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New health center GSU awaits Gov. Deal's approval for \$10 million project

BY JESSIE REESE
The George-Anne staff

The Board of Regents unanimously voted in favor of a new health center for Georgia Southern University and the money request

has been sent to the governor's office for approval.

The construction for the new center will cost \$10 million, but will not come out of student's pockets and instead come from the state, President Brooks Keel said.

"The Board of Regents has decided to include the 10 million dollar health center project into their request for capital outlay to the governor's office," Keel said.

The governor must make a decision before passing the request

off to legislature in January, Keel said.

"The governor's office now needs to look at that budget and he will make recommendations that will go to the legislature," Keel said.

The administration at GSU is

very confident that the governor will pass the budget, Keel said.

"Since the Board of Regents unanimously passed the budget, which includes this piece of money in it, and they are very enthusiastic

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JUST KICKIN' IT



Mark Barnes II/The George-Anne

Sophomore midfielder Seth Prieto (22) attempts a sliding tackle to dispossess the ball from a Lander University defender during Monday's scrimmage. The Eagles won 1-0.

Freshmen adjust to collegiate level football

BY JANNAH BOLDS
The George-Anne staff

Nerves and anxiety are common symptoms of being a freshman football player, especially at a national title winning university.

However, Georgia Southern University freshmen like James Dean, Deshawntee Gallon and a host of others have tackled the preseason jitters and are ready to find where they fit in on the team.

"Usually freshmen struggle being smaller and slower than the rest of the team, but I think that the coaches just want to see you exemplify your work ethic and just know that you are trying as much as you can," b-back Dean said.

"We had some freshman guys throughout camp do a good job and if

they impress the coaches enough, they could find their way into the mix early in the year if not the first game," Head Coach Jeff Monken said.

Although transitioning from high school to collegiate football can be a challenge for some, during summer camp freshmen take advantage of learning from others in order to improve their game.

"College ball is definitely a faster game, and you definitely have to play with the team," Dean said. "There's not one or two people that will win a college game by themselves, so here you are forced to play as a brotherhood, and I think Georgia Southern does that," Dean said.

Even veteran athletes can tell how freshmen have adjusted since the

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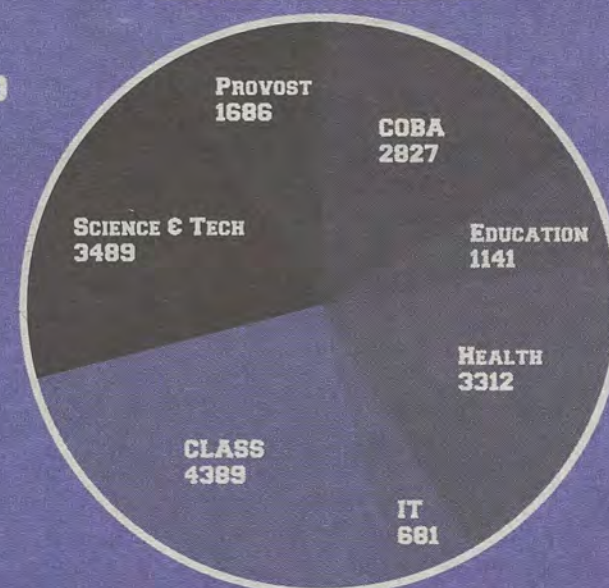
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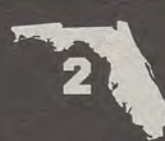


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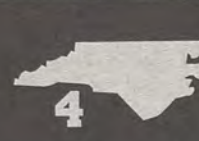
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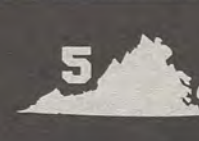
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Police Beat

Friday, Aug. 17

• Officers responded to Olympic Blvd in reference to reports of Kappa Alpha members throwing balls and pointing bats at pedestrians. Officers met with Kappa Alpha members advising to discontinue the behavior.

Saturday, Aug. 18

• Officers made contact with a suspicious person on Harvey Drive. The suspicious person, BEST, Nathananiel Stewart, 20 years old, Roswell, Ga., was carrying a yard sign belonging to GSU. Mr. Best had a blood alcohol level of 0.085gms. The GSU yard sign was recovered and Mr. Best was judicially referred.

• Officers reported an injury to a GSU Officer while responding to a fire alarm at Southern Courtyard.

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• Officers responded to Freedom's Landing room #821 in reference to an alcohol violation. The following persons were judicially referred for Alcohol Possession – Under 21 years of Age: Jimmie Deion Crimes, 19. Gregory Degirolamo, 19.

• Officers attempted to make contact with a subject at Georgia

Avenue and Chandler Road. The subject ran from the officers. The subject, Devin Raymond, 18, was arrested and charged with Possession of Alcohol – Under 21 Years of Age, Disorderly Conduct, and Obstruction – misdemeanor.

Sunday, Aug. 19

• Officer conducted a traffic stop on Akins Blvd. The driver of the vehicle, MCNEAL, Joshua Lamar IV, 26 years old, Lancaster, SC., was charged with Failure to Maintain Lane, Open Container, and Driving Under the Influence 1st – Refusal.

• Officers responded to a panic alarm at Centennial Place room #1428. One of the residents heard "strange breathing sounds" coming from her roommate's room. The investigation revealed negative problems. False alarm.

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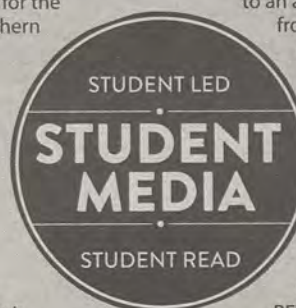
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about it. We have great confidence that the governor will also put this into his budget," Keel said.

"We have no indication to suspect that he will not, and therefore we are confident enough that we don't have to ask the students to support this project

with a fee. We've since taken it off the table because we are able to identify funds at the state level to cover it," Keel said.

Keel said, "Good news is, we're going to have a health center. It's going to be the exact same basic fee. Because

we were able to identify capital outlay money through the board of regents to make this happen, we won't have to ask the students to help pay for it."

Arielle Coombes contributed to this report.

Path of GSU's \$10 Million Health Center Proposal

Board of Regents

The Board of Regents voted unanimously to add a new \$10 million Health Center for GSU to the budget for the 2013 fiscal year.

Gov. Nathan Deal

The budget is currently awaiting approval from Gov. Deal.

Expected completion date: Jan. 1

★ Proposal is currently here ★

Georgia Legislature

If Gov. Deal approves of the budget, it will arrive for review to the legislature in the first week of January.

Expected completion date: First week of April

Gov. Nathan Deal

If the legislature approves, Gov. Deal will sign the budget, which will allow GSU to begin construction.

