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Police Beat

Sunday, March 5

1:57 p.m.: An incident report was taken for an animal complaint on Chandler Road at Plant Drive. The animal was turned over to the Human Enforcement Officer.

5:20 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property on Olympic Blvd.

6:24 p.m.: Officers responded to a suspicious person at the Performing Arts Center. Officers were unable to locate the suspicious person. This case was assigned to Criminal Investigations.

6:27 p.m.: Officers assisted the Statesboro Police Department with a welfare check at the Henderson Library. The subject of the welfare check was not located at the Henderson Library. The Statesboro Police advised that the subject of the welfare check had been located at another location and no problems were found.

11:50 p.m.: Officers discovered a sick person in G-Lot. The sick person received medical assistance.

Monday, March 6

12:05 a.m.: Officers responded to an affray in University Plaza: Brandon Mecal Fields, 24, Ellabell, Ga., was arrested and charged with Affray.

Brian Cody Brewer, 20, Ellabell, Ga., was arrested and charged with Possession of Alcohol – Under 21 Years of Age and Affray.

Johnnie Bernard Wilson, 20, Jesup, Ga., was arrested and charged with Possession of Alcohol – Under 21 Years of Age and Affray.

Winston Lee Watkins, 21, Statesboro, Ga., was arrested and charged with Affray.

A 15-year-old juvenile was also taken into custody.

2:28 a.m.: Officers conducted a traffic stop on Forest Drive at Old Register Road. The driver of the vehicle, Tatyanna Samirah Dumas, 19, Statesboro, Ga., was arrested and charged with Failure to Maintain Lane and DUI 1st.

1:48 p.m.: An incident report was taken for lost/mislaid property at Southern Courtyard.

2:34 p.m.: Officers responded to a sick person at Freedom's Landing. EMS responded and transported the sick person.

1:22 a.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at the College of Education.

1:47 a.m.: An incident report was taken for harassment at Freedom's Landing. This case was assigned to Criminal Investigations.

2:50 p.m.: Officer responded to Freedom's Landing in reference to a noise complaint and alcohol violations. Two occupants were judicially referred.

Tuesday, March 7

8:16 a.m.: An incident report was taken for a criminal trespass at University Park. This case was assigned to Criminal Investigations.

3:56 p.m.: A welfare check was conducted on a subject in Lot 13. No action was taken at this time.

3:59 p.m.: A motor vehicle accident report was taken for a mo-

tor vehicle accident on Forest Drive near Old Register Road.

8:35 p.m.: Officers assisted the Statesboro Police Department with an incident that occurred at El Sombrero, Fair Road.

11:23 p.m.: Officers responded to a sick person at Southern Courtyard. The sick person received medical assistance.

12:50 a.m.: Officers responded to a drug complaint in the parking lot of the Alpha Omicron Pi House and G-Lot. Three subjects were judicially referred.

Wednesday, March 8

1:31 p.m.: A motor vehicle accident report was taken for a motor vehicle accident in Lot 42.

2:37 p.m.: An incident report was taken for lost/mislaid property at Henderson Library.

4:31 p.m.: Officers responded to a sick person at the Biological Sciences Building. EMS responded and transported the sick person.

8:40 pm: Officers executed an arrest warrant at Southern Pines. Taariq Irshaad Glean, 19, was arrested and charged with criminal trespass.

10:41 p.m.: Officers responded to Freedom's Landing in reference to alcohol violations. Seven occupants were judicially referred.

12:31 a.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at Math/Physics.

2:19 a.m.: An incident report was taken for a suspicious person at Dining Commons.

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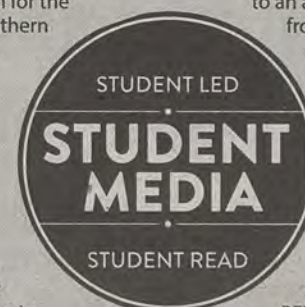
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Our View

Students have second chance to impact vote

Student Government Association elections end today at 3 p.m. due to technical issues on Monday that resulted in the voting being reset. These technical difficulties may seem like a setback for the SGA election committee, but offer a unique chance for students to have more time to vote.

Last year's elections saw 1,786 votes for the president position, amounting to about nine percent of a student body of roughly 20,000. These small numbers along with student viewpoints of not knowing much about SGA are discouraging and worrisome.

SGA serves to be a voice for the students to higher administration, like the head of Eagle Dining Services or the Provost. If students are not involved in the process of electing these officials, then they are not exercising one of the most useful ways to have their voice heard by the university.

The students are what guide many decisions made about the future of our university, and those decisions are not ones to be taken lightly. Those who step up to fill senate and executive positions in SGA have decided to take it upon themselves to fill a role for the over 20,000 students at GSU. They stand for us and strive to fight for us to the best of their ability.

Students should care about the tobacco policy enforcement next spring. Students should care about what dining locations we have on campus. Students should care about the future of our university. Students can show some of that care in one simple way: by voting for SGA candidates.

Even though this extra time to vote was more of a fluke than purposeful, use it to its advantage. SGA works to serve the students so show support by casting a vote.



Spoilers take away from entertainment

When you hear the word "spoiler" you may still think of that wing-shaped part on the back of some cars, but over the last several years the word has taken on a whole new meaning in the entertainment industry. As technology advances, we now have the ability to find out practically the entire plot of any book, movie or television show right from our phones before we even see it. It is almost impossible to visit a website like Entertainment Weekly or BuzzFeed without seeing an article with the words "spoiler alert" above them in regards to a hit show or popular movie.

However, there are now entire websites like spoilertv.com devoted to spilling secrets from the upcoming episode of your favorite show or showing off photos from the set of a big blockbuster film that may just give away the entire plot. Why are we so eager to be spoiled? I mean the word "spoiled" means "to ruin or diminish the value of something," so we are essentially lessening the impact of the story that has been created for us.

It may be that spoiler fanatics just simply like being one of the first people to know what happens, but it seems as if far too many fans

BEHIND THE SCENES



are too impatient or even lazy to wait to sit through five seasons of a show or maybe even just two hours of a movie for the pay off.

Despite the outcry from many fans over the ending of "How I Met Your Mother," I found myself pleased with the comedy's series finale for the pure fact that after nine seasons and more than a few crazy and some actually dead-on fan theories, the shows

creator's managed to shock viewers with a scene that they shot over eight years ago. That is a pretty impressive feat for a show to pull off.

Though reading the Sparknotes of all those classic novels may have helped you pass your 10th grade English class, actually reading the latest book series the old fashion way or sticking it out till the every last episode of that show without giving in to those tempting spoiler warnings is always the way to go.

Callanan is a senior communications arts major from Chuluota, Fla. She is the current Opinions Editor.

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The hard work starts now Why are we in such a hurry to move on with our lives

"I can't get a job; my classes are just too much work. I literally don't have any free time." I hear statements like this more times on a daily basis than the amount of drinks a highly motivated female can inhale at beat the clock on a summer night.

Let me tell you something ladies and gentleman, if you think solely taking 15 hours of undergraduate studies is overwhelming, you are currently bound for post-college unemployment.

The majority of entry level jobs today take advantage of our childlike wonder of finally bidding adieu to our old friend Mr. time clock while we hop-scotch our way into the salary realm by having us work 50-, 60- or even 70-hour weeks without the pin-point hourly pay increase.

Although I robustly encourage prioritizing education first, it simply cannot be your only commitment.

The number one thing that college recruiters look for when considering students for internships and gainful employment is the ability to juggle and manage multiple stressful commitments, and here's why: over the last 30 years, the term "9-to-5 job" has simply become a misnomer.

If you are lucky enough to find a salaried nine-to-five position, you can bet your biscuit you will be working overtime burning the midnight tequila.

When recruiters inevitably ask about your lack of work history, they are not going to find it cute that you didn't seek employment because "you really wanted to focus on school." This exemplifies the "I

FINE HOMEMADE WHINE



WILL MCCARTHY

have a degree, I deserve employment" entitled attitude that frankly ain't nobody got time for.

Let's go back in time just one century ago. Most of our grandparents or great-grandparents struggled to feed their families and genuinely felt blessed to be given an opportunity to work a job, regardless of horrendous conditions.

That's our problem, Generation Y: we've gotten soft.

At 20, our grandparent's wore their fingers to the bone working a 16-hour shift at the factory while we just decided to take the afternoon off from class to hit the pool.

I am not casting stones; I am just as guilty of it. I will freely admit that I thoroughly enjoy a cold brew by the poolside, but I've also learned you must be humbled by the extraordinary opportunity you have been granted.

Show some respect — if not for yourself — for those who sacrificed absolutely everything for you to have this opportunity. Gainful employment is truly a blessing, not an unalienable right.

McCarthy is a junior accounting major from Marietta.

I read a blog the other day titled "23 things to Do Instead of Getting Engaged When You're 23," and began to wonder what I have planned for my future (as if I really have a say in how it goes).

I certainly hope my future includes such things as a good job, marriage and kids — then eventually grandchildren. I know that I want this in my future. But, why does it seem that everyone around me is wanting this now. Why are some in such a hurry to start their lives?

Recently, I received my bridesmaid dress for an upcoming wedding, and I couldn't help but think, "I am in last place in the race of starting to have a grown-up life."

Everyone I know seems to be starting these grown-up adventures, and I don't even feel like I'm prepared to graduate college.

But then I realized that many of my classmates were feeling the same way that I did. In the game of life as an adult, who is in charge of telling us if we are winning or losing?

Who gave society the upper hand in telling us when the proper time is for us to start these new, more mature lives?

I've never seen a guideline stating what the proper age to get married was, or around how old you should be when you have your first child.

Everyone is different, with a different goal and life plan in mind. Some start this life early, while some start this life late. And that is fine.

BROOKE IN THE 'BORO



BROOKE RABON

I don't think that someone who is young, that is married and has a 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. job, is any more mature than someone who is still in college.

But, I don't believe it makes someone who is graduating from college any better than someone who didn't graduate, but has a spouse and a child on the way.

I have decided not to worry about the fact that my peers are picking out venues for weddings and baby showers, while I am looking at ones for a graduation party.

