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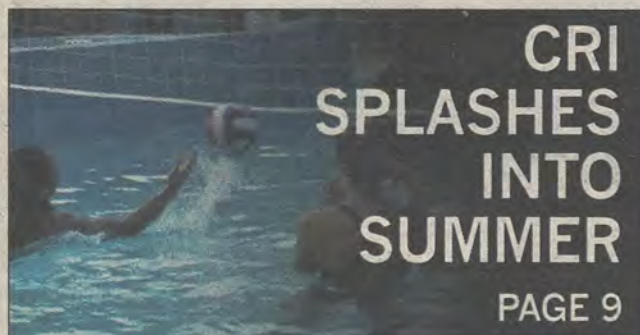
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## Baseball falls in semifinals

BY ANNA WELLS

The George-Anne staff

In the tiring stretch of the tenth inning, the Eagles failed to clinch the final seat in the Southern Conference championship round, falling 9-6 to the Samford University Bulldogs.

A tenth inning triple by Samford proved to be enough to end the elongated competition and it granted the Bulldogs the last seat in the championship game.

"Their kids fought hard right to the very end and that says a lot about the character of their kids. I'm awfully proud of our team," said head coach Rodney Hennon, in an interview with Georgia Southern Athletics.

The Bulldogs boasted their strength and came out swinging in the first inning, scoring two runs almost immediately, putting them ahead 2-0. GeorgiaSouthern University answered with a run of their own off a grounder from Eric Phillips that sent Scooter Williams across home plate. The Bulldogs continued their hot streak and scored two more runs, putting the score at 4-1 Samford.

The teams reached an offensive stalemate until the fifth inning, when GSU's T.D. Davis hit a single and scored Phillips. Freshman Chase Griffin followed Phillips

across the plate off a grounder from Michael Burruss. That put the Eagles within one run of the Bulldogs going into the sixth inning with the score at 4-3. In the top of the sixth, Samford added two more runs that gave the team a three run advantage over the Eagles and put the score at 6-3.

At the bottom of the seventh, GSU's Davis managed to ground a hit to third base and score Phillips. Burruss batted next and sent Griffin home off a single, putting the Eagles down just one to the Bulldogs at 6-5.

GSU went the distance in the ninth inning and managed to tie the score at 6-6, due to a pop fly from Brent Pugh that brought Ben Morgan across home plate. However, GSU was unable to overcome the Bulldogs' heavy hitting and fell 9-6 in the tenth inning, ending their season with a 15-15 SoCon record.

"I want to congratulate Samford, they've got an outstanding team and we had our chances, we tied it up, but that's the way it goes in a tournament," Hennon said, in an interview with Georgia Southern Athletics.

Hennon said, "I'm awfully proud of these kids, they showed a lot of fight all year. This team went through a lot of adversity, they hung in there and I think the way they played and the way they fought today exemplified that."



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A truck carrying Eagle Dining Services' trailers, which are the temporary replacements for Landrum and Lakeside during renovation, swiped power lines on Lanier Drive yesterday.

## Lanier Drive closed after power lines hit

BY SHELBY FARMER

The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University blue bus route was disrupted when a trailer caused two power lines to fall on Lanier Drive yesterday afternoon.

GSU public safety blocked a section of Lanier Drive when the trailer caught a power line in front of the Fast & Easy convenience store and

pulled the lines down.

The closed section of Lanier Drive stretched from the Cambridge at Southern apartment complex to Kennedy Hall.

"We were able to service the Cambridge stop and turn the buses around in the parking lot of Southern Courtyard," Kristi Bryant, director administrative of parking and transportation said, "but we were unable to service the stop

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# Eagles for Eagles program comes up short

BY MARISSA MARTIN

The George-Anne staff

Southern Legacy's new program, Eagles for Eagles, raised \$5,000 of its fundraising goal of \$14,000, which is aimed to aid students who are facing financial troubles.

Plans to launch this new program have been underway since this past November and although the fundraiser only earned \$5,000, Southern Legacy still plans to allow students to apply for assistance in the fall.

The two awards, Eagle Care and Eagle Opportunity, will both be available for students to apply for in the near future.

"(Qualifications) is one of the things we are working on right now," Lauren Jackson White, graduate assistant of student affairs and enrollment management said.

"I feel like those two (awards) are what the university needs to give back to the students," Brianna Wagenbrenner, former student assistant of student affairs and enrollment management said.

"These two awards can benefit any student. You don't have to have a certain GPA and they are for the student body to give back to the student body," Wagenbrenner said.

"As of right now, we plan to allow students to apply for both because they are both important on campus," White said.

The amount of the two awards given

to a student is situation based and it depends on what is going on with the student, White said.

"Obviously, they will have to be able to document what their situation is," White said.

The amount for each award has not yet been set, White said.

"Hopefully, this summer, we will get that in place to get it in for the fall," White said.

"We had three organizations that really did help us out, and realize how important it was to create this fund. The Interfraternity Council donated \$500, Spanish club raised \$542 selling raffle tickets, and the Student Government Association raised \$50. The IFC and Spanish club went above and beyond," White said.

"We do plan to start making this fund accessible to students. We have not yet set a process in place for how students apply, but hopefully we will make this accessible student wide to apply for in the fall," White said.

Both of the awards are important because the goal is to allow students to remain on Georgia Southern's campus during financial hardships, or while participating in supplemental opportunities for their future careers, such as an unpaid internship, White said.

The Eagles for Eagles idea is not unique to college campuses. Kansas State University started K-State Proud,

which has similar goals to what Southern Legacy has.

KSU raised \$110,000, even though their original goal was \$8,000.

"They have a smaller student population, and there is no reason why we shouldn't have raised the money. We are doing research in what they have done and what we can do in the fall," White said.

"I think the biggest thing is to have a larger group of students advocating. A lot of students that were involved in Eagles for Eagles were kind of flaky," Wagenbrenner said.

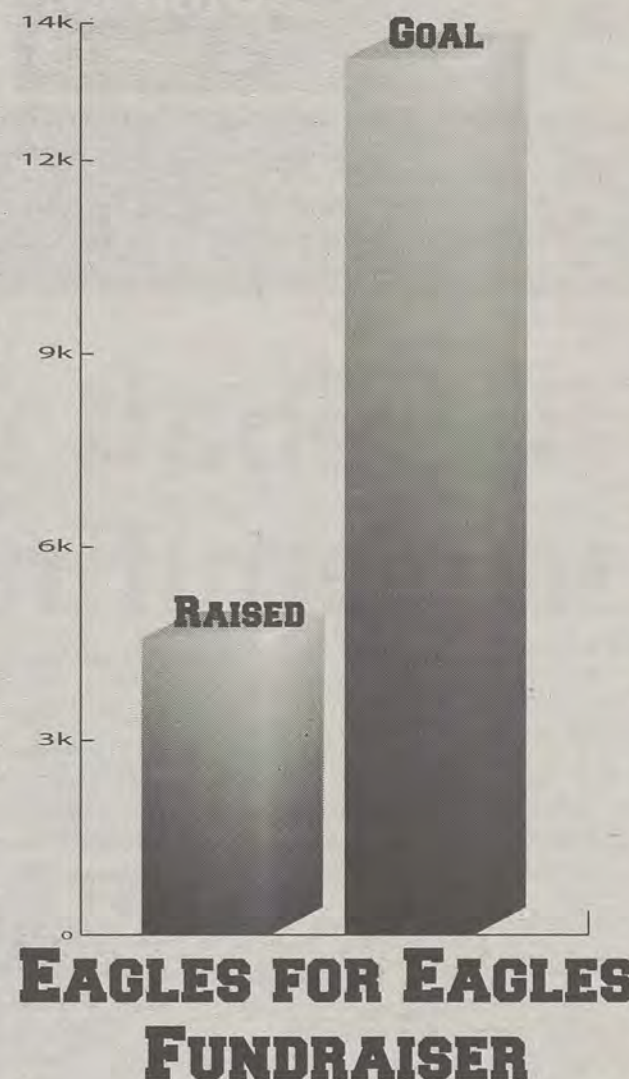
KSU students have established a culture of philanthropy by raising more than \$550,000 for their peers who are struggling financially during the first six years of their campaign, according to KSU's website.

