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COVERING THE CAMPUS LIKE A SWARM OF GNATS

'Flash Mob' organizes surprise skits

By Kelsey Sorrell
Staff writer

At approximately 12:30 yesterday afternoon, a Flash Mob Pillow Fight of Doom consisting of 30 people interrupted an otherwise normal school day on campus. The fight occurred in the gazebo on the pedestrian by the new GSU Flash Mob group.

The fight consisted of two teams, the blue team, which approached the scene from Lakeside, and the green team, which entered from the Russell Union Rotunda.

The teams were dressed in either blue or green pajamas with each member carrying a pillow and preparing to fight.

The students that walked through campus were immediately drawn to the event when each of the teams began yelling at each other as they approached.

Once the teams met under the gazebo, a few of the members started to insult the members of the opposing team by telling "your mom jokes." As the teams hurled insults, the blue team's leader, freshman Mark Bragg, shouted, "What is your profession" in order to terminate the jokes and allow the fighting to begin.

Freshman Samantha Hairston, an accounting student who stopped to watch the fight, was surprised by the action.

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Long time coming



Controversial
professor
Bill Ayers
makes
unpublicized visit
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Chris Buchanan/STAFF

Bill Ayers speaks to undergraduate and doctoral students from the College of Education Tuesday night. Ayers was scheduled to visit Georgia Southern in Spring 2009, but administrators canceled the event, citing security costs. For the video of an exclusive interview with Ayers, visit www.gadaily.com

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Could a schedule with no Friday classes be a thing of the past?

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PILLOW FIGHT

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"I'm confused as to what is going on right now, but I'm really excited because I want to join," she said.

All of the members of each team shouted their war cries as they hit each other with pillows. Members of the group dropped out one by one as they met their death to a final blow.

Junior Demetris McNelly witnessed the scene.

"It was hilarious and awesome," he said, "but I think they should hit a bunch of random people who aren't expecting it in order to get more people into it, like a professor maybe. They should march through campus around to different classrooms and gather people as they go to join in."

According to Lydia Luke, the writer of the script for yesterday's event, even though the green team was last to die, every member of each group died, resulting in a neutral fight with no true winner.

Luke is the founder of the Flash Mob group.

"I came up with the idea for this group because I like to make people happy, it's what I do. I like to bring joy to this world," she said. "I just woke up one morning and decided to do something that can get more students involved. I knew that flash mobs make people happy, so I decided that our events should happen during a normal school day on campus."

Bragg, a member of the group since its beginning, expanded on the origination of their new group.

"Lydia had seen flash mob videos and began getting really excited about it, so she decided to start a group on Facebook, which spread the word," he said. "The group grew a lot faster than we thought it would. There is just more and more people all the time."

Bragg said that the purpose of the group is to "have everyone experience spontaneous freedom."

"I look forward to these events as it allows me to focus through all the stress [of school]. It gives me an adrenaline rush, and I have a blast with my friends. I would like to see everyone not be scared of the world as this group helps people reveal themselves and find out who they really are. This group is meant to have fun, but it actually has a deeper meaning," he said.

As many students remember, the GSU Flash Mob not only participated in a pillow fight yesterday but also came up with the idea to do a cookie monster flash through Lakeside last week. The Stampede of the Cookies ran through campus dressed in cardboard cookie costumes while freshman Brea Shaffer, dressed as Cookie Monster, ran after them. The mob ran through Lakeside after their preview through campus.

"It was really exciting, but it was really, really hot," Shaffer said. "I definitely enjoyed it though."

Thirty people participated in the Stampede of the Cookies. Luke said that she wanted an easy and cheap costume idea for the cookie flash mob and decided to center it around Halloween.

She even came up with an instructional video on how to properly assemble a cookie costume out of cardboard.

Another event that the group participated in two weeks ago as their first act in their new group was Russell Union Freeze Out. Thirty-five members in Russell Union stood in a frozen position for approximately three minutes.

According to Luke, over 300 members have already joined the Flash Mob's Facebook group. She plans to think of new ideas they can do in the future because the group plans to host flash mob events once a week throughout the year.

"I think doing these flash mobs makes people want to participate," said Luke. "Hopefully we will have a purpose, and in the future we can work toward an actual goal."

The group holds meetings every Monday at 9:30p.m. at the Russell Union Rotunda. The members collectively plan future flash mobs and practice for the upcoming events.



Nico Adams/STAFF

Members of the GSU Flash Mob take part in a surprise pillow fight at the gazebo outside of the Williams Center to the surprise of onlookers.

For more information, or for anyone who is interested in joining, visit the GSU Flash Mob group on www.facebook.com.

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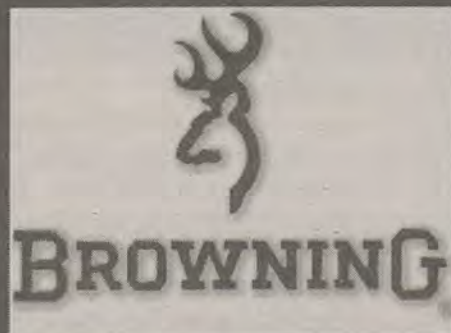
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Thursday, November 5, 2009

The senator from Aetna



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Are U.S. senators supposed to represent the interests of people from their home states, or are they supposed to represent the profit interests of corporations? The big news this week is that Senator Joseph Lieberman (I-Ct.) has publically announced his intention to filibuster the public option component of health care reform, even if this

prevents any health care reform bill from passing at all.

This means that Lieberman's one vote to block even debating the merits of a public option on the Senate floor will nullify the votes of the 55-57 Senators who do support adding competition in the health insurance market place, keeping the massive insurance giants, like Aetna and United Healthcare, accountable to us.

Thank you, Lieberman, for seeing to it that the over 45,000 people who die every year because they cannot obtain health insurance will continue to die. No, this number is not a made-up statistic (like most are), 45,000 Americans do die every year because they can't get health insurance, according to a Harvard University study. