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FFOUT



Special photo

War of the Wings will be held Thursday from 5-7.

Kappa Delta sorority hosts War of the Wings

By Ben Carroll

Staff writer

On April 2 from 5-7 p.m., The Kappa Delta sorority will be hosting the 2009 War of the Wings competition to raise money for the Prevent Child Abuse America.

Multiple restaurants throughout Statesboro, Claxton Chicken, and a few places in Savannah, a total of 22 restaurants, are donating wings to the annual event where students gather at the Kappa Delta sorority house on Olympic Boulevard. Each student who attends will receive a plate of wings with their \$5 dollar ticket, according to Sarah Jane Drury, the president of Georgia Southern's Kappa Delta sorority.

According to www.preventchildabuse.org, the mission of the Prevent Child Abuse program is to "prevent the abuse and neglect of our nation's children" which includes educational, physical, sexual, and emotional abuse. They have a statewide chapter in 46 states, including a chapter in Georgia.

"PCA America only charters one chapter per state and our chapters not only share our mission, but are statewide in focus and adhere to the same common criteria and required elements," according to www.preventchildabuse.org.

All the proceeds from this event will be donated to Prevent Child Abuse America.

"Eighty percent of the ticket sales will go to the Georgia Chapter of Prevent Child Abuse while the other 20 percent will go to the national branch," said Drury. "These tickets can either be bought at the event or by a Kappa Delta sister around campus. Each sister is required to sell at least 10 tickets."

Each restaurant that donates wings will have all the wings assigned to a particular color toothpick. Once a student has eaten all their wings on their plate, they will rate their wings by putting their favorite wing's toothpick in a bucket. After the competition, the sisters will count the toothpicks and whoever has the most votes wins a plaque, said Drury.

Last year, this event raised over \$12,000 for the Prevent Child Abuse and the goal this year is to raise over \$14,000. But according to Drury, she doesn't feel like the current economic situation will allow for that to happen, though she remains hopeful.

"If it rains, the event will be held at Retrievers, and we have also received many offers for our event to be held at other venues," said Drury. "We will also have a band, Southbound, playing. There will be contests such as a hot sauce chugging contest for the guys and a soda chugging contest for the girls. There will also be a dunk-tank so you can dunk a (Kappa Delta) sister."

POLICE BEAT

Monday, March 30, 2009

Officers issued three traffic citations, five traffic warnings, assisted five motorists and assisted one injured person.

A wallet was taken from the Pickle Barrel.

An I-Pod and a cell phone were taken from the Recreation Activity Center.

A cell phone was taken from the Russell Union.

Thomas James McDowell, 18, Kennedy Hall, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

Taylor Leigh Dewitt, 20, Park Avenue, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol and giving false information to an officer.

Tuesday, March 31, 2009

Officers issued one traffic citation, one traffic warning, assisted seven motorists, assisted three sick persons, assisted another agency, responded to one alarm and investigated two accidents.

A bicycle was taken from the Henderson Library bike rack.

Writers Needed!

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OPINIONS

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TION FEVER IN THE AIR.

The time is short so live it up

It's hard to believe it's already April, this semester has seemed to just fly by. In just four weeks, many students on this campus will be throwing their caps in the air and moving on to bigger, brighter things.

Although May 9 marks the end of a long 4-5 years doing homework, taking tests, writing papers, and pulling all nighters in "club Henderson," it also marks the end of, what many people call, "the best four years of our lives," the late night parties, the first few years in the dorms and the many friends who quickly have become family.

What so many people don't realize when they graduate is that they give up many of those experiences that made going to class and studying all night possible, and a little less painful.

So if you are one of the many graduating seniors, don't let this last home stretch fly by without taking time to reflect back on the good times, and squeeze in some more good times before you leave.

Although April is crunch time, and there is a lot to get done before it's time to don the cap and gown, it's important to still make time to hang out

with friends that have been there along the way and make a few more memories to hold on to when the real world seems just a little too tough.

Take a break from writing that 12-page paper and grab some Starbucks with your roommate. Go see a movie with your best friend from sophomore year and laugh about the good times. Take a weekend and get away from the 'Boro with your closest amigos and spend time doing things you love.

Before you know it, May 9 will be here and college days will soon be behind you.

Although excitement is in the air about future opportunities, jobs, internships and grad school, it's important to keep in mind that college has been a huge part of our lives for four years, and is something to not be forgotten overnight.

It's important to get all work done, but it's just as important to spend times with loved ones and people you may be leaving behind.

Because in life, we don't remember all the papers we wrote or the tests we took, but we remember the memories we made and the people we made them with.

Dogs are fun to own and make great best friends



Michelle Vegliante is a sophomore public relations major from Marietta, Georgia. She is a guest columnist for the George-Anne.

I never quite understood that old adage until recently, when I finally took in a puppy of my own.

I got Achilles (think Brad Pitt in Troy) after a friend of a friend found him wandering the street.

I was a little apprehensive about taking on such a big responsibility at first, but once I saw the little guy, I instantly fell in love.

There is something extremely rewarding about caring for a pet. Maybe it's the fact that no matter what, they are always so ecstatic and jumpy when you walk through the door. (No person will ever be *that* happy when you come home).

Dogs do not care about who you are or what you look like. As long as you feed them, they will give you unconditional love and even provide a sense of family when many of us college students are away from our own.

Or maybe it's the sense of responsibility you feel from knowing that there is a creature out there that is solely dependent on you. I know I am responsible for giving Achilles the best life he

can possibly have and that gives me a great sense of satisfaction.

Truth be told, once I got Achilles I realized there is a whole new society of dog lovers on campus that I never knew existed. It seems now that everyone has a dog. Or maybe I have just never noticed before because I did not have one of my own.

Either way, I have met many people as a result of Achilles yanking at his leash to meet their dogs, who are also on a walk. The RAC and the Tailgating Fields especially have become a great place for owners to bring their dogs and play.

Aspects of my relationship with old friends have even changed as a result of Achilles. I actually found myself going over to a friend's house not to hang out with her, but for a scheduled play date between our pups.

We actually sat around the back yard and watched our pets play as we laughed and gawked over them. I felt like a proud parent at a preschool play date.

The Bulloch County Animal Shelter has tons of dogs that need a good home and loving owner. If you have been thinking about getting a pet or constantly exclaim, "I want a puppy!" every time you see one, I definitely recommend taking a trip over to the shelter.

I promise that once you love and care for a dog, it will reward you with absolute love right back.

Grad school is a good idea in this economy



Joey Newton is a graduate student in Spanish education from Americus, Ga. He is a staff columnist for the George-Anne.

Forty Days. That can be a long time. Or, on the other hand, it can drag along, teasing you with its never arriving arrival. It simply depends on what side of the stage you are on.

I'm talking about graduation.

For many GSU students, graduation is approaching fast. They don't have time to wonder why they spent thousands of dollars on tuition, and

have to pay even MORE to graduate.

Others have stopped going to class altogether, instead enjoying the last couple weeks of the college life at the pool with a couple cold root beers in their coolers and in their bellies.

Some are trying for that Magna Summa Cum Laude and are studying harder than ever, and some are studying harder than ever to simply graduate, period.

But what are your plans? Where are you going from here?

If you are not quite sure, you are not alone. Many college graduates are not sure where they want to go in life after college.

Should you settle for a mundane job that pays the bills? Should you hold out for the dream job while living in your parent's basement? Should you get married and settle down? Take a trip to Europe? Join the military? Go to grad school?

In today's economy, finding a job is tough, even for the "safe" jobs, like teachers. I know a number of teachers who are being laid off, or simply not hired. But guess who is accepting applications? Grad schools everywhere.

My last semester of undergrad, graduate school

was at the bottom of my list. I had a plan. I was going to graduate in four years exactly, get a job, and make my family proud. I was tired of school, homework, study groups, and endless reading assignments.

All I wanted to do was go play in the woods somewhere, earn my own money, and forget about school. However, here I am, still in school.

Maybe it was logic or something more, but I thought it through, and in one weekend decided I was going to graduate school. It made sense, and here is why:

Networking. I already knew lots of people here. I had been doing that for four years. If I came back later in life to do grad school, I wouldn't really know anybody.

I already had a job that worked great with school. Not only a job, but I was used to the small budget, low income.

