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Junior quarterback Jerick McKinnon (1) makes a successful two-point conversion in Saturday’s game against the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga Mocs. This play made history for Georgia Southern University as the Eagles’ first-ever two-point conversion in overtime, which the Eagles were forced to attempt to defend their lead in the third overtime round against the Mocs. Sophomore offensive lineman Garrett Frye (58) and senior offensive lineman Blake DeBartola raise their hands to signal that the conversion was good. GSU’s win over the Mocs helped advance the team to the no. 1 spot of the Football Championship Subdivision Coaches Poll. The Eagles were also named to the number two spot of The Sports Network FCS Top-25 College Football Poll, the same spot as before the UTC game. North Dakota State University moved to the top spot after being in the third spot previously. NDSU defeated Southern Illinois University 23-17.
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Police Beat

Wednesday, Oct. 24
-Two cardboard posters were reported missing from the Zach S. Henderson Library.
-Officers responded to a report of an unruly person at Lewis Hall. The subject was upset because he was not given a parking pass. The officers referred him to the Parking and Transportation Department to settle the problem.
-Officers responded to a drug complaint at Kennedy Hall. Residents of the room were referred to Judicial Affairs.
-Officers responded to a report of an unruly person at the Henderson Library. Employees stated a male subject became agitated when he was asked to leave a certain area of the library. The subject had left the area when officers arrived.
-Officers responded to a report of a verbal altercation at Southern Courtyard. The dispute was over some property not being returned to one of the subjects. They were advised to give the property to the rightful owner.

Thursday, Oct. 25
-A wallet was found in the Biology Building and turned in to University Police for safekeeping.
-Officers discovered a suspicious person on the pedestrian near the Foy Building. The suspicious person was handing out flyers. The suspicious person was advised of the University policy for distributing information on the campus.
-Officers responded to the Russell Union Rotunda in reference to a suspicious person. The person was dressed in costume promoting an upcoming event.
-Officers responded to a drug complaint in C Lot near the dumpsters. The complaint was unfounded.

Friday, Oct. 26
-Officers made contact with a subject reported to have been looking in vehicle windows in Lot 21. Information on the subject was taken and the subject released.
-Officers took an incident report for a theft at Freedom's Landing room. This case was turned over to criminal investigations.
-Officers took an incident report for a theft at the RAC Field Support building. This case was turned over to criminal investigations.
-Officers took an incident report for an injured person at the Haunted Forest. EMS was notified, responded and transported the injured person for further medical treatment.

Saturday, Oct. 27
-Officers assisted Statesboro Police with a reported fight at College View Apartments.

Sunday, Oct. 28
-Officers responded to Southern Courtyard Clubhouse in reference to an intoxicated subject. Kellan J. Seiwart, 21 years old, was arrested and charged with public drunkenness and obstruction – misdemeanor.
-Officers discovered two subjects walking in J Lot holding beer. One of the subjects, Ricky Lee Lewis, 22, was found to be a wanted person by Savannah-Chatham Police. Lewis was arrested and held for the Savannah-Chatham Police.
-Officers discovered an intoxicated subject in J Lot. The intoxicated subject was judicially referred.
-Officers conducted a traffic stop on Lanier Drive at Robinhood Trail. The driver, Kyle Darien Morris, 20, was arrested and charged with driving with a suspended license and headlights required.
-Officers took an incident report for found property at the Haunted Forest. The property was returned to the owner's father.
-Officers discovered an open front door at University Villas. No occupants were home. The community leader was contacted and the door was secured.
-Officers discovered a lost/mislaid wallet at the College of Education. The owner could not be reached. The wallet was secured in the police department property room.
-Officers took an incident report for lost/mislaid property at Southern Pines.
-Officers responded to the Nest in reference to a fire alarm. Maintenance was notified and responded. The alarm was activated by a power surge.
-Officers responded to a fire alarm at Eagle Village. Statesboro Fire Department and maintenance were notified and responded. The alarm was activated by a heat generator from a blow dryer.
-Officers responded to a panic alarm at Centennial Place. Maintenance was notified and responded. A power surge activated the alarm. The adjacent rooms were checked to ensure there were no problems.
Our View

ResNet work done right

The decision by the Department of Network and Telecommunications to attempt to improve the campus Internet is a great idea.

Campus Wi-Fi has been a source of major complaints for the student body recently, and on Monday there were complaints that the campus Internet was down.

With the popularity of high-bandwidth websites such as Netflix and Hulu, web traffic has increased dramatically within the student body. Solutions need to be made quickly and effectively on the system.

The way that the department has decided to go about these changes is commendable. Focus groups are being formed to get student input into the potential improvements. Keeping student opinion and advice in the decision making process is both practical and smart.

Students are the main people who use the on campus Wi-Fi, so their opinions and feedback are the most informed.

If these focus groups work as planned, then ResNet will be improved from the ground-up, rather than the top-down, allowing the problems to be addressed by the individuals who actually deal with them on a daily basis.

We commend the university for seeing and reacting to a problem in a timely manner and including student voices in the potential solutions. We hope that caching will improve the Internet for the individuals who must use ResNet on a frequent basis.

This weekend was an exciting game for the Georgia Southern University Eagles. We matched up against one of the best teams in the Southern Conference and came out ahead in triple-overtime. Quite frankly, it was one of the best games I ever watched. Or rather, the best three quarters I ever watched.

See, when I went to a fine dining establishment that shall remain unnamed, I was expecting to see the GSU game streaming on the big screen, like was advertised. Well for about the entire first quarter, the Georgia-Florida game was playing, which is also known as not-the-GSU-UTC game. Naturally, I was irked. I wasn't eating in Gainesville, or in Athens. I was eating in Statesboro, where this eatery had advertised where they would have the game streaming from the Internet.

Maybe it wouldn't have been so bad if there hadn't been a whole boatload of students attempting to start a Georgia... bulldogs cheer in STATESBORO. Naturally I yelled back Southern as loud as humanly possible after they said Georgia. I felt like Stan's dad from Southpark, "I'm sorry, I thought this was Statesboro!"

And when the GSU game finally got on the big screen, to the immense delight of my party, people started to leave. Are you kidding me? You can literally watch the World's Largest Outdoor Cocktail Party at your own home. You couldn't watch the Eagles unless you wanted to pay $9 and stream it off the Internet. So these people were leaving the one place that was streaming the game and going somewhere else to do something besides watch the GSU game.

Most of us grew up cheering for other universities, myself included. But we all go to GSU now, not University of fill-in-the-blank. I don't even refer to my former school as mine anymore.

That's not to say you shouldn't cheer for your former team when they play anyone besides GSU, by all means do so. Enjoy the school you're at, though. The Eagles were playing for the No. 1 spot in all of the FCS last night, and some of us couldn't even stay for the whole game. We're GSU students, we need to remember that.

Cheer for your Eagles, and if you have a problem with that, let me grab you a transfer form.
Opinions

From the Left

Citizens United bad ruling

The 2010 Supreme Court case Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission ended in a 5-4 decision to prohibit government restrictions on political campaign expenditures by corporations and unions, ruling that since these groups are composed of individuals they are protected by the same First Amendment right to promote political causes and candidates. Following the court's ruling, torrential flows of money, much from anonymous billionaires, flooded the House and Senate races across the country from the newly developed super-PACs (political action committees).

But in this year's Republican primaries, only 13 percent of the $36 million plus donated by super-PACs came from private corporations, and less than one percent came from publicly traded corporations. The majority of donations come from wealthy individuals. Sheldon Adelson, the billionaire casino owner, donated $5 million to a pro-Gingrich super-PAC in January and $10 million to a Romney super-PAC in June. However, it was no less legal for private donors to make massive contributions to outside political groups before Citizens United, but there was an extensive web of guidelines in place, with repercussions for violators. What Citizens United did was to remove the uncertainty surrounding private political donations, saying "It's okay to contribute now. There's less restrictions."

However, some have argued that the increase in outside contributions from 2008 to 2012 follows consistently with the increase from 2004 to 2008. The fact is that billionaires can anonymously funnel an unlimited amount of money through super-PACs to run misleading ads in support of the candidates that serve their interests. The question should be then, though some interpretations claim it protects the First Amendment, is it ethical?

After all, it does, in essence, undermine the principle of democracy. Of course Sheldon Adelson donates to candidates that will cut his taxes at the expense of programs designed for the working class. But working class groups, on the other hand, do not have those resources to dedicate to the candidates that will serve their interests; so what will inevitably result will be an unbalanced and corrupt system.

This unethical system is already in place, as two of the biggest opponents of donation restrictions on grounds to "protect the First Amendment" are Republicans Mitch McConnell and John Boehner, who both receive donations from Adelson.

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From the Right

PACs good for us

One of the most controversial Supreme Court decisions has been Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission. In this landmark decision, the court ruled that corporations, PAC's and unions were protected under the First Amendment for free speech and could donate unlimited money through bundling. This decision has had liberals and progressives up in arms about how this has opened the door for big money to taint elections. I disagree with this wholeheartedly.

Money has played a role in elections since the creation of democracy. From bread being distributed to Athenians after they voted a certain way to shots of whiskey being given out after citizens vote, people have been using their money to get people elected. While these practices have been outlawed, the fact of the matter is that corporations have political interests too.

Before the Citizens United Case, corporations could not truly have their interests heard without the use of lobbyists. This practice has become all but obsolete after the Jack Abramoff Case of 2008 and the passing of restrictive lobbying laws. Now, corporations can sponsor the candidates that they want to, just like every other citizen does.

Progressives are against this because they feel that big money in elections is going to cause Republicans to dominate the political scene, but this simply isn't true. The biggest users of this decision have been unions that traditionally back Democrats. In the end, this decision will bring corporations to the U.S. by allowing them to participate.

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From Data to Discussions

Politicians win and lose by campaign money

The influence of money in political campaigns is not a recent problem. In fact, Theodore Roosevelt called for campaign finance reform in 1907, and the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 was modeled after what he had in mind.

The Federal Election Campaign Act set up the Presidential Election Campaign Fund, which allowed for citizens to check a box on their tax return which would transfer money from the Treasury to the fund. This is still the law today, but in order for a candidate to use money from this fund, they have to play by strict rules governing how they can raise the money and how they can spend it. Donations made by individuals are matched up to $250, but the catch is that candidates can take a gamble and opt out if they think that they had a better chance of raising money some other way. Opting out also allows them to spend the money any way they please.

In 2008, President Obama and Republican nominee John McCain were both looking at using about $84 million dollars for their campaigns if they used federal funds. McCain, an outspoken advocate for campaign finance reform, stuck with the federal funds and was outspent by his opponent who raised $264 million.

The Citizens United ruling, along with the loopholes that wealthy political activists and corporations have found, has made the decision to use private funds an easy one. This election, both candidates have opted out of public funding, for obvious reasons. Combined, the two candidates have already raised around a billion dollars.

Campaign financing has been controversial for a while now, but lawmakers seem to be dragging their feet on reform. Republicans filibustered an act that would increase transparency in campaign finances in August. Many of them obviously have big incentives to maintain the status quo, and this comes at the cost of the average American's voice. So for a chance to come, many politicians will have to vote against their own best interests, which by definition would make them irrational, right?

