Block Party to rock Plaza on Saturday

BY LILLY MCCANN
The George-Anne staff

This fall’s annual Block Party will be held at The University Plaza Saturday with gates opening at 5 p.m.

The Block Party is a once a semester mini-music festival that started in 2010 on Cinco de Mayo as a way to bring another social event to students.

“We wanted to do a big event and what it came down to is what could we do to make coming out here different, more entertaining and change the experience,” Nathan Queen, co-owner of Retrievers and one of the coordinators for Block Party, said.

This year’s block party will include access to Retrievers Sports Bar & Grill, Rum Runners Plantation Room and Rude Rudy’s.

“I love seeing people come into the bars they might not normally go to, enjoy the vibe and then become regulars. It brings the bars together in a very welcoming atmosphere,” Anna Lee Zealy, bartender at Rum Runner’s, said.

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GSU to host Invitational

BY ZAKYRA COLVIN
The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University’s volleyball team will host the Springhill Suites Invitational this weekend where it will face the High Point University Panthers, the North Dakota State University Bison and the Oral Roberts University Golden Eagles.

The Panthers have an overall record of 2-4 after dropping two matches to Wisconsin University 3-1 and Northern Iowa University 3-0 this past weekend in the Doublewood Inn Classic.

Freshman middle back Emily Miron received all-tournament team honors and led the Bison this past weekend in kills.

The Golden Eagles have an overall record of 6-1 after three victories last weekend against Southern Texas University 3-0, the University of Texas at El Paso 3-1 and the Texas Southern University Jaguars 3-0.

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Where were you when you heard the news?

Patrice Jackson, dean of students

“I was in a courtroom in South Carolina. I was shadowing a lawyer for juvenile court in my final semester of college. Immediately everyone in the courtroom was made to leave. We didn’t really know what was going on until we drove away and listened to the radio. I felt afraid and unsure.”

Garrett Green, president of SGA

“On 9/11 I was in sixth grade and when I first heard, I was in my science class. I don’t think I understood the significance of what was going on at first. I think because I was so young and at that age I had never even heard of any significant terroristic attack so I didn’t know what that meant.”

Dr. Craig Roell, history professor

“I was with my wife watching the television and we saw the live feed. We were both in shock because we thought the first plane was an accident then the second one hit and we knew it was no accident. All I could think about was ‘Oh my god, we’re at war.’ The very next day I gave a lecture on it to my class.”

Jenny Tomasello, freshman pre-nursing major

“I was in my first grade classroom then they all moved us to the gym on lockdown. My mom picked me up and took me home. I was really scared because I didn’t know what was going on.”

Seth Donahue, senior PR major

“I was walking to school in Chicago. We walked in the classroom and the teacher told us that the planes crashed in New York. When I got home I realized how serious it was. We had to leave school early because they weren’t sure if the Sears Tower would be bombed.”

Chelsea Greene, senior marketing major

“I was in a fourth grade classroom. Our teachers weren’t allowed to tell us but everyone knew something was wrong. My mom picked me up and we went home and watched the news. I was confused and didn’t understand that someone did it on purpose.”
Police Beat

Monday, Sept. 9
12:06 a.m.: An incident report was taken for the theft of an unattended property at the Hanner Complex on 09/08/2013 between 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

12:33 a.m.: Officers conducted a traffic stop on Forest Drive at the College of Education parking lot. The driver was issued three traffic citations and the vehicle was towed.

2:46 a.m.: Officers responded to Freedom’s Landing in reference to a criminal trespass (unknown person on couch). The person was identified and he left the apartment.

1:24 p.m.: Officers responded to a fire alarm at the Carruth Building. Maintenance and the Statesboro Fire Department responded. The fire alarm was activated by smoke from an occupant cooking.

2:07 p.m.: An incident report was taken for harassment that occurred on 09/08/2013 between 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

7:38 p.m.: An incident report was taken for the theft of an unattended property at the RAC on 09/08/2013 between 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

Tuesday, Sept. 10
8:59 a.m.: Officers responded to a burglar alarm at Cambridge Apartments. The burglar alarm was accidentally activated by an employee.

11:00 a.m.: Officers responded to a burglar alarm at the Center for Arts and Theater. The alarm was activated by an employee.

3:45 p.m.: An incident report was taken for suspicious activity at the RAC.

8:22 p.m.: Officers responded to a fire alarm at the Child Development Center. The fire alarm was accidentally activated by an employee.

Students remember the fallen

BY DOMINIC PRICE
The George-Anne contributor

Lieutenant Governor Casey Cagle gathered Statesboro’s first responders to thank them in the Springhill Suites Conference Center yesterday.

“We pause to remember those who are fallen, but we also pause to say thank you for demonstrating this great act of service,” Cagle said.

Republican Senator Jack Hill also spoke and gave his testimony on 9/11 and how it has affected America.

“Everyone remembers where they were on 9/11,” Hill said.

“We couldn’t believe what happened. Now not a day goes by that we don’t have something serious happen,” Cagle said.

Cagle said he has great respect for the jobs of the first responders. He compared them to Jonathan of the Bible, who helps King David. Like Jonathan, they received little to no appreciation for their service and Cagle desired to show them the appreciation that they deserved.

Cagle also encouraged the first responders to continue to hold on to the great foundations this country was built on. Hold on to the principles of love and friendship so that America can continue to be a great nation, Cagle said.

“The simplest way is to just say thank you and show sincere appreciation to the young men and women who give themselves in this service,” Cagle said.

GSU’s Young Americans for Freedom decorated the ground around the flagpole on Sweetheart Circle with American flags to honor the first responders.

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Our View

AEDs show GSU cares

Georgia Southern University's program to install Automated External Defibrillators around campus is a great decision, but can go even further. The need for AEDs on campus was unfortunately highlighted last January when GSU lost Cory Wilson.

His family donated the first AED in the COBA Building in his memory. The other AEDs being installed can also be "sponsored" by private funds, giving individuals and groups, such as student organizations, a visible, positive way to engage in community service. This is also a smart way for the university to cut the costs associated with the AEDs without having to raise student fees or buy a poor quality product.

While the AEDs are a new feature added to the buildings around campus, it is possible that they will eventually be an emergency safety feature of every building. If fire extinguishers are necessary in all the buildings to help prevent fire, then AEDs can serve the same role in preventing fatal cardiac arrests.

