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ARE YOU EAGLES READY TO HEAD TO ATHENS?

WE'VE GOT A FEW TIPS AND TRICKS FOR YOU!

Alcohol laws you need to know

Killer spots to kill time

Cole Swindell: Reppin' the #TrueBlue from the 'Boro to the Big City

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WEATHER BAR

Tuesday



High: 74°
Low: 61°

Wednesday



High: 76°
Low: 66°

Thursday



High: 71°
Low: 49°

Friday



High: 68°
Low: 43°

"THOU SHALT NOT WEAR RED"



MAKING IT HOME SAFELY AT ATHENS

By Simeon Ike

The UGA vs. Georgia Southern football game this weekend will not be solely about the game. Before getting behind the wheel of a motor vehicle after drinking keep in mind different types of transportation for the highly intoxicated in Athens.



The UGA Campus Transit will give free shuttle service to and from the game. Buses will begin running five and half hours before kickoff and stop running 15 minutes before kickoff.

UBER

If you are unfamiliar with UBER, it is a cost effective way to get from point A to point B. The uber radius for Athens runs north to south from Commerce, GA to Greensboro, GA. From east to west, the radius runs from Monroe, GA to Philomath, GA.



The ATS provides a Shuttle Bus. The fare is \$10.00 round trip. The bus runs from the airport to the UGA arch. Fares are \$1.75 otherwise.

Things to



ATHENS EDITION

Adeline Kenerly wins Miss Georgia 2015.

Bernie Sanders visited Atlanta on Friday September 11th.

UGA students make a petition protesting the Iran Nuclear Deal. The petition calls for Congress to vote against the deal.

Nick Chubb was injured in Tennessee game. On October 10th, Nick Chubb hyper-extended his knee, forcing him to sit out the rest of the season.

Jeb Bush visited UGA campus before UGA-South Carolina game.

MOCK MEDIATION COMES HOME VICTORIOUS

By Simeon Ike

The Mock Mediation went to Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa on November 13th and 14th to represent GSU in their competition.

While there they also went to the Mediator's World Congress, where international mediators came together in order to give advice to each other and host workshops.

The Mock Mediation team brought home six awards and ranked in the Top 10 at the international competition for the 3rd consecutive year.

- 5th place/ advocate client team
- 10th place mediation team
- 4 all world advocates

Next semester, on April 8th and 9th, the GSU Mock Mediation team will be hosting their own invitational tournament.

SPORTS SHORTS

-Women's Basketball will go from two 20 minutes halves to four 10 minutes quarters. More information at gseagles.com

-Women's volleyball lost on Friday against Appalachian State 0-3.

-On Saturday, women's volleyball won against Georgia State 3-2.

-Men's soccer lost on Saturday against Georgia State 3-5.

It's Never Too Early- or Too Late to Visit Career Services

With the title "Office of Career Services", a lot of students understandably assume the only thing the office is good for is job searching and résumé writing. But, the services offered within the Office of Career Services go much deeper than that and can help you at any stage of your collegiate career. Here are four ways you will benefit from using this valuable career resource.

1. You will be Proactive.

You will get a head start on your career hunt and the steps you need to take in order to get there.

2. You will discover what you know - & what you don't.

You will be able to learn your interests, with knowing your interest and being able to act on them you will learn new strengths or uncover a weakness. With uncovering a weakness sooner you will have time to build from it and turn it into a "strength".

3. You will build relationships.

From discovering Career Services early and

learning what your Career Development Specialist can do for you, it will only help you in the long run. Your Career Development Specialist is a person too and with so many students being seen a continued persistence, or need of their service, will allow you to stand out. With "standing out" come a lot of advantages - including being personally directed toward opportunities and personal reference letters.

4. You will compete & WIN.

Like it or not, the job market is a competition and most students are in school to eventually compete in that job market and come out on top. Taking advantage of the services within the Office of Career Services will allow you to polish skills and learn what companies are looking for in students. The Office of Career Services offers walk-in hours Monday through Friday from noon to 4 pm. For a list of services offered within the office, please visit our website at GeorgiaSouthern.edu/career.



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With the Georgia Southern vs. University of Georgia game approaching this weekend and game tickets selling out in 11 minutes, you can expect a tidal wave of blue in gold to take over Athens.

If you've never been to a game day in this rowdy city, you may not know where to go or what to expect when you get there. From the best places to tailgate, to the best time to go to the bars to watch the game, we have you covered.

See the full story on ReflectorGSU.com

GSU's NAACP Stands with Concerned Student 1950

JAMAR BOYD II

Jamar is a senior sports managements major and vice president of the GSU NAACP

America is being shaken once again. This time spearheaded by the bold, courageous and unashamed black students at the University of Missouri.

The hashtag, #ConcernedStudent1950, brought attention to the damning issues at Mizzou. African American students being treated as second class citizens, called racial obscenities, mocked and the more. Not only that they make up a mere 7% of the student population. A true minority being ignored at a public institution and treated with complete disregard.

Through social media I've watched the growth of their movement from homecoming week there to now. When a ConcernedStudent1950 protester was hit by the

car carrying then President Tim Wolfe in the homecoming parade. A swastika was drawn in human feces at a residence hall. Then this week.

The KKK was present on campus, threatening the lives of black students and others present at the University of Missouri declaring they would kill all the n****s. Along with this was the seeming disregard given by University Police and the city of Columbia, MO. As their alert system through Twitter stated, "in case of a real emergency," that is concerning damning alone.

Nevertheless, these young men and women have continued to stand boldly. That have not bent, broken, folded or given up, but they've gotten stronger. Not only have they continued their efforts through the use of social media, but they've acted in person too. They've stated and listed their demands, demonstrated,

marched protested and much more. They've shaken America again and we plan to shake up Georgia Southern University and Statesboro.

This University has an African American student population of over 26%. Yes, 26%, but you'd be hard pressed to find an adequate representation of such numbers on campus.

We lack a sufficient number of black professionals (faculty, staff and professors). In my four years here I've had three black professors and only one male and the only one who was tenured. We do not have a black student union or cultural center. Instead, the most influential black male and employee here was let go and we, black students, were left scrambling for an advisor and mentor. The buck doesn't stop there. Only three courses are offered in the Africana Studies program and one requires numerous prerequisites. I could go on and on, but in the coming days some things will come forth.

I, Jamar A. Boyd, II, stand with the black students at Mizzou. The Georgia Southern University NAACP stands in solidarity too. Georgia Southern and Statesboro can no longer ignore the black student and community population.

No longer can we ignore the fact of institutionalized racism and systematic oppression. We join in with the Colleges and Universities across this nation and world who are determined to eradicate and eliminate this epidemic.

The road won't be easy, detractors will come, threats may arise, but we will fight and stand tall. If you would've told me my freshman year I'd be serving as NAACP Second Vice President and standing as I am, I wouldn't have believed you. But, thanks be to God for giving me the courage, strength and will to do so.

I love Georgia Southern, I love black GSU and I'm blessed to be where I am. Now, it's time for a change.

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Yearn Coats: The Untrue to GSU



IAN LEONARD

Ian is a sophomore writing and linguistics major from Johns Creek, Ga

This Saturday, November 21st our Georgia Southern Eagles will take on our neighbors to the north, The University of Georgia, in what is sure to be an intense night of collegiate football. Despite being hosted in Athens, many of our students are ready to make the trip in order to support our Eagles during the game. Or at least, we'd like to think they are. While

I like to imagine most of us are die-hard Southern fans, we can't ignore that some people lack a basic sense of school pride. And I'm not talking about the person who wore a Harvard sweater to class one day because it's cold outside. I'm talking about those people who make a conscious effort to wear their Bulldog gear nearly everyday in spite of the fact that they go to Georgia Southern. I'm talking about that person, who only talks about how they're going to transfer in 2 years, even though no one asked. I'm talking about those who, despite the fact that they do go to Georgia Southern, continue to fantasize about other institutions as if they are somehow the answer to all of their problems.

