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Governor Deal to come to GSU

BY JESSIE REESE
The George-Anne staff

Governor Nathan Deal will be visiting Georgia Southern University to sign legislation into law tomorrow at 11:30 a.m. in front of the Marvin Pittman Administration Building.

“(Deal’s visit) is very historic, very important. Anytime you have the governor on campus it’s way cool,” President Brooks Keel said.

This signing will be the first official signing of legislation at GSU in many years, Keel said.

“The Governor’s visit is part of a statewide workforce development tour,” according to a press release.

“Governor Deal is going across the state to sign bills into legislation that affect this area. So, he thought this was a good place to do it. It’s a beautiful campus and he likes to be on campus, and we are just really pleased that he chose us,” Keel said.

Parts of Sweetheart Circle will be closed according to the Dean of Students Office.

Keel said, “We hope we’ll have a good turnout. It is very exciting having him here.”

‘Best Bunz in the ‘Boro’
New restaurant comes to Statesboro

BY TAYLOR COOPER
The George-Anne staff

Bunz, formerly the End Zone located on Chandler Road, has been awarded an alcohol license but will not be fully open until early fall.

“Bunz is a sports restaurant. What we’re looking at is getting the same classification as Hooters. We want to be known for very good food, good service and attractive wait staff,” Reginald Mosley, owner of Bunz, said.

“We’ll be serving a basic menu of chicken wings, chicken strips, hamburgers, hot dogs and bar-b-que,” Mosley said.

“We want to make it so different school organizations can have events here. We’ll make the facilities available to all genres of music. Not only will it be a sports restaurant, but it will be available to any organization,” Mosley said.

“We’ll be fully ready to open in the fall from a sports restaurant standpoint. We’ll host some events before school gets out,” Mosley said.

“I want to help out the athletes. During football season, we may bring on baseball and basketball players to help with delivery and during the spring have football players,” Mosley said.

Mosley graduated from Georgia Southern University in 1980 and wanted to make the restaurant a gathering place for the student community.

“It will open up the opportunity for... See BUNZ, page 9
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• Officers issued five traffic citations, nine traffic warnings, assisted three motorists, responded to one sick person call, responded to two alarms and investigated three accidents.
• A floor mat was taken from Chick-fil-A in the Russell Union.
• A phone charger and a scarf were taken from Kennedy Hall.
• A wallet was taken from the RAC.

Tuesday, April 17
• Officers issued six traffic citations and assisted four motorists.
• John Stewart Eastham, 24, was charged with possession of a weapon in a school safety zone and reckless conduct. A resident of University Villas reported finding a bullet in his apartment. Subsequent investigation revealed that the resident of the adjacent apartment accidentally discharged a weapon sending the bullet through the common wall of the apartments. Officers arrested the above offender at the scene. The weapon and ammunition were recovered and seized. No one was injured. A resident of Watson Hall reported the theft of an X-box game from the commons area.
• A student reported a credit card missing from the Forest Drive Bldg. Someone has used the card twice at local businesses.
• A set of keys were found at the Carroll Building.
• An iPhone was reported stolen from the RAC.

Wednesday, April 18
• Officers issued two traffic citations, eight traffic warnings and assisted one motorist.
• A drug complaint was reported at Centennial Place.
• A book bag and a gym bag were taken from Centennial Place.
• A vehicle was keyed at Watson Hall.

Thursday, April 19
• Officers issued eight warnings, seven citations, assisted six motorists and worked two accidents.
• Zachary Darrell Floyd, 21, was charged with possession of a weapon in a school safety zone and reckless conduct.
• A drug complaint was reported at Southern Pines.

Friday, April 20
• Officers issued six traffic citations, five traffic warnings, assisted three motorists, responded to one sick person call and one injured person call, responded to one alarm and investigated one accident.

Saturday, April 21
• Officers issued three traffic warnings, assisted four motorists, responded to two alarms and investigated one accident.
• An alcohol violation was reported at Kennedy Hall.
• A case of harassment was reported at Eagle Village.
• A window was broken at Eagle Village.
• A door was damaged at Eagle Village.

Sunday, April 22
• Officers issued four traffic citations, nine traffic warnings, assisted two motorists, responded to two alarms and investigated one accident.
• A domestic dispute was reported at University Villas.
• A vehicle was keyed at Watson Hall.
• A window was broken at University Park.
• A door was damaged at the Child Development Center.
• A set of keys were taken from the RAC.

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Our View

Students’ security is a top priority

On The George-Anne’s website last week, an online exclusive story reported on the current state of security surveillance in Georgia Southern University’s parking lots.

Less than half of the 53 parking lots on campus have security cameras installed. Currently, cameras are installed where they are most useful.

We believe that the safety and wellbeing of students needs to be a top priority. We understand the budgetary restrictions that have hindered the installation of more cameras, but student safety needs to remain a top priority when the budget is being organized.

One of the top benefits of having security in every parking lot is the safety of students coming to and from campus late when lots are less crowded, especially after dark.

More thorough video surveillance would also be beneficial to parking enforcement, helping students and GSU’s Parking and Transportation settle any potential disputes over tickets and fines.

It would further help students and law enforcement track down any damage caused to parked cars if the perpetrator leaves the scene. Students can see who put that dent in their car and ran off.

The top priority of student safety should be reflected in the budget in the form of effective security surveillance.

Opinion column trumps news?

So, The George-Anne stirred up some controversy last week, huh?

As most of you read in “Beware the GTSNP virus,” Courtney Escher does not like leggings and large T-shirts. Her opinion caused an Internet buzz at Georgia Southern University — not to the lengths of the bus fire, but still — of students’ outrage over the satirical way she handled her critique of the trend.

To get a look at some of this outrage, check out the Letters to the Editor that span the next few pages.

I understand the anger here. Some of you feel insulted. I’m glad you’re speaking out and expressing your concern. Just as we encourage staff members like Escher to voice their opinions, we encourage GSU to respond.