In fact, the locations where the AEDs are placed can also expand to be an emergency health station with the addition of first aid kits. A first aid kit is inexpensive compared to AEDs and is much less situational. Student safety is an important thing in any university, and the installation of AEDs by GSU shows that the school is placing a high priority in making sure that more tragedies do not happen, not at least without exhausting every option.

Remembering September 11

Traffic on DeRenne Avenue in Savannah at 9 a.m. on any given day is a nightmare. Multiply that times infinity for the day of September 11, 2001. My normal personal “dance-a-thon” was suddenly interrupted by breaking news: "A plane had hit the World Trade Center in NYC." The initial speculation was a small plane prank had gone terribly wrong. But, to my surprise, the radio talent then made a statement that I will forever remember as the most shocking and horrifying moment of my life. "The second tower has been hit, I repeat, BOTH World Trade Center towers have been hit!"

I sped into my parking space and raced into the office. I said hello to no one, I went straight to our break room television. I said in slow motion, "It’s not a prank. This is real." And then the plane crashed in Pennsylvania, followed by The Pentagon being hit. Then the dreaded line that any American could have never fathomed was, "Anywhere in the world within 24 hours." This didn’t bother me until now, until THIS moment.

I knew there would be no way to get onto base to see his face, to hug him tight, for him to tell me everything was going to be ok. My stomach began to become more and more sour and sullen. The reason I wanted to see him wasn’t just for the reassurance and safety that his presence always brought.

It was because I knew there was a real possibility it would be the last time I saw him before he was deployed. My husband was part of a Special Operations Aviation Regiment... combat soldier. His unit’s motto was, "Anywhere in the world within 24 hours." This didn’t bother me until now, until THIS moment.

Fears grew into panic as the energy in the office added fuel to anxiety. And then I saw him. My husband was standing in my office. I have never seen anything so awesome or felt anything so deeply as the moment our eyes met. I began to cry silent, long-streaming tears as he walked slowly toward me. "Business as usual. That’s all I have to say. I was told to go home and hug my family. So, let’s go."

Since 9/11, my husband has been deployed nine times to various countries throughout the world. Each time my heart gets broken seeing him go, but I fall in love all over again when he returns. If anything, the evil events on 9/11 have taught us to never take a moment of life for granted and to love deeply while we are within arms length. I am thankful he has come home unharmed each time. Others have been less fortunate. If you know a military family, thank them often. Each time we hear it, we are reassured that our time spent apart is not in vain.

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Love shouldn’t be exclusive

This past week, I chose to brave Wal-Mart on my lonesome. Anyone who knows my spending habits knows this is a bad idea. As I was gallivanting among the neon-colored, straight-legged pants that one could not simply ignore for the beautiful price of $9, I noticed a couple walk in.

I’m not one of those people on Valentine’s Day who makes a voodoo doll for every couple I know. I’m just in a “whatever” kind of mood. FTA, within reason, is not bothersome. What this particular couple was doing, however, put animals in a zoo to shame.

Let me see if I can recall the gruesome details...ahh, yes. They both wore GSU attire, so one can only guess that they were students. The young lady was walking behind the gentleman, no space between her and him. She had her arms wrapped tightly around his neck (where was he going to go if he escaped?) and he was holding on to her arms (for balance, perhaps?). For the duration of time that I watched them carry on like this, they held tight as if heading into The Hunger Games and someone was about to volunteer as tribute. Riddle me this, Eagles: Why? Where did she think he was going to run off to?

That being said, riddle me this: why is it okay for her to do that, but one of my best friends can’t hold his boyfriend’s hand in public? I had no poker face when that young couple walked past me. I was donning that herp-a-derp face you all know and love, and I wasn’t in a hurry to hide it. They looked absurd. ABSURD. Yet someone else can’t hold his boyfriend’s hand without feeling judgment. I’d personally much rather look at them holding hands than that young lady trying to love-strangle her boyfriend.

We are the next generation of real-world adults. There are a lot of strange things that we will see in this world, but two men, two women, a man and a transgender person or any other couple should be able to at least hold hands without being judged. Isn’t our place to judge them? Let “The Powers That Be” do that. Seriously, don’t you have better things to do besides be Judge Judy of the Pedestrian?

I could go on forever about human rights. Instead, I’ll give the bottom line: everyone deserves to love and to be loved. No matter who the other half is. My song for this week is Mary Lambert’s “She Keeps Me Warm.” We all need to practice loving a little more, and judging (a lot) less. Until next week, Healins and blessins, y’all.

Rogers is a super senior theater major from Tofalau.

Will Kelly’s offense work long term?

When the dust settled on the Philadelphia Eagles’ 33-27 win over the Washington Redskins on Monday night, one question remained in my mind: Will this offense work consistently over a 16-game season?

Ok, first, some background information: The Eagles ran 53 plays in the first half against the Redskins, taking the Washington football team by surprise as Chip Kelly’s team took a 26-point lead into halftime, shocking Robert Griffin III and Mike Shanahan. For the first time since 2009, an NFL team had run more than 50 plays in one half of football.

Philly moved at a frantic pace in their first series, but was upended by a backwards pass returned for a touchdown. After that, it was all Michael Vick and LeSean McCoy. The first half was a clinic on how to properly run Kelly’s Oregon offense in the NFL, with Vick and company snapping the ball anywhere from six to nine seconds after the ball was spotted.

The second half was a different story though, as the Eagles tried to maintain their lead and bled the clock as much as possible. Philadelphia looked a bit disjointed as they only scored once in the third and fourth quarters.

The fact that the Eagles had to slow their offense down made it less efficient than in the first half and allowed Washington the opportunity to substitute players that it did not have time to before halftime. Philadelphia barely held on for its first win of the season.

Again, I am not sure this offense will dominate other NFL teams later in the season when there is plenty of tape to be studied of Kelly’s offense. I think that if Philly faces a better squad that doesn’t make as many stupid mistakes as Washington did Monday night (one fumble, one interception, one safety, three punts) the offense might not be as potent.

Personally, I was a non-believer in the Eagles hiring Chip Kelly in the first place, and I could be wrong. My thinking was that a team that was running a college offense, restructuring an entire defense with all new personnel (from a 4-3 to a 3-4), and hiring a completely new coaching staff might work for a bit in the NFL like the Wildcat offense did, but was ultimately nothing but a gimmick that teams would quickly figure out. But only time will tell how this experiment will pan out.

