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Black Stories Matter **Part 2**

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WEATHER BAR

Friday



High: 65°
Low: 57°

Saturday



High: 68°
Low: 59°

Sunday



High: 75°
Low: 58°

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FEELS SO CLAMMY!"



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WHERE ARE THEY NOW: YIK YAK EDITION

By Johnny Lu

Before now, sophomore economics major David Johnson was known to most Georgia Southern University students as the Unicycle Guy.

Over the last year or so, students have started to notice the absence of the one-wheeled enthusiast and are wondering where he is now. With GSU having such a homely feel where it seems like everybody knows one each other without knowing each other, it can be quite the challenge to forget a notable face or character on campus, especially one on a unicycle.



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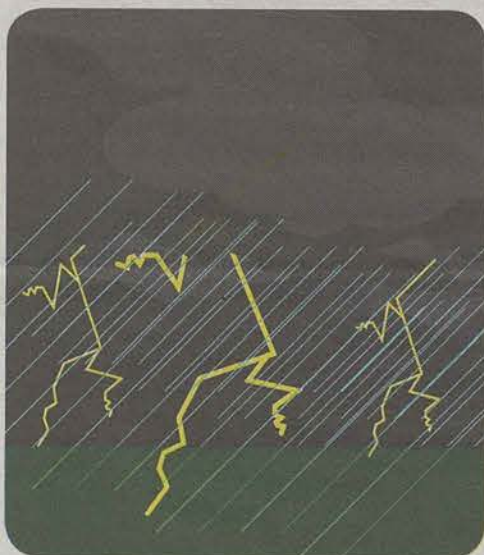
SEVERE WEATHER WARNING: STATESBORO TOP 15

By Caitlyn Oliver

In a report released by HomeInsurance.com on Monday, Statesboro was ranked #12 out of 50 cities for most dangerous city in Georgia for severe weather. Home Insurance analysts looked at information from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Other top cities include Marietta (#1), Atlanta (#2), and Savannah (#8).

To see the full list: <https://homeinsurance.com/blog/25-most-dangerous-georgia-cities-from-severe-weather/>



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For Stomp Out Stigma (SOS) Week, students can relieve stress and put a smile on their faces by visiting the therapy dogs. Today and tomorrow, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m., are the last days to visit them at the Rotunda. Follow @thecirclegsu on Twitter to see these therapy dogs and more!



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George and
Anne saying?

Ever hear anything weird on campus, but had no one to tell? Tweet us @GeorgeAnneDaily and it may get into the paper!

"The college motto: Do it for the free t-shirt!"

"This year for Halloween I'm going to dress as a chemistry exam. That's terrifying to everyone."

"Some days my homework isn't done but I am."

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6:00 - 8:00 pm

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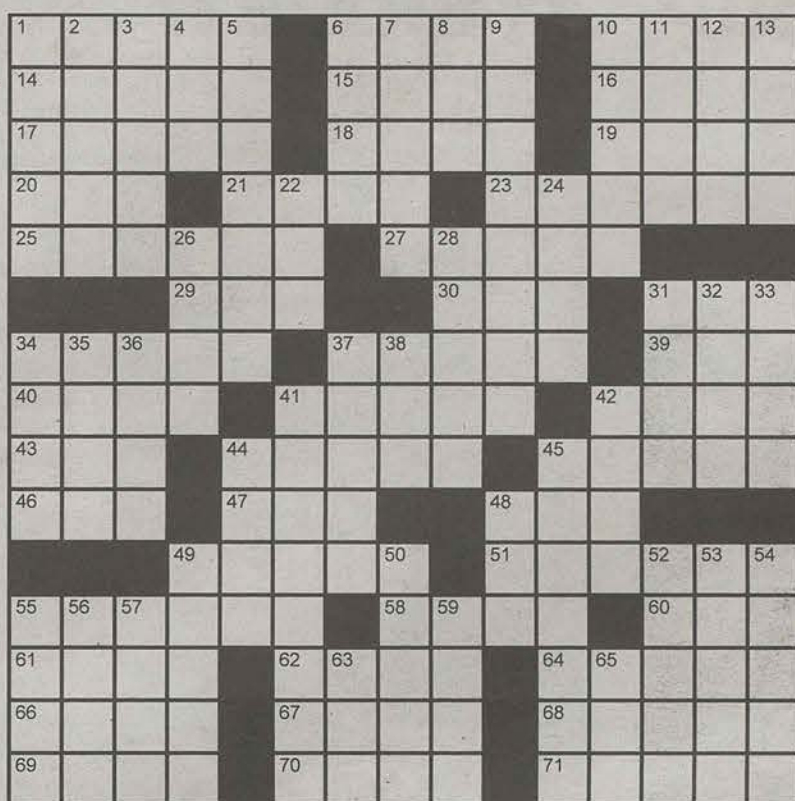
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The George-Anne 10/1/15 Crossword

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6 "That was close!"
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14 For the birds?
15 Talk wildly
16 Earthen pot
17 Destiny
18 Corrida cries
19 Not imagined
20 List abbr.
21 "Shucks!"
23 Calamitous
25 Navy builder
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29 Electric guitar
hookup
30 Like some humor
31 Cat hangout
34 Time period
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39 Be sick
40 Polly, to Tom
41 Sea swallows
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44 Converses
45 Divided land
46 Bagel topper
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48 Two-year-old
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49 Haile Selassie
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51 Passes, as a law
55 Paragraph starter
58 Hidden valley
60 Half-baked
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62 Monk parrot
64 Be theatrical
66 Glazier's item
67 Parts of a herd



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70 Dates
71 Metric volume

Down

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"The Creation"
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34 Drag
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SOUTHERN ADVENTURES SPRING TRIP OVERVIEW

BY KURT HANLON
The George-Anne staff

PHOTO COURTESY OF SOUTHERN ADVENTURES



Southern Adventures, the university's premier resource for outdoor recreational activities, is planning on taking "Adventure Trips" to a variety of different locations this spring, including some trips the program has not attempted before. Ranging from Florida to Texas and all the way to Utah, these trips will provide students with a range of outdoor activities, including kayaking, caving, and skiing.

According to Michael Willett, Southern Adventures Program Director, the fall semester has been a busy one, with a multitude of different trips over a short amount of time. "This semester, we've already gone rafting, surfing, backpacking, bioluminescent kayaking, rock climbing, mountain biking and a full moon canoe trip coming up."

In December, participants will take a backpacking trip to Big Ben National Park, located in Texas and right along the border of Mexico. "It runs right along the Rio Grande, so we'll be able to get into the water," says Willett. "It's a pretty neat place."

The program will start off the spring semester with

a kayaking trip to Cape Canaveral, Florida, where participants kayak right off the coast in sight of launch pads used by NASA. New to the program this spring is a four day trip to Zion National Park in Utah, where participants will engage in backpacking and canyoneering.

Another spring trip to Florida,

which has been historically popular with participants, is kayaking with manatees. "Basically we're kayaking in a little lagoon filled with a bunch of manatees," says Willett. They'll come right up and bump your boat."

Willett is particularly excited about another new trip this spring; a week long ski trip in

Winter Park, Colorado. While students must pay for the cost of the flight and a trip fee that is steeper than closer trips, Willett is confident that the price is worth it, and almost too good to pass up. "It's the best deal you're going to get," says Willett. "Lodging, ski rental, and lift ticket all for around \$700. If you were to fly out there

on your own, and pay for four days of all that, you're going to be paying well over a 1000 dollars right there."

The majority of Southern Adventures budget comes from the recreation fee, already included in student tuition. This allows the program to charge significantly less for trips than a non-student would find available. "[Tuition] is why we only charge \$50 dollars for a four day trip to Florida," Willett explains. "That's nothing for what you're getting."

Transportation is provided by the program. Aside from the upcoming ski trip, Southern Adventures drives to all of its trip locations.

Students don't need to worry about coming unprepared to a trip. Pre-trip meetings are planned well in advance of the actual event, where the directors will go over things students are recommended to pack, including appropriate food and equipment. "We definitely prepare our participants," says Willett. "We don't just send them out there and hope for the best."

Students can inquire and register for trips at the Southern Adventures Center, located behind the RAC and accessible through Old Register Road.

Obama proposes changes to FAFSA process

BY CHRIS ROSSMANN
The George-Anne staff

The Obama administration recently proposed making several changes to the FAFSA process to decrease the time it takes to fill the form out while making it available to more families.

The form can now be submitted two months earlier, on October 1, and allows parents to sync their IRS tax forms to the FAFSA form to make long distance applications easier to fill out. The process allows students more access to grants based on first come, first serve dispersment and allows parents more time to plan the costs of the next semester of college.

"We estimate that over the next several years, literally hundreds of thousands of students will gain access to critical financial aid each year and be able to attend college

when they thought they couldn't," said Secretary of Education, Arne Duncan.

Students can now use their parent's tax information from the previous year and can connect to the IRS to pull the most accurate information possible. This allows students to turn in their FAFSA as early as possible and keeps parents from working on income estimations that may need to be revised later in the year.

"These innovations have increased both speed and accuracy when filling out the FAFSA," said Duncan. "Students and their families are now able to complete the FAFSA in about 20 minutes, about a third of the time it took just seven years ago."

The administration also announced the release of the college scorecard, a new tool to help high school seniors and their parents determine what the real total cost of going to college will be.

"For the first time, new data

has been made available to students and their parents on a wide scale, which has already started a discussion about the value of college and the return on investment, as well as what colleges are doing well and how well their students are doing after college," said White House Domestic Policy Council Director, Cecilia Muñoz.

The primary goal of these changes to the FAFSA form is to help students plan for their future and realize that college is within reach.

"It disturbs me, the number of academically eligible students that never applied to college because they didn't think they could afford it," said Duncan. "That's why we've spent so much time since coming to Washington, to make the process easier and quicker to complete so students can get the information and aid they need."

PLANETARIUM'S MONTHLY EVENT: CHASING THE GHOST PARTICLE

BY OZZIE BUNBURY
The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern's planetarium will be putting on its monthly public event next Friday called Chasing the Ghost Particle. The show is available for all ages with viewing times running from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in 30 minute intervals. Chasing the Ghost Particle takes the audience deep into the ice at the heart of Antarctica.

The evening's event tells the story of an international team of scientists and engineers whom, according to Jeffrey Donenfeld, "transformed one billion tons of Antarctic ice into a telescope. Building IceCube was a titanic endeavor driven by our human passion for discovery." This event is a collaborative production by the Daniel M. Soref Planetarium at the Milwaukee Public Museum and the Wisconsin IceCube Particle Astrophysics Center (WIPAC) of the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

The show will contain simulations of the most energetic places in the known universe. The production's main goal is to showcase scientists looking for traces of neutrino collisions in the ice and demonstrating the connection between the

south pole and the edge of the universe.

Neutrinos are answering some of our biggest questions about the universe surrounding things like exploding stars and black holes. In Antarctica, scientists and researchers are using a particle detector called IceCube to find the nearly massless neutrino particles. The IceCube telescope is a powerful tool to search for dark matter and could reveal a lot of scientific marvels.

The presentation will be displayed in the Digistar Full Dome Digital Planetarium System. Admission is free and shows run for 30 minutes and start every half hour. Spaces is limited in the planetarium, and tickets will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. To ensure a seat, viewers should arrive fifteen to twenty minutes before the showings begin.

WHEN: **OCTOBER 9**
6 P.M.-9:30 P.M.

WHERE: **PLANITARIUM**



Keeping you in the know about Student Affairs and Enrollment Management events, designed with you in mind.

Please join in on the 73rd Annual Georgia NAACP State Convention & Civil Rights Conference on October 8th - October 11th. Conference events/sessions will be held at the Nessmith Lane Conference Center.

For more information, please contact the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management at 912-478-5256.

OCTOBER 2ND

UPB Movie: Vacation

Time: 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Location: Russell Union Theater

Looking for fun on a Friday night? Join the University Programming Board for their biweekly movie series. This event is free and open to the public. Students, please bring your Eagle IDs. This movie will be shown twice tonight (6pm and 8pm). Concessions will be available for minimal cost. Cash sales only. If you need assistance, related to access for this event, please email: upb@georgiasouthern.edu at least 2 weeks prior to the event.

Contact Information: UPB@GeorgiaSouthern.edu

OCTOBER 6TH

Starting A New Student Organization

Time: 5:00 - 7:00 pm

Location: Russell Union, Rm 2044

Interested in starting a new student organization? Attend this workshop to see how!

Contact Information: kvannoord@GeorgiaSouthern.edu

Alternative Breaks & Service

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: RAC Seminar Room

Presenter: Katy Kaesebier - Coordinator of Alternative Breaks & Community Engagement, Office of Leadership & Community Engagement

Description: Do you have a desire to make a difference in the community? Are you passionate about a particular social issue? Come learn how you can impact the community and the world through Georgia Southern's Alternative Break Program and ways to volunteer right here in our community.

Contact: Ginger Bastian at randi-bastian@georgiasouthern.edu

OCTOBER 7TH

UPB - Annual Miss GSU Scholarship Pageant Info

Time: 6:00 - 7:30 pm

Location: Russell Union, Rm 2052

Miss Georgia Southern University is a preliminary pageant for Miss Georgia and the winner could go on to become Miss America. Miss GSU attends traditional and community events and represents the student body in all that she does. Anyone that is interested in participating, must attend at least one information session (no exceptions) and submit an application.

Contact Information: UPB@GeorgiaSouthern.edu

Application timeline

- Open: Wednesday, 07 October at 6:00pm (via MyInvolvement)
- Close: Friday, 13 November at 5:00pm

Contestant Requirements

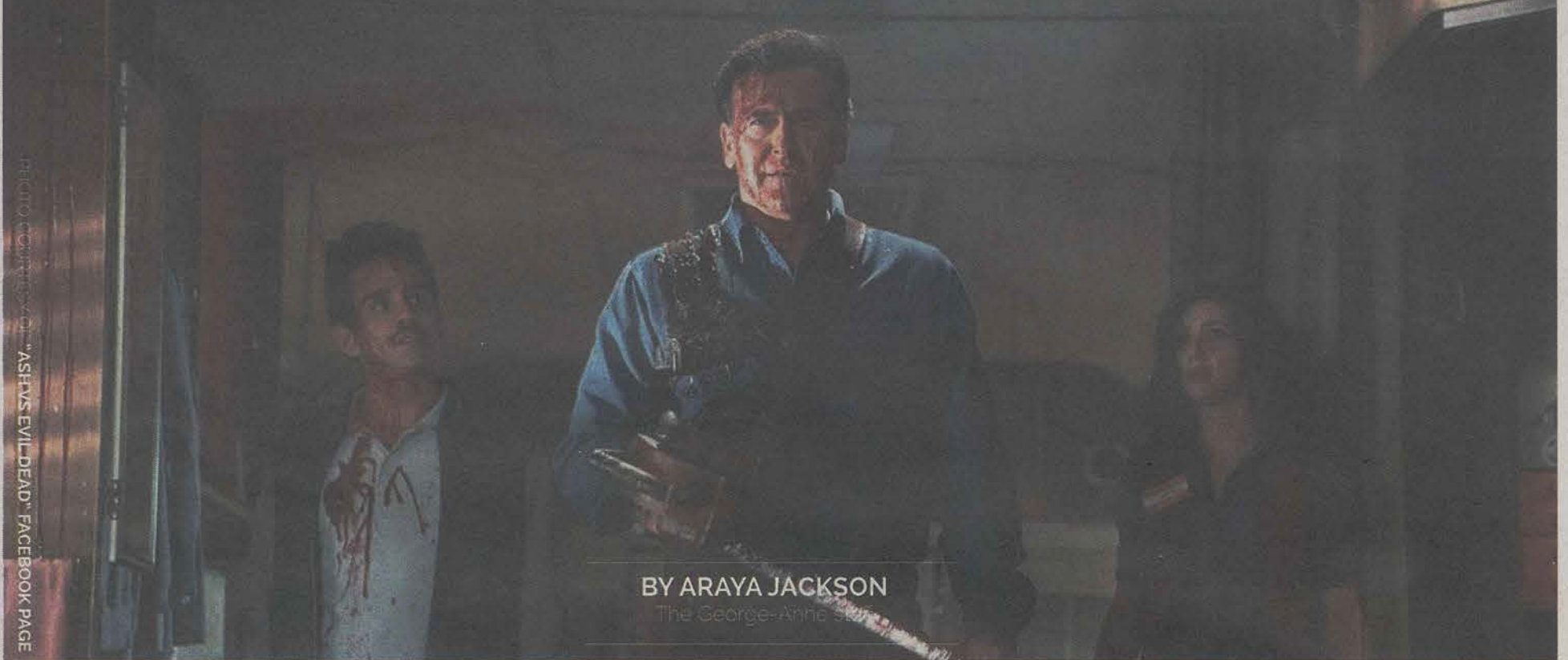
- Must be currently enrolled at Georgia Southern University for 12 or more hours.
- Must have completed at least one semester at Georgia Southern University by date of pageant.
- Must be in good academic and disciplinary standing with the university.
- Complete application, contract, etc. and submit to the Office of Student Activities.
- Must not turn 25 years old during the year of service.
- Must attend Miss Georgia Forum Weekend, if crowned Miss GSU.
- Must be a U.S. citizen (as required by the Miss America Organization).

Contestants must meet all requirements to be eligible.

YOUR STUDENT ACTIVITY FEES AT WORK

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"Fall" Into These New TV Series



BY ARAYA JACKSON

The George-Anne School



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October, hands down one of the best months of the year, has finally arrived, people! October seriously has so much going on that you should never be bored. The leaves change and the weather is perfect, homecoming events are happening left and right, and not to mention, all of the parties for Halloween! However, if you are feeling a lazy night in with some cheap wine and eerie television shows to go along with the Halloween spirit, then here

are just a few ideas for TV shows you should really check out. Of course Disney, ABC Family and SyFy will be playing some of your favorite classic Halloween movies, but you may want to switch it up. I know I personally love the thrill and anxiety of wondering what will happen in next week's episode.

could use to summarize this. So an everyday family living in the apocalypse world? Sounds like good television to me. The show's season finale will be Sunday, Oct. 4 at 9 p.m.

"Scream Queens" (Fox)

When I watched the premiere of this last week, I was baffled that this was actually a show on TV, but at the same time, I was so amused and intrigued that I think me and my friends have started a new Tuesday night tradition (Tav Tuesday you're not being replaced). Imagine a show based on a college campus, focused on the extreme ideas of Greek life with a crazed killer in a mascot's costume running around. It's so ridiculous that you have to keep watching. The show airs Tuesdays at 9 p.m.

"American Horror Story: Hotel" (FX)

The fifth season is starting, and although Jessica Lange will no longer be a part of the cast, none other than Lady Gaga will be playing the hotel Countess. I couldn't think of anyone more weird and mysterious to play the part. It's based around the Cecil hotel in Los Angeles, where there's a wide history of countless murders and suicides. The season premier Wednesday, Oct. 7 at 10 p.m.