Expected completion date: July 1

New Health Center Approved, Construction to Begin

Expected completion date: Unknown

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Our View

Parking fees should not interfere with academics

This summer, Georgia Southern University announced it will prevent registration for students with over \$50 of unpaid parking fees starting in spring 2013.

GSU officials said this policy would decrease parking boots on campus, which can be unsightly to visitors. It would also ensure students pay the tickets quickly.

While this policy will encourage students to pay tickets before a semester's end, barring registration is the wrong method of encouragement.

The registration process is already difficult for many students, so adding more burdens will only slow the system and potentially cause more problems.

Instead of tinkering with students' education, the best way to enforce payment is to charge any unpaid tickets to students' accounts along with semesterly fees. By tacking tickets onto student accounts, there will be no more added responsibility for students or for employees of the university.

GSU should rectify this new policy as soon as possible. The original goal of reducing the number of boots on campus and encouraging timely payment can still be met. Registration, though, is what a student's education hinges on. Parking and Transportation has no business barring student education.

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

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The George-Anne looks ahead

Georgia Southern University, you're back! I know this not just because I saw you all on the pedestrian yesterday, but also because I couldn't even pull in to the Walmart parking lot this weekend. So, welcome.

Last year at this time, I was writing my first column to the university community welcoming them back for fall and laying out the staff's plans to work hard and get better. This year, it's my second go-round at being the editor-in-chief and I have more ambitious improvement plans — hopefully you guys will notice the change over the year.

First, I want to talk to you about The George-Anne as a part of the university culture.

This newspaper serves you as a forum for issues you care about. We investigate hard topics so that you know about it. We cover where money is going, major decisions that

FROM THE EDITOR



ARIELLE COAMBES
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

impact you and more. This is our responsibility. If you care, it's your responsibility to talk about it and sometimes act.

As objective reporters, we try our best to keep opinion out of what we're telling you — the facts. We want to hear your opinion when you're fired up, so let us know. We're on Twitter, Facebook and we allow comments on our site.

Speaking of the site, let me encourage you to come check it out. It's thegeorgeanne.com. We're a digital-first publication, meaning

we don't wait for the print edition to come out — we cover news as it happens so that you can have up to the minute information. We're trying to cover everything you care about, so if you are wondering why there are cops outside your apartment building, who's winning the game or when the performance starts, Tweet or Facebook us. If we don't have the answer, we'll find it.

And last, I encourage you to try out for The George-Anne's award-winning Candidate Program next week. Completion of the program is the only way to join this hard-working, fun-loving crowd that gets to write a ton of articles and experience a real-world atmosphere that looks great on a resume. Check out the ad with tryout times on page two.

Coambes is a junior writing and linguistics major from Covington, Ga.

From the Left

The fewer guns the better

In addition to the summer shootings that made national headlines, the local community has also been affected by an incident Sunday morning in downtown Statesboro.

So in response to recent displays of gun violence, should lawmakers do something to prevent these tragedies? Common sense says yes, but proposals for stricter gun control laws have historically been met with heavy conservative opposition. Their arguments, a repeated topic on conservative talk radio, usually consist entirely of biased language backed with no observed data and a skewed outlook of the Second Amendment.

Among the most popular arguments is that increased gun distribution would provide innocent citizens with self-defense because people who want a gun will acquire one regardless of the law through illegal means. But how does the data support that claim?

According to justfacts.com, Chicago instituted a citywide handgun ban in 1982, and in 2008 the US Supreme Court overturned the ban as unconstitutional. During that time, murder rates decreased 17 percent. After the ban was lifted, murder rates by handguns within the city have increased an incredible 40 percent. The same site also provides data regarding Florida's 1987 law and Texas' 1996 law that both require gun-holders to be at least 21 years old, have clean mental and criminal records and complete an appropriate training course. Florida has since seen a 36 percent lower murder rate, and Texas has seen a 30 percent drop. Statistics comparing



SCOTT MARKLEY

the US to other countries' gun policy are even more astonishing. So as far as supporting relaxed gun control, the numbers aren't there.

Another popular pro-gun position often cited by the right is to serve their interpretation of the Second Amendment's purpose of protecting the right of the people to form a militia to defend their freedom from the State. But paradoxically, the Constitution also denies anyone the right of seceding, not to mention that would be an incredibly optimistic effort anyway considering the United States has the most excessively funded military in the world.

Contrary to popular belief, Democrats are not out to rip everything with a trigger out of the hands of innocent Americans. Proponents of gun restrictions simply want the freedom to conduct their lives without unnecessary threats that are easily avoided with reasonable policy.

Markley is a senior geography major from Marietta, Ga.

From the Right

Carrying guns creates safety

There has been a lot of talk about guns recently. From the massacre in Colorado to the shooting last weekend right here in Statesboro, whenever there is a gun problem, people start screaming about tougher gun control laws. But we have plenty of gun control laws that just need to be updated. From more stringent background checks to gun safety classes, there is a way for those who want guns for self-protection and recreation to get them while keeping them out of the hands of criminals.

I believe that having the ability for students and faculty who are registered to do so to carry concealed weapons on campus would be a huge help to curbing crime in Statesboro. Many state that allowing guns on campus would create a breeding ground for violence.

I feel that this is ridiculous. The only people that would be able to carry their weapons on campus are the ones who have gone through the extensive background and weapons safety courses in order to obtain both the weapons they carry and permit to conceal them. Also, Professor John R. Lott Jr. at the University of Maryland, said in the six years after the concealed weapons law was passed in his state, murder rates had dropped by nine percent, rapes by 11 percent and robberies by seven percent.

The law right now prohibits citizens from carrying weapons on school grounds, but the only people who follow that law are the ones who would follow the law in the first place. With the shootings in Virginia — which had a stellar safety record before the shooting — still



FRITZ CHAPIN

weighing heavily on gun owners such as myself, the addition of person protection on campus would be a great comfort.

The University Police are helpful, however it is impossible for them to keep all 20,000+ students safe. With armed citizens in the classroom we have a much better chance of being able to stop an attack on the campus than barricading the door and hoping that help comes in time.

I would love to live in a world where guns weren't necessary for the protection of our life and liberty, but that is just a foolish fantasy. We need to make sure that we are prepared even if the unthinkable happens. In the words of 12th District Representative Aaron Randall, "I carry a gun the same reason I carry a condom: I'd rather have one and not use it than not have one and need it."

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

In the Middle

We need new gun legislation, but what to change?

After two brutal shootings that shocked the nation and recent gun violence here in Statesboro, it is time for a serious debate on the second amendment. The right to own a gun is an American right endowed by the U.S. Constitution, but gun statistics paint a grim picture of a modernized America.

