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# Spring Break 2014

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## TOP SPRING BREAK DESTINATIONS



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spring breaker dies from  
falling off a balcony.



## Fraternity creates Jewish brotherhood at GSU

BY NADIA DREID

The George-Anne contributor

For the brothers of Alpha Epsilon Pi, helping others is a mitzvah. As the first Jewish fraternity at Georgia Southern University, it is one they take very seriously.

"Volunteering, doing good deeds – that's something as a culturally Jewish fraternity that we really try to embody," Yakov Savitskiy, AEPi president, said.

Mitzvah is a Hebrew word meaning "commandment," and in Judaism it is used to refer to a religious obligation. Though AEPi is largely a culturally Jewish fraternity rather than a religious one, its members consider it important to focus on the mitzvahs of service and education.

"A lot of people in Statesboro haven't really encountered too many Jewish people, so at first when you tell them you're Jewish, they're kind of a

little bit taken aback," Savitskiy said. "But then they find the guts to ask you that question that they've always wanted to ask a Jewish person."

Zach Arogeti, AEPi historian, said that the members do not mind being asked.

"Judaism really presses on education, getting the best education and educating others," Arogeti said. "It's a mitzvah to teach, and it's also a mitzvah to learn."

The Statesboro chapter of AEPi was formed last year by a group of students seeking to create a space where Jewish students could feel at home. The fraternity often holds Shabbat dinners, matzah ball soup nights and other Jewish cultural events that students would be hard-pressed to find at a traditional fraternity.

"The benefit is you can go somewhere, and it's like a second family," Savitskiy said.

The Statesboro chapter of AEPi is not yet a part of the Interfraternity Council, but it has been recognized by the national AEPi fraternity.

"We have a little more leeway," Bryan Sandler, AEPi Brother-at-Large, said. "We do the same things. We're just not on the same timeline."

Seeking out Jewish students has unintentionally led to AEPi being one of the more diverse fraternities, Savitskiy said.

Despite the fact that currently there are no non-Jewish AEPi members, Arogeti said that it does not have to stay that way.

"If a student wants to join and is interested in the culture of Judaism, and they're willing to be a part of it, we're more than willing to have them," Arogeti said.

Students interested in AEPi can contact the fraternity through its Facebook page.



Photo courtesy of Alpha Epsilon Pi

AEPi is a cultural Jewish Fraternity and so will accept someone of any religion so long as an interest in Judaism is prevalent. AEPi has not yet been recognized by the Inter-Fraternal Council on Georgia Southern University's campus.

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## Police Beat

### Sunday, March 9

10:05 a.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at Main Dining Commons.

5:32 p.m.: An incident report was taken for theft of unattended property at the M.C. Anderson basketball courts. This case was assigned to Criminal Investigations.

7:21 p.m.: Officers responded to a panic alarm at Freedom's Landing. Contact was made with the occupants, and no problems were found.

10:30 p.m.: An incident report was taken for the theft of unattended property at the RAC. This case was assigned to Criminal Investigations.

### Monday, March 10

8:45 a.m.: An incident report was taken for found property in Lot 42.

9:38 a.m.: An incident report was taken for lost/mislaid property at the College of Education.

2:22 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property on one

of the Shuttle Gus vehicles.

7:59 p.m.: Officers responded to Centennial Place in reference to a drug complaint. A knife with a blade longer than two inches was confiscated. No other action was taken at this time.

8:55 p.m.: Officers responded to Freedom's Landing in reference to a civil matter.

9:23 p.m.: Officers responded to the RAC fields in reference to an injured person. EMS responded and transported the injured person.

9:56 p.m.: Officers conducted a traffic stop at Parker's Enzone. The driver of the vehicle, Dewaski Jeran Martin, 21, Statesboro, Ga., was arrested and charged with Seat Belt Violation, No Driver's License and Giving False Information.

10:52 p.m.: Officers conducted a traffic stop in E-Lot. One traffic warning was issued, and all four occupants were judicially referred for a drug violation.

12:50 a.m.: An incident report was taken for lost/mislaid

property in the Centennial Place computer lab.

### Tuesday, March 11

12:12 p.m.: An incident report was taken for a theft of a bike at the Henderson Library bike rack. This case was assigned to Criminal Investigations.

1:03 p.m.: An incident report was taken for lost/mislaid property at the Carroll Building.

7:12 p.m.: A welfare check was conducted on a subject at Southern Pines. Contact was made with the subject of the welfare check, and no problems were found.

7:35 p.m.: An incident report was taken for a financial transaction card fraud. This case was assigned to Criminal Investigations.

11:10 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at the College of Business.

1:34 a.m.: Officers discovered an intoxicated subject on Georgia Avenue. The intoxicated subject was judicially referred.

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## Public Safety receives certification

BY JENNIFER CURINGTON

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University's Department of Public Safety is the only law enforcement agency in Bulloch County to receive certification from the Georgia Police Chiefs Association (GPCA).

GPCA evaluated the department in October to see if it had met the 100 standards set in order to receive its second certification.

"It's a huge accomplishment," Chief Mike Russell said. "They're professional standards, and it shows that we operate

as a professional police department."

The standards that are examined range from certain ways of handling prison transport, officer training, evidence handling and pursuit policies.

Meeting the standards is a voluntary process. Only 100 out of the 500 law enforcement offices in the state received the certification, and GSU is one of four universities certified.

"It is a great honor for our university's police department to receive this certification, and an even greater honor to be one of only four universities in the state to have received this status," Brooks Keel, Ph.D., president of Georgia

Southern, said in a news release. "Our public safety officials and staff go the extra mile to ensure our campus is safe, which is important for our community, students and parents."

There were about 300 files that were up for evaluation in order for the certification to be confirmed, and only three of those had issues, one of which was typos.

The certification lasts for three years, and the department will be reevaluated in 2016. It took the department a year to put the policies and standards in place to receive certification for the first time in 2010.