I've come to realize that it's time to focus on more important things, and realize that what is important to me is not going to be of the same importance to someone else and vice versa.

But, hey, maybe this realization is just a way of me taking a step in the right direction, for starting my "grown-up" life after all.

Rabon is a senior journalism major from Woodbine.

Choosing a religion should always be a personal matter

As a teenager my Sunday mornings frequently began in a recurring nightmare of my aunt waking me up and telling me that it is time to get ready for church.

Sadly it wasn't a nightmare, it was my reality. I hated waking up early on one of my days off from school and listening to two hours of some off-key singer singing about his faith.

I hated hearing the ramblings of some old guy in a suit who always asked us for 10 percent of our money or even more.

Nonetheless I had to still go because

this is what my caretaker believed to be true, so I was forced to believe it too. I don't have to explain the reason as to why I still hate Sundays.

As I grew older I realized that it wasn't for me.

I didn't believe in anything the singer sang or anything the old guy in the suit said, so why was I forced to go based on some other person's religious beliefs?

The fact of the matter is that there are hundreds of religions in this world, and all of them believe their religion to be 100-percent true.

CHARLES IN CHARGE



CHARLES RUDISON

The worst part about this is that all these religious groups think that what they are doing is helping us and bettering us when really all they are doing is confusing us.

For a person to truly believe in something, they must discover it and be passionate about it themselves not be "guided" to it.

Some people are perfectly happy and content with the way their lives are; they don't need someone else to tell them how to live.

Walking up to someone and forcefully trying to get them to view the world the same way you do isn't faith, it's arrogance.

Rudison is a freshman pre-business major from Chicago. He is currently the music reporter.

Your student fees at work

Center for Sustainability to be funded solely by Green Fee

BY NADIA DREID

The George-Anne contributor

This spring marks the first semester of the Center for Sustainability as a fully student-fee-funded entity, which is set to collect approximately \$400,000 a year from students to fund sustainability initiatives on campus.

"We're in transition," Lissa Leege, Ph.D., biology professor and director of the Center for Sustainability, said. "Because we're now funded by students as opposed

to the academic side of house."

The Center for Sustainability was previously funded by the College of Science and Mathematics, Leege said. Now the center is funded through a \$10 per semester green fee, which students voted to enact fall of 2012 and took effect last semester.

According to its financial plan, the Center for Sustainability plans to spend just under \$58,000 this year on sustainability programs. This includes awareness events like No Impact Week and GreenFest, as well as bringing speakers to campus. Student fees will

also fund staff salaries.

The center currently has three employees: Leege, the director, a graduate assistant and an undergraduate assistant. While Leege will not receive a salary from the center this year, the financial plan indicates that in 2015 she will receive an approximately \$15,000 salary. The graduate and undergraduate assistants will earn a combined salary of just over \$1,100 dollars in 2014.

Leege said that the ability to pay staff is an essential part of assuring the center is successful.

"If you have a lot of money and all you're doing is programming, it doesn't really do any good," Leege said. "If you can't pay anybody to run the programs, you're sort of sunk."

Public health graduate student Christina Breslin volunteered for the Center for Sustainability for several years before being hired this year. She said she works over 20 hours a week coordinating events and volunteers and arranging materials for projects.

"The more people we get, the more we can do," Breslin said. "So far I've been able to use close to 140 volunteers

this semester."

In 2015, the Center for Sustainability plans to hire an associate director as well as another graduate and undergraduate student for a total staff of six. The projected salary cost for that year is over \$110,000, more than 25 percent of the expected yearly revenue.

Leege said that having paid staff members makes the program better.

Leege said, "You have to invest in good people who care, who are passionate about sustainability and can really engage with our campus community."

CENTER FOR SUSTAINABILITY FISCAL YEAR 2014 EXPENSES

Programs \$45,000

Speakers (3) \$23,000
Films (6 + film festival) \$4,850
No Impact Week \$6,000
RecycleMania \$2,750
GreenFest \$400
Field Trips (4) \$1,000
Sustainability Celebration \$2,000
Sustainability Practicum Supplies \$2,000
Workshop \$3,000

Personnel \$11,600

Graduate Assistants (2) \$10,000
Undergraduates (2) \$1,600

Travel \$1,000

Regional Conferences \$1,000

Total expenses: \$57,600



Jennifer Curington | The George-Anne

Josh Rogers pours fair trade coffee at the Stand4Freedom event. Students stood for 24 hours in the Rotunda against human trafficking, or modern day slavery.

Students protest slavery

BY JENNIFER CURINGTON

The George-Anne staff

The sound of Switchfoot filled the warm, almost-summer air and cardboard signs scattered around the rotunda reading "End It Movement" and "Not 4 Sale."

Students on Georgia Southern University's campus wandered around the area chatting, drinking free coffee and signing a petition to send to state congress members. While the event was lighthearted and fun, its purpose is to bring awareness to human sex trafficking, often referred to as modern-day slavery.

Sade Thomas, freshman psychology major, and Kenley Alligood, freshman English major, bought t-shirts while at the event and held cardboard signs to help bring attention to the issue.

"They think 'slavery' and they think back in the day in the cotton fields and that's not the case anymore. It's going on around us right now," Thomas said. "Atlanta is one of the biggest places for sex trafficking and people don't know about it. If they do then they turn a blind eye and that doesn't need to happen."

The event started at 8 a.m. and by noon Gerred Bell, finance and spanish major, who was working the petition table, estimated that 150 people had already signed. Bell became passionate about the cause after watching

a live stream of the Passion conference last year, a faith-based worship weekend for college students.

"When I saw that and heard about what was actually happening, these people...they're in houses and factories and brothels being taken advantage of, sold and being taken advantage of as if they're property. I thought I had to find a way to help," Bell said.

The petition asks Georgia congress members to become passionate about changing the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons to a bureau.

"With that simple name change comes so much more power and so much more integrity for this bureau because they would be able to not be influenced by other governments and even by the U.S. government. It will also allow them to get access to the Secretary of State and the President," Bell said.

The local chapter of the International Justice Mission passed out free fair trade coffee and chocolates at the event. They also sold t-shirts for \$10 and all the proceeds of those sales go back to supporting IJM and their mission to bring awareness to injustice in our modern world.

Bell said, "Violence and oppression are natural for the poor and here in the United States we just don't see it half as much because we are a wealthier country."

Mock Mediation Club helps international team place 7th

BY AYANA MOORE

The George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University's Mock Mediation club recently helped a Sri Lankan team train for the World Championship competition by using a newly developed training program created by the vice president of Training and Competitions, Jonathan Quintyne.

"They didn't come to Georgia Southern," Quintyne said. "They contacted us looking for someone to help them get ready for this competition in Chicago. They weren't able to come to us and we weren't able to go to them so what we did was get my training and we decided to do it completely online."

The Sri Lankan team ranked seventh out of 156 teams at the World Championship, and was also recognized as "Outstanding New Mediation Program."

"We're usually a competition-oriented team," Dylan John, president of Georgia Southern's Mock Mediation Club, said. "But as a purpose of our club we expanded on the idea of also promoting mediation among students."

Mediation is an alternative dispute resolution method and is becoming extremely popular in the business world, John said.

"Mediation is not popular in Sri Lanka and a tournament is an alien concept," Chapa Perera, Sri Lankan team member, said. "We did not have any training or guidance in mediation. We were able to do such a good job that even Case Ellis, the Chairman of INADR (International Academy of Dispute Resolution) came and personally

congratulated us on our performance."

INADR was founded in the spring of 2002 in order to further awareness of mediation as a means of peaceful resolution, according to the INADR webpage.

Because the two teams were so far apart, Quintyne's program was an integral part in helping train the Sri Lankan members.

"We would get our team together in a room and they would get their team together in a room and we would just discuss," Quintyne said. "So it was really cool that we were able to help out a team literally on the other side of the world get ready for a competition right here from Georgia Southern. We're really proud of how well they were able to do using our training program and our methods."

GSU's Mock Mediation club is open to students of all interests and majors.

"We're a very new club on campus," John said. "We're less than a year old and we're third in the southeast region and we're eighth in the country. We were open to help outreach to other teams, especially foreign teams who don't have mediation in their country."

Having started with only four members, the Mock Mediation Club now has approximately 20 members and is currently looking to reach out to more students interested in mediation.

"This semester we wanted to expand," Quintyne said. "So I had to think about how I could spread these skills and I decided the best way to do that was a formal training program. Everyone definitely learned new skills and we're really excited to start competing again next semester."



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TUESDAY, APRIL 15

TIME MANAGEMENT

5 p.m. - 6 p.m., in the Russell Union, Room 2044. Hosted by Mike Czech, Assistant Director and Tutorial Coordinator of the Academic Success Center. This workshop will cover why time management is important, various techniques for improving time management, and tackling and overcoming procrastination. Free refreshments.



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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

STUDENT APPRECIATION DAY

11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Russell Union Rotunda. In collaboration with the Center for Sustainability and No Impact Week, this event will include live entertainment, a Student Idol singing competition and free refreshments. Also, departments that provide services to students will be on hand to answer questions.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17

LET'S TALK MONEY: YOUNG ADULTS

5 p.m. - 6:15 p.m., in the Russell Union, Room 2047-A. Hosted by Wells Fargo, this course will teach students how to navigate in the current economy, the basics of money management, and the importance of having a spending plan. Information on debit cards, credit, student loans, and identity theft will also be available. Free refreshments.

Support, not service

Student brings first emotional support animal to campus dorms

BY CAITLYN OLIVER

The George-Anne staff

Roaming through the halls of Centennial Place is Beau. Beau goes to his classes everyday and walks along the pedestrian with the rest of the student body, but one thing sets Beau apart from everyone else: he is a dog.

Kristen Daniels, an undeclared freshman, is the first student at Georgia Southern University to have an emotional support animal (ESA).

She has an Australian Shepherd named Beau who lives with her on campus and goes with her to most of her classes.

"As long as I tell my teachers ahead of class, there's no problem bringing him with me. I just can't bring him to labs," Daniels said.