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Eagle Nation culture is not your run-of-the-mill Southern culture

If you’re like me, you always beeline for Grey’s Bookstore for a free planner at the start of each school year. If you’re also like me, you end up losing said planner two weeks later. But as long as you and I know that this is 2013, it’s all good. 2013’s important, and not just because we have a new Royal Baby and Gaga album.

2013 is a great year to be gay at Georgia Southern University. If you’re LGBTQ and ever in need of some physical or emotional housekeeping, the folks at Health Services will welcome you with open arms rivaling the folks at Health Services. They are a crew of people who are also ready to help you with your favorite diva.

There are friendships to be made within Southern’s Gay Straight Alliance (GSA), which is on the cusp of breaking 300 members. The university is offering its very first LGBTQ-themed course (word on the Pedestrium is that there will be many more to come). 91.9 The Buzz plays Macklemore’s “Same Love” so frequently that I’m – just going to come out and say it – officially sick of that gay song.

In October, Southern will be having its sixth annual LGBTQ and Allies Conference. Its theme is an apt one: Postmodern Queer. Like I said: It’s a great time to be gay at Southern. It’s easy to forget that the outside world isn’t always as cutting edge as Southern when it comes to queer people. This April, Georgia GOP chairwoman Sue Everhart declared, “It’s not natural for two women or two men to be married.” Everhart’s been brushing shoulders with (my ‘equipment’ is perfectly fine, thank you ma’am) or why SCOTUS won’t offer us Southern homos a hand, but I do know that this news from the outside can be disheartening to hear.

It’s said that that human eyes can see up to 256 shades of grey, yet EL James somehow elected to focus on a mere 50. The same proves true for the shades of Gay: We’re so much more than the six colors in our rainbow flag. In the coming term, let us not forget that we are also navy blue, lily white and that our hearts are accented with a fabulous gold streak.

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Opinions: Washington not discriminatory

Yesterday was a day of remembrance for America, as it marked the anniversary of the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Centers and the Pentagon. Many groups decided to honor the memory of those lost in the attack, from the flags placed by the Young Americans for Freedom Chapter at GSU, to the black ribbon that Google solemnly displayed on its homepage. However, in the nation’s capital, controversy surrounded the day.

A group of bikers wanted to hold an event called “2 Million Bikers to D.C.,” but was denied a no-stop permit that would allow them to ignore traffic signals and stop signs to speed up the drive through DC. A group of bikers being denied a no-stop permit is no big deal, unless another group was granted the same no-stop permit. Well that is exactly what happened, as the Million Americans Against Fear rally, previously called the Million Muslim March, was granted a no-stop permit for its event.

Naturally, people were outraged and asked questions like: How can Washington grant one group a permit and not another? Why would an organization made up of Muslims, the enemy in some peoples’ minds, be given precedence over honest American Bikers? Has Congress reached a new low? Well there are a few things to consider in this case. The first issue is the jurisdiction of Washington, D.C. A no-stop permit is a local permit, meaning it is granted by the local governing body, not Capital Hill.

The second thing to consider is the timing. If the Million Americans Against Fear rally applied for the permit first, it should have precedent over the biker group. As well, the rally will most likely be quieter than two million motorcycles rumbling through D.C. And D.C. will most likely have many visitors to pay tribute to the attack on the Pentagon and to hold other non-permit rallies during the day. It would be irresponsible for the local government to grant two no-stop permits in the same day, especially with the normal logjam of traffic in the area. As odd as it seems to many Americans, there was most likely no ulterior motive behind the decision to grant one group the permit over another than simple logistics.
Russell: campus expansion equals more traffic

BY TANNIS KUFNER
The George-Anne contributor

The number of on-campus accidents has been rising and Public Safety urges students to be aware of their surrounding while progressing through campus.

"It's all about awareness whether you're in a car, a bike lane or as a pedestrian," Chief Michael Russell, director of public safety, said.

An accident occurred Monday, Sept. 9, when a bicyclist was struck in the bike lane on Connector Road.

"Sometimes we see traffic backed up there and there is another [bike] lane there. As long as that lane is free, it belongs to a bicyclist. You can't take that right away from him or her," Russell said.

The biker involved in the accident near Forest Drive assumed the oncoming car was stopping and in veering off to avoid being hit by the first car, the bicyclist hit another car, Russell said.

Thursday, Aug. 29, Ogonna Ifeadike, senior biology pre-med major, was in a crosswalk outside the Biological Sciences Building and was struck by a vehicle.

"I think the driver was almost as shook up as the pedestrian and a lot of time that is the case," Russell said. "The driver was ticketed, but they're accidents and that's why we call them accidents."

University Police want students to understand correct traffic laws and be conscious when walking, biking or driving on GSU's campus.

Bikes should not be on the pedestrian or sidewalks because bikes are treated as vehicles, Russell said.

"Sidewalks are for people on foot," Russell said.

Cyclists have the same rights in a lane as a car, according to Georgia traffic laws.

"New crosswalks were painted before the semester started in order to prepare for the anticipated traffic to come in this fall semester," Russell said.

The new crosswalks were painted outside the Biological Sciences Building and at the end of Greek Row crossing Forest Drive.

GSU should consider the same type of crosswalk the city of Statesboro has on Lanier Drive by Cambridge at Southern because some areas of campus can be just as busy as areas near apartment complexes, Ifeadike said.

There is not enough of a demand for the light up crosswalks on campus at this time, Russell said.

A specific place Russell wants student to be most aware of is around Greek Row where there is a curve in the road.

"This curve is dangerous especially for students who do not use the new crosswalk," Russell said. "They are in the road longer and they walk in a diagonal rather than the straight crosswalk with the shortest distance."

The campus-wide speed limit is 25 miles per hour, which is still fast when there are a lot of people crossing roads, Russell said.

Russell said, "This campus is known as a walking campus and streets that did not see much traffic in years past are now seeing more traffic due to our campus expansion."
GSU faculty to debate ‘Crisis in Syria’ tonight

BY TAYLER CRITCHLOW
The George-Anne staff

The ‘Crisis in Syria’ will be discussed tonight at 5 p.m. in the Russell Union, room 2048, by a panel of Georgia Southern University faculty.

“We want this to be a public forum, so you can have experts on the stage telling you their assessment of what is going on in Syria,” Jeffery Palis, Ph.D., associate director of the Center of International Studies, said.

Lectures are usually very formal, where students sit in the back, take notes and learn, Palis said. Judging by the people on the panel, however, it is very unlikely that that is how it will be tonight, the goal is to be informative yet interactive.

Jacek Lubecki, Ph.D., assistant vice president of the Center of International Studies, who teaches courses in terrorism and has a background in international studies and international relations, is the panel moderator.

The Center of International Studies will provide two other panelists.

Darin Van Tassell, Ph.D., a professor who teaches courses in international studies and global issues on foreign policy, and Glynn Ellis, Ph.D., another professor with a background in international security affairs and service in the military.

The three other panelists will come from the Department of Political Science, Department of History and the Department of Foreign Languages respectively.

Barry Balleck, Ph.D., director of the Model UN Program, teaches courses in international relations and international terrorism, Ahmet Akturk, Ph.D., is a Middle Eastern historian, and Youssef Sulhi is a professor of Arabic language and culture from Morocco.

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Jeffery Palis Ph.D.
Associate director of the Center of International Studies

Lion’s club to raise funds for measles vaccines

BY JENNIFER ARTHURS
The George-Anne contributor

The Georgia Southern University chapter of the Statesboro’s Lions Club will hold a charity event at Moe’s Southwest Grill today.

The two-year-old club has partnered with Moe’s to have a spirit day that will consist of 15 percent of all meals purchased today will go to the Lions Club International Fund.

The money will be going to Pfizer Pharmaceuticals to help provide third world countries with measles vaccines, Dale Arnold, public relations representative, said.

“We are hosting a spirit night and I am really excited,” Arnold said. “We’re just asking [students] to come out and just eat there today so we can give people in third world countries their measles inoculations.”

The members of the GSU Lions Club will be at Moe’s from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. to talk to people interested in the club.

With this event, all proceeds will help with not just vaccinations, but also the fees that are needed for outside assistance.

“A lot of people don’t realize that in third world countries you have to pay in order to help them,” Arnold said. “We also work with the Bill Gates and Carter foundation(s)...to help reduce those fees.”

The Lions Club has not been established long on campus, but is a club with a history of helping with more than vaccinations.

The club is the largest service club in the world and does work with organizations such as the Bill Gates Foundation and the Carter Foundation, Arnold said.

The Lions Club’s reputation of helping those in need is the main reason why Moe’s decided to collaborate with the club for this event.

The restaurant is always willing to work with organizations that support ‘good causes’ and will be looking forward to more events with the club, Ryan Guthrie, assistant manager of Moe’s, said.

Guthrie said, “We just look for good organizations that actually have a really good cause.”

STATESBORO Lions Club
“We Serve.”
The Averitt celebrates a decade of Art

BY ERINN WILLIAMS
The George-Anne staff

For 10 days the Averitt Center for the Arts is inviting Statesboro to join in commemorating 10 years of cultural and creative enrichment in downtown Statesboro.

The Statesboro Arts Council is celebrating the Averitt Center anniversary by having 10 days of arts programming focused on Statesboro and Bulloch County.

Starting today, the Averitt will have one event each day for the community to take part in, running until Sept. 21.

"The Averitt Center for the Arts has helped to bring the arts alive in our community. The arts have grown in Bulloch over the last 10 years and we believe that we helped in that," Tim Chapman, executive director of the Averitt Center, said.

The events include a BBQ fundraiser, musical performances, movies, plays and free classes in different art styles.

"Since the Averitt has opened it has contributed to the community's diversity and helped to improve its quality of life," Chapman said.

"The Averitt Center for the Arts, who supervises the Averitt Center, is partnering with Georgia Southern University's Department of Music, Bulloch County Historic Society, Statesboro Conventions, Visitors Bureau and the Downtown Main Street Program to organize the 10-day celebration.

"The opening of the center has changed the face of downtown Statesboro, it has revitalized it," Melinda Roell, development director for the Averitt Center, said.

Roell said, "People are living, shopping and playing in our historic downtown district and it's amazing that the Averitt helped to bring that about and also provided the Statesboro youth with a way to have artistic outlets."

The Averitt Center was founded in September of 2004 and since then has been providing the Statesboro community with performances, exhibits, classes and youth programs in the arts ever since.

"People flock downtown and are involved in activities and the Averitt was a magnet that helped to bring that about," Roell said.

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The Averitt Center for the Arts celebrates their 10-year anniversary with 10 days of art open to the community. Left: Performances, exhibits, classes and youth programs are hosted by the Averitt Center. Right: The Averitt Center for the Arts is home to the Emma Kelly Theatre, which is named after a Statesboro musical legend.
### Thursday

**Gnat's Landing**
- Reverse Happy Hour
  - $3 Double wells

**Fuzzy's**
- Happy Hour 3-8 p.m.
  - $2 Wells
  - $2 Small frozen margaritas
  - $2 Kentucky Lager

**Millhouse**
- $2 Martinis
- $2 Draft Beer
- $2 Cocktails
- $2.49 House wines

**Retrievers**
- Happy Hour 5-8 p.m.
- Beat the Clock 10 p.m.
  - $1.50 Millers, Coors, PBR
  - $2 Bud, Yuengling
  - $2.25 Imports
  - $2 Shots
  - $2.50 Singles, $3 doubles, $4.50 quads

**GATA's**
- Happy Hour 5-8 p.m.
  - $2 Bourbon, vodka, domestic beers and margaritas
  - $7 Pitchers

**Dingus**
- Happy Hour 5-7 p.m., 9-11 p.m.
- Ent. Les Racquet

### Saturday

**Gnat's Landing**
- Happy Hour 5-7 p.m.
  - $10 Well liquor pitchers

**Fuzzy's**
- Happy Hour 3-8 p.m.
  - $2 Wells
  - $2 Small frozen margaritas
  - $2 Kentucky Lager

**Millhouse**
- $2 Martinis
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  - $7 Pitchers

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- Happy hour 5-7 p.m., 9-11 p.m.

### Friday

**Gnat's Landing**
- Happy Hour 5-7 p.m.
  - $10 Well liquor pitchers

**Fuzzy's**
- Happy Hour 3-8 p.m.
  - $2 Wells
  - $2 Small frozen margaritas
  - $2 Kentucky Lager
- Fried Chicken Fridays

**Millhouse**
- $2 Martinis
- $2 Draft Beer
- $2 Cocktails
- $2.49 House wines

**Retrievers**
- Happy Hour 5-8 p.m.
  - $1.50 Millers, Coors, PBR
  - $2 Bud, Yuengling
  - $2.25 Imports
  - $2 Shots
  - $2.50 Singles, $3 doubles, $4.50 quads

**GATA's**
- Happy Hour 5-8 p.m.
  - $2 Bourbon, vodka, domestic beers and margaritas
  - $7 Pitchers
- A Nickel Bag of Funk live entertainment

**Dingus**
- Ent. Dank Sinatra
- Happy Hour 5-7 p.m., 9-11 p.m.

### Sunday

**Fuzzy's**
- All Day Happy Hour
  - $2 Wells
  - $2 Small frozen margaritas
  - $2 Kentucky Lager

**Millhouse**
- $2 Martinis
- $2 Draft Beer
- $2 Cocktails
- $2.49 House wines

**GATA's**
- Happy Hour All Day Dirty Bird Special

### Monday

**Retrievers**
- Happy Hour 3-8 p.m.
  - $2 Wells
  - $2 Small frozen margaritas
  - $2 Kentucky Lager

**Dingus**
- Beer & Wings

**Millhouse**
- $2 Martinis
- $2 Draft Beer
- $2 Cocktails
- $2.49 House wines
By Will Cheney  
The George-Anne staff

Coming off its 59-17 pounding of Saint Francis University, Georgia Southern University's football team is set to play Wofford College on the road this weekend.

GSU (2-0) is heading to Spartanburg, S.C., on Saturday to face a Wofford (1-1) team that is coming off a 21-10 Southern Conference victory over The Citadel. In a game that featured two option offenses, Wofford held The Citadel to 154 rushing yards for the game. Wofford, on the other hand, gained 280 yards on the ground.

Senior Wofford running back Donovan Johnson led the charge with 149 rushing yards and a touchdown.

Like GSU, Wofford featured a passing attack to complement its stout run game. Sophomore Wofford quarterback Michael Weimer threw for 59 yards and two touchdowns on three completions.

GSU, after a victory against sub par out-of-conference competition for the second straight week, will face its first true test of the 2013 season.

The true test for GSU will be its performance on defense against a tough conference opponent. GSU allowed 324 offensive yards against SFU last week, with 230 yards on the ground. Missed tackles and poor quarterback contain were evident for GSU against the Red Flash.

"We really had some opportunities to put SFU in long yardage situations. We missed some sacks and couldn't keep contain of the quarterback," GSU head coach Jeff Monken said. "It's things like that which can frustrate you."

Last week against SFU, the Eagles accumulated 551 yards of total offense. The Wofford defense showed that it could make stops against an option team like The Citadel.

GSU's committee of running backs led by junior Dominique Swope, senior William Banks and redshirt senior Torrance Hunt should prove vital in providing some depth against a team that will be seeing an option offense for the second week in a row.

With redshirt freshman quarterback Kevin Ellison getting ample playing time in the first two contests of the young season, it would not be out of the realm of possibility for him to show up in the huddle to give Wofford a different look.

The Wofford secondary was torched by Baylor University quarterbacks in the season opener to the tune of 411 yards and three touchdowns.

Following last season's 17-9 win over Wofford, GSU senior quarterback McKinnon expects another hard-fought effort from both sides.

"I expect a hostile environment. They're a physical team, a sound team. They have good athletes up there, and they're stout up front with a good secondary playing behind them," McKinnon said. "I know they're going to come out and give us all they have, and we're going to do our best to match it."
**ADVANTAGES**

**BY THE NUMBERS**

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Redshirt freshman quarterback Kevin Ellison runs around the left end for a solid gain. Ellison had a career high 151 passing yards against Saint Francis University last week.

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**Freshman finding his stride**

*BY RANDALL HAMPTON*

The George-Anne staff

Redshirt freshman quarterback Kevin Ellison is a prime example of hard work and dedication paying off.

Ellison established himself as a viable back up with a strong offseason. His work translated to him going 4-7 for 65 yards and adding 94 rushing yards and a touchdown against Savannah State University.

"At practice we all work hard. That hard work leads to us coming out here and playing hard each and every week, getting better each and every week," Ellison said.

Ellison was thrown into the fire early, as head coach Jeff Monken tries to groom senior quarterback Jerick McKinnon’s replacement.

The freshman handled himself well in week one and earned playing time in the game last week against Saint Francis University.

Ellison entered the game with 41 seconds left in the first half and led GSU 53 yards for a field goal. The young quarterback showed a strong arm completing a 42-yard pass to sophomore wide receiver B.J. Johnson.

Ellison would take over for McKinnon again in the third quarter and lead GSU on two more scoring drives.

Ellison was efficient completing 5-6 passes for 151 yards, but there were moments against SFU when he did look like a freshman.

Some missed reads in the running game and a fumble are signs that Ellison still has room to grow. Monken stressed getting better every week, and the team comes into every game trying to be better than last week.

This week the Eagles will open conference play against the Wofford College Terriers, an elevated level of competition.

Ellison’s confidence will be sky high if he has his third straight solid performance. The standard he has set for himself and the expectations Coach Monken has for every member of his team means big things could be on the horizon for Ellison.

Coach Monken said, “I’m excited about Kevin’s future.”
Senior quarterback Jerick McKinnon was a perfect 3-3 in the passing game with 94 yards and two touchdowns in a 59-17 win over Saint Francis University.

Senior fullback William Banks rushed for three touchdowns starting in place of junior fullback Dominique Swope.

Georgia Southern University passed for 245 yards, its highest total since 2009.

The Eagles scored on every possession of the second half.

Redshirt freshman quarterback passed for a career high 156 yards, including a 42-yard deep pass to sophomore wide receiver B.J. Johnson.