A 2007 study from Reuter's showed that the United States has about 90 guns per 100 citizens. The study also showed that we had five percent of the world's population and 31 percent of the world's guns and, although



WILLIAM BRYAN

somewhat unrelated, 23.4 percent of the world's prisoners. There are more guns in the country than there are adults. We are, without a doubt, the most heavily armed nation in the

world. We are also one of the most violent, ranking ninth in the world for homicides per capita involving firearms with 2.97 deaths per 10,000. Compare that to Japan, England and Canada who have 0.02, 0.12, and 0.54 deaths per 10,000 respectively.

The founders believed that citizens should be armed for two main reasons: to protect from other citizens and to allow states to maintain a "well-regulated militia." Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia offered an interesting interpretation of the Second Amendment in a

recent interview with Fox News after the Aurora shooting. He said, "Obviously the Amendment does not apply to arms that cannot be hand-carried — it's to keep and 'bear,' so it doesn't apply to cannons." Not all of the justices agree with Scalia on that interpretation, and the Supreme Court is divided politically on the issue. In the 2008 case regarding Washington D.C.'s strict gun control laws, the court ruled five-four against the law, citing that the amendment gives every citizen the right to own a gun.

Whether you lean conservative or liberal, there is no doubt that a line must be drawn in order to curb some of the gun violence in the United States. The vagueness of the Second Amendment and Supreme Court precedents make that a difficult task. In these modern times, with guns that are a lot deadlier than muskets and six-shooters, how should the Second Amendment be interpreted and where should the line be drawn?

Bryan is a senior economics science major from Fayetteville, Ga.

6 things no one tells freshmen about GSU

Welcome to four years of freedom, freshmen.

As you embark on this new, exciting time of life, you're going to find yourself in many situations that no one told you about when prepping you for college.

Here are some PG-rated tips that may or may not make this adjustment period a little bit easier:

Shoot for nothing but A's. Despite what your high school teachers told you in an act of intimidation, most of your freshman courses are going to be review. And let's be real, this isn't Harvard. There is no reason you should make less than a B in English 1101 or Health.

Make good grades in these classes to pad your GPA. You'll be happy you have that padding when you're taking biochemistry, law and

ethics or when your 21st birthday happens to fall on a Monday before an exam.

When in Statesboro, don't do as the locals do. In other words, learn how to drive defensively. This can't be confirmed quite yet, but I'm pretty sure there is an unwritten law that says blinkers are not applicable for those who hold a Bulloch county license.

Many Bulloch drivers also enjoy disregarding right-of-ways, running stop signs and my personal favorite, driving ten miles under the speed limit. This same defensive skill will be utilized when operating a shopping cart in Wal-Mart, particularly on Sunday afternoons — you'll see what I mean.

Redefine your definition of a "small electrical fire." This is for

MY VIEW



GIANNA CARME
ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT
EDITOR

your own safety, especially when riding GSU transportation.

The freshman 15 is real. El Som happy hour, dollar daqs, Chick-fil-a, Starbucks frappuccinos, bagel fries — they will catch up to you. GSU is partially to blame for lack of providing healthier options, but drunk munchies are entirely your fault.

Learn directions to the RAC and the fine line between indulging and overindulging. Don't be that

once hot football player who went from a six-pack to a keg when you return for Thanksgiving.

Don't do something just to put on a resume. While it's great to show potential employers that you did more than just schoolwork and drinking in college, don't do something just because it looks good on paper. If you don't enjoy that redeeming resume booster, chances are you probably aren't gaining anything that would benefit you in the workplace anyway.

Instead, join a sports team, fraternity, sorority, club or organization that you find fulfilling. If the club or organization pertains to your field of study, immerse yourself in projects and gain experience.

You are only cheating yourself

by doing something "just because it looks good on a resume."

Purposely prolonging your college career is as smart as eating rocks. A variety of things will happen that can interfere with finishing college in four years. In fact, it's almost abnormal to graduate in four years.

However, people have told me to delay graduation as long as I possibly can, for these are the best days of my life.

While this is true, those people probably don't understand there are cooler places in this world than Statesboro. Make the best of your time here and when it comes time to leave, use that diploma and clean slate to your advantage.

Carme is a senior communication arts major from Cumming, Ga.

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Now, I know that most students — including myself actually — have never written a letter to the editor, but it's actually quite simple. You just shoot off an email to gadaily@georgiasouthern.edu containing a word document that has a letter that is 350 words or less. Sign it with your name, classification, major and hometown, and you're in the paper.

You can write about just about anything related to the school, but keep in mind, this isn't a rant and rave, and nor is it the bar, where dropping an f-bomb every 10 words is permissible.

There are also other ways of getting your opinion out there. For example, most people wouldn't write a letter saying, "I like this article,"

THE FARM LIFE



JAMES FARMER
OPINIONS EDITOR

let's be honest, that's too much work. But you can go on Facebook and just like our article, or you can go on Twitter and retweet us. Or inversely, if you think this column sucks, feel free to go on Twitter or Facebook and reply negatively, if you want to hurt my feelings.

This paper's motto is "Student led, student read since 1927," and we want to make sure that it stays that way. With the input of students, we can make sure that we are covering the stories you want with the accuracy and timing that you need, but we cannot do that to the best of our abilities unless we hear from you. Hail Southern and GATA (Get after these articles).

Farmer is a junior political science and international studies major from Thomasville, Ga.

5 of 8 colleges without permanent deans

CEIT search in works and COBA search to begin this year

BY SHELBY FARMER

The George-Anne staff

Interim deans are currently leading five of the eight academic colleges at Georgia Southern University, and four colleges have not yet begun searches for permanent deans.

The five colleges are the Allen E. Paulson College of Engineering and Information Technology, the College of Business Administration, the College of Health and Human Sciences, the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences and the College of Science and Mathematics.

"There are five interim deans, and doing five dean searches in one year can be rather burdensome for all of the parties that are involved in the interviewing process," Dr. Curtis Ricker, interim dean of CLASS, said. "They chose two colleges to have their searches this year, and they chose two to have them next year."

A national search for a dean of CEIT was put into action this summer, and a search for a dean of COBA will begin this academic year, Dr. Jean

How to hire a dean

1. Search the nation

2. Narrow down to 5 or less

3. Hold open forum on campus

4. New dean picked by committee

Matt Veal/ The George-Anne

Bartels, provost and vice president of academic affairs, said.

"We have several dean positions that we have to prioritize, so there's going to be a gradual move towards filling each of those dean positions," Bartels said.

CEIT is the top priority as of right now, Bartels said.

"I don't want to imply that CHES is not important and COBA

is the most important, but just from practicality points of view and timing and not trying to wear the campus out. We thought we'd go ahead and do CEIT and COBA now," President Brooks Keel said.

"Our current plan is then that we would search for the College of Science and Mathematics dean next year along with the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences dean, and

those will be national searches," Bartels said.

