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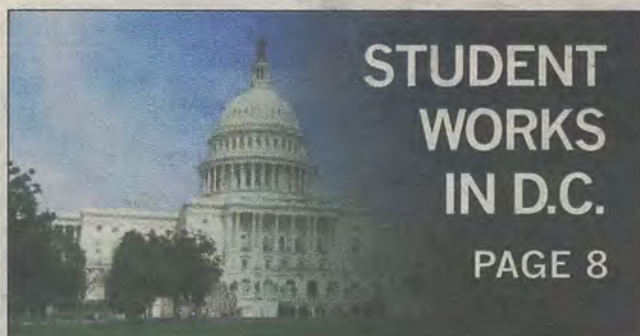
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# THE GEORGE-ANNE

## Vandals destroy property Eagles on Parade statue among the damaged

**BY TANNIS KUFNER**

The George-Anne contributor

Vandals left a trail of destruction this past weekend spanning from Holly Drive off of South Edgewood Road ending at Howard Lumber Company on Gentilly Road.

According to police reports, 15 counts of criminal trespassing and one count of criminal damage to property in the second degree occurred from Friday night to Saturday morning.

A ceramic eagle, light fixtures, mailboxes, cars and street signs are among items damaged, according to police reports.

"We got a call at about eight thirty a.m. Saturday morning from somebody talking about the eagle out front of the shop being beat up. We head over and found the thing in pieces," Jon Dasher, general manager of Howard Lumber Company, said.

The statue is a part of the Eagle Nation on Parade public art project, according to the Eagle Nation on Parade website.

Howard Lumber Company has cameras surrounding the building but they were not in range of the eagle statue to see any of the perpetrators, Dasher said.

"The school was great and very responsive. The university picked it up off our property that morning and is looking to see if it can be repaired so we can possibly set it up again," Dasher said.

"The reality is the statue belongs to Howard Lumber Company, whoever

did this is destroying their property," Cinnamon Dowd, communications & outreach coordinator for the Department of Art, said.

"The structural integrity of the of the statue is completely gone. There's no real way of fixing that in a reasonable manner," Stephanie Neal, administrative specialist for the Department of Art, said.

The statue weighed approximately seven hundred pounds in total, Dowd said.

"This is the first time anything like this has happened to us having to do with any of the eagles around Statesboro," Dowd said. "I don't really understand why someone would be motivated to do this."

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Photo courtesy of Betty Foy Sander Department of Art  
The mosaic Eagle that once stood outside of Howard Lumber Company was destroyed early Sunday morning. Along with the Eagle, multiple mailboxes and cars were damaged along Holly Drive. For the full story see page 7.

## Four years, two titles, one legacy

**BY WILL CHENEY**

The George-Anne staff

As the seniors were honored two weeks ago with the Senior Day festivities, one senior's journey through the last four seasons has been marked with success and has set the tone for the team as it moves to the Sun Belt Conference.

Senior quarterback Jerick McKinnon, who was a part of GSU head coach Jeff Monken's first recruiting class, accounted for three touchdowns in the 35-19 win over Western Carolina University. The win, however great it was, beacons the end of an era of GSU football. As McKinnon trotted out to take one final kneel-down in Allen E. Paulson Stadium to bring the game clock to zero, he was taking time to reminisce over the last four years and what this game meant.

"Just being able to be part of something historical, with it being the last Southern Conference home game, it was truly special," McKinnon said. "After the game, as the fourth quarter ended, I talked to some of the guys and we took the time to just look around and soak it all in, and I'm really going to miss playing in this stadium."

McKinnon's recruiting process was one that was heavily affected by the change in GSU's coaching staff, as the transition was being made from former head coach Chris Hatcher to Monken.

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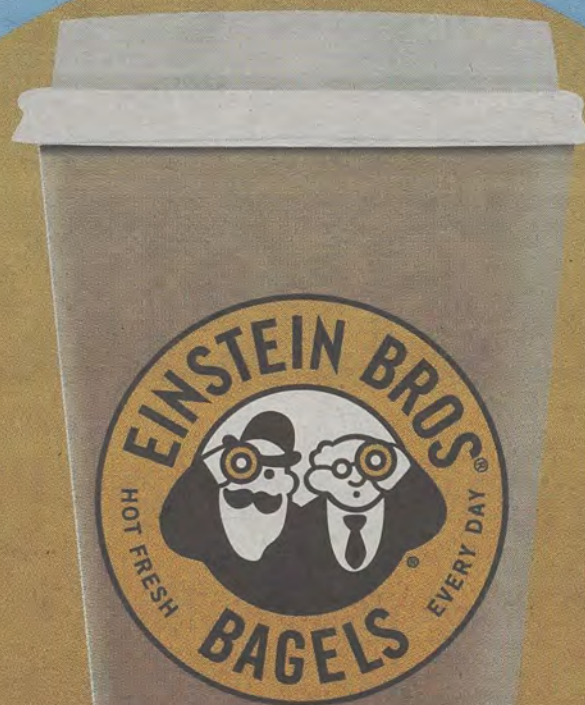
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## Police Beat

### Wednesday, Nov. 13

8:28 a.m.: Officers responded to a fire alarm at the Main Dining Commons. The Fire Department and maintenance responded. The building was checked and no problems were found. Maintenance reset the alarm.

1:16 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at J-Parking Lot.

3:51 p.m.: Officers responded to J-Parking lot for a small grass fire that possibly started from a cigarette. The officer extinguished the fire with a fire extinguisher.

4:18 p.m.: Officers responded to a fire alarm at Centennial Place, Building 4. The Fire Department and maintenance responded. Someone had burned food in a microwave. Maintenance reset the alarm.

7:03 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at the MC Anderson basketball courts.

10:52 p.m.: Officers responded to a sick person at Centennial Place, Building 1. EMS responded and transported the sick person.

### Thursday, Nov. 14

8:28 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at Public Safety.

8:59 p.m.: Officers responded to Eagle Village Clubhouse in reference to a broken door. The investigation resulted in two arrests:

Jemarcus Jerrell Godfrey, 19, Statesboro, Ga., was charged with Criminal Trespass.

Rydgge Ellison Ansley, 18, Statesboro, Ga., was charged with Posses-

sion of a Weapon in a School Safety Zone (Knife) & Possession of Drug Related Objects.

1:10 a.m.: Officer responded to Eagle Village in reference to a suspicious activity. Housing personnel mediated the issue and advised the appropriate process to alleviate the issues.

1:38 a.m.: Officers conducted a traffic stop on Chandler Road near C-Lot. Two subjects were arrested:

James Patrick Riley III, 20, Statesboro, Ga., was charged with Possession of Alcohol – Under 21 Years of Age.

William Leary Jackson, 19, Statesboro, Ga., was charged with False ID, Failure to Maintain Lane & DUI 1<sup>st</sup> – Refusal.

### Friday, Nov. 15

5:37 p.m.: Officers responded to a burglar alarm at the University Store. An employee accidentally activated the burglar alarm.

8:02 p.m.: Officers responded to the Center for Art & Theater in reference to a burglar alarm. An employee accidentally activated the alarm.

8:12 p.m.: Officers responded to an unwanted person at Southern Courtyard. The person was located and advised to leave the property.

### Saturday, Nov. 16

12:17 a.m.: Officers responded to an alcohol violation complaint at Freedom's Landing. Contact was made with occupants of the apartment. Two occupants were judicially referred for alcohol violations.

1:20 a.m.: Officer made contact with three intoxicated persons at

the entrance to The Cove apartments on Chandler Road:

Robert Michael Sharp, 19, Atlanta, Ga., was arrested and charged with Possession of Alcohol – Under 21 Years of Age, Pedestrian Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs & Possession of a Controlled Substance – Cocaine.

Baker Charles Golden, 19, Dunwoody, Ga., was arrested and charged with Possession of Alcohol – Under 21 Years of Age, Pedestrian Under the Influence of Alcohol or Drugs & False ID.

David Taylor Morgan, 19, Statesboro, Ga., was arrested and charged with Possession of Alcohol – Under 21 Years of Age.

4:49 p.m.: An incident report for harassment was taken. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

4:57 p.m.: Officers made contact with two persons on a bicycle in Lot 33. The bicycle was found not to belong to the two persons:

Donervin Samuel Bastian, 17, Statesboro, Ga., was arrested and charged with Theft by Taking – misdemeanor.

Picard Anthony Hepburn Scavella, 21, Statesboro, Ga., was arrested and charged with Theft by Taking – misdemeanor.

6:26 p.m.: A welfare check was conducted on a subject at Centennial Place. His parents located the subject and they reported he was well.

9:37 p.m.: Officers attempted to make contact with a reckless golf cart on Chandler Road near Campus Crossings. One occupant of the golf cart was located but the second left the scene.

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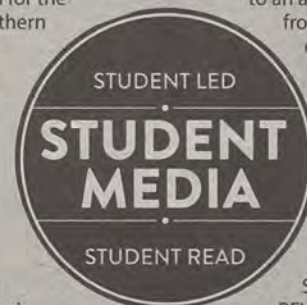
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## Corrections

In Thursday's edition, we published a photograph taken by Alysia Marion on the front page in the top left corner. The photo was mistakenly published without her permission.



## Our View

### GEP is good example to follow

The Georgia Southern University City Campus' hosting of Global Entrepreneurship Week is an example of a great program that can appeal to different majors and colleges while providing a useful service to GSU students. The week-long event, starting yesterday and going through Friday, will take place in various locations downtown, as participants in the week can experience first-hand the way a successful business is run.