I want to preface this article by saying that, yes, I understand that our humble Statesboro-based university isn't the highest rung on the institutional ladder. I will always be in support of those who genuinely want

to improve themselves, and if going to a larger, more specialized, or more prestigious school can help you in that endeavor, go for it. However I've personally interacted and met multiple people who seem to believe, for no plausible reason, that certain schools are just "better" than others. I don't blame them, it's partly due to the fact that we see some of these institutions in the media constantly. It's only natural that more people would be attracted to a university that has achieved fame through athletic or academic success. In many states, popular athletic programs can take on the role of a professional team for some, like in the way that most Alabamians are either Auburn or Alabama fans. And some students simply grew up with parents or family members who attended these institutions and their pride was simply passed along to them. But what happens when students don't end up attending that school?

Why would you not adopt the same dignity and esteem for the school you actually attend, instead of the one you wish you were attending.

Now that's not to say that you can't like any other universities simply because you go here. There are some instances in which it would be completely acceptable to cheer for another institution. However I can say for certain that, regardless of the competition, regardless of the situation and regardless of the odds, I'll be rooting for my school. Now I'm not telling anyone who they can and can't show their support for, at the end of the day that's your decision. It's just that regardless of your future plans, or endeavors, at this moment, you're a Georgia Southern Eagle, so take pride in that fact. Doing otherwise is just disrespectful to the institution, your fellow students, and really, yourself.

THINGS TO KNOW WHEN DRINKING WITH THE DAWGS

BY KURT HANLON

The George-Anne staff

The game between Georgia Southern and the University of Georgia is less than a week away, and the consumption of alcohol will no doubt be a factor during game-day. While certain offenses related to alcohol, such as public intoxication, public urination, and driving under the influence should go without saying, there are some laws in Athens students should be aware of before they come to support the Eagles.

Athens-Clarke County has a strict open container policy. Be it cup, can or bottle, any alcoholic beverage that is open is against the law in all public areas of the city.

According to the Athens municipal code, this also includes "semi-public parking facilities," which are privately owned parking lots being used

by the public. This law mainly applies to private property owners charging members of the public to park on their property, a common site on college game days.

The University of Georgia operates under different ordinances than the county, and in addition to tailgating lots, certain areas on campus are also not subject to the open container policy.

"Open containers on the grassy areas of campus are okay," says Bob Taylor, a Public Affairs representative for UGA's campus police. "But many of the sidewalks adjacent to campus are patrolled by Athens-Clarke County and are subject to open container ordinances."

Much like GSU's Paulson Stadium, no alcoholic beverages are allowed inside

UGA's Sanford Stadium. The University of Georgia, also like Georgia Southern, has a tobacco free campus, meaning all tobacco products are prohibited on campus at all times, and anyone caught with tobacco in or around Sanford Stadium could be ejected from the premises.

Some students may be aware of a recently passed state law that dropped the requirement of police to arrest an underage offender consuming or possessing alcohol, instead issuing a citation and releasing the offender.

While this is true, Lieutenant Richard Odom, a member of the Athens-Clarke County police for over 20 years, stresses that the law gives police discretionary power, and if the underage drinker is committing anymore offense,

they will be taken in.

"The officer should cite and release unless the offender is so intoxicated they are a danger to themselves, or if there is another charge," says Odom. "I had a knucklehead last weekend try to tell me I couldn't arrest him and I said 'Son, if you had an ID where I could tell who you are, that might be true, but I don't know who you are, so you're going to jail.'"

Even being intoxicated at a legal age can be a poor decision in Athens, and a person found in this condition could be fined up \$1000 and possibly six months jail time.

In regards to alcohol sales, stores stop selling alcoholic beverages at 11:30pm every night, and last call for Athens bars comes shortly before 2am. All bars must be cleared

by 2:45am.

Public buses in Athens stop running at 11pm, but a person needing a ride after this time can take utilize one of the 5 taxi services operating in Athens or the popular transportation service Uber.

If a person finds themselves in a position where they absolutely have no way of leaving downtown, there are no ordinances preventing a person from sleeping in their cars, though obviously this is an option of last resort.

"Party and have a good time," says Lieutenant Odom. "Don't be stupid, and you'll be alright."

NAACP HOLDS BLACKOUT

BY ERINN WILLIAMS

The George-Anne staff

After statements made on social media by a Georgia Southern University student that were seen by many as racist and Islamophobic, the GSU Arabic Club, Georgia Southern University and the GSU NAACP chapter released statements.

"Since it was founded in 2012, the Arabic Club at GSU has been promoting dialogue on our campus and community. Our message is a message of understanding, coexistence, and respect. We condemn all forms of threats, racism, Xenophobia, and related intolerance. We encourage GSU students to engage in a respectful and meaningful dialogue and avoid intolerant behavior. As Helen Keller said 'The highest result of education is tolerance.'" - GSU Arabic Club

"The use of threatening language is a violation of the Georgia Southern code of student conduct and goes against our VALUES, one of which is 'Every voice has the right to be heard and every word

will be spoken with respect.' Responding with additional threats is never a solution. The University takes all threats to anyone in our community very seriously and will respond with appropriate disciplinary action. As always, Georgia Southern encourages students to exercise their right to free speech and engage in respectful dialogue." - Georgia Southern University

"The recent revelation of the comments made by Georgia Southern University student...brings light to the pressing issue at hand. The issue(s) of Black Lives Matter, Concerned Student 1950 and #BlacksAreSouthernToo. We, the Georgia Southern University NAACP, are ready and willing to stand as Black Georgia Southern. The comments of...reveal a sentiment that may be felt by many. Today, tomorrow and going forward we pledge to not compromise who we are to fit the mold of society. We love our blackness and we love the blackness of others. We are black and we are proud. Black lives matter and never forget blacks are southern too." - GSU NAACP

GSU organizational release statements including social media incident

BY ERINN WILLIAMS

The George-Anne staff

After listing a page of demands to Georgia Southern University in a statement released on Monday, the NAACP has scheduled events in an effort to 'shake up' the campus.

Today, the Georgia Southern NAACP will hold a blackout at 11:45 a.m. in the Russell Union.

"This is the beginning of some things that need to happen...As we said in our statement we make up over 26 percent of this university but are not represented through faculty, staff and professionals. Facilities

on campus are not inclusive of all minorities, especially black students. I guess you can say that the incidents that took place at Missouri have helped us to be bold and speak out," Jamar Boyd II, senior management major and second vice-president of the GSU NAACP, said.

Wednesday, "Blackout Phase 2" will occur where a sit in will be staged in the Russell Union from 12-1 p.m. Later students will gather in the Education Building for "Niggas vs Negus at 6:30 p.m."

"I think the big thing that people need to realize that this is not a hate mission or one of violence, but it's to shed light," Boyd said.

ATHENS NIGHTLIFE 101

BY TANDRA SMITH
The George-Anne staff

So you've found yourself in Athens, Georgia, eagerly awaiting the game between Georgia Southern and Georgia. Instead of trash talking the Bulldogs on Yik Yak, here's the top 5 things you can check out during your weekend in Athens.

F. SANFORD STADIUM

100 Sanford Dr.

If you want to get a good look at the place where the Eagles will break Bulldogs' hearts on Saturday, check out Sanford Stadium, the tenth largest stadium in the NCAA.

C, D, E VARIOUS BARS

335 E Clayton St (Whiskey Bent), 429 E Broad St (Double Barrel), 220 College Ave #101 (Sand Bar)

Pre-game, during the game or post-game, you can't go wrong with bars like Whiskey Bent, Double Barrel and the Sand Bar, as long as you're of age. I would offer up our own fabulous bars, but I'm afraid this is one thing Athens has us bested in.

B. 40 WATT CLUB

285 W Washington St

If Cole Swindell's not your thing, the 40 Watt Club might be more up your alley. They've hosted artists from Nirvana to Snoop Dogg and from the Killers to R.E.M. On Friday, November 20th, there will be a free dance party with the Booty Boyz at 10 p.m., and on Saturday, the venue will host Effie's Club Follies, in a performance titled Effie's Club Follies: Through Time and Space! starting at 9pm.