"Ash vs Evil Dead" (Starz)

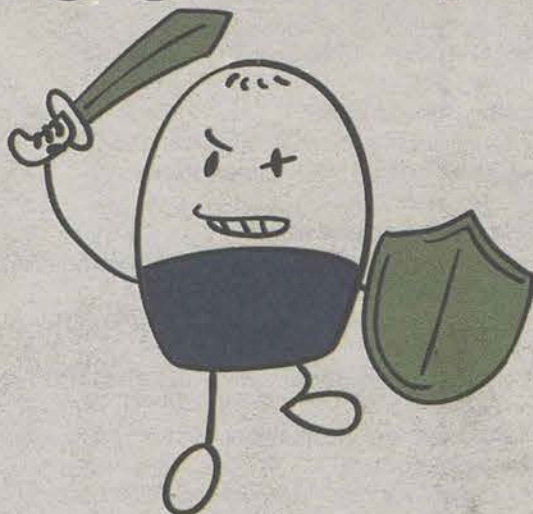
When I came across this, I was shocked. I remember watching the old horror "The Evil Dead" when I was much younger, but now the producers have taken a twist from the movie and have created a series around it. Basically, Ash has been avoiding all responsibilities until the deadly plague of zombies returns, and he is now the only hope mankind has. He has to revisit what had happened 30 years earlier in the cabin and come to terms with his past. The premiere is Saturday, October 31 at 9 p.m.

"Fear the Walking Dead" (AMC)

If you loved "The Walking Dead," this is a definitely must see! This type series is based in the same world as "The Walking Dead." It focuses on a fractured family in a city where people come to escape not only the undead but their own pasts. Strung out children, survival of the fittest, and the breakdown of society are just a few words I

College Health Tip #3

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Kills:
149

Digs:
70

**Favorite
Hobby:**
Outdoor activities

**Favorite
TV Show:**
Friday Night Lights

**Favorite
Subject:**
Science

**Favorite
Food:**
Pretzels and hummus

Freshman Spotlight:

STEPHANIE SPENCER

leads the way

BY DERIK WUCHTE
The George-Anne staff

Freshman Stephanie Spencer from North Canton, OH is the starting outside hitter for the Georgia Southern Eagles volleyball team. She is leading in kills for the Eagles so far this season and has played a major part in each of the team's victories.

Spencer's collegiate career began when she became part of the Eagles during the summer.

"Georgia Southern fit a lot of the criteria that I was looking for in a school," said Spencer. "And I loved the coaches; they were really approachable."

As an Ohio native, Spencer found herself wanting to be part of the Deep South for some time. Southern was a place she wanted to be.

"When I was going through the recruiting process, I always wanted to go south. I don't know why," said Spencer. "I never really looked at any schools up north, or in Ohio. I kind of took them into consideration, but I always wanted to come south for some reason."

Adjusting to the south's pace

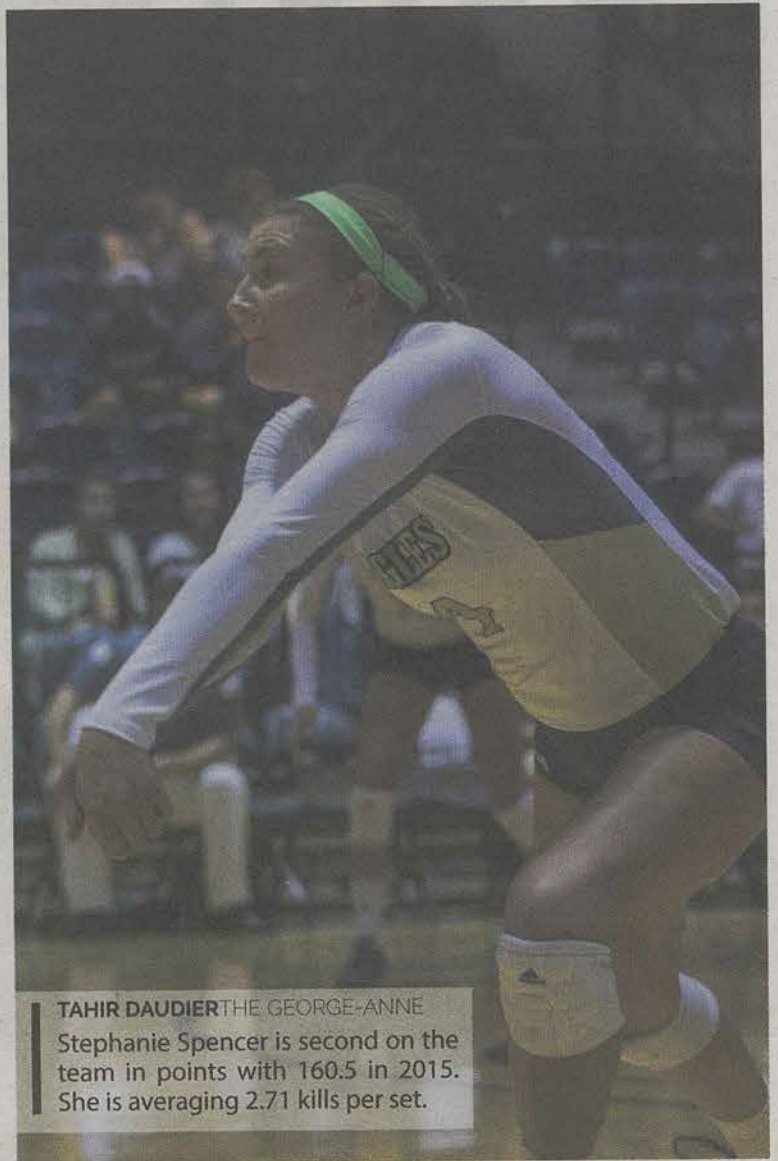
came pretty naturally. Only a thing or two really kept Spencer from acclimatizing right away.

"[The north's] definitely different from down here," said Spencer. "I wasn't really expecting too much of a change. But, culture-wise, it's different. It's kind of cool to experience more north and then more of how people live in the south. It's much hotter. Other than that, I like it. I think it's cool."

Spencer's reason for coming to Southern was mainly for volleyball. Now that she is a starter for the team, her career experience has been a memorable one.

"You jump right into it. There's no time to retrain" said Spencer. "You're just playing from what you knew how to play and trying to incorporate what you know and bring it to this program; taking pieces and bits. It's kind of cool to see it all come together."

