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COVERING THE CAMPUS LIKE A SWARM OF GNATS

Artist lectures on troubled Irish history

By Lyndell Nelson
Staff writer

Twelve campus organizations, including the Department of History, the Center of Irish Studies, and the Multicultural Student Center, sponsored a lecture last night at the Performing Arts Center. The featured speaker, Tom Kelly, is one of the Bogside Artists whose murals have been reproduced and are on display at the Georgia Southern museum. Kelly's presentation correlated with the exhibit "From Protest to Peace."

Bob Frigo, assistant director of the University Honor's Program, introduced Kelly by quoting rock group U2's Bloody Sunday: "I can't believe the news today. I can't close my eyes and make it go away."

"Northern Ireland's story needed to be shared," said Frigo. "Tom witnessed the deaths of many people struggling for civil rights."

Kelly grew up during "the Troubles", a period of social unrest between Protestants and Catholics in Northern Ireland spanning from the late 1960s to the 1990s. Kelly, along with his

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Will Adams/STAFF

This is a dramatic re-enactment of an act that could get you labeled as a sex offender.

Public urination could earn students 'sex offender' status

By Courtney Bihn / Guest writer

When most people hear the term "sex offender," a vision of a frightening sexual predator, rapist or molester lurking in a dark ally may come to mind.

However, society's generalization of all sex offenders as sexual deviants or perverts may be somewhat inaccurate.

Recently, in order to comply with the Federal Jeanne Clery Act, Georgia Southern University published an annual Campus Security Report that includes three-year on and off campus statistics, the sex offender registry, and procedures to be followed for all committed sex offenses.

Those listed in this registry may have been convicted of multiple crimes. The term, "sex offender" can be applied to persons of various criminal charges. It may include mooners, streakers and even public urinators.

Because public urination can be classified as indecent exposure, a sex offense, multiple convictions could land frequent public urinators on a sex offender registry.

Students like freshman psychology major Amanda Stricklett think this generalization could have potential negative outcomes.

"If the term sex offender was used as a blanket term for multiple types of offenses, then the phrase would lose its importance," said Stricklett.

"Eventually, neighbors wouldn't pay as close attention to who is living on their block., which is the whole point of the registry."

By law, indecent exposure applies to someone

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Chris Buchanan/STAFF

How to tailgate Georgia Southern style

One of the most time-honored traditions in college life, especially if you live in the south, is football. And that is no exception here at Georgia Southern. When those home games roll around, where can you be sure to find the most animated Georgia Southern football fans? Right next to the stadium, tailgating.

Until recently, I never thought tailgating was anything more than getting dressed up and drinking with your friends before the game. But according to sophomore Jeff Carter, a member of the Phi Sig fraternity and GSU football fanatic, tailgating Georgia Southern style is quite the art form.

"I've been tailgating since the age of five," said Carter. "Trust me when I say there's an art to it."

So, with Carter's assistance, I compiled a list of everything you need in order to make sure your tailgating experience is the best it can be.

Carter recommends that you be at the tailgating field early in order to secure the prime spot where there's just enough sun, just enough shade and enough space for your many possessions.

"How early you get there depends on how early the game is and who the opponent is," said Carter. "For homecoming, I recommend getting to the field at least 10 [a.m.], but even as early as 8 a.m."

Getting to the field is only half the work, so I've made a checklist for you to ensure you don't forget anything.

1. **A tent.** Even though it's October, the temperature in Georgia is still in the high 80s. A tent can protect you against the harmful UV rays and help keep you cool.

2. **A grill.** Any tailgate is not complete without this master cooking appliance. How

else can you possibly feed your very hungry friends? And their friends?

3. **Food.** Sure a grill is a handy appliance, but only if you have food to cook on it. Some of the college football staples include hot dogs, hamburgers and bratwurst. But according to Carter, food different from the norm will get even more people hanging around. "Something other than hotdogs and hamburgers are best," said Carter. "Things like fried fish, chicken wings, ribs and barbeque."



Claire Gallam

is a journalism major from Lakewood, OH. She is a guest columnist for the George-Anne Daily.

4. **A cooler.** With the sun bearing down on you, you're going to need a nice cold beverage to cool yourself down. So if you're of age, you have to make sure your cooler is well stocked with plenty of your favorite alcohol. But make sure you have some non-alcoholic staples too, like soda and juice. The one thing you can't forget to put in your cooler is water.

5. **A table.** "You need a table or two," said Carter. "One for the food and the other for games that can be played with your cooler of beverages."

6. **A football, frisbee, etc.** This is the perfect way to pass the time before the pre-game and game start.

7. **A radio.** A radio/mp3 player will keep everyone entertained and will pump you up for the game. "With a radio you can listen to music or other games until the pre-game show starts," said Carter.

So grab this checklist and your friends, and get ready to cheer on GSU at our Homecoming game October 27 against The Citadel!

POCKET CHECKLIST FOR GEORGIA SOUTHERN STYLE TAILGATING

☐ Tent

☐ Grill

☐ Food

☐ Cooler

☐ Table

☐ Football/
Frisbee

☐ Radio


Tao Ventre/STAFF

CRI provides the means that allow students to practice an active lifestyle.

CRI impacts GSU students

By Michael Burnside

Staff writer

For many students on campus, Campus Recreation and Intramurals is more than just a place to park for free. CRI is an outlet that allows students to be active, healthy and happy.

Georj Lewis, Dean of students, said that CRI "gives people the opportunity who want to play, play." An avid enthusiast of the RAC and CRI, Lewis can be seen working out most days at 6 a.m. But to him, being active is more than just something to do. "Being active is a lifestyle," said Lewis. "[CRI provides] 'an opportunity to enjoy yourself.'"

Most students know about the RAC and CRI, but few know the full impact they have on the campus. With a brand new rock climbing area and two pools, CRI has expanded to match the growing rate of students that seek to use its numerous services. Intramurals are a "big part of sorority and fraternity life," said Lewis, while others utilize the informal recreation that CRI offers, such as basketball and racquetball.

For junior Finance major Shannaan Dawda, CRI is "a place where people can go and better themselves physically and mentally." A self-declared health promoter, Dawda travels by bike up the RAC five days a week to enjoy an

intense workout of weight lifting and cardio exercise. Yet there is much more to CRI than just weights and basketball.

CRI offers club sports, which are organizations of students who share similar sporting interest. They also offer several different fitness programs, which include aerobics, Pilates and aquatics classes.

Studies have shown that having an active lifestyle is not only beneficial for the body, but also for the mind.

According to a WebMD article on a fitness study, "exercise boosts blood flow to a brain area involved in memory." For the volunteers, "three months of exercise was all it took for people with low levels of aerobic fitness to increase blood flow to that part of their brain and improve their scores on memory tests."

CRI looks to aid in that learning process, wanting "to provide growth opportunities and educational experiences" for students and faculty alike. Coming off a year of major expansion, it seems CRI is looking to enhance its already well-oiled machine. Lewis said there are "lots of things to come" as CRI is "always progressively thinking."

While the exact future of CRI may not be known, they are working hard to make sure it is a very bright one.

NATIONAL NEWS



Special Photo

The tree in the middle of the Jena controversy stands alone in the school courtyard as Congress debated whether or not a federal investigation should be launched into the events.

'Jena 6' catches attention of Congress

By Howard Witt

McClatchy Newspapers

Under pointed questioning from Democratic House members who decried the lack of federal intervention in the racially-charged Jena 6 case, U.S. Justice Department officials revealed Tuesday that they are now weighing an investigation into allegations of systemic racial bias in the administration of justice in the small, mostly white Louisiana town.

U.S. Atty. Donald Washington also said for the first time that the hanging of nooses from a shade tree in the Jena High School courtyard in September, 2006, by three white students, a warning to stay away from the tree directed at black students that triggered months of interracial fights in the town, constituted a federal hate crime, but that federal authorities opted not to prosecute the case because of the ages of the white youths involved.

"Yes, hanging a noose under these circumstances is a hate crime," Washington, the U.S. attorney for the Western District of Louisiana, told a House Judiciary Committee hearing convened to examine the Jena case. "If these acts had been committed by others who were not juveniles, this would have been a federal hate crime, and we would have moved forward."