VARIOUS RESTAURANTS

Whether you like Mexican, Italian or even brunch food, Athens has plenty of it. Mamma's Boys, Ted's Most Best, Cali N Titos are among the many popular restaurants. Of course, none of these hold a candle to Big Shows, El Sombrero, Millhouse, Fuzzy's or GATA's...but one can dream.

5. THE CLASSIC CENTER

300 N Thomas St.

The Classic Center has been home to many events, conventions and workshops, but on Friday, the Classic Center will host a concert by Cole Swindell, a Georgia Southern alumni. How fitting that he will perform in Athens before his alma mater wins the following night.



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COLE SWINDELL

GSU ALUM TURNED #TRUEBLUE COUNTRY STAR

BY ARAYA JACKSON
The George-Anne staff

I know that as Georgia Southern students, we have some of the best school spirit in the Sun Belt, and really all over Georgia. "Hail Southern" is not only a chant, but a lifestyle. It's hard to go here and not fall completely in love.

While this may be true, it's pretty apparent that when many people look at this rural place, people don't realize that Statesboro is home to some pretty cool things and people.

How about that Zaxby's chicken finger plate that you chow down on in that little hour and a half break you have on campus? Zaxby's originated here. Actually, right where the new one stands. The 1995 movie "Now and Then" with Demi Moore was filmed here, Danny McBride from "This is the End" is a Statesboro native, and we all know country music entertainer of the year, Luke Bryan, came right out of Sigma Chi.

Now that we're all feeling a little nostalgic, I want to talk about one Georgia Southern alumni that represents us in the brightest light and puts our name out there everywhere he goes. If there was ever a biggest fan of our school, it would be this guy. Of course "this guy" is none other than Cole Swindell.

After graduating in 2007, Cole Swindell went on to help fellow GSU friend and Sigma Chi brother, Luke Bryan, sell merchandise and opened shows for him. When 2010 rolled around, Swindell signed his own publishing deal. Ever

since, Swindell has been no stranger to the fabulous life of a country star.

This kind of fame can lead one's head to double in size and one's ego to fly through the roof. However that isn't the case here. Think about this: how often do you see a picture of Cole Swindell not wearing his GSU baseball cap? Hardly ever. Seriously, try Googling images of him just to try to find other pictures without the hat and you'll see that it's rare. Everywhere he goes, he has us with him. CMA awards, music videos, performances, etc. He's always 'repping that blue and gold.

The College of Business (COBA) where Swindell graduated from with his degree in marketing, couldn't be more proud of the alum either. A representative from the college said, "Every time Cole appears sporting his Georgia Southern baseball cap, it makes us proud to know he's part of the Eagle Nation. In recent interviews, he's talked about how Georgia Southern has been a part of his life since he was a little boy, coming to football games and sliding down the hill."

To dive further into things here at Southern, Swindell has recently partnered up with the school to release his own line of GSU apparel. If that's not love for your school, I don't know what is.

Not only does he show his Eagle pride everywhere he goes, but he does it with the most positive attitude. We probably wouldn't be ranting on about this guy so much if he was a total jerkwad. Luckily, he's not.

One Georgia Southern and Alpha Omicron Pi alum,

Kelley Bradshaw, who now works for iHeart radio, has met her fellow alum many times and had nothing but positive things to say about him. "I met him before a show in Chattanooga and told him I went to Southern and he was super sweet, asking me my major and congratulating me on my job. He said he loved to see some alumni working with country music! And of course, he was wearing his Georgia Southern hat!" Kelley, along with many other students and fans, have nothing but favorable and supportive things to say about him.

He's just as awesome behind a screen as he is in person, with the way he responds back to fans on social media like Twitter. It's like every other day he's on there giving shout outs or meet and greet passes for die-hard fans. Not to mention he practically retweets everything Georgia Southern, from news happenings to everything sports. He's constantly proving to the world that fame and fortune hasn't taken away the country boy from his small town and school.

Cole Swindell is an outstanding alum and never ceases to make us proud. With that being said, it's our job to show our support for him. With the UGA vs. Southern game this weekend, I know we will all be in Athens, giving us no excuse to not be at his concert the night before. He didn't open tickets up to Georgia Southern students first for nothing. So join myself, fellow GSU students and other Swindell fans alike in welcoming in an awesome weekend!

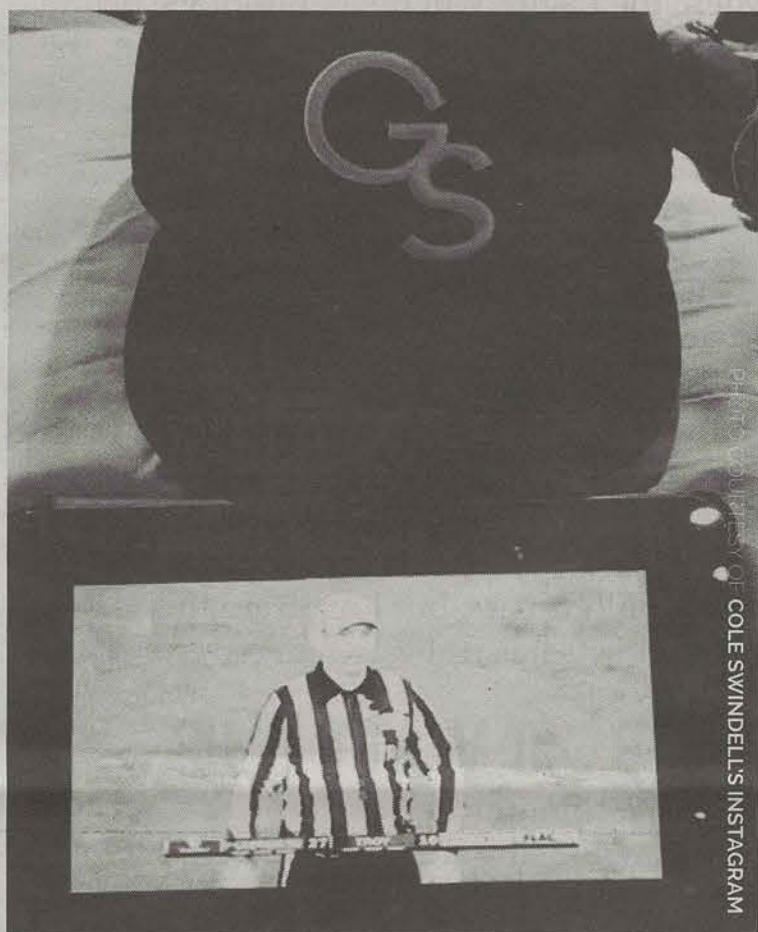


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Cole Swindell, faithful Georgia Southern alum, represents his university everywhere he goes, whether it be the stage or the Country Music Awards.



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Oh I'll be there soon I hope! #gata

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@coleswindell How bout another visit to the great Georgia Southern University 🇺🇸❤️



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ATHENS GAMEDAY PRO-TIPS: HOW TO SURVIVE GAME DAY AND HAVE A GREAT TIME DOING IT

BY RACHEL KELSO AND ALEXANDRIA RICHBOURG
The George-Anne contributors

The most talked about game of the season is right around the corner. This Saturday the Eagles will face the Georgia Bulldogs at Sanford Stadium in Athens, and while the festivities are meant to be fun and competitive, you want to be safe while you and the rest of Eagle Nation live it up and cheer on our team. With two passionate fan bases facing off, emotions will be running at an all-time high, so use these safety tips to enjoy the game and the weekend to the fullest extent.

1. USE THE BUDDY SYSTEM

Carpool, tailgate, and explore Athens with other fellow Eagles. The last thing you want is to end up alone in an unfamiliar area on what is expected to be one of the most intense game days this season. Athens is a fun town and has a

lot to offer, but it's even more fun when you're getting to experience it with a great group of friends.

"Travel in groups! Don't go anywhere alone. Additionally, just be careful. Don't do anything that doesn't feel right. If you think, 'this might get me in trouble, I should probably not do this,' Go with your gut feeling. Don't do it. Even though the games are super fun, this is a time where people can act a little off the wall and people can get a little crazy," Karly Smith, UGA junior marketing major, said.

2. SHOW YOUR TRUE BLUE SPIRIT HONORABLY

While it may be tempting to stir the pot and mess with the Bulldog fans, let's show them that the Georgia Southern fan

base can respect the territory, rules, and one another. We are the visiting team, so we need to show respect to the town, the campus, and the community. That being said, paint up, wear your best blue and gold attire, and get ready to show UGA whose house this really is with good sportsmanship and respect.

3. DRINK RESPONSIBLY

If you do decide to drink, make sure you do so wisely. Not only do you want to be sober enough to remember the game, but you also don't want to end up in trouble with Athens law enforcement. Police will be on high alert for drunk and disorderly fans, so make sure you are smart about your drinking and handle yourself appropriately. Don't have a DD? Call an Uber! Yes, there is UBER in Athens, so don't hesitate to take advantage of it.

"To stay safe, UGA students always make sure we have a designated driver if people are going to be partaking in drinking alcoholic beverages. Call an Uber. At the end of the day you'd rather pay a little more for an Uber than to end up with a charge," Smith said.

4. DON'T JAYWALK

This might sound like a strange safety tip, but Athens cops are known to give out hefty fines to those who don't wait their turn to cross the street. Jaywalking is one of the most popular ways that cops in this town will stop you. As tempting as the other side of the road may look, just wait for your signal to legally cross.

5. HAVE FUN!

It's okay to have fun, party, and enjoy the weekend in Athens but just remember to

be safe not only for yourself, but for the people around you as well. This game is a highly anticipated and very important one for Georgia Southern, so get excited! Make the trip to support your Eagles an unforgettable one. Have fun, be safe and HAIL SOUTHERN!

According to UGA's website Safe & Secure: A guide for Students, Faculty, staff and Visitors of the University of Georgia, If you are on campus and you want to report a crime, you can contact the UGA's police Department at (706) 542-2200. In addition, if you ever witness a crime off campus and it isn't an emergency, you can call the Athens-Clarke County Police Department at (706) 613-3330.

Have fun in Athens, Eagles. Represent your school, and be safe doing it!

Learn more about UGA safety tips at <http://safeandsecure.uga.edu/index.html>

UGA INSULTS

BY CHERYL NUZUM AND RICKY VEASLEY
The George-Anne contributors

The Georgia Southern football team will be heading to Athens to play the UGA Bulldogs on Saturday, Nov. 21 at Sanford Stadium. Open up your notepads, grab your pencils because we're about to school them on how Eagle Nation does insults. Here's our top list of insults to throw on game day:

"WHAT DO YOU CALL A UGA PLAYER WITH A CHAMPIONSHIP RING?"
"A THIEF."

"HOW DO YOU MAKE UGA COOKIES?" "PUT IN A BIG BOWL AND BEAT FOR 3 HOURS."

"SO, IT'S OUR QUARTERBACK ELLISON VERSUS....WHO AGAIN?"

"WHY DO GEORGIA PLAYERS EAT CEREAL STRAIGHT FROM THE BOX?" "THEY CHOKE WHEN THEY GET TOO CLOSE TO A BOWL."

"SURE 'GATA' MAY HAVE STARTED AT UGA BUT NOW THEY'VE MOVED ON TO OTHER SAYINGS, LIKE 'IT'S A COACHING PROBLEM' OR 'MAYBE NEXT YEAR.'"

Let's Watch Some Football

By Meg Elwood & Bailey Adcock

The George-Anne staff & The George-Anne contributor

While some of us are making the trek up to Athens on Saturday, others are not quite as adventurous. Alas, there are more options! All over the state of Georgia, viewing parties will be held to show the game for us die-hard Eagles. In fact, there are viewing parties held all over the country, from Statesboro to San Francisco.

***Here are some of
the locations in and
around Atlanta:***

Smoke Ring BBQ

Smoke Ring BBQ in Metro-Atlanta is located at 309 Nelson Street, Southwest. This is a down-home barbecue restaurant run by Georgia Southern alum Jordan Wakefield who also happens to be the executive chef. Some of the menu items include sliders (with names such as "The Tractor Pull" and "The Farmer's Daughter"), barbecue plates and sandwiches such as the "Best Damn Grilled Cheese Ever!" and "Smoke Ring BLT". For those 21 and over, Smoke Ring BBQ offers "southern elixirs, along with Georgia wines and beers and moonshine."

Learn more at smokeringatlanta.com

Rose and Crown Tavern

Rose and Crown Tavern is located at 1931 Powers Ferry Road Southeast in Atlanta. This is owner and GSU alum, Miguel Ayoub's modern take on the classic English pub. Some of their menu items include burgers such as the "Easy Does It" or "Bad Al's Pounder", classic pub sandwiches like the "Pub Reuben" and the BLT, and an extensive list of entrees. Of course the Rose and Crown Tavern has an impressive selection of alcoholic drinks with about 18 beers and various cocktails.

Learn more at Imsmartsites.com/roseandcrown

Wild Wing Café

For something more familiar to Statesboro, Dunwoody's Wild Wing Café also has viewing parties. This branch of one of Statesboro's favorites is located at 4788 Ashford Dunwoody Road. Manager and GSU alum Sam Witherington not only will have the game playing, but customers donning their GSU apparel will receive 1/2 price appetizers!

Learn more at Wildwingcafe.com/locations/dunwoody-ga

Can't go to Athens? Sucks right... luckily staying here has it's perks of comfort as well as technically having the best view of the game without paying for transportation and a ticket. After all, game day is better in the 'Boro. Here are some options one can take to see the big game itself.

For those staying in the Boro, you can enjoy viewing parties at the following locations:

40 East Grill

40 East Grill which is located, appropriately, at 40 East Main Street, will be showing the game on Saturday. For anyone who has yet to be to 40 East, it is a high class restaurant that one may take their significant other to for Valentine's Day. If you are looking to feel fancy for a night, you can enjoy a variety of entrees including steaks, fish, and even roasted quail breast.

Learn more at 40eastgrill.com

Down the street from 40 East there is a more laid back restaurant called Main Street Bar & Grill. Located at 230 South Main Street, this is a common hangout for GSU students and so it makes sense that they would accommodate the demand for a fun place to watch the Eagles take on the Bulldogs. Though the name may not portray it, this restaurant features menu items inspired by the foods of Italy and the Mediterranean. Main Street features \$2 single wells and \$3 double wells all day, every day and students get a 5% discount with the purchase of a drink.

Learn more at statesborocity.com/MainStreetBarGrill

The Clubhouse

The Clubhouse, located in Statesboro, is a popular place for students to have fun, is also showing the game. Not only does The Clubhouse have a Spikes Sports Grill & Bar, they also have a full arcade, bowling, mini golf and other ways to keep you entertained at halftime! The Clubhouse will be having a tailgate party before the game starting at 11 a.m. It is located at 2704 Old Register Road.

Learn more at clubhousestatesboro.com

Your own home

Why leave the house when you can just turn on your TV? Grab some chips, dips, cokes, maybe a few pizzas and kick back on the couch with your friends. Your home should already be screaming "Eagle fan," so no need for decor! If you want to take it up a notch, have your roommates bring their TV's from their room for a multi-screen video game and football game experience. Boom.

Mellow Mushroom

Mellow Mushroom, located at 1098 Bermuda Run Road, is a college student staple. Almost everyone loves the atmosphere as well as the pizzas. Statesboro's location will be showing the game on Saturday.

Learn more at mellowmushroom.com/store/Statesboro

Loco's Grill and Pub, another student favorite, will also be showing the game. While some of us typically just order Loco's to be delivered, the atmosphere on game day is something to be experienced. This Loco's is located at 91 Briarwood Lane. Go enjoy a burger or some wings and cheer on the team with your fellow Eagles!

Learn more at locosgrill.com/locations/13/Statesboro

Statesboro's Wild Wing Café

Statesboro's Wild Wing Café will keep with their tradition and show the big game. Wild Wing Café, not to be confused with Buffalo Wild Wings, is a hub for socializing in the 'Boro. With a large menu of burgers, apps and, of course, wings, this restaurant attracts students daily. Like Loco's, game day at Wild Wing is something students should witness.