"Our students were extremely hopeful and optimistic, and students on our campus have not gotten into the habit to care about the students at the university," White said.

The KSU campaign, K-Proud, was successful because they had many student advocates spreading their message by word of mouth, Wagenbrenner said.

"We had a ton of contributions from SGA. They were willing to help out the most," Wagenbrenner said.

"We raised five thousand dollars. Overall we did well, even though we did not reach our goal," White said. "We will definitely continue to raise money."



Matt Veal/ The George-Anne

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at Kennedy and Eagle Village while the power lines were down."

The trailer involved in the incident was being moved to the Centennial Place parking lot where temporary dining services will be located during the remodeling of Lakeside Café and Landrum Cafeteria, Bryant said.

"They weren't over height because they made it under every other power line from where ever they were coming from," Chief Michael Russell of Public Safety said.

Initial reports estimated a minimum of four hours for clearing Lanier Drive, Bryant said.

Authorities cleared Lanier Drive in less than two hours and the road reopened at 3 p.m., Bryant said.

"(Lanier Drive) was opened at approximately 3 p.m., so not as long as we originally thought," Bryant said. "They got the power lines out of the way pretty quickly for us."

Power was not affected on campus, Russell said.

Russell said, "If power goes out, we get a lot of alarms and things, and we didn't."

# Juveniles banned from campus

BY SHELBY FARMER

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University department of public safety officials received several reports of suspicious persons on campus over the past week.

Most of the incidents involved juveniles, Chief Michael Russell of public safety said.

These incidents occur more frequently when the academic school year is over, Russell said.

Public safety officials took two juveniles into custody upon reports

of suspicious activity near the Forest Drive Building at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday evening, according to public safety police reports.

Witnesses reported that the juveniles appeared to be looking at bicycles at bike racks near the Forest Drive Building, according to the police report.

The juveniles were banned from campus, according to the police report.

A GSU student reported a suspicious person near the Newton Building on Monday evening at 8:45

p.m., according to another public safety police report.

The student who reported the suspicious person claimed that a shirtless black male chased her while jogging on campus, according to the police report.

The student also reported that she saw the male looking at her from the second floor of the Newton Building after which he proceeded to chase her, according to the police report.

According to the police report, GSU public safety officers were unable to locate the male.



## Police Beat

### Friday, May 11

- A verbal altercation was reported at Lewis Hall.
- A bicycle was taken from Eagle Village.

### Saturday, May 12

- An alcohol violation was reported at Eagle Village.
- A guitar and a laptop computer were taken from the Sigma Nu House.

### Wednesday, May 16

- Officers assisted one motorist, issued four traffic warnings and 10 traffic citations.
- A set of keys were found in Lot 12 near Hanner Fieldhouse.
- A digital recorder was found in the Carroll Building and turned over to officers.
- Officers responded to an alarm at East Georgia College.
- A Notice of License Suspension was served by officers.
- Larry David Chapman, Jr., 23, Failure to Maintain Lane, DUI – Refusal

### Friday, May 18

- Officers assisted a sick person at Hanner
- A camera was found at Hanner.
- Officers responded to East Georgia College to assist with an alarm.

### Monday, May 21

- A drug complaint was reported at University Villas.
- The window on a golf cart was broken near the Hanner Complex.

### Tuesday, May 22

- Officers responded to a disturbance call at the Physical Plant building.
- A set of keys were found at Henderson Library and turned over to officers.
- Brent Bowles, 19, Underage Possession of Alcohol, Possession of False ID.

### Wednesday, May 23

- A suspicious person was reported at the Henderson Library.
- A bracelet was taken from the RAC.
- A cell phone was taken from the RAC.
- Jerome Chris Wooten, 21, was charged with obstruction of an officer and giving false information.