Senior linebacker Kyle Oehlbeck and junior linebacker Edwin Jackson tied for the team lead in tackles for the second week in a row.
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GSU OFFENSE

#1 Jerick McKinnon
QB Senior
Perfect 3-3 passing last week including two touchdown passes

#6 Dominique Swope
RB Junior
Did not play last week against Saint Francis University due to injury

KEY PLAYERS

#99 Tarek Odom
DE Junior
Preseason All-Southern Conference second team
Second on team with 4.5 sacks last year
1 interception

#4 Alvin Scioneaux
LB Senior
Preseason All-Southern Conference first team
Leads team with 7 sacks last year
9 tackles last week against The Citadel

#57 Mike McCrimmon
LB Senior
Preseason All-Southern Conference second team
Leads team with 76 tackles last year
6 tackles last week against The Citadel

WC DEFENSE

Information from GSeagles.com and athletics.wofford.edu
**GSU DEFENSE**

**#52 Javon Mention**
DL Senior
- 6.5 sacks, 10.5 tackles for loss in 2012
- 2013 College Football Performance Awards watch list

**#18 Lavelle Westbrook**
CB Senior
- 100 solo tackles, 135 total, 1 interception, tied 5th in SoCon in passes deflected

**#38 Kyle Oehlbeck**
LB Senior
- Leads team with 34 total tackles this season

**#62 Jared Singleton**
C Senior
- Preseason All-Southern Conference first team
- Blocked for a 2,000-yard rusher last year

**#8 Donovan Johnson**
RB Senior
- Preseason All-Southern Conference second team
- Second leading rusher on the team last year
- 149 yards last week against The Citadel

**#75 Tyrone Gregory**
LG Senior
- Preseason All-Southern Conference team
- Blocks for a 2,000-yard rusher last year

**WC OFFENSE**
Last season against Wofford, GSU senior quarterback Jerick McKinnon led the Eagles to a 17-9 victory without attempting a pass. He was a perfect 3-3 last week including two touchdown passes. He will try to keep his rhythm in the passing game going with Wofford linebacker Alvin Scioneaux watching him closely. Scioneaux had 10 tackles and a sack against GSU last season.

Mayday Matchup takes a look at how the opponent's best player on offense and defense will match up against Georgia Southern University. This week will focus on a wide receiver vs. corner back match up and a tackle vs. defensive end match up.

Senior outside linebacker Kyle Oehlbeck comes into the game leading the GSU defense with 14 tackles. Oehlbeck is coming off a nine-tackle performance against Saint Francis University. He will be matched up against Wofford senior running back Donovan Johnson who is coming off a 149-yard, one-touchdown effort. Johnson will be eager to show he can replace Wofford all time leading rusher Eric Breitenstein.
BY WILL CHENEY
The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University football team opens conference play this weekend as it heads to Spartanburg, S.C., to face Wofford College.

This will be GSU’s first true test in the 2013 season as the Eagles’ first two opponents were Savannah State University and Saint Francis University.

As expected, GSU’s offense shined in both games, scoring 59 points last week against SFU and dropping a ridiculous 77 points on SSU in week one.

GSU’s defense will face a Wofford offense that runs an option attack very similar to GSU head coach Jeff Monken’s offense. The Wofford rushing attack put up 280 rushing yards against the Citadel last week, and opened up the passing game with two touchdowns through the air.

“Hopefully there’s some carry over from what our guys have done against our own offense in preseason camp,” Monken said. “When we scrimmage, we don’t scout for each other. We run our stuff and our defense runs their stuff.”

Wofford opened its season in Waco, Texas, against Baylor University and got embarrassed in a 69-3 loss against the Big 12 Conference opponent. In week two, Wofford played The Citadel, an in-conference opponent. Not to discount or belittle SSU or SFU, because both programs have been around for a long time, but GSU will see its toughest competition to date this weekend.

One statistic that was a little disconcerting to me was SSU’s 230 rushing yards last week. Many of those yards might have come after the game was in-hand, but it’s still a glaring number. Wofford probably has an even better rushing attack, with an experienced senior running back in Donovan Johnson.

Overall, it will be an interesting matchup. Featuring two option offenses, whichever team controls the game clock and holds on to the football will be the team to come out on top.

I believe GSU will escape Spartanburg with a narrow victory. If junior running back Dominique Swope returns to Monken’s starting lineup, GSU’s offense will be too hot for Wofford’s defense to handle.

First true test for GSU
DO YOU
#TAILGATA
GATA’s has A Nickel Bag of Funk

BY KIMEKO MCCOY
The George-Anne staff

GATA’s Sports Bar & Grill will have not a penny, not a dime, but A Nickel Bag of Funk performing on its stage this Friday at 9:00 p.m.

GATA’s owner, Christian Bennet, said he likes to have a variety of entertainers and has had A Nickel Bag of Funk come and perform for the past two or three years.

“People are always asking when is A Nickel Bag of Funk coming back. They’ve always had a very successful following and people love to see them. Now they’re more popular than ever,” Bennet said.

The Savannah-native band began with a small fan base in the Savannah and Statesboro area and that fan base has grown over time.

“It just took a little time for people to hear them once or twice and that was it,” Bennet said. “They’re very unique and very fun.”

Band members include Leslie Adele for lead vocals, Anthony Jones for keys and vocals and Jermaine Baker handling the drums.

“When A Nickel Bag of Funk first formed eight years ago, our original members of the group thought the name would be a play on words, but as our reputation built up, everything worked out,” Adele said.

“We came off as church kids with no cursing and the negative aspect of the name went away,” Adele said.

Now further in their careers, A Nickel Bag of Funk carries themselves to be sure they are invited to play again.

“You may not know me now, but I promise you when I say thank you and goodnight, you’ll never forget us,” Adele said.

A Nickel Bag of Funk plays music that goes hand in hand with their name for the most part, but the band members try to keep a few tricks up their sleeves.

The band also performs a cover of something that is completely unexpected, Bennett said.

A Nickel Bag of Funk is releasing their album “Melodic Schizophrenic” this November and those who plan on being apart of the crowd will get a taste of it.

Nickel Bag of Funk is a Savannah based band that performs in areas throughout the Southeast region, including Statesboro.
**BLOCK PARTY**, from page 1

The event will feature musical artists Tre Landon, Jason Lamson, Rob Pennigton and 2012 Music Row Independent Artist of the Year, Eric Lee Beddingfield. The artists will perform in that order.

Robert Pennington, a local Statesboro musician who has opened for Cole Swindell on the “Bring the Beat Back South Tour” and at Swindell’s label showcase will also be performing at the event.

“I’m looking forward to the atmosphere. People tend to get excited if something is new or is changed,” Pennington said, “The power in a song can brighten someone’s day and put a smile on their face, that’s what I love most about playing music.”