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Halloween’s not over yet, here’s more outfits

Girls have been trained from childhood that Halloween is for strutting your stuff. Mean Girls made that very clear. "In the regular world, Halloween is when children dress up in costumes and beg for candy. In Girl World, Halloween is the one night a year when a girl can dress like a total slut and no other girls can say anything about it."

Halloween is an opportunity to tarnish the innocence of Disney princesses, or make the careers we may one day have sexy.

Girls made that very clear. "In the regular world, you can dress like a total slut and no other girls can say anything about it." Halloween is not over yet, here’s more outfits.

From wrapping your boobs in caution tape and calling yourself a construction worker to wearing lingerie and animal ears, Halloween is all about pushing the limits.

Dressing up as a beer can is completely overdone. Last year, the fraternities didn’t even have to supply any Bud Light for the party because so many girls were already there wrapped in duct tape with cardboard logos pretending to be beer.

We all know that when you are trying to hide it up you can’t possibly do it alone, so you must be able to come up with an idea that fits all of your girlfriends. Each girl could pick their favorite state, and together you all could practice your pageant waves and fake surprised faces as if you were your "Miss Georgia" sash with pride.

The most important thing to remember for Halloween is to be unique. No one wants to go to the bar, meet the Ken to their Barbie, go to the bathroom and come back to find out he is already moved on to the Malibu Barbie in her bikini.

Dressing as a couple with your boo-thang can be fun too, but make sure you stick together. You wouldn’t want your Ronnie running off with another Sammy Sweetheart.

Girls, be careful of what you wear this Halloween. Get crafty and make sure that you are the only one at the bar with this great idea.

Easy solutions for dining plan problems

As a transfer student I have seen Georgia Southern as a breath of fresh air and an institution with more to offer. However, since being here I’ve noticed some things that I am not so thrilled about, for example Eagle Express and refund checks.

We live in a generation today with countless technological advancements, and I’ve yet to understand why a top college like GSU would still issue out checks. We should be going green and issuing them out by providing each student with a debit card through services such as Higher One. By going from paper to plastic, GSU would actually save money and trees, along with making it easier for students to have access to their money.

In regards to Eagle Express, I deposited money onto my account with hopes that it would make it easier to buy things with discounts. But it did just the opposite; there are two issues with eagle express and they are: 1) Limited Vendors and 2) Inconsistency. Eagle Express is inconsistent when it comes to ordering food from the vendors and then having to walk away without your food because the vendors’ Eagle Express machine refused to work. Aside from the inconsistencies, you have very little to choose from.

Forcing a student to go to Bi-Lo, which isn’t the cheapest grocery store in Statesboro to purchase food, to restricting students to restaurants that they may not care for along with services majority of us will never use. So what is the solution to this? It’s simple, start a contract with a company such as Higher One and have them issue out Georgia Southern debit cards to the Students during the summer. Once every student has their own card activated, Georgia Southern can set up auto deposits into the students new banking account along with making the card a discount card to some vendors. The second and last solution is to expand the vendors’ list beyond Statesboro, make discounts available in Savannah, at our movie theater, mall, Walmart, Kmart and all gas stations if possible.

Making these painless and simple improvements could make a large-scale difference on a campus such as ours. So why not utilize technology and go for the best route long term and not the convenient route for those not so advanced that will hurt us in the long run.

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Residents find problems in dorms
Students file complaints for pests and mold on campus

BY LAUREN GORLA
The George-Anne contributor

Roaches, mice, mold and mildew—all things students don’t expect to find in their dorms, but many are finding these problems to be a reality.

From spring 2011 to now, Georgia Southern University Residential Facilities Department has reported 57 work order requests for mildew and 82 work requests for pest control at on-campus housing residences.

In 2011, residents filled out 21 work orders in regards to mildew in their housing.

"There is black mold growing pretty wild on our bathroom ceiling. I would like to get it checked out," according to a work order issued from Kennedy Suites on Oct. 14, 2011.

This order was not completed until Jan. 10, 2012.

"Shower area shared between A and B walls and ceilings has mold all over it. It smells like mildew when in the shower and it looks like it's coming from inside the light/fan ceiling. My roommate is also highly allergic to mold," according to a work order issued from Eagle Village Building Two in 2011.

There were 36 work order requests filed in 2012, and 10 filed so far this semester.

According to the work request documents:

"The bathroom for rooms A and B has mold on the shower wall as well as the shower ceiling," according to a work order issued from Centennial Place in January 2012.

"The bathroom for C & D bedrooms has a moldy shower curtain. Can we get a new one if it is possible? Thank you, have a great day!" according to a work request filed from Southern Courtyard Building One in January 2012.

Mold, mildew and insects were reported from University Villas Aug. 18, 2012.

The request was not completed until Oct. 19, 2012.

"There is an excessive amount of mold located under the bathroom sink under the cupboard doors and a huge amount in the back of the face bowl oozing onto the walls and down the floors. After cleaning the area the mold returns. Please treat this immediately. Thanks," according to a work request filed from University Villas in 2012.

I have already submitted one request and nobody showed up but we have mildew in our bathroom on the A and B side and I don't know if it is serious," according to a work request filed from Southern Courtyard Building Three on Oct. 25, 2012.

This incident has not yet been completed.

There have been occurrences of mold in Centennial Place and maintenance simply paints over the problem. Kelsey Pierson, freshmen psychology and Spanish major and resident of Centennial Place, said.

"On my roommate's ceiling where the vent is there was mold and she put in a work order, but they just painted over it. They didn't even fix the problem," Pierson said.

In 2011, 82 work requests were filed regarding pest control in on-campus housing.

"There was a roach in my living room, then in my bed, then my bathroom, and this morning there was one in my sink. Please help me, PLEASE," according to a work request filed from Southern Pines Building Four.