According to the U.S. Dog Registry, the difference between ESA and a service animal is that a service animal helps an impaired person function with a disability, such as visual or hearing impairment, seizures or post-traumatic stress disorder.

"The prescription from a doctor is what defines Beau as an ESA. And whereas service dogs get to go everywhere the owner goes, and they ultimately have to be treated as a human, the only special treatment an ESA gets is they get to fly in-cabin on airplanes, and they get to live anywhere that the owner chooses, even places that specifically state no pets allowed," Daniels said.

Emotional support animals are not as well-known as service animals and caused some confusion amongst GSU housing staff.

"A lot of the housing staff had never heard of an ESA, or they had never had to deal with one's presence before, so they had to make all kinds of new rules, and the housing director told me that my dog would be the first non-service animal to live in housing on-campus in the history of the university," Daniels said.

Getting approval to allow Beau to live in a dorm with a student took almost six months. The process started before the first SOAR session over the summer and many changes had to be made to accommodate a



Photo courtesy of Kristen Daniels

Kristen Daniels, an undeclared freshman, is the first student to receive permission to bring her emotional support animal, Beau the Australian Shepard, to campus. Daniels uses Beau as a stress reliever.

unique situation.

"I just hope that this breaks down the wall and makes it a little easier for the next person," Daniels said. "I was honestly shocked this hadn't happened before because of all the studies done on the psychological effects of having a support animal."

Emotional support animals help those with emotional problems by providing support and comfort when dealing with depression, anxiety and other conditions.

Daniels said, "A couple of years ago, I was diagnosed with depression, anxiety, a little bit of OCD thrown in there, little bit of panic disorder, just a lot of chemical imbalances. Having Beau is just an overall stress reduction."

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Join aquatics for a fun, free movie night with friends! All you need is a swimsuit and towel. An inflatable will be provided so you can float around while watching the feature presentation: Ride Along. See you there!

UPB/CRI

Drive-In Late Night Movie at the RAC Pool: Ride Along

6:00 & 8:00 pm Russell Union Theater

the University Programming Board and Campus Recreation and Intramural's invites all students out for a special outdoor movie at the RAC Pool! The event will include a free showing of the hit movie Ride Along. The movie will be shown on Friday, April 11th at 9 PM at the RAC Pool. The RAC pool will open at 8:30 pm. BRING YOUR EAGLE ID

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SATURDAY 4.12.2014

SUNDAY 4.13.2014

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Office of Student Leadership & Civic Engagement Events

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This session will focus on recruitment and retention for student organizations. How do you recruit the "best fit" members for your organization? Once you have them, how do you keep them? We will focus on tips and tricks to make your recruitment process successful and the experience memorable.

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TUESDAY 4.15.2014

Campus Farmer's Market

10am-1pm

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UPB

UNplugged

6:30 PM to 8:30 PM Russell Union Commons

The University Programming Board invites you to our weekly UNplugged Series! Looking for something fun to do on campus? Want to watch some live performances? Maybe even want to try out that new song of yours? Georgia Southern UNplugged is a coffeehouse series/open mic night sponsored by the University Programming Board held every Tuesday at 6:30 PM in the Russell Union Commons. Come and see the talented students of the Georgia Southern community showcase their skills. BRING YOUR EAGLE ID! Performing? Sign up early.

Office of Student Conduct/Dean of Students Events

University Conduct Board Applications

Starting April 1, 2014, applications are open for next year's University Conduct Board. Applications will be available through <http://tinyurl.com/UCBApplication> Students with questions should contact (912) 478-0059. Applications will close on April 15, 2014.

WEDNESDAY 4.23.2014

CRI

Bike Maintenance 201

at 6 p.m.

Have you already taken the Bike Maintenance 101 clinic? If so, Register now to attend a free intermediate clinic hosted by Southern Adventures on Wednesday, April 23 at 6 p.m. Pre registration is required so mark your calendar! To register stop by the Southern Adventures office.

WEDNESDAY 4.30.2014

Office Career Services

Last Chance Career Fair

Wednesday, April 30th | 2 pm to 5 pm | Russell Union Ballroom

The last career fair of the semester featuring a variety of employers seeking students for internships, co-ops, and full-time positions. See a list of registered employers at www.georgiasouthern.edu/careernet.

Eagle Dining survey offers new restaurant options

BY LAUREN GORLA

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University Eagle Dining Services released a survey last week regarding new options for dining on campus to replace the closing Einstein's Bagels and Coldstone Creamery.

"We need major feedback. These are going to be major changes and I know students aren't pleased with things like coming back to school and finding out that the Pickle Barrel is gone," Charles Glover, Student Government Association Executive Vice President of Auxiliary Affairs, said. "If there was a situation where they would come back and Einstein's and Coldstone are gone that would really hurt the student relationship with Eagle Dining."

The survey asks students to choose new options to replace the Computer Store in the Information Technology building, as well as a concept to replace Talons Grille.

Although the survey will play a large role in making future decisions for dining locations, the survey results are not a guarantee that a certain location will definitely come to GSU.

"I'm sure it'll come down to like franchising issues like if we were to try to open up a Subway it might be a little difficult because there's already a Subway franchise right there. It's really just to gather ideas of what students what to see come to campus," Glover said.

Affordability is also something that must be considered before making a final decision on a new location. An expensive location will not be likely to attract many students, Glover said.

The second part of the survey asks

What type of dining concept would you prefer to replace the Computer Store space in the Information Technology (I.T.) Building?

- ☐ Dunkin Donuts
- ☐ Starbucks
- ☐ Einstein Bros.
- ☐ Freshens Burrito Bowl
- ☐ Other
- ☐ No opinion

What type of concept would you prefer to replace Talons Grille in the Russell Union?

- ☐ Cookout-type concept
- ☐ Panda Express
- ☐ Denny's
- ☐ Subway
- ☐ Chipotle
- ☐ Other
- ☐ No opinion

Where should the next dining location on campus/at Georgia Southern be built? (Select all that apply.)

- ☐ Near the residence halls
- ☐ Near Paulson Stadium bus stop
- ☐ Near Engineering bus stop
- ☐ Other
- ☐ No opinion

What type of food are we most in need of on campus?

- ☐ Mexican
- ☐ Italian
- ☐ American
- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Other
- ☐ No opinion

Would you prefer to keep Market Street Deli "as is" in the I.T. Building?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

The survey can be found online on the MyGeorgiaSouthern homepage.

students to choose where on campus they would like to see a new location, such as near the residence halls, near Paulson Stadium bus stop and near Engineering bus stop.

"I don't think there's intentions of building anything in the near, near future but I think they do want an idea of where would be the next good place because they understand how inconvenient it is for

students like in Freedom's Landing and all on-campus students, have to come all the way down back to get something to eat over here especially on the weekends with no buses around," Glover said.

Students living off campus should care about participating in the survey because every student spends some portion of their day on campus.

"Well you're going to be on campus at some point so we want it to be convenient for you guys. Eagle Dining doesn't want you to be ostracized just because you choose not to have a meal plan," Glover said.

Glover said, "The exact date of these new locations building and opening depends on signing contracts and the logistics of how each location will work with staff and equipment."



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Courtesy of Jared Sexton



Will Peebles | The George-Anne

Jared Sexton, assistant creative writing professor, is currently writing a novel about an NSA agent that abuses the powers that come with his position. Sexton travelled to the NSA headquarters over spring break to research for "The Weatherman."

Professor visits NSA headquarters to research novel

BY WILL PEEBLES

The George-Anne staff

Spring break is a time that most people devote to leisure and relaxation. Jared Sexton, however, is not like most people, and spent his week in a world similar to George Orwell's "1984."

Sexton, an assistant creative writing professor at Georgia Southern University, made the 600-mile trip to Annapolis Junction, Maryland to pay a visit to the National Security Agency (NSA) headquarters. Since December of 2013, Sexton has been working on a book set in the Maryland town and decided to get a first-person account of the area.

"Most of the time, if you're going to do research for a novel, you can find pictures online or YouTube videos of a place you haven't actually been; from that, you can render the place. But they [NSA] don't have that," Sexton said.

Sexton's book: "The Weatherman" is currently still being written. The plot revolves around an NSA worker that misuses the power his job grants through phone solicitation of

his love interest.

"They're basically able, if they so choose, to access every phone call made in America. Technically, they aren't supposed to, but a few people have. They admit that there have been a few agents who have overstepped their boundaries. I'm writing a novel about a guy who overstepped his boundaries," Sexton said.

When Sexton was closing in on his destination, he began to see exit signs marked "NSA Employees Only." The signs eventually led him to a fork where he was faced with a fairly simple choice.

"You can go on straight [to the headquarters], and basically get detained, or you can take a curve," Sexton said.

The curve leads you around the ominous, Mecca-like NSA building to the more welcoming arms of the National Cryptologic Museum. The museum houses various artifacts taken from the history of spying. Some of the featured exhibits date back to the 40's.

"A few years back the NSA decided they needed some public relations, so they decided to open this museum. So you can drive to the

museum and you go right past headquarters," Sexton said.

After a visit to the museum, Sexton noticed at the mouth of a trail in the woods beside his car. Naturally, he decided to walk down the trail.

"The trail is labelled: National Code-Breaker's Trail. As you start walking through it, you begin to notice all these signs that say 'under surveillance.' There are cameras in the woods. It's very creepy. When you get to the other side, there's this little park with all these spy planes," Sexton said.

The trail took Sexton within 100 yards of the headquarters, where he could see unmarked cars and security cameras spanning the perimeter of the locked-down building. Sexton returned to his car, and set out towards the actual town.

Before he got back to the town, Sexton was pulled over and questioned. Sexton assured the officer that his intentions weren't malicious, and then immediately resumed his journey back to Annapolis Junction.

"I only stayed one night, because it creeped me out. I had weird conversations with people, which I think is just an ingrained thing in this area, because everyone thinks you're either NSA, or an outsider," Sexton said.

The town, like the NSA, is shrouded in mystery. The community has virtually no online presence, and finding photos of Annapolis Junction is nearly impossible. The small town is home to many NSA workers.