"The search (committee) has engaged in several meetings, and has narrowed it down to eight, Dr. Thomas Koballa, head of dean search committee for CEIT and dean of the College of Education, said.

On Aug. 23 and Aug. 24, the committee will begin another round of interviews and from there the candidates will be narrowed down to three or four, Koballa said.

"When we interview candidates, we're also very concerned with what is their perspective and approach to creating student-centered environments," Bartels said. "Because if we don't have individuals who are doing that, we don't think it works."

"Candidates who are internal individuals who are already working at GSU who meet the qualifications of the search, certainly can put an application in as well," Bartels said. "They'll be treated and vetted the exact same way every candidate is."

"They meet with the people that

they're going to work with at every level, so that everybody has a chance to put in input about the candidate and what the candidate would bring to the university," Bartels said.

The estimated time of completion for this process will be sometime in October, Koballa said.

"When we bring candidates for faculty and for dean positions on campus, it's really, critically important that students take advantage of the opportunity to speak with those candidates, to come to any open forums that those candidates are having for students, so that students can give us their perspective also," Bartels said.

Ricker can expect to be in the position of interim dean of CLASS for up to two academic years, Bartels said.

"I've been associate dean for 12 years, so I'm sure they think I can handle what we're doing," Ricker said.

Ricker said he does not know if he will apply for the position of dean of CLASS and does not think that the lack of the dean title affects the college in any way.

SGA allows students to vote on 3 new fees

BY ASHLEY WOODWARD

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University will become the first university in the nation to allow students to vote on fees, effective fall 2012 on Sept. 25-27.

"Student Government felt like if administration wanted to give fees, then we needed to know if the students even wanted those fees," Vice President of Academic Affairs of Student Government Association Christina Belge said.

"If enough students vote no to a fee, then President Keel will tell the board of regents not to worry about that fee," Belge said.

• Athletic Operations Fee:

One fee students will have the option of voting on is to move up in sports rank, Belge said.

"The 75 dollars go to move up in division for athletes. Adding a sports team and making more scholarships available to athletes are steps to

making that happen," Belge said.

"A women's sports team would be added, but it is unsure now what sport that may be," Belge said.

"Moving up in sports rank means GSU would be more competitive with bigger schools and gain more attention nationally. The university is pushing us into hard division football," Belge said.

• Athletic Expansion Fee:

Another would be a \$25 expansion fee for Paulson stadium, Belge said.

"The expansion fee is something that was brought to SGA by students because of not having enough seating at football games. There were a lot of people standing. That goes in hand with moving up a division. If we move up a division we will definitely need more seats for the stadium," Belge said.

• Green Fee:

The third fee would be the green fee, Belge

said.

"The green fee would be 10 dollars, and that would be split to go towards different projects, such as solar panels or stickers reminding students to turn off their lights," Belge said.

• What GSU students think:

"I will totally vote. I think since the fees are so low, it is totally worth it because in my opinion football is a really good way for our campus to stay spirited," Sheila Wenger, freshman middle grades education major, said.

"I think it's cool that as students we actually have a say in what our money is being spent on. Hopefully it will set a trend in Georgia, so that more students have the opportunity to vote on what their money is spent on," Becki Bury, senior psychology major, said.

"I would vote. My vote would probably go toward the expansion of the stadium," Bury said.

Belge said, "The voting will take place over a three day period towards the end of September. I

definitely hope to see a good turnout in voting, and I encourage students to get out and let their opinions be known."

\$75 FBS Fee Would Enable:

1. Move to FBS

2. New women's sport

Keel: Golf, rifle or beach volleyball

3. 22 additional football scholarships

4. 22 additional women's sport scholarships

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Statesboro community reacts to shooting

Police investigate homicide

BY TAYLOR COOPER

The George-Anne staff

Statesboro Police discovered the body of deceased Akeila Martin, 32, and wounded Sadondra Scarboro, 22, after they responded to gunshots at the Platinum Lounge parking lot Sunday.

Officers responded to the homicide and aggravated assault at 2:30 a.m.

The Platinum Lounge is a bar and

restaurant located near the police station.

Detective Keith Holloway is lead investigator of this case and the incident is still under active investigation, according to a press release released later that day.

There is a \$2,500 reward for anyone who comes forward with any information.

Anyone with information related to this investigation is asked to contact Statesboro Police and all information will remain confidential.



Lindsay Hartmann/ The George-Anne

Police discovered the deceased body of Akeila Martin and wounded Sadondra Scarboro in the Platinum Lounge parking lot.



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Platinum Lounge is located in the middle of downtown Statesboro near the police station.

Police Explain Eagle Alerts

BY SHELBY FARMER

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University Public Safety Department explains why it did not issue an Eagle Alert for the homicide that occurred at Platinum Lounge 2:30 a.m. Sunday morning.

An Eagle Alert was not issued because the incident did not occur close to campus, Chief Michael Russell said.

"The deciding factor: is the campus at risk? With the event at Platinum, we did not feel that the campus was at risk," Russell said.

"It wasn't on campus, so I wouldn't see a need unless the person was coming towards campus," Kentavius West, sophomore business administration major, said.

"Some people are assuming it's a notification.

It's an emergency notification," Russell said.

Most students that were asked think that a notification should have been sent out.

"I think they should have at least sent out a text because there were a lot of people out Saturday night, especially new freshmen who didn't know where they were going," Caitlin Seabolt, undeclared sophomore, said.

"I guess that they should do the entire Statesboro area because pretty much all is kind of campus since Statesboro is not that big of a city," Celeste Manning, freshman public relations major, said.

Vanessa Ayer, senior art major, said, "I feel like they should have sent something out to let people know something bad had happened and for people who may have been there or out."

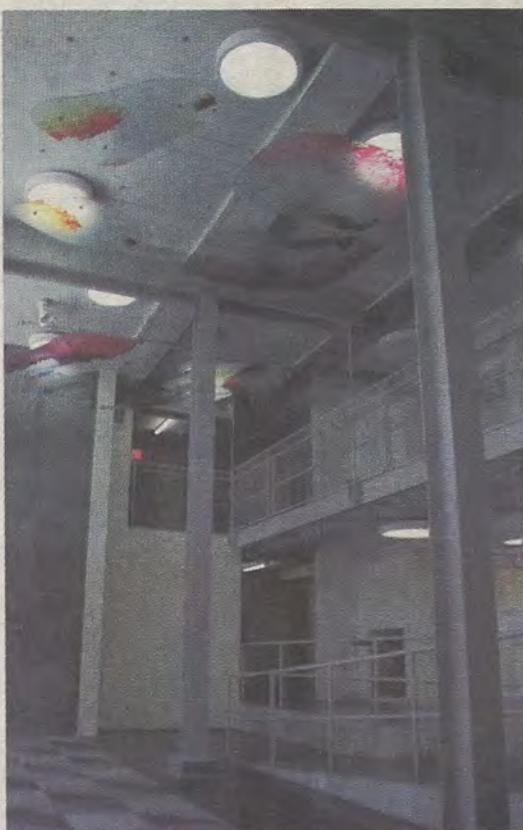
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Summer 2012 in recap: Here's what you missed



Demario Cullars/ The George-Anne
Brannen was remodeled and opened to the psychology department for office space.