"Insane amount of roaches," according to a work request filed from Kennedy Apartments.

"We seem to have ants in our dorm and I'm not sure where they are coming from. Not in the individual rooms, but the common room," according to a request filed from Southern Courtyard.

Out of 82 requests, 25 were filed from University Villas in Jan. 27, 2011-May 27, 2011, according to the documents.

"We need someone to spray for roaches because they are becoming a PROBLEM!!!!! The apartment is fairly clean and we don't know what else to do, please help," according to a work request filed from University Villas.

"Our entire room needs to be sprayed for roaches and spiders, especially in the kitchen," according to a request filed from University Villas.

"We would like our apartment to be inspected for dead mice. We had a dead mouse a few months ago and now we are smelling the same stench that we smelled when we previously had a dead mouse. We've checked all traps but cannot seem to find anything. We just want to be sure we have nothing dead in our apartment," according to a request filed from University Villas.

"Student needs her apartment sprayed for bees. She is allergic and she says that they are burrowing into the apartment and swallowing around the front door," according to a request filed from University Villas.

"There is something in the wall of the washer and dryer closet and it is scratching and it sounds like it's about to get through and I am really scared!" according to a request filed from University Villas.

"Bugs and pests do not appear to be a serious threat to some residents, Jenny Garcia, freshmen pre-nursing major and resident of Southern Pines, said.

"I've only seen like three spiders and two cockroaches. I don't want to live with roaches, but it happens," Garcia said.

Residential Facilities Administrative Coordinator Adrianne McCollar could not be reached for comment by press time.

"To contact the news editor, email gnewsed@georgiasouthern.edu.

Lindsay Gaskins contributed to this report.

Illustrations courtesy of Carly Hayes.
The Georgia Southern University V.A.L.U.E.S team is beginning a new campaign to spread awareness about what they stand for and to reward selfless, kind acts done by students and faculty.

From now until the end of the semester, whenever a member of the V.A.L.U.E.S team witnesses a kind act performed that symbolizes what V.A.L.U.E.S stands for, the team member will give the do-gooder a silicon bracelet, similar to the popular Livestrong bracelets, imprinted with "Eagles Sharing Values."

V.A.L.U.E.S. is a motto that is mentioned during the SOAR session and stands for voices, accountability, lasting traditions, unity, ethical behavior and scholarship.

Students would be rewarded for acts done not because people are watching, a selfless act, Julie Cantor, coordinator for Student Conduct and advisor for the V.A.L.U.E.S Team, said.

If someone is walking down the pedestrian and drops all their books and papers, then if a person went out of their way to help them, that would be worthy of a bracelet, Cantor said.

The concept is "pay it forward." Once a student is rewarded with a bracelet, it becomes their job to pass it on to another student or faculty member who is caught doing a selfless act.

"V.A.L.U.E.S. is about ethical behavior on and off campus," Shannon Snell, junior majoring in information technology, said. "We hand out the bracelets to encourage ethical behavior and being a good person."

"I think it will be a fun thing for students to be a part of, even though we are already a friendly campus. I think it will promote small good deeds," Meghan Madison, junior majoring in public relations, said.

Issues that the team wanted to address to the campaign included what they wanted to incorporate into the community and how they can relate to what GSU stands for, Cantor said.

The V.A.L.U.E.S. Team consists of around 12 volunteers that applied for the position.

The entire idea for this campaign came from the V.A.L.U.E.S. students, Cantor said.

This project was started because the V.A.L.U.E.S. team was astounded by the number students who were getting into trouble so they wanted to try to get people excited to go out of their way to help, Snell said.

"It shows that students do care about others, and they want to start something that they entire community adopts," Cantor said.

Most students believe that the idea will go over well with the student body.

"Georgia Southern is a nice place already," Khadijah Muhammad, sophomore biology major, said.

"This university has a positive affect on people, and people are generally happy and care about things like this," Sarah Nicholson, freshman chemistry major, said.

"I think students will accept (the campaign), but they may have a hard time getting it rolling because it takes a lot of publicity to get the student body to want to participate in something that isn't academic or sports oriented," Kristin Love, freshman outdoor recreation major, said.

Snell said, "The main thing is that we are rewarding people for doing good things and to show that the deeds aren't going unseen, and (the deeds) are worth doing."
Women engineers prepare for Texas conference

BY GRACE HUSETH
The George-Anne contributor

The Society of Women Engineers will once again attend the Women Engineers conference during the second week of November to inspire their members in the field of engineering.

This year, four club members will fly to Houston to join the national conference, which informs and inspires young women in the engineering profession through guest speakers and career-related workshops, Shavonti Weaver, senior mechanical engineer major and president of SWE said.

"We are going to network with over 50 employees and meet other SWE members in professional organizations," Weaver said.

"We will also learn from workshops on resume building, life coaching and the balancing act of being an engineer and successful women," Weaver said.

Dr. Shonda Bernadin, associate professor of electrical engineering and advisor for black engineers, works with the SWE to promote a female presence on campus encouraged the SWE members to attend the conference.

"Potential employers will take your resume and interview you on site. This can lead to the girls getting an internship, co-op or even a permanent job," Bernadin said.

Weaver is looking forward to the trip regardless of the outcome of the conference and possible job opportunities.

"I feel that we will grow from this experience by being able to have a better appreciation for what we are doing as women in engineering. Being around other women engineers who are in their profession will motivate us to continue to excel in our academics and community involvement because one day it will pay off," Weaver said.

The three-day conference starting on Nov. 7 will feature speakers who are women engineers to give the girls a glimpse into the career they aspire to be a part of.

"I am looking forward to hearing our keynote speaker Dr. Ellen Ochoa. She was the first Hispanic Women to go to space. I am sure she has encouraging words and a lifetime full of experience that we will be able to relate to," Weaver said.