Learn more at wildwingcafe.com/locations/statesboro-ga

Buffalo Wild Wings

Any restaurant with "wings" in it's name will be playing this game. You and your friends probably won't be the only ones there, so it may be a good idea to call ahead to make reservations or see how crowded it is. You may not be able to hear the game either, so just go along with the cheers and boo's.

Learn more at buffalowildwings.com

GATA's Sports Bar

A no-brainer, GATA's will have drink specials for those over 21 and will of course be playing the game on every single one of the 75 flatscreens they own. This place is sure to be packed, so get there early for a table or call ahead to reserve.

To learn more about GATA's visit facebook.com/gatanation/

Gnat's Landing: Another GSU favorite restaurant and bar to sit and watch the game. While they don't have as many TV's to watch the game from, you can still see the game from wherever you're sitting while eating a bomb quesadilla or salmon BLT.

To learn more visit gnatslanding.com

Dorm common areas

For the freshman looking for somewhere right down the hall, your dorm should be showing the big game in the main common area. There will more than likely be free pizza and drinks too, so even if you don't want to watch the game, get down there for some free food!

Dining Commons

If you haven't seen a flyer on your door about any type of celebration in your hall, head over to the Dining commons to stuff your face with game day food while watching the game on one of their many TV's.

A friend's house

Better yet, why not go over to a friends place? Just bring a little side item of food or drink, or if you're lucky they'll have all of the food and drinks. All you have to do is grab a space on their couch. Just help them clean up if the game gets intense... which it probably will.

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ROAD TRIP RULES

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NEWBIE EDITION

BY ARAYA JACKSON
The George-Anne staff

As the winter chill slowly creeps up on us this mid-November, the flame of team spirit within all of us here at Georgia Southern is about to explode. Statesboro is going to turn into such a ghost town come Saturday, when we all pack our bags and head to a little familiar place known as Sanford Stadium. Ring a bell? In all five games that we have played in Athens, from the first in 1992 to the most recent in 2012, Southern has fallen short each time. I'm sure there are some die-hard UGA fans here, but this weekend I better not see a single GSU student in red and black. This is our night to show UGA just who they're messing with.

Let's not get ahead of ourselves, however. For most, this trip has probably been made one too many times, considering the many times that Athens came out on top. But for some, this is the first trek they'll be making as a college student to the historic district. Here's just a few tips for a smooth weekend, keep you occupied and make the three hour drive feel like nothing.

WHAT TO PACK:

I want to start off with this because you can't leave for a road trip without luggage (duh). I habitually check the weather like no other, so I tend to be a very picky-packer, or maybe more of an over-packer. Georgia weather can be a little unpredictable, and I know we all hate dealing with it, but better safe than sorry. Seems like we'll be facing highs in the low 60's. Needless to say, your usual game day dress and boots probably isn't the way to go. But don't stress too much about what to bring or if you've packed too much. I promise by the next morning, no one will even remember what you were wearing anyways.

BEST ROAD TRIP SNACKS:

Easily one of my favorite parts. I get such a thrill as I walk into Parker's; it's a high like no other. I mean, a road trip just isn't a road trip if you don't have the right stuff-your-face-food along with you. Some of my go-to's would be a Coke Iced, Tom's Hot Fries (you gotta try them), Synder's Hot Buffalo Pretzel pieces, and Chex Mix. Gosh, I'm starting to drool a little just thinking about these. If you and a friend are stuck between what to get, each of you get different things to have even more variety on the trip.

FILL 'ER UP:

Am I right? But no, seriously. You'll come across many many exits along this drive where you won't see a reliable gas station in sight. This may be common sense, but common sense is really just a paradox. Fill up. Grab all your buddies and head to the pump. Get them to pitch in a few bucks since you're loading their butts around if it helps. Just fill up the tank. Make everyone go inside to do any business they need to do as well, because you don't want to be pulling off to the side of the road half an hour into the drive.

MUSIC/PLAYLISTS/RADIO:

For some reason, everytime I get dragged into a road trip, my thoughts just scream 'throwback music!' Literally. There's nothing like jamming out to the Top Hits of the 2000's or Fergie radio on Pandora. You're bound to have laughs on end. Beware: this will probably lead to the telling of some pretty embarrassing stories from your middle school days when this crap was actually popular. Can you say bonding time?

HOW TO STAY OPTIMISTIC:

If you do not stay occupied on a ride like this, it can quickly turn into one of those long distance trips you experience with your grandma (long, painful, and never ending.) It is a beautiful drive down the highway, though. I'm sure a lot of you Marietta or Johns Creek folks could use a little country-sighting in your life anyways. But if you have the right people, the right food, the right music and the right plans for the night ahead, you'll be just fine. Your ride will fly by so fast, you'll wonder why you don't make this trip more often.

Then you'll see the drink prices that night and remember why you stick with Tav Tuesdays.

THE 10 COMMANDMENTS OF THE ROADTRIP

BY ASHLEE GILLEY

The George-Anne contributor

When someone thinks of a road trip they think of fun, friends, and adventure. When I asked a few GSU students, "What's your number one rule for a road trip?", the answers were pretty similar.

Rebecca Franklin, junior pre-pharmacy major said, "Shotgun has to DJ and it must be something we can sing along to."

Franklin wasn't the only one who found music important, Keionna Wallace, a sophomore education major said, "Good music is an essential part of a successful road trip."

While music seems to play an important role, one student had a piece of cautionary advice.

"Plan ahead so you know where the fuck you're going and don't run out of gas in the middle of nowhere," Derika Sommer, a junior business major, said.

RULE NUMBER 1: GOOD MUSIC, GOOD TRAVELS

As the eloquent Dean Winchester, from the CW's "Supernatural" once said, "Driver picks the music, shotgun shuts his cakehole." The person riding shotgun is responsible for playing DJ so that the driver can focus on what they're doing - driving.

RULE NUMBER 2: SHOTGUN A.K.A. CO-PILOT

If you are riding shotgun the unspoken rule is that you are the driver's co-pilot. That's right that means no naps (I know - but it's for a good cause). You have to be alert and able to assist the driver with directions, etc.

RULE NUMBER 3: PLAN AHEAD FOR SMOOTH SAILING

It is without a doubt a good idea to know where you are going before you get there. If you look up the directions beforehand you can be a little more familiar with the names of roads and exits. While GPS is a wonderful thing, they can sometimes be inaccurate.

RULE NUMBER 4: ELECTRICITY IS YOUR FRIEND

I don't think I have to mention this one, but just to be safe, make sure you bring a phone charger and a car charger. This way if you do happen to get lost you can either call a friend for directions, or use your phone for a GPS to at least get back to a main road.

RULE NUMBER 5: ONLY ONE TYPE OF GAS IS ALLOWED ON A ROAD TRIP

And that gas is for your car. You should always make sure that you have enough gas. Never let your gauge get too low because you never know when you will hit a dead spot where there are no gas stations (i.e. most of I-16).

RULE NUMBER 6: PAY ATTENTION TO SIGNS

The last thing you want to do when you're far away from home is get your car towed just because you didn't read the sign that you parked right beside. If you are in an unfamiliar area it is a good idea to make sure you know that it is okay to park in certain places.

RULE NUMBER 7: SNACKS ARE YOUR FRIEND

Make sure you stock up on snacks before you and your crew head out. This will minimize the amount of stops you have to make and it will be convenient to get a snack whenever you are hungry. Plus, if you end up getting stuck in stopped traffic, having your favorite snack handy is an instant mood lifter.

RULE NUMBER 8: DON'T BREAK THE BANK

You want to plan ahead and make sure you have enough money for your trip. You want to do this not only because you don't want to over spend, but you want to make sure you have enough to get there and back. You also want a little spending money for wherever you are going, just make sure you don't dip into the gas money to get you back home.