Other players on the team helped contribute to Spencer's adjustment to the system and team's playing style. They made it easier for her and the other freshmen to feel welcome on the team.



TAHIR DAUDIER THE GEORGE-ANNE
Stephanie Spencer is second on the team in points with 160.5 in 2015. She is averaging 2.71 kills per set.

"Before I got here, I guess I would always talk to Alex Beecher and refer to her," said Spencer. "I've always really looked up to her cause I know how good of an athlete she is. She's awesome. But even before I started playing with her, she was really approachable, always willing to answer any questions I had, and would check in on me and make sure I was doing okay. That made it a lot more welcoming and easier to bond with the girls."

That was something Head Coach Dustin Wood even mentioned in an interview earlier this season: the team's communion and interactivity have been much better compared to last year.

"Everybody is so welcoming. I understand there has to be that level of respect, and I feel that we, as freshmen, respect the older girls a lot because they have a lot of knowledge and experience. Like we pointed out in practice: these girls know how to win championships. Like, Crysten, and Kat, and Alex; those are the oldest ones. But they know how to win."

"You can't really teach somebody [to win]; you just have to observe, pick up from what they do, and incorporate it in your play. So that's inspiring."

A few bumps in the road have led the team to a 5-10 record now. It isn't the extent of the team's ability, and Spencer knows the team has a lot more to give.

"I think preseason could've gone a little better," said Spencer. "It was definitely a learning experience. We had our highs, and we had our lows. Conference play, so far, is a little shaky, but it's still early. We still have room to improve. There's no way we're going to be stagnant for the rest of the season. I know we're going to get better. We have a ton of room to improve, still. So that's something to look forward to."

"I think if we go into each game with the mentality of a clean slate, focus on this game and 'we're going to take this win'; we can build up a streak from there. It's a good mentality going into this weekend."

"In my eyes, we should be winners," said Spencer. "I think a lot of us, our goal, is to make it to Sun Belt championship. No matter what team you play for, that should be your goal: to win and be successful. We definitely have it in us."

"Going into these next matches, we have the ability to win a Sun Belt Championship and go into NAAs. It's definitely possible, and it's one of my personal goals. And I know it's a lot of the girls on the team's too."

There are 13 regular season matches left for the Eagles before the postseason begins. All of those matches will be Sun Belt conference play.

The Eagles will be in Texas on Thursday, competing against the 11-5 UT Arlington Mavericks.

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BY ETHAN FLYNN

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern football fans have a lot to be happy with; the Eagles are soaring higher and higher in the 2015 campaign. When the Eagles made the 2,600 mile voyage to the land of the Vandals, they were coming off a nearly perfect home victory against a former SoCon rival, The Citadel Bulldogs. The Eagles' defense quickly denied the Bulldogs any opportunities in the passing game, forcing the Bulldogs to attempt to utilize their running game. The Eagles would win decisively, 48-13. Upon arrival in Moscow, Idaho this past Saturday, the Eagles' defense was anxious to begin Sun Belt Conference play. Soon enough, the Vandals' offense

would succumb to the Eagles' no-nonsense, smash-mouth defense. Competing like reigning Sun Belt Conference Champions through all four quarters, the Eagles' defense held their heads high when the last whistle blew. This was another opponent checked off the list but most impressively, since entering the FBS last season, the Eagles have yet to lose in the Sun Belt Conference.

When the Vandals' offense took to the field this past Saturday, they were met with relentless determination from the Eagles' defense. Eagles' defensive end, Bernard Dawson, sacked quarterback, Matt Linehan, the first play of game. Three plays later, Eagles' linebacker, Ironhead Gallon (yes, his name has been legally changed), blocked the punt to end the Vandals'

first offensive series. Between the first series of the game and the last two series of the game, there were a total of five broken up passes and one sack. The Eagles' defense offered a "free defensive tutorial," showcasing another tremendous performance. Included in the tutorial was the "bear-of-a-man," 305-pound Eagles' defensive lineman, Jay Ellison, who managed to intercept a pass in the second-to-last series of the game. To conclude the "free defensive tutorial," Eagles' cornerback, Caleb Williams, intercepted the last pass ending the Vandals' final offensive series of the game.

The Vandals' were limited to 3-of-12 on third downs and 1-of-3 on fourth downs. This upcoming Saturday, the Eagles' will look to continue

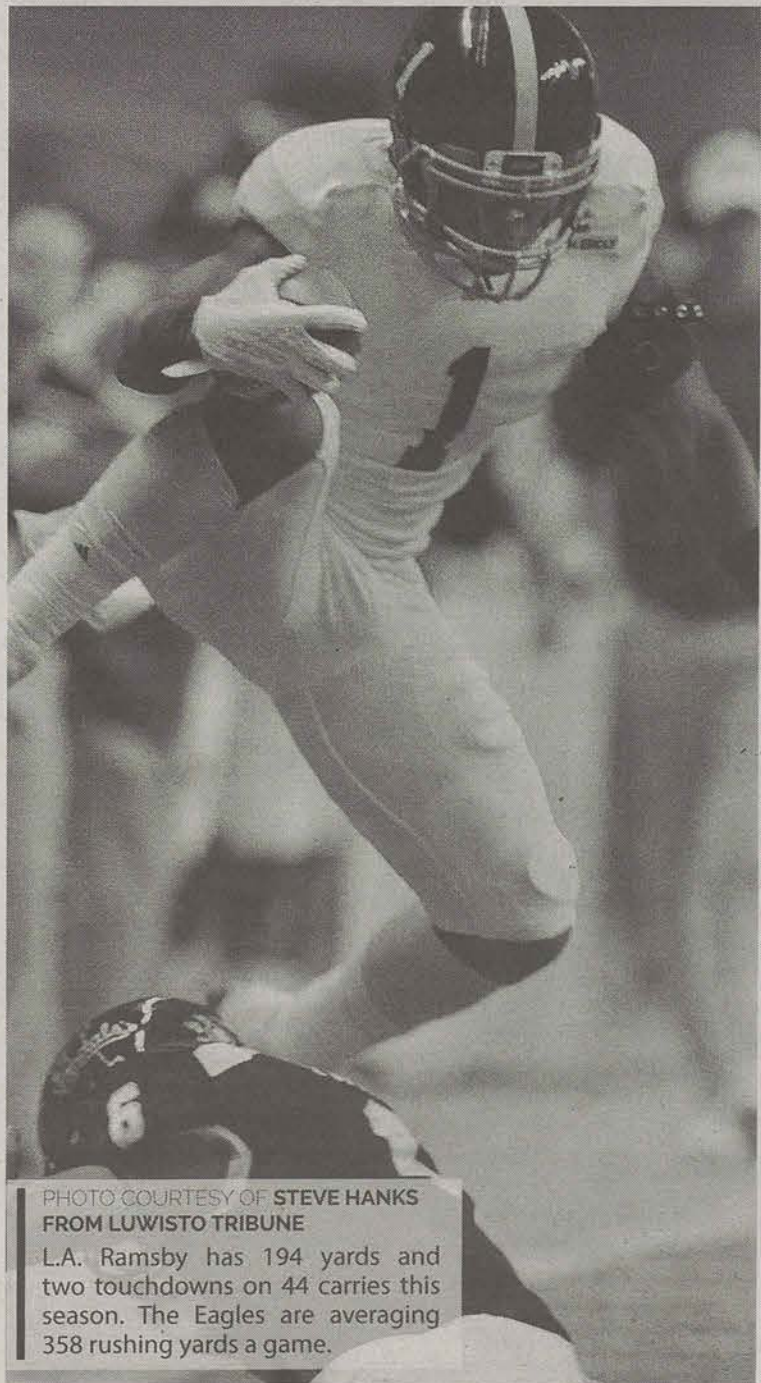
their historical journey as they travel to face their next opponent, the Warhawks of the University of Louisiana at Monroe. Attempting to recover from this past Saturday's battle wounds from their 34-0 shutout against the University of Alabama, the Eagles' will show no mercy to the Warhawks. "Can you run? Can you catch? Or do both at the same time?" said Adam Hunsucker from The News Star, a Monroe based newspaper. Hunsucker goes on to say, "Assuming you still have some college eligibility left to burn, it might be a good idea to run by Malone Stadium and see head coach Todd Berry."