The conference will also encourage the girls in a field that is predominately male but is shifting to include more women.

"The Society of Women Engineers is so helpful to our future career because it provides a small group that understands our struggles, and our ambition to be the best that we can be.

The population of women engineers at GSU itself has grown thanks to the new stand-alone civil electrical and mechanical engineering program GSU started this fall, Bernadin said.

Other schools have about a 16 percent female population while 10 percent of the department at GSU is female, Bernadin said.

Bernadin said, "As a college we have a very healthy number of female students, and I think that with our new engineering program a lot more women are choosing to stay here."
Rocky Horror gives risqué Halloween performance

BY PEYTON CALLANAN
The George-Anne contributor.

With just a jump to the left and then a step to the right, audience members got in touch with their wild side this past Thursday and Friday at the Averitt Center’s fifth annual production of The Rocky Horror Picture Show.

The show featured a shadow cast who performed while the movie played on screen and a round of games to break in “virgin” viewers who have never seen the show before the performance.

“They may be a little risqué, but it’s Rocky Horror,” Bob Peterson, director, said.

Leading up to the show all audience members also had the opportunity to participate in a costume contest, and the top winner was awarded a prize. All audience members were given props so they could play along with the shadow cast.

“It’s one of the best experiences of your life,” Anna Rhoden, sophomore biology major, said. “It’s an amazing sense of you can do anything, even the bits you try not to do in public, and be completely safe there because everyone is just as strange as you are.”

Afterward, a cast party was held across the street from the Averitt center at 40 East Grill.

“It was a great chance for the audience to meet the cast. It was nice for us to be able to unwind as a cast together,” Peterson said.

“It was really awesome. We made a lot of upgrades this year, and it really paid off,” Megan Bowen, the show’s choreographer, said.

The games change from year to year and are chosen with the hopes of getting the best reaction, Peterson said.

The production will change slightly from year to year as the group continues to make upgrades, Peterson said.

Depending on the show’s budget and potential funding they are hoping to add more props and continue to let the show grow.

Bowen said, Georgia Southern University’s Independent Arts Movement Club produced the show and students looking to participate in next year’s production should contact the club for more information.

Left: Michael Boddie, playing Rocky, demonstrates his perfect physique while Charlie Bowen, playing Dr. Frank N. Furter sings ‘I can make you a man’. Right: Chris Kirk, playing Eddie, sings ‘Hot patootie (Bless my soul)’ after appearing on his motorcycle.
Southern Pride to host first GSU indoor concert

BY WILL PEEBLES
The George-Anne contributor

Tomorrow night at 7:30, the Performing Arts Center will host Georgia Southern University's own Southern Pride Marching Band for the first time.

“This will be the first time Southern Pride has ever played at the PAC. A lot of schools do an indoor event for the marching band. I feel like it is something we need to be doing because it gives the public an opportunity to see the marching band up close and personal,” Colin McKenzie, director of Southern Pride, said.

The band will be playing every piece of music that they have performed all season, including their entire pregame repertoire in this hour-long concert.

“Southern Pride will perform for the first time ever at the PAC tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. I'm very excited to be a part of such a new experience for the marching band. This is the first time Southern Pride has put on such an event, and I hope that this concert can give Statesboro some great exposure for the athletic bands,” Doug Atcheson, Southern Pride graduate assistant, said.

McKenzie will lead Southern Pride in music the band has performed all year but in a way that students may not be used to.

“The idea is not to change the Southern Pride experience but to change the way people hear the music. If you have ever seen a marching band inside, you know it is pretty powerful. It can overwhelm you a little bit. I think that's pretty special,” McKenzie said.

Though most students have heard these songs at home football games throughout the year, hearing them performed in an enclosed space will provide a completely different aural experience.

“At a football game, depending on where you sit, you can't really get the whole picture; this will change that. When the audience is this close to the band, I think students will have a great appreciation for the level of talent that exists in this group,” McKenzie said.

The concert is free to the public and is an opportunity to support one of GSU's own student music ensembles.

McKenzie said, “The thing that makes me most proud of this group is the level of excellence they bring to the table everyday. I can tell you that each of those students is dedicated to bringing everything to every rehearsal and game day performance so that they can support our football team in the best way they know how, as well as entertain our fans with the best product that they are able to provide.”

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Halloween came early this year as Scare on the Square brought out every crazy costume in Statesboro last Saturday night.

From werewolves to lobsters, everyone was festive and excited with Halloween spirit.

"I'm out here to see all the costumes, and I'm really excited to see the costume contest results," event attendee Dylan Church said.

Not only the people and their pets were dressed up that night, but the trunk or treat cars added their own bit of scariness as they rolled up covered in spiders, cobwebs and bats.

The trunk or treat participants decorated their cars as kids skipped from car to car collecting their sugary treats.

"I wanted to bring my daughter somewhere and show off her costume," resident Bob Peterson said.

Everyone got their chance to show off their best costume as the costume contest began.

Some of the participants included the character Chewbacca from Star Wars, the grim reaper and a dog dressed as a hot dog.

Anticipation and excitement grew as the night went on. For so many, 9 p.m. could not come soon enough.

"I'm super pumped to see the Thriller Dance," event attendee Jeremy Bennett, said.

Scare on the Square entertained attendees until the dance commenced.

The game section was quite popular as people colored fun Halloween cartoons and spun a wheel to win prizes.

In addition, people walked from one scarecrow to the next casting their ballot to whichever one was their favorite.

The one scarecrow dressed as a Georgia Southern University football player gained attention coming in third, while the Madame Couture scarecrow came in first.

Screams could be heard from the haunted house, and the line for the haunted hayride grew with eager children jumping around and tugging at their parents' coats as the line wrapped around the Averitt Center for the Arts.