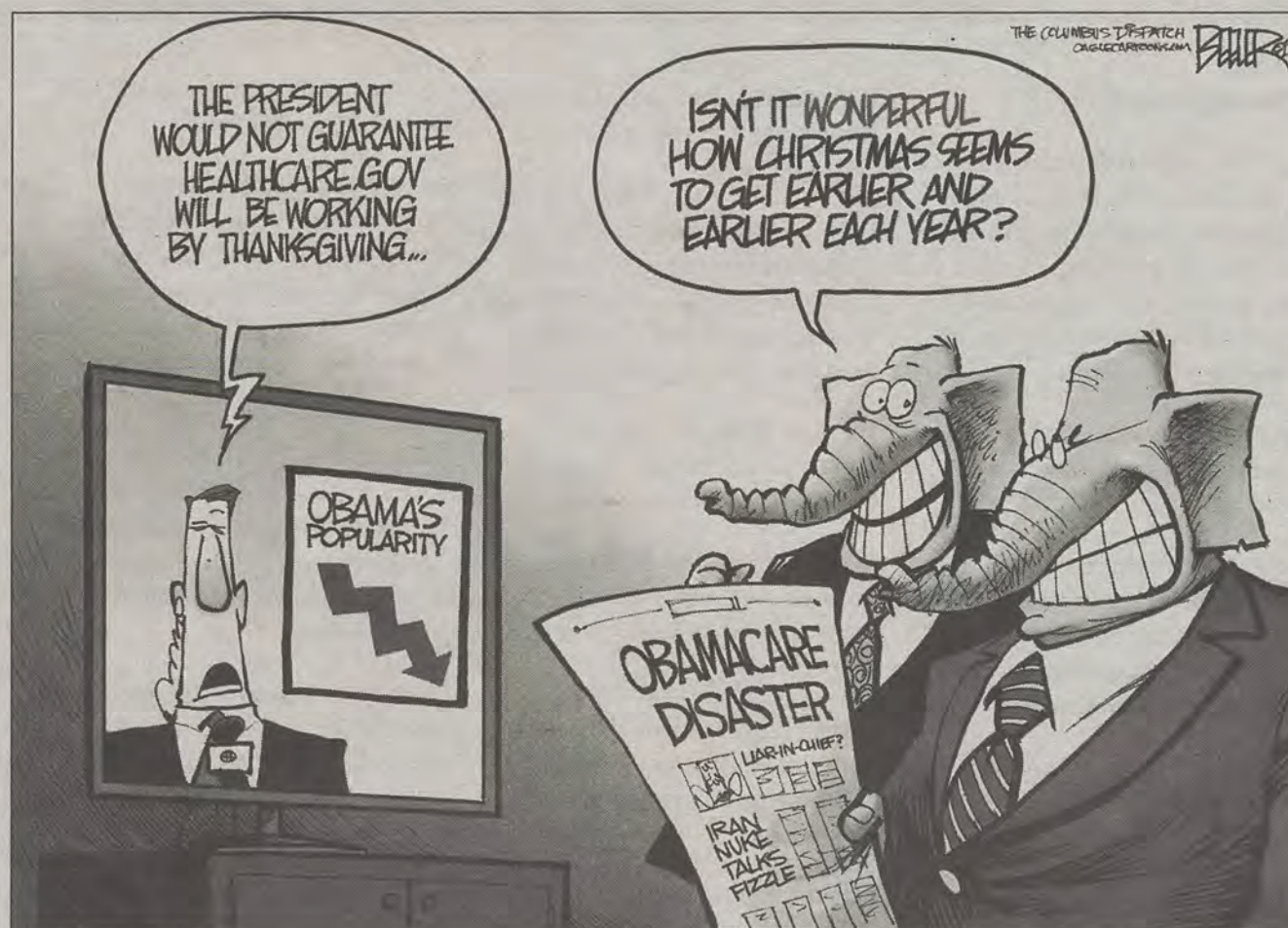
With locations such as the Averitt Center for the Arts, GSU Farmer's Market and Sea Island Bank hosting events, not only will students gain knowledge of their business models and methods of succeeding, but also the businesses will get more publicity to the student body as a whole.

GEW also does a good job of appealing to more than just a few majors. Normally, an entrepreneurship week would apply mainly to business and finance majors, but this GEW works to appeal to art majors and sustainability minors as well with specifically themed lectures. This allows more students to benefit from the week, making it a more worthwhile event for the university as a whole to host.

The way that City Campus and GEW incorporate multiple colleges as well as businesses in the area provide an example for programs to follow throughout the college.

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## Spying an international pastime

Edward Snowden's latest revelations from Moscow show that the Australian government tried to tap the Indonesian president's phone in 2009. This news was not taken well by the Indonesian government, which withdrew its ambassador to Australia in retaliation to the revelations. These revelations are nothing surprising, but they do shift the focus of spying revelations off of the U.S. for at least a little while. Ironically, in the furor over spying allegations, many have forgotten one important fact: every country spies on one another on a regular basis.

While the U.S.'s program of spying on citizens, rather than government officials, may be unique (though it probably is not), it is definitely not alone in spying. Some spying agencies around the world are so well known and famous that they will ring a bell to the average GSU student. The Mossad, MI-6 and, of course, the U.S.'s own CIA are all renowned for their

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JAMES FARMER

espionage capabilities. These famous organizations don't just exist for show; they are actively spying on other states on an hourly basis.

Spying is a crucial part of the intelligence operations of a country, as relying only on what other governments want to tell you will leave a state in the dark as to the realities of global politics. Other states have to at least pretend to be offended when spying allegations arise, because they don't want to admit that they are spying and compromise the programs.

That is not to say that spying is right or wrong or even justified. It is just

the realities of international politics in which we live. This is a reason that many governments around the world feel threatened by Edward Snowden. He, like Julian Assange before him, threatens to reveal the secrets and activities of governmental spying agencies, ending all attempts by governments to "play stupid" about what is going on.

So next time someone goes on a tirade about how the U.S. government is terrible because of these spying allegations, just remember that the U.S. only looks that way because it got caught with its pants down.

In the grand scheme of things, it is probably one of the more tame spying programs in the world. Or maybe it's not, this is secret spying after all.

*Farmer is a senior international studies and political science double major from Thomasville. He is the current Opinions Editor.*



## Uranium creates problems

Just in the past few weeks, world powers are seriously negotiating with Iran to allow its enrichment of uranium to continue. Iran relentlessly expresses and firmly believes that it has a right to enrich uranium, but countries such as Russia, China and the United States feel extremely uncertain about this. Yes, Iran enriching uranium has much potential to create global conflict, but Americans should keep in mind that this will create a lot more tension between Iran and The United States, which more than likely will become an enormous problem in the future.

Before going any further, I just want to point out the fact that The United States and Iran have been "frenemies" since the 1900s. All the way through the 20th century and into the 21st, America and Iran have clashed over issues such as oil, communism, radical Islam and nuclear proliferation. In fact, according to NPR, until President Barack Obama spoke with Hassan Rouhani on Sept. 27, 2013, no American president had spoken with a leader of Iran since 1979. With those facts being stated, it is obvious that America and Iran do not have the best relationship, especially after former president George H.W. Bush declined Iran's offer to be a mediator between Iraq and the United States. Therefore, if the relationship between Iran and the United States worsens as Iran becomes more experienced and savvy with enriching uranium, there is a possible chance that Iran

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JOYCE SANCHEZ

may be tempted to use nuclear weapons to attack or help attack the United States.

If every country were to step back and let Iran enrich uranium as much as the country wanted to, would it be dangerous to do so? The answer is yes. Because the unstable relationship between America and Iran is so fragile, any conflict that rises after Iran is allowed to enrich uranium could make Iran react very quick and violently. Don't get me wrong here, the Iranians could act responsible with its ability to enrich uranium without regulation, but it's better to be safe than sorry. The world powers need to work swiftly and efficiently because an agreement is needed in order to keep tension down, as well as keep an open door for an actual friendship between the United States and Iran to be created.

*Sanchez is a sophomore political science major from Vineland, N.J. She is currently president of the 100 Collegiate Women of America and is involved with the McCollar for Mayor Campaign.*

## Iranian situation delicate

For the last couple of weeks, six world powers have been negotiating with Iran over its nuclear program. As you may know, the United Nations and other countries have imposed numerous sanctions because of their enrichment of uranium, which may be used to make nuclear weapons. Uranium is used for many other reasons, such as for nuclear energy or radiation for cancer treatment. Currently, Iran has enriched uranium up to 20 percent, which is close to the percentage needed for weaponization.

President Obama is greatly in favor of reducing sanctions as long as Iran submits its nuclear programs to international surveillance. French President Francois Hollande and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu are greatly against the idea of any loosening sanctions. These sanctions limit almost every sector in Iran, but the two sectors that would not be loosened are banks and energy.

It is true that Iran's economy needs some relief. This interim deal to loosen sanctions would allow outside investors to come into the country and begin investing. The United States has said it would lobby private sectors as well as other countries against the collapse of the sanctions regime. President Obama also promised that sanctions would tighten if Iran's nuclear program begins going in the wrong direction, but Netanyahu and Hollande believe that inside

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AMBER PORTER

investors would already have hold of the country and complicate the problem.

These obstacles and many others will be talked about on Wednesday in Geneva. Personally, I think this is a very complicated topic. Iran's economy needs relief; its people should be allowed to obtain radiation therapy for cancer as well as try alternative energies. However, Iran's track record isn't the best. We can all agree that Iran should not obtain nuclear weapons and that, if it did, the ramifications could be extensive. Israel would want to strike preemptively to save itself, and that could begin the largest war on record.

If an agreement could come about that could put in extensive safety and checks on Iran, then it might be possible. I honestly believe that as long as Netanyahu controls any part of the politics in Israel, they will not support these changes. Iran should be

*Porter is a junior international studies major from Zebulon. She spent spring semester as a Capitol Hill intern.*

## United States should negotiate with Iran

The United States of America's long and storied relationship with the Islamic Republic of Iran is one of the more interesting and complex affairs in our country's history. From the coup the U.S. assisted back in the 1950s to the Iranian student protestors who stormed the American embassy in 1979, it seems our two countries' histories are woven together in a reoccurring and often high-stakes drama that makes "The Real Housewives of Atlanta" look like child's play.