In addition to a lack of players, the Warhawks are destined to make costly penalties. On average,

the Warhawks commit 11 penalties-per-game, making them one of the most penalized teams in the FBS. Mentioning key players on the other team is usually a worthy idea, so here's a portion of the Warhawks projected lineup: redshirt freshman QB Garrett Smith, who has five touchdowns to three interceptions this season, redshirt freshman RB Kaylon Watson who has just 50 rushing yards in 2015, WR Jared Mapps and WR Tre Perrier, who have a combined six receptions and Ajalen Holley, the team's leading receiver with 20 receptions.

Keeping the previous portion of the projected lineup in mind, the best advice is to watch the Eagles' defense reenact a National Geographic special where the birds of prey

EAGLES PREPARE FOR CONFERENCE TEST



BY HAYDEN BOURDREAU

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Working off of a three game winning streak, the Eagles are on the road again down to the bayou to take on the University of Louisiana-Monroe. The Warhawks and the Eagles faced off at the end of last season to secure Georgia Southern their Sun Belt Championship.

The Warhawks have yet to have a game with someone their own size, in both directions. Their two losses came at the hands of UGA 51-14, and Alabama 34-0 last week. The only win of the season came from a Nicholls State beatdown, 47-0. The Eagles aren't only their first conference opponent, but their first real test and a meter for the rest of their conference season. It is most likely a plus for the Eagles that they are able to take on one of their tougher opponents now, as they seem to be in mid-season form and the Warhawks are really just getting started.

Unfortunately, analyzing a team that has had a season like ULM has had its difficulties. The statistics are pretty hard to follow. The Warhawk defense has averaged about 179 rushing yards and 153 yards per game. Obviously, their big games against the SEC powerhouses greatly skew

these negative results, with the whipping they put on Nicholls mudding the waters further. The best thing to do is look at the players on an individual basis, mostly off of returning starters from last season and the few who stood out in the big games this season.

The anchor for their defense is the 6'1" 230lb graduate student at linebacker, Michael Johnson. He has been a dominating force for the Warhawks as last season he led the team in tackles for loss (16) and sacks (8) and finished fourth on the team with 84 tackles. This season, he leads the team with 19 tackles. He is supported by his strong defensive line and ferocious defensive backfield.

Another graduate student leader for the Warhawks is defensive lineman Gerrard Johnson. He was selected to two consecutive All-Sun Belt teams, including first team All-Sun Belt last season. Johnson had a monstrous season last year with 93 total tackles including 12 tackles for loss and six sacks. The former Missouri transfer has started the season with 15 tackles along with two tackles for loss.

The Warhawks sport another All-Sun Belt player in the form of their safety Mitch Lane. The junior started every game last season and

picked off a team high three interceptions and is second on the team with 91 tackles. He isn't a stranger to the spotlight either as he picked off a pass and took it to the end zone against Wake Forest on a play that finished #3 on SportsCenter's Top 10 plays. The safety will have to be vital in slowing down the passing game and keeping junior running back Matt Breida from ripping off stupendous runs up the middle.

The Eagles still have a solid chance of moving the ball on the ground but they will need to get it done through the air as well to open up running lanes. This could be a problem as redshirt junior receiver B.J. Johnson underwent surgery for his injured clavicle and will miss the rest of the season. Other receivers like Derek Keaton and Ryan Longoria will be heavily targeted this weekend and ULM is planning for it.

The second conference game of the season for the Eagles will kick off on October 3rd, at 7pm in Monroe, Louisiana. Follow us on twitter @GeorgeAnneSport for live updates throughout the game.