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## Our View

### Volunteering is a valuable experience

Statesboro Head Start, an organization created in 1966 that offers educational, health and financial services to low-income families and children in the coastal region of Georgia, is currently looking to recruit student volunteers.

The organization is looking for students to be a part of a volunteer program in local schools where they will assist teachers with lesson plans and preparing for art and music activities as well as help children develop basic learning and reading skills.

Students at Georgia Southern University should take the opportunity to volunteer with the organization and help them with their mission to combat poverty and improve the quality of life of the people in this region.

Volunteering with Statesboro Head Start, and any of the other any non-profit organization based out of Statesboro, gives students an opportunity for both professional and personal growth.

Volunteer hours are not only a way to beef up a resume and network with community leaders, but students with 200 volunteer hours are eligible for a Service Transcript through the Office of Student Leadership & Civic Engagement. Having a Service Transcript is a way for students to set themselves apart from others by showcasing their ability to accomplish goals and commit to an organization or a cause.

Volunteering also gives students an opportunity to be a part of something bigger than themselves. Volunteering helps build a sense of community and can help build character.

Students who volunteer have the ability to impact the lives of community members in a meaningful way. Volunteering also allows students to be exposed to a large variety of people and places.



## Letter to the Editor

### Spring concert shows lack of diversity

This year's spring concert will be what most of us call a predicted disappointment. Many of us decided not to get our hopes up, because we knew, once again, that UPB would slap us in the face. But what we did not realize was just how hard the slap would be.

As stated by Tina Powellson, "decided to be the best fit for the student population and Statesboro community." My question is which population exactly? Because as diverse as Southern loves to claim to be this concert is far from that.

It is well documented that UPB has constantly brought country artists time and time again. Not once have they taken responsibility for how poorly they executed the poll, the vote and choosing. Instead of creating a biased poll, UPB

should have asked the students to name at least five artist they would love to see. They also should have taken those lists and compiled a 10-list poll with the artist who showed up the most. Each genre should have been represented evenly with two country artists, three pop and rock, three rap and two R&B.

The spring concert decision is a perfect example of how Georgia Southern's administration, and everyone else, fails to listen to students.

For country-lovers, they can catch artists on tour because they are more likely to come through south Georgia, but artists such as Imagine Dragons, J.Cole, Jhene Aiko or Drake are hardly ever likely to have a stop in south Georgia.

Therefore, why bring country artists

when people can get country anywhere? Instead bring artists we never see, because when they are in Atlanta we are stuck in class. Stop wasting our student fees to pay for the luxury of less than half the student population. Stop factoring in the community unless they are paying student fees and you are representing everyone, not just one part of Statesboro.

Honestly, I am just calling it like I see it, which is blasphemy. Hopefully my response is able to be seen and received with shared understanding and frustration.

Christian Thomas  
Junior business major, Warner Robins, Ga.

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# Let me have my fun

Spring break is on the way, and according to my friends, this is a time for relaxing, partying, or sightseeing. Most are going out of town to St. Simons, Jekyll, Tybee, Fernandina or St. Augustine. Some are going hiking; one's reserved a cabin somewhere. Wherever they end up, they're going to be getting drunk or doing nothing. There's nothing wrong with this. We all work hard throughout the semester at our classes, jobs, student organizations and whatnot. We all need some time to wind down and relieve stress, and spring break is as good a time as any to do so, and if you don't think so then you're wrong, apparently.

I have nothing against people that want to enjoy their spring break away from home and doing something that's not working, but that doesn't mean we all need to. I have a seasonal job that I maintain in Savannah. I work there every break I have, whether it is summer, winter, spring break or a three-day weekend. I've been doing it since I started high school. I don't call others irresponsible because they want to goof off on their breaks, but apparently it's perfectly fine to call me such things as a busy-body. I don't normally mind being insulted, but it seems odd to receive insults when I haven't done anything but decide not to blow money on a week-long trip when I could just as easily earn a not-insubstantial wage working my seasonal job.

More than once I've been told that I'm not living my life. That I'm not getting the

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TAYLOR COOPER

college experience, or that I'm wasting the best years of my life. I've heard a wide range of things that could be described as "the college experience," and none of them appeal to me. I don't want to get the college experience if being intoxicated on a regular basis or allowing my grades to suffer is mandatory. Personally, I hate being drunk. The only thing I enjoy less than being drunk is having a poison ivy rash. If I need to be drunk to get the entire experience, then I'll pass on it.

So please, if someone you know isn't "making the most of their time in college," leave them be. If I wanted to go to Panama City Beach, I would go to Panama City Beach. If I wanted to be drunk, you'd see me at the plaza. There are those of us that have different ideas of what fun is. We don't judge you on your definition; don't judge us on ours.

*Cooper is a senior journalism major from Rincon. He is the Copy Chief.*

# Senate passes bill, leaking photos could land you in jail

You broke up, and now she's airing out on Twitter what was once heralded pillow talk between a private couple in love or lust or whatever. You're pissed, but you have an ace up your sleeve: remember those naked pics she let you take? Oh yeah, time to post them.

Well you might want to rethink that, playa. The Georgia Senate has passed a bill that criminalizes revenge porn (private photographs uploaded without permission), also known as "dem nudes."

According to the ajc.com, first offenders would be guilty of a misdemeanor and repeat offenders would be guilty of a felony, with sentencing up to five years in jail and a \$100,000 fine.

Let that sink in. If you leak, upload, release and/or post those coveted nudes that were once reserved for -- well whatever you reserved them for -- and you get caught more than once, you might have to pay six figures.

Personally, I'm ecstatic this bill might get passed in the House.

Nowadays you scroll down Twitter or Facebook, and you never know when you'll see some disgruntled bitter person leaking photos to settle a score.

Holding these people accountable should reduce the "revenge porn" on our timelines and also provide some comfort for those who are worried about this sort of thing happening.

## DOC HOLLOWAY



SHAKEEM HOLLOWAY

It's truly sad when kids like Amber Cole get ridiculed when videos/photos leak of them doing what most people do behind closed doors, but that's where it should stay: behind closed doors.

We should all be more responsible in those private situations.

Maybe stop letting every guy/girl take some photos of you wearing your birthday suit because you like their smile.

Hopefully the next step will be a bill disallowing people to let their three-year olds cuss to get those six seconds of fame.

Although I do laugh at the Vines with the cute kid that has the mouth of sailor, I find it troubling that someone would choose to record it, just to get a couple likes and retweets.

*Shakeem is a journalism major from Macon. He is currently the Sports Editor.*

# #BanBossy campaign is sending the wrong message

Beyoncé wants you to know that she isn't bossy, she is the boss. That is just fine and dandy Mrs. Carter. You are one half of music's golden couple, and you are worth millions of dollars. You can be whatever you want to be, so why get so hung up over an extra letter?

Queen Beyoncé and several other stars have joined the #BanBossy campaign, started by Facebook COO Sheryl Sandberg. The campaign is a movement working to ban the use of words -- like bossy -- that may discourage girls from being ambitious.

Despite what childhood rhymes may tell us, words can hurt, and there are certainly several derogatory terms that should

disappear from our vocabulary. However, while the idea behind the campaign is admirable, young women should be encouraged to lead and be successful. The media's endless need to be politically correct has become tedious and off-putting.

Instead of trying to force others to be more open minded and compassionate with their word choices, we should encourage girls to be strong despite what others say about them. The word bossy, while often negatively associated with women, will never be on the same level as other derogatory words.

Teaching young women to find offense in one little extra letter will do nothing but

## BEHIND THE SCENES



PEYTON CALLANAN

encourage them to place blame on the dissatisfaction of others for the challenges they face in life. What others say about you should never discourage you from achieving your goals.

So go ahead and call me bossy all you want, you probably wouldn't be that far off

base. I am a woman; I am a leader; and I am not afraid to share my opinion (hence my being the Opinions Editor), and honestly I have probably been called far worse in my 21 years on this earth.

It is because I am ambitious that I won't let other's words effect my desire to achieve my goals, which is why I won't be jumping on the #BanBossy bandwagon anytime soon.

*Callanan is a senior communication arts major from Chuluota, FL. She is the current Opinions Editor.*



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# GSU students volunteer daily through university

BY JAWON JONES

The George-Anne contributor

Students who want to make a difference do not need to look very far, as the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement (OSLCE) provides daily trips around the community for students to volunteer and gain leadership experience.

The OSLCE has been offering volunteering trips for Georgia Southern University students for 10 years.

When the program first started, these trips were given four times per week at different places around the community. After student's input and feedback, volunteer trips were offered daily totaling in 12 trips per week.

Trips like these are a great opportunity to get out in the community, Todd Deal, director of the OSLCE, said.

The most popular volunteer options students take part in are the Habitat for Humanity and the Statesboro Food Bank trips.

There are also other places to volunteer like the Westwood Nursing Home, Boys and Girls

Club of Bulloch County and the after-school program at Sallie Zetterower Elementary School.

Some trips require a student submitting to a background check before volunteering and these are available at no cost to the student.

Transportation to and from the location is provided for students.

Students who log 200 or more volunteer hours will get a Service Transcript at graduation that will list all the places and hours that they volunteered at.

Leadership positions are offered as well. Trip Leaders are in charge of handling individual trips to one of the locations offered.

Community Liaison is a paid position in which the student is in charge of finding places for volunteering and the type of volunteering offered there.

With the multiple areas of Statesboro reached, GSU students and partners provide help for many organizations that benefit everyone in the city.

Deal said, "Our goal is building bridges between Georgia Southern and the community."

“ Our goal is building bridges between Georgia Southern and the community, ”

-Todd Deal,  
Director of Student Leadership  
and Civic Engagement

## LOCAL PLACES

- ▣ Habitat for Humanity
- ▣ Statesboro Food Bank
- ▣ Boys and Girls Club
- ▣ Westwood Nursing Home
- ▣ After School Program at Sallie Zetterower Elementary School



# Students react to Spring Concert performers

BY TAYLER CRITCHLOW

The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University 2014 spring concert talent was announced Tuesday after much waiting, and students had mixed opinions on the performers.

Lady Antebellum will headline the concert with Joe Nichols and Kristian Bush, formerly part of Sugarland, as the opening acts. All three performers are country artists.

The selected talents were not listed on the ballot for student input that the University Programming Board distributed during the fall semester.

Due to the inability to find an available artist from the original list, UPB was forced to contact outside artists to bring to Georgia Southern to perform.

However, according to marketing research done by UPB, that is the genre that was a better fit for the student population and Statesboro community.

The concert is set for May 2 at Allen E. Paulson Stadium, and tickets will go on sale for students on March 24.

*Interviews and photos done by Nadia Dreid.*

## Against artist selection



**Thomas Patterson**  
political science,  
sophomore

"I mean, I don't really agree with it. I feel like it could be more diverse. Maybe one country act, maybe one rap act or R&B act or like some kind of medium in between. It's okay, but I don't really agree with it."



**Victoria Suozzo**  
writing and linguistics,  
senior

"I'm not entirely pleased with it, but given the situation, I completely understand because all the choices that were in the poll didn't respond to Georgia Southern. So given that it's a last minute thing, I mean, it's better than nothing."



**Samuel Fakorede**  
electrical engineering,  
senior

"I'm just indifferent towards it, because I'm not a music person, but most people I've talked to about it, they actually don't like it because it's country, and we always have country folks coming. Not many from e-pop or rap."

## For artist selection



**Alexus Colemon**  
exercise science,  
sophomore

"I'm happy about the concert choice. I'm a big Lady Antebellum fan, so I'll definitely be there."



**Madison Horton**  
exercise science,  
junior

"I'm excited about it. I like Lady Antebellum and Joe Nichols."

## Popular Songs from Chosen Artists

### Joe Nichols

Size Matters (Someday)  
Brokenheartsville  
What's a Guy Gotta Do  
Tequila Makes Her  
Clothes Fall Off

### Lady Antebellum

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Downtown  
American Honey  
Just a Kiss

### Kristian Bush

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Slow Dancing  
Sailing to Arizona  
Need Your Love

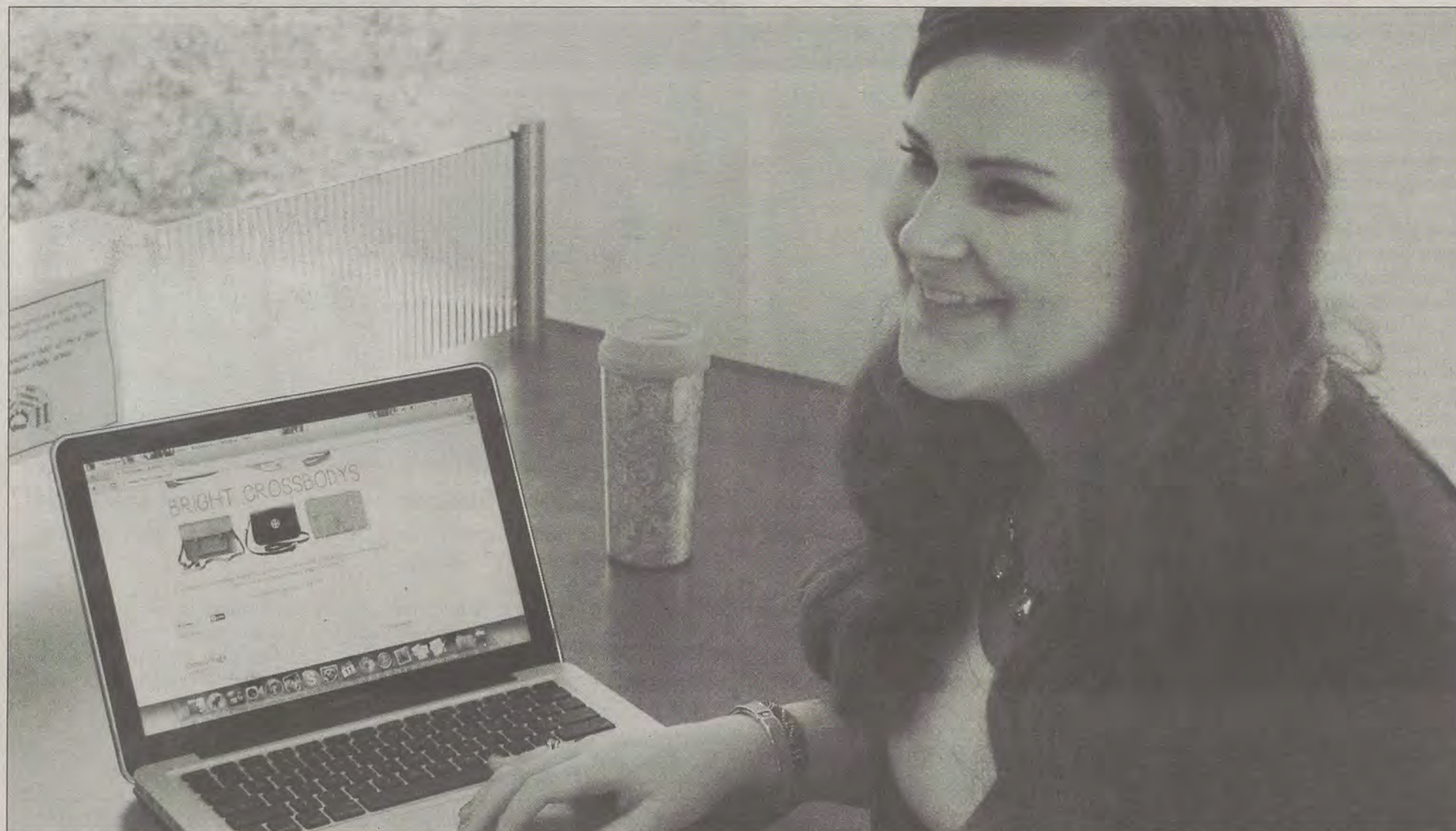
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The Davis sisters, Julia (23), Sarah (20) and Mary (16) combine their unique styles of trendy, classic and preppy to bring variety to their fashion blog.

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## Three sisters band together for new fashion blog

BY MARTINIQUE MCCRORY

The George-Anne Contributor

When Sarah Davis, sophomore post-secondary education major, walked into Starbucks wearing a twinkling blue statement necklace, a black blazer and a wide smile, there were parallels between her personality and her chic, young fashion blog The Lilly Bee.

"The Lilly Bee is a fashion blog created by three sisters that combines all three of our closets, all three of our styles and just puts it out for the world," Sarah Davis said.

The three powerhouse sisters are Julia, Sarah and Mary Davis. Through her love of shopping and desire to showcase her fashionable talents, Julia Davis, the oldest at 23 years old, decided to give fashion blogging a

try and have her siblings join in on the project. Although they like similar fashion trends, each sister has her own style.

"My style is very classic while Julia's is more trendy. Mary, on the other hand, is more preppy. Our styles are always changing, and we're all open-minded to new ideas and ways to wear things," Sarah Davis said.

The website features outfit ideas with information on where to get each clothing piece, how to put different pieces together and what the latest trends are in fashion. It is a blog for both women wanting to get trendy advice and those fashionistas seeking creative new ways to freshen up their wardrobes.

"I think for somebody who already knows what their fashion looks like and somebody who already has a set style, this could just

be something fun to look at, but then people looking for inspiration, you can get an idea of something you can wear somewhere," Sarah Davis said.

Each sister has her own specific roles regarding the site. Julia posts an article every two or three days while Sarah focuses on getting word out about the blog. The youngest of the trio, Mary Davis, models each clothing piece photographed by Julia. Even Julia's maltipoo Lilly Belle, the site's namesake, has her own imprint on the site.

"[Lilly Belle] just has such a special place in our hearts, and her little personality is exactly the kind of energy we wanted for the blog. She has the sweetest disposition," Sarah Davis said.

Sweet may be the word to describe The Lilly Bee's style. Its bright colors and fresh

prints show the site's aims to interest young college women. Using inspiration drawn from the sisters' shopping trips and what is currently in each of their closets, The Lilly Bee is able to provide viewers with realistic and affordable fashion advice complete with a convenient link to the source of each product.

Despite the fact that The Lilly Bee has only been up since January of this year, the website has already garnered a healthy amount of support. The fashion blog is a Lucky Magazine contributor, a part of the continuation of the online magazine produced by fashion bloggers and generates a bit of revenue split between each sister.

Sarah Davis said, "It's only been up and running for three months, and we're just amazed by all the support we've gotten."





Courtney Bonacci | The George-Anne

## #SouthernSB14

### Tips to living it up GSU-style this spring break

**BY RASHIDA OTUNBA AND  
MATT SOWELL**

The George-Anne

It's that time of year again: skirts are getting shorter, alcohol consumption is increasing and concern about classes is nonexistent. Spring break 2k14 is almost in full swing, and this is your survival guide.

#### Hangover Cures

"A real hangover is nothing to try out family remedies on. The only cure for a real hangover is death." - Robert Benchley, ye old American columnist

Alka-Seltzer Morning Relief  
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Drink at least a glass of water before you go to bed, and don't drink alcohol after that.

Greasy breakfast

Gatorade, Powerade, that sort of stuff, Pain relievers

Getting up and doing physical activity

#### Day trips

"Thanks to the interstate highway system, it is now possible to travel from coast to coast without seeing anything." - Charles Kuralt, a journalist from back in the day

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Best days to visit: MONDAY (St. Paddy's bash), but really any day but Thursday. Highs of 72, lows around 60

River Street has tons of bars to make for a great night. There's also a beach and shopping.

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Best Days to visit: Any day but Wednesday, highs of 71 lows of 50

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**What to do if you're stuck in Statesboro . . . . For those of us who are about that #BoroLyfe 24/7.**

Relax. This week you can actually do it without feeling bad for procrastinating on that midterm paper (and skipping that 8 a.m. that you're already failing).

Treat yourself. Use the money you're saving by staying home this week to treat yourself to that much-needed shopping trip at one of downtown Statesboro's many shops and boutiques including Frills by Scott.

Watch a movie. "Divergent," Veronica Roth's young adult dystopian tale, will hit theaters Friday, March 21.

Take a day trip. Celebrate St. Paddy's Day in style by heading to Savannah's Annual St. Patrick's Day Festival. For safety reasons, please wear a helmet. I've heard tripping on those cobblestones can inflict serious injuries.

Netflix binge. To the rare few

who haven't watched "House of Cards," it's not too late to hop on the bandwagon. But really, why haven't you watched "House of Cards" yet?

Play video games. "Final Fantasy X" and "Final Fantasy X-2" will be re-released in HD on Tuesday, March 18. "Infamous: Second Son" will also be released Friday, March 21.

Have a night out. Brush up on your useless knowledge by heading to Mellow Mushroom for Trivia Night on Wednesday or head to 40 East Grill on Friday to hear the musical stylings of Bubba Lewis from 7 - 9 p.m.

Or a night in. Brush up on your knowledge of the female handbook by watching MTV's "Girl Code" marathon on Tuesday from 4 - 6:30 p.m., then catch up on some "Teen Mom" ratchetness from 7 - 10 p.m.

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# Max Rebel brings German influence to GSU

## Artist Corner

BY SYDNEY FRANKLIN

The George-Anne contributor

**Q: Where are you from and how has it influenced your art work?**

A: "I come from Germany. I've been here for almost 15 years. I graduated from Georgia Southern with a bachelor's in 2010 and decided to continue my research and work with Georgia Southern, and I got accepted into the MFA program here. I have a strong background in graphic design, but three semesters into the program I wanted to develop my own content, ideas, techniques and step away from the assignment-based, or client-based environment. In Germany, everything is on the ground. Here, everything seems more exposed. So, I started to take notice in obsolete materials. Things in back allies, like electric boxes for example, just wires in general. Like telephone posts, industrial things in that nature."

**Q: What is the most interesting item that you've used in your work?**

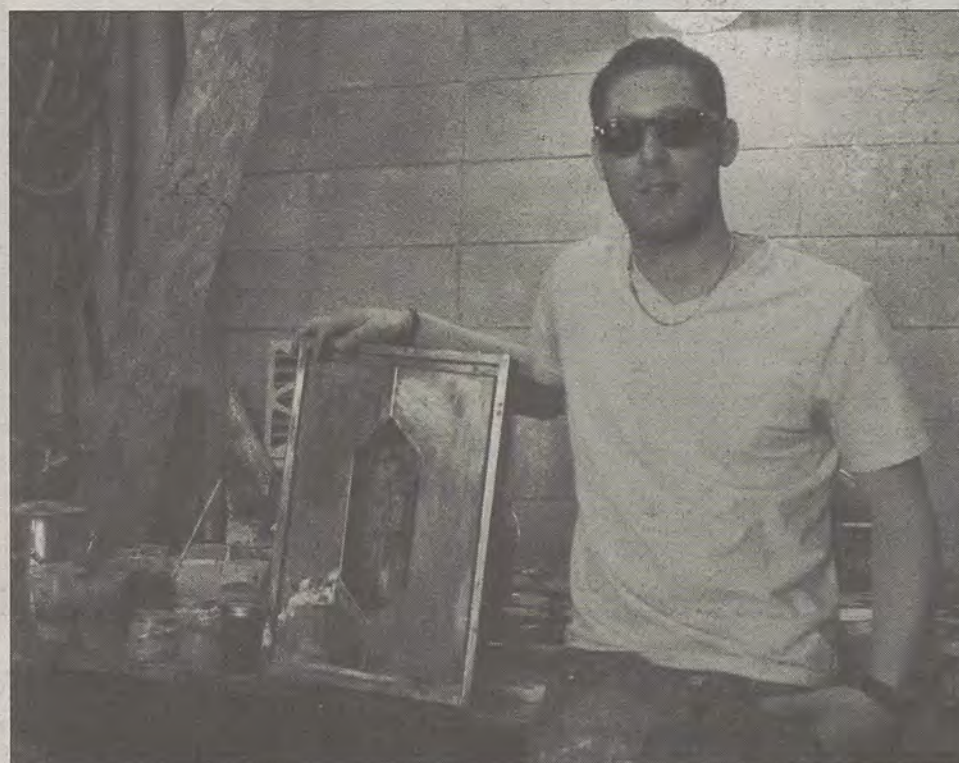
A: "I think that I would have to say plastic. Melted plastic, neglected plastic that I've found and then burned."