The escapades continued this past week as, for the first time in nearly 30 years, the United States and Iran engaged in negotiations that, if successful, would have halted Iran's nuclear attainment program in exchange for "limited" relief from Western sanctions. Joining these intensive debates were the other permanent

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members of the United Nations Security Council: China, Russia, France and the United Kingdom. Due to a last-minute objection by France, the negotiations stalled and a deal was not met.

We as Americans should not be discouraged though. Much to the disdain of our country's War Hawks, diplomacy is finally working and is a path we should adamantly pursue. Despite the

failure to strike a deal this past week, it is clear that the sanctions levied on Iran are obviously working. Why else would Iran be so willing to negotiate after a 30-year silence on the issue?

Such a drastic change of pace should be welcomed worldwide, and that is precisely why I am flabbergasted by the Americans that are upset that we are negotiating with Iran. Wind this back a few years and try to imagine if George W. Bush's administration would ever sit down for negotiations with Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad. This, of course, would have been the same time period when Bush listed Iran as a part of the "Axis of Evil" and Supreme Leader Ali Khamenei defamed the United States as "The Great Satan."

Thus, we should be optimistic. The new leader democratically elected by the Iranian

people is clearly an agent of change. Since his election in July of this year, President Hassan Rouhani has repeatedly expressed interest in negotiating with Western powers to alleviate the sanctions paralyzing his economy. We would be amiss to let this opportunity pass us by.

It is high time that the United States throws out its reluctance to negotiate with our perceived enemies. As we advance into the 21<sup>st</sup> century we will continually lose our status as the world's sole superpower, and with that our ability to bully our enemies into submission by the threat of military force. Diplomacy will be our savior, and the current negotiations with Iran can be the first step to a bright future.

*Anderson is a senior political science major from Cumming. He is writing a thesis paper on U.S. interventions.*



## New club starts off strong in Gainesville

BY CAITLYN OLIVER

The George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University's Mock Mediation Club, started fall 2013, won seven awards at the regional mediation competition.

The event took place Oct. 4 and 5 and was hosted by Brenau University in Gainesville, Ga.

Mediation allows a third, impartial party to help two groups resolve a conflict. Mediation is one of the forms available for conflict resolution and allows the two arguing parties to negotiate and speak through a mediator.

"As an assistant professor of criminal justice and criminology, I thought that my presence as the advisor for this club could draw attention to the great value of mediation as a way to solve problems not just for students in our major but for Georgia Southern University students campus-wide as well," Laura Agnich, Ph.D., Mock Mediation club advisor, said.

Dylan John, a junior construction management major, created the club at the beginning of the semester, gaining support from both Jacek Lubecki, Ph.D., associate professor and director of the *Center for International Studies*, and Agnich.

The team as a whole placed third, while Mikkel Ryrose and Dylan John placed second as an Advocate/Client pair and Robert Wilson and Dylan John placed fifth as an Advocate/Client pair.

Mikkel Ryrose, Jonathon Quintyne and Dylan John attended the International Mock Mediation Tournament in Des Moines, Iowa on Nov. 1, a tournament they were invited to attend last-minute. Any kind of high ranking was not expected and came as a pleasant surprise when the team finished with eighth place out of the 42 competing teams.

"I've been doing this for three years now. I was formerly a student coach for Middle Georgia State College and in two years we still didn't get to where we are in one semester here at GSU. I was quite amazed that we made that stride," John said.

Judges base the winners off of several factors, such as how well the mediators work together, attitude about the situation, appropriate questions being asked at appropriate times, if the mediators have the trust of their clients and whether or not

confidentiality is maintained.

In competition, six people participate on four teams: the advocate/client pair, the plaintiff and defendant and two mediators. While from opposing teams, mediators must work together to resolve the fictitious conflict.

"I worked at a shelter for victims of intimate partner violence while I was an undergraduate student in Virginia and saw firsthand some of the benefits of mediation practices," Agnich said.

The most prestigious award, the Elizabeth S. Baumgardner Peacemaker Award, gets its status from needing to be nominated by the opposing team. This honor was awarded to the president and captain of the Mock Mediation Club, Dylan John, for his abilities during the competition.

"We have a team of ten people right now and over the weekend we trained for over twenty hours for the tournament in Iowa and it seemed to have worked," John said.

In the future, the team is hoping to participate in more tournaments at the regional, national and international levels as well as hosting their own tournaments. The club also wishes to become more involved in the Statesboro community.



Courtesy of Dylan John

**The GSU Mock Mediation Club** was formed at the beginning of the fall semester but has already experienced success. **Top:** Members of the GSU Mock Mediation Club have won numerous awards at recent competitions. **Bottom:** In competition, six people participate on four teams to resolve a fictitious conflict.



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Each individual piece of this particular statue was made by hand and took months to complete, Dowd said.

The base cost of the statue is three thousand-five hundred, this doesn't include artist commission, time spent making it, materials or installation, Neal said.

"This person or group of people have not only destroyed months of an artist's time, they've also destroyed multiple people's property and hurt the reputation of the scholarship the eagle represents," Neal said.

According to police reports, the total of reported damages is \$5,375 so far. This total does not include three damaged mailboxes, two broken car mirrors and one knocked over street sign.

*William Price and Red Denty contributed to this report.*



Courtesy of Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art

The **Eagles on Parade** statue stood outside Howard Lumber Company until this weekend. The statue was removed from in front Howard Lumber Company after it was vandalized this weekend.

## Damages Recorded

\$200- Light fixtures  
 \$50-Mailbox  
 \$100- Mailbox and flowerbed  
 \$4,500- Ceramic Eagle  
 \$100- Light fixture  
 \$50- Mailbox  
 \$200- Flagpole  
 \$50- Mailbox  
 \$50- Mailbox  
 \$75- Mailbox  
**Total: \$5,375**

### Not valued

- 3 mailboxes
- Side mirror from car
- Street sign
- Side mirror and hood ornament from car

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# UPD place second in Governor's Challenge

BY CYDNEY LONG

The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University's Office of Public Safety brought home the second place award from the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Georgia Governor's Challenge Awards, hosted by the Governor's

Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) on Friday.

The ceremony featured seven different categories based on law enforcement size and other special categories.

This year, Public Safety officers traveled to Macon to accept the award.

"It comes with three thousand Governor's

Bucks that we can use to buy different equipment," Chief Michael Russell, director of public safety, said.

The University of Georgia won first place at the event.

"They got third place in the nation as well," Russell said.

Throughout the year, the participating law enforcement organizations partook in Georgia's "Click It Or Ticket" campaign and hosted events such as University Police's Under the Influence.

The GOHS awarded points based on the success of those events.

University Police has participated in the challenge since 2006 and placed year except one.

In 2010, University Police placed first in the state and the nation.

During the ceremony, 10 winners each had a chance to win an SUV from the GOHS.

"Out of all the winners, they draw names out of a hat and those people get to choose a key," Russell said.

Each winner chose a key, but only one of the keys started the vehicle.

"Unfortunately it wasn't us that won," Russell said.



Courtesy of Dylan John

Members of the UPD accepted the second place award from the Georgia Governor's Challenge Awards this past Friday. UPD also won three thousand Governor's Bucks that can be used to buy equipment for the department.



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# Eagle in D.C.

## GSU student interns in Senator's office

BY TAYLER CRITCHLOW

The George-Anne staff

Amber Montrose, senior French major and Eagles in D.C. participant, is an intern for Senator Johnny Isakson (R-GA) through the Eagles in D.C. legislative program.

"Two years ago if you had ever told me that I would be doing an internship in D.C. and super-interested in politics, that this would be the route my life would be taking, I never would have believed you," Montrose said.

Montrose became interested in politics her junior year when she took an Introduction to American Government class, a class she had been dreading for years.

"It really opened my mind to what it

means to be United States citizen and a global citizen, and someone who takes pride and keeping their community in mind when I make life decisions," Montrose said.

After attending President Obama's second inauguration and listening to a panel of GSU alum that work at and near the U.S. Capitol, Montrose applied for the Eagles in D.C. Program.

"It is her aspiration to be in public service, so she is very much interested in the political side and kind of getting that experience in D.C. you're going to see the good, the bad, and the ugly, all of it," Todd Deal, Ph.D., director for the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement, said.

"So anything that she could be involved in where she could give back to other people, she's done that on campus. And I think that is the draw for her to do this in D.C, it's an opportunity for her to see even a bigger picture things that go on and be a part of that and be an agent of change," Lynn Reaves, senior administrative assistant for the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement, said.

Montrose specializes in the Farm Bill, a controversial bill up for reauthorization that includes food stamp benefits and the insurance protection of small farmers and larger farm business operations.

The House of Representatives wishes to cut the budget for the Farm Bill by \$40.1

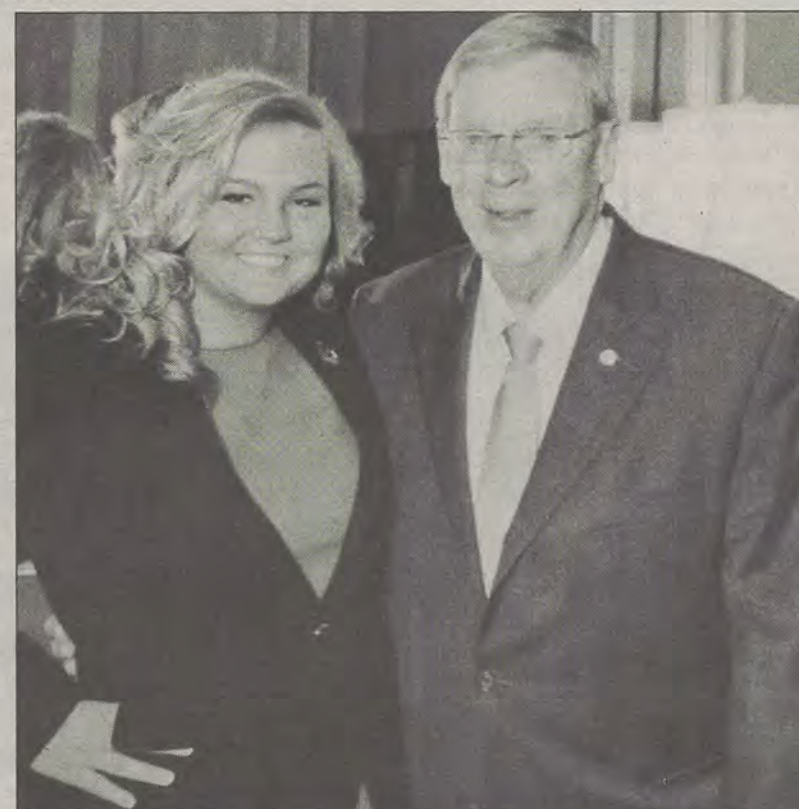
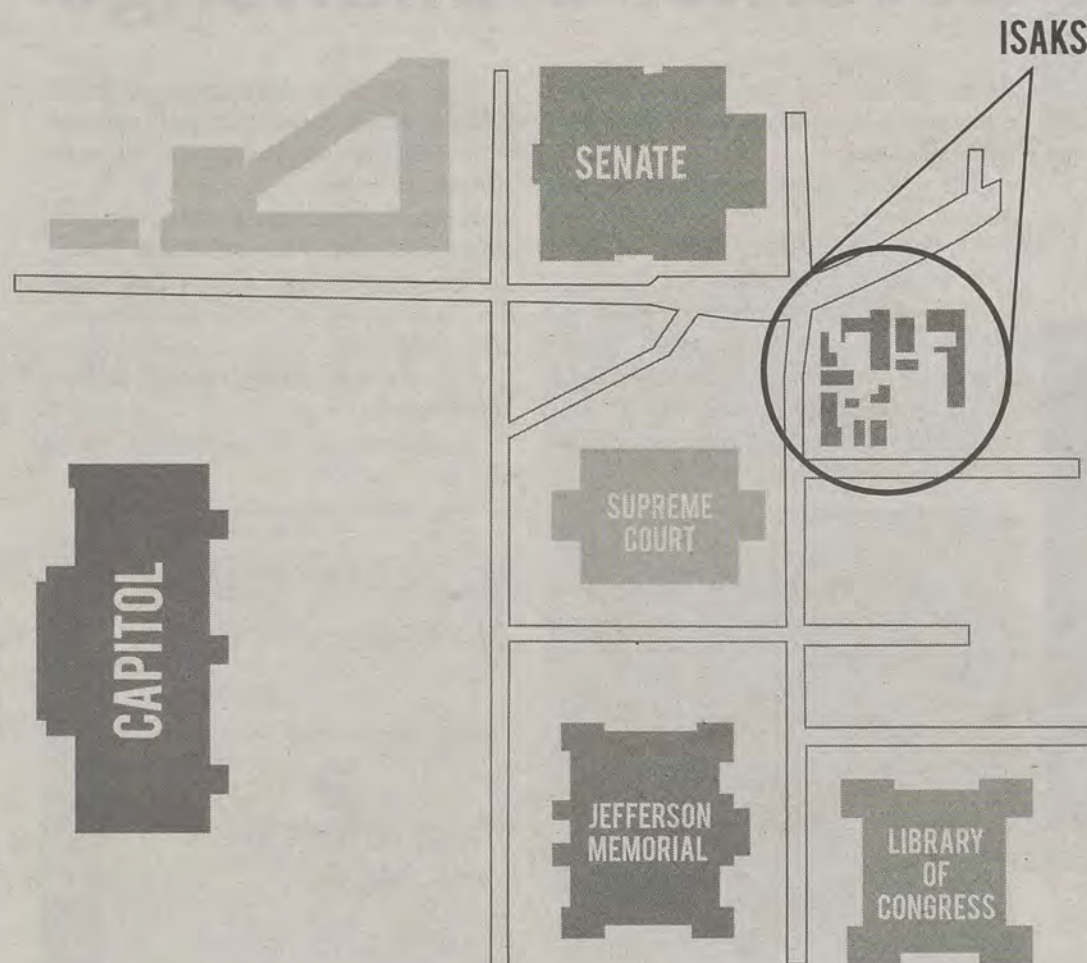
billion and the Senate wants to cut \$4 billion, Montrose said.

Montrose lives a block from the U.S. Capitol and has been able to engage in one-on-one conversations with former presidential candidate Senator John McCain and other important political figures.

Since being at the Capitol, Montrose has witnessed the government shutdown and the deliberations on Syria.

Montrose plans on attending law school after graduation and after hopes to work for the state government for at least a few years.

Montrose said, "It's been a really cool world to get to get a peek into and I think my internship has been unique in letting me really feel like I'm making a difference."



Courtesy of Amber Montrose

Amber Montrose serves in Johnny Isakson's office for the fall 2013 semester. Montrose found her internship through the Eagles in D.C. program, which is open to all students from any major.



# Students partake in legislative internships

BY TAYLER CRITCHLOW

The George-Anne staff

Eagles in D.C. provide Georgia Southern University students with the opportunity to participate in a legislative internship at both the State and National level.

Students apply through the program, submitting an application containing political interests, writing samples and resumes, Vince Miller, Ph.D., associate vice president of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management and coordinator for the legislative internship program, said.

The program is hosted through the Vice President of Academic Affairs Office and began in 2008 and since that time has sent 61 GSU students on these internships.

"Believe it or not, the quality of your writing is extremely important to the political offices," Miller said.

After the application is submitted, Miller will meet with the students and learn more about the students' interest to know the best legislative fit for that student, whether it is state or national or which office specifically.

The legislative office will then contact the student for an interview, for the state level the process involves multiple interviews and can take longer than for the national level because the state takes a more centralized approach, Miller said.

"It's a great opportunity, even if you do not decide to go into politics, it's a great opportunity for you to be able to understand who you are and to learn a little bit more about how our government is run," Lynn Reaves, senior administrative assistant for the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement, said.

"If you have an interest in politics, any interest in policy, any interest in press or communications, any sort of research if you're super-interested in science or education policy, or anything really. I'm a

French major and I'm here and thoroughly enjoying it, so I would absolutely recommend it," Amber Montrose, senior French major and Eagles in D.C. participant, said.

Students can receive academic credit for the internship and the interns who are selected for the state legislation will receive a stipend depending on which office they work for. The interns in Washington D.C. do not receive any monetary aid.

It is a well-recognized program by the legislators in Atlanta and in D.C. to the point where they ask GSU for interns, Todd Deal, Ph.D., director for the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement, said.

Once accepted into the program students have all other details and logistics worked out by the organization.

A company called Washington Intern Student Housing (WISH) is partnered with the Eagles in D.C. Program, providing students with affordable housing almost a block away from the Capitol.

Some students may be put off from the opportunity due to the fact that they are not majoring in political science or have not taken any classes in it.

"The biggest thing is that our government has something that is reflective of every major, that is a guarantee. Anything that is of a political issue, a public issue, there is literally something there in the field outside of what we know as politics," Miller said.


The deadline for the fall semester is April 15, spring semester is Oct. 1 and summer semester deadline is Mar. 1.

Deal said, "If you are a political sort of person definitely do it. But even just public service, thinking about someday I might want to be on city council, the board of education, be mayor and see how non-profits work in that service side. I think stepping into that side of American life is something that would be one of those eye-opening experiences."

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## GSU student makes music his forte

BY ERINN WILLIAMS

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Through the rigorous schedule of college life, one Georgia Southern University student finds the time to share his love of musical performance with the community.

Audiences heard senior music education major Jacob Furse's tenor voice last weekend as he played the lead role of Bobby in the GSU Opera and the GSU Symphony's production of "Company".

As an actor he has always had a special connection to musical theatre.

Furse said, "As I started to get older, musical theater allowed me to see characters that really had substance. It was cool to dive into a character's head and become someone new for a little while. It's kind of a good crossroads to me between a psychological experience and music."

The GSU Opera and the GSU Symphony put on one big show together every year and this was his seventh show with the music department.

"Being the lead was interesting. I've been in a lot of shows and I have a lot of experience on varying levels of relevance in a show. Lead really does not affect me. It's just important to act well in your role that you have been given," Furse said.



JACOB FURSE

His character Bobby was a 35-year-old man who thought that he knew everything there was to know about marriage, but, over the course of the musical, learns that there is more to know.

"It was kind of difficult to step into my character because it is hard to play someone out of your age range. Instead of trying to understand the exact situation

Bobby was in, I tried to relate more to the idea of finding out that everything you thought you knew about something was wrong," Furse said.

Furse said he does not remember exactly how music has influenced his life, but does know it is a part of him that is supported by friends and family.

"I have a lot of really great people supporting me. I have incredible friends and without them supporting me I do not know where I would be," Furse said.

"My family has never been like 'Well what do you actually plan on doing with your life?' when I talked to them about music as my career and all of the faculty has been very supportive as well," Furse said.

After leaving GSU, Furse plans to continue with music and performance.

Furse said, "I want to get my masters in performance in musical theater and try to perform for a couple of years while I'm young and maybe go back later and get a doctorate and teach at a college."



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**Jacob Furse**, senior music education major, portrays Bobby in "Company," a character struggling to understand the many notions surrounding the idea of marriage. **Top:** Furse played Bobby in Saturday's rendition of "Company." **Bottom right:** GSU Opera and Symphony share the stage in the performance "Company." The two groups collaborate to put on one big show every year. **Bottom left:** Furse orchestrates to fellow cast members. The musical follows character Bobby's journey in discovering what marriage means.