RULE NUMBER 9: NO VACANCY? NO PROBLEM

If you know where you are going to stay, then you would be better off calling ahead and reserving a room at a hotel in the area. If there is a huge event in town it is more than likely that the hotels are going to fill up fast. You don't want to be left with nowhere to sleep when you get down there, or worse, having to sleep in a hotel where the bed is so questionable you wonder if you'd be better off sleeping on the floor.

RULE NUMBER 10: YOU'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

We all know that road trips, while fun, can sometimes cause a good amount of stress. Make sure that you don't take your frustrations out on your traveling companions. If you do decide to use them as your human stress balls, there could be many negative side effects. You could make the rest of the trip awkward and much harder to enjoy, you could get so caught up in the drama that you get yourself lost, or if you're bad enough you may end up traveling back home alone.



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APRIL IRVIN, THE TROPOLITAN
Matt Breida dives in for the score. The
Eagles moved to 5-1 in the Sun Belt.

EAGLES TOPPLE THE TROJANS

The Eagles picked up another road win in their 45-10 trampling of Troy. The Eagles now prepare for the in-state showdown this weekend against the University of Georgia.

BY HAYDEN BOUDREAUX
The George-Anne staff

Before the much anticipated match up with the University of Georgia this week, the Eagles pulled out a 45-10 victory over the Troy Trojans to improve to 7-2 (5-1 Sun Belt).

The score may not have been the best indicator of the Eagle performance, but there was still plenty for them to hang their hat on as they prepare for their face off with the Bulldogs. The Eagles rushed for 325 yards on 66 carries for a combined four scores on the night. They managed to put in a score through the air and picked up 85 passing yards to total for over 400 yards of total offense. On defense, the team picked up three turnovers (one fumble, two interceptions) and held the Trojans to just 212 total yards.

In an interesting turn, the Eagles had no rushers breach the hundred yard mark, as junior running back Matt Breida picked up 84 and L.A Ramsby had 82. The only other times this happened this year were the two losses to App State and West Virginia. The passing was also shaky at times, with an overthrown pass to a wide open receiver over the middle that kept a touchdown off the board. It is important to note, that the same play was ran to success later in the game from Ellison to senior tight end James Dean.

Thanks to the three turnovers and the clock grinding rushing attack from the Eagles, Troy barely had time with the ball and struggled to do anything on offense outside of their first two drives of the game. Due to rarely being on the field, the defense had only 35 total

tackles, their lowest number on the season, as they usually average around 60 tackles a game. Also, for the first time all season the Eagles did not record a sack. However, the lack of 25 extra plays could be the likely explanation for this statistic.

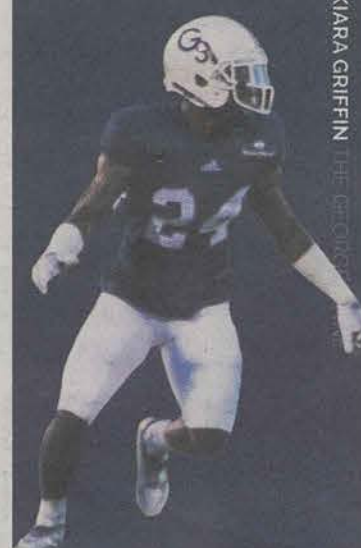
The win helps on the road to the Sun Belt championship, but a lot needs to happen for that dream to become a reality. Arkansas State is currently undefeated in the conference and just received one AP vote for the Top 25. They will need to lose their next two games against Texas State and New Mexico State. Additionally, App State will have to drop one more conference game to either Louisiana Lafayette or South Alabama.

It will take a lot for the Eagles to win the conference and most of it is out of their control. However, there are

two huge opportunities that are completely within their scope of control. Winning their bowl game and defeating the University of Georgia. The latter of which takes place in only four days, and with the quarterback and coaching turmoil at Georgia, the timing is perfect for the Eagles to steal a win.

Beating the Bulldogs will completely depend on which Georgia Southern shows up. We have seen both ends of the spectrum this season, such as the two games with over 500 rushing yards and 188 yards in the loss to App State. If the Eagles can jump out to a lead early, they may be able to fend off the Bulldogs and capture another win from the SEC.

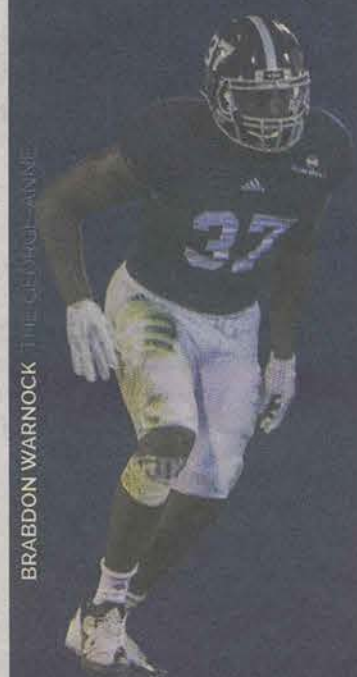
PLAYERS OF THE WEEK



KARA GRIFFIN THE GEORGE-ANNE

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Eagles cap off the regular season with a win

True Blue holds big at home as the team heads into the Sun Belt Championship. Tournament play begins this Friday evening.

BY DERIK WUCHTE
The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern's Senior night and the last regular season match of the season was held on Friday for the woman's volleyball team. The Eagles had a lot to play for, especially with the Sun Belt Championship looming ahead of them. Fortunately, the team came ready to play and were able to record a win against the Troy Trojans in four sets. The final scoring was 29-31, 25-16, 25-11, 28-26 in favor of Southern.

"Our seniors work so hard every practice, every game, every moment," said redshirt-junior Alex Beecher. "We're so close to them. We really wanted this for them. Troy's a great team so we knew we had to play really well. I definitely think their leadership pushed us through to get that win."

"These kids pour everything they got into it," said head coach Dustin Wood. "[Beecher] should be a senior, but she has one more year so I think it kind of hit her too. It's a good thing and it's nice to have them go out with the last win in the regular season. They're always going to remember that one. We're proud of them."

Last weekend, Beecher became Southern's all-time leader in digs. She's had a record-breaking career and, because of an injury last season, she will return next year to play again.

Beecher's 23 digs against Troy led the team. She was followed by her teammate, redshirt-junior Katie Bange, who recorded 9 digs and 35 assists on the night. Redshirt-sophomore Megan Chevalier led the team in kills with 12 against Troy. Sophomore Cathrine Murray followed with 11 kills as freshman Lauren Reichard and freshman Stephanie Spencer each earned 9 kills and 8 kills, respectively.

"Each week, we get better and better," Wood said. "I feel the rest of the teams have peaked. (I think I'm right about that.) We just got to clean up, a little bit, and we'll be fine. We're hoping that next Friday night, we

bring it all together. I feel that we can and it's a good chance that it'll happen if we have a good week."

"Something we struggle with is errors or a random part of our game will be off," said Beecher. "But I thought, at all times, we had everything going. Our hitters were hitting well, we were blocking well; our serving could have been better, but besides that, our digging, our setting, it was all working tonight which was something that helped us a lot."

"To win a game, you have to have all six players functioning at all times. [Our freshmen are] young so, at times, it's hard for them to stay focused. I think tonight, they were in the game. They've been like that the past few games. You can tell it's all coming together. When they play well, we all play well."

No. 1 seed Arkansas State put a pin on their season by sweeping App State on Thursday. This makes them the opponents of the Eagles on Friday. The two teams have already played twice this season. Arkansas State got the upper-hand on the Eagles in both matches. This final rematch of the 2015 season will pit the teams against each other for a third time, and in a single elimination tournament format, one team will be ending their season on that Friday.

"If we can have everything going, focus in on every single point, we can compete with anybody and we definitely think we can take that win," Beecher said.

"We're excited to have an opportunity to win a championship on our home floor," said Wood. "That's our goal and we need three wins. It's a great opportunity."

Friday, Nov. 20 will be the start of the Sun Belt Championship. Southern will compete against Arkansas State in match four of the day at 7:30 p.m. Matches will continue through Saturday until a champion is decided on that Sunday.