The Opinions section of the paper is meant for just that — discussion. Its purpose is to incite debate about topics that influence our campus. If you agree with our columnists, that’s great. If not, we’re a staff that loves debate and free speech, so let us know. Note — the Opinions section does not house news coverage, as some students confused it as doing.

The George-Anne staff is a group of students who go to class and live life just like you. We come to work every day and we debate coverage of issues based on what we think you want. In the edition in question, there were three major stories that these reporters worked hard to cover.

Tuition is increasing, the spring concert was previewed and GSU’s football stadium expansion plans were covered.

But, the big news of the day was a fashion column.

Do you guys really care about your leggings more than your money?

These major news events warrant so much of your attention, but only a few students responded to these stories. Is that really where our priorities need to be?

Combes is a writing and linguistics major from Covington, Ga.
Dear Editor,

Courtney Escher, I require your full attention. There is a sickness pervading the campus of Georgia Southern University, particularly the writers of The George-Anne.

It has been identified by the CDC (Concerned Discourse Committee) as the Pretentious Offensive Writers syndrome (POWs).

Symptoms of the virus include, but are not limited to, females writing in papers degrading a large majority of college students with little position to defend themselves and straw-manning them into defenseless corners with name calling and sarcasm.

This disease is spreading through mediums such as intellectual snobbery, infecting mostly angry and reclusive writers and their closest associates in humanities majors.

Its pathogens target weaker-minded and weaker-willed women via conceited rhetoric and offensive journalism.

How may one protect oneself from such a harmful infection? Take precaution in their sesquipedalism; that is to say, extensive diction and vocabulary leave their large brains and small hearts, so guard yourselves in the truth that even the most arrogant must excrete food wastes, just like the rest of us.

First, you will notice the squinted forehead and lifted chin. To the sky they gaze with an overly insensitive scrutinizing of the upper brow.

As a child turns its head from food, so these infected writers turn their head from humility. This is to show their intellectual superiority and criticism. They have knowledge, don’t you know, but not a heart to guide it.

Then, you will notice their intrinsic weakness when it comes to orating face-to-face.

One may entreat the rhetoric to acknowledge her baseless values in public, as it were, but it is a confrontation in vain, for writers are writers because they cannot “flap their jaws open,” to use their language, anywhere but behind a computer screen.

Next, you may see timidity after

During my Georgia Southern career, I did notice The George-Anne to release articles that were not well edited or spell checked, but I never thought I would see this type of article be published.

I am going to assume that this article may have been written with a great deal of satire and possible sarcasm, but neither of these are expected to be understood through the readers perspective.

Not to say that your readers are not intelligent, but they would not take something like this humorously, especially if they are not able to read it in the tone of the writer.

Furthermore, if you were to replace the words ‘girl’ with ‘African-American Athlete’ and possibly make a few other changes, your article would be extremely racist.

In conclusion, I find that your article released was very oppressive and extremely offensive.

I advise you remove the writer of the article from your staff and no longer use what seems to be blog-like writing to fill your opinion columns.

In a world of presidential elections, a rough job market for college students, increasing college student debt and an ever so expanding university, was not there something else that could not have been contributed?

Sincerely,

Herbert Rutledge Boykin
Georgia Southern University alumni
Spring 2011

“Personally, I would take down this article from your website, remove it from your records and destroy every copy.”

- Herbert Rutledge Boykin
GSU alumni
Dear Editor,

To the article published on April 19, 2012, “Beware the GTSNP virus,” I have a few things I would like to say toward this piece of “journalism.” I fully understand that this was an opinion piece, yet opinion pieces are supposed to have some sort of reason behind them and I have yet to see the reason behind this one. This piece did nothing more than attack a certain population of Georgia Southern University, which is completely unnecessary.

I would first like to point out that there is a spelling error in the headline. If The George-Anne is going to publish an article condemning a large majority of students in a condescending and sarcastic nature, they should have the decency to amend careless errors committed by the author.

Secondly, I am one of the females with the “GTSNP virus,” as it is being called, and I am not in a sorority.

Now, it is shown that in the Georgia Public School System that out of incoming freshmen, only one in six students (24 percent) graduate in four years. The normal time frame is now six years as is stated in the Atlanta Journal Constitution on March 7, 2012.

To graduate in four years would have to mean that you are somewhat smart, right? After this being said, the aforementioned article stated, and I quote, “Symptoms of the virus include females wearing giant T-shirts and a form of non-pants and usually include severe cerebral malfunctioning, or stupidity.”

So, since I am a female and wear giant T-shirts along with the form of non-pants, I must be stupid, according to the article. I would like to point out that I am a senior recreation major with an emphasis in community leisure services and a public relations minor and I am graduating in four years with a 3.0 GPA, as well as already having an internship lined up for post-graduation.

I also know many other students exactly like me that are graduating or have graduated already. So, if that is the definition of stupid, I would love to see what the definition of just plain dumb looked like.

Now, on to the next section of the article, the author says, and I quote, “Anyone can wear a T-shirt and jeans but the virus calls for a lack of pants. Please be warned: Leggings and athletic shorts are not pants. Do not be confused.” To first point out, the word shorts is in athletic shorts, which would obviously mean that they are considered shorts.

I love my Nike shorts; they are the most comfortable things anyone could ever wear. I wear them almost every day and this is because I like to be comfortable when I go to class because it lets me put my mind toward my education.

If I were in school to meet a spouse, I would probably be uncomfortable in jeans. I, however, choose to put education first. I would also like to point out that there was an article printed not too long ago that talked about females that were "too dressed up" for class, yet that population was not nearly as bashed as we were in this article.

For the last section I will address, "At this point the infected’s only defense is to spread the virus by ‘talking.’"

Because of the severe cerebral damage that has been done due to the virus, you can counter the attack with simple math and physics.” Now to this quote, I will point out that many people printed with this so-called “virus” are in majors that require one to take many math and science classes.