Dr. Jean Bartels, former dean of the College of Health and Human Sciences, took over as the provost and vice president of academic affairs on July 1. She is serving a 3-year appointment.



Dr. David Dudley, chair of the literature and philosophy department, gained national attention by voicing his opinion about the current state of Georgia Southern University. He wrote an open letter to the entire university that defended students as the pillar of the university.



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Steak 'N Shake opened this summer to packed-out crowds, serving lunch and dinner. This Thursday, they will begin serving breakfast.

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Theatre directors search for new talent

Performance and Theatre

BY MARISSA MARTIN

The George-Anne staff

Sign-up sheets for fall auditions are filling up as many students begin preparing for this year's Black Box Theatre performances.

Directors for the two productions are holding auditions inside of the Black Box Theatre on Wednesday and Thursday beginning at 6:30 p.m. Those interested can sign up for a time outside the theatre.

"Every year is different. What I am doing is very serious and heartbreaking and Abbott's play is lighter and funnier," Jim Harbour, director of *The Triangle Factory Fire Project* and associate professor of theatre, said.

Students will be able to audition for both performances but can only be cast in one, Lisa Abbott, director of *1940's Radio Hour* and assistant professor of theatre, said.

"*The Triangle Factory Fire Project* is a play about an event that actually happened in New York City about one hundred years ago," Harbour said.

All the dialogue is based off of historical documents, letters to the newspaper and court testimonies, Harbour said.

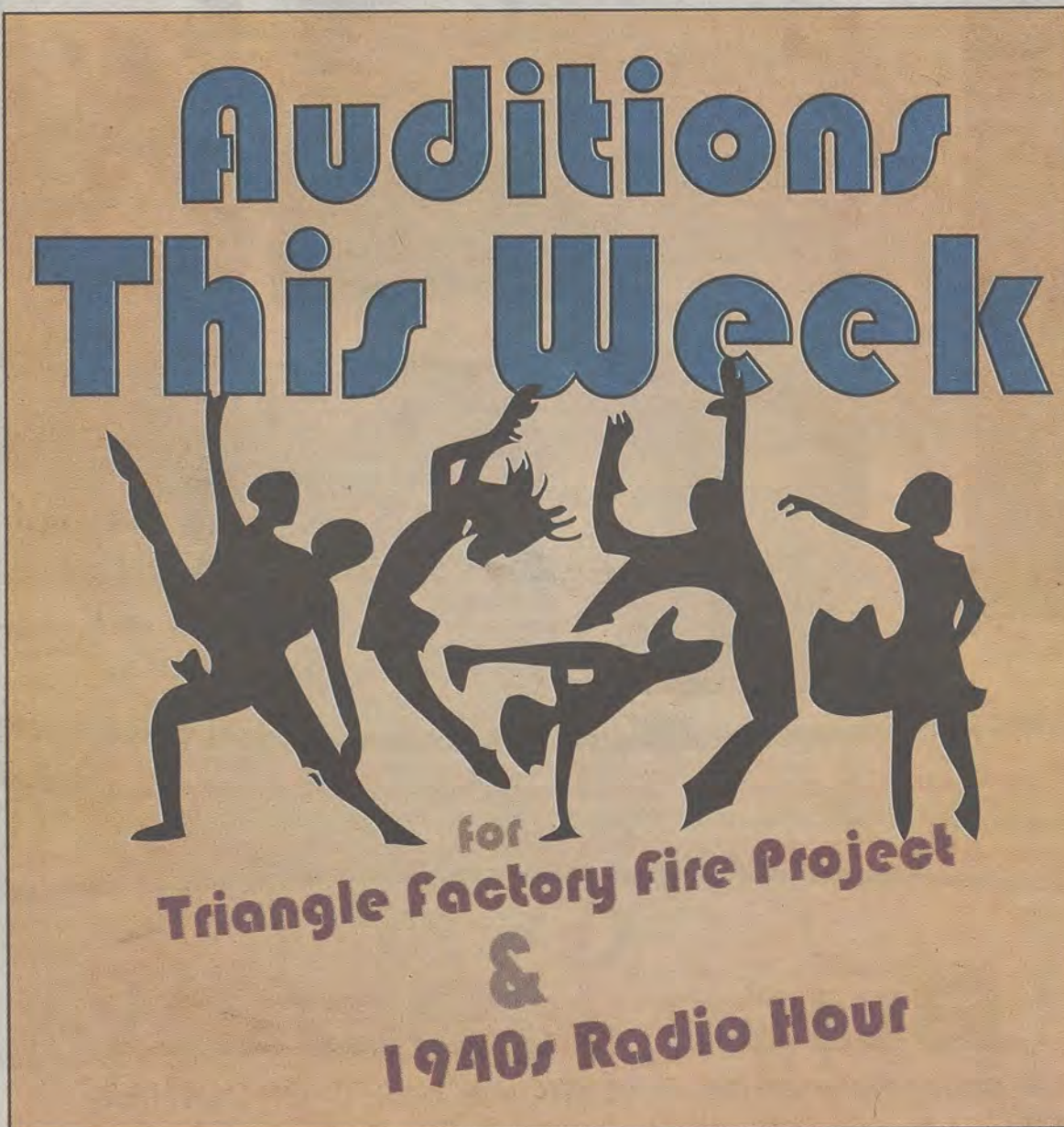
The practices of those times were to lock the factory doors when a fire occurred, Abbott said.

"The building caught fire and 160 or 170 people died. People were jumping out of the window on the 8th floor because they couldn't escape the flames," Harbour said.

"Women threw themselves out of windows and forced themselves into elevator shafts," Abbott said.

This factory's trial was held 100 years ago but this tragedy created laws that addressed work place safety that are still in affect today, Abbott said.

"*The Triangle Factory Fire Project* is a living theater, or newspaper, kind



Matt Veal/The George-Anne

of play because it is telling a true story of people who were actually involved in it," Abbott said.

Harbour will be looking for actors who can easily switch roles, Abbott said.

"I will be casting seven men and six women. Each one of the actors will be given one to five different roles," Harbour said. "There are 35 to 40 characters who will be played by the 13 members casted."

The other production for this semester, *1940's Radio Hour*, is a

musical that will include songs that arose during the big band era, Abbott said.

This play is about a radio station that airs an USO holiday show for soldiers overseas, Michael Braz, music director and professor emeritus of music, said.

"They are dealing with music that reflects the war and one of the characters is actually leaving to be a fire pilot," Abbott said.