### Thursday, May 24

- A suspicious person was reported at the soccer practice field.
- Taylor Wayne Smith, 20, was arrested for Minor in Possession of Alcohol.
- Joshua Jamille Rubio, 22, was arrested for Failure to Maintain Lane and Driving Under the Influence.

### Friday, May 25

- Officers responded to reports of smoke from a light fixture in the Hollis Building.
- A bicycle was reported stolen from University Villas.
- John Otis Kelley, 58, Seat belt Violation, Knowingly Driving with Suspended Registration, Obstruction of Law Enforcement Officer.

### Saturday, May 26

- Officers responded to a report

of an unwanted person at Hanner Fieldhouse.

- Wesley Carson Ambrose, 27, Obstruction of Law Enforcement Officer.

- Evan Cole Ritsick, 21, Possession of Marijuana Less than 1 oz., Driver to Exercise Due Care.

### Sunday, May 27

- Officers responded to suspicious persons near the ROTC Range. Two juveniles were charged and two other juveniles were banned from campus property and turned over to a guardian.

- Officers responded to a suspicious person on campus near the Newton Building.\*\*\*

- Suspicious persons were reported near Veazy Hall. Four juveniles were banned from campus property and turned over to a guardian.\*\*\*

- Officers provided assistance to another agency for an incident near campus.

### Monday, May 28

- Two juveniles were banned from campus property and turned over to a guardian.\*\*\*
- Officers responded to a suspicious incident near the RAC water retention ponds.

### Tuesday, May 29

- Officers issued one traffic citation, two traffic warnings, assisted three motorists, responded to two alarms and investigated one accident.
- \$21 was reported missing from the petty cash fund at the Henderson Library.

- Graffiti was discovered in one of the elevators at the Henderson Library.

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## Our View GSU should grow opportunities for research

We reported in last Thursday's edition of The George-Anne that Georgia Southern University researchers received a grant of almost \$130,000 to begin research this summer of historical hurricane activity along the Georgia coast.

The primary goals of the two-year study are to understand the potential risks of hurricanes along the Georgia coast and to provide data that would be useful for public health and safety measures.

This research grant, while potentially providing valuable data for a hurricane-heavy area, is also continuing in line with GSU's status as a Carnegie Doctoral and Research University. We believe this is a positive move forward for the university and is part of a trend we should support. GSU needs to be able to compete for research grants whenever possible.

The research conducted by universities is one of the top indicators of academic success. While rigorous classes and accomplished professors are critical to our academic reputation, an active research arm is necessary if we are to reach our potential as a school.

If GSU is to continue growing as an academic institution, there needs to be plenty of drive toward being awarded research grants. A greater research presence on campus will also draw in more competitive students and faculty.

The historical hurricane activity grant given to GSU is an excellent development and a positive step forward. We believe that the university should work to continue this trend to the best of their abilities.

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## Why our generation must get involved

We at The George-Anne, along with many other groups at Georgia Southern University, try to do our part to encourage civil participation. We try to encourage people to get informed, get involved and get out the vote.

But sometimes, it is difficult to understand exactly how important this is. Allow me to help.

Whenever a politician or other public figure of power gives a speech to a group of students, they always seem to nail one point home. It's usually something about how we are "America's Future" or the "Leaders of Tomorrow." We will grow up and some of us will be the people in power. One of us will be president, and others, members of Congress.

There is a downside to this. The same people making speeches aren't leaving us with much of a "tomorrow" to be leading.

I am 20 years old right now. I've grown up in a world where the Transportation Security Administration has no problem

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ALEX LASALLE/  
OPS EDITOR

checking baby strollers for bombs before they get on airplanes because some lunatic strapped a bomb to his crotch. We have oil companies that move forward with little regard for the amount of oil that will be left once we're in charge.

One of the biggest talking points in the current election has been Barack Obama's former marijuana habit. I say this as someone who never smokes a thing: Who cares? The impact this is going to have on America's future is like swatting at a single gnat, hoping to clear Sweetheart Circle of insects.