When this article was written, it seems that nothing was actually researched beforehand. In good journalism, everything should always be checked and double-checked.

With that being said, I would like to know where the articles are on baggy pants that show people’s underwear, the piece on people wearing pajamas to class or even a piece on what professors wear to class.

Courtney, I hope this helps you in the future with your articles and helping you see that you should research more thoroughly next time, along with not attacking certain populations that make up more than half of the school population based on personal beliefs.

Best Wishes,
Kourtni Davis
senior
recreation major

Dear Editor,

The reason for this email is my concern over the recent editorial piece entitled “Beware of the GTSNP virus.” I do not attend Georgia Southern University and am, in fact, a student at a university in Southwest Florida.

This opinion piece was passed on to me by a friend who does attend GSU. It so concerned me that I felt compelled to write and voice my concerns.

As a young woman I found the piece offensive and uneducated.

I may not myself indulge in the "jeans-as-pants" habit but I know plenty who do.

My focal concern is not that one of your writers felt compelled to write on the subject. I can applaud her for writing on something that she felt so convicted about.

The idea, however, that she was inclined to marginalize a group of women based on their clothing choices and then to pass judgment on their intelligence in connection to such choices is not only faulty and short sided, it also speaks of a certain degree of unprofessionalism.

She writes early on that “the virus seems to be spreading mostly over sorority girls, but has been known to transfer to those closest to them.”

By focusing on and calling out only one group by name, she has removed herself from objectivity and turned her concern into a personal vendetta without taking into account those young ladies who are athletes or those belonging to no single social group.

Also, it is my understanding that opinions, while our own, should always be supported by evidence.

An awareness of previous data to support a claim is paramount when speaking of anyone’s intelligence in such a way.

In no part of this editorial do any facts appear to back up her claims that wearing leggings as pants is a result of a lack of intelligence.

If such were the case, certainly statistics would be available somewhere in the universe to back up her assertion.

In connection, the idea that violence is necessary in connection is quite frankly absurd as well as worrisome. The mention of gratuitous violence to solve such a “problem” is pure hyperbolic nonsense.

In closing, I would like to thank you for your time in reading this email. I hope that after careful reflection Ms. Escher may understand the severe amount of damage she has done to her cause.

From the position of a third-party observer such as myself, who does not attend Georgia Southern University, it is my opinion that she did herself and your esteemed newspaper a great disservice by choosing to write something so lacking in any merit.

Sincerely and with thanks,
Lauren O. Bentley
Florida Gulf Coast University

In no part of this editorial do any facts appear to back up her claims that wearing leggings as pants is a result of a lack of intelligence.

-Lauren O. Bentley
Florida Gulf Coast student
Dear Editor,

As an alumna from Georgia Southern, I am both saddened and deeply hurt that not only would you overlook such a hateful "opinion" but actually waste time to publish this garbage.

I honestly feel sorry for the author of the extremely offensive article that was so carelessly published in The George-Anne.

I am both saddened and deeply hurt that not only would you overlook such a hateful "opinion" but actually waste time to publish this garbage.

Homogenizing and judgmental comments must be handled some pretty heavy baggage. I think as a manager in an established journalism company, you need to further train your employees to separate their opinions with pure hate.

I understand and appreciate the right to speech, but to further say that she was only stating an observation shows that, as an Eagle community, you have complete disregard for a good majority of the population of the entire campus.

What critics of the Greek system turn a blind eye to, whether out of ignorance or purposeful neglect, are the countless other activities in which Greek houses and their members are participating.

You never hear a critic talk about the Reading is Key Event hosted by Kappa Kappa Gamma, at which sisters spent an afternoon reading with low-income students.

You don't hear about the successful Breast Cancer Awareness programs initiated by Zeta Tau Alpha or Alpha Delta Pi's work with the Ronald McDonald House; offering support to children and families when they need it most.

If you're going to rip apart one inexpressibly unimportant part of Greek Life (i.e. the clothes women wear), then don't forget to take a look at the other much more important facets of our organizations too.

Here are some facts for you:

Forty-three of the 100 members of the U.S. Senate are members of a fraternity or sorority.

Thirty-six percent of the House of Representatives are members of a fraternity or sorority.

Of North America's 50 largest corporations, 43 are headed by Greek men and women, 30 percent of all Fortune 500's. Forty of 47 U.S. Supreme Court Justices have been and are Greek.

Sixty-three percent of all U.S. Cabinet members since 1900 have been and are Greek. All of the Apollo 11 astronauts were Greek.

A study by the University of Missouri found that Greeks throughout the U.S. and Canada are more involved on their campuses and rate their overall university experience better than non-Greeks.

The same U of Missouri study found that Greeks are more financially successful after they graduate than non-Greeks, are more involved in their communities and give more generously to their alma maters.

Please educate your writers and get a better handle on your proofing before you ever send a final print off. Instead of wasting mindful space, why don't you write opinions that will actually better the Eagle community instead of bashing it.

Thank you for your time. I hope that there will be an apology "opinion" shortly from your highly esteemed writer.

GSU alumna

Kaitlyn Morris

I honestly feel sorry for the author of the extremely offensive article that was so carelessly published in The George-Anne.

-Kaitlyn Morris

GSU alumna
Letters to the Editor

Insulting Greek community is not newsworthy

Dear editor,

I am writing in response to “Beware the GTDNP virus.” As a sorority girl, I am very disappointed in The George-Anne, not because they published something so childish, but because of what they refuse to publish. The George-Anne shouldn’t be publishing articles about what sorority girls, much less anyone at all, are wearing.

If you want to write an article about Greek Life, maybe you should include something meaningful, like the fact that sororities and fraternities raise thousands of dollars every year for philanthropies such as the Ronald McDonald House, Children’s Miracle Network, Habitat for Humanity, breast cancer, Girl Scouts, Joseph’s Home for the Boys, PUSH America, American Cancer Society and numerous others.