Men's tennis takes on No-Shave November for cancer awareness and research this month

The team will host a free clinic on Thursday for a donation drive. The kids clinic will begin at 4pm and the adults at 5:30pm.

BY DERIK WUCHTE
The George-Anne staff

As a way to pay homage to cancer awareness and research, the men's tennis team has decided to take part in No-Shave November and will host a clinic for a donation drive on Thursday. This drive will be an opportunity for people to not only donate to a tremendous cause, but also to meet the team before their championship season begins in January.

"We decided to do it because it was a fun way to raise awareness and raise money for a great cause," junior Christian Kerrigan said. "We also wanted to see what some of our teammates would look like if they actually grew out their facial hair a bit. Everyone always hears about it, but it's nice to have something fun to do that can actually help it. It does mean a lot."

"My grandfather died from cancer," redshirt-junior Daniel Casablancas said. "I thought it was good when we decided to do this: raise funding. It's personal to me. It helps everyone out with cancer."

"It's nice that we are raising

funds for cancer research so, hopefully, one day, they can come up with a cure," sophomore Eddie Landin said.

"My grandfather had a skin cancer," senior Rice Lanne said. "Then this year, my grandmom's sister—I'm really, really close to her—she had breast cancer. It's a little different, but it touches every one of us. I've been following the European version of this is in November to grow a mustache. I've been following that, being like, 'Yeah, I want to participate.' Alone, I can't do much. But as a team, we can do a lot more."

Kerrigan hails from England and Casablancas is from Spain. Landin is from Mexico and Lanne is from Finland. The team is filled with international players who have all found themselves playing for Southern on the men's tennis team. They have taken this month to dedicate their time and effort to cancer awareness and research. It touches each player in a special way and is something the team is proud to help with.

On Thursday, Nov. 19, the team will take part in a clinic that will allow anyone to

donate money to their cancer awareness and research cause. Kids will be able to donate from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. while adults will be able to donate from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. People will get an opportunity to not only donate through cash, check or other means, but they will also get to meet the team, pick up a schedule for the spring season and see how the team is doing before the next part of the tennis year begins.

"It'll be a good way to meet some of us, to play a bit of tennis; have some fun with that," Kerrigan said. "For us, it'll be nice to get people interested in tennis and to make them realize where we are and what we do. A lot of people on campus don't know that. As long as it remains for a good cause, it'll be fun for everyone as well."

The team recently finished their fall portion of the season by competing in the College of Charleston Invite last weekend. The team will take back to the courts in January as they compete against Davidson and Gardner-Webb on Saturday, Jan. 16.



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KIARA GRIFFIN THE GEORGE-ANNE

Tookie Brown goes up for contested layup. He scored 12 points and dished out seven assists in the game.

BY CHRIS SMITH

The George-Anne contributor

The Georgia Southern Eagles cruised past Webber International 116-49 on Friday night behind Jason Burnell's game-high 19 points. Burnell came firing off the bench and sank four shots from behind the arc. "They believed in me and had confidence in me that when I get the ball they know that I am going to make a play," freshman forward Jason Burnell said. The Georgia Southern bench outscored Webber's bench 73-18. Sam Auguste led Webber International with 10 points.

Six players for Georgia Southern scored in double-digits in the game. Sophomore forward Coye Simmons finished the game with a double-double tallying 10 points and 11 rebounds. The Eagles cleaned up their rebounding as a team against Webber International after being out-rebounded in their exhibition game against Middle Georgia. Georgia Southern jumped out to an early 21-3 lead behind freshman guards Tookie Brown and Ike Smith. They established the tempo early in the game and never looked back. The 116 points scored by Georgia Southern was their biggest scoring output in nearly nine years. "27 assists is great.

Georgia Southern was able to force 26 turnovers and held Webber International to 26 percent from the field. The Eagles shot 49.4 percent and never trailed throughout the entire game, and they didn't allow Webber to get closer than 25 points in the second half.

"What we will eventually have is experienced leaders down the road, but right now we got new leaders," Head Coach Mark Byington said. For the freshman, it was only their second game playing together and they are already showing team chemistry. "We just play hard. We are inexperienced and we know that, but we just try and get better every day and learn every day," freshman guard Ike Smith said.

The Eagles will have a quick turnaround when they travel to take on Ole Miss this Monday. It is the first of two-game set against the SEC, as they will face Auburn on Friday. "I'm sure it will be a great learning experience," Byington said. "It's a big challenge, but these guys like playing basketball and like playing in different places, so they'll be ready to play."

The Eagles kick-off the four game road trip this Monday at Ole Miss. Tipoff is at 8 p.m.

BY KEITH SMILEY

The George-Anne contributor

The Eagles lost their first game Sunday at home to Lipscomb 66-55. The Eagles showed a lot of potential in their first game under new head coach Kip Drown. Eagles guard Alexis Sams led the team in points with 15 in 38 minutes, all coming from behind the arc. Although Sams performance wasn't enough to lead the Eagles to victory, this young women's basketball team comprised of seven sophomores and two freshmen, showed fight all night long.

"I was very pleased that we played all the way to the buzzer and played hard," Coach Drown said. "I told the team during one of the timeouts that is what we're trying to establish. We are going to play 40 minutes."

The Eagles had plenty open looks during spans of the game, but the shots just weren't falling. The Eagles fought back in the second half, outscoring Lipscomb 16-14 in

the third quarter and closing the gap to within one point.

"I thought the key to the game was when we got the score down to just a point there in the third," said Coach Drown in an interview. "We had the crowd into it and momentum was starting to go our way but we went down and gave up offensive rebounds on back-to-back plays to perimeter players. And they were able to convert the put-backs and I thought that might have been the real turning point for the game."

The Eagles did put up a solid effort, but the Eagles couldn't come up with an answer for Lipscomb forward Ashley Southern, who finished with a game high 23 points. Lipscomb had three players in double figures. This young team will have a week to prepare and build some more chemistry before taking the court again this Friday.

The Eagles will be looking to bounce back against Mercer this Friday at 7 p.m. in Macon, GA.

EAGLES FALL IN SEASON OPENER

THE EAGLES FELL TO LIPSCOMB 66-55 IN THE 2015-2016 HOME OPENER. THEY PLAY AGAIN THIS FRIDAY AT MERCER.



KIARA GRIFFIN THE GEORGE-ANNE
Patrice Butler scored eight points off the bench for the Eagles. The team shot 31 percent from the field in the game.

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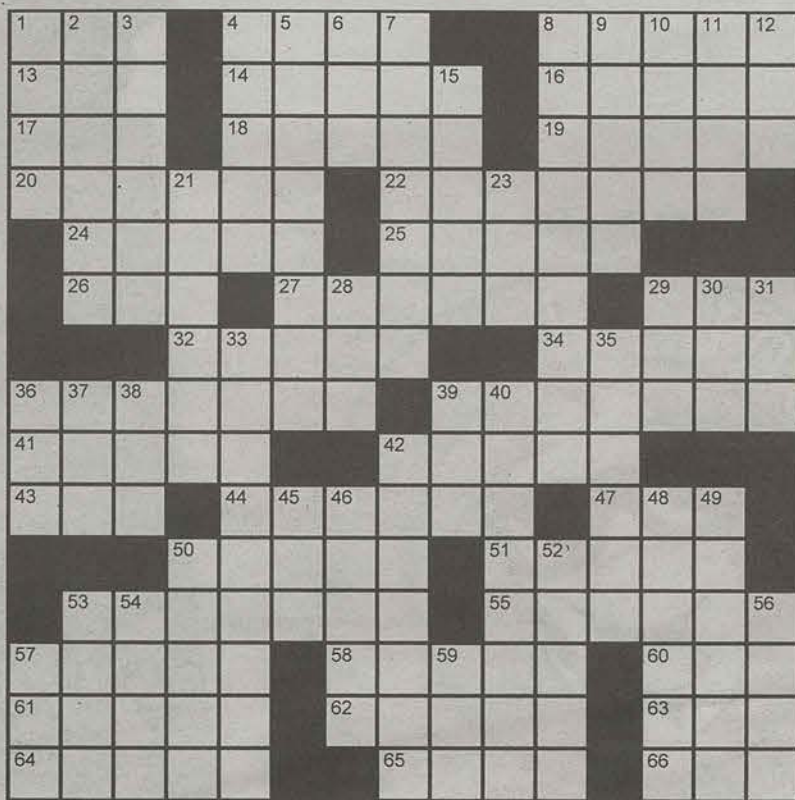
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Across