I was accustomed to the schedule-study hard, take a test, and then study again. After working full time for some time, it seems that it would be a little tougher to get back into that study mode.

My future career would benefit from grad school. I was going into education, and a Masters Degree is a good thing to have in Education. The same applies for many other fields.

A grad student myself, I can tell you that grad school is not easy, but it is manageable.

The assignments are longer, and the professors expect much more from you, and you will almost always be just a little more than completely broke.

You do, however, get to work more closely with professors in your field, and the work you do is highly specific to what you REALLY want to be doing.

So as you come to your big day of tassels and thank you notes, I urge you to at least consider it. It may not be what you want to do, and that's okay. But if you think it might be, it could take you down a completely new path that you had never thought you'd go down. It has for me.

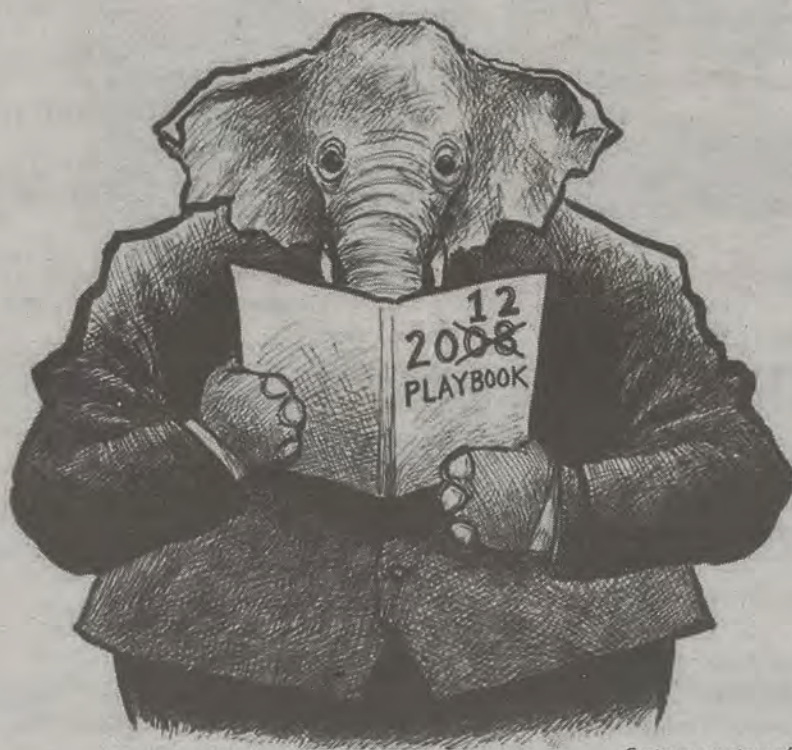
ATTENTION GSU STUDENTS

What qualities do you want to see in our next university president?

Send in a letter to the editor, at most 350 words, to gamed@georgiasouthern.edu detailing what you think the future president should focus on and what you would like to see implemented at GSU.

Letters should begin with the format: Dear 12th GSU president. . .

OPINIONS cont...



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Livin' la vida de comida in Statesboro



Chris Buchanan is a senior journalism major from Blackshear, Ga. He is the editor-in-chief of the George-Anne.

It's a good year for the food-aficionados out there in Georgia Southern with new restaurants popping up regularly.

Just remember not to go nuts, because as with anything else, food isn't usually free. One way or another, you will pay.

I'm a pretty big fan of eating out and have been since I moved to Statesboro in 2007 as a junior. Well, like any student who takes his first steps into freedom, I may have gone a little overboard to begin with. Some people do it with alcohol and some with clothes. My Achilles' heel was food.

It may not make a lot of sense, but as a guy coming from a place that is predominantly burgers and fries, Statesboro's restaurant selection was paradise.

It's not that I've never been out of my hometown, but once you live within a quarter mile of most of your favorite restaurants, it can get a little overwhelming.

Well the food got the best of me, and one

day, I stepped on the scale and realized that I'd gained 30 pounds in three months. Take that freshmen 15.

It was then that I realized what "everything in moderation" really meant. The only thing that saw a more drastic change than my gut was my wallet, which was substantially lighter.

At this point that I started to contemplate cooking and luckily a friend of mine asked if I wanted to be a part of a potluck dinner (thanks, Claire). Getting back in the saddle after years of not cooking wasn't easy, but I have to say, that I'd forgotten how much I enjoyed it.

The thing is, it doesn't have to be complicated and it's the easiest way to control your wallet and your health.

With the Internet, finding easy recipes is thousands of times easier for students who want to flex their college culinary muscles. Sure, it does take longer, but given what you can save in terms of health and money, I'd say it's worth it.

I'm not saying eating out is a sin or that you should shun your once favorite restaurants, but as with anything, it's good to find a balance.

After all, can we really call ourselves food-lovers if we aren't willing to at least try our hand at making it?

Is debt a new reason to sever all ties?



Michael Scott is a junior political science major from Buffalo, NY. He is a guest columnist for the George-Anne Daily.

Statesboro, Ga. is a small town. With the small town living, comes a less congested, less expensive, more relaxing alternative to the cosmopolitan lifestyle.

But recent experiences have shown me that even small towns grow up eventually, and so do the people in them.

My family and I first visited this college town in the summer of '06 for SOAR orientation. The sunny weather and genuine Southern hospitality of the people made a northerner (a.k.a. Yankee to everybody that sees me driving with a NY license plates) feel very secure and comfortable in the transition to college in Georgia.

The experience I acquired while living in a town very similar to Statesboro showed me that a community thrives on the courtesy and loyalty of the neighbors it produces; the kind of courtesy that supplies everyone with a big smile and a friendly wave.

Patrons eagerly referred family doctors, dentists, coaches, and lawyers to one another. In turn, the small town professionals made you feel like you really mattered to them.

The doctors knew your mom and dad; they knew your children and would always ask about them by name.

We would talk about sports, school, relationships; the appointments never felt rushed or phony. Until recently, this is what I have known for the last 15 years being a patient of the same doctor.

I was due for a visit to my new doctor this past week for my bi-annual visit.

As usual, it was set up six months ago when I was last there. I consider myself a patient person but had I known that I would be mak-

ing my voyage back to my apartment without even being addressed by my "family" doctor I would not have wasted the time and gas money in the first place.

I came to find out that my appointment was canceled and given to someone else due to a balance (less than fifty dollars) on my account.

I was pretty taken aback by the whole thing. I wasn't even aware I owed anything at all, nor was I given an opportunity to resolve the issue prior to the cancellation of my appointment.

I received no e-mail, no phone call, no message, nothing. The assistant simply said, "I'm sorry, someone should have contacted you." I called the office and was told the same thing by the nurse.

I then asked to speak to my doctor but he was unavailable but I was assured that he would call me the next day (I'm still waiting for that call).

There you have it. I was turned down and kicked to the curb with no explanation. I sound like a bad country song. It's a good thing I don't have a dog or he would have been run over by now.

What happened to small town living that affords extra courtesy and personal touch from our doctors? The phone call that reminded you of your appointment in a day or two? The follow up call by the doctor himself to see how you were doing with that tooth he pulled and making sure you took all of your medicine.

Apparently a patients' debt caused the professionalism and manners of this doctor to be locked and stored in a frame on the wall with the rest of the Norman Rockwell paintings.

I guess even small towns have to grow up, and their doctors as well.

The issue I see is what they have grown up to be.

Will money always sanction the void in the relationships between professionals and their clients?

ATTENTION ALL STUDENT WRITERS

The George-Anne Opinions section NEEDS new columnists!

If you enjoy writing columns, sharing advice, or writing how-to's, contact Claire by sending an e-mail to gamed@georgiasouthern.edu.

You can also visit the newsroom 2023 in the Williams Center or call Claire at 912-478-5246.

Communication Arts Department raises money *Fundraiser held at Hackers Golf Park*

By Tiffani Addison

Guest writer

The Communication Arts Departments Fundraiser is a Putt-Putt Tournament held on April 19, 2009 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Hackers Golf Park located on Old Register Road.

"We're really excited about it and we're hoping that this event does really well. If the event is a success it could possibly turn into an annual event," said Emily Byrne, a senior public relations major.

The GSU Communication Arts Department Fundraiser Committee has received sponsorship and donations from the local businesses in the Statesboro, Pooler, and Savannah area.