It is so wrong that The George-Anne sends letters back to sororities claiming their news articles aren’t “publishing worthy” without an explanation, but yet they can publish a stereotypical article about the way someone chooses to dress for a class.

Is it not newsworthy that a sorority raised over $15,000 for breast cancer? I would much rather read about the positive things campus organizations are doing for the community than read about someone claiming one’s stupidity solely on the fact that they wear XL t-shirts and Nike shorts. Greek Life has one of the highest GPA averages on campus, which includes those girls who wear the XL t-shirts to class.

The George-Anne should really stop to think about what they are publishing in their paper. Aren’t you supposed to be representing the “student body?”

Start giving everyone a say, including Greek Life, by publishing positive articles about the things they do for the community.

There are tons of facts on the Greek Life website that can inform you of all the GREAT things Greek Life does, not including what they wear.

There are so many more important things going on in the world such as a HUGE election coming up in November. All I am saying is that if The George-Anne is supposed to be writing for the “student body,” maybe you should get to know someone before you choose to write an article bashing them.

If someone who is a part of Greek Life chose to write an article about what other people wore on campus, The George-Anne would not publish it, so why the double standard?

As a Georgia Southern student, regardless if I am a part of Greek Life or not, I think you should take the time to write and publish something worth reading with a more positive take on life at Georgia Southern.

Sincerely,

Kristen Bantin
Junior
Justice studies major
GSU announces speakers for spring commencement

BY DHARA SHAH
The George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University has selected Georgia Sen. Tommie Williams and Major General Jim Butterworth of the Georgia National Guard as speakers for the spring commencement ceremonies.

Williams will address the Graduate Commencement, which will be held on Friday, May 11, at 1 p.m. in Hanner Fieldhouse. Butterworth will address the Undergraduate Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 12, beginning at 9 a.m. at Paulson Stadium.

President Brooks Keel and the president's cabinet members chose the speakers. "Senator Williams is President Pro Tempore of the Georgia Senate and received his master's in education from Georgia Southern University," Betsy Nolen, assistant director of communications, said in an e-mail. "University," Betsy Nolen, assistant director of communications, said in an e-mail.

"Senator Williams wasn't chosen just because he was a politician. Being a politician speaks to his leadership abilities and that is really kind of why we chose him," Keel said.

"(Butterworth) was a fairly newly appointed major general of the National Guard. (He was chosen) because of his position and leadership in the state. I think, obviously, Georgia Southern has a proud tradition of supporting military personnel and military families and we have been trying to make us a more military-friendly university. And, we just thought he would be a very prominent individual that we would be proud to have address our graduates," Keel said.

"You can't be a general in any armed service and not display a great deal of leadership skills and abilities, and he is one that is just really close to home," Keel said.

"We typically don't direct the speakers in terms of what they can and cannot speak on, other than the time. We usually tell them eight to ten minutes, and most speakers adhere to that," Keel said.

"The last commencement speakers that we had, I had no idea what they were going to talk about until they stood up to start to talk," Keel said.

"We don't approve their speeches ahead of time. We typically choose people that, based off their reputation and their position, you would hope would not say something outlandish or something offensive or out of line. We typically don't have great concerns about the topics that they cover," Keel said.

"I shouldn't say it's hard to be a good leader and not be a good speaker. Sure, there are lots of examples of people that are horrible speakers that are still good leaders. Most people are good leaders because they can be motivational in just the way they act and the way they carry themselves. Typically, when you get commencement speakers, they are usually folks that have a great leadership ability or are service-oriented individuals with volunteer service or are just real prominent, successful individuals," Keel said.

Students agree with the choice of speakers. "I think that Williams will be very inspirational as he speaks at the ceremony, since he did get his masters from Southern and has done so much with his life since then," Davis said.

"Butterworth will also be very inspirational as well as influencing leadership among the graduates," Davis said.

"Bunz will serve hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken wings, chicken strips and bar-b-que.

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"It will be neat to see Senator Williams since he's a Georgia Southern Alumni who has done so much with his life," broadcasting production major Rebecca Vivas said. "It's very commendable that he started out as an onion farmer and ended up as a senator."

"I think it will be inspirational because they will inspire us and show students what we can do with education," Vivas said.

Keel said, "I have been impressed with Georgia Southern in general. It's not an overt, in your face type of leadership training, but I think we've done a great job, especially trying to emphasize leadership with our students. I think that sort of emphasis, whether it is overt or covert, helps to prepare our graduates to be more competitive in the marketplace and when they go into their professional careers."

Jessica Reese contributed to this article.
The time to say a final farewell to GaView is approaching, as Folio will begin to take over in May for some summer classes.

The change will be complete by January.

"In summer semester, approximately forty-five pilot classes will be taught in Folio," Pam Deal, administrative director of Information Technology Services, said.

"All of our FYE courses in the fall will be using Folio, as well as Health and Kinesiology," Ashlea Anderson, information systems coordinator, said.

"In the fall, we have three hundred plus courses that will be using Folio. We will live completely in Folio in January 2013," Deal said.

"Folio will be available for faculty to start developing their courses on April 16. So, there are some classes being taught this summer where some students will be in both Folio and GaView," Deal said.

There are some issues that students had with GaView that will no longer happen with Folio.

Maintenance periods will not conflict with user access and will decrease once the transition is complete, Deal said.

"With GaView today, the maintenance periods are every other Friday night. That will be a lot less with Folio," Anderson said.

"We will have maintenance periods that are needed. The good thing is that we have more control over when those maintenance periods occur," Anderson said.

We have the ability to choose times that are not in the middle of the term or when students are actually accessing the system," Anderson said.

"Like right now, we know that the two down times that we have had to set for Folio are after summer semester is over and before fall semester starts," Deal said, "and after fall semester is over, and before spring semester starts. That's a big change from all the down times every other Friday."

"We have full email capability within Folio, meaning that as a student you can log in and have all of your folio email forwarded to your personal email," Anderson said.