The GSU football player scarecrow came in third place in the scarecrow contest.

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5 Easy Steps to Prepare for the Eagle Expo

By: Taylor D. Terrell
Public Relations/Events Intern

The Office of Career Services presents the annual Eagle Expo — a career and graduate school fair for students looking for internships, jobs and graduate schools to apply for. The Expo will be held in the RAC on Wednesday, Oct. 31, 2012 from 12 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Every year employers and graduate schools from a various regions travel to Georgia Southern University in hopes of networking with the nation's most valued students.

Here are a few things you may want to remember when you’re preparing for the Eagle Expo:

1. Arrive early and stay later, if possible.
2. The dress code is business professional...Please dress appropriately, NO costumes.
3. Bring copies of your résumé
4. Network, network, network
5. Prioritize your time while visiting the career fair and HAVE FUN!

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GSU rises to the No. 1 spot in FCS polls

Football (7-1)

BY KEVIN GREGAN
The George-Anne staff

For the second time this year, the Eagles have risen to the top spot.
Most recently, Georgia Southern University has risen to prominence in the Football Championship Subdivision Coaches Poll after a huge 39-31 triple-overtime victory against University of Tennessee at Chattanooga on Saturday.
With a 7-1 record on the season, the Eagles received 17 first-place votes to ascend the top of the polls from the second ranking they had last week.
GSU received 635 points while North Dakota State University rose one spot to the number two ranking with 619 points, according to a Southern Conference press release.
Montana State University, Sam Houston State University and Old Dominion University round up the top-five.
North Dakota State won the FCS National Championship last season after beating Sam Houston State University.
This is the first time this year the coaches in the FCS have recognized GSU as the best team in the league.
Wofford College is the only other SoCon team that was named within the top 10 of the coach's poll.
Throughout interviews conducted with players and coaches over this season, head coach Jeff Monken and the players have preached that the rankings don't matter to them. Their focus is to play one game at a time and win a SoCon championship.
The first time the Eagles rose to the number one spot was when the Eagles reached the top of the SoCon standings, three weeks ago after the victory against WC.
Going into that game, WC was ranked third and GSU was ranked seventh in the FCS Coaches Poll.
In the "The Sports Network" rankings, conducted by journalists, GSU remains behind North Dakota State at the No. 2 spot with 3,928 points.
Conference champions receive automatic bids to compete in the FCS playoffs and the top four seeds receive homefield advantage.

Georgia Southern University Eagle fans react to a defensive stop that sealed the 39-31 triple-overtime victory in Chattanooga on Saturday.
The victory boosted GSU to the top of the FCS Coaches’ Poll on Monday.
Overtime victory keeps GSU playoff hopes alive

BY KEVIN GREGAN
The George-Anne staff

The will to win was so strong during Saturday's 39-31 game that it took Georgia Southern University three overtimes to overcome the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga Mocs.

During the first overtime both teams were evenly matched, and after senior Darreion Robinson scored from 20 yards out, the Mocs responded and sent the game into double-overtime.

UTC started with the ball first in the second OT but the Eagle defense held the Mocs, who were running against the cold wind in Chattanooga to a field goal attempt.

After the Mocs missed the field goal, GSU merely needed to kick a field goal to win. On the first snap, the Eagles fumbled and the game would reach its first triple-overtime since 2010.

After converting a fourth and two on the GSU five yard line, the Eagles and junior quarterback Jerick McKinnon got the go-ahead score and put the pressure on the Mocs offense to respond.

According to NCAA rules, teams must attempt a two-point conversion starting in triple overtime. McKinnon took the ball and scored from three yards out to get the first overtime two-point conversion in GSU program history.

UTC had a chance to tie the game but senior safeties JJ Wilcox and Darius Ruebanks stuffed freshman Mocs quarterback Jacob Huesman on a fourth and two from the GSU five-yard line.

“Our defense made a great stop on the last fourth down to win the game. I just love those guys a lot. I’m glad to be a part of this time,” McKinnon said.

With the Eagles up 21-10 at halftime, the game looked like it was GSU’s to win, but the Mocs came out of the locker room at halftime strong and on a mission to defend its field, scoring 14 unanswered points during the third quarter while keeping the GSU offense out of the endzone.

During the last possession of the third quarter, the Mocs went ahead 24-21, knocking the wind out of a GSU crowd that braved the chilly Chattanooga weather to cheer for the Eagles.

Halfway through the fourth quarter, the Eagles finally got in field goal range and freshman kicker Alex Hanks tied the game with a 24-yard field goal.

In dramatic fashion, McKinnon and the GSU offense marched down the field during the last possession of the game to set up a 59-yard field goal. The kick had the distance but sailed wide right to send the game into overtime.

McKinnon had a career-high three rushing touchdowns to go with his 141 rushing yards off 28 carries. His most important touchdown came in the third overtime on a third and goal that put the Eagles up 37-31.

Huesman was responsible for three of the four UTC touchdowns during the game, contributing 272 of the 316 yards gained by the Mocs on the day, a sure sign that he will wreak havoc in the SoCon for three more years.

With the win, playoff hopes were kept alive, and a win next week against Appalachian State University on Nov. 3 will allow the Eagles to reach the postseason for the third time in as many years.

Senior defensive tackle Brent Russell (66) looks to shed a block and make a tackle against the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. He remains a half a sack away from the Georgia Southern University sacks record of 24 sacks.

Eagles, Mocs honor Volker

BY KEVIN GREGAN
The George-Anne staff

The dramatic 39-31 triple-overtime victory on Saturday over the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga Mocs provided Georgia Southern University with a positive conclusion to a week filled with tragedy.