There will be a driving range contest, a hole-in-one contest, food, prizes, music and more.

The teams consist of four players with a \$40 registration fee.

For the past two years, the Public Relations Events Management Class at GSU has hosted a fundraiser in their efforts toward

progression and growth of the department.

The Broadcasting program, effective fall 2009 is changing to Multimedia Communication. The new program has emphasis in information, production, and film studies.

The money raised from the event is for equipment necessary for the program.

The equipment needed for Multimedia Communication includes industrial grade camcorders and still digital camcorders for eye reporting coverage.

Registration has begun and will continue through April 10, 2009. Teams can register at the Russell Union Rotunda on Mondays and Wednesdays from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. and on Tuesdays at the RAC Monday through Thursday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Teams are also able to register for the tournament the day of for \$12 per person.

Senior marketing major, Sarah Ewer stated this is the first putt-putt fundraiser they have ever done and they're all hoping for a success. "We want to encourage everyone to come out and support."

CALENDAR

Thursday, April 2, 2009

Time: 6 - 10 p.m.

Event: Invisible Children Movie

Location: IT Auditorium 1004

Time: 8 - 10 p.m.

Event: My Bloody Valentine Movie

Location: Russell Union Theatre

Friday, April 3, 2009

Time: 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Event: Conversation Hour

Location: Russell Union Ballroom C

Time: 2 - 4 p.m.

Event: Beginning in Knitting

Location: West Main Art Gallery & Studios

Saturday, April 4, 2009

Time: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Event: Ottawa Farms Strawberry Festival

Location: Ottawa Farms

Sunday, April 5, 2009

Time: 4 - 7 p.m.

Event: Up 'Till Dawn

Location: Russell Union 2054

Monday, April 6, 2009

Time: 5 p.m. - 1 a.m.

Event: Yueng & Wing Night

Location: Buffalo's Southwest Cafe

Time: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Event: Unnatural Causes

Location: Russell Union Theatre

Tuesday, April 7, 2009

Time: 12 - 2 p.m.

Event: Brown Bag Series

Location: Russell Union 2080

Time: 6 - 9 p.m.

Event: Open Mic Night

Location: The Millhouse



WAR OF THE WINGS

A Shamrock Event to prevent child abuse

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WEEKLY BUZZ



Today

MULTICULTURAL VENDOR EXPO • 10:00 am – 4:00 pm ~ Russell Union Commons Booths with artwork, books, jewelry, food and more related to the global community will be on sale.

Thursday, April 3rd

MULTICULTURAL VENDOR EXPO • 10:00 am – 4:00 pm ~ Russell Union Commons Booths with artwork, books, jewelry, food and more related to the global community will be on sale.

Monday, April 6th

Free Lemonade & Information on Stress Management • Turn Your Lemons into Lemonade: the GSU Counseling Center can help you reach your goals! Table with handouts for students to pick up and take with them regarding stress management & our Counseling Center services. Swing by the Rotunda Table to pick up materials, 11am – 1pm

Tuesday, April 7th

Risk Reduction for Sexual Assault • View a DVD of victims' stories & Learn Methods of Risk Reduction Russell Union Room #2041, 1-2 pm

WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP: Chief Justice Leah Ward Sears 6:30 pm. ~ Nessmith-Lane Assembly Hall Admission is FREE! Chief Justice Leah Ward Sears will be here for a speech and Q&A session. There will be a public reception afterwards at 7:30 p.m. Chief Justice Sears is the inaugural speaker at a Woman in Leadership series sponsored by the Office of Pre-Law Advising, the Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership, and the Women's and Gender Studies Program.

Gay-Straight Alliance Meetings • Tuesdays at 7:30pm in RU #2084

Wednesday, April 8th

April 8, Wednesday – Being a Mental Health Ally to your Friends & Family The Truth about Suicide: Real Stories of Depression In College DVD & discussion about helping others who are depressed Russell Union Room #2041, 1-2 pm

Guys and Ladies Nite Out • Russell Union Room 2041, 7 pm Students will discuss mixed signals and how they contribute to sexual assault.

Broadcasting Career Fair • Veazey Hall Lobby 12:00pm-3:00pm

Thursday, April 9th

Death by Alcohol - The Sam Spady Story The story of a small town girl whose life ended too soon A short film, discussion, & an opportunity for a risk self-assessment

General Announcements

DOES YOUR ORGANIZATION NEED TO BE INSPIRED?

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Obama Administration imposes new tax on tobacco products

By Ben Carroll
Staff writer

On April 1, the prices of cigarettes and other tobacco products raised due to the new federal tax on tobacco that will go to supporting SCHIP, a state run insurance program.

According to www.ttb.gov, the Children's Health Insurance program Reauthorization Act of 2009, which was signed into law by President Barack Obama on Feb. 4, will tax all tobacco products, those raising the price of products such as cigarettes, cigars, chewing tobacco, snuff, pipe tobacco, roll-your-own tobacco, and cigarette paper and tubes significantly higher.

This act was first proposed by the democratic party two years ago in the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2007, but it was

vetoed by President Bush and Congress failed to override the veto by 13 votes.

SCHIP is the State Children's Health Insurance Program is a federal program, according to www.schip-info.org, developed ten years ago to help provide health insurance for children who are a part of families who make at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty line.

This tax increase goes to the manufacturers of tobacco products, which will cause the increase in the manufacturers selling to the retailer, which will raise the selling price of the products to the consumers.

Due to the stress level of college and the addictive qualities of cigarettes, smoking college students have shown a highly negative response to the new tax.

"It's hurting the lower class. They're not raising taxes to make people quit. They are doing it to make more money since so

many people smoke," said Brandon McNulty, a freshman at Georgia Southern.

There are many different ideas about why they decided to tax the tobacco industry.

With so many anti-smoking industries and lobbyists, common citizens find it

hard to find the actual reasons for why tobacco was taxed individually.

"Raising the taxes is not going to stop people from buying cigarettes. It's only going to make people angrier," said McNulty, "It's just going to hurt our wallets."

Cigarette Excise Tax Facts

At least twelve states: Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Louisiana, Michigan, New Jersey, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, and Utah, use cigarette excise tax revenue to fund their tobacco control programs.

Cigarette smoking is the leading preventable cause of death in the United States.

The U.S. Center for Disease Control & Prevention estimates that smoking-caused health costs total \$7.18 per packed sold and consumed in the United States.

According to the CDC, cigarette smoking was estimated to be responsible for \$193 billion in annual health-related economic losses in the United States (\$96 billion in direct cost and \$97 billion in lost productivity).

Adolescents and young adults are more responsive than adults to changes in cigarette prices.

Increasing a cigarette excise tax can result in stockpiling of cigarettes prior to the implementation of the tax and a temporary drop in sales immediately following the tax increase.

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Special photo

It has been confirmed that band Dashboard Confessional will be playing at the RAC Bandshell.

'Dashboard Confessional' confirmed as spring concert

Sarah Goodwin
Assistant news editor

Student Activities has confirmed that rock band "Dashboard Confessional" will be this year's spring concert on May 1 at the RAC Band Shell.

Coupled with the Spring Luau, scheduled for April 30 at the RAC pool, this concert will be a send-off for the graduating seniors and a finale for the school year, according to Sriravong Sriratanakoul, the activities coordinator for the Office of Student Activities.

"This is a music genre that we haven't hit on before and one of our goals is to provide music for all demographics in the student body," said Sriratanakoul.

In order to make this event a success, the Office of

Student Activities is hoping for twenty to thirty student volunteers, according to Sriratanakoul. Volunteers will be assisting in set up and break down, security, hospitality, and marketing. There will be a meeting on Monday, April 6 at 6 p.m. in the Russell Union room 2054 for students interested in being part of the show or come by the Office of Student Activities to sign up.

According to Sriratanakoul, the Office of Student Activities is hoping to build off of this event in the future and be able to host a music festival on campus for students.

"This is a taste of the new programs GSU is bringing [to campus] so get involved," said Sriratanakoul.

The exact price and funding details of the event were not released.

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Fraternity Alpha Tau Omega holds "Black and White" car wash for University and Statesboro Police *Students show appreciation for Police Department*

By Shannon Knepp
New Editor

One Georgia Southern fraternity made efforts to get to know the University Police and Statesboro Police Department this past weekend.