"The difference between GaView and Folio is that you can actually respond right from there without ever having to log back in," Anderson said.

"One of the key complaints is that GaView is not very mobile friendly, so Folio will be much more mobile and tablet friendly," Anderson said.

"You can use the GSU app to log right into Folio and look at grades, discussions or anything of that nature," Anderson said.

"In addition it's a simplified user interface, according to the students that work in our department. It's clear, cleaner looking and definitely a more updated look than what you have today in GaView," Anderson said.

Students have helped design a course that will be available free of charge to those interested in a tutorial.

"We have a free course that we are developing for students that you can log in to that will take you through the new Folio product. It's our students that work for us that are building that course," Deal said.

"We are offering to come to any class sessions for professors at the beginning of the semester," Deal said. "Also, we will be giving orientations and sending out email notifications such as eagle grams and things like that. There will be training materials actually inside Folio for the students."

Anderson said, "Whether you're a student or faculty member, this is a much more stable platform."
The Band Perry and The Fray take over Paulson

By Jazmin Davis
The George-Anne staff

The rain could not dampen the spirits of The Band Perry and The Fray fans last Friday night for Georgia Southern University's 2012 Spring Concert.

The University Programming Board (UPB) and the Office of Student Affairs presented this concert to GSU and the community to give students an outlet of entertainment and a new experience at the end of the school year.

“It helps us have fun before finals and it gives back to us from what we pay to the school,” Jessica Giles, an audience member and veterinarian technology major from Ogeechee Technical College, said.

After a long line made its way inside the stadium, GSU students Carrie Loomis and Robert Cottle took stage at 7 p.m. with the song “Domino” by Jessie J. They also performed two of the songs that helped them win the opening bands competition, “Ironic” by Alanis Morissette and “Crazy” by Gnarls Barkley.

“I thought she was really good. Normally, first acts are alright, but she was great,” GSU bus driver, David Carlson, said.

While people were getting ready for the first band to perform, the rain seemed to pump the crowd up for the show to come.

“I thought the rain was fun. It added to the fun — made it more adventurous,” Faith Stevenot, sophomore communications major, said.

With people crowded around at the front of the stage, Kimberly Perry gave Georgia a hello and The Band Perry started out with their song “Sugar, Sugar” as everyone clapped their hands to the rhythm. The band followed up with performances of the “Miss You Being Gone” and “If I Die Young,” and covers of “Free Falling” by Tom Petty and “Amazing Grace.”

Members of The Band Perry also gave GSU a taste of a new song they wrote inspired by their current tour and fan tweets, “Burns For You.”

Junior high school student Logan Bridges and her sister Madison Bridges celebrated her 17th birthday by making signs out of copy paper and red lipstick to let The Band Perry know that it was her birthday. The band then sang “Happy Birthday” to her in front of everybody.

“I loved it. I’m feeling really excited. It felt amazing to be sung to by over a thousand people,” Logan Bridges said.

After rolling in on a GSU cart and taking the stage at 9:40 p.m., The Fray gave audiences the chance to have an all-around concert experience. As fans and other audiences screamed and hugged each other, the band began with its song “The Fighter.” Throughout the performance, the band sang songs like “Don’t Let Me Go” and “Over My Head (Cable Car).” During its performance of the song "Happiness," the band’s lead vocalist, Isaac Slade, made his way in a semi-circle through the front of the crowd.

Before leaving GSU, the crowd cheered one more time for an encore performance to be made by The Fray. Three more songs were sung, including “Maps” by the Yeah, Yeah, Yeahs. “They were just as I imagined them to be — ten times better live,” Jordan Leigh, junior history major, said.

The Fray showed lots of GSU spirit during their performances by getting the crowd to chant our school chants. Thousands of voices screamed “Southern” as The Fray said “Georgia.” The Fray also showed their respect to Georgia by singing “Georgia on My Mind” by Ray Charles; this had an instantaneous response from the audience that had them all cheering and screaming for more. At the end of the concert, the audience screamed “one more time” for an encore performance to be made and The Fray came back on to end the night in delight.

As people walked in and out of the stadium, crew members from each band were busy selling band merchandise, outside on the stadium walkway. GSU concessions also had stands on the lawn of the field not too far from the stage, selling refreshments.

Student volunteers and the UPB spent 12 hours, on Thursday and Friday, preparing the stage and the field for the concert.

Director of student affairs Vince Miller said, “It’s been a long couple of days. We’ve been out here since yesterday, setting things up. It all came together nicely.”
2012 Miss Black and Gold Crowned

BY KIMEKO MCCOY
The George-Anne staff

Briana Boyd was crowned the 2012 Miss Black and Gold of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity Sunday evening at the Performing Arts Center.

Boyd is a freshman majoring in middle grades education and said the pageant took a lot but was grateful for help from those who supported her.

“I prayed, like every single day, and I cried and it has just been a really emotional journey,” Boyd said. “I’m just so thankful for them and everyone that helped.”

After Boyd was announced as the winner for the pageant she was crowned by the previous winner, Precious Lango.

“I’m just honored to be the 2012 Miss Black and Gold,” Boyd said.

Winner of the title of Miss Black and Gold gets the chance to implement her platform and go on to further levels of competition for the pageant sponsored by the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity.

Outside of the title of Miss Black and Gold, Boyd was also awarded for winning the fitness and best talent portions of the competition.

Although Boyd took home the crown for Miss Black and Gold, there were others who were recognized for their efforts at the pageant.

Runner ups, Miss Black and Gold, also receive the chance to implement their platforms in the community regardless of their titles.

First runner-up of the pageant, Miss Gold, was a sophomore majoring in Spanish, Natalia Santiago-Robles.

“I was really surprised whenever they told me,” Santiago-Robles said. Santiago-Robles said she prepared for the pageant with practice.

“Just going to practice every day that we had practice and just coming with a good attitude, just ready to work and do what I had to do,” Santiago-Robles said.