To start the week, GSU was shaken by the death of Elizabeth Volker, a member of the football training staff. Both teams wore helmet decals with Volker’s initials in honor of the freshman, who passed away on Monday.

“We’ve had a tough week with the loss of Elizabeth, which took a big toll on us emotionally. I’m really proud of the way our guys handled that, the way they handled the entire trip and to be able to gut it out, winning the game like that,” head coach Jeff Monken said.

During the trip to Chattanooga, the team stopped in the Atlanta area to be with the Volker family and pay their respects to Elizabeth.

Volker was found in her dorm in University Villas last week with a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

With all those emotions accompanying the playoff implications of the game on Saturday, the contest against the Mocs could well be considered one of the most important wins of the season for the Eagles.
GSU offense rushes, passes efficiently

Football (7-1)

BY JANNAH BOLDS
The George-Anne staff

This past weekend, the Eagles of Georgia Southern University utilized both aspects of its offense—the passing and rushing game.

The Eagle's offense ran up a total of 372 rushing yards on the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga and held it to only 198 yards rushing. At the half, GSU did manage to put up more passing yardage than its opponents 50-28, but UTC managed to finish the game ahead of the Eagles with 118-55 passing yards.

"We are going to go home and enjoy this victory and prepare ourselves for Appalachian State," head coach Jeff Monken said.

GSU was able to make use of both quarterbacks this game and with the help of the offensive line, both players were able to rush some yards. Throughout the game, the offensive coaches continued to switch both quarterbacks in and out of the game and into running back positions.

"McKinnon got banged up a little bit, and Ezayi came in and made some plays. I was disappointed with the turnovers, and we have to stop turning the ball over because we gave them some opportunities that they shouldn't have had," Monken said.

Junior quarterback Jerick McKinnon lead the team in rushing yards with 28 carries for 141 yards while sophomore quarterback Ezayi Youyoute ranked fourth with ten carries for 33 yards.

Along with the rushing yardage, McKinnon was the only offensive player to record passing yardage for the Eagles. The junior completed three of his five passing attempts for 55 total yards. His longest throw was to sophomore wide receiver Zach Walker for 40 yards.

Another offensive aspect of the game that changed the competition up for the Eagles was the fact that different players got a chance to touch the ball.

The only GSU offensive player that did not get any touches this game was sophomore running back Dominique Swope. Swope's disappearance gave his other teammates a chance to make plays.

"Swope is hurt right now. We didn't want to disclose that information because we didn't want the other team to prepare to face us without him. We expect to have him back next week against App. State though," Monken said.

The Eagles went to senior running back Darreion Robinson, junior running back William Banks and junior running back Jonathan Bryant more than usual this game.

Robinson and Banks ranked second and third for GSU in rushing yards with Robinson gaining 74 yards and 11 carries and Banks with 69 yards and 18 carries.

"The offensive line makes it easy when they open up holes up front, and they really gave us a lot of opportunities," Banks said.

Robinson said, "Our offense is based on running the ball, and that's what our coaches stress to us. The offensive line played hard tonight, and they stepped up especially on third and short."
Redemption

Defense struggles early, later becomes key to victory

BY TREvor MCNABOE
The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University defense came into the game against University of Tennessee at Chattanooga averaging only 122 yards, however it gave up 170 yards to UTC's freshman quarterback Jacob Huesman alone.

At halftime the defense held a 21-10 lead and gave up only 28 yards passing and a total of 128 yards. However, in the second half it gave almost 200 hundred yards and two scores to bring the game into overtime.

"We didn't make any adjustments during the game we just played our game defensively, and it worked," senior defensive end Dion Dubose said.

Normally the Eagles gets stronger defensively as the game goes on, instead the opposite happened.

The GSU defense returned to normal in the three overtime periods, allowing a total of one touchdown and 51 yards.

When it mattered most, the defense, which head coach Jeff Monken has said to be playing well all year, stepped up and provided a stop to seal the win for the Eagles.

"Coach always talks about adversity, and that fourth down play was an adverse situation. We could have either given up or fought through it, and I'm proud of my teammates," senior safety J.J. Wilcox said.

Although the Eagles didn't have its best defensive performance it escaped Chattanooga with a victory, which can be seen as a confidence builder for the defense with late game heroes.

"We have a lot of respect for University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. They are a very good team, and that showed today," senior linebacker John Stevenson said.

Defensively, GSU will have to play better next week against rival Appalachian State in order to win at home.
Photospread: When four quarters aren’t enough, go big or go home

The Georgia Southern University Eagles defeated the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga Mocs 39-31 on Saturday. Left: Junior full back William Banks (32) and the rest of the Eagles football team celebrate with Eagle fans at the end of the game. Top Right: Senior SLOT Darreion Robinson (7) dashes past a UTC defender to the endzone. Bottom Right: Sophomore quarterback Ezayi Youyoue (11) tries to juke a UTC defender.

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Eagles upset UNCG in first game of SoCon tournament

BY JACK MAGRUDER
The George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University women’s soccer team advanced to the Southern Conference Tournament Semifinals after a 1-0 upset against the No. one team University of North Carolina Spartans at Greensboro on Sunday.

The Eagles took an upset victory over UNCG for the second-straight year in the opening round of the SoCon Women’s Soccer Tournament.

The victorious Eagles improve to 9-7-4, while UNCG ends the season at 12-7-1.

Freshman midfielder Nora El-Shami scored the game-winning goal unassisted with 1:48 remaining in the game to take a 1-0 victory over UNCG.

This was El-Shami’s fifth goal of the season, and she is now tied for team leader in goals with sophomore forward Sydnie Van Curen.

UNCG took the majority of shots, leading the Eagles 12-5 in the total shot count. It was the Eagles’ junior goalkeeper Katie Merson who kept GSU in the contest, making four saves with three of those in the second half.