Similarly, Obama's recent verbal support of gay marriage has created

political waves. More insulting is that people still find it incredibly important to oppose this. Forget about being able to feed ourselves after graduation, we must stop the gays from coming to get us and destroying America! Kardashian who, you say?

Does Mitt Romney's work at the financial company, Bain Capital, really have an impact on our student loan rates? No, it doesn't.

What matters to us is opportunity, but we're going to be too busy fixing the mistakes of the generation before us. Will Social Security be shattered when we retire? Will our children have half-decent schools to attend? We want to be able to look forward with optimism, not fear, and nobody in Congress or the White House seems capable of fixing that.

That's why we must get involved, get educated and go vote – because nobody will do it for us.

*LaSalle is a junior writing and linguistics major from Cumming, Ga.*





## Remember our soldiers

Earlier this week, we had Monday off to celebrate one of the most important holidays on the American citizen's calendar. Monday was Memorial Day.

Many people use it as a day to enjoy the summer weather while not in class or go shopping at the many sales that happen that day, but the true meaning of this day is to honor the brave men and women who put their lives on the line to protect our liberties.

On this day, we mourn those who never came back from serving their country and give thanks for the ones we are blessed enough to have return to a loving family and a grateful nation.

However, I believe this behavior should not be reserved for just one day, but be observed on a daily basis.

We should put the needs of our service men and women in front of all others and once their needs are met, then we can begin to take care of ourselves. That's not how it is right now, and it's just a pity.

This Memorial Day also marks the 50th anniversary of the beginning of the Vietnam War. The conflict, which did not end until 1975, was infamous for the mistreatment of returning soldiers by anti-war protesters.

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FRITZ CHAPIN/  
COLUMNIST

We must not make the same mistake ever again.

These brave men and women do not deserve this kind of treatment for doing their job on the orders of others.

I know the day has already passed, but take the lessons and meaning of Memorial Day and implement them into your daily life. Make sure you thank the soldiers for what they do.

Let them go in front of you in line someplace. Even better, make a donation to a pro-soldier organization like the USO or Wounded Warriors Foundation.

Anything that we can do to help them pales in comparison for everything they did for us.

*Chapin is a senior political science major from Roswell, Ga.*

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"Does Unstagram come in an app?"

Ha. What are we, those Instagram hipster-douchebags?

*Escher is a sophomore journalism major from Canton, Ga.*



## GSU student dreams of making it big

BY BRITTANY MOORE

The George-Anne staff

Spotlights, a big stage, 50,000 fans screaming in a rage, bodyguards and limousines; no it is not a fantasy, this is his dream.

It is the dream for Georgia Southern University student Robby Gadd, a small town guy from Trenton.

Robby Gadd, junior public relations major, started singing at the age of 17 when he joined his high school's choir.

"I started singing late in life, but it's always been something I have wanted to do. Since I started, I have been building up my confidence. After I graduate, I want to move to a music oriented city like Nashville," Gadd said.

Gadd sings alternative folk music, and looks up to singers like John Mayer and the Avett Brothers.

As a GSU student, Gadd has found that college has helped him with his dreams of being a singer.

"I do open mic night a lot, and I also play with GSU Cru every Wednesday, which is a Christian Band. Playing with GSU Cru is a great way to take care of two birds with one stone. I am a Christian and I love music. It helps me stay on the right path. It really is one of the best things that has ever happened to me," Gadd said.

He has auditioned for television shows like America's Got Talent, The Voice, and The American Idol Experience.

"I want to get better at singing in front of an audience. I'm not going on there to win, just to get more experience since I started singing so



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Robby Gadd, junior public relations major, serenades passer-bys at the Exchange at Statesboro

late," Gadd said.

The American Idol Experience is held at Disney's Hollywood Studios Theme Park and offers contestants a chance to perform in front of an audience and judges.

Gadd auditioned for The American Idol Experience over spring break, on March 15, 2012.

"The American Idol Experience is a lot easier to try out for than the other shows I have auditioned for. All you have to do is sing for producers and then if you impress them you can get a pass to go perform for the main producer and then perform on stage in front of an audience," Gadd said.