## 'Boro Bucket List: Giving back over the holiday



LILLY MCCANN

There is more to Thanksgiving than leftovers, naps and vegging on the couch watching football. The holiday season always seems to be the time of the year where the less-

fortunate are recognized and accessible opportunities to help bring tradition to the community spring up.

"Giving back means helping others less fortunate than me," Erica Beaver, junior accounting major, said. "The holiday season is about giving to others."

If you're a little low on cash, volunteering your time is always affordable. If your time is already strained across classes, extracurricular activities and friends, a few dollars can make the difference between one more hot meal or one more gift under the tree.

"It's what the holiday season is really about. Every family has something like a tradition specifically to love about the season. Giving a nice meal to a family that may not be able to afford much or to a child a gift to open on Christmas morning is a way

we can share the things we love," Rebecca Albritton, senior linguistics major, said.

### Feed the 'Boro on Thanksgiving

Last year, more than 2,300 meals were served up and that number is expected to reach over 3,000 at this year's Feed the 'Boro. In 2011, Feed the 'Boro almost didn't happen when organizer, Jimmy Anthony fell ill.

"I actually had volunteered for about three years and I had already been in contact with them and I wanted to know how I could help," Robin Aspinwall, event coordinator, said. "A week before Thanksgiving I found out he could no longer do it and it fell apart. I thought of all the kids I had delivered to on Thanksgiving before and they had the funds they just needed someone to lead. I had no idea what I was doing, I prayed on it and getting volunteers and to just make it happen."

Feed the 'Boro is a tradition that is over 20 years old. To keep bringing meals to the less fortunate this Thanksgiving, the help of donations and volunteers is needed.

Food preparation will begin at 4 p.m. on Wednesday Nov. 27 at Statesboro High School and food deliveries will begin at 8 a.m. Thanksgiving Day until meals run out.

Checks can be written to the Savannah Community Foundation.

A meal costs about a dollar and keeping

funding coming is what can keep this tradition alive.

### Warm Clothes and Christmas Gifts

The Warm Clothing Drive, which collects warm clothes to keep or community bundled up this holiday season, is in its third year. Yes, it does get cold enough in South Georgia. Last year over 600 items were collected and distributed among GSU students, staff and faculty in need. Collection bins are set up around campus until Friday Nov. 29, so consider giving a jacket you've outgrown to help the GSU community.

Dressed in colorful tags and standing boldly in the Russell Union, the Holiday Helper Tree represents those less fortunate this Christmas season. Each tag bears the name of a family or individual along with a gift idea but symbolizes bringing Christmas to someone in need.

"We always have an overwhelming response from faculty, staff and students. Even within the difficulty of the economy we still have such a tremendous response," Eileen Smith, co-founder and senior administrative secretary for the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, said.

The Holiday Helper Tree is in its 20<sup>th</sup> year and has grown from supporting 250 people to nearly 1000. Students looking to participate can pluck a tag off the tree until Nov. 22 and return the gifts by Dec. 2.

"A lot of people tend to hone in on the children, which is great but we've got a lot of elderly people in our community that need help too," Smith said.

Volunteers are encouraged to wrap gifts and donations of gift-wrap, tissue paper and gift bags are being accepted.

### Beyond the Boro

"My family and I helped delivered turkey dinners to families with low income last year. Some people had no idea they were getting this and could not stop smiling," Albritton said. "My family and I have also sponsored children in our community back home and given them toys at our Christmas party."

Hosea Feed the Hungry (HFTH) is an international social community with the intent to end the cycle of poverty by feeding those in need.

This Thanksgiving the organization is looking for volunteers in the Atlanta area to serve meals to at least 40,000 people. Feed the Hungry, Inc. in Savannah is also looking for volunteers to help manage the holiday season.

Even if serving or preparing meals isn't your thing, the annual Thanksgiving 5k in Atlanta is a way to show your support.

If you haven't heard of any opportunities to give back by word of mouth, a quick Google search can open endless options to give back this holiday season.

# GSU students give thanks for Gobbly Good Eats

## Seasonal

BY MEAGAN GREENE

The George-Anne contributor

Traditional offerings will be in abundance at Lakeside Dinning Commons when Eagle Dinning Services creates a Thanksgiving meal of epic proportions this Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Gobbly Good Eats is the first debut of the new Lakeside Dinning Commons annual holiday dinner.

"We've always done a holiday meal. This year with the new facilities we wanted to push it to the next level," Greg Crawford, director of residential dinning, said.

A variety of options will be at the lunch for attendees to choose from at this event.

"We're really going to have fun with the menu this year," Crawford said.

"All the regular serveries will be

showcasing a different food theme that relates to Thanksgiving," Crawford said.

Main courses, such as grilled lobster tail, whole roasted duck, carved oven roasted turkey and spiral cut honey baked ham along with such dishes as four-cheese macaroni and sweet potato soufflé, plus many more, will be available. For dessert there will be over 11 different types of sweets to choose from.

"We've been backing all week to make sure we have a beautiful showcase of desserts," Chef de Cuisine Cynthia Jones, said.

The meal is open to anyone on campus, with or without a dinning plan, as well as faculty and non-students.

"We are trying to make it not just food-related, but also community. We want people to appreciate each other's company," said Crawford.

The numerous teams that represent Eagle Dinning Services came together to plan out and prepare each aspect of this event.

"Before anything is in place we meet

without senior coordinators and come up with the ideas for each event. Each team is in charge of decorating, the event will be really nice and presented well," Crawford said.

Activities from cookie decorating to a photo booth with divergent props will be there to commemorate the activities going on at Gobbly Good Eats.

"Each holiday we like for the kids to have something special," Assistant Manager of Lakeside Dinning Commons Denise Allen said. "We like to make people feel at home."

This is the 15th year Allen has contributed to a Thanksgiving feast on the Georgia Southern University campus.

Eagle Dinning Services likes to get as involved as possible with the students at GSU, faculty and Statesboro community. By having a holiday-oriented event such as this, it

aims in bring everyone together before they go off for the break.



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# Johnny Cash to rock out GSU in musical

BY KRYSTAL MCMATH

The George-Anne contributor

One of the influential musicians of the 20<sup>th</sup> century will be honored and his life story performed in a musical called 'Ring of Fire: The Music of Johnny Cash.'

The jukebox musical will be performed in the Performing Arts Center on Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

"Any students who are familiar with country music or rock music of today, they need to know where this stuff comes from. Pop, rock, blues, bluegrass, all of that is influenced by Johnny Cash. He's one of those artists that inspired a lot of people and I think that if the Georgia Southern students were to come out to the show, they would be inspired as well," Stacie McDaniel, PAC house manager, said.

A jukebox musical is a combination of songs that have already been written so they were not written specifically for the show. It is actually a collection of songs written and performed by Johnny Cash during his life and career. They combine it into different scenes about his life and the formation of his career. It takes you through a journey of his life, McDaniel said.

The musical is influenced by Johnny Cash's life, struggles, love life and career. The music

in the show is one of the main attractions, and fans will appreciate the selection.

"The music is, I think, the biggest draw. Johnny Cash crosses all kinds of genre boundaries. Not only is it country music, but its folk music, it's rock music, it's the root of a lot of the bluegrass and other music that people listen to today so I think that is the big appeal," Juanita Smith, box office manager, said. "Also, just a really entertaining show and a really personal story about Johnny Cash, but it's also, again, something really relatable. It touches on subjects about family and redemption and fame and, of course, has great music."

Students are encouraged to attend and learn about Johnny Cash, the South, and experience the cultural exposure that the play has to offer.

"I think it will affect students. It's a personal story and very touching, it's got a lot of honesty and truth in it and that's reflected in the music. And I think any sort of theatrical or cultural event that students can pick up while they're in college helps round them out and makes them a well-rounded person so I think it will be an interesting experience to have," Smith said.

The musical is designed to be relatable to all types of people. Cash's life story makes him an icon to many and his story touches a vast audience.



Photo courtesy of the PAC

Performers bring music and Southern charm to the stage in "Ring of Fire: The Music of Johnny Cash." The musical focuses on the life of Johnny Cash and will be held at the Performing Arts Center this Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

"It's a story of redemption. He really had a pretty hard life. He grew up very poor and he made his way into country stardom all the way from the bottom," McDaniel said.

The story goes beyond Cash's hard-knock life.

"It's also a story of what fame can do to you. He got into drugs, hard drinking,

alcohol and things like that. It's about redemption from that point. He fell in love with a woman that helped him turn his life around and come back to find God again. It's an important story to tell what fame can do to you and how it can be turned around like that," McDaniel said.

## '12 Years a Slave' as realistic as it can get

Movie Review

★★★★★

BY PEYTON CALLANAN

The George-Anne contributor

Great dramatic films tend to walk a thin line between genuinely moving audiences and pandering to their emotions by putting characters through a gratuitous amount of trauma. Dramatic scripts, accompanied by a sweeping musical score and scenery-chewing actors, often seem as if they are shamelessly trying to trick their audience into feel a certain way.

Director Steve McQueen's harrowing film "12 Years a Slave," based on a true story about a free black man who was sold into slavery, could have easily fallen into that category, but instead McQueen ("Shame") delivers a film that is both beautiful and poignant as well as explicit and devastating.

No movie will ever be able to give a completely realistic depiction of the horrors of slavery, but McQueen did his best not to shy away from the gritty truth of the source material. Though some viewers may balk at the violence, McQueen

showcased it in a manner that was incredibly frank rather than unnecessary.

The film is anchored by its lead Chiwetel Ejiofor ("Children of Men," "Salt"), as Solomon Northup, an intelligent man who is determined to survive and find his way back to his family despite those who try to break him. Ejiofor's performance is both commanding and inspiring without ever feeling excessive, and he holds his own against a cast filled to the brim with some of the best character actors in the business.