Second runner-up, or Miss Black, was a junior majoring in health education and promotion, Marissa Thomas.

Thomas said she was surprised about being awarded her title.

“I was completely shocked. I had no idea that I would even have placed and I just was so shocked and just really overjoyed and excited and I’m just really happy for the title,” Thomas said.

Thomas said the pageant went well although she was nervous.

All contestants were judged on their creativity and performing arts, scholarship, professionalism, fitness, evening wear, oral expression and introduction.

In order for the contestants to be judged in these areas, they had to participate in several aspects of competition including talent, swimsuit, evening wear and questions.

The talent portion of the pageant in which many showed talent through performing arts, such as Boyd’s vocal performance of Monica’s “Before You Walk out of My Life” or contestant Leah Coqueral, who performed an original spoken word piece.

Following talent were the swimsuit and evening wear segments. In the evening wear segment, contestants answered questions pertaining to the contestants’ role model, platform implementation, and reason for being in the pageant.

At the end of the evening, 2011 Miss Black and Gold did her final walk and Boyd was introduced as Miss Black and Gold 2012.
Adrenaline puts on final show

**Music**

**BY JAZMIN DAVIS**

The George-Anne staff

The final curtain went down for Adrenaline Show Choir on Saturday night as it hosted its last concert of the season, We Are Young, at the Performing Arts Center.

Since this concert was the last performance for many senior members, including their director and senior multimedia communications major Allyson Lumpkin, We Are Young is one of their biggest shows.

"It was more than I expected and there were so many emotions because everyone's leaving," Joshua Brown, Adrenaline member and sophomore pre-business major, said.

Aside from the seniors leaving, there was also a torch to be passed from director Lumpkin to the current dance captain and new director of Adrenaline Show Choir, sophomore sociology major Michael Bailey.

"It's crazy. I'm just looking for the next opportunity to perform because if I think about it, I'm just going to cry," Lumpkin said.

After the choir's opening performance of "Jump," Lumpkin and vice president of Adrenaline and senior early childhood education major Katie Crenshaw took the stage to give audiences a warm welcome.

What was to follow could only be described by the audience's reaction. As the crowd yelled out to their favorite performer and sang along with the music, Adrenaline gave many performances that included duets, solos, a small ensemble and the entire choir.

During the first half of the show, Adrenaline's secretary Taylor Tyson, a freshman writing and linguistics major, gave a solo performance of the song "Ain't No Rest for the Wicked" and the choir sang Tina Turner's "Proud Mary," featuring solos by Mallory Fannin and Tyson.

"I loved every minute of it. Each person showed their talent. It was definitely a group effort," Jada Howard, alumnus of Adrenaline and sophomore communications major, said.

Following the intermission, the choir turned the stage into a dance floor with its dance to Missy Elliot's "Lose Control." The audience had a chance to get involved and get on stage to dance "The Wobble" right after.

As the performances went on, soprano section leader and junior theater major Savannah Rogers sang her original piece entitled "Belong."

Many the audience members found the show to be fun and interesting as Adrenaline sang an array of popular songs and gave people something to rock in their seats to.

"I enjoy show choir. I like that they're not just incorporating vocals but dance too," William Ortega, junior French major, said.

The group used this final performance to inform the audience and its fellow show choir member, sophomore early childhood education major Aly Hamilton, that it had secretly been raising funds for her family's charity, Gabriëls House.

The show choir provided a chance for everyone to donate at a booth outside of the performance hall.

Gabriëls House, located in Hinesville, Ga., is a home for children who were taken from their dangerous home situations. People, including Aly and her family, take time out of everyday to take a shift at the home to care for those children.

Before the final performance, Lumpkin recognized the leaving members of the choir and asked every parent of Adrenaline Show Choir students to stand to recognize them for their support of their children. She also gave a special thanks to Dr. Shannon Jeffreys.

"I thought they've got better every year. I'm excited and happy for the show choir," Linda Lumpkin, mother of director Allyson Lumpkin, said. "I feel like they're a part of the family."

The choir sang its final song, "We Are Young," featuring non-returning members and presenting the new president, to wrap up the entire theme of the evening.

Adrenaline Show Choir performs "Proud Mary" on Saturday night on the PAC stage for their farewell performance of the season.

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The Georgia Southern University track and field team emerged from the final day of the Southern Conference outdoor track and field championships in fourth place after having an eventful day filled with personal records and several conference awards.

Appalachian State University took first and repeated as champions while Western Carolina University and Samford University rounded out the top three. The Eagles scored 104 points, just nine points short of third place.

“Conference championships are always going to be our goal but at the same time, a lot of girls went out there and ran personal bests. You have to be happy with that, but we’re always going to want to be the best,” head coach Mario Mincey said.

Eagles place fourth in SoCon championships

Junior Ebony Carter was named SoCon women's Most Outstanding Track Performer after she took first in the 100-meter dash for the second straight year. She also established a new personal record for the event at 11.72 seconds. In the 200-meter dash, she also placed second after yet another personal record time of 23.92 seconds.

“I thought she had a very good meet this year. She definitely performed where we needed her to perform and she even went above our expectations in some cases,” Mincey said.

Nominations to the All-Freshman team were given out for each event and the Eagles were certainly not excluded.

Freshman Jasmine Billings took first place in the 100-meter hurdles after her new personal record of 13.68 seconds was set. She also took second place in the 100-meter dash, right behind Carter.

“I’m really happy; everybody came in with a humble attitude. They came in against some awesome competition. They did what I asked, which was focus and have clean races,” Mincey said.

Senior Millicent Brooks-Millender and sophomore Brianna Charles came in seventh and ninth place, respectively, in the long jump and senior Azura Robillard finished 10th in the javelin.

In the 400-meter dash, senior Raquel Daly made an eighth place finish. Junior Kristiana Towns placed eighth in the 800-meter run while junior Sara Curry came in ninth place in the 10,000 meter run.