**Q: What's your favorite piece that you've ever done?**

A: "It's called 'Obsolete,' and it's actually in my studio. I think that was sort of the first piece that kind of really showed me the way, kind of like the 'aha' moment. It's got everything that I enjoy, complex layers. It took almost a year to complete, and it went through so many different stages of constructing, painting, just repurposing the materials in general."

**Q: What inspires your work emotionally?**

A: "I go on a lot of journeys, these neglected areas that I talked about earlier, collapsed warehouses, old weathered back allies and so on. I think emotionally, it's the unease and excitement that I get going to these places. Not knowing what could happen, what I could find. I think that that gives you sort of a rush, because you're mostly alone, and it could be dark. It could be day. You're in this environment that's neglected, so there's nobody there. It's just you. I think it's like a journey that you've never taken before."



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MFA student Max Rebel finds inspiration for his artwork in things that are neglected, like old warehouses and weathered alleys.



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GSU has not missed a beat at first base after freshman Ryan Cleveland (30) replaced last year's first basemen, former Eagle T.D. Davis, this season.

## Bright future ahead for Ryan Cleveland

BY JARED MURRAY  
The George-Anne contributor

Usually freshmen take time to learn and grow, but freshman infielder Ryan Cleveland is a rare standout, replacing former Eagle T.D. Davis as the new starting first basemen for Georgia Southern University.

For Cleveland, baseball has always held a strong level of importance. However, growing up under the hard-nosed parental support of Derek and Andrea Cleveland, there is always much more to strive for other than excellence at baseball for Ryan.

"My dad has always pushed me to be my best no matter what," Ryan said.

Needless to say, it seems apparent that Cleveland has followed his father's advice, earning a starting spot on the GSU roster for 14 out of the 15 games played at this point in the season. With a batting average of .327 and a fielding percentage of .986, Cleveland has stepped up to play at an early stage in his career, achieving a reputation as a consistent fielder and batter for the team.

Cleveland said that the success as a

freshman has been a blessing, furthering his lifelong goal from childhood to play baseball at the professional level. More importantly, the taste of recent success has not caused Cleveland to forget his core values of hard work and humility.

Despite the level of effort and talent Cleveland has achieved, he maintains that God and his father are the ones responsible for his success for providing the opportunities and circumstances that have made him the person he is.

With a current record of 14-2, Cleveland can celebrate his accomplishments as an individual as well as the winning tradition of the baseball team. Currently with only two losses, GSU boasts the title of leading baseball team in the state, with victories against both state rivals University of Georgia and the Georgia Institute of Technology.

If his goal as a pro is not achieved, he needs a backup. Majoring in bio, Cleveland hopes to be a wildlife biologist in the event that his baseball career does not continue.

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# Why the Eagles will sweep the SoCon



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**GSU senior pitcher Sarah Purvis (00)** has been key for the Eagles' success this season. Purvis has accumulated an 8-3 record with 92 punchouts and a 0.78 ERA.

## HAYDEN BOUDREAUX

The George-Anne staff

This weekend kicks off Southern Conference play for the Georgia Southern University softball team as it travels to the University of North Carolina at Greensboro to begin conference domination.

Before the season began, the coaches of the SoCon voted GSU as the favorite to win the conference in 2014. After winning two straight conference championships and retaining three of their best players from last year, it is no surprise that the Eagles were out in front early in the season.

The core of the Eagles' success through the rest of the season will come from senior pitcher Sarah Purvis, who is etching her name in as a legend at GSU. She came into the season voted as first team All-SoCon as well as Preseason Pitcher of the Year for the second year in a row, and she has lived up to the hype.



HAYDEN BOUDREAUX

At this point in the season Purvis has a record of 8-3, 92 strikeouts and a 0.78 ERA. These stats pale in comparison to her no-hitter she pitched against Troy University and her third career-perfect game against Kennesaw State University last week. With 22 games left in the regular season, there is plenty of time to keep building up her already impressive numbers.

Two seniors and their impact at the plate will be the driving force in discouraging the opposition. Senior shortstop Kourtney Thomas has compiled a .397 batting average and leads the team with eight home runs and 23 RBIs.

Senior infielder Shelby Morrill has made an early impact in her last season as an Eagle. She is second on the team in nearly every batting category, with a .311 average, three home runs and 13 RBIs. The batting from Thomas and Morrill will dominate the SoCon pitchers and

be vital in putting points on the board.

Due to the six losses this season, GSU is ranked third in the conference in its pre-play polls. GSU trails behind Samford University and Elon University, who each have one fewer loss than the Eagles. Looking at the strength of the schedule, it can easily show who deserves to be at the top spot in the conference.

This season GSU set up its schedule to toughen the Eagles up early. These included two games against No. 2 University of Tennessee, which the Eagles managed to keep close in both matches, only being outscored 0-3 after both games. Additionally, they faced off against No. 29 University of Wisconsin and came away with a 4-0 win. Later in the year they have also scheduled No. 19 University of Georgia and No. 11 University of Alabama to keep them playing at a high level of competition through the dull midseason.