Casting those who can sing a melody of songs that

originated in the year of 1942 will be important, Abbott said.

"We have everything from the old crusty doorman to the over the top producer. There is this kind of slick Frank Sinatra type guy and a Betty Boop pin-up girl," Abbott said.

Each scene will be a featured number with less musical undertone than a regular musical, Braz said.

1940's Radio Hour will require those interested to come on both nights: sing on Wednesday and act on Thursday, Abbott said.

"We will have musical instruments involved like a piano, trumpeter and possibly some wind players, like the saxophone," Braz said.

Abbott expects the number of freshmen auditioning to be comparable to numbers from last year's productions.

"We had a really strong group of freshmen who got lead roles and a large crew of freshmen in general," Abbott said.

Harbour will determine who gets a role in *The Triangle Factory Fire Project*. Abbott and Braz will cast roles for *1940's Radio Hour*.

"Generally the process that we do once we finish the auditions and haggle over actors is we'll have a list of who we absolutely need to have and go from there," Abbott said.

Abbott's goal is to have a conversation on Thursday night and release the cast list on Friday.

"The list will be outside the doors on the call board in the theatre. It will also be on the Theatre South Facebook page and the Theatre and Performance Facebook page," Abbott said.

Abbott and Harbour changed the way students try out for the two productions this semester.

In the past students would just need to show up, but that made auditions last until 1 a.m. or later. This year auditions will end at midnight, Abbott said.

"We are doing something different this year. People need to go to the Theatre and sign up for a specific time," Abbott said.

Roles are open to any major and are encouraged to audition, Abbott said.

"You do not have to be a theatre major to audition. We do not use major status as part of the casting process," Abbott said.

Braz said, "I know from the past there is always a great deal of talent and everything gives me excitement for this semester's performances."

Buzz List

▪ **Michael Phelps**

is in hot water after posing for Louis Vuitton advertisements during the Olympic season. At least he wasn't posing with bongs this time around.



Gianna Carme

▪ **Here Comes Honey Boo Boo** trumped reality TV ratings in its premiere. Keep representing Georgia, Honey Boo Boo, keep representing.

▪ **Taylor Swift** was seen canoodling this weekend with her 18-year-old boyfriend Conor Kennedy. She also recently bought a \$5 million house on his family's property. Conor, three words: bat shit crazy.

▪ **Rihanna** admitted she still loves Chris Brown in an interview with Oprah. Rihanna, you found a rude boy in a hopeless place. Now, shut up and drive.

▪ **Kim Kardashian and Kris Humphries** were married a year ago yesterday. Let's celebrate the 72 days of love they shared.

▪ **Nicki Minaj** will be the new judge on yet another season of American Idol. This may be weird, but we're still trying to get past the fact that people still watch American Idol.

▪ **Kelly Ripa** is announcing her new co-host on Sept. 4. We have nothing snarky to say about Kelly Ripa. Sorry.

▪ **Russell Westbrook and James Harden** now have a new hobby outside of the Olympics. They're doing Footlocker commercials. Of course they're getting publicity without Durant hogging the spotlight.

▪ **Kristin Stewart** was spotted for the first time since confessing cheating on Robert Pattinson. Sucks to suck, Kristin.

Information compiled by the Arts & Entertainment Editor Gianna Carme, Arts & Entertainment Chief Kimeko McCoy and Opinions Editor James Farmer from perezhilton.com and TMZ.com.

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-Andrew Acs
Junior pre-nursing major

A friend and I were in a car and got pulled over for a broken taillight. The policeman that pulled us over saw a plastic baggie in the car and thought it was marijuana. We said we didn't know how it got there. In the end, he let us go with a warning because he didn't want to deal with the paperwork.

-Evan Kaminski
Freshman psychology major

"I watched Lil' Romeo's sister at a summer camp amongst other children."

-Denise Kirkland
Sophomore exercise science major

"I discovered Thai here in Statesboro."

-Emily McGuire
Sophomore public relations major

"I watched baby sea turtles hatch out of the ocean (at) Orange Beach in Alabama. I helped hatch them actually. 119 hatched."

-Brandi Shipp
Sophomore pre-nursing major

"I ate a lot of conch this summer, and it's interesting for me because I can't get it anywhere else."

-Nina Laing
Senior multimedia communications major

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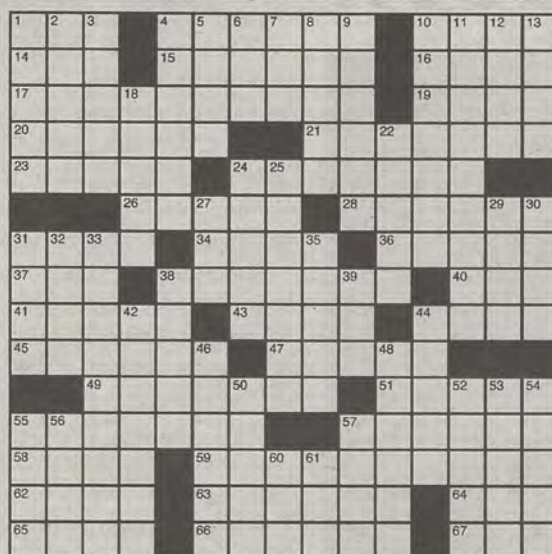
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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

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- 4 A loose one may activate the "Check engine" light
- 10 Home of the Mongolian wild ass
- 14 One of the Gabors
- 15 Rocket sound
- 16 Clutch hitter's stat
- 17 "New skier's area"
- 19 Resort near Ventura
- 20 Weather-affecting current
- 21 Judicial hearing
- 23 Apply, as healing hands
- 24 Loser's demand
- 26 Doozy
- 28 Interfere
- 31 Undoing
- 34 Chatted via MSN Live Messenger
- 36 Amer. help to allies
- 37 Savored a serving of
- 38 "Hug"
- 40 Country mail svc.
- 41 Lose-lose
- 43 Landers and Richards
- 44 "Boston Legal" extra: Abbr.
- 45 Serve a serving of
- 47 Etcher's etchers
- 49 Teaching story
- 51 Covent Garden staging
- 55 Nouveau riche
- 57 Chalk cube's target
- 58 "That's ___!": "No way!"
- 59 "Freebie from the hygienist"
- 62 Actress Anderson
- 63 Put on a throne
- 64 Vox populi, vox
- 65 Baltic resident
- 66 Intimidates
- 67 With 1-Across, a football play, or an apt description of what's hidden in the last part of the answer to each starred clue



By John Lampkin

DOWN

- 1 Fight against authority
- 2 Throat projection
- 3 One with charges
- 4 Fred of "The Munsters"
- 5 "Oh, of course!"
- 6 Costa del ___
- 7 Squab's sound
- 8 Jelly used in molds
- 9 Wunderkind
- 10 Keepers keep them
- 11 "Small collectible"
- 12 Journalist's concern
- 13 "Really?"
- 18 Mythical weeper
- 22 Line
- 24 Cuban 35-Down
- 25 Like the minutes before recess, seemingly
- 27 Sight
- 29 Boost
- 30 Fly fisherman's concern
- 31 Cigar collectible
- 32 Yours, in Tours
- 33 "Paper for the paper"

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Soccer sets tone for season

Men's Soccer

BY TREVOR MCNABOE

The George-Anne Staff

The Georgia Southern University men's soccer team finished up the preseason strong with a close 1-0 victory over Lander University.