Last Saturday, Alpha Tau Omega held a "Black and White" car wash to show their appreciation to law enforcement officers both on campus and off.

"[We are] trying to get to know them better and show appreciation," said executive council member of Alpha Tau Omega, Azam Mughal.

This was the fraternity's first year hosting the event, but according to Mughal, it hopefully won't be the last. "We hope to make it a yearly event," Mughal said.

The event was held at Olympic Boulevard in front of the Alpha Tau Omega house, and went from 12:45 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., when it unexpectedly ended due to bad weather.

According to Mughal, the officers that

attended the event told Alpha Tau Omega members that due to the water constrictions, they hadn't been able to wash their cruisers in around four months.

The car wash gave officers a chance to take in their cruisers to be washed while still being able to stay on the job.

"We dropped off two cars at a time then went back on patrol," said Public Safety Officer Daniel Hood.

According to Hood, the fraternity detailed, washed, vacuumed, and dried the patrol cars for the officers. "They really did a good job," said Hood.

According to Mughal, about 60 brothers attended the event and performed various activities such as washing, drying, and grilling out for the attending officers.

Approximately five University Police cars and a truck were washed by the brothers before the event had to unexpectedly end due to the rain.

"[It was] definitely a good event," said Mughal. "We appreciated them coming by."



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Around 60 fraternity brothers of Alpha Tau Omega came to wash cars and grill out on Saturday.

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Arts Fest puts the spotlight on local and student artists in Sweetheart Circle

By Gweb Johnson
Guest Writer

Saturday, April 4 marks the 2009 Georgia Southern University Arts Fest.

The Arts Fest is an annual event put on by the faculty and students of Georgia Southern. Every year, students are encouraged to come up to Sweetheart Circle and participate in this completely FREE event.

Those who attend the festival can expect a day filled with musicians, artists, food, and performers. The festival draws over 3000+ visitors throughout the course of the day so make plans to attend early if you want to beat the mid-day crowd.

While you're at the Arts Fest this year, here are some things you might want to try and don't want to miss:

STOP and Create - Everyone has the ability to create works of art, even the best artist had to start somewhere. Come check out at least one of the 25 different studio spots designed to help manifest your inner artist. Flowerpot design, clay sculpting, paper making, craft jewelry, and much more! Who knows, maybe you'll be inspired to participate in the 2010 Arts Fest with your own creations.

Main Stage Music - Prepare to experience non-stop music all day ranging from classic rock to jazz, bluegrass and step teams, and even some good ol' Southern rock. Main Stage performances feature SamaTo African Drum and Dance Ensemble and Battle of the Bands (12pm - 2pm).

SamaTo African Drum and Dance Ensemble - SamaTo, which means "You Have to See It" in the Susu tribal language of Guinea, perfectly describes what you'll have to do to fully comprehend this truly unique and special performance of dancers and musicians.

This West African ensemble have devoted their time and talents to sharing their musical culture around the world. Performances include rhythmic

dances, indigenous songs, and cadenced drumming. These performances will be sure to get you moving to the beat. The SamaTo African Drum and Dance Ensemble will take the stage at 2p.m.

Sculpture Trails Traveling Foundry - Visiting artists from Sculpture Trails, a traveling foundry, will provide Arts Fest visitors the opportunity to create aluminum art sculptures. This fascinating experience requires participants take a carving block and design a mould for the metal cast. 1400 degrees is what it's going to take to melt the aluminum enough to pour into the user-created block.

After a few minutes and a much needed 20 minute cool down period, participants will have successfully created their own aluminum cast

sculpture. This event is sponsored in part by the Campus Life Enrichment committee. Participation is limited to the first 100 participants. Additional carving blocks with pour may be purchased for \$15 after the initial 100 are made.

Bead For Life - Arts Fest '09 will be hosting a bead party to benefit the Bead For Life non-profit organization that supports community development projects in health, education, employment, and housing to the impoverished in Africa. All jewelry are crafted from recycled paper and made into beautiful beaded jewelry. The beaded jewelry has much more than artistic value. The jewelry is also a source of income, food, medicine, and encouragement for others to create art of their own. Be sure to check out Bead for Life at the Artist's Market at the '09 Arts Fest.

If you're looking for something different to do this weekend then ride your bike or walk to the 27th annual Georgia Southern Arts Fest. There will be plenty to see and do, and you will be doing your part in supporting local artists and arts education worldwide.

Remember, all events and activities are FREE to the public and will last from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. Hope to see you there!



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The 2009 Arts Fest will take place from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Sweetheart Circle this Saturday, April 4.

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One-third of younger adults view satirical programs as replacing traditional news

By Angela Swartz
U-Wire

Call it generational, blame it on technology or the media, but in any case, satirical news sources are making their mark, especially on younger generations.

According to the media public opinion polling company Rasmussen Reports, 30 percent of young American adults aged 18 to 29 think satirical news-oriented television programs like "The Colbert Report" and "The Daily Show with Jon Stewart" are taking the place of traditional news outlets.

Though this is not a majority, this is still a considerable number to consider it a trend for some.

"This is not a good trend because we need a strong independent journalism in this country, which we are sorely missing these days," said Greg Novak of Novak Marketing, a market researching company.

Tom Foremski, a former Financial Times journalist and blogger for Silicon Valley Watcher who reports on business and culture, disagrees.

He believes they are actually mainstream sources because they are viewed by millions of

people each night.

"They offer a valuable service in that they do present actual news, unlike The Onion which makes up its news. Those shows cannot replace mainstream news sources because they rely on them for their material, they do not employ journalists or reporters," Foremski said in an e-mail. "They are distributors of mainstream news sources and augment them. They offer a valuable news distribution system that keeps people informed."

39 percent of adults in the report say programs of this nature are making Americans more informed about news events. Others think that these programs lead to a less informed electorate.

"If these programs replaced regular news broadcasting, the understanding of important national and international policies would be reduced to a punch line," said Davis College Republicans vice chair of Internal Affairs Tierney Burke. "They do not cover the depth of the issues facing America."

The survey also says that 21 percent of adults characterize these type of programs as at least somewhat influential in shaping their political opinions, including 7 percent who say they are very influential.

"I only watched these shows during campaign

season and I found them humorous but not appropriate sources for the news," Burke said. "People should watch them for entertainment but get a grasp of the political world through real news sources."

Don Gibson, president of University of California-Davis College Democrats has a different view.

"The trend should force media outlets to not just report both sides but to also have analysis between their reporting," Gibson said in an e-mail. "These new programs are definitely taking the place of traditional media. It is likely this way because shows like 'The Daily Show' are going after people and pointing out hypocrisy that traditional media does not."

Although Foremski thinks these programs keep people informed, he is wary of commentary and analysis type sources taking over the entire media.

"Software engineers have a saying: garbage in, garbage out. I believe society will suffer because we need high-quality news-gathering and reporting so that we can make decisions about many very important issues," Foremski said. "And the reason we are losing this news-reporting capability is that the shift to digital distribution doesn't provide a




Special Photo


Young people are turning to satirists like Jon Stewart and Steven Colbert for their news.

business model that can support large numbers of journalists. One of our most important issues is fixing the media business model problem."

This news of satirical programs starting to replace more traditional sources is another blow to the newspaper industry.



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'Trouble Andrew' is indeed trouble, but in a good way

By Will Ofray
Guest Writer



Professional snowboarder and two-time Olympic competitor Treyor "Trouble" Andrew's eponymous album was released by Virgin records on Feb. 10.

The album is a remixed and remastered version of his self-released 2005 EP with one added track.

The album's musical style is an amalgamation of punk, skater rock, and rap. The result is the birth of a genre that Trouble Andrew calls "Crunk Rock." The genre features tight, punk rock guitar riffs, and lyrics with all the swagger of today's hip hop artists.

Listening to the entire album at one time makes you realize how similar most of the songs are to one another. Trouble Andrew's delivery never really changes, he always sounds extremely laid back, maybe even under the influence.

The content of the songs, though, is really quite varied, covering subjects from love and treating your woman right in "Uh Oh," to materialism in "Cha\$e Money," and even the obligatory "Stay-strong-and-you'll-make-it-out-of-the-hood" track in "Young Boy."

