the coaching staff and playing our assignments," said defensive lineman Brent Russell. "The coaches made some good calls and we all fit together. We're a team."

After giving up 17 points in the first half, the defense came back out and held the Mountaineers scoreless in the third quarter,

and only allowed seven points in the fourth quarter.

After Darreion Robinson returned a punt for a touchdown, the defensive effort continued when cornerback Laron Scott got a key interception late in the game.

"Coach definitely told us that it wasn't over," said Scott. "We're never down about the score in the first half because we get another 30 minutes of football. We try to motivate each other and try to keep going."

The offense also stepped up in the second half to keep the Eagles in the game as viable contenders.

After being held to an Adrian Mora field goal in the first half, quarterback Jaybo Shaw threw for 59 yards on just two passes in the third quarter. A-back J.J. Wilcox also broke through in the third quarter by scoring GSU's first touchdown of the game.

All-purpose back Jerick McKinnon also stepped up, gaining 20 rushing yards in the third, and catching a key pass from Shaw on third down to keep the touchdown-scoring drive alive.

"The coaches challenged us at halftime to turn things around," said McKinnon. "We did our best to fight as hard as we can. We just have to bounce back from this loss and look forward to Citadel next week."



Akeem Hill/STAFF

A-back Jerick McKinnon (1) tries to break free from a tough Mountaineer defense.

Shaw directs offense

Football

By **CLINTON HINELY**

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The Georgia Southern University football team looks to a veteran quarterback and a proven leader to continue the strong start to the season.

Senior Jaybo Shaw has adjusted and taken control of a championship-contending team after he transferred from the Georgia Institute of Technology two years ago. He stepped into a starting role and was able to lead a young team to a semi-final playoff run. This season Shaw leads the team in total offense. He has 330 rushing yards and 817 passing yards, with seven touchdowns on the ground and five through the air.

Shaw learned early that the quarterback position is considered one of the most challenging positions in football.

"I started playing around the fifth or sixth grade," said Shaw. "I've always been around it, my dad has always been a high school football coach. Both my parents — they raised me the right way and I'm very blessed to have them."

In a short time and with the pressures of leading a top-ranked team, Shaw has been able to adjust and thrive with the leadership opportunity he has been given.

"It's my job, being an upperclassmen and the starting quarterback, to be a role model for the younger guys and try to show them the ropes," said Shaw.

Last season started off slow for the Eagles, but that could have been expected with the players learning a new system. The thrilling 21-14 overtime win versus Appalachian State University was considered a turning point and a motivator for the deep playoff run. This has carried over to the team's preseason ranking and great start to this season.

"It's just more experience



Randy Hudgins/STAFF

Jaybo Shaw (14) leads the Eagles for his last year of collegiate football.

and the more reps you do with anything, the more comfortable you will be," said Shaw. "We worked really hard in the spring and in the summer and are trying to continue that success."

Even with a loss this past weekend to App State, all of the Eagles' season goals are still accomplishable. The team however must take each game as the biggest game of the season to not get overconfident and to be prepared at all times.

"We need to play for each other,

play with great effort and always play hard each and every play," said Shaw. "We need to take care of the football and do the little things right."

With a deep playoff run under his belt, Shaw could have the tools and the experience to lead a team to a conference title and even a national championship.

It takes a whole team to be successful, but a veteran quarterback that can handle tough situations could prove vital this year for the Eagles.

Eagles drop in polls

Football

By **JAMES FARMER**

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The Georgia Southern University football team fell four spots in the latest Sports Network polls after its loss to Appalachian State University on Saturday to No. 5. The Eagles also dropped in the coaches' poll to number four, but still received four first place votes.

"We're still in the hunt for a SoCon championship, fortunately everyone in the league has at least one loss," said head coach Jeff Monken. "The only way we're going to stay in the hunt is by winning next week."

App. State moved up in the polls after Saturday's win, climbing from No. 5 to No. 3 in both the Coaches' and Sports

Network polls, and gaining first place votes in both polls as well.

North Dakota State at 8-0 is the new top ranked team in the nation, as well as one of the two remaining undefeated FCS squads.

Montana State is ranked No. 2 with an 8-1 record, and the only other undefeated team at this division, Sam Houston State, is ranked No. 4.

GSU is ranked lower than No. 1 for the first time in six weeks and will look to improve its rankings on Saturday at home versus The Citadel Bulldogs, who come into the game with a 4-4 record.

The Eagles also need one more win to become playoff eligible due to their win versus Division II Tusculum, but must beat The Citadel, No. 8 Wofford, or the current FBS No. 2 University of Alabama to achieve that goal.

FCS TOP 5 RANKINGS

- 1  North Dakota State University (8-0)
- 2  Montana State University (8-1)
- 3  Appalachian State University (6-2)
- 4  Georgia Southern University (7-1)
- 5  Sam Houston State University (8-0)

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Lacrosse defeats Georgia State at home

Lacrosse

By OLIVIA CLEMENTS

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Georgia Southern University men's club lacrosse team faced off against Georgia State University Sunday, Oct. 3, at home for its first game of the fall preseason. The Eagles beat the Panthers 15-4.

Three of the Panthers' goals were scored within minutes of the start of the first half. The Eagles' responded by focusing on ball movement down the field instead of rushing to take shots on goal.