UNCG will be the first step on the road to the third SoCon title, beginning at 3 p.m. Winning the conference will put the Eagles in an excellent position to advance to the Super Regionals and possibly Oklahoma City.

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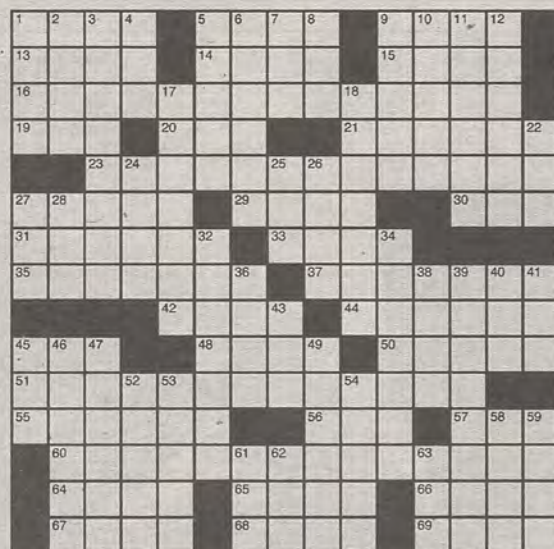
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- 1 Early sunscreen ingredient
- 5 "Let's get goin'!"
- 9 Put \_ act
- 13 Tater
- 14 Hard to believe
- 15 Wine quality
- 16 Campground sound #1
- 19 Devilish toon
- 20 Maine-et-Loire mate
- 21 In-crowds
- 23 Campground sound #2
- 27 Curt refusal
- 29 Hot time in Maine-et-Loire
- 30 Renaissance painter
- 31 Like a spot in "Macbeth"
- 33 Pac-12 team
- 35 "Pretty Woman" co-songwriter
- 37 Some comedy sketches
- 42 Nov. voting time
- 44 Streaker in a shower
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- 48 City near Yorba Linda
- 50 Track contests
- 51 Campground sound #3
- 55 "Honor Thy Father" author
- 56 Sargasso Sea spawner
- 57 Forest's 2006 Oscar-winning role
- 60 Campground sound #4
- 64 " \_ baby!"
- 65 Swimmer with pups
- 66 POTUS backup
- 67 Hightail it
- 68 Pays (for)
- 69 West Point team

### DOWN

- 1 Subtle "Over here ..."
- 2 Polynesian capital
- 3 WWII German missile nickname



By James Sajdak

- 4 Log shaper
- 5 Mount Everest?
- 6 Capital on the island of Luzon
- 7 Texter's "Holy cow!"
- 8 Mario Brothers console
- 9 16 oz.
- 10 Jordin Sparks/Chris Brown song covered on "Glee"
- 11 Desires from
- 12 "Iliad" wise man
- 17 Blood typing, e.g.
- 18 Wrestling pair
- 22 Calypso offshoot
- 24 Years in old Rome
- 25 Chit
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- 34 Clean and then some
- 36 Philip \_; 16th-century Italian saint

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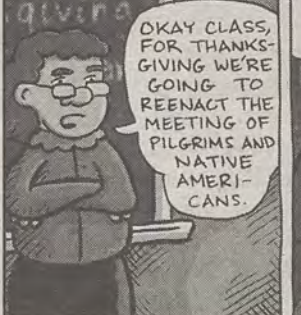
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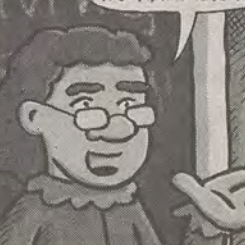
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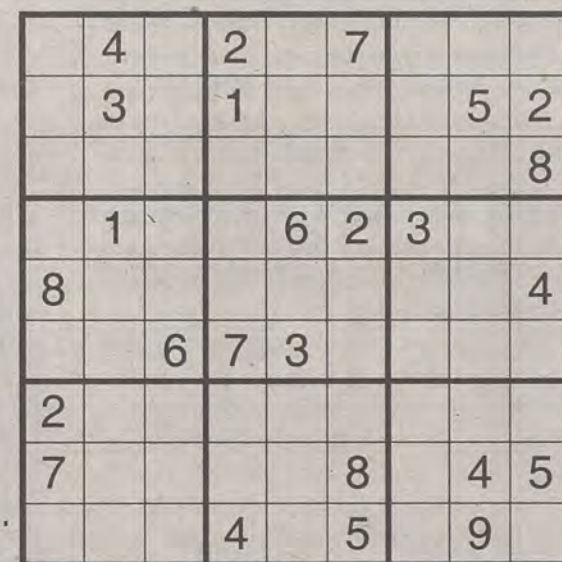
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## Weisel attends first NCAA Zones competition

BY EMILY ARNOLD

The George-Anne staff

The NCAA Zone B Championships is the toughest in the country, and for Georgia Southern University's sophomore diver Emma Weisel, that rang true this past week in Greensboro, N.C.

"It was such an amazing experience," Weisel said. "It was really something that I was proud just to be able to represent GSU and go to Zones. It was kind of scary at first, but just to be there and be able to compete and represent my school and team was a wonderful experience."

Zone B is the toughest in country because of the intense competition and talented divers. At Zones, divers compete in the one-meter, three-meter and platform events. However, Weisel only competed in the one-meter and three-meter because platform is not an event she performs.

"This was the biggest meet she's ever been at, and I thought overall she did a great job," diving coach David Giambra said. "Our zone is the toughest zone in the country, and although she did not place very well, she still beat out some girls. That showed that she was worthy of being at that meet."

On Monday Weisel competed in the one-meter event. Her final score in the preliminaries was a 198.30, and she came in 46th place, not making finals. The following day Weisel competed in the three-meter events scoring a 222.55 and finishing in 40th, again not making the final round.

"I think I performed pretty well for my first time being there," Weisel said. "I always think that there are things that I can improve on, but that I think will make me stronger in the future just to be able to carry that with me throughout the rest of next season."