"People who work in the NSA usually don't even tell their families that they work there. It's so unbelievably secretive. There are signs around the town that say 'Take off your badges' because you have to wear badges if you work there. No unclassified talk," Sexton said.

After an uncomfortable night, Sexton packed his bags and set out towards Statesboro to continue working on "The Weatherman" with a new perspective.

"They literally have every phone call or email that you've ever made. I'm not one to say that they're misusing that information, but it's very off-putting. We're living in this time where all of our thoughts and transactions are right there," Sexton said.

Sexton's collection of published works is substantial, and ranges from short stories to magazine articles to full length novels. His collection of short stories, "An End to All Things," has received praise from various authors and critics.



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MTV to host 2014 movie award show

BY LAURIANNA CULL

The George-Anne staff

Now that the Golden Globe and Academy Awards have come and gone, it is time for the people to be heard and vote for who they wish to win at the 2014 MTV Awards.

Hosted by everyone's favorite ginger late night talk show host, Conan O'Brien, the MTV awards will be broadcasted live from Hollywood this Sunday, April 13, at 9 p.m.

Voting is now open and MTV has added a few new categories this year; the most popular being Favorite Character where Loki ("Thor: The Dark World"), Katniss Everdeen ("Hunger Games: Catching Fire"), Tris Prior ("Divergent"), Veronica Mars ("Veronica Mars") and Khan ("Star Trek into

Darkness") are battling it out.

A few other categories this year include Best On-screen Duo, Best Fight, Best Kiss, Best Shirtless Performance and others.

As everyone continues to vote and waits to see who will win, there are two stars guaranteed to go home with the famous golden popcorn bucket.

The quadruple-threat actor, dancer, model and producer Channing Tatum will take home the third annual "Trailblazer Award." Not only is he the first man to win the award, but he is the first "non-Emma" to win since the two previous awards went to Emma Stone and Emma Watson.

It is only fitting that this year's beloved Generation Award will go to Mark Wahlberg, an actor who gets to spend his adulthood

playing with teddy bears and robots in his film, "Ted" and upcoming release "Transformers: Age of Extinction."

Along with all of the famous nominees, there are music sensations such as Eminem and Rihanna ready to give a scary amazing performance with their new hit "The Monster."

Something else to look forward to at this year's MTV Awards is never before seen movie clips and trailers from "The Amazing Spider-Man 2," presented by Andrew Garfield, Emma Stone and Jamie Foxx, and "X-Men: Days of Future Past," presented by Ellen Page.

The celebrity invite list for this awards show is huge and includes actresses like Jennifer Lawrence and Lupita Nyong'o whose stunning gowns this award season should make for a must see red carpet pre-show.

Staff picks from:

Jose Gil, Will Price, Will Peebles, Shelby Farmer



■ **Movie of the year:**
"Wolf of Wall Street"

■ **Best Male Performance:**
Matthew McConaughey in "Dallas Buyers Club"

■ **Best Female Performance:**
Lupita Nyong'o in "12 Years a Slave"

■ **Best Breakout Performer:**
Michael B. Jordan in "Fruitvale Station"

■ **Best On-Screen Kiss:**
Joseph Gordon-Levitt and Scarlett Johansson in "Don Jon"

■ **Best Shirtless Scene:**
Jennifer Aniston in "We're the Millers" and Zac Efron in "That Awkward Moment"

■ **Favorite Character:**
Loki in "Thor"

■ **Best Hero:**
Bilbo in "The Hobbit"

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Dingus Magee's

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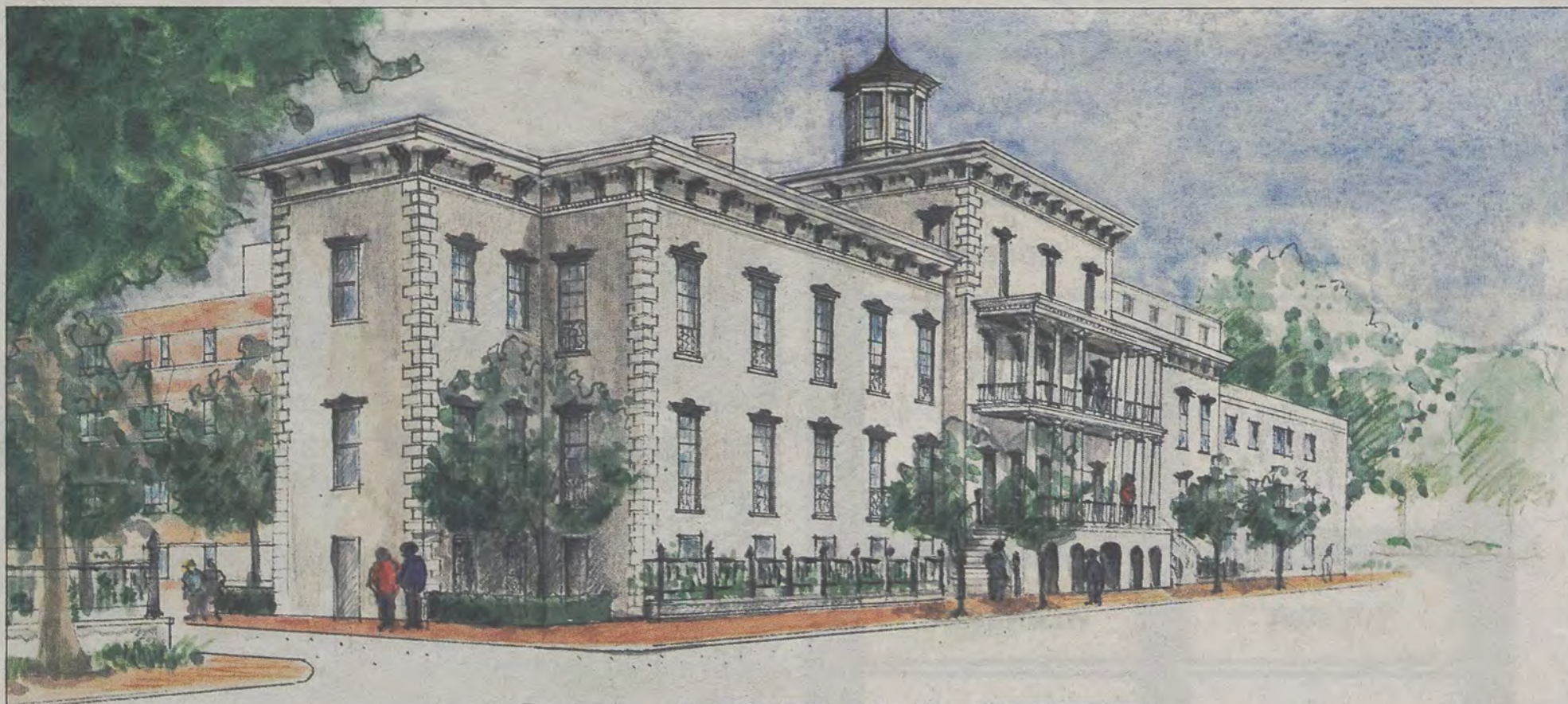
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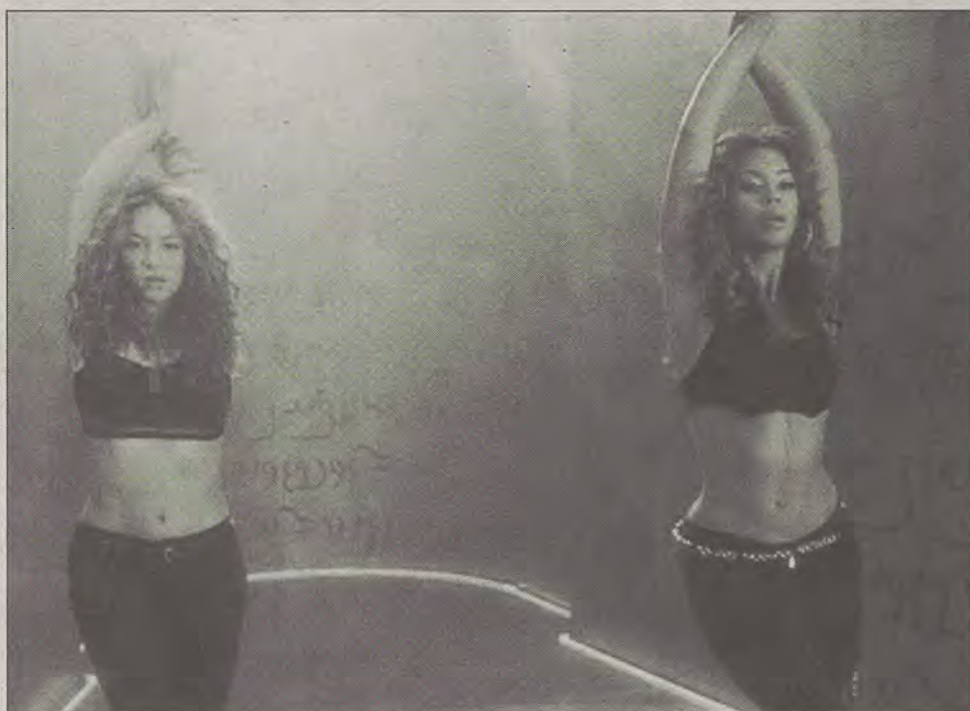
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Shakira and Beyoncé have popularized the Arabic tradition of belly dancing in American culture. The upcoming Arabic club workshop hopes to put students on the same path.

GSU Arabic Club to host belly dancing workshop

BY MARTINIQUE MCCRORY

The George-Anne contributor

Students, get your hips that don't lie ready for the Arabic Club's first ever belly dancing workshop.

Monday, in the Russell Union ballroom at 4 p.m., students can learn a style of dance that originated in Arabic culture and became a widespread trend in the United States — Belly dancing.

"It is very popular. People love belly dancing, and it is a good way to promote Arabic culture," Asmaa Mansour, foreign language teaching assistant, said.

Celebrities such as Shakira and Beyoncé have helped bring this type of dancing to the mainstream. Belly dancing workout

videos and classes are usually available for a small fee, but Georgia Southern University students will be taught the basics for free.

"Many people do not know much about the Arabic culture. Our goal is to promote the language and culture and clear up any misperceptions," Mansour said.