Headlining the Block Party is country singer Eric Lee Beddingfield. A Georgia Southern graduate who pursued his musical ambitions after a career-ending injury while playing football at GSU and has recently signed onto Reverb Nation.

“Beddingfield is Georgia Southern all the way through, he played football here, he and his wife met here,” Queen said.

Tickets can be purchased from employees of Retrievers Sports Bar & Grill, Rum Runners and Rude Rudy’s for $10 or if there are still tickets available, the day of for $15.

The coordinators hope to bring rock and other types of musicians to future events.

“Not everyone likes country or rap but there are twenty-two thousand students here, and we want to give everyone a chance to be able to come and hang out all day,” Queen said.

“From spectators it’s a blast. You pay a flat ten dollar fee to get in three bars all night, step out in the parking lot and watch the DJ or artist, and there are drink specials all night,” Zealy said, “it’s a giant party.”

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-Nathan Queen, co-owner of Retrievers Sports Bar & Grill

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Competitive gaming club to hold tryouts

Dota 2

- Dota 2 is a multiplayer online battle arena (MOBA) video game developed by Valve Corporation out of Seattle, Wash. It serves as the sequel to popular Warcraft 3 mod 'Defense of the Ancients' (DotA). The game is available on all major operating systems and is completely free-to-play.
- Tournament "The International 3" was held in Seattle a month ago. The tournament awarded teams with a prize pool over $2.7 million, the largest in competitive gaming history.
- Since release, $7.1 million has been given out over 93 tournaments. Top earning team, Natus Vincere, has earned more than $2 million collectively in that time.

StarCraft II

- Starcraft II is a real-time strategy (RTS) video game developed by Blizzard Entertainment out of Anaheim, Calif. It is the sequel to Starcraft and Starcraft: Brood War.
- The Starcraft series reached such a high level of popularity in South Korea that multiple TV stations were created solely to air matches from various leagues. At its high point, the game was the third most popular sport in the country.
- Since release, approximately $8.6 million has been given out over the span of 839 tournaments, the top earning team, MC "Chui" has made $400,000 in prizes in that time.

League of Legends

- League of Legends (LoL) is a multiplayer online battle arena (MOBA) video game developed by Riot Games out of Santa Monica, Calif. The game is available on Mac OS X and Microsoft Windows and is free-to-play.
- Professional LoL players were recently recognized by U.S. Immigration Services as professional athletes, making them eligible for traditional athlete visas to enter and exit the country for tournaments. This marks the first time the federal government recognized professional gaming as a sport.
- LoL boasts an average of over 4.5 million players online per day.
- Since release, $6 million in prize money has been given out over 122 tournaments. Top earning team, Taipei Assassins, has collected over $1 million in prizes in that time.

Culture

BY ALEXANDRA MCCRAY
The George-Anne staff

The world of e-sports is officially making its way to Georgia Southern University and is looking to recruit casual and competitive players alike.

Friday at 4 p.m in the Information Technology Building, room 2212, all gamers, preferably with their own computers, are invited to try out for the E-Sports Association at GSU.

The club plays three games primarily, Riot Games' "League of Legends", Blizzard Entertainment's "Starcraft 2" and Valve's own "Dota 2".

"I'm trying to attract anybody who's legitimately into competitive gaming. There are people that like playing but they're not trying to be pro-players, but I'm really just looking for really competitive players," President of the E-sports Association and senior marketing major Robbie Switts said.

The E-Sports club is attempting to create a collegiate team that will be able to compete for up to $80,000 in scholarships each semester.

Over 35 schools around the southeast have collegiate teams that compete online and in live finals. Switts said.

April of this year Switts competed in the qualifier for the 2013 edition of the World Championship Series tournament and placed in the top 64 out of 2,000. In 2012 Switts won a qualifier and free trip to Anaheim, California to compete in a tournament hosted by Blizzard Entertainment.

"I recently stepped back from pro-gaming and now I'm just running the e-sports club. I want to focus my effort elsewhere and trying to grow the club, especially since I'll be graduating in December," Switts said.

Switts has already had luck scouting out talent at GSU, having met one of the best "League of Legends" gamers in the country Drew Bickery, simply by overhearing a conversation at Lakeside Commons.

"He [Switts] mentioned 'League of Legends' and it's kind of my favorite game. People tell me I'm good at it, so I guess I am good at it but I don't gloat or anything," Bickery, freshman IT major, said.

Bickery has competed online against pro-players, who play games as a career, before and said he has been looking for something like the upcoming tryouts as a fun way to meet people with similar interest and possibly join a team.

Bickery said, "I have to find a good balance between studies, but there are good stories of kids that are 18 and get invited to be on a team and make money and take a break from their college studies and come back later so that if that opportunity came up, I'd do it. That's any gamers dream."
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Junior middle Kym Coley (6) goes for the kill against the University of Georgia. Coley recorded 10 kills in the match against UGA Tuesday. Jaguars 3-0.

Maturing from a pup to a Wolfe on the green

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You may not know the name now, Eagle Nation, but soon you will; junior golfer Theodore Scott Wolfes, or Scott as he's known by his teammates.

While the construction of the new football stadium and the talk of the Georgia Southern University football team, amongst other sports, are taking center stage for GSU, another individual is garnering national attention.

After arriving at GSU, Wolfes made an immediate impact. Wolfe played in 11 tournaments and 33 rounds during his freshman campaign and had a 73.88 scoring average. Wolfes finished fourth in the Southern Conference Championships, earned Southern Conference Freshman of the Year and made the All-SoCon Freshman team.

Rather than resting on his laurels, Wolfes came back even stronger last year with improvements in his all-around game leading the SoCon in scoring average (72.14), not to mention winning two tournaments and finishing as the runner-up three times in the twelve tournaments he participated in.

For you golf fans, Wolfes shot a 67 in one round on the same course that hosted the 2012 Professional Golfers Association (PGA) Championship.

The postseason accolades poured in as Wolfes traded in SoCon Freshman of the Year for SoCon Player of the Year, All-SoCon and the Ping all-region team.

Outside of college golf, last year was a big year for Wolfes as he made it to the sectional qualifying of the US Open, along with that he made it to the Round- of-32 in match play at the U.S. Amateurs.