Despite a rough week competing, Weisel has had a stellar season smashing personal records and even a school record. Weisel plans on returning to Zones next year and believes this year's experience has made her more prepared.

"I definitely plan on qualifying again and going back, so I think that I will be more prepared next time," Weisel said. "It was a great time being there, and it was a great performance that I gave, and I can't wait to hopefully do it again next year."

## Southern hospitality focus of invitational

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Golfers around the country are preparing to experience a weekend of Southern hospitality and some of the best college golf competition in the nation for the 35th annual Schenkel Invitational.

After much research and involvement of the community, the organizers of the tournament wanted a nationally known name to put with it. Chris Schenkel was a very established sports broadcaster at the time who had spent some time in Statesboro and knew it as, according to the Schenkel website, "the home of Georgia Teacher's College and Sweetheart Circle." His name was added onto the tournament, which gave it credibility right away, but what made it special was that the Southern hospitality was taken just as seriously as the competition.

"We provide every meal for the golfers. They have breakfast and lunch [at the country club] every day of competition. Then we have dinner social events in the evening, which is an example of the hospitality the committee and community provide," Richard Rogers, retired faculty member of GSU and member of the Schenkel Committee, said. "The reason the coaches and players like to come is because of the hospitality that the community and the college show to them."

In addition to providing meals and dinner socials, each team competing in the tournament gets a host family that provides a welcome basket as they check into their hotel, which has been a tradition from the beginning. Barbecues and banquets happen throughout the weekend and are attended by every team. GSU's Phi Mu sisters also help host the event, each being assigned a golfer who they bake goodies and cheer for during the tournament.

"It's really cool to see that Georgia Southern hosts this and puts this on, and the community of Statesboro helps out and basically provides this for us," Will Evans, senior captain, said. "People from all over college golf, they come here, they know our tournament, they know it's really something special, so it's something we hold our heads high on."

Hospitality may be a special part of the weekend in Statesboro, but the Schenkel can also boast the best competition in the nation. With teams like University of Central



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GSU head golf coach Larry Mays is preparing his team for the 35th annual Schenkel Invitational at Forest Heights Country Club. The invitational will begin on Thursday and play will go through Sunday.

Florida, University of Virginia and University of Alabama at Birmingham, the competition is sure to be steep with a good 86 percent of the field in the Nation's Top 100. Despite the competition, the Eagles have the home advantage, having played the greens many times, and still expect to have a strong finish.

"We have the most experience out here on the greens. We definitely have an advantage, and it's just a matter of taking advantage of our advantages," Evans said. "Every year we come in with a bunch of confidence, and we have a lot of momentum, so we always look to finish high."

"Most schools host one, maybe two home tournaments a year, so that home pressure is probably going to be something that we'll have to rise above. The Schenkel is one of the bigger tournaments in college golf, so that adds to that," Mays said. "For the players, I try to put them at ease as best as I can and try to

say it as much as I can that it's just another tournament — but it's not."

The tournament begins tomorrow morning at Forest Heights Country Club in Statesboro and will continue through Sunday. Past tournaments have landed on one of the weekends of spring break, which is believed to hurt the tournament because it results in limited participation from local college students.

"The golfers enjoy seeing crowds of people out here, and anything we can do to increase the size of the crowd out here, we'd like to do. Go out on the 12th hole, and there's a house out there of a family that likes to support it, and they have food and drinks around their pool and there are a couple of local businesses like Panera and South and Vine that will be providing some food," Rogers said. "The public is invited. There's free admission. Come and see some of the best golfers in the country."



# Three reasons why GSU can beat Elon this weekend

## Baseball (15-2)

BY COLIN RITSICK

The George-Anne staff

One of the premier offenses in the country will put its eight-game win streak on the line this weekend as the Georgia Southern University baseball team opens Southern Conference play against Elon University.

The Eagles (15-2) are tied with the University of Kentucky for the highest team batting average in the nation at .345.

GSU amassed a 13-1 record during the 14-game home stand that ended on Tuesday with a victory over the University of North Florida. The Eagles have not played on the road since the first three games of the season at the University of Georgia.

Being away from home could be a factor. The Phoenix (11-6) have the third-best record in the SoCon and are the first real test for the Eagles since the Georgia Institute of Technology.

But if this home run-heavy, high-octane offense plays like it is capable of playing, don't be surprised if GSU returns to Statesboro with an

18-2 record. Here are a few reasons why:

1 – Junior and senior outfielders Aaron Mizell and Stryker Brown are swinging the hottest bats in the nation.

Mizell is coming off his second two-home run game this season. He has eight on the year, tied for the most in the NCAA. Mizell also boasts a .397 batting average.

Brown leads the team in batting average, hitting .403. He has 24 RBI – tied for third-most in the country. Brown also can take the ball deep. He's hit five home runs so far, which is already four more than he hit last season. The corner outfielders are leading the team offensively.

2 – Junior shortstop Dalton Busby is playing all around great baseball. Busby is a true-handed shortstop transfer from State College of Florida. He is as smooth as they come on defense at the college level. Head Coach Rodney Hennon said that he knew Busby was going to be a strong glove when he signed him, but is excited with how he is swinging the bat. Busby is hitting .386 with seven doubles, tied for the most on the team. He also has batted in 23 runs, fourth most in the nation.

3 – The pitching staff, both the starting rotation and the bullpen, are throwing with



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The GSU baseball team heads to battle the Phoenix with an eight-game winning streak.

supreme confidence. They have a team ERA of just 2.49, which ranks in the top-40 in America, and has held their opponents to a .228 batting average in the process. Elon bats just .261 as a team, so expect pitching to be a plus for the Eagles this weekend.

The staff is led by junior LHP Sam Howard. Howard (3-1) has slid comfortably

into the team's No. 1 spot. Howard struck out 30 batters in 25 innings pitched and holds a 1.08 ERA this season.

Sophomore LHP Jason Richman started 14 games last season but has come strictly out of the bullpen this year. He has a 1.64 ERA.

If GSU wins the series, look for them in the top-25 rankings next week.

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