Both men and women are welcome to the event, and the club will provide scarves for participants to tie around their waists. The Arabic Club hosts a variety of events for those interested in learning more about another culture's traditions and lifestyle.

Mansour said, "We have an Arabic coffee hour every Wednesday and a newsletter given out every month. We also have movie nights and [host] the International Poetry Night on the tenth of April at 6 p.m."

Adrenaline Show Choir to take over the PAC

BY MICHELLE NORSWORTHY

The George-Anne contributor

This Saturday, students and the Statesboro community will have the chance to witness one of Georgia Southern University's most entertaining groups of singers and dancers of the past seven years: Adrenaline Show Choir (ASC).

Adrenaline Show Choir will put the "perform" back in "performance," Carrington Kelso, public relations chair of the show choir, said.

Adrenaline will be at the Performing Arts Center on Saturday. The show will start at 7 p.m. and tickets will be \$5.

"There will be a lot of variety and diversity in it," Kelso said. One of the biggest songs of the night will be Bon Jovi's rock anthem 'Livin' on a Prayer' but the show also has songs from other genres like contemporary music and pop. The goal of the show is to tell a story, Kelso said.

"We pride ourselves on performing and making sure the crowd is entertained," Kelso said, which is why Adrenaline Show Choir has practiced and rehearsed for seven months to perfect Saturday's show.

Another talented group of singers will be opening for Adrenaline Show Choir. Pitch Black A Capella is a fairly new organization on campus that has performed with Adrenaline Show Choir on several occasions.

"We perform mostly barbershop," Felipe França, president and co-founder of Pitch Black, said. "It's usually four voices — they are so tied together that it sounds very different."

So different, in fact, that telling them apart is somewhat difficult, França said.

Barbershop is a sound specific to acapella groups and was popular in America in the early and mid 1900s.

"I love engaging the audience, making them smile, making them sort of enjoy themselves," França said. "Especially with little things we add in with the songs. Funny things — we're all about that. Expect to laugh, I'll tell you that much."

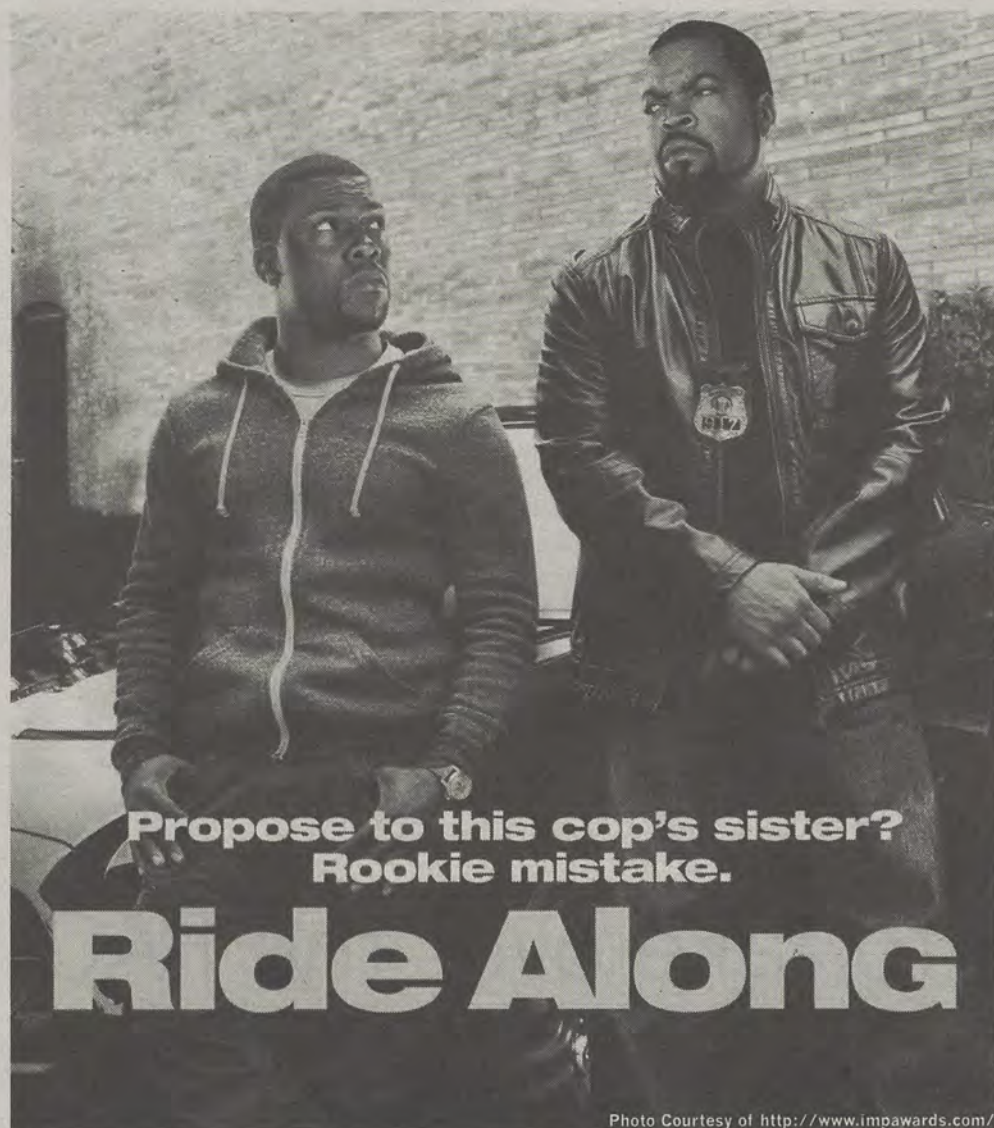
Laughter and entertainment are just two of the things that can be found at Saturday's show. "Finals are coming up right after our show so we want to take a little stress off of everybody. Just come out and enjoy a good show," Kelso said.

Tickets can be bought at the Rotunda from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. until Friday for \$5. Tickets can also be bought at the door for the same price.



Courtesy of Carrington Kelso

Adrenaline Show Choir's upcoming show: Ready Or Not will feature hit music and student musicians. ASC will perform alongside the Pitch Black A Capella quartet.



RAC to continue Dive-In movie series with "Ride Along"

BY ERIKA RICHARDS

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University will dive in head first into the movie "Ride Along" on Friday at the RAC pool at 8:30 p.m.

This unique event will be hosted through collaboration between University Programming Board, Resident Housing Association and Campus Recreation & Intramurals.

Students have a choice of either taking a dip in the pool or sitting back and relaxing in floats that will be provided, all while getting to meet new people and enjoying a great movie.

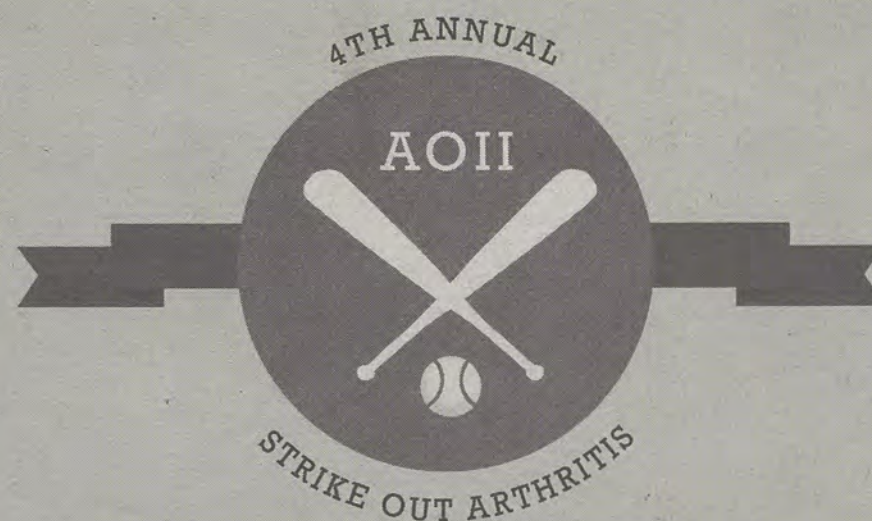
"Ride Along" is a relatively new movie about an aspiring police officer Ben (Kevin Hart) who joins his cop brother-in-law James

(Ice Cube) on a 24-hour patrol of Atlanta in order to prove himself worthy of marrying Angela, James' sister.

Paige Rahn, senior, public relations major and vice president of public relations said, "People should definitely come out, it is not often that you get to watch a movie and swim in the pool. Plus it's free and it's something to do on a Friday night."

Steven D'ziana, senior business major and late night committee chair for UPB, said, "This collaboration is a great opportunity to meet new people and show off what the campus has to offer."

Nyra Simmons, junior psychology major and member of UPB said, "This event is put on for the students and it is their fees at work, students should take advantage of it."



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Reduce, reuse, recycle:

No Impact Week cleans up GSU

BY BRALEY GARLAND

The George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University has dedicated next week to going green. GSU will participate in the annual No Impact Week, April 13-20, to help students leave a smaller footprint.

Collin Beavan, the No Impact Man, started the No Impact Project in 2006 when he and his family decided to go an entire year living in New York City with zero waste. The year was documented through Beavan's book, film and blog. From there, the project grew to encompass campuses and corporations around the world participating one week a year to help lower waste and educate people on ways to better help the environment.

GSU has had four successful years of No Impact Week and this year there are interesting and educational activities planned to get the campus aware of sustainability. Sustainability is being able to produce what we need today and still be able to produce for future generations.

The Center for Sustainability and the Green Ambassadors are a big part of No Impact Week and GSU's sustainability on campus. "We have the longest running No Impact Week of any university," director of the Center for Sustainability Lissa Legee, PhD., said. "The whole week is put on

SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2014 DAY

1 Consumption:

Sustainable Solutions Exhibit, Museum 2-5: This exhibit gives examples of how to help make a greener world.

MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2014

Day 2 Trash:

Trash to Treasure and Workshop, Exhibit at Rotunda 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Workshop in the Russell Union 6 p.m.: Learn to re-purpose wine and beer bottles! Activities at the Rotunda: Exhibits from Sustainable Forestry and Interior Design, recycling table, 2 L bottle greenhouse tours and registration for No Impact to get a free t-shirt.