During the American Idol Experience, Gadd became comfortable with performing under pressure; he performed in front of a live studio audience against other contestants and in front of judges.

"The producer I sang for was the hardest producer to impress but I got past that stage. I sang against two people in front of the audience and judges, my choice of song was 'Drops of Jupiter' by Train," Gadd said.

Gadd has learned a lot from his audition for the American Idol Experience.

"The audition that helped me the most but had the smallest impact was the American Idol Experience. It helped me because I got to go on the show and play for a lot of people," Gadd said.

During this past season of American Idol, five out of the top 10 contestants were granted their golden ticket to Hollywood by participating in the American Idol Experience, Gadd said.

Gadd has learned quite a few things while chasing after his dreams.

"I have learned that every little thing helps. Playing in front of people, having practice, and practicing entertainment are all very important," Gadd said.

He loves performing in front of people and he takes any chance he gets to break out his guitar and sing, Gadd said.

"Sometimes, when I visit my hometown

of Chattanooga, Tennessee, I go to this long walking bridge. I'll sit down and play my guitar, it makes me feel like I might be making someone's day," Gadd said.

It is evident that Gadd has a passion for music.

"I love music and how it can change a person's mood. No matter what happens to a person, if a song comes on, it can change you. Music is powerful, and you can relate to it," Gadd said.

This year's newly crowned American Idol, Phillip Phillips, is also a small town guy just like Gadd. Phillips is from Albany, Ga.

"I'm happy that Phillip Phillips won because he is from this area and he is relatable to me; we kind of sing the same style of music," Gadd said.

Although he is happy for Phillips, Gadd does not necessarily think American Idol is a fair competition.

"There are so many amazing performers that try out for American Idol that don't meet the criteria to be picked. It is not just about your voice. It is about your voice, your story, your look and your personality. You have to have it all. If you don't have it all your chances of being seen and shining are low," Gadd said.

However, that does not mean that you should not try out, Gadd said.

Gadd said, "Take a shot, if anything it will boost your confidence. There are a lot of people there that can help you and will guide you. You are singing in front of important people, so your performance matters. Learning to sing under pressure and not show that you're frightened is really what a true artist does. I enjoyed my experience and will definitely try out again."

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# Local businesses react to loss of students over summer



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On a rainy Sunday afternoon, a local storeowner paces his establishment rearranging his merchandise over and over waiting for a friendly face to walk through the door.

"About half of our business comes from GSU students, Georgia Southern University makes up a huge part of business," Keith Brown, owner of Galactic Comics and Games said.

Businesses like video game stores, Gamesboro and Gamestop, as well as comic and gaming stores like Galactic Comics and Games rely on students for much of their business.

"Students are about seventy-five percent of our business," Sidney Bottoms, owner of Gamesboro, a locally owned used video games store said.

"The biggest thing about the summer is the change in our customer base," Brown said.

"If you're not prepared, you're doomed," Bottoms said.

In order to combat this loss of customers, some businesses host promotional sales before summertime hits in order to cover losses from the summer semester.

"We will usually have a special before students leave, to sort of push us through the summer," Bottoms said, "You have to earn enough to ride out the summer."

Gamesboro was established during the recession from 2008 to 2010 and used the recession as a test for their business, Bottoms said.

"We started in the worst dip of the economy in 2009 and 2010," Bottoms said, "We knew that we could make it through a recession, so I don't think we will be affected by any minor economic effects."

"We started at the beginning of the summer of 2008 for a reason. We wanted to make sure we could survive the summer before the store really got going," Bottoms said.

Other businesses, like the corporate owned

Gamestop, do experience a slow period, but continue to operate as usual.

"With summer classes and everything, we have a week or two hiccup, but we don't lose a lot of business," James Cooper, manager of the Statesboro Gamestop said.

Due to the comic subscriptions that Galactic receives, a lot of the store's normal customers return from time to time through the summer to pick up their comics and check in, Brown said.

Galactic gets business both from students and from local Statesboro residents, some of whom are GSU alumni as well, Brown said.