But during the four-hour hearing boycotted by most Republican members of the House panel, many African American committee members said they remained dissatisfied with the reluctance of

Justice Department officials to intervene more forcefully in what they regard as the excessive prosecution of six black Jena students for a Dec. 4 attack on a white student.

The white student was briefly knocked unconscious and was treated and released at a local hospital, but Jena District Atty. Reed Walters initially charged the black students with attempted murder. After public outcry about the case mounted, Walters reduced the charges to aggravated second-degree battery. But Walters' refused to charge other whites in the town who attacked blacks with similar crimes.

"Shame on you!" Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, D-Texas, shouted at Washington, the first African American to hold the U.S. attorney's post in western Louisiana. "Mr. Washington, tell me why you did not intervene? Six broken lives could have been prevented if you had taken action."

"I was also offended" by the noose incident, Washington replied. "I too am an African American. I am a child of the '60s, of the desegregation era . . . But at the end of the day, there are only certain things that the United States attorney can do."

"As we all know, it is illegal under the guarantees of our Constitution and our laws to have one standard of justice for white citizens and another harsher one for African-American citizens," Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., the chairman of the Judiciary Committee, said in opening the hearing. "We come to this hearing inquiring as to how we can correct this situation in our nation."

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Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself.

-Leo Tolstoy
Russian author

GSU grad assistants need answers, not apologies after drastic pay cut

Like many other graduate assistants here on campus, I have a steady paycheck coming to me every two weeks.

I believe I do a good job of budgeting my finances. I try not to splurge or put more on my credit card than I can pay off each month. I pay my bills first before I spend that money elsewhere, as I'm sure most other responsible college students do. Yet, like all of the nearly 270 graduate assistants here on campus, I was given a shock as I opened up my paycheck this past Friday and saw a deduction in the amount of \$175.

After demanding answers from the Payroll department, it was uncovered that a supplement of \$175, given at the beginning of the term, was now being collected halfway through the semester. Taking away the supplement (aka loan) was ultimately legitimate, however, that is not the issue. Why was this \$175 added to our accounts in the first place?

As it was explained, this money was to help cover health insurance premiums. Yet I, along with other graduate assistants, would much rather pay this amount at the beginning of the year when student loans and other financial options are available (which is how this process worked last year).

"If I wanted a loan I would have asked for one," said second year grad assistant Joseph Garcia. At this point in the semester, opening a paycheck that is literally cut in half is more damaging than

shelling out this money in August.

Which brings up another issue: Why were we not given warning this money would be collected now? I cannot blame the individual academic departments, the Payroll department, or the College of Graduate Studies, because they found out about this deduction the same day as graduate assistants. Cam Reagin, Assistant Controller and Tim Mack, Dean of the College of Graduate Studies sent out e-mails expressing their sincere apologies for the miscommunication.

Frankly, I am sick of apologies from those who weren't directly responsible. Apologies at this point seem to be damage control for an incident that is, to be honest, sketchy. I am not an accounting major so I couldn't tell you if giving graduate assistants \$175 and then taking it away two months later is somehow beneficial for tax purposes.

I couldn't tell you if paying this premium up front somehow gave the university a discount on health insurance. I don't quite see the logic behind this incident, but I do see the outcome.

Graduate assistants now have to borrow money from friends and family, dip into their personal savings, or file an emergency loan at Financial Aid. What's worse is that many students on campus feel slighted. As students on a budget, we do our best to be responsible for our actions. Shouldn't the person or persons in charge of this incident also show some responsibility?



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Corey Ricker/STAFF

Readers Respond

All students care to vote about is alcohol sales

To The Editor:

With the upcoming city council elections, and the big push to get students to vote, it has dawned on me that the only thing students care about is "saving happy hour" and "saving the right to buy more than one drink at a time." Does anybody even know what else the city council can do for students? What does that say about our student population as a whole when we make Facebook groups about the elections, and the only subject in the group is alcohol? I agree that some of the liquor/alcohol sales laws they come up with are ridiculous, but don't students realize there is a lot more to the city council than just deciding how many drinks you can buy at one time?

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it goes out, but I just would like to state that I and some of my friends are very upset with the last issue that predicted that Georgia Southern would lose to Elon 38-27.