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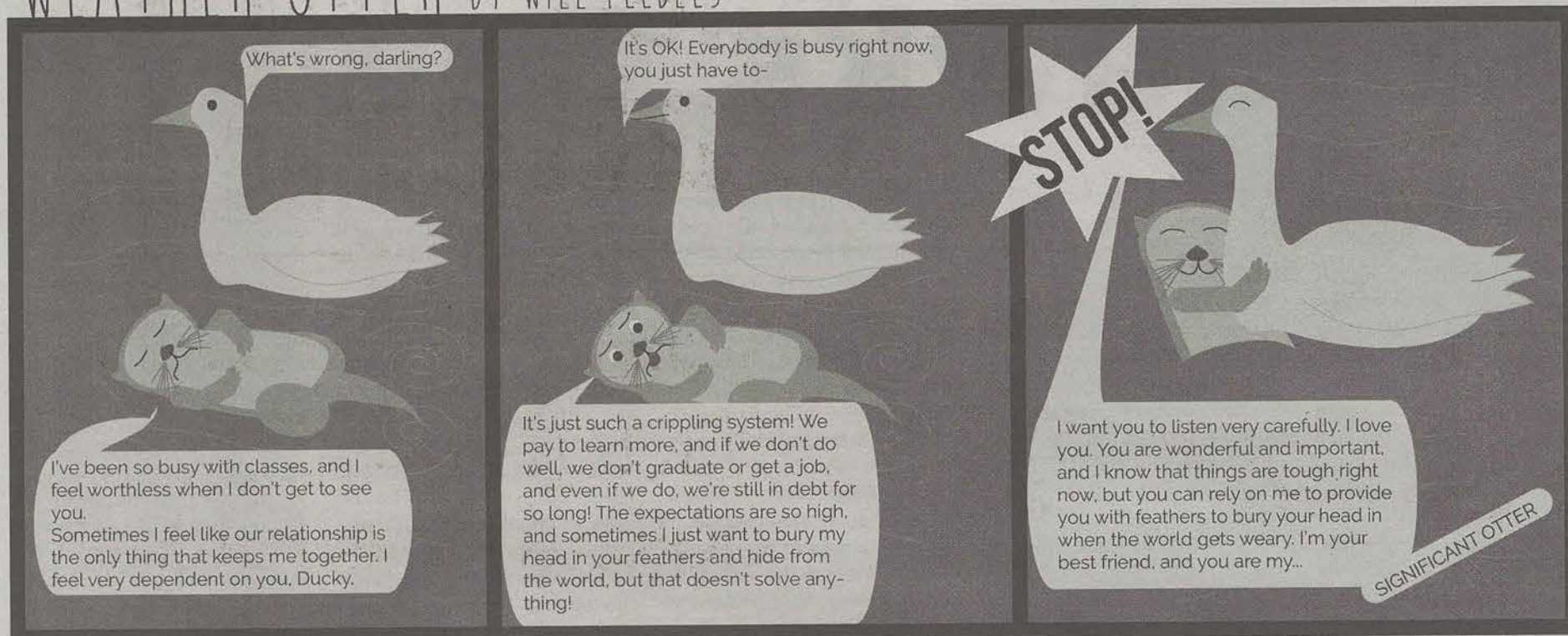
L.A. Ramsby has 194 yards and two touchdowns on 44 carries this season. The Eagles are averaging 358 rushing yards a game.

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IT'S JUST A FANTASY

The dangers of hubris in fantasy football



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Fantasy Football has become something of a cultural phenomenon in the last decade or so. According to a study done by Forbes, over 33 million people play fantasy football, and most of them are in multiple leagues. And it's not just guys who play, as approximately 20 percent of these players are women. There are viewing parties, live fantasy drafts and even lounges in NFL stadiums for people to go and watch their players. There are countless websites that facilitate what is basically gambling on fantasy football. Many private leagues have buy-ins and monetary prizes that go to the winners. Other leagues have consequences for coming in last place, most notably being forced to get embarrassing tattoos

that forever brand them fantasy losers. So how has a game become such a big phenomenon? And more importantly, has it become bigger than the real life game itself?

The NFL has fundamentally changed the way many people watch games on Sunday. DirecTV's RedZone Channel showcases games where a team is close to scoring, or gets into the "red zone." This allows fantasy owners to watch their players get an opportunity to score them points. Most casual NFL fans, including those with no favorite team, would much rather keep track of their players and disregard the actual score and outcome of the games. While this seems crazy to consider, it really isn't when you realize that there can be very large amounts of money riding on what these players do on the field. According to the New York Post, only about 29 percent of players will be playing without money on the line. It's pretty safe to say that fans of the NFL may never watch these games the same again.

One aspect that was probably ignored when fantasy football began was the effect that the game would have on the actual players themselves. Fantasy owners can be the worst, myself included, and with the growth of Twitter and other social media, these people have quite often attacked and blamed players for their fantasy team's lack of success.

In one of the more extreme cases, Brandon Jacobs, a former running back for the New York Giants received death threats against his family if he didn't score enough points in a game. Obviously, this fan is not an accurate representation of the majority of fantasy players, but it's still pretty disgusting to hear that a fan could be so obsessed with the sport that he values his team's success over the life of a human being.

Numerous other players have expressed their disdain for the game. Fans of their team will admit that they pulled for the opposition simply because they had

opponents on their fantasy team. Now there are plenty of players who are indifferent about the game, and even more who play the game themselves. But stories like that of Brandon Jacobs are pretty disgraceful, and can shed a dark light on the game.

I have played fantasy football for about five years now, and have been in multiple leagues the last four years. I'm in a dizzying four leagues this year, with money invested in two of

them. There is a certain satisfaction that comes when your team thrashes one of your friend's team. The trash talking that goes along with a win is probably the biggest draw of the game. And for this reason, along with the growing trend of gambling with the game, is why fantasy football is here to stay. Let's just remember that it is in fact a game, and that regardless of the outcome life goes on.

Now excuse me while I cry over my team's loss from this past Sunday.

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Black Stories Matter

Part 2

SGA President Charles Glover looks to the future

BY WILL PEEBLES
The George-Anne staff

Charles Glover was dressed to the nines. He had just left an SGA meeting and was on the way back to his apartment complex when he was pulled over by a police cruiser.

The officer told him why he was being stopped. His front headlight was out. The officer asked if there was anything in the car that he should know about. Glover told him there was nothing, and gave the officer his license and registration, and while the officer was headed back to his car, two other police cars pulled up behind him.

The two new officers started shining flashlights into his car. They asked Glover again if there was anything in his car that they needed to know about. Glover told them no for a second time. He was eventually given a warning and released, but the situation made him very uneasy.

"It's disparaging. Do my white peers go through this? Are they stopped in this manner? Why does it take three officers to pull me over because my front headlight is out? Why do you need all these people with flashlights looking into my car? I'm just leaving an SGA meeting in a suit and tie and these cops are trying to search my car because I have a headlight out," Glover said.

Glover is a second year graduate student and Student Government Association president. He attended GSU for his undergraduate degree in Psychology, and is currently pursuing his master's degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling.

As SGA president, Glover tries to remain neutral about many different issues on the Georgia Southern campus, but that is often easier said than done.

"It's hard for me being the black male president when I understand the community that I'm from. The minority community, African Americans, they're really really unhappy with some things here. You're going to make someone uncomfortable and make someone upset, but when you ignore people, you also make someone uncomfortable. You make someone upset. It's a lose-lose. Either way you take your lumps," Glover said.

