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TODAY

Mostly Sunny

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COVERING THE CAMPUS LIKE A SWARM OF GNATS =

Students gain 'Homeless' perspective

By Sarah Mitchell / Staff writer

Walking around Georgia Southern's campus on any given day, one will most likely hear someone say "I'm starving!" at least once. The truth is, most students, and other fortunate people have no idea what it really means to be starving. Unfortunately, there are plenty of people who could easily describe how it feels to be truly hungry, even in today's modern world, which is why the week of October 8 is Hunger and Homelessness week.

Diana Hensley, Coordinator of Civic Engagements at GSU, said Hunger and Homelessness week is, "a week to raise awareness about issues of hunger and homelessness around the world, and to encourage students to take action." This week will be packed with activities starting today and ending Saturday. There is something for everyone to do, including a poverty simulation on Monday at 4 p.m. in the Russell Ballroom, a 25-hour famine beginning Tuesday at 9 p.m., working with a soup kitchen and helping Habitat for Humanity.

During the 25-hour famine, students can choose to fast for one day and try to raise a little money to donate to the organization, World Vision. Hensley said, "for every dollar that is donated they can feed one child for one day." The morning after the 25-hour famine, there will be a juice bar set up for

A poverty simulation in the Russell Ballroom and a 25-hour famine highlight Georgia Southern's 'Hunger and Homelessness'

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Brian Pruso/STAFF

Colonel Clayton received the game ball as part of Military Appreciation Day to honor members of the armed services.

Armed services honored on game day

By Shi Smiley

Guest writer

This past Saturday, Georgia Southern football fans showed their support for the armed services.

Members of the armed services were represented on the field before game-time for the presentation of the colors by GSU cadets and

singing of the national anthem.

The ROTC Cadet Battalion Commander Robert Doak and Command Sergeant Major Brian Lilly were named honorary captains of the Georgia Southern football team. The game ball was given to Colonel Clayton of the 3rd Infantry Division, who will be deploying next month. The appreciation comes as the 3rd Infantry Division in Ft. Stewart will once again deploy for another

Homeless

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the participants to refuel.

This is an easy way for students to take action in a serious issue and to work toward making hunger and homelessness less of a problem than it is today. Hensley said she "encourages them because with one day of their life, they can get a feel of what so many people in the world are going through every day."

Friday, the Habitat for Humanity Build-athon will take place. "They are trying to have 30 groups sign up, and each group will be building for four hours on houses and students will be helping out through registration and serving lunches and water," Hensley said.

Saturday, the last day of Hunger and Homelessness week, is reserved for the soup kitchen, where volunteers can sign up and help at a soup kitchen from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Among students planning to help out, sophomore and information systems major Daniel Vinson said the week will be full of "unique events that highlight different aspects of hunger and homelessness." Senior psychology major Brittany Smith said hunger and

homelessness "is something we as college students don't give much thought, but it is an important issue in the world. I think it's great that GSU is doing something to open people's eyes to the issues."

Hunger and homelessness are not issues GSU students have to face on a daily basis, but too many people in the world outside of campus are struggling through it day-in and day-out and are in need of help.

This is where GSU students can come into the picture and lend a helping hand. Students can pick one of the many activities of the week, or even all of them, and give less fortunate people some much needed and appreciated help.

Wiping out hunger and homelessness is not impossible and worth striving for, and the future depends on students.

25-Hour Famine

When: October 8 - 12
When: Begins Tuesday, October 9 at 9 p.m.

Students will fast and raise money for World Vision.

Poetry reading tonight

By Amy McIntyre

Features editor

Peter Meinke will be reading selections from his published works of poetry tonight in the

education building at 7 p.m. Meinke is a nationally known and acclaimed poet, receiving prizes from the Poetry Society of America and two NEA fellowships.

In Meinke's poetry, he is able to elevate ordinary objects. His use of metaphors connet those objects to something deeper and original. In "Liquid Paper", the title poem for the work, the poem flows like the clear liquid.

"Smooth as a snail, this little parson pardons our sins. Touch the brush tip lightly and-abracadabra!'--a clean slate." Meinke delves deeper to connect our common "white out" to his own history.

"It erases more than ink, and with imagination anything, can be misapplied . . . In the army, our topsergeant drank aftershave, squeezing my Old Spice to the last slow drop. It worked like Liquid Paper in his head, until

he'd glide across the streets of, Heidelberg, hunting for the house in Boise, Idaho, where he was born."

Meinke's "The Secret Code", taken from the work Scars, winds beautifully so that when spoken, there is a certain music to the words that Meinke creates.

"Floating down the stairway in the afternoon, light slatted through the oaken banister, an idea of harmony made manifest

floating down the stairway in the afternoon."

Meinke's poetry is not something to be missed. There will be a question and answer session before his reading that everyone is welcome to attend.



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Are books becoming obsolete?

With so much information becoming available for free via the Internet, will there come a time when traditional libraries are not necessary?

GSU's health services offers free HIV testing

By Ryon Thomas

Guest writer

Students of this generation have been raised hearing the many messages and advertisements about the importance of HIV-awareness and testing.

While most students are aware of the risk of HIV contraction, many have become immune to the warnings that subconsciously go in one ear and out the other. Very few students feel the need to go through the hassle of getting tested regularly.

On October 3, Health Services and the Multicultural Student Center will be coordinating to make getting tested hassle-free by hosting a

campus-wide HIV testing day at no charge to students.

Students are encouraged to stop by between classes, during their lunch break or at their own convenience. It is located in the Russell Unionroom 2080 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

When asked why students should take advantage of the HIV testing, Assistant Director of Health Education and Promotion La'Shanda Johnson said, "by offering campus-wide testing we are helping students dispell the myth of testing as a taboo. We hope this will help students to become more comfortable with getting tested."

The procedure will be quick and painless since it does not require a blood sample. The

"oral specimen" procedure takes samples from the inner cheek and gums of the mouth to determine the status of the student.

"Each student's health fees are helping to cover the testing," said Health Services Graduate Assistant Chris Pugh. "It never hurts to know your status,"

The testing will only be used as a screening tool, meaning that if a person's sample turns out to be positive, a blood sample will have to be taken to determine the conclusiveness of the student's status.

Many students become concerned with statistics of the status of their Georgia Southern peers. When questioned on this matter Johnson said, "As far as statistics go it is very hard to get accurate numbers on GSU students. The statistics that spread by word of mouth are usually untrue but one person being positive is one too many."

Sophomore Eddie Smith stressed the importance of being tested to the students who have never been tested before. "Waiting for the results was a little nerve-wrecking but it is well worth the wait to be sure of your status. Knowing is beautiful."

Johnson also encourages students to participate in an open forum being held by the Black Student Alliance (BSA) on October 2, 7:30 p.m. at Russell Union, room 2080. The discussion will target the plight of HIV/AIDS in the Black Community.



Chris Buchanan/STAFF

Bert Roughton spoke to GSU students and faculty members about print media in the digital age at the Performing Arts Center.

AJC managing editor speaks at PAC

By Elliot S. Volkman

News editor

On Wednesday, the annual Normal Fries distinguished lectureship was held. The lectureship that has brought forth distinguished individuals such as: David Oreck, founder of Oreck Vacuums, along with James Kennedy, the director of NASA, Kennedy Space Center, has presented once again a very important figure.

The Atlanta Journal Constitutions (AJC) Managing Editor, Bert Roughton, gave an educated speech on why print newspapers are still important in today's world of online news.

"Newspapers are Democracy's only true friend," said Roughton. "Someone that tells you the truth even if it hurts."

Along with being able to physically hold your paper in hand, newsprint papers have more in depth articles.

Although there are many reliable online news sites, there are an even larger amount of sources that may be rumor based. For instance, Wikipedia may have some reliable sources, but because it is all user-generated information, it leaves a chance for false information.

"Newspaper journalists must have a high standard of accuracy," said Roughton, explaining how there is a lot of time put into making sure every fact in an article is accurate.

As Roughton spoke to the full lecture hall in the PAC, he explained how there is more detail to be found in newsprint articles compared to the brief ones placed online. The time and effort put in towards a series of articles can be much greater and easier to follow.

A recent series of articles in which the AJC placed several reporters on Cumberland Island that helped inform Georgia residents that the national park may have become a developed tourist scene. "If we had not wrote about it, I don't know what may have happened," said Roughton.

Although Roughton may not be "ready to go quietly into the night," many newspapers have an online edition as well as print; even small town local papers are starting to transition from print to online news.

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Submission of Letters to the Editor

The George-Anne Daily welcomes letters to the editor, story submissions and guest columns from people both inside and outside the GSU community. All copy submitted should be 350 words or less, typed, and preferably sent via e-mail in Microsoft Word format to gaeditor@georgiasouthern.edu. All submissions must be signed and include a mailing address and phone number for verification. GSU students should include their academic major, year at GSU, and hometown. The editors reserve the right to edit or reject any submission.

"Red meat is not bad for you. Now bluegreen meat, that's bad for you!"

- Tommy Smothers

New layout design, new format, but still the same great coverage

As I'm sure many of you have noticed the is the George-Anne editorial, will run only once George-Anne Daily has changed from a large, traditional broadsheet to a very modern tabloid style newspaper. And with that change, came quite a few transitional phases within the different sections of our newspaper, particularly with the opinion section. As you may or may not have noticed, we've had to delay the opinion page for a week while we put in a concerted effort to redesign it in such a way that best suits our readers. The effort to redesign the opinion page of our paper to fit the mold of the new tabloid, however ultimately prevented us from having regular opinion pages last week. And for this, we apologize. But as a result we hope that our new design and layout allows for greater and more efficient focus and readability.

However, due to limited space this semester, the opinion page has been modified to offer the same amount of content in half the space, with specific content split between two days. Beginning today, editorials, columns and cartoons by members of the George-Anne staff will appear only in Monday's edition. And Wednesday's will be devoted solely to guest columns from our readers, letters to the editor and other various and sundry comments from our website, gadaily.com. Now it's quite a change from last year, but hopefully with the new format it will allow students, faculty and other members of the GSU community, time to focus on the particular issues that week and promptly respond by Tuesday for publication on Wednesday.

So basically, the 'Our View' which of course

on Monday's, along with a weekly column from one of the members of the editorial board. Although, guest columns from any student written submission may appear in Wednesday's edition, this includes letters to the editor and any reader comment's on specific stories on our website. Basically the opinion page is a forum for an intellectual discussion meant to stimulate debate. There is no plan or blueprint for success with the opinion page, but we do look for a few varied themes in each guest column that's submitted: news worthiness, insightfulness, timeliness and

Any specific passionate ideals, values or political banter that you think other students should be informed of, is all very acceptable, considering of course, the obvious. However, without the voiced response from our readers there is no opinion page. It is only through the unified effort of the newspaper staff and our readers that we can address the specific problems, issues and concerns, both positive and negative of GSU and our surrounding communities to ultimately make a difference.

So, as the semester drags on and the all too well-known haze of anxiety of mid-term exams set in, remember that there a still quite a number of issues worth taking into consideration: city council elections and laws, GSU faulty pay-raises, HOPE, Fall 2008 freshmen dorm reallocation, meal-plans, downtown revitalization, the freshman retention rate, southern express bus system and numerous others.



Corey Ricker/STAFF

Lending a helping hand to the hungry and homeless

Jessica Martin

is a junior geol-

ogy major from

Tampa, FL. She

is the manag-

ing editor for

operations of The

Every year there is always an evening when, walking by the Rotunda, I see students lying near boxes, in boxes, and some just seem to be wandering about.

I always have to stop and wonder what in

the world these people are doing. Are the theater majors practicing for an outside performance? Am I getting 'Punked'?

It only takes a minute to realize what they are...homeless (at least for the night).

Starting October 8, students will be participating in Hunger and Homeless week. This week-long series of events is in place to teach students about the life out in the "real world" and how harsh that world can be.

George-Anne The week, sponsored by the Of-Daily. fice of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement, is a yearly activity for Georgia Southern.

And it is definitely a good one. The first activity is the Poverty Simulation, which I described above. Students spend an evening in the shoes of a homeless person who is forced to sleep on the street.

Other important activities occur for those not brave enough to leave their comfy beds for a night (I am included in this category too). There is a 25 hour hunger famine, and a banquet the next day to feed those who complete the famine, two lunch discussions, a movie, and

> activities over the weekend helping out the Statesboro Soup Kitchen and Habitat for Humanity.

> In the state of Georgia alone, there is an estimated 1,600 homeless and that number is probably less than the real statistics.

> This is a wonderful time for the students on campus to get involved with the poverty situation around the country.

Hunger and Homeless week is Georgia Southern's effort to educate students, as the future leaders of this country, about how to lend a hand to the national and state efforts to

combat the problem.

Get out there and show your support. You do not have to go on a famine or sleep on the sidewalks, but simply donating a can of soup or spending an hour dishing out soup and talking to down-on-their-luck citizens can make a world of difference.

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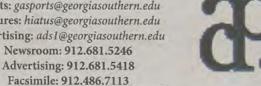
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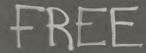






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Hunger & Homelessness Week Thursday, October 11 Lunch Discussion (Free lunch) 12:30pm RU 2080 Led by GSU's Dr Alison Scott

Hunger & Homelessness Week 2007- Tuesday, October 9 25 Hour Famine begins at 7pm Get more information or sign up in RU 2022

Hunger & Homelessness Week Events Monday, October 8 Poverty Simulation RU Ballroom 4:00pm Step Inside Poverty

Hunger & Homelessness Week Thursday, October 11 Movie: Pursuit of Happyness 8pm RU Theater

Hunger & Homelessness Week Saturday, October 13 Come volunteer at the local soup kitchen 9am-1pm Sign up in RU 2022

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Tuesday, October 9 Hunger Banquet 6:00pm in RU Ballroom Admission: FOUR canned goods An interactive way to learn about world hunger.

Hunger & Homelessness Week Friday, October 12 Volunteer to help with the Habitat for Humanity Build-a-Thon 11am - 2pm Sign up in RU 2022

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Jared Siri/STAFF

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Mississippi State	1-2	Loss
Georgia State	0-2	Loss
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The Citadel	6-0	Win .
Marshall	0-2	Loss
High Point	0-1	Loss
Winthrop	1-0	Win (2OT)
Chattanooga	2-2	Tie (2OT)

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Susanne Rogers Junior midfielder

Lady Eagles settle for tie after two overtimes

By Jeff Hass Staff reporter

In a match that was not nearly as close as the score indicates, the Lady Eagles were unable finish the job Sunday afternoon as the match resulted in a tie after two overtimes.

Georgia Southern fans showed up in good numbers for the women's soccer match against the Mocs of the University of Tennessee Chattanooga. GSU came into the match looking to improve to 2-0-1 in SoCon play after coming off of an overtime victory Friday night against Winthrop University.

The Lady Eagles started off the first half on the wrong foot and found themselves down 1-0 at halftime after Sara Francescon managed to place the ball just out of reach of GSU goalkeeper, Lauren Santos. UTC then came out with a goal

off of a penalty kick to begin the second half of play. That was all the spark GSU needed to come back to dominate the rest of the match.

After going down 2-0, Michelle Berard was able to take control of a loose ball, finding an unprotected gap and tapping it in for a much needed goal.

A short time later, Katie Gosnell chipped the ball right up the middle to set up an unbelievable heads up play to Ashley Toussaint who headed the ball past UTC goalkeeper, Milla Junni, to tie the match. Ashley scored a great goal for us and created a lot of opportunities.

"She is a very talented player". said Head Coach Ashley Hart.

The Lady Eagles would then continue to dominate the second half, out shooting the Lady Mocs twelve to 2 in the half.

In the final minutes of regulation, GSU

showed a lot of heart attempting to capitalize on opportunities that a flat and tired UTC defense gave them but to no avail. The first two halves would end tied up 2-2.

In overtime the match went back and forth, looking like it could go either way but it did not. The match concluded after two periods of overtime, tied 2-2. The Lady Eagles are now

"We have to learn how to step up from the beginning of the game," said junior midfielder, Susanne Rogers. "We should have been three or four goals ahead of them."

When asked what our team needs to work on, Ashley Toussaint replied "We have what it takes. We just need to go that extra inch."

GSU will hit the road on Thursday to face the Southern Conference for College of Charleston.

Turnovers

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late in the contest. Prior to the game with the Catamounts, the Eagle defense averaged giving up 33 points a game.

"I'm real proud of our defense. The effort has been there all year and the team has been there. I'm just real proud to see everyone come out there really focused and performing," said safety Chris Covington.

The lack of penalties, although still needing improvement, was slightly reduced this week with GSU committing 7 penalties for 55 yards.

WCU came into the contest ranked first in the SoCon for penalties against per game, with GSU coming in a close second.

Where penalties led to points for the University of Cattanooga Mocs last week, the penalties the Eagles committed this week were not as costly.

After having their running back unit plagued with injuries, fourth string freshman tailback Chris Teal had a very solid performance, rushing for 64 yards and one score.

"It was a great team effort and I just played my tail off all afternoon. Getting my first collegiate touchdown was great. I just worked hard and it paid off," said Teal.

Also, running back Mike Hamilton had a solid performance as well, putting up the exact same numbers as Teal, but with five fewer carries.

Jayson Foster had his first game of the season where he didn't put up more than 200 yards rushing, having only 93 and one touchdown on the day.

He did however have a career performance through the air, passing for 147 yards and one score.

"Hopefully teams will continue to put me in one on one matchups so my passing numbers will continue to improve," Foster

SPORT EDITORS' GAMES TO WATCH RESULTS

Clemson (4-1)3

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GT (3-2)

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Turning point of the game:

Georgia Tech's Travis Bell kicks the second field goal of the game after Clemson fumbled a punt return.



Auburn (3-2)20

Florida

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(4-1)17

Turning point of the game:

Auburn's Wes Bynum 43-yard field goal that split the uprights as the clock expired in the fourth quarter.

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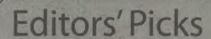
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West Virginia

South Florida (4-1)(4-0)13 21

Turning point of the game:

WVU QB Jarrett Brown, subbing for an injured Pat White, threw incomplete on fourth down with 39 seconds left that ended any Mountaineer comeback hopes.





Clemson Florida

USF Pick Record

(4-2)

Matt Florida Pick Record

(2-4)

SPORTS Jayson Foster threw a perfect game going 10-10 for 147 yards and one touchdown

WEEKEND WONDER

Eagles battled Chattanooga Mocs in two double overtime contests this weekend

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TURNOVER **TURNAROUND**



Quarterback Jayson Foster hands the ball off to freshman tailback Chris Teal in Saturday's win over Western Carolina.

4 You have to play like that each and every week if you want to be a championship caliber squad. That's what I tell my players. 33

-Chris Hatcher, Head Coach



Ronnie Wiggins, Carson Hill, and EJ Webb bring help bring down a Catamount player.

Winning the turnover battle propelled the Eagles to a 50-21 victory against WCU

By Matt Mauney

Assistant sports editor

After a disappointing loss to Chattanooga last week, the Georgia Southern Eagles limited turnovers, played better defensively, and had a freshman tailback step up when his team needed him to improve to 1-1 in conference play. GSU brought in a 50-21 win against Western Carolina Saturday afternoon.

"I was real pleased with the way our team played today. We played solid on both sides of the ball and had a short field to work with all day and our offense was able to take advantage of those opportunities," said Head Coach Chris Hatcher.

The Eagles improved in the turnover battle this week, only turning the ball over one time, compared to the four they gave up last week.

GSU, who came into the game with WCU averaging 540 total yards a game, only accumulated 397 yards Saturday afternoon. The Catamounts four fumbles played a huge factor in the 50 points the Eagles were able to put on

"They turned the ball over and we didn't. We didn't put up as many yards as we have been offensively, but we were able to capitalize off their turnoverslike [Chattanooga] did to us last week," said quarterback Jayson Foster.

The much scrutinized Georgia Southern defense stepped up big Saturday afternoon, allowing only 21 points. Many of which came

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Volleyball battles through the weekend against UTC and WCU

By Catherine Cox Staff writer

In a weekend battle for volleyball to get some wins under their belt, the Lady Eagles fell short against Chattanooga 3 games to 1 Saturday afternoon at Hanner Fieldhouse. (19-30, 30-19,

"Chattanooga is a very solid team," head coach Nicole McCray said. "They frustrated us because they dug a lot of balls. They have a great libero. She's definitely the leader of that team."

The Eagles shared 30-19 scores with Chat-

tanooga in the first two games. UTC broke a 21-21 tie with a 9-4 run to close out game three and cruised to the win in game four.

Junior outside hitter Bianca Julio led the Georgia Southern offense with 11 kills and junior setter Mae Chabra had 31 assists.

"They had a great serving match," added Mc-Cray. "We served well in game two which is why we won. They served well in games one, three and four and that is huge. If we can't pass then it makes it very difficult to get a win."

Sunday afternoon the Lady Eagles cruised to a shutout victory over Western Carolina, allowing Western Carolina to come within 5 only once in the 3 game series (30-18, 30-16, 30-25).

The totally focused attitude of everyone on Georgia Southern's side of the court helped lead them to a solid win 3 games to 0. The fans were there to back them up and cheer them on to victory. Senior right side hitter Gorana Bacic led the Lady Eagles with 13 kills and junior setter Mae Chabra had 37 assists.

The defense in the 3 games was astounding, with 0 receiving errors and 46 digs. The Lady Eagles held Western Carolina to just a .039 hitting percentage allowing only 27 kills on 103

attempts. Georgia Southern meanwhile had 46 kills on 108 attempts.

Great defense plus a solid offense definitely gives any teams an advantage over their opponent. The Lady Eagles worked together and fought hard to silence Western Carolina.

"Today was a huge match because it was a total team effort," head coach Nicole McCray. "In order for us to finish this season strong, that's what we're going to need."

The Eagles next game is away Friday, October 5 at the College of Charleston. Georgia Southern returns home again October 12.