Sophomore hurdler Stephanie Hicks cleared a hurdle at practice in preparation for the SoCon championships. After running her new personal best, 13.76 seconds.

Sophomore Stephanie Hicks worked hard during the weekend. She competed in the heptathlon, which is the mixture of seven events. After being in fourth place after the first day, she finished at ninth place due to a rough second day. She also finished in second place in the 100-meter hurdles after running her new personal best, 13.76 seconds.

The 4x100-meter relay team, ran by Billings, Carter, Walker and sophomore Cherelle King, ran a time of 46.48 seconds to come in third place in the event, just behind App. State and WCU. This was the best time for the 4x100 this year.

Disappointment came in the event in which the Eagles have been boasting top-five finishes all year. The 4x400-meter relay team did not place. The team was on pace for a second place finish, but on the backstretch, Daly pulled a hamstring.

“We all support Raqielm, and if I had to start her again, I most certainly would,” Mincey said.

Next year, Mincey will try to push more depth in every event and the Eagles will make sure everybody on the team puts in their part.

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### Softball

**BY ANNA WELLS**  
The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University softball team dropped its first conference game this weekend in a series against Appalachian State University, but were able to win the series 2-1, putting its conference record at 16-2.

**GAME 1 WIN- Purvis (16-8) LOSS- Carter (2-3)**

GSU started strong the first inning with two runs. The first run came from a throwing error on a sacrifice bunt attempt from senior Marie Fogle. A hit from Shelby Morrill followed soon after Fogle and scored another run for the Eagles, putting the score at 2-0.

The Eagles added to their lead in the second inning thanks to a two-run homer from Lexi Allen, marking her first career home run.

Shortstop Kourtny Thomas added another run for the Eagles, singling and scoring Breanna McLendon from third. GSU added its final run of the game when Ruby Doughtery sent Jorie Walker home, giving the Eagles a 7-2 lead and eventually the win over the Mountaineers.

Pitcher Sarah Purvis pitched the first six innings and allowed two runs off four hits and also struck out two batters. Marla Thompson relieved Purvis and finished off the game to give GSU its 30th win of the season.

**GAME 2 WIN- Miles (4-5) LOSS- Caroline Red (10-1)**

The Eagles started the second game hot as well, with Alexa Lewis scoring on a throwing error by the pitcher after a bunt from Hanna Ennis. GSU added to its lead with a single from senior Mackenzie Williams that sent Ennis home from third.

The game then halted with one out and the bases loaded for the Eagles due to a lightning delay that lasted 43 minutes. Shortly after the delay, the Mountaineers turned a double play that ended the inning.

In the bottom of the second, the game experienced its second rain delay, this one only lasting 16 minutes. The Eagles were able to put runners on first and second but were unable to score, ending the inning holding their 2-0 lead over App. State.

The offenses continued to struggle for the rest of the game, resulting in the Eagles' second win of the day with a 2-0 victory.

**GAME 3 WIN- Caitlin Wainright (5-8) LOSS- Red (10-1)**

App. State began the third game of the series with a bang, scoring two runs in the first inning off of a two-run homer from junior Meghan Smith. The Eagles were able to answer in the third inning when Fogle hit her seventh home run of the season, scoring both she and Lewis and tying the score 2-2.

App. State scored another home run in the fourth inning to put the score at 3-2. The Eagles gained momentum in the final inning of the game via a double from Ennis, however were unable to score another run and ended the game with a 3-2 loss.

The loss went to freshman pitcher Brooke Red, marking the first loss of her career. Red saw three innings of play and allowed three runs off four hits.

“Even though we didn’t get the win today, we still accomplished our goal of winning the series,” said Smith. “Appalachian State is a good team and they got the job done today. We had runners on base in the right situations, but at the end of the day we didn’t get the win.”

The Eagles will continue play in a two-game series on Tuesday against Jacksonville State University in Jacksonville, Fla. The first game begins at 5 p.m.

### Baseball

**BY CLINTON HINELY**  
The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University baseball team lost two of three games to Indiana University over the weekend.

The Eagles took the trip to Indiana over the weekend for a three-game series with a non-conference opponent. The Eagles dropped a weekday game to the University of Florida but were able to gain momentum in the final inning of the game.

**GAME ONE: IU 7-2, WIN-DeNato (6-1), LOSS-Beck (4-4) SAVE-Hoffman (2)**

Junior starting pitcher Chris Beck threw eight innings in the loss. He allowed seven runs but only four of those were earned. Beck had 11 strikeouts and no walks but gave up 12 hits.

Senior Eric Phillips, junior T.D. Davis and sophomore Stryker Brown each recorded two hits. Davis and Phillips drove in the only two runs of the ballgame for the Eagles, who as a team left eight runners on base.

**GAME TWO: IU 3-0, WIN-Hart (2-4) LOSS-Hess (2-2)**

Freshman Kyle Hart threw a complete game shutout for the Hoosiers to pick up his second win of the season and IU’s second win over the Eagles. Hart only allowed five hits over the nine innings and struck out eight GSU batters.

Junior Justin Hess started the game on the mound for GSU and pitched well enough to win. Hess had 10 strikeouts in just over six innings of work. He only allowed four hits and three runs, but that wasn’t quite enough when his counterpart had a superb performance on the mound.

GSU actually outhit the Hoosiers, 5-4, but were unable to capitalize and string those hits into runs.

**GAME THREE: GSU 9-1, WIN-Middour (2-2) LOSS-Deardan (1-5)**

Sophomore starting pitcher Will Middour performed well on the mound for the Eagles. Middour pitched seven innings and only allowed five hits. One runner scored, but that was not an earned run for Middour as the Eagles’ defense committed an error in the inning.

GSU outhit the Hoosiers 12-5, as nine Eagle hitters recorded a hit. Phillips went 2-3 in the game, driving in one run and scoring another. Freshman Tyler Avera and junior Scooter Williams both scored two runs for the Eagles.