This variety in subject matter really leaves the door open for the expansion of "Crunk Rock." The record is different from most other rock-rap in that it takes pop-punk as its musical background and less angry, more self-appreciating lyrics from rap.

Listening to the album, I could see most of the tracks being the background music for skateboard videos; it fits very well with that sort of action.

The album's opening track, "Cha\$e Money," is an upbeat indictment of all gold diggers. In it, Trouble asks, "Does your money love you? Does your money f*** you? Is it nice to talk to? Does your money hug you? Does your money want you? Does your money haunt you?"

This track was definitely the best on the album and it was a good choice to have it be the first. It exemplifies the feel of "Trouble Andrew."

Trouble's swagger really stands out in "Pimp Millenium" in which he says "If you ain't talkin business, could you keep on walkin'? / My life is kinda busy, you see I'm collar poppin'. / You know I gotta have it, give it if it's gaudy / I'ma keep on pimpin', you can't baller block me." The song is two and a half minutes of self-praise that any rap fan can appreciate.

Trouble Andrew's ten-track record only lasts about thirty minutes, but in that time he presents an

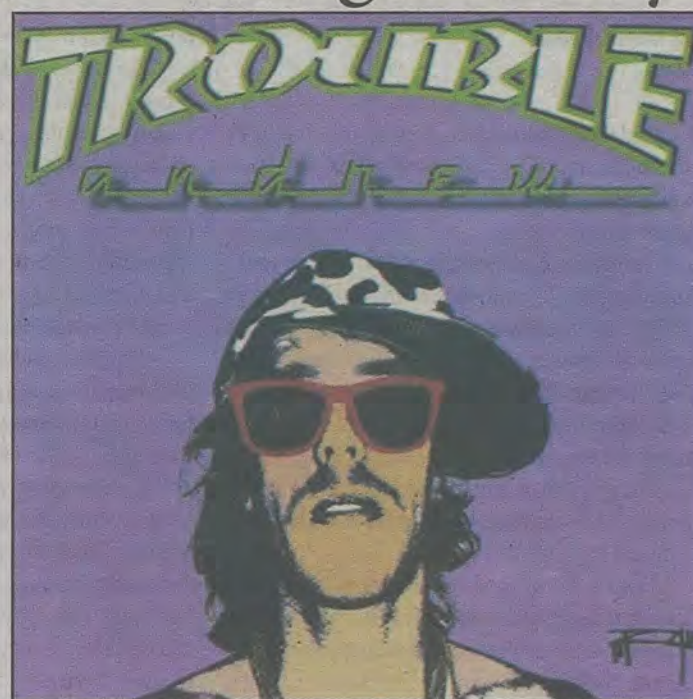
interesting new sub-genre of rock-rap.

It certainly isn't in the same vein as rock-rap has been in the past, nothing like Linkin Park or Limp Bizkit. The pop punk guitar really changes the entire equation.

Coupled with Trouble's lyrical delivery, a more laid back one than angry, there is truly a possibility of this genre gaining widespread attention.

All in all, "Trouble Andrew" is a decent album, and the songs on it will stick in your head. It's great music to skate to or just to walk around listening to.

Despite the slight repetitiveness of the album, it is a great exposition of "Crunk Rock" and one that I hope will encourage the birth of more artists within this genre.



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Trouble Andrew trades in his snowboard for a copy of ProTools and goes to town on a solid mix of dance tunes made for the half-pipe.

Trouble Andrew's second album scheduled for release by Virgin Records this summer.

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Amenities subject to change

'Battle For the Boro' hopes to unite fans of all genres

By Philip Clements

Features Editor

You know it's spring when the bands begin to bloom.

This Saturday, from noon to midnight at Dos Primos and Shenanigans, 18 bands will converge to compete in the 3rd annual Battle For the Boro competition.

An all day event, Battle For the Boro (BFTB) will take over Dos Primos and Shenanigans with a parade of local bands that will put on an entertaining smorgasbord of local flavor and many different genres so no one is left out.

"We're trying to get as many people involved as we can," said Charlie McCoy, one of the coordinators of the Battle For the Boro. "We originally started this to try and bring the Statesboro music scene to the surface and show it's more than just a couple hardcore shows," he said.

The judges will be there for the entire time and judging the performers on, among other things, the quality of their music, their stage presence, and crowd engagement.

There will also be a crowd vote that will have a significant effect on the end-result.

"We kind of had a 'hanging chad' situation last year and we've revamped everything to make sure that doesn't happen again," said McCoy.

As for the line-up, 18 bands may sound overwhelming. But don't let that scare you away.

Ranging from local favorites to new acts and covering almost every genre, this year's competition truly has something for everyone.

Last year's winner, The Blacks, will be return-

ing to the stage with high hopes of taking home the number one position for the second year in a row. Hailing from Atlanta, their catchy pop-rock sound has made them popular with many people in Statesboro.

Cody Walden is a country act that infuses a down-home blues flavor, which separates him from the majority of the country on the radio.

Subdivisions is a new band made up of the remnants of another local metal band, Watch It Bleed. Their sound is heavy and features gravely screaming and squealing guitar riffs.

B.F.O. (pictured below on right) is a six-man hip-hop group with a solid Southern sound that will get the party started back up after the dinner break.

The only female on the line up, Claire Bochenko, is a folksy singer-songwriter with a poppy feel in the same vein as Taylor Swift and impressive vocals.

Marsha Brady (pictured below on left) is a local giant and favorite. They have headlined several benefit concerts and music festivals in Statesboro, including many shows at Dos and Apex. Their unique brand of "crunk-core" metal and party-boy demeanor is certain to bring a large crowd of fist-pumping supporters.

Following Marsha Brady will be Stoneheart, a rock band with a great deal of 90s grunge flavor for fans of Stone Temple Pilots and Tool.

Yard Call is a local hip-hop emcee with somewhat cheap beats but doesn't play around with his words, speaking up for blue-collar workers and against the Patriot Act. "The revolution is right now," he raps on his song "Freedom."

300 Miles, a rock band from Emanuel County, have a very radio-friendly sound and were the 2009 Middle Georgia College -Dublin Campus Battle of the Bands winner.

Jokers & Thieves are a country-infused rock band that will please fans of Ryan Adams and The Band.

A continuation of another local band, Natty & the Keystones, Black Badge amps up the raw rock flavor, bringing to mind the neo-classic sounds of Jet and The White Stripes.

Swing the Lead is a punk band that, according to their MySpace page, "strive[s] to fuse all eras of punk and traditional hardcore with modern pop-punk elements tossed into the mix."

Greasy G, despite having a name that sounds like an 80s gangsta rapper, is one of the more unique acts on the line-up. Their old-school punk flavor combines with a frat-boy sense of humor to produce a truly enjoyable sound that will make you laugh.

There will also be two headliners to keep the crowd entertained and pumped up as the judges tally and discuss their scores.

The winner will get some recording time at Digital Realm Studio and the runners-up will receive gift certificates.

For those of you that do not want to stay for the whole 12 hours, almost all of the bands can be found and heard on MySpace. It is highly suggested that you visit their sites and get a taste of what to expect so you don't miss out.

Tickets are available for presale or at the door for \$5.

2009 Line-Up

Noon – Sir Tron The Great

12:35 – 300 Miles

1:10 – Subdivisions

1:45 – Bleeding Side

2:20 – Cody Walden

2:55 – Souf Breed

3:30 – Tobey McDonald

4:05 – Claire Bochenko

4:40 – Yard Call

5:15 – Bling Boy Grunt

5:50 – Swing The Lead

6:25 – DINNER BREAK

7:00 – BFO

7:35 – The Blacks

8:10 – Marsha Brady

8:45 – Stoneheart

9:20 – Black Badge

9:55 – Jokers & Thieves

10:30 – Ammon

11:05 – Headliners



All Special Photos

Marsha Brady (left) and B.F.O. (right) are two popular local acts that will grace the stage this Saturday at Dos Primos and Shenanigan's for the 3rd annual Battle for the Boro. The performances are set to run from noon to midnight and cover a wide range of genres, from hardcore to hip-hop to indie rock to jam bands.

NATIONAL NEWS

USC students win video game competition

By Larissa Puro

Uwire

Although most classes have students hit the books and study for their classes, 14 University of Southern California students spent class time developing a video game.