Paul Giamatti ("Sideways"), Paul Dano ("There Will Be Blood") and Sarah Paulson ("American Horror Story"), all make appearances as seemingly deplorable people, each elevating every scene they are in no matter how short. Newcomer Lupita Nyong'o is equally as engaging, as a fellow slave who is the object of her owner's affections.

However, it is Michael Fassbender ("X-men: First Class"), as the sadistic slave owner Edwin Epps, who gives the most unsettling and impressive performance. It is hard to look away from Fassbender, who skillfully created an

incredibly warped yet captivating character.

Nevertheless, McQueen never depicts any of the characters as truly good or evil; they are all just people trying to survive, which allows viewers the opportunity to make judgments about the characters and their motives without feeling as if they are being told how to feel about a certain character.

While the focus of the movie may lie in the performances, the cinematography is appropriately restrained, yet magnificent. The stark contrast between the beauty of the plantations and reality of what happened there is wonderfully played by McQueen.

"12 Years a Slave" never shies away embracing the dramatic nature of the story but does so in the most honest way possible, leaving audiences with a film that will stay with them long after the credits have rolled.





# Wind Symphony plays with Statesboro High

## Music

BY ASHLEY DALTON

The George-Anne contributor

The Georgia Southern Wind Symphony will be performing for the second time this semester, but this time it is with the Statesboro High School Band.

"The role of our University, among many others, is to reach out to the community. To share the stage with a local high school is not only an opportunity for the high school, but also for the University students," Associate Director of Bands and Director of Athletic Bands Colin McKenzie, Ph.D., said.

Tonight's concert will have a guest appearance by the SHS Band, which will perform three pieces to open for GSU's Symphonic Wind Ensemble. The band director of the SHS band is a GSU alum, Lee Collins.

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-Colin McKenzie, Ph.D.,  
associate director of bands and director of athletic bands

This is a special way for GSU to interact with the community and bring the arts to young students.

"Chorale and Toccata" by Robert Jager, will be conducted by a graduate conductor, Michael Thomas, while Laura Stambaugh, Ph.D., will be guest-conducting the piece "Ballad for Band," by Morton Gould.

"She is fantastic and a great conductor. I

am very happy to have her on board with us," McKenzie said.

Both pieces are Arab and from the early 20th century, when the Wind Symphony was first becoming a concert group.

The second half of the performance contains very traditional Italian pieces, "Symphonic Concert March" by G. Bonelli and "Overture: La Forza del Destino" by

Giuseppe Verdi. Both are difficult and grand pieces that require a skilled ensemble. Pieces are chosen for various reasons depending on certain events or desires.

"There are many different ways to approach it," McKenzie said.

"We are fortunate to have such skilled students, so we are able to do most of the pieces that we want to do," McKenzie said.

The Wind Symphony began under Dan Pitman, Ph.D., and has progressed into a program with approximately 50 undergraduate Georgia Southern students. It is one of the two concert bands that meet at GSU. The members of the Wind Ensemble play a collection of wind and percussion instruments with quartets and quintets.

"It's something that I wish more people understood about our program," McKenzie said. "These students are some of the most hardworking people and they would love nothing more to perform in a full house."

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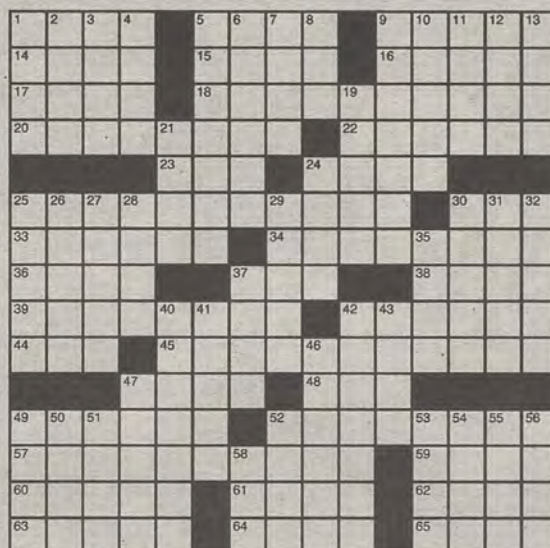
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## Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

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- 1 Things to wear
- 5 Chemists' rooms
- 9 One who asks too many questions
- 14 Campus sports gp.
- 15 Irish name for Ireland
- 16 Christina of "Speed Racer"
- 17 Dough dispensers
- 18 Real attitude underlying a facade
- 20 Letter to Santa, essentially
- 22 Pennsylvania in Washington, for one
- 23 Summer in Lyon
- 24 Sent a quick note online
- 25 The Hulk's alter ego
- 30 Barnyard brayer
- 33 Woman in Poe's "The Raven"
- 34 J. Paul Getty or J.R. Ewing
- 36 Dubai bigwig
- 37 "... to ... it mildly"
- 38 Piece of ice
- 39 Revolutionary toy of the '70s-'80s?
- 42 "Boyfriend" singer Justin
- 44 Fr. holy woman
- 45 Song covered by Michael Buble, say
- 47 Glasgow vetoes
- 48 Toronto's prov.
- 49 Dining room necessities
- 52 Photos at the precinct
- 57 Aunt Jemima competitor
- 59 Auth. unknown
- 60 Perfumer Lauder
- 61 "As I see it," online
- 62 Maker of Duplo toy bricks
- 63 Just behind the runner-up
- 64 Overly compliant
- 65 Flier on a pole, and at the ends of 18-, 25-, 45- and 57-Across



By Neville Fogarty

### DOWN

- 1 Emulate a beaver
- 2 Play beginning
- 3 Farm butters
- 4 Big party
- 5 Beatles tune that starts, "When I find myself in times of trouble"
- 6 Like some Navy rescues
- 7 Champagne designation
- 8 Set eyes on
- 9 "Ignorance is bliss," e.g.
- 10 Upset
- 11 Clickable pic
- 12 Sandy-colored
- 13 Levitate
- 19 Humped beast
- 21 Sidelong look
- 24 Mid. name substitute
- 25 Anoint
- 26 Put the check in the mail
- 27 Bring together
- 28 Veggie on a cob
- 29 Pride and prejudice, e.g.
- 30 Caribbean resort

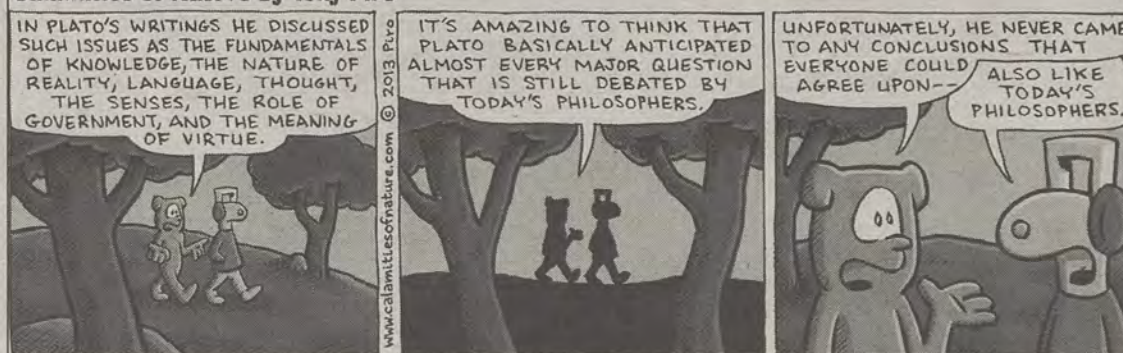
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## Weekend in Review

### Friday



**Men's Soccer**  
GSU vs. Elon  
5-1 Loss



**Volleyball**  
GSU vs. WCU  
3-1 Win

### Saturday



**Football**  
GSU vs. Elon  
38-20 Win



**Men's Basketball**  
GSU vs. TFC  
104-50 Win



**Volleyball**  
GSU vs. App. State  
3-0 Win



**Women's Basketball**  
GSU vs. JSU  
63-50 Win

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Senior cornerback Lavelle Westbrook (18) lays out to deflect the ball away from sophomore wide receiver Andre Davis (4). The Eagles defeated Elon University in their final game as members of the Southern Conference.

## Eagles win big in final SoCon matchup

### Football (6-4)

BY WILL CHENEY

The George-Anne staff

An atmosphere of nostalgia and promise blanketed Rhodes Stadium as Georgia Southern University defeated Elon University 38-20 in both teams' Southern Conference Finale.

Elon, like other SoCon opponents the Eagles have faced this season, was looking to bring a bitter end to GSU's time in the conference. At the start of the game, the Phoenix began to do just that.

Elon's offense marched down the field for its first two drives and freshman kicker John Gallagher capped off both with field goals. Accompany that with two GSU drives that came up empty, Elon jumped out to an early 6-0 lead. Things began to turn for GSU at the end of the first quarter when freshman quarterback Kevin Ellison broke a 53-yard touchdown run to give the Eagles a 7-6 lead.

"It wasn't pretty all the time," GSU head coach Jeff Monken said. "The first couple of drives on offense, I was disappointed they stalled out. The defense did a great job. We gave up a couple of big plays and held them to field goals, and then we got going on offense."

The second quarter of action was a similar story. The score remained 7-6 until redshirt freshman Irving Huggins punched in the first of his three rushing touchdowns to give GSU a 14-6 lead. The first half was capped off by a career-long 49-yard field goal by freshman kicker Younghoe Koo to give the Eagles a 17-6 lead going into halftime.

The third quarter would see more of Ellison and Huggins. Huggins found the end zone for the second time on a two-yard run and Ellison capped off a nine-play, 68-yard drive with a 14-yard rushing score of his own. With 40 seconds left in the quarter, Elon showed signs of life as junior quarterback Mike Quinn threw a 23-yard touchdown pass to bring the score to 31-13.