GSU has the week off before heading to Charleston, S.C., to face Southern Conference rival The Citadel in a three-game series. The first game starts at 6 p.m. on Friday.
Men's tennis falls short in SoCon tournament

BY JACKIE GUTKNECHT
The George-Anne contributor

The Georgia Southern University men's tennis team ended its season on Friday when it fell to Samford University in the quarterfinals of the Southern Conference Championship.

GSU ended the season with a 3-21 record, 2-9 in the SoCon.

The Eagles started the championship tournament off with a 4-2 win against the Wofford College Terriers. Despite the early 0-2 deficit, the Eagles came back to defeat the Terriers and grab a spot in the quarterfinals on Friday.

GSU began the match by dropping the doubles point. Senior Alain Garrido and freshman Andrew Dromsky gave the Eagles the lead in doubles when they downed the Terriers by an 8-3 score. However, the doubles play was leveled when senior Derrick Davison and freshman Daniel Rush were defeated. With the doubles point on the line, the Terriers overcame the efforts of junior Matthijs Verdam and freshman Kyle Hoffman with an 8-6 score.

The Terriers took a 2-0 lead when Hoffman lost at No. 3 singles, 6-1, 6-2. However, Dromsky started the comeback to put the Eagles of the board with a 6-4, 6-4 victory at No. 2 singles, bringing his record to 3-0 from the No. 2 position on the season. Verdam won at the No. 4 singles to level the match at 2-2.

The Eagles grabbed their first lead of the match when sophomore Marco Osorio extended his winning streak to five matches. Freshman Albert Codina Sala then clinched the 4-2 match victory for the Eagles with a 7-5, 6-3 victory.

"Going in against Wofford, the team that we had lost to the last time, we really didn't have a lot of confidence from this group of a lot of freshman. To be down 2-0 and be able to rally back and take the match really said a lot about the character of the team," said head coach Nick Zieziula.

The Eagles were then set to play the second-seeded Samford Bulldogs. The Eagles denied the opening point of the match in a tough doubles decision, but were able to get on the board when Garrido and Dromsky gained their second victory of the season.

The game changed when SoCon Second All-Conference doubles Carson Kadi and Fernando Costa leveled things up with an 8-4 victory for the Bulldogs. This led to the second day in a row that the fate of the doubles point rested on Hoffman and Verdam. This time, they came up short by an 8-3 score.

The drive gained by the Bulldogs in the doubles round fueled them into the singles play. The Eagles remained resilient and started on the comeback trail when Sala ousted Garrison Laduca by a 6-2, 6-1 tally. Unfortunately for the Eagles, this drive did not last long, with another loss in singles ending the Eagles' SoCon Championship run.

"In both matches, I was very proud of the way that we competed and we fought," said Zieziula. "Overall, I think we grew a lot from the beginning of the year till the tournament, and I am proud of the way we competed."

Faced with significant injuries to Osorio, Davison and junior captain Verdam, the Eagles struggled throughout the course of the season.

"There is no getting around that; the injuries we faced definitely affected us throughout the year. It helped us though, in terms of getting the freshmen in and getting experience and learning to deal with adversity, and that is what we needed with Wofford — was to deal with adversity in order to be down 2-0 and not lose our confidence and not lose our focus. That was something that, at the end of the season, we did a good job of once we got those guys back," said Zieziula.

The hard work of the team was shown as it made the SoCon quarterfinals for the first time since 2009 and tallying a win in the tournament for the first time since 2008.

"The guys that we are losing did a good job in terms of their leadership with the freshmen this year. But, really the bulk of the guys that were starting were all underclassman, so we're going to be in a very different position next year with the guys that are primarily our starting lineup," said Zieziula.

"Anytime you go 3-20 in a season, you can't look back and be overly excited with that result. Our expectation is to be able to beat everybody in the Southern Conference and compete for regular season and tournament championships, so looking at our results, we did not do well enough this year. But, I think that our freshmen did a good job of learning from their mistakes this year, and that is really what we have to focus on going forward," said Zieziula.

"As soon as we lost that match, next season's preparation started. We need to focus on learning from this year and what we need to change. We are taking the experience from this year to make us a better team next year," said Zieziula.
Intramural Scores

**Softball**

- **Valor** 7, **STACK** 6
- **Drinkin in the Clubhouse** 10, **A Whole Lotta Bad** 15
- **Delta Sigma Phi** 3, **Cumming Explosions** 19
- **Master Batters** 12, **Pitch Slappers** 1
- **Jail Birds** 15, **Natty Daddies** 17
- **Fast Pitches** 16, **Big Bets and Tight Gloves** 9
- **Grip It and Stroke It** 14, **Homegrown** 29
- **Wet Cats & Hard Bats** 6, **Eastbound & Down** 25
- **Pike Garnet** 26, **Still Deciding** 42
- **Multiple Scorgasms** 22, **Pilgrims of Swag** 25
- **Bromance For BenaJones** 20
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- **The Cereal Killers** 15, **EXIT 84** 26
- **DA NA NA NA NA NA** 27, **Valor** 26
- **Department of Swag** 16
- **Valor** 26, **DISTRICT 1 TRIBUTES** 19
- **YOLO** 33, **Hurricane Blitz** 32
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- **Savages** 21, **District 1 Tributes** 19
- **Just A Lil Bi Curious** 30, **H.F.T.O.Y.** 42
- **Half and Half** 23, **Innocent Until Proven Filthy** 1
- **Valor** 26, **YOLO** 20
- **Savages** 21, **District 1 Tributes** 19

**4-on-4 Flag Football**

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- **Multiple Scorgasms 22**, **Pilgrims of Swag 25**
- **Strait Outta Compton 36**, **Dilligaf 39**
- **We Go Deep 18**, **Bromance For BenaJones 20**
- **Scared Hitless 4**, **District 1 Tributes 0**
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