Their efforts paid off last week after the Nintendo DS game, called "Reflection DS," won the Independent Games Festival Mobile's "Next Great Mobile Game" Award, one of seven categories, at the Game Developers Conference in San Francisco.

After being selected as one of five finalists by a panel of judges, the team presented its game to an audience that then voted Reflection as the best game.

The team won \$2,000 and was given a booth at the conference for the rest of the week to showcase the game.

"The fact that we won is really great for us because [the award] was audience-selected, and that means a lot of people really liked our concept and really wanted to play," said Keith Co, the game's co-creator and a senior majoring in computer

science and gaming.

The team is now talking with different distributors about getting the game published. If it gets "shipped," or distributed, before they graduate, the creators of Reflection will be the first USC game designers to have had that kind of success while still students.

Another award-winning USC student game, "The Misadventures of P.B. Winterbottom," created in last year's Final Game Projects class, signed a deal with a publisher but is still waiting to be shipped, said professor Michael Zyda, one of the three professors who teaches the class.

Zyda said he is excited his students did so well in the competition and are now being recognized for their efforts.

"The joy of a professor is to see your students start out from nothing and then get to the point where they are actually doing just phenomenally great work," he said.

Reflection follows the story of Kirra, a girl who is trying to reassemble pieces of a mirror that has been shattered, said Hersh Choksi, the team's producer and a senior majoring in business with an emphasis in cinema-television.



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USC Students spent their semester developing a video game, which won the "Next Great Mobile Game" award at the Independent Games Festival Mobile's.

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Nun brains assist in dementia research

By Emma Carew

Uwire

Education is a big part of the mission work done by the School Sisters of Notre Dame, so when then-University of Minnesota neurologist David Snowden approached the sisters in 1986 about entering into a research project that involved the donation of their brains posthumously, they seriously considered it.

"One of the wisdom figures stood up and said, 'we're not going to need our brains when we're dead,'" Catherine Bertrand, provincial leader of the Mankato province, said. "They saw themselves as being educators in life, and they would love to continue to be educators in death."

The Nun Study, as it's called, has tracked the cognitive abilities and motor functions of more than 600 nuns over the past two decades and continues to study the donated brains as they've passed on.

The brains have been processed and placed in plastic containers and sit shelved outside neuropathologist Dr. Karen SantaCruz's office.

Since only about 50 of the nuns are still alive,

the University now houses about 600 brains.

Although a majority of the work was done at the University of Kentucky after Snowden took a position there, the University of Minnesota regained possession of the Nun Study when he announced his retirement last year.

"This is where the study started when Dr. Snowden was at the University of Minnesota," said Harry Orr, professor and director of the Institute for Translational Neuroscience. "And one of the larger convents of the sisters is located in Mankato."

The nuns make for a very unique population to study, he said, because of their similar lifestyles.

"They don't smoke, they don't drink, so you can reduce the effects of some of these other environmental factors," Orr said, "and focus in on other factors that might be harder to get your hands around in other population studies."

Among the study's findings are a relationship between early childhood education and reducing the susceptibility to Alzheimer's disease, he said. They also found a relationship between traumas to the brain, such as strokes, and an increased susceptibility to Alzheimer's.



Special Photo

University of Notre Dame are using the "nun study" to learn more about Alzheimers.



Special Photo

UC professors work on genetically enhanced goats

By Angela Ruggerio

Uwire

University of California-Davis professors are partnering with scientists in Brazil to genetically alter goats in an effort to combat dangerous childhood diarrhea.

UC-Davis animal science professors Elizabeth Maga and James Murray with the help of married UCD alumni Marcelo and Luciana Bertonlini, will alter goats' milk to help children in Brazil fight diarrheal diseases.

The enzyme lysozyme - found in the tears, saliva and milk of all mammals - helps cure bacterial infections by breaking down the cell walls of bad bacteria. Adding this enzyme to goats' milk could help prevent gastric problems of children in developing countries.

"About five million children a year get debilitating diarrhea, around 2.2 million die from it," Murray said. "Those that don't die are affected by either mental retardation, growth retardation, or both. The problem exists all over in the developing world."

Murray said that in Brazil, one in four children die every year before the age of five, with 25 percent of them dying due to dehydration as a result of diarrhea.

Maga said many studies show that children who have been breast-fed have fewer instances of diarrhea and respiratory infections due to the presence of lysozyme and another good bacteria lactoferrin that are anti-microbial. Good bacteria in the gut can help prevent such gastric problems like diarrhea.

A \$3.1 million grant from Brazil's Science and Technology department in the Brazilian government will allow this research to continue with the possibility of renewal depending on results.

"The grant is to establish the genetics of our lysozyme goats in Brazil, to generate goats that are transgenic to the compound lactoferrin and the study of the milk in Brazil," Moga said.

Murray and Moga have been working on these transgenic goats for almost twenty years at UC Davis, with genetically enhanced goats on campus for ten years.

"We've been working on this for a long time, because this is long term research. It is going to take about two to three years to have goats with milk in Brazil," Murray said.

"[Goats are] being used in the field of Brazil as one of the major sources of milk and this transgenic animal produces a high concentration of lysozyme in the milk compared to a normal goat," Lima said.



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130 Lost & Found

Clear Blue Kingston jump drive left in IT lab Thur.
 Mar. 26. Please contact if found! Very important!!
 call Brent 706-442-5513

Keys were lost Wednesday, March 25 somewhere
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 If found please turn into Psychology or call Emily
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140 Other Announcements

Putt-Putt Tournament at Hackers on April 19th.
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Sudoku

				1				2
1				2			6	
6			8		5		9	1
		7			9	3		
			3		2	8		
9	5		1		8			
	3			5				7
8				9				

Level: **1** **2** **3**

Complete the grid so each row, column and
 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit
 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit
www.sudoku.org.uk.

Solution to Monday's puzzle

4	1	7	6	3	2	8	9	5
3	9	5	4	1	8	6	7	2
2	8	6	5	7	9	3	4	1
7	2	1	9	8	5	4	3	6
9	3	4	1	6	7	5	2	8
6	5	8	2	4	3	9	1	7
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8	6	2	3	9	1	7	5	4

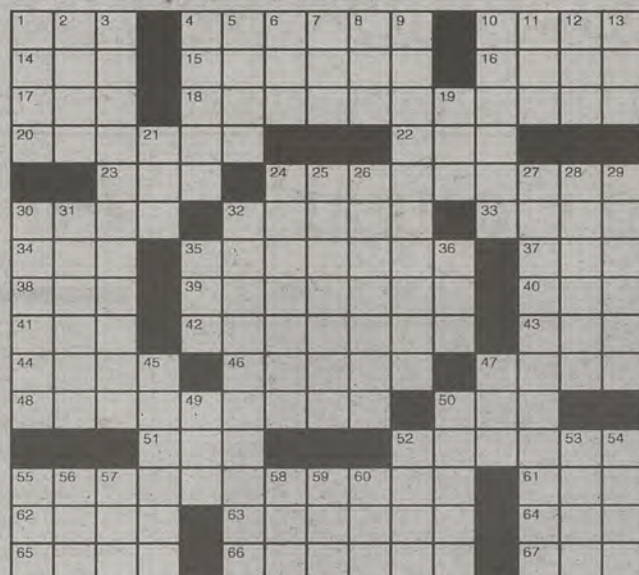
Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 _-tac-toe
4 Finally!
10 Flounder cousin
14 Big fuss
15 Slight quake
16 Legal bargain
17 X
18 Weight room denizen
20 Off target
22 Block of time
23 Turncoat
24 Plant fungus
30 Say grace
32 University of Maine setting
33 Rabbit relative
34 RPM word
35 Formal letter
37 Edge of a crater
38 Adam's partner
39 Cigarette additive
40 Indy circuit
41 Bog
42 Destroyers
43 Lennon's widow
44 Expanse
46 Substandard urban housing
47 Mardi _
48 Linens
50 Rascal
51 POW possibly
52 Sophisticated
55 Put concisely
61 Crackers
62 Nabokov novel
63 Texas oranges
64 Denouement
65 Askew
66 Latest
67 Express vocally

DOWN

- 1 Bye-bye!
2 March middle
3 Denied the truth of
4 On deck
5 Ex-QB Aikman
6 Trailblazed
7 Writer Tan
8 Express sorrow
9 1991 John Cusack film