Huggins scored his third rushing touchdown of the game, all of which were two-yard runs, in the fourth quarter. This touchdown marked the first time an Eagle has scored three rushing touchdowns in a game since senior running back William Banks did it in September during GSU's 59-17 win over Saint Francis University. The Phoenix scored one last touchdown with less than a minute left in the game to make the final score 38-20 in GSU's favor.

Huggins was not the only Eagle to post a career-best performance that evening. Ellison rushed for a career-high 163 yards and became

the first Eagle to total 100 passing yards and 100 rushing yards in a game since senior Jerick McKinnon did so last season against Appalachian State University. Both Ellison and Huggins also recorded their first games with multiple touchdowns.

"It all started up front with the offensive line," Ellison said. "They did a very good job getting a lot of push and our coaches had a great game plan for us and the schemes were perfect. We came out and executed and got a big victory tonight."

Both GSU and Elon have officially ended their time in the SoCon with the conclusion of this game. Besides GSU moving to the Sun Belt Conference next season, Elon will be joining the Colonial Athletic Association next season. In GSU's time in the conference, the Eagles have been eligible for 20 championships and were a part of 10 of them.

"The SoCon is a great league. It's been a great run for Georgia Southern in this league," Monken said. "This league has been really good to Georgia Southern, it's a respected league around the country and when you win this league or come out of this league with a good record, the playoff committee pays attention to that."

With the SoCon chapter being put behind them, the Eagles are now focused on the matchup against the University of Florida this Saturday.



**MCKINNON**, from page 1

It was a unique situation in that several coaches, including GSU offensive coordinator Brent Davis and former GSU defensive coordinator Brent Pry, that were recruiting him came together in an unexpected way. Monken from the Georgia Institute of Technology, Davis from the Virginia Military Institute and Pry from the University of Memphis were recruiting McKinnon. This was until the three landed in Statesboro.

"When coach Pry joined the Georgia Southern coaching staff, I began to think this might be the right place," McKinnon said. "I'll never forget, it was Martin Luther King Day, Coach Davis, Coach Monken and Coach Pry knocked on my front door. It was unexpected because I didn't know Monken and Davis were on Georgia Southern's staff yet. They came in and talked to my parents and after that I went on an official visit."

McKinnon went on to describe that meeting other future Eagles on his visit, including senior running back Robert Brown, and being welcomed by current players like he was already a part of the team made the decision to become an Eagle that much easier.

When McKinnon came to GSU as a freshman, former quarterback, now-graduate assistant Jaybo Shaw was the starter for the Eagles. Shaw, who was a recent transfer from Georgia Tech, certainly had a reservoir of information to provide McKinnon and he took advantage of the opportunity.

"It was a great freshman year for me. I really just used the opportunity to pick at Jaybo's brain and further my knowledge of the offense because I had never played in the triple option," McKinnon said. "He took me in and looked out

for me on and off the field and Jaybo and I will always have a special relationship."

During McKinnon's tenure at GSU, Eagle fans have been somewhat spoiled with the success the program has seen over the last four seasons. So much so, that McKinnon cannot choose only one favorite moment as an Eagle.

"Certainly beating [Appalachian State University] in 2010, since they were ranked number one in the country, and the playoff run from that season," McKinnon said. "The [Elon University] game last season played a big role of confirming the identity of our team and it really showed our team character. This season has been just about cherishing every game, but the games against [University of Tennessee at Chattanooga] and The Citadel can't help but stand out."

McKinnon may be leaving the GSU roster once the team closes its season out against the University of Florida on Saturday, but McKinnon has helped the young group of quarterbacks, including redshirt freshman Kevin Ellison, to attempt to hit the ground running when the team begins play in the Sun Belt next season.

"All the quarterbacks we have are really good. Just like Jaybo did to me, I've taken them under my wing and tried to give them advice on things that will help them out now and in the long run," McKinnon said.

With four years and two SoCon titles, McKinnon has left a bright stamp on the program for years to come. Losing arguably the most versatile and dangerous offensive weapon at the Football Championship Subdivision level is a hard thing to overcome, but the Eagles will look to their group of young quarterbacks to lead the team to new horizons in 2014.



**McKinnon Among GSU All-time Greats**

**GSU all-time rushing touchdowns**

1. 84- Adrian Peterson
2. 62- Chaz Williams
3. 54- Jayson Foster
4. 53- Gerald Harris
5. 49- Greg Hill
6. 42- Ernest Thompson
- T-7. 41- Tracy Ham
- T-7. 41- Jerick McKinnon

**GSU all-time rushing yards**

1. 6,559- Adrian Peterson
2. 5,411- Jermaine Austin
3. 3,876- Joe Ross
4. 3,835- Jayson Foster
5. 3,774- Jerick McKinnon
6. 3,325- Roderick Russell
7. 3,309- Greg Hill
8. 3,212- Tracy Ham

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Senior quarterback Jerick McKinnon (1) runs onto the field at Elon University, leading the team out of the gates for the final SoCon game of his career.

## Intramural Scores

### Fall Classic Basketball

#### Friday, November 15

FG x TG-96, Powa rangers-36  
Get Buckets-27, Black Mamba-26  
RobinCrew-74, Drop It Like It's Hot-42  
Elites-56, XA Hardknox-50  
L.B.K-50, Duncan in your face-44

#### Saturday, November 16

The Other Guys-20, My Knee Grows-0  
Where Them Ankles-20, Pi Kappa Alpha-0  
Dunkaholics-53, Misfits-51  
Jshdfks-52, N3XT L3V3L-42  
The Lost Kings-65, Dunkaholics-37

#### Sunday, November 17

DreamChasers-48, The Lost Kings-46  
FG x TG-62, RobinCrew-48  
RobinCrew-60, Dilligaf-34  
The Lost Kings-57, The Mighty Ducks-26

### Indoor Soccer

#### Sunday, November 10

The Benchwarmers-6, LINK-5  
Celtic FC-12, CCF Marry Me-0  
Kicking and Screaming-12, Evil Village-2  
The Abusement Park-7, Look Ma No Hands!-1  
Chris Erving's Team-7, SigEp Athletics-2

#### Monday, November 11

Messi Loads-17, Keystone United-0  
Trap Stars-4, Kickin' Chickens-0  
We'd Rather be Drinking-10, GSU Wesley-5  
Multiple Scoregasms-5, Crunited-3

#### Tuesday, November 12

Petr Cech Yourself-4, Southern Bulldogs-0  
Bad News Birds-4, Tom Brokaw's A Punk-0  
Man ChestHair United-6, The Big Green-1  
Sunnyvale Trailer Park-8, Produce-2  
The Soccaholics-5, #swag FC-3

#### Wednesday, November 14

Delta Sigma Phi-4, Tau Kappa Epsilon-0  
Sigma Phi Epsilon-5, Pi Kappa Alpha-2  
Delta Chi-4, Phi Kappa Theta-0  
Cobra Kai Dojo-4, Channel 4 News Team-0  
Goombas-8, Barca Reserves-2

#### Thursday, November 14

Blazin Aces-4, Insert Witty Team Name Here-0  
Mighty Ducks-13, LINK-4  
CP Pink Panthers-13, Geo Club-3  
The Benchwarmers-4, Delta Phi Epsilon-0  
Pass it to the Italians-4, Southern Bulldogs Co-Rec-0



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**Freshman forward Jeremy Rector (25)** possesses the ball and begins the offensive attack. The Eagles' season came to an end after falling in the semifinals of the Southern Conference Tournament.

## Eagles experience déjà vu

### Men's Soccer (9-10)

BY TREVOR MCNABOE

The George-Anne staff

As fate would have it, the Georgia Southern University men's soccer team was defeated once again by Elon University in the semifinals of the Southern Conference tournament by a score of 5-1.

After a disappointing start to the season the Eagles were coming on strong, winning four of the last five matches that they played including an overtime upset on the road against Furman University.

GSU entered the SoCon tournament with the sixth seed after a 2-4 conference record.

The Eagles would win in the quarterfinal matchup against University of North Carolina at Greensboro after senior forward Witt Carlisle scored a second half penalty to propel GSU to a 1-0 win.

GSU would take on the second-seeded Phoenix looking to avenge a 1-0 loss earlier in the season.

That was not in the plans as Elon overpowered

the Eagles with four first-half goals.

The Phoenix poured in 15 shots in the opening frame keeping GSU goalkeeper Neal Bates busy as he recorded five of his eight saves in the first 45 minutes.

"We made some mistakes and they capitalized quickly and put us down two goals. We tried to push back, but it wasn't our night tonight," head coach Kevin Kennedy said in a news release.

Elon scored two early goals in the first 15 minutes of the game off a volley from junior forward Jason Waterman that found the head of senior midfielder Matt Wescoe.

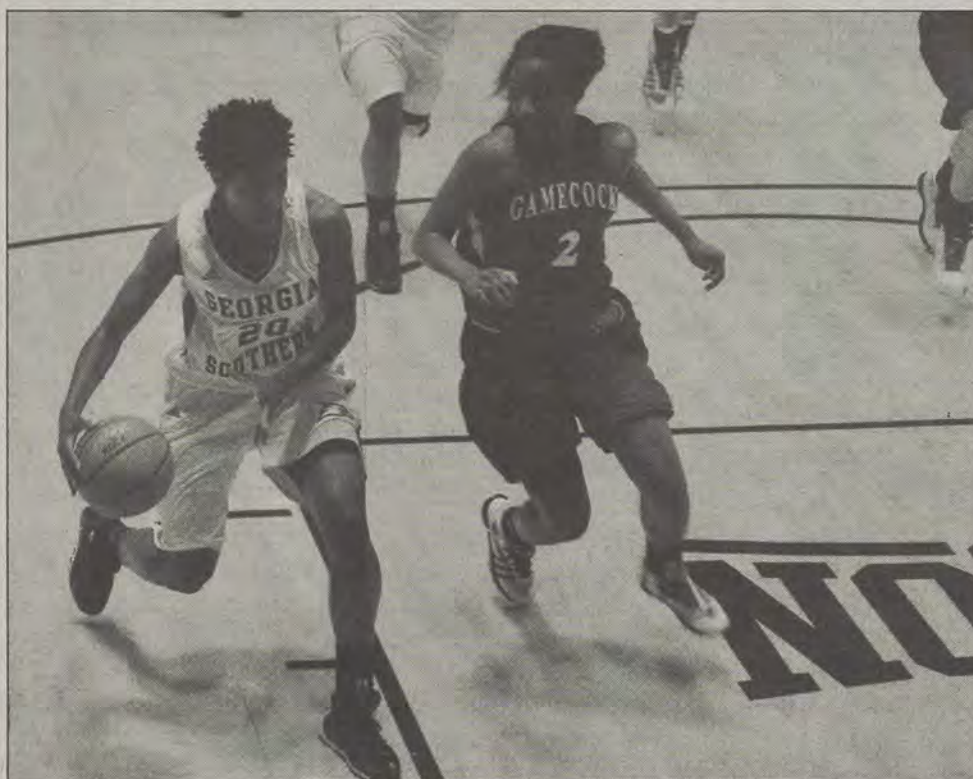
The rout was on once sophomore forward Caue Da Silva scored off a long ball from sophomore midfielder James Brace.

The Phoenix would solidify the lead late in the first half as Brace would find a hole in the defense and beat the keeper.

The lone bright spot for the Eagles scoring would be Carlisle as he put GSU on the board in the 86th minute for his team-leading eighth goal of the season.

The Eagles end the season with a second straight conference semifinal appearance and at 9-10 overall.

## Women's basketball to look for second win at home



Courtney Bonacci | The George-Anne

**Sophomore forward Sierra Kirkland (20)** shields the ball from an opposing player from Jacksonville State University. The Eagles will try to establish the first winning streak of the season tonight at Hanner Fieldhouse.

### Women's Basketball (1-2)

BY HAYDEN BOUDREAUX

The George-Anne contributor

The Georgia Southern University women's basketball team will look to capture its second win in a row against the California State University at Northridge (1-2) Matadors.

The Eagles dominated Jacksonville State University in its first win of the season over the weekend, 63-50. The win came after out-of-conference losses to Auburn University and the University of Kentucky.

Coming into their game against the Matadors, the Eagles have relied on sophomore forward Briana Jones and junior guard Anna Claire Knight to lead the offense.

Through the first three games Jones leads the team in scoring with an average of 10 points per game and a 38.2 field goal percentage. Right behind her statistically, Knight has averaged 8.7 points per game with a 26.9 shooting percentage.

The Matador defense will attempt to contain Knight and Jones with their junior center Camille Mahlknecht and senior forward Mikayla Thiegles. Thiegles leads her team with 19 defensive rebounds and

two steals while Mahlknecht has totaled 10 rebounds and four blocks.

The Eagles have shown improvement this season with their defensive rebounding. Jones also has displayed her talents on defense, leading the team with 18 defensive boards, 31 total rebounds and three blocked shots.

Assisting Jones on defense is senior center Danielle Spencer with 17 defense rebounds and one blocked shot.

Offensively, the Matadors are led by junior guards Ashlee Guay and Cinnamon Lister. Guay has racked up 16.3 points and six rebounds per game. Lister's stats are on par with Guay's, as Lister averages 15.7 points and three rebounds a game.

The Matadors will have momentum coming into tonight's game after they took down Clemson University over the weekend.

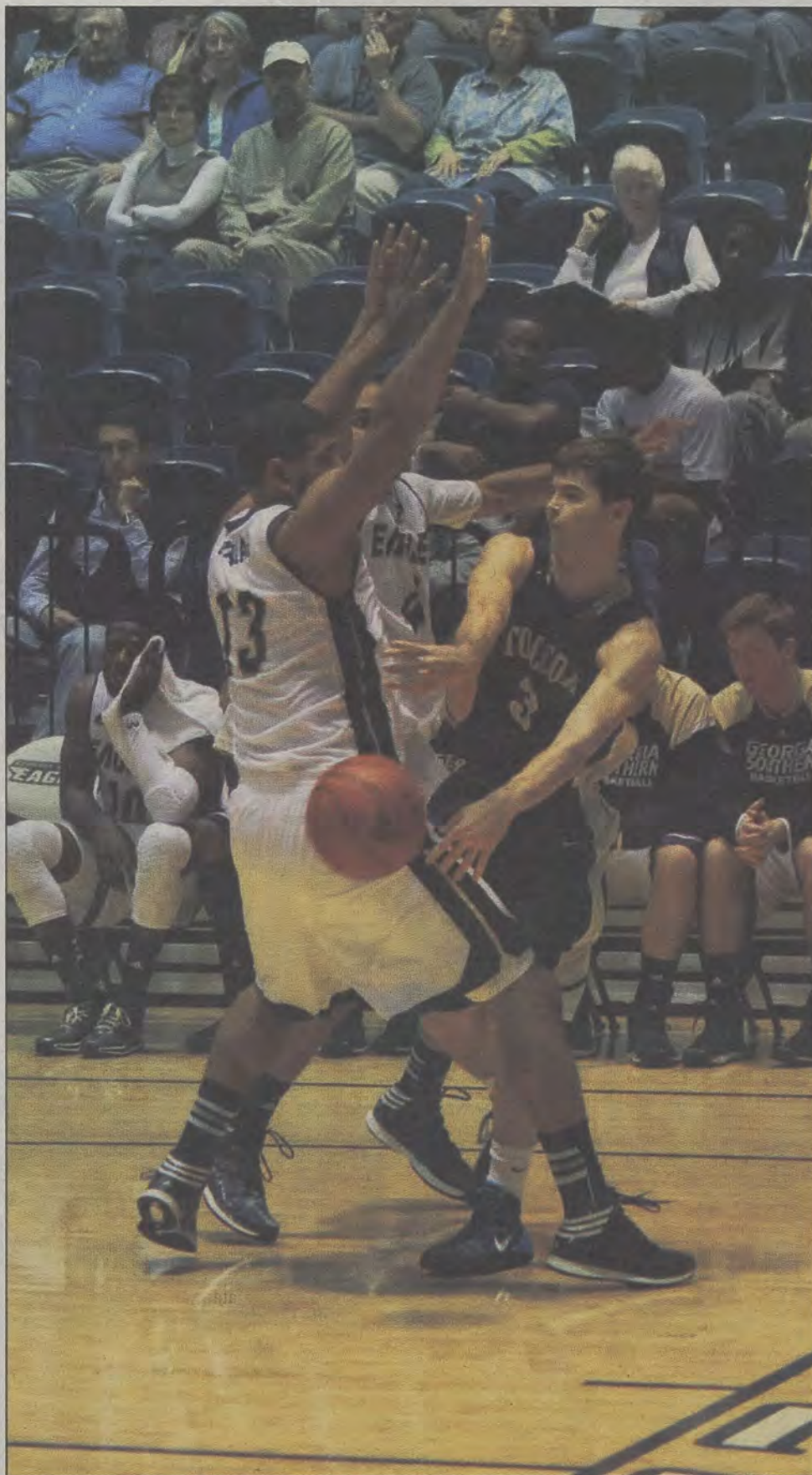
So far the Matadors have averaged 70.3 points per game and have a team field goal percentage of 39.3.

GSU finds itself at a statistical disadvantage against Cal. State Northridge, specifically on offense since the Eagles have only averaged 53.3 points per game, they are only shooting at 33.1 percent.

The Eagles will take on the Matadors tonight at 7 p.m. at Hanner Fieldhouse.



# Men's basketball cruises to victory with 54-point win



Ryan Woodham | The George-Anne

Junior forward Angel Matias (13) and junior guard Curtis Diamond (4) trap freshman guard Nathan Palmer (3), forcing him to pass out of the tight double team.

## Men's Basketball (2-1)

BY CHASE DAVIS

The George-Anne contributor

After racing out to a huge lead, Georgia Southern University men's basketball cruised to a 104-50 victory over Toccoa Falls College last Saturday, moving the Eagles to 2-1 on the season. The game marked the second time this season that the Eagles broke 100 points at home.

Senior guard Tre Bussey led all scorers with 29 points. He went 11-13 from the field, including 7-9 from beyond the three-point line. Bussey also led the team in rebounding, bringing down nine boards in 24 minutes.

"My teammates really got me involved," Bussey said. "They passed me the ball a lot, they made me perform, so I give them all the credit."

"My teammates got me open, they set good screens and found me in good spots, and I did the easy part," Bussey said.

Redshirt junior guard Jelani Hewitt contributed with 23 points, and also racked up a game-high seven assists and seven steals.

Eagle head coach Mark Byington was proud of his team's performance.

"I was really happy about our overall effort," Byington said. "In a game like this, it's hard because you don't want to play to the [level of the] competition. I'm proud that we had 19 assists, we really shared the ball well."

Byington is still not satisfied, however, he is confident his team can iron out the mistakes.

"There were a few loose balls that they beat us to, so we need to be more aggressive in getting to those. Also, we let them have some uncontested shots in the first half," Byington said. "Our goal is to make sure we contest every single shot. It may sound nitpicky, but our guys know that's what we need to do in order to get where we need to be."




Junior forward Kameron Dunnican was one of several benefactors of the lead, and took advantage of his opportunity, scoring eight points, including 4-4 from the free throw line.

"We played a lot of guys in the second half in non-traditional lineups," Byington said. "Sometimes it's a little uncomfortable for guys to play that way, but I needed to get them experience and was happy with how they responded."

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