"Playing in these tournaments gave me a lot more experience and now I'm used to the pressure," Wolfes said.

Now as a junior Wolfes has set lofty expectations that he believes can be reached. He wants to make it to the national championship and compete with the best in the country.

Amid all the success, Wolfes is a humble individual, the St. Simon Island native goes back to his roots as he fishes and hangs out with friends in his spare time.

In high school, Wolfes was a four time all-state selection, three times as the team's captain and finished off his senior year, like every athlete wants to, winning the state championship.

He also lettered in basketball twice at Glynn Academy. This is the same school that Kwame Brown (2001 NBA Draft #1 Overall pick) attended. In fact if the 6-foot-1 Wolfes could have one hidden talent, it would be the ability to dunk.

So why did this decorated prep player take his talents to Statesboro?

"It was an easy choice," Wolfes said.

"The facilities were second-to-none, they had great coaches and I already knew some of the guys on the team."

So as we get caught up with the sale of GSU-University of Florida tickets, or the conference realignment of GSU athletics, just remember you might see this guy on a Sunday afternoon on the leaderboard at Merion or walking down Amen's Corner at the Masters.

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**GSU looks to avoid an upset**

Southern Conference play gets underway for the Georgia Southern University football team on the road this week when the Eagles head to Spartanburg, S.C., to face the Wofford College Terriers.

GSU is coming off two dominating performances but its recent competition finished last season with a combined record of 6-16.

GSU won't have much trouble with the Terriers if the team does not shoot itself in the foot on Saturday. Last season, GSU suffered a loss in its conference opener against The Citadel.

GSU lost two of its six fumbles and also had six penalties. If the Eagles play that kind of sloppy football against Wofford, then the team will be 0-2 in its last two conference openers.

So how can the Eagles avoid an early-upset loss to Wofford like the one they suffered last year at the hands of The Citadel? Do not turn the ball over. Repeat, do not turn the ball over. Oh and, do not turn the ball over.

"In 2010, the fourth game of the year, we turned the ball over a bunch of times," head coach Jeff Monken said. "They got up 14-0 on a couple missed assignments and we ended up losing by two."

That loss to Wofford is still burned in the mind of coach Monken and every member of the team knows how much he hates to lose football games. The losses that seem to bother him the most are the games the Eagles give away.

"We missed a two point conversion, and got an onside kick but fumbled it the next play," Monken said. "That was pretty heartbreaking for us."

The Eagles put up 59 points on the SFU defense. With the way Wofford controls the clock, I could see GSU putting up 28 points in a hard fought victory. If the GSU offense decides to catch a case of fumble-itis, the Terriers could steal the last meeting between the two squads.

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**Terriers to challenge Eagles**

The Georgia Southern University football team's Southern Conference opener against Wofford College will be GSU's toughest test of the 2013 season to date.

Wofford's most effective offensive weapon of 2012, Eric Breitenstein, has graduated. He rushed for 2,035 yards and recorded 19 rushing touchdowns in the 2012 season. Losses of this caliber would leave many teams' offenses in shambles. However, Wofford has the experience of senior running back Donovan Johnson leading its offense in 2013.

Johnson ran for 473 yards and four total touchdowns in 2012, and would have posted bigger numbers if Breitenstein did not handle 290 of their combined 363 carries. As the feature back in 2013, Johnson has amassed 231 rushing yards and a touchdown.

Johnson gained 77 yards in the 69-3 thrashing at the hands of Baylor University in Wofford's 2013 season opener and accounted for 149 of Wofford's 280 rushing yards and a touchdown last week in Wofford's 21-10 win over The Citadel.

GSU's defense has the potential to be great. This is a defense with 10 out of the 11 starters being juniors or seniors, but missed assignments and tackles in the first two games against sub-par competition leaves me questioning if it can contain Wofford's rushing attack - at least to where it scores less points than GSU.

Frankly, allowing 230 yards on the ground to Saint Francis University is not going to cut it when it comes to conference play against a dangerous option team.

As for the Eagles' offensive attack, I have little concern. Even though GSU opened its season with two sub-par matchups, I believe the return of junior running back Dominique Swope to the lineup will add a spark to an already-hot offense. Senior quarterback Jerick McKinnon will lead the offense to another successful outing on Saturday.

Despite my concerns on the defensive side of the football, I believe GSU will leave Spartanburg on Saturday night with a victory. I do not see 77 points or 59 points happening, but they will perform well enough to win. This will be a tight game and a great win to propel the Eagles into the bye week before preparing for the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga at home in two weeks.

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**GSU seeks .500 record**

**Women's Soccer (1-3)**

**BY ROBERT HUITT**
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The Georgia Southern University women's soccer team will continue its three-game home stand as it welcomes Jacksonville University and Charleston Southern University to Eagle Field over the weekend.

Generating offense has been an issue for the Eagles, scoring just three goals through four games.

The Jacksonville University Dolphins (3-2) have had no problem putting the ball in the back of the net. The Dolphins have scored 12 goals on the season, five of those coming from junior forward Kaitlyn Bassett.

Bassett has not only recorded more goals than the Eagles as a team, she has created more scoring opportunities with a 14-11 edge in shots on goal. Stopping Bassett should be a priority for the backline of the Eagles.

This game at Eagle Field will be the Dolphins' last stop in their three-game tour around the peach state. They lost 1-0 to the University of Georgia in a tightly contested game that went to overtime. They bounced back with a 1-0 victory over Georgia State University.

The Eagles will face another potent offensive attack when they take on the CSU Buccaneers (3-2). The Buccaneers have also scored 12 goals on the season, all scored by four players.

Senior forward Toni Lashley leads the pack with four goals followed by sophomore forwards Chelsea Phillips and Chelsea Frankeny with three goals apiece.

Facing a trio of scoring options, sophomore goalkeeper Heather Kirkover will have to stand strong in the net to give the Eagles a chance.

The last time the Eagles took the field they downed the Stetson University Hatters 2-1 in the home opener for their first victory of the season.

The Eagles were powered by the two-goal performance of freshman forward Jennifer Wittick. Wittick flashed her scoring ability when she out leaped a Hatter defender to score on a header and followed that with another goal from 13 yards out.

The game against the Dolphins will be at 7 p.m. Friday and the Buccaneers will come to town at 6 p.m. Sunday. Both games will be played under the lights at Eagle Field.
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