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2014

Day 3 Food:

Lunar Eclipse Viewing, Planetarium 1:30-5:30 a.m.:

by students for students to encourage easy and fun sustainable practices."

Events are happening every day from Sunday through Saturday. The week starts off with a Sustainable Solutions exhibit at the GSU Museum.

Other events include lessons on how to re-purpose wine bottles and corks at the Rotunda and a Campus

Come to the Planetarium to see a lunar eclipse, Saturn and its rings and Mars!

Campus Farmer's Market, William's Center Plaza 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Home-made and home-grown food along with cooking demonstrations and samples!

Keynote Speaker, Performing Arts Center, 7 p.m.: Dr. Steven Chu, Nobel Prize winner and former Secretary of Energy, will speak on "Renewing our Independence through Renewable Energy: Challenges and Opportunities."

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2014

Day 4 Transportation:

Ride Your Bike to Campus Day Activities at the Rotunda, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.: 1) Student Employment Appreciation Day 2) Like Your Bike: free bike

Farmers Market. There is also the chance to view a lunar eclipse at the planetarium in the wee hours of Tuesday morning.

No Impact Week also encourages the community to ride their bikes by offering free bike tune ups at the Rotunda. Or if biking isn't the thing, the University is offering a walking

tune-ups from CRI's Southern Adventures

3) Campus Sustainability Walking Tour, Departing from the Union Rotunda at 11:30 a.m., 12 and 12:30 p.m. Renewable Energy and the "Green Economy" in Mexico, Russell Union Rm. 2080, 4-5:30 p.m.

Community Bike Ride, Southern Adventures Parking Lot, 4:30 p.m.: Come out for a group ride on the Greenway. All riders are given a raffle ticket for a fun prize.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2014

Day 5 Energy:

Earth Day Celebrations, Rotunda: All day exhibits, classes and DIY craft lessons. Music provided by Pladd Dot School of Rock Sustainability Tours, leave from

tour of campus to explain all of the Sustainable Solutions GSU has to offer.

A highlight of the week is keynote speaker Dr. Steve Chu, a former U.S. Secretary of Energy and Nobel Prize winner, on Tuesday night. Another highlight of the week is celebrating Earth Day on Thursday with many activities during the day from DIY

Museum at 1 p.m.: Come tour the green buildings on campus! Sustainable Feast and Open Mike Night, Garden of the Coastal Plain, 5:30-7:30 p.m.: Come out for a potluck style dinner and open mike night.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2014 DAY

6 Water:

Campus Watershed Cleanup, Rotunda 11 a.m.: Help the campus clean up litter.

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2014 DAY

7 Giving Back:

Wildlife Center Program, Wildlife Center 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.: Interior Design Exhibit: Human Rights and Fair Trade Practices in Textile Industry.

crafts to sustainable exhibits. Earth Day then ends with a potluck dinner and open mike night.

No Impact Week is a week to teach all about the importance of sustainability. No Impact Week also shows that creating less waste doesn't have to be difficult and it can even be fun.



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Blaqshion will make its return to the Russell Union ballroom this Sunday. This year the theme will revolve around the seven deadly sins.

Seven deadly sins to be in annual Blaqshion show

Fashion

BY MEAGAN GREENE

The George-Anne Staff

Among gravestones dwelling in a burial ground surrounded by a mist of fog the seven deadly sins will come out to play in a fashion show hosted by the Black Student Alliance (BSA).

Blaqshion is being performed this Sunday. The annual spring fashion show will commence at 6 p.m. in the Russell Union Ballroom.

Blaqshion 2014 is a production that brings together elements of fashion, modeling and music to showcase designers and models from Georgia Southern University.

James Johnson, senior business management major and vice president of BSA, said, "This year Blaqshion will be much more than just a fashion show because we are collaborating with Dyerzion and GSU Comedy Club to make this a major production any student can enjoy. We also have a few other surprises I can't disclose at this moment."

For this year's show, the theme will be seven deadly sins and each outfit will exhibit the personality, color tones and characteristics of each sin.

Morgan Tatum, junior early childhood education major and newly appointed president of the Black Student Alliance, said, "We tried to stay away from it being too cliché and focus on the darker side of the sins, basically how each sin can take you over and corrupt you."

The sins wrath, greed, sloth, pride, lust, envy and gluttony will be embodied by models that are members of the BSA.

"All of the clothes were designed by fashion majors here at GSU. Various fundraisers around campus and the models' dues funded the clothing thus making this show completely financed, designed, and put on by GSU students," Johnson said.

The money that is collected for each ticket will go back to the organization to pay for fees to actually hold the show.

Every year this organization holds this fashion show, but the BSA has never done anything like this.

ATHLETE'S GPA AVERAGES

Women's Soccer	3.40
Volleyball	3.37
Swimming and Diving	3.35
Women's Basketball	3.25

Teams put school first

BY HAYDEN BOUDREAUX

The George-Anne staff

As the old saying goes, student-athletes are "students first, then athletes."

Some shirk their academic responsibilities; others rise up and mimic their performance on the playing field in the classroom.

It is important to note that the following sports were all in-season at the time of these GPAs. On top of the countless hours dedicated to film, practice and games these teams managed to obtain peak performance from their bodies as well as their minds.

Women's Soccer: 3.40 Average

Led by head coach Brian Dunleavy the Georgia Southern University women's soccer team is sure to keep academics on their mind. The team boasted seven dean's list players and 27 players with a GPA over 3.0. The Eagles were awarded the NSCAA 2013 Team Academic Award. Dunleavy expressed his pride in the academic ability of his team.

"We are very proud of our student-athletes for their commitment and dedication to their academics. They have worked very hard to reach such a high standard, and in doing so, they have showcased our well-rounded program in an exemplary manner," Dunleavy said.

Volleyball: 3.37 Average

After a final Southern Conference championship and an all-around impressive season, the GSU volleyball team proved that they could handle themselves well off

the court. With team leaders such as junior hitter Jamie DeRatt being named to the SoCon Academic Honor Roll, they have set an expectation of both athletic and academic domination.

Swimming and diving: 3.35 Average

Senior swimmer Megan Ostrom has been a testament to the dedication of the swimming and diving team in the classroom. Her 3.90 cumulative GPA earned her the Georgia Southern University Female Scholar Athlete of the Year.

"Megan is one of the most dedicated student-athletes we have ever had in our program. Her intense focus and determination is unparalleled. Quite simply, Megan has a distinct passion for excellence in the pool, in the classroom, and around campus and the community," Nathan Kellog, head swimming coach, said.

Women's basketball: 3.25

Head Coach Chris Vozab just wrapped up her second season managing things on the court. Already her team's record has improved over her two years and she was able to also manage her athlete's performance off the court.

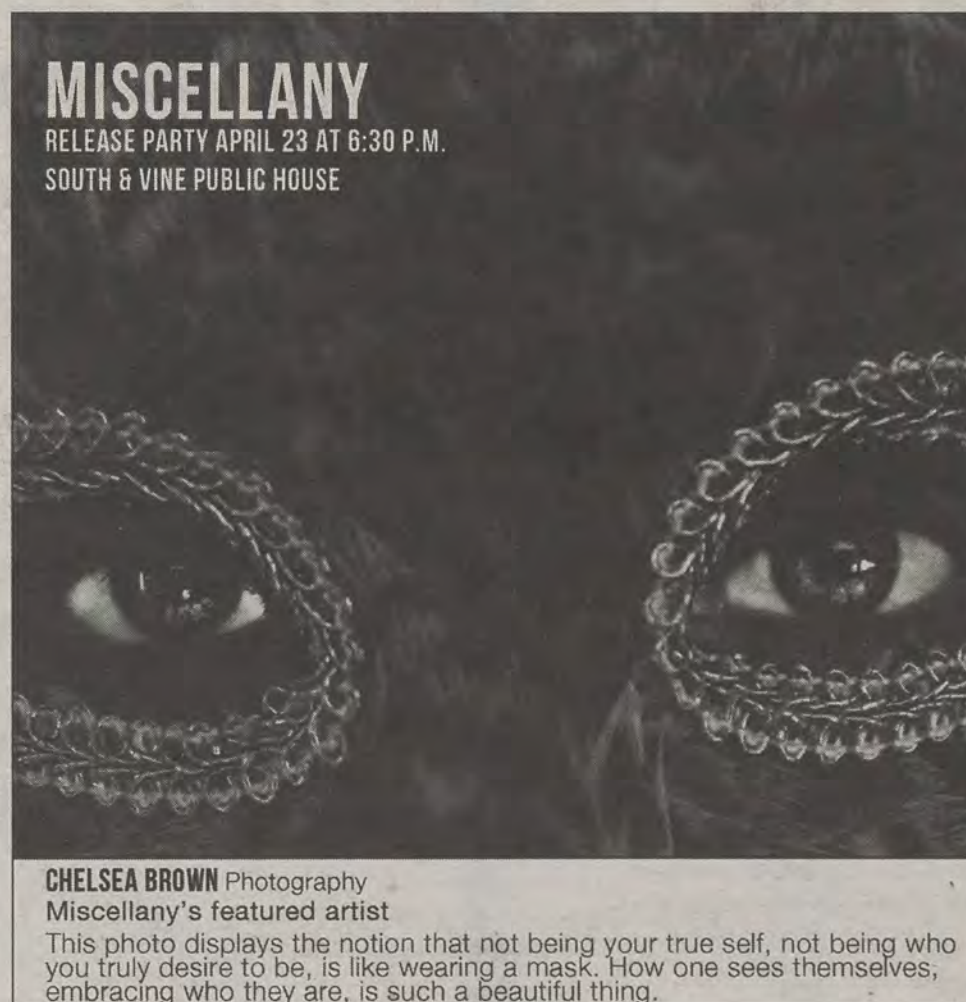
Junior guard Anna Claire Knight lit up the scoreboard this season after being named to the Preseason All-SoCon team. Knight's 3.8 GPA in the field of Sports Management earned her a spot on the SoCon Academic All-Conference team. Knight will continue to lead her team to great things in her senior season, academic and athletic.