Although the score presents the score to be tight, GSU controlled possession for the majority of the game.

"I thought that we were able to hold possession more and create some better chances," Head Coach Kevin Kennedy said.

The Eagles defense was rock solid, only allowing one shot in the first half. The defense allowed the offense to find openings and in the 43rd minute of the game the offense converted when a shot from Rocco Bagley hit the post. Hunter Norton was there to clean up and hit the back of the net to put GSU up 1-0.

The Eagles came out strong in the second half and continued to push the attack while maintaining its defensive form.

GSU continued the attack late in the second half. Forward Witt Carlisle was denied a goal from a strike inside the box by a diving save from the keeper. Norton's attempt to double his goals was not to be had as the ball hit the top of the crossbar from a free kick.

"We had a number of chances in the second half, we just didn't follow up with the second shot," Kennedy said.

Overall the Eagles took 16 shots with eight of them on goal, and held Lander to one shot the entire game.

With this win GSU evens out their preseason record to 1-1.

"There's some positives to be taken out of exhibition games. It's always nice to go into the regular season with a win under your belt," Kennedy said.

GSU finished last season 8-8-1, but had a disappointing first round exit from the Southern Conference tournament, and will begin the new season with high hopes.

The Eagles travel to Birmingham to play University of Alabama at Birmingham to open the season on Sunday beginning at 2 p.m.



Mark Barnes II/The George-Anne

Sophomore midfielder **Seth Prieto (15)** shields the ball from a Lander University defender during the Eagles final preseason warm-up game Monday afternoon.

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beginning of camp.

"I've seen a lot of progress this summer and one particular player that I play with is Deshawntee 'Ironhead' Gallon and he's a good player," senior safety J.J. Wilcox said. "He's always asking questions, in the coaches' face and interested in learning film and making good plays. He's going to be a good player and I am anxious to see him play."

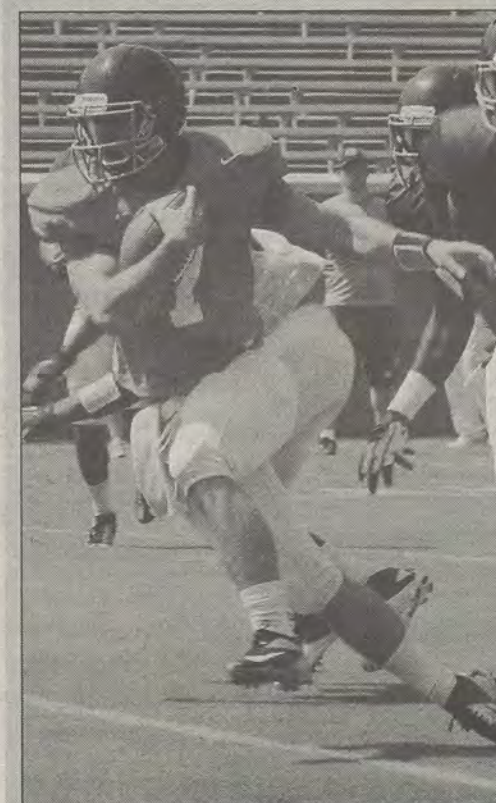
Adjusting to the college life as a freshman is said to be a struggle for some but Dean says that with the support of the team and the coaches, it will not be a problem for him.

"Everybody involved in the football program wants to see you succeed and I feel like with everybody's help, I will be able to accomplish that," Dean said.

With the season quickly approaching and the new additions to the squad, team members are excited to see what the future holds.

"I think the freshmen are going to do a good job. They are real mature and anxious to play," Wilcox said. "They have a great work ethic, and when you have freshmen with that type of mentality you know it's going to be a good year."

Dean said, "I think Georgia Southern has the biggest fan support, especially for football, but there is just a special feeling at Paulson Stadium."



Mark Barnes II/The George-Anne

Freshman quarterback **Matt Dobson (7)** rushes up the middle to impress the coaches during Saturday's scrimmage to end preseason camp.

Offense impresses at final camp scrimmage

Football

BY KEVIN GREGAN

The George-Anne staff

After meeting and shaking hands of many Eagle fans on Saturday, the Georgia Southern University football team's offense shined in a scrimmage held at Allen E. Paulson Stadium to end fall camp.

There were no official statistics and time was not kept but the offense gained 270 rushing yards off 63 rushing attempts and added another 41 passing yards, giving the offense a promising day against the Eagle defense.

"I thought the offense did some great things today, made some plays. There were some big plays and big runs," Monken said.

During the scrimmage and all throughout the preseason, two quarterbacks have been sharing snaps, and both are trying to stake their claim as the starter. Sophomore quarterback Ezayi Youyoute had 11 rushes for 81 yards, which included a 59-yard touchdown. Junior quarterback Jerick McKinnon managed 15 rushes for 33 yards.

"They're both certainly talented young guys," Monken said.

Monken added that he does not believe there is any edge to either quarterback for the starting position at this time.

Sophomore fullback Dominique Swope and junior a-back Robert Brown, two players expected to have an impact on offensive production for the Eagles this season, did not play but they are expected to be ready for opening day against Jacksonville University, Monken said.

Many younger players were given the chance to prove to Coach Monken and his staff that they were ready to be an Eagle.

Freshman fullback James Dean made the best of his chance. On three carries, Dean tallied 53 rushing yards and a touchdown.

"One thing you can't teach is effort and teamwork, and that's definitely something we've developed this camp," Dean said.

Dean's performance made an impact on Monken after he shrugged off a tackle and gained the bulk of his yards for a 50-yard carry.

"He's a hard working kid, runs hard. He's faster than people think when they look at him and he's determined," Monken said. "We're proud to have him here."

Junior defensive tackle Blake Riley is ready for the season and he believes the defense is ready too.

Riley said, "Our defense is all working together. We all know the task at hand and we know that we have great opponents that we have to be prepared for. We're going to have a good defense this year."