- 1 "60 Minutes" network
4 Self-satisfied
8 Sub detector
13 Macaw
14 Precept
16 Grammar topic
17 Arena shout
18 Back, in a way
19 Man, e.g.
20 Attack verbally
22 Oil source
24 Pulitzer Prize category
25 Walking ____
26 Cal. col.
27 Map information
29 Greek letter
32 Christmas decoration
34 Dostoyevsky novel, with "The"
36 It stands for something
39 Cough drop
41 Words to a bride and groom
42 Copier need
43 ____ roll
44 Compassionate
47 More, in Madrid
50 Conclusion
51 Raise
53 Actress, comedienne Carol
55 Eviction
57 Hawaiian veranda
58 Levels
60 "____ on my bed my limbs I lay": Coleridge

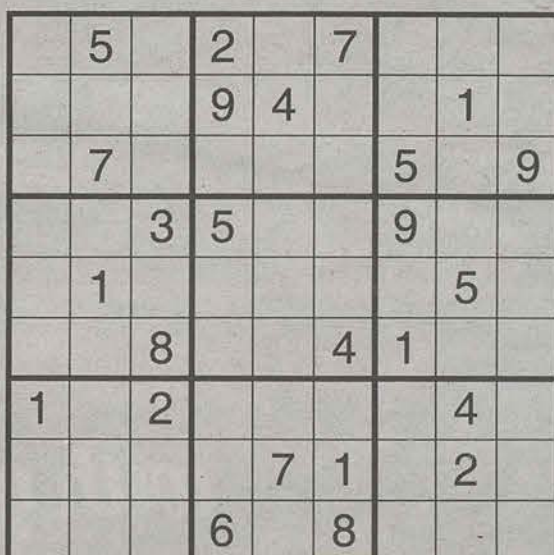
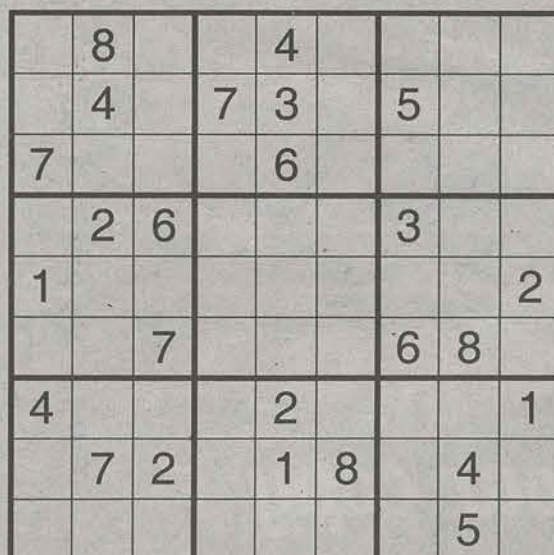


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- 61 Storage room
62 Common thing?
63 Hi-____ graphics
64 Like some milk
65 Stagger
66 "____ to worry"
- 8 Support
9 Willow twig
10 Scruff
11 Got mellower
12 Flushed
15 Bale binder
21 Compassion
23 Thai river
28 Shade tree
29 Brooch
30 Squealer
31 Manhattan addition
33 At risk
35 Inner layer of the skin
36 Took the cake, say
37 Minor player
- 38 Maid's cloth
39 Cambodia's ____ Nol
40 Type of town
42 More delicious
45 Parisian article
46 Hands, slangily
48 Back at sea
49 Sound setup
50 Physically weak
52 European thrush
53 Shower alternative
54 "Do ____ others..."
56 Siesta
57 Bar topic
59 Compass pt.

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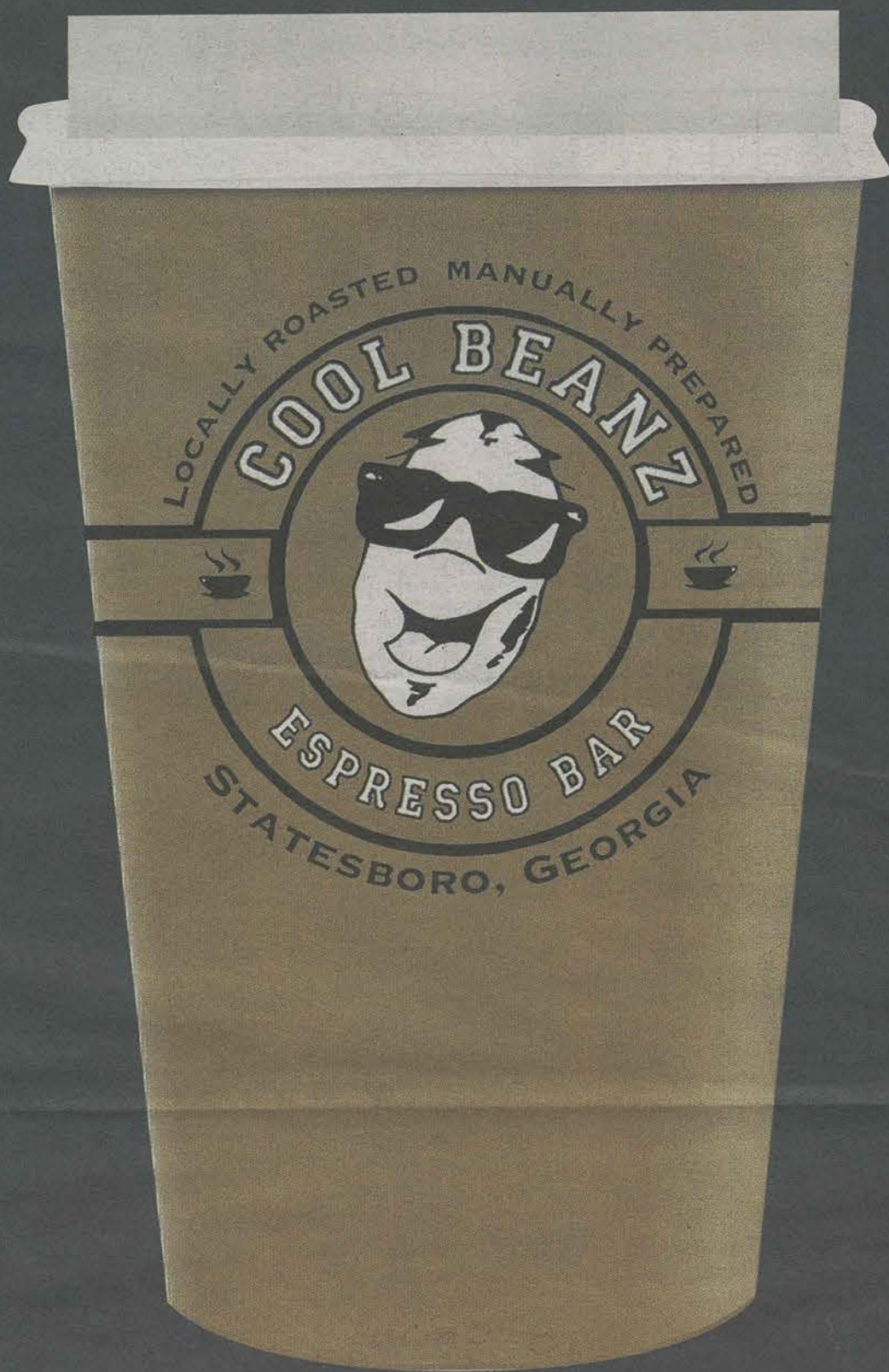
- 1 Wheeled vehicles
2 Trade names
3 "The English Patient" setting
4 Recipe direction
5 Using the gray matter
6 German link
7 Earth science



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