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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

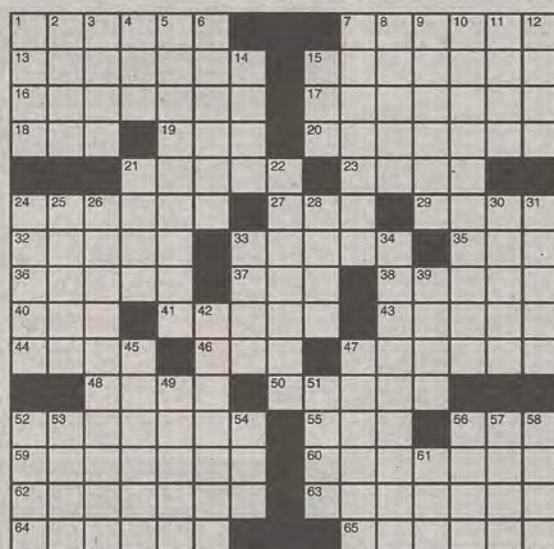
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ACROSS

- 1 Unapproachable
- 7 Heavy shoe
- 13 Like Steven Wright's delivery
- 15 Fragrant hybrid bloom
- 16 Unusually large
- 17 They enjoy being cruel
- 18 GPS display
- 19 Scottish refusal
- 20 Melodic passages
- 21 Cabbage head?
- 23 E. bacteria
- 24 Hug
- 27 Buckeyes' sch.
- 29 Blunt blade
- 32 Main idea
- 33 Defensive story
- 35 "I hate when you do that!"
- 36 Balkan Peninsula capital
- 37 Profit share
- 38 Heavenly hunter
- 40 Prov. on Lake Superior
- 41 Tottenham tot toters
- 43 Squares
- 44 Grape soda brand
- 46 A in German class
- 47 Light spectrum extreme
- 48 L.A. Sparks' org.
- 50 Contractor's details
- 52 Ones with a common heritage
- 55 Eyeball
- 56 "Grimm" network
- 59 Put away, as a hunting knife
- 60 More apt to pout
- 62 Many a Nickelodeon watcher
- 63 Exalt
- 64 Astonishingly enough
- 65 Carol opener

DOWN

- 1 Air Wick target
- 2 It can go on for years
- 3 Dieter's count
- 4 Picks from a lineup
- 5 "Break Like the Wind" band
- 6 Thin ice, say
- 7 Berenstein youngster, e.g.
- 8 Active beginning?
- 9 Maryland state bird, for one
- 10 "TV drama narrated by a teen blogger"
- 11 Apropos of
- 12 Storied loch
- 14 Can't be without
- 15 Bag-checking agcy.
- 21 Hagar's daughter
- 22 The answers to starred clues start with kinds of them, and are arranged in them
- 24 Canon rival
- 25 Worst possible turnout
- 26 "Double-date extra
- 28 Tries to please a master, perhaps
- 30 Diminish by degrees
- 31 Arp contemporary
- 33 Trendy healthful berry
- 34 "Chemical connection that involves a transfer of electrons"
- 39 Classic autos
- 42 Is guilty of a dinner table no-no
- 45 Congenital
- 47 Shakespearean setting
- 49 Falls for a joke
- 51 Fleshy fruit
- 52 "Mike and Mike in the Morning" broadcaster
- 53 Via, briefly
- 54 China's Sun Yat-
- 56 Calligrapher's points
- 57 Seat restraint
- 58 Hudson Bay native
- 61 Forest female



By Robin Stears

Last Edition's Puzzle Solved

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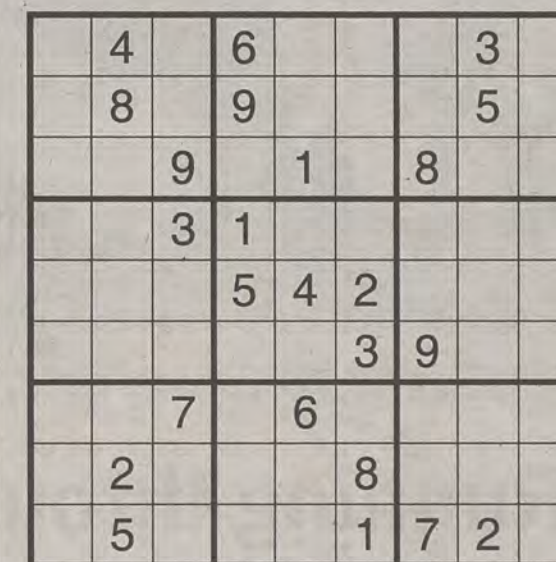
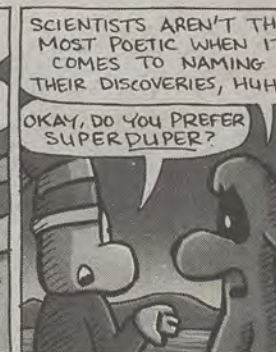
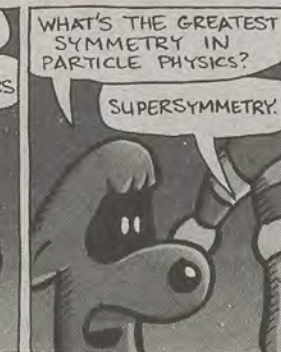
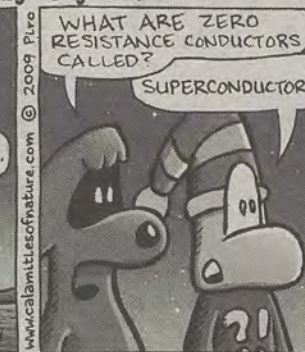
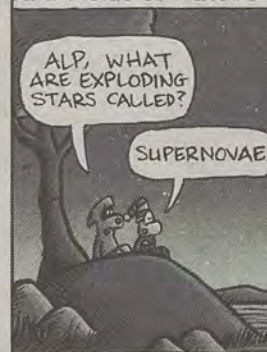


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Sophomore Ashleigh Rasheed set a personal record of 15.48 in the 100-m hurdles at the FSU Relays. The SoCon Outdoor Championships take place the weekend of April 26.

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3/7 - PALMETTO CLASSIC

Stephanne Henzler

47.51 m in the Hammer Throw (6th All Time)

3/22 - FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY RELAYS - TALLAHASSEE, FL

Sherrill McFarlane

ran a 4:41:09 in the 1500 m (1st)

Asha Stegall

ran a 55.62 in the 400m dash (4th)

Dana Edwards

ran a 1:01:13 in the 400m hurdles (5th)

Jasmin Walker

ran a 1:77, 100m (tie 4th)

24.35, 200m (5th)

4x400m relay team ran a 3:42:40 (5th)

3/28 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA INVITATIONAL

Asha Stegall

55.3, 400m (3rd)

Stephanne Henzler

48.76m, Hammer Throw (3rd)

Sherrill McFarlane

2:13.93, 800m (3rd)

4/4 UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA RELAYS

Sherrill McFarlane

2:09:05, 800m (1st)

Dana Edwards

1:00:58, 400m (2nd)

Jasmin Walker

11:727, 100m (2nd)

6'06", long jump (5th)

4x200m relay 1:36:28 (9th)

Running through the Tape (and the record books)

Track and Field

BY BRYAN MARSEILLE

The George-Anne contributor

Statistics in sports can serve as a bridge between eras, a way to compare past legends to today's stars.

Seeing in numbers, the dominance and consistency of the all-time greats offers a measuring stick for the memorable performances of young athletes.

This year has been nothing short of memorable for the Georgia

Southern University women's track and field team. After winning a bronze in the Southern Conference Indoor Championships, the team continues to raise the bar for themselves in outdoor competition.

Coming into the final stretch of the 2014 season, a number of Eagles have thrown, jumped and sprinted their way into the GSU record books.

Part of the Eagles' all-around success this season is due in part to the mentoring of a GSU all-time great.

Head coach Marlo Mincey holds

five combined university records, three outdoor and two indoor. She left her mark on Georgia Southern with six SoCon titles, including performances in the 400 meter hurdles and as a leg in the 4x400 meter relay team that set SoCon records.

In an interview on March 5, 2013, Coach Mincey shared her secret to pulling record-breaking performances out of her athletes.

"Everyday when we get out there it's geared toward [individual goals]," Mincey said. "What it takes to jump 20 feet, what it takes to

be an NCAA qualifier. We always stick to the plan, and that's to be the best at championship time."

Consistency is the golden thread that bonds this well-knit group. An Eagle has recorded a new personal best in every meet this year, peaking with 24 records set at the FSU relays on March 22.

Age is the only number that does not seem to matter for this group. From freshman Asha Stegall to graduate student Sherrill McFarlane, each member of the balanced roster seems capable of a

record-setting feat.

Even with all the hours that go into training and practice, Coach Mincey conceded most of the credit to the competitors themselves.

"At the end of the day, when they're on the line, it's up to them," Mincey said.

The Eagles' get one more crack at history before conference championships during the Spec Towns National Team Invitational at the University of Georgia. Events for Georgia Southern begin on Friday, April 11.



Photo Courtesy of Laura Smith

Junior Laura Smith (above left) and sophomore Elizabeth Belville (above right) represented the GSU Equestrian Team in the National Reining Horse Association semi-finals this year.

Teammates ride to semi-finals

BY LAYNE SALIBA

The George-Anne contributor

Getting national recognition is a big thing, it is something that sports teams get when they make waves in unexpected waters.

Although they're not making waves, because they choose to ride horseback, sophomore Elizabeth Belville and junior Laura Smith are getting the attention they want.

"When I was in middle school I had a horse, and when he was five he went blind," Smith said. "That was devastating because he was my show horse."

"I ended up continuing with him for two years. I took him to shows and everything. Even without his sight people had no idea. It kinda made me push harder to do the best I could because, I mean, here's my horse, he's like completely relying on me to be his eyes. That level of trust, that he would allow me to take him to a strange place and ride him and him be fine."