Even though we did lose I don't think the school's paper should predict that its team would lose.

That is horrible that it seems as though our school paper has no school spirit. Thank you for your time.

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Is Steven Gartner really a hero?

To The Editor:

Steven Gartner and his friends saved the lives of four drowning children.

Steven admits to leaving one of them behind at one point to try and save himself, and that makes him a hero. Nice.

Did he really admit to leaving a drowning kid behind? In the end, he saved him, yes, but really... who admits to something like that? Congratulations to the boy hero that almost left a kid to drown.

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George-Anne Sports has no school spirit?

To The Editor:

I am not sure who checks the paper before

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Recycling program to help tailgaters reduce waste

By Elise Alls

Staff writer

Keep Bulloch Beautiful is showing their Georgia Southern football spirit with their Tailgate Recycling program. At every home game a group of about 20 volunteers for KBB meets two hours early in preparation for the festivities. They then set out to collect recyclables, including plastic bottles and aluminum cans, from each tailgating party in the stadium.

According to Brooke Carney, director of the KBB program, their main focus is waste reduction. A large part of their waste reduction campaign is recycling. "We have several programs around the county that try to reduce waste and increase awareness about reducing waste," said Carney. "So the tailgate recycling program is just a way to do that while people are enjoying their day for GSU home football games."

After the team of volunteers walks around to distribute the blue recycling bags, garbage bags and coozee for the participating tailgaters, they return during half time to collect the bags and take them to the county recycling center.

"This program is great and very beneficial because it's getting the word out that recycling is accessible in Bulloch County," said Jessica Sparrow, president of Student for a Greener Earth (SAGE). "It's a small thing that you can do to make a big difference."

KBB's goal is to increase recycling at the games, but they also aim to create awareness so that action is taking place beyond the stadium. "We want people to actually recycle while they are tailgating but we also want it to be on their mind every time they go out, whether it is tailgating or picnicking, we want people to think about reducing their waste," said Carney.

This year will be KBB's third season of the Tailgate Recycling program. The program started in September and, according to Carney, each season gets better as far as the participation levels. "[Tailgaters] know that they're going to get a blue bag and they know to put their plastic bottles in it," said Carney.

You can also recycle inside the stadium. The GSU recycling staff works in a partnership with Keep Bulloch Beautiful to make recycling more accessible on home game days.



Special Photo

GSU teams up with Keep Bulloch Beautiful to increase recycling and reduce waste at every home football game.

Hunger banquet brings awareness

By Samantha Graves

Staff writer

"I say that the overall opposite of immoral is indifference" were the words that echoed from Jeffrey Palis, of the Center of International Studies, at the Hunger Banquet Tuesday, October 8.

During last week's Hunger and Homelessness events, The Office of Student Leadership & Civic Engagement hosted a hunger banquet to help inform students and faculty about those affected by the plight of poverty. Keeping with the spirit of the week, many participated in a 25-hour famine to get a small taste of what it might be like to go without food.

Students in attendance were given an index card that placed them in a social status of upper class, middle class and poverty.

The upper class guests were placed at a decorative table setting, middle class guests sat in ordinary everyday chairs that you would find in the Russell Union, and the majority of the guests were left to sit on the ballroom floor amongst pieces of crumpled newspaper.

The students sitting on the floor soon became aware that they were representing about one-fifth of the population that lives in poverty.

Upon walking into the banquet, Joi Elyse, a public health education major, was given the card that placed her into the state of poverty, but she still held high hopes of what was to come.

"I'm looking forward to having fun and learning more than I could in classroom," said Elyse. "We are in college and it is a way to remind us that this situation is prevalent."

The banquet began with a brief introduction of the purpose and preparation from coordinator Kelli Vincent, then onto Jeffrey Palis, one of the guest speakers.

Palis, who formerly worked at the Chamber of Commerce in Austria, explained the ways that poor agricultural farmers overseas are affected by the multimillion-dollar corporations that mass produce the same crops and sell them at cheaper prices, thus taking away the farmers' only source of income.

Continents such as Asia, South America and Africa hold the greatest number of poverty-stricken countries in the world.