In addition to selling comics, Galactic also sells a variety of other merchandise, including trading card games and the store regularly hosts tournaments and events. There are no plans to hold any special events to bolster sales during the summer, however, Brown said.

"We have to order things well in advance, so we have to plan out our orders in preparation of the summer," Brown said.

A few years ago, when GSU did not have as many students signed up for summer classes, this summertime slow down that businesses experience used to be much worse, Brown said.

"It's a lot better than it used to be, (Galactic) saw a more dramatic decrease in consumer attention," Brown said, "In the past couple of years, we've seen many more students staying in the area."

"We also have a gap between graduation, where our customers leave Statesboro permanently, and when the freshmen come in," Brown said.

During the summer, local businesses focus more on their local customers as opposed to students.

"We see more people come in, thanks to the fact that they have more time on their hands," Cooper said.

Brown said, "We just try and give an opportunity for people in the area place to pick up games and play."

“ The biggest thing about the summer is the change in our customer base.

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-Keith Brown,  
owner of Galactic Comics and Games



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## Splash'n Spike excites

BY DONNA LEWIS

The George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University's Campus Recreation and Intramurals made a splash yesterday at Splash'n Spike, an outdoor water volleyball activity that compelled its competitors to volley for a gift card from LaBerry.

Sponsored by ShaVonda Sewell, second year GSU Wellness Graduate Assistant, this event invites students to come out and enjoy Healthy Wednesday by being competitive and also having fun in the sun. Splash'n Spike is organized by the Wellness Aquatic Center as a way to contribute healthy activity among GSU students.

"We try to offer something different for students to do while on campus this summer," said Sewell.

Splash'n Spike took place at the RAC's outdoor pool area and gives students a better reason to take advantage of what the Aquatic Center has to offer.

"We want to make summer stay as fun as possible, while offering different ways to workout or staying fit," Swell said.

Participants were forced to fight the

flow of water in order to keep up with the regular movements of volleyball. Although tough, the event proved to be fun and a challenge for the students that decided to participate.

"I didn't expect to work out that much because I would be in the pool, but playing water volleyball was a challenge," said Dewayne Brooks, sophomore civil engineering major.

The spectators that came to cheer on participants had a chance to witness missed spikes, poor serves and passes as players splashed waves of water with each miss.

"I did more exercise then what I expected to do," said sophomore mechanical engineering major, Austin Barry.

Everyone that took part in this event enjoyed himself/herself by meeting new and fellow Eagles and got a chance to cool off from the blazing Statesboro summer heat.

Brooks said, "I really enjoyed this event and next time I will most definitely bring more of my friends out to play," said Brooks. "I was using muscles I didn't think I could use," he said.



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**Cassie Cobb**, senior exercise science major, and **Dewayne Brooks**, sophomore civil engineering major, play water volleyball in the RAC's outdoor pool.



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## Catcher Chase Griffin receives Freshman of the Year honor

BY ERIN DENMARK

The George-Anne staff

Just days before the Eagles hit the road to the Southern Conference championships, coaches from the Sports Media Association voted freshman catcher, Chase Griffin, for the Freshman of the Year award.

This award has only been given to three Eagles before Griffin, with the last recipient being Brett Lewis in 1999.

"I feel honored, it is a great accomplishment," Griffin said.

He has outshined every freshman in home runs for a majority of the season. Griffin is the first freshman at Georgia Southern University to achieve ten home runs in a single season since 1996.

Griffin has been the starting catcher for a total of 46 games and has the second best batting average on the team with a .306.

During the beginning of the season, Griffin struggled some, at the plate and

behind the plate. As the season progressed, he made some friends that helped him grow with the team.

"I figured things out and became a more mature baseball player. A lot of the older guys taught me a lot, like to be strong mentally," Griffin said.

This year's team is stocked with many freshmen that Griffin believes will lead to success in the years to come. Griffin said that his determined coach has been the inspiration that he needed to excel with the Eagles.

Griffin said that the enthusiasts of GSU, as well as the developed facility, accommodates the freshmen and makes them feel very welcome. Griffin added that his favorite parts about playing baseball for GSU are the fans and all the support they give us at the games.