That wasn't the only struggle that Smith would face throughout her equestrian career. During her

senior year of high school, she would be thrown off the saddle by a horse that had a health issue causing it to start bucking. She suffered a fractured hip due to this and was on crutches for five weeks.

"I went like a month and a half without being able to ride and then I had like three or four weeks to try and get back. I mean, I lost like all the strength in my legs but I ended up going to zones [semi-finals] and making it to nationals," Smith said.

Despite these unfortunate circumstances that Smith went through, she came out on top and made it to the National Reining Horse Association semi-finals this year, along with her teammate, Belville. They both have found a sport that they enjoy and couldn't imagine going through life without it. Even when other things have been let go, riding has always stuck around.

"It's been my life, everything. I'd always do like soccer or gymnastics, but I just kinda would get rid of those, but horse-riding has always stayed with me," Belville said.

Both riders have had a passion

for riding since a young age. Smith started out when she was eight-years-old, while Belville was only three when she first climbed on a horse. Riding has been something they have always loved, and this love for the sport can be largely attributed to each of their mothers.

"She's always been the one that's been there for me. Even when I came to college," Belville said.

"When I was younger, I always wanted to ride. And my mom had always wanted to ride too. So when I was eight she was like 'we'll just get her some horse-back riding lessons and it will be all good.' And then six months later we bought a horse," Smith said.

The desire to ride is something that carried on through elementary school, middle school and high school. Now they have taken it to the collegiate level and seem to be happy with their decision.

Both Belville and Smith chose to attend Georgia Southern University partly because of the equestrian team. Even though Belville didn't ride her first year at GSU because she wanted

to focus on her first semester as a college student, she still wanted to have the option to do what she loves in case she changed her mind.

"I just wanted to take time, but I made sure the school had an equestrian program before I came here," Belville said.

All of the hard work and training took these GSU equestrian stars to the NRHA semi-finals. It was a journey with ups and downs, but once they accomplished what they had been working so long for, they couldn't help but to have an incredible experience. Both girls were able to stay concentrated on their riding, but still were able to have fun and enjoy the time they had while at semi-finals.

"It was a lot of fun. I think it was more fun because we got to do it together. So it was like we both worked towards it the whole summer. The main thing was we both wanted to have fun," Belville said.

They both took part in riding western style at semi-finals, and even though they did not make it further than that, the girls remained positive.

"We were just happy we made it

that far," Belville said.

Smith felt the same way, "It was just an amazing experience to get there," she said.

Both girls, however, realize that they couldn't have gotten to where they are or accomplished what they have without the help and support from those closest to them. They both make mention of their parents, coaches and teammates as key roles in their success.

"My parents were a good support system. And then like in college our coach, Eleanor Ellis, she's really been helpful in helping me grow as a rider in both my ability and confidence," Smith said. "I wouldn't have ever been able to get this far if it wasn't for the support system of our coach and the teammates."

Plans for the future include riding for both girls. The love for riding will always be part of their lives and they don't plan on letting it go. Even though the expenses for showing at competitions may become too much to bear, they will still continue to ride for enjoyment.

Where are they now?

From college baseball to the pros

BY TREVOR MCNABOE

The George-Anne staff

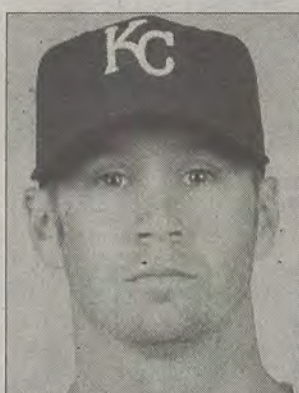
While college baseball is in full swing,

professional baseball has just begun, and six former Georgia Southern University players received assignments to the teams they will play for this season.

Overall a total of eight GSU players are playing or are on a professional baseball team, with four in Single-A, two in Double-A, one in the Korean league and one

is a bullpen catcher for the San Diego Padres. The road is long for these former Eagles but the future still looks bright and possible, and you can see them playing in a ballpark near you.

EVERETT TEAFORD



Everett Teaford was a former Eagle drafted in the 12th round of the 2006 amateur draft by the Kansas City Royals. He played the majority of

the 2013 season with the Royals Triple-A affiliate before making an appearance on the big-league club. Teaford was competing for a spot this season on the Royals before having his contract bought by the LG Twins of the Korean League.

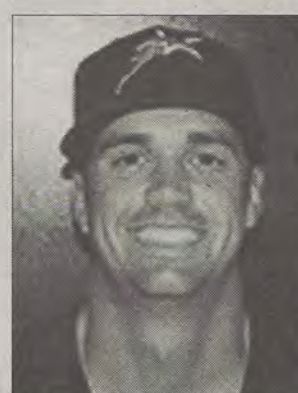
GRIFFIN BENEDICT



Griffin Benedict, a former player of the 2009 NCAA regional team and a 16th round selection in the 2009 draft, will be in his

fourth season as the San Diego Padres bullpen catcher. Prior to his current role, Benedict played a total of 98 minor league games that spanned two seasons with three of the Padres minor league affiliates.

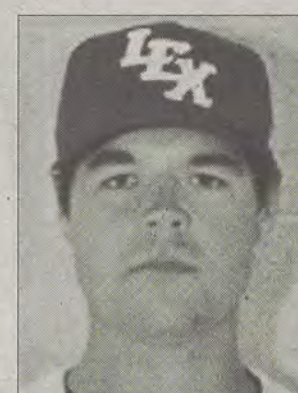
ANDY MOYE



Andy Moya, a 15th round selection in the 2011 draft will be starting off 2014 playing for the Huntsville Stars, a Double-A affiliate of

the Milwaukee Brewers. Moya will be in his second season in Double-A and has a career minor league record of 21-21.

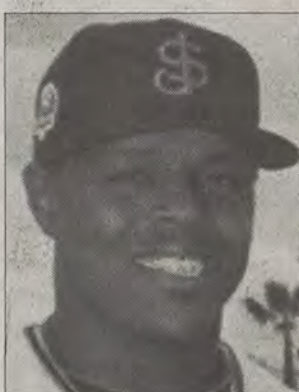
MATT MURRAY



Another draftee from the 2011 draft is former Eagle pitcher Matt Murray. Murray was drafted in the 10th round by the Kansas

City Royals and currently is in Advanced Single-A. Murray was promoted from Single-A last season after posting 60 strikeouts and allowing hitters to hit only .199 in 53.1 innings.

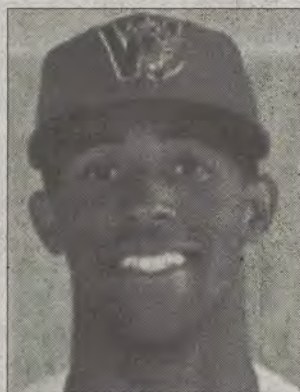
SHAWN PAYNE



The final draftee in the 2011 class is outfielder Shawn Payne. Payne was drafted in the 35th round by the San Francisco Giants and currently

plays with the Single-A affiliate Augusta GreenJackets. Payne made it as far as Advanced A ball last season in San Jose after batting .239 with five home runs and 50 runs batted in.

VICTOR ROACHE



One of the more notable Eagles in recent history, 2012 first round pick Victor Roache will start off in Advanced Single-A Brevard

County, a minor league affiliate of the Brewers, after hitting 22 home runs and driving in 74 RBI's last season in Single-A. Roache currently is the Brewers No. 8 overall prospect in the organization and expected to make his way to the MLB in 2016.

CHRIS BECK



Chris Beck was taken in the 2012 draft in the second round by the Chicago White Sox and will start off in Double-A Birmingham

after a 13-10 overall record last season split between Advanced-A and Double-A last year. Beck is currently listed as the No. 10 overall prospect in the White Sox organization.

JUSTIN HESS



The final player to receive an assignment is 2013 graduate and free agent signee Justin Hess. Hess was not drafted, however he

was picked up by the Houston Astros and will play this season in Single-A Tri-City ValleyCats. Hess impressed the organization last season going 1-0 in five games with a 1.04 ERA and allowing hitters to hit only .194.

Depth of rotation bodes well for rest of Eagles' season

Baseball (27-11)

BY COLIN RITSICK

The George-Anne staff

Right about this time last year, the wheels fell off of Georgia Southern University's baseball season.

The Eagles lost 19 of their final 25 games, and finished with a sub-.500 record for the first time in Head Coach Rodney Hennon's career.

The reason that won't happen this season is the depth of the pitching staff and the emergence of a legitimate bullpen.

It was hard to define a starting rotation last year. The guys that started games also made regular appearances out of the bullpen. Junior LHP Sam Howard and now-graduated RHP Justin Hess started 11 and 13 games in 2013 respectively, but both pitchers appeared 23 times.

There was never a clear weekend rotation that featured three starters and then the bullpen arms. A lot of that had to do with losing starting RHP Will Middour to an elbow injury.

Now, with the addition of sophomore RHP Ryan Frederick (3-0) and reigning Southern

Conference Pitcher of the Week junior RHP Josh Wirsu (6-2) – alongside a healthy Middour (1-2) and Howard (4-3) – there is a set rotation of starters. With this set rotation comes a defined bullpen.

Sophomore LHP Jason Richman (5-0) has emerged as the Eagles best arm out of the pen. He can come in and switch up the batter's eye for an inning or he can work as a long-arm that can throw three or more frames if he has to. Richman's 1.39 ERA is the team's lowest.

Junior RHP Eric Alonzo (2-3) is having a good year. Alonzo did start three games early on in the season, but has been working primarily out of the bullpen as of late. Alonzo has amassed a 2.97 ERA in his 12 appearances.

Another thing GSU has now that it hasn't had in a while is a true closer. Senior RHP Matt McCall (1-0) has seven saves this season.

Having specific roles for the pitchers has fared well for the Eagles – they have the lowest team ERA in the SoCon and an impressive 1.35 WHIP.

GSU got off to their best start since 2009, but in order to avoid 2013's awful finish – the pitching staff needs only to remain healthy.



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Senior RHP Matt McCall (45) has become a staple in the GSU bullpen since transferring from Mercer. The Valdosta native has amassed a 3.82 ERA over 37.2 innings.

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