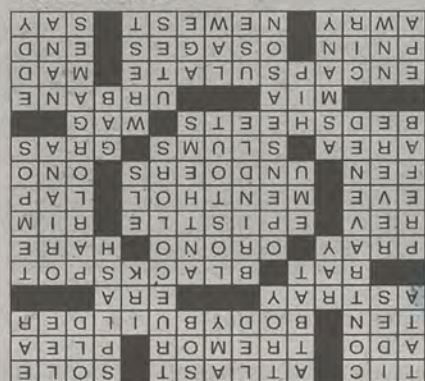


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Solutions

- 10 Result of a cannonball
11 Advanced in age
12 Marvin or Remick
13 Corn serving
19 Tick off
21 Sunbeam
24 Patchy colored
25 Missed the boat
26 National songs
27 After-dinner pastimes
28 Journalist
29 Paces
30 Module classroom
31 Midnight rider of old
32 Hunting period
35 Outback bird
36 Ernie of the PGA
45 An equal amount



- 47 Flap lips
49 With it
50 Force from
52 Shoshones
53 Granny
54 Form into a vortex
55 Air purifier letters?
56 Compass dir.
57 Geom. shape
58 Put into practice
59 Regulation
60 Become mellow

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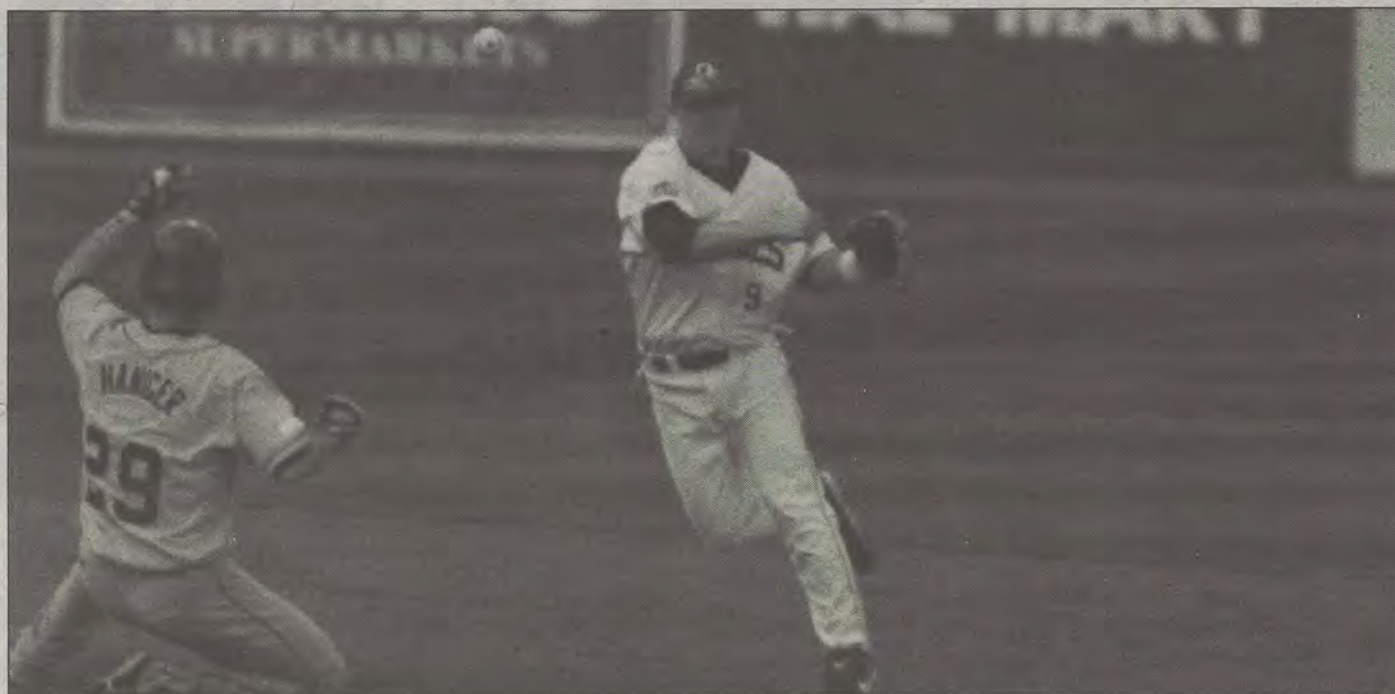


SERIES SHOWDOWN



GEORGIA SOUTHERN EAGLES VS. COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON - APRIL 3-5

Eagles host SoCon leading Cougars



Rob Eakins/STAFF

Second baseman Brian Pierce makes the throw to first to try to catch Georgia Tech in a doubleplay in the February game.

Compiled by Staff

The Georgia Southern baseball team will continue Southern Conference play with a weekend series against the conference leading College of Charleston Cougars.

The first game of the series will be Friday at 7 p.m., Saturday's at 6 p.m., and Sunday's game will be at 1:30 p.m.

The Eagles game on Tuesday vs. North Florida was rained out in the bottom of the third inning, when the Eagles had the lead, 3-2.

Ty Wright had hit a three-run home run in the first inning to put the Eagles ahead.

The game has not been rescheduled. If it does get rescheduled the game will start over

from the beginning.

The Eagles are currently 18-7 while 4-3 in conference play. They have lost three of their last four games before the North Florida game.

The College of Charleston Cougars are top team in the SoCon, with a record of 20-5 overall and 10-2 in conference play. Their only two conference loss came against Furman and Western Carolina. However, the Cougars won both of those three game series, two games to one.

C of C's sophomore third baseman Cole Rakar was named this week's Southern Conference "Player of the Week," along with Elon's Mike Lelillo.

Last week, Rakar had a .600 on base aver-

age, and a regular average of .547. He hit four homeruns in the week, including three homers in the Cougar's 18-4 victory over Furman. This made him the fourth player in C of C history to hit that many in a single game.

Last week, the Cougars were named no. 30 in the Collegiate Baseball poll, but were left out in this week's standings, though they still received votes.

Junior infielder Joey Bergman is leading the Cougars in season batting average with a .453 percentage and has played every game. Senior catcher Griffin Benedict leads the Eagles with a .403 average. Senior Ty Wright and Phillip Porter are close behind, both with over a .320 average.

just the basics

SCOUTING REPORT

The College of Charleston Cougars are currently having a solid year, with a 20-5 overall record. More importantly, the Cougars have a solid command over the lead for the Southern Conference, with a 10-2 record.

At the turn of the week, the Cougar's bullpen had a 0.71 average. Their hitters had over a .32 batting average with a 3.42 ERA.

The team on the season has gone 35-50 on stolen base attempts, an impressive 70 percent.

Last year, the Cougars took the series against the Eagles, two games to one in Charleston. The Cougars went on to the SoCon championship game before losing to the Elon Phoenix.

AT A GLANCE

2009 overall record: 20-5
2009 Conf. Record: 10-2
2008 overall record: 39-20
Upperclassman players: 17
Freshman players: 4
2008 players lost: 2

DID YOU KNOW?

The Cougars have won the Southern Conference title four of the past six years.

In fact, the title belonged to C of C for four years straight, 2004-2007.

Last year's loss in the championship game against Elon broke the streak.

GAME WEATHER



Cloudy, Sa. sunny

High: 81-80°

Low: 68-54°

Eagles Sports Schedule

Baseball

Fri 4/3 vs. C of C 7 p.m.
 Sat 4/4 vs. C of C 6 p.m.
 Sun 4/5 vs. C of C 1:30 p.m.
 Tue 4/7 @ G. Tech 6 p.m.

Softball

Sat 4/3 vs. Samford 1 p.m.
 Sat 4/3 vs. Samford 3 p.m.
 Sun 4/4 vs. Samford 12 p.m.
 Fri 4/10 @ Elon 4 p.m.

Men's Tennis

Sat 4/3 vs. The Citadel 11 a.m.
 Sun 4/4 vs. Davidson 12 p.m.
 Wed 4/8 @ C of C 2:30 p.m.
 Sat 4/11 @ UNCG 12 p.m.