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The Georgia Southern University football team concluded its preseason camp with a scrimmage at The Meet the Eagles event last Saturday. The offense shined during its last attempt to please the coaches. Junior quarterback **Jerick McKinnon (1)** and sophomore quarterback **Ezayi Youyoute (11)** battled for the starting quarterback position. The Eagles will officially begin the season Sep. 1 against Jacksonville University at Allen E. Paulson Stadium beginning at 6 p.m. (Bottom left) Junior quarterback **McKinnon (1)** looks for space to evade tacklers in Saturday's scrimmage. (Top) The defensive line attempts to block a point after attempt during the last warm-up of the preseason.

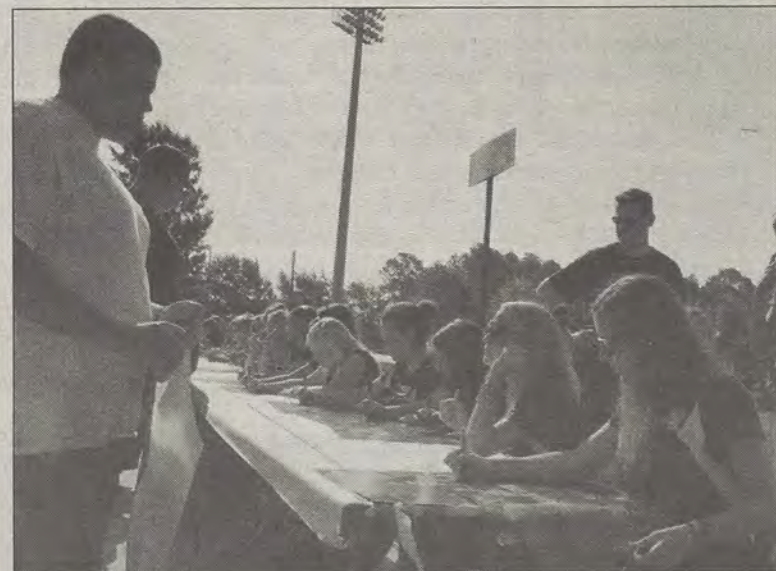


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Fans gathered at Paulson Stadium Saturday to meet the GSU fall athletes. **Top Left:** Fans have a chance to get autographs from the GSU football players. **Top Right:** Little Eagles get a gameday experience with the cheerleaders. **Bottom Left:** Football players enjoy the chance to meet their fans. **Bottom Right:** Morgan Springer begins the womens soccer autograph line.

Fans excited for chance to 'Meet the Eagles'

Football

BY KEVIN GREGAN

The George-Anne Staff

Members of Eagle Nation flocked to Allen E. Paulson Stadium on Saturday where they had a chance to meet the Eagles.

Along with the football team, fans were able to meet members of various Georgia Southern University teams that included the men and women's soccer teams, track and field and volleyball teams.

"It's great for our kids to realize that people appreciate them and want to see them," Head Football Coach

Jeff Monken said.

"I like to be able to come out and support the team before they get started," Kylie Hall, senior psychology major, said. "I'm really excited for this season. It's always fun to see how the team has improved since the summer practices, and I can't wait to see how they dominate the competition."

Chris Owens, sociology alumni from the class of 1987, comes every year to meet the Eagles, and this year was special for him because his daughter is starting her first year here, he said.

"I wanted to make sure I came here to get all their signatures so when (the Eagles) win number seven

this year, I'll have them," Owens said.

Junior defensive tackle Blake Riley was excited to see the support and it helped amp him up for the start the season, he said.

Riley said, "I was there with the rest of my teammates. It was a good thing seeing everybody out there giving us support."

Eagles look to Captain Norton for leadership



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Junior midfielder #13 **Hunter Norton** sets the pace on and off the field for the men's soccer team.

Men's Soccer

BY TREVOR MCNABOE

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University junior midfielder Hunter Norton will step on Eagle Field this year adorning the captain's armband and some added pressure.

Norton was named 2011 Southern Conference Men's Soccer All-Conference team after starting all 17 games last season and tallying four goals and two assists.

The Eagles finished up the 2011 season with a record of 8-8-1, and they will look to improve upon that record this year.

"I wouldn't say I'm the only one with high expectations on this team, our expectation is to win the conference championship, and it has been since I came in as a freshman, and this year we think we can do it," Norton said.

Norton garnered a preseason

award as he was announced as part of the 2012 Preseason All-SoCon First team that was voted on by the coaches.

"I appreciate it, but all that matters is being on it at the end, not the beginning," Norton said. "I don't really look into all that stuff."

Norton enters his third year having started every game since stepping foot on campus in 2010 and has a total of six goals and five assists in the 34 games.

With so much attention around him, expectations are to be formed.

"I think that there is always expectations being an athlete, being the captain your expected to lead and make an impact every game," Norton said.

Norton has also played with FC Sonic, located in Allentown, Pennsylvania, during the summer offseason. The club is part of the National Premier Soccer League — a national amateur league — allowing Norton to sharpen his skills in a

competitive environment during his break between collegiate seasons.

In the two preseason games to begin the 2012 season, Norton has taken five shots. Three have been on frame and one found the back of the net on Monday night, showing he is in form to begin the season.

Norton was born in Statesboro and is the son of former GSU soccer coach Tom Norton, who coached between 1990-2003.

Although Norton is the lone Eagle to be honored in the preseason, only time and performance will tell if he ends the season on the SoCon All-Conference team and leads the team to his ultimate goal of a conference championship.

The long journey to claim a conference title will begin Aug. 26 with a non-conference match against the University of Alabama at Birmingham set to kick-off at 2 p.m. The Eagles will look to start the season with a win and get off to a flying start in the 2012 campaign.

WELCOME BACK TO THE RAC

MONDAY

13
Registration Opens:
Pre-Season Flag Football,
Dodgeball, Fall Softball,
Ultimate Frisbee

TUESDAY

20
Group Fit Classes [begins]
Swim The SoCon [begins]
Campus Cycle Pickup,
4-8pm

27
Registration Opens:
Flag Football
Dodgeball [begins]
Club Sports Fair, 6pm

WEDNESDAY

21
Club Sports Council, 6pm

22
Southern Adventures Block
Party, 7pm
Registration Closes:
Dodgeball, Pre-Season
Flag Football

28
ACE PT Course [begins]
T8Th, 5:30-7pm
Registration Closes:
Fall Softball
Ultimate Frisbee

29
Belay Clinic 8pm
Wellness Wednesday
Fall Softball Captains' Mtg.
Ultimate Frisbee Captain's

THURSDAY

23
Belay Clinic, 8pm
Dodgeball Captains' Mtg.
6pm, Seminar Room
Pre-Season Flag FB
Schedules Available

30
Bouldering Night Out, 7pm

FRIDAY

24
Dodgeball
Schedules Available
Pre-Season Flag FB
Tournament [begins]

31
Fall Softball
Schedules Available
Ultimate Frisbee
Schedules Available

SATURDAY

25
GSU RUN 8K, 8am

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