Eagle goalie Marty Weathers saved nine of the 13 attempted shots on cage.

Leading scorers for the Eagles include Jullian Gonzalez, Sean Goynes and Carson Spung.

Gonzalez led the Eagle offense, scoring five goals. Goynes scored three goals and assisted two more. Trent Turner contributed with three



The club lacrosse team lines up face-to-face with its opponents from Georgia State before the match begins.

Photo courtesy of Lee Goynes

assists throughout the game.

Goynes attributes successful midfield ball control to utilizing the players in rotation.

"We have four pretty solid lines of middies that rotate throughout the game," he said.

The players are ready to face the

competition that lies ahead for their official spring season.

"I'm excited to see the competition and where we stand. I feel, honestly, we have the talent. If we put the work in, we stand a chance against any team we play," said Gonzalez.

Head coach Owen Nix is confident in the ability of the team this year.

"We've never really had the depth that we have this year," he said.

Defensive player Daniel Rocker brings a lot of experience to the

Eagles' roster this year. Rocker is a graduate student at GSU who has played four years of D1 college lacrosse at Hood College in Fredrick, Maryland.

Rocker was encouraged to play lacrosse for GSU by a fellow student and was excited to take on the responsibility.

"I have one year of eligibility left and I want to use it," said Rocker.

Although the style of lacrosse played in the south differs greatly from the pace played in the northeastern states, coach Nix is thankful for the insight Rocker shares with the team during practices.

"It really helps out to have him on our team and I'm glad he came out," said Nix.

The GSU lacrosse team will be hosting its final game of the fall preseason against Georgia College and State University at the RAC lacrosse field behind the Alumni center Nov. 6 at 3 p.m.

GSU beats Citadel on Senior Day

Volleyball

By KEVIN GREGAN

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The Georgia Southern University volleyball team responded to their loss to College of Charleston with a 3-0 sweep against the Citadel in their last home match of the season on Saturday.

After the loss to the College of Charleston, the Eagles picked each other up and played to win on Saturday, the team's seniors said.

The match against Citadel was special for the Eagles as they honored seniors Bethany Sanford, Hannah Nelson, Hayli Ketner and Parker Small. These self-prescribed sisters led their team to victory, while senior and assistant coach Lauren Claybaugh, who was also honored, called plays and cheered for her team.

A loud and frenzied crowd of 638 shook the roof of Hanner Fieldhouse as the Eagles displayed dominance early in the match with a 25-20 win in the first set, and a 25-16 win in the second set.

In the third set, the Citadel came out of the locker room with a lot of energy and GSU fell behind early. After a brief timeout, the Eagles fought back and tied the match with the 18th point of the set.

"Coach told us to play like the champions that we are," said Sanford.

From that point on, the fans went crazy and the Eagles were poised to finish the set off with a win. The Citadel made it a close match until senior Parker Small came in and provided the match-winning kill to settle the score for the set at 25-23.

"It's good to come in the game and do what was needed to be done. I always appreciate any time I can get

into the game, and helping my team win makes it even better," said Small.

Sanford, ranked third in Georgia Southern history for kills, provided her ninth double-double of the season with 11 kills and 12 digs.

"It humbled us a little bit, it makes us hungry for a win and it's good to know that we can get back up after falling down like that," Sanford said as she was reflecting on the loss to the College of Charleston.

The Eagles have four more Southern Conference matches on the road to finish off the regular season.

Along the way, the team plans to work on serving, improving their hitting percentage and reducing their errors in order to be prepared for the Southern Conference Tournament.

"We haven't had the season that we were hoping for, so we're going into the tournament looking to prove ourselves and I think a lot of teams

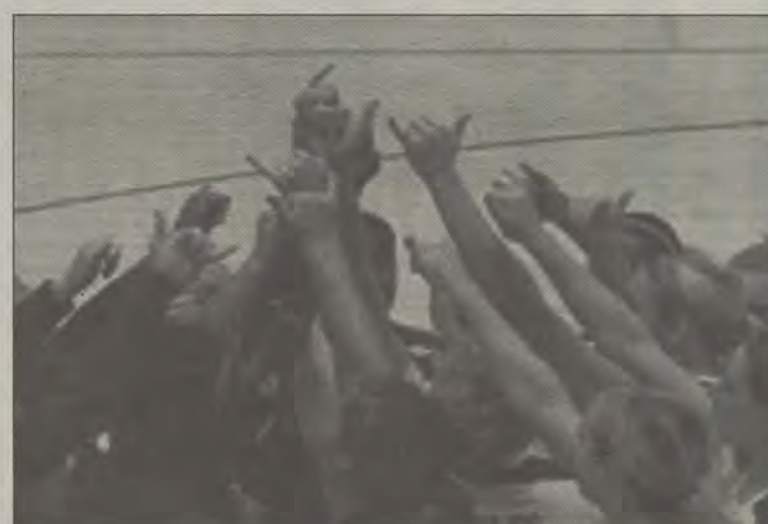


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The volleyball team celebrates its victory over Citadel on Senior Day.

might underestimate us," said Nelson.

The team is not satisfied with their 15-13 record this season, but are optimistic that the best is yet to come.

"We haven't peaked yet, and we're almost there," said Sanford. "We will be able to go to the SoCon Tournament to give teams our best match."

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