El-Shami took four of the shots on goal and junior forward Alex Murphy tallied one shot as well.

UNCG gave away its first goal since Oct. 5, ending a run of six-straight shutouts.

With the win, GSU advanced to the SoCon Semifinals and a matchup with Elon University on Friday in Birmingham, Ala. The tournament, hosted by Samford University, continues Friday night.

Jackie Gutknecht contributed to this article.
Eagles continue winning streak on the road

BY KATIE TOLBERT
The George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University's volleyball team ended its four-match road swing with two victories against College of Charleston, winning 3-1, and The Citadel, winning 3-0.

The Eagles went into its first match against the Cougars having won the six previous matches it played. Winning the match against CofC made it the team's seventh consecutive win with set scores of 16-25, 25-17, 25-15 and 25-20. Earlier this season CofC swept GSU, so this was a big win for Eagles, also making it first in the Southern Conference South Division.

The Eagles were very strong up at the net during offense and defense. Leading the team, senior outside hitter Moriah Bellissimo had 17 kills. Not far behind, senior outside hitter Meredith Paskert had 13 kills and three blocks and sophomore middle blocker Kym Coley had 11 kills and three blocks.

The Eagles defended well, posting 12 total team blocks, holding the Cougars to a .117 hitting percentage. Gaining momentum, the Eagles held the Cougars to a -.056 hitting percentage in set two and a .000 hitting percentage in set three.

The Eagles struggled in the first set of the match with multiple errors, but the Eagles gained back confidence and momentum and fought the Cougars to win the next three matches. In each of the following matches, the Eagles had comfortable leads of 12-5 in the second set, 19-11 in the third set and 19-13 in the fourth set to take the win.

Following this victory, the Eagles once again swept The Citadel with set scores of 25-13, 26-24 and 25-16. This was the Eagles eighth win in a row, but also its 20th win this season. This is the third time in head coach Chad Gallihan's career at GSU and the 10th time in GSU's history that the Eagles have won 20-plus matches in one season.

Up at the net, Paskert posted 16 kills and junior outside hitter Nicole Jeschelnik posted 12 kills.

But, the Eagles really performed on the defensive side. The Eagles held the Bulldogs to a .094 hitting percentage, had six team blocks and 67 team digs. Freshman libero Alexandra Beecher received a match high 21 digs, and Bellissimo added 16 digs as well as seven kills.

GSU returns home for its last four regular season matches starting with Western Carolina University on Saturday, Nov. 3 at 7 p.m. and Davidson College on Monday, Nov. 5 at 6 p.m.

Volleyball Schedule

| Nov. 3 | Western Carolina | 7 p.m. |
| Nov. 5 | Davidson | 6 p.m. |
| Nov. 9 | Furman | 6 p.m. |
| Nov. 10 | Wofford | 6 p.m. |
| Nov. 17-19 | SoCon Tournament | 7 p.m. |
Georgia Southern University freshman libero Alexandra Beecher was named the Southern Conference Volleyball Defensive Player of the Week for week 10.

This is the third weekly award Beecher has received this season. Beecher was also named the SoCon Volleyball Freshman of the Week for week four and the SoCon Defensive Player of the Week for the first time in week two.

Beecher tallied 23 digs and six assists in GSU’s 3-1 win at Friday’s match against the College of Charleston, which pushed the Eagles into the first place spot in the South Division.

The freshman then added 21 digs, three assists and a service ace in GSU’s 3-0 win at The Citadel on Saturday.

Beecher averages 4.64 digs per set and has tallied 459 season digs. On top of that, Beecher has also notched 27 season service aces.

This is the fifth SoCon weekly award for the Eagles this season. Senior outside Meredith Paskert received Offensive Player of the week (week eight) and senior setter Kate Van Dyke was named Student-Athlete of the week (Sept. 26).

Beecher, who is originally from Orlando, Fla., was named to the All-Central Florida Top Team in high school and was voted best libero in Central Florida while leading her team to the Finals of her senior season.
Eagles swim to victory in dual meet Saturday

Swimming (3-0)

BY JACK MAGRUDER
The George-Anne contributor

The Georgia Southern University swimming and diving team won 11 events to post dual meet victories over the Savannah College of Art & Design (169.50-102.50) and Davis & Elkins College (207-29) on Saturday afternoon.

The two wins improved the Eagles’ record to 3-0 in dual meets early in the season.

“I thought we did well. We raced well, had good swims. We were much more consistent this week compared to the season opener last week, and for the most part, everybody improved their times,” head coach Nathan Kellogg said.

During the event, the swimming and diving team swept several events, posting first, second and third places in the event. The women’s 200 yard medley relay, women’s 100 yard breast, women’s 50 yard free, women’s three meter diving, women’s 200 yard back, women’s 200 yard breast and women’s one meter diving were swept by the Eagles.

Christina Moran won the 100 back (58.10) and was just shy of the pool record set last week by College of Charleston’s Sarah Boyle (57.96). Moran also swam a lifetime best of 2:05.45 to win the 200 back and help the Eagles sweep the event as Meg Beasley (2:12.02) and Becca Alves (2:12.39) finished second and third.

Junior Amanda Macchio won her first career diving event by posting a personal best score of 236.77 on the one-meter board. Macchio also had a personal best on the three-meter board (235.87).

Throughout the meet, the eagles swam their best, showing a high level of physical readiness and swimming out in front of the pack.

“I think we did well. We swam well. I think our team does a good job of performing when we’re tired,” senior Emily Fell said.

In addition to the Eagles dominance in the pool, the swimming and diving team has been selling t-shirts in support of breast cancer awareness. The team plans to donate all proceeds to the American Breast Cancer Society.