"We also have such a great stadium," he said.

Griffin is pursuing a business degree but aspires to play for a major league team.

Griffin said, "Everyone always dreams of making the draft."



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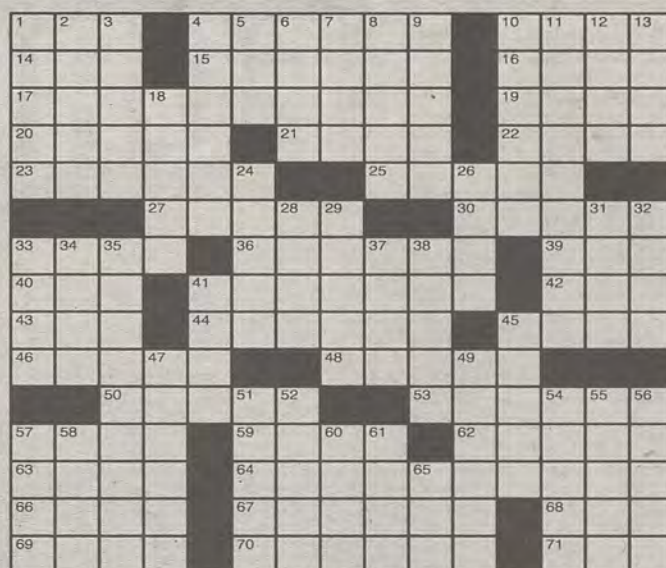
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## Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

### ACROSS

- 1 Venomous snake
- 4 Classify
- 10 "We gotta get going!"
- 14 Enjoy Aspen, say
- 15 "Pinball Wizard" rockers
- 16 Repair for a tear
- 17 "Financial institution employee"
- 19 Move a muscle
- 20 Do penance
- 21 Versatile WWII vessels
- 22 Kept in the loop with a dupe, briefly
- 23 Loathe
- 25 Synagogue scroll
- 27 Challenging Chopin piece
- 30 Folder for arriving email
- 33 Low singing voice
- 36 Election Day list to choose from
- 39 Make a choice
- 40 Suffix with east or west
- 41 "Sunbather's transition point"
- 42 It's stroked by a rower
- 43 Personality component
- 44 Parka wearer, perhaps
- 45 Dust Bowl st.
- 46 Dots on a map
- 48 Up to this point
- 50 Outperforms
- 53 Lied in a small way
- 57 Load, as cargo
- 59 Barrel of laughs
- 62 Distance runner
- 63 "Moby-Dick" captain
- 64 "That's all she wrote," and literally, what the last word of each starred answer can be
- 66 "Me neither"
- 67 Chairperson's list
- 68 Even, as a score
- 69 Landlubber: ship :: : ranch
- 70 Sahara, for one
- 71 Lesson about sin, say: Abbr.



By Gail Grabowski and Bruce Venzke

### DOWN

- 1 Equally undesirable
- 2 Do toe loops, e.g.
- 3 Wine grape
- 4 Swear (to)
- 5 One of the girls
- 6 Go like hotcakes
- 7 Avian symbols of wisdom
- 8 He could make Scarlett see red
- 9 Sculpture subject
- 10 Med. imaging procedure
- 11 "Cigarette lighter alternative"
- 12 Sheriff Taylor's son
- 13 Geeky type
- 18 Miniskirts reveal them
- 24 Marching band instruments
- 26 Solemn event
- 28 Unpleasantly humid
- 29 Island: former immigration center
- 31 Fall birthstone
- 32 More, in adpeak
- 33 Pickled veggie

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- 49 Points toward
- 51 Tire pattern
- 52 Burn a bit
- 54 Uses a paper towel on, as a spill
- 55 Goosebump-causing
- 56 Salon blower
- 57 Beach makeup
- 58 "shalt not ..."
- 60 Verses of praise
- 61 Muscle quality
- 65 HST was his last VP

### Best in Show Comic



### Welcome to Falling Rock National Park by Josh Shalek



## Sudoku

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2
4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2	3
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