When it came time to eat, those who were seated in the "upper class" section were awarded an elaborate three-course meal, those sitting in middle class were given a meal of rice, a little bit a chicken and bread, and the majority of the population in poverty were left a meal of rice and water.

The real surprise was that many of the students sitting in the "upper class" willingly donated their extra food to those sitting in the "poverty" section.

"I feel like the banquet was a success," said Vincent. "I didn't believe the number of students that turned out."

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Kelly

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brother, William Kelly, and their friend Kevin Hasson, together known as the Bogside Artists, have created eleven murals in Northern Ireland as a response to the distressed history.

Kelly began his lecture by expressing his gratitude for the invitation to speak at GSU.

"The media has been telling our story for us for far too long," Kelly said.

For Kelly, the conflict started when he was about 10 years old.

"Oppression, riots, bombs; that's what we've seen on a day to day basis."

Kelly showed a documentary, which was produced by Irish National Television.

He narrated the video by giving descriptions and background information behind each mural. The images displayed were not for the weak of heart. Each mural was as chilling and realistic as the next. According to Kelly, the bogside community welcomes the murals as a reminder of their history and how much progress they have made.

On one occasion, Kelly recalled asking a woman if she should mind if the artists began a mural on the side of her apartment building, and she responded, "It's about bloody time."

"We're not politicians; we're artists. We just happened to be born in the bogside during a time of great turmoil," Kelly said.

Besides representing the city of Derry with their murals, the artists pride themselves in promoting civil rights to youth in their area.

"Our greatest achievement is simple; we have spent 25 years sponsoring workshops that have brought Protestant and Catholic youth together for art projects," Kelly said. "We are dedicated to the advancement of peace in Northern Ireland."

The eleven bogside murals have been reproduced in high quality, larger format on the Georgia Southern museum.

Each mural is accompanied by background information explaining the history behind it.

These succinct narratives were written by students in the spring 2007 iteration of Steven Engel's Celtic Identity and Conflict course, an option within the Minor in Irish Studies. The murals will be on display until January 6, 2008.

Sex

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who "willfully and lewdly exposes his person, or the private parts thereof, in any public place, or in any place where there are present other persons to be offended thereby."

Under federal law, those convicted of indecent exposure twice in three years would be forced to register as a sex offender.

"To charge public urinators as sex offenders is bizarre," said freshman public relations/marketing major Byron Antwan Miller.

"I agree that it is indecent exposure, but most people do that when they are intoxicated. A fine is a sufficient punishment."

"Sometimes when you got to pee, you pee and sometimes that happens to be in a public place," said freshman chemistry major Natalie Raulin.

Democratic Republican Stephen Shurtleff, member of the House Judiciary Com-

mittee, is one politician who particularly opposes categorizing public urination as a sex offense.

"I think some of the stigma attached to that is greater than the offense," said Shurtleff in a quote from 'The Boston Globe.' "It's public urination and they should be charged with it."

I don't think violators should be charged as sex offenders, but this should be stopped. It is gross," said sophomore music education major Kristen Enzor.

Shurtleff feels the penalty for public urination is much too severe for the crime and is currently attempting to pass legislation to make public urination a misdemeanor instead of a sex crime.

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SPORTS

Who's
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MLB: Colorado Rockies. The Rockies held off the Diamondbacks 6-4 Monday night to sweep the NLCS and be the first team to reach the World Series. Colorado has now won 21 of their last 22 games played and await the winner of Boston and Cleveland.

Who's
NOT

NFL: The Atlanta Falcons. The Falcons are still looking for answers on offense as Joey Harrington was sacked four times in Atlanta's 31-10 loss to the New York Giants on Monday Night Football. The Falcons now sit at 1-5 on the season.

Golf starts strong, finishes day at second

GSU News Service

The Georgia Southern golf team finished the first day of competition in second place Monday evening at the par-72, 6,922-yard Mizuno Southbridge Intercollegiate at the Southbridge Golf Club in Savannah.

GSU shot a season-low 284 in the second round and finished the day carding a 6-under 570. Winthrop finished the day nine strokes better and leads the 15-team field with a 15-under 561.

Winthrop recorded the day's two lowest rounds of 18 with a 281 in the first round and a 280 in the second.

Leading all individuals is Winthrop's Kelly Manders who shot a 7-under 137 on the day.