Women's Tennis

Sat 4/3 vs. Chatt. 2 p.m.
 Wed 4/15 vs. C of C 2:30 p.m.
 Sat 4/18 vs. Samford 10 a.m.
 Thur 4/23 SoCon Champ. TBA



All Photos By Jared Siri/STAFF

Junior Kyle Collins throws a pass (Left). Defense swarms the runner in last Blue and White game (Top Right). Tim Camp fights to continue the run (Bottom Right).

Blue and White game on Saturday

By Thom Cunningham
Staff writer

The Georgia Southern Eagles will kick off the beginning of a new season this Saturday with the annual Blue vs. White spring game.

There are many unanswered questions as to which players will be starting come fall, but the spring helps give both coaches and fans a clue as to where the team is directed and which players could stand out.

With the early exit of Antonio Henton after his one and only year here, a lot of people question who will come in and fill his shoes. There are two legitimate options to Henton's successor. One of which is redshirt sophomore Lee Chapple, who saw some playing time last year as well.

"Everyday we are making strides to get better," commented Chapple. "As a quarterback, I think you have to be a leader. You're almost thrown into it. Guys look at you to be a leader; that's when you got to step up."

The other possibility for quarterback for the starting job is junior Kyle Collins. Although all fingers point to Chapple starting, both quarterbacks have had a nice spring according to head coach Chris Hatcher.

"Both quarterbacks have looked good at times, but other times they are both kind of shaky," said Hatcher.

"Part of their progression is trying to find the right combination of receivers to work with them. They have a pretty solid command of the offense and I've been pleased at where they are at right now."

The quarterback scenario seems to be in place at the moment, but what about the supporting cast around it?

"I like Urbano," stated Chapple. Adam Urbano is a sophomore halfback who saw plenty of playing time last year. "He played great last year and has been really stepping up."

The Eagles lost a lot of receivers following last season, which is the main focus of importance this year.

"At receiver I like Nico Hickey," said Chapple. "Nick Kyles has been stepping up as well. We moved Leander to the X slot and he has done a good job there."

Leander Barney is a sophomore who spent last year as a halfback, but is making the transition to receiver.

"One of the newest acquisitions that has stepped up is Darreion Robinson," said Chapple. "He's pretty quick and I feel real safe having him back there. He makes a lot of guys miss."

Darreion is the younger brother of NFL defensive back Dunta Robinson and ran a 4.44 forty yard dash.

"I'm loving it," said Chapple in respect to the protection his offensive line has given him. "We have a lot of guys coming back so I feel extremely comfortable back there."

There seems to be two definite starters on the defensive side of the ball. Two returning defensive backs, Ronnie Wiggins and Carson Hill, seem to have the corner positions locked up.

"Right now we are showing the new guys their roles," said Wiggins. "We're trying to build off of last year's last game."

Both Hill and Wiggins filled the cornerback role last year, which could give them an advantage for the upcoming season.

"I think playing together last year and experience gives us an advantage," said Wiggins. "You've basically got two leaders to coach up the younger guys."

Opposite of Wiggins is Hill, who has some goals in mind for the upcoming season.

"We are going to try and limit the amount of touchdowns we give up of course," said Hill. "We've got to step up and be leaders. We still have a long way to go. You have to work hard to get better and that's the only way to go."

The linebacking core, although it has a lot of depth, is still developing. The defensive line seemed to take

the biggest hit, but seems to be progressing.

"Both sides of the ball are still developing," said Hatcher. "Last year we were still in a transition. We got the same plays as last year, but it's the process of approaching it that we're still trying to learn."

"Spring ball gives us an idea of who can help us come fall," said Hatcher. "We want to come out of here knowing who can help us when the time comes."

Kickoff is scheduled for 1 p.m.

Timeline of Events

- 11 a.m. Men's Tennis vs. The Citadel
- 1 p.m. Blue White Game at Paulson Stadium
- 1 p.m. Softball vs. Samford
- 2 p.m. Women's Tennis vs. UTC
- 3 p.m. Baseball Tailgate sponsored by Eagle Sports Marketing and the Georgia Southern Athletic Foundation in the lower parking lot next to J.I. Clements Stadium
- 5 p.m. GUS and the GSU cheerleaders will be performing their National Championship performance in Hanner Field House
- 6 p.m. "Cram the stands at J.I. Clements Stadium" Baseball vs. College of Charleston
- 7 p.m. The Eagle Football Assistance Association Reverse Raffle at Bishop Field House

SPORTS

INSIDE THIS EDITION

The annual football spring game, the Blue and White game, will be held this Saturday (pg. 19). Baseball will continue SoCon play by hosting conference leader College of Charleston (pg. 18).

Men's Basketball under investigation by NCAA



STAFF

Jeff Price looks on during a 2007-2008 season game. Price resigned Monday and Wednesday the GSU athletic department announced the program was under NCAA investigation.

By Jessica Martin
Sports editor

On Tuesday night the Georgia Southern athletics department announced that the men's basketball program is currently under investigation by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA).

This announcement adds to the tough week for the program, just two days after head coach Jeff Price resigned from his position, one he has held for the last ten seasons.

At this time, there is no known link between Price and the current investigation.

"All I can confirm is that we are in the process of an NCAA investigation that is ongoing," said Keith Roughton, associate athletic director in charge of student-athlete services and NCAA compliance.

The NCAA media relations office was contacted and said that they "do not comment on pending investigations."

Southern Conference commissioner John Iamarino said that GSU has kept the conference informed throughout the process so far, including prior alert to an NCAA representative coming to campus.

He also declined to comment on the nature of the investigation due to it still being an open case.

"We hope it all turns out the best for the [GSU athletics] department," said Iamarino.

Long time Eagles fans may be a little concerned about the familiarity of the situation. Fifteen years ago in 1994, then head coach Frank Kern resigned after the revealing of academic improprieties involving several players.

GSU announced on November 28, 1994 that Kerns had submitted his resignation, along with the resignation of two of his assistant, less than a week after the athletic department learned of some academic inaccuracies involving a junior college transfer player, according to George-Anne archives.

In that instance, GSU handled the investigation internally, according to the archives, and the NCAA faculty athletics representative headed the investigation. The representative at that time was Lane Van Tassell, father of current professor Darin Van Tassell. Communication Arts professor Chris Geyerman is currently GSU's faculty athletics representative. He was unavailable for comment due to travel.

The Eagles finished 8-22 this season. Willie Powers ended his season early with an injury, and three players were suspended due to unspecified institutional rules. One of those players, junior Antoine Johnson was recently given the option to rejoin the team.

Golf team continues to build on successful season

By Derek Hardge Jr.
Staff writer

The GSU Golf 2008-09 season is off to a great start, with the Eagles standing at no. 40 nationally.

The team earned top spots in the nine tournaments that have been played and placed first in three tournaments. March 13-14 marked the third tournament that GSU placed first, at the Kauai Collegiate Cup in Kauai, HI. They tied for first with East Tennessee State.

"We're having a good season, with three tournament wins and good finishes" said Mays.

In Hawaii, sophomore Logan Blondell placed first among all individuals in the tournament. He had a one stroke lead after the second round and

held on to win the tournament.

Most recently, the Eagles placed sixth of eighteen teams on March 20-22 for the Schenkel E-Z-Go tournament.

The last three of five SoCon 'Player of the Week' honors have gone to a Georgia Southern player Lethem, Monte and Blondell. Blondell and Lethem were honored in March, while Monte won the award in February. He also was awarded the Golfer of the Month (Feb.).

Playing well in the last Eagles tournament at home in Statesboro, Lethem found himself shooting a team best even-par 216. On day two of the tournament Lethem carded lowest round with two-under par 70. Day three of tournament play, Lethem headed to the back nine where he swung back-to-back birdies on the 13 and 14, ending

the tournament with a two-under par final, tied for 11th place.

"Drew Lethem our senior force is having a good year, he is very consistent, and has had a lot of good rounds" said Mays.

In the Schenkel E-Z-Go tournament, the Eagles has had a few outstanding players including Monte scored 3.00 on Par 3, and Blondell who scored 4.67 -4 on Par 5.

The Eagles next tournament play is the Augusta State Invitational, which is set for April 4-5, in Augusta, GA.

This will be the last tournament of the season before the Southern Conference Championship.

"One more tournament, the team is looking forward to competing and winning the tournament" said Mays.



Special photo

Sophomore Logan Blondell watches a shot.