Glover grew up in Cordele, Georgia, a small town sometimes referred to as "The Gateway to South Georgia." It was here that he began learning who he was, shaping his identity.

"I tried dressing like a stereotypical thug, with sagging pants and baggy clothes, trying to fit in with the fashions. I never really felt like it was me. I didn't know in high school that it wasn't the type of person I wanted to be. My dad heavily discouraged that kind of stuff because he knew how I would be treated in America," Glover said.

Glover's search for his own identity continued when he arrived at Georgia Southern in 2010. His SOAR leader was future SGA president Garrett Green. Glover was a mentee of Pathways to Success, a mentoring program run by the Multicultural Student Center. He joined the Student African American Brotherhood. He was involved, but he felt like

he was only going through the motions—until the death of Trayvon Martin.

After the death of the Florida teen in 2012, GSU's Student African American Brotherhood, National Council of Negro Women and NAACP held a forum and a vigil on campus. It was a success. The crowd was filled with mourners and news cameras, and the proceedings of the event ran smoothly. After the event, something unexpected happened.

"If SGA is here to make your life better as a student, and you say you don't feel like you're welcome here on your own campus, then that's a problem."

"Trayvon Martin's cousin was here. She went to GSU, and none of us knew it. She came up after the vigil, crying, saying, 'Thank you so much, because we didn't think anybody cared,'" Glover said. "To make an impact in somebody's life like that, that's when it actually got real for me. I saw that we could make an impact. Even if no one came but her, that was all I needed."

Charles got involved in SGA later that year. He began taking things more

seriously. The second semester of his junior year, he ran for vice president of auxiliary affairs on Garrett Green's ticket. Glover won the title, and kept the position for the next 2 years, through his senior year and his first year of graduate school. He ran for president in April of 2015, and won the position.

As president, Glover aims to make all students feel comfortable at GSU while remaining as neutral as possible. This can be a difficult balancing act, especially when it comes to polarizing social issues.

"There are social things that I want to change on Georgia Southern's campus. I'd like more intermingling and empathy for others that are different from you. The us-versus-them mentality is going to be our downfall," Glover said.

Glover's predecessors taught him that approaching social issues would bring up mixed feelings on campus, but Glover says that bringing up those issues is one of the next steps SGA must take to find solutions.

"People are openly discriminated against. You can find things that are systematically in place, within Georgia Southern, within Statesboro itself. It's hard to fight that at times. It's so ingrained, and you always get the answer: 'This is the way things have always been done.' or 'This is the way things are, I don't see much of a problem. What data and what facts do you have?'" Glover said.

The issues can't be solved until the problems are clearly identified. Glover and the SGA are currently working

on a survey to be distributed at GSU that will attempt to highlight the issues that students believe are the most important. The information gathered by the survey will help SGA set goals for the coming year.

"Sometimes it's hard quantifying what exactly needs to be done. These are your feelings, I understand that. I feel it too, but what can we put into effect that will be beneficial? It's hard, because even on a national level we haven't figured that out yet," Glover said.

Glover would like to move SGA to a place where the organization is able to make all students on campus feel at home, but he knows that doing this in a non divisive way will be a challenge.

"It's not just a white-black campus, it's a white, black, asian, hispanic, christian, muslim, LGBTQ campus. It encompasses everyone, and everyone should be able to feel at home here. We always say it's 'Our House,' but some people feel like they're standing outside of the house," Glover said.

"I'd like to see SGA approach these things. If SGA is here to make your life better as a student, and you say you don't feel like you're welcome here on your own campus, then that's a problem. That's a huge problem for us, and there's no reason we shouldn't say something."

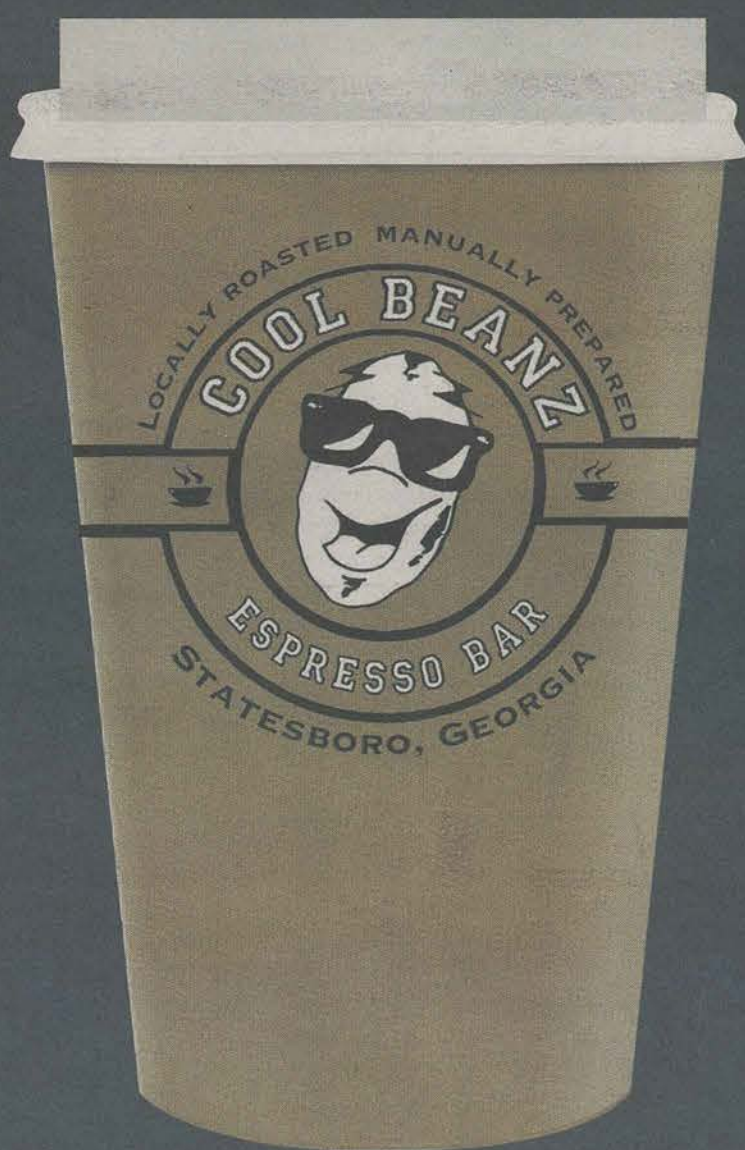


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