Just one stroke behind is GSU freshman Logan Blondell who sits tied for second place after carding a team-best 6-under 138.

Blondell tied his career low shooting a 70 in the first round, then finished the second round with an eagle on the 18th, setting a career-low 4-under 68.

Junior Ryan LeFevre finished the day



Special Photo

Freshman Logan Blondell is tied for second in day one of competition.

tied for fifth place after shooting a 4-under 140, thanks to a pair of solid rounds at 2-under 70.

Classmate Drew Lethem followed with a 1-over 145 which included a 2-under 70 in the second round, and sits tied for 18th.

Sitting two strokes behind is junior

Ryan Zabroske at 3-over 147 and is tied for 29th place

Sophomore Spencer Fulford finished up his first two rounds of the season shooting an 8-over 152 along with individual competitor Joe Monte, both finished tied for 53 place.

Foster tabbed on Walter Payton watch list

GSU News Service

Senior Jayson Foster and his impressive statistics in the 2007 season have earned him another exclusive honor. Foster was named Tuesday to the Walter Payton Award watch list, as announced by The Sports Network.

Foster was one of eight new players named to the 16-person watch list which features three players from the Southern Conference (RB Kevin Richardson of Appalachian State and QB Duran Lawson of The Citadel). The award, which goes to the

Offensive Player of the Year among the Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) members, will be announced December 13 in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

The senior quarterback joins Chaz Williams (2004) and Jermaine Austin (2005) as Eagles named to the Payton Award list in recent years. Former All-America running back Adrian Peterson is the only Eagle to win the Payton Award, doing so in 1999.

Leading the Eagles to a 4-2 record, already surpassing last year's win total, Foster has completed 67-of-99 passes for

729 yards and three touchdowns. He also leads the rushing attack with 956 yards and 15 touchdowns.

Foster enters this week ranked fourth nationally in rushing (159.3 ypg) and scoring (15.0 ppg), 16th in total offense (280.8), and tied for 14th in all-purpose yards (173.2).

Earlier this year Foster was named National "Player of the Week," twice named Southern Conference "Offensive Player of the Week" and earned the league's "Player of the Month" award for September.

Campbell and Sheckler take first meet honors

GSU News Service

Georgia Southern freshmen Ali Campbell and Steffi Sheckler were named Coastal Collegiate Swimming Association (CCSA) Players of the Week in their respective sports for their efforts in the Eagles 184-115 victory over the College of Charleston this past weekend.



Ali Campbell

Campbell received Swimmer of the Week honors after posting two individual victories, one relay win and a second place finish in Charleston last Saturday. She is just the second swimmer to win the award in the conference's brief

history. It's the first time in Campbell's career that she has been named Swimmer of the Week.

She started off the meet with a victory in the 200 meter freestyle finishing with a time of 2:09.65. Campbell picked up another win in the 100 meter freestyle, racing in a time of 1:00.26 (53.99 - yards conversion) to beat out nine other swimmers. Her third victory of the day came in the 200 freestyle relay.



Steffi Sheckler

Sheckler received Diver of the Week honors for the first time in her career after taking home two individual titles in Charleston last Saturday. She picks up the CCSA's first-ever Women's Diver of the Week award for her performance in Charleston.

Sheckler won both the 1-meter dive and the 3-meter dive with scores of 193.50 and 186.05, respectively, and helped her team earn the win against the College of Charleston.

GSU SPORTS CALENDAR * box denotes home game or match

Men's Soccer			Women's Soccer			Men's Tennis			Women's Tennis			Volleyball		
10/20	App. State	7 p.m.	10/19	W. Carolina	3 p.m.	10/18	ITA Southeast	TBA	10/20	ITA Fall	TBA	10/19	Furman	7 p.m.
10/26	UNC Greens.	8 p.m.	10/21	App. State	2 p.m.	10/26	Alabama Invite	TBA	10/26	S. Intercollegiate	TBA	10/21	Wofford	2 p.m.
10/30	Charleston	8 p.m.	10/25	Wofford	4 p.m.	1/20	Florida A&M	TBA	1/26	Jacksonville	TBA	10/27	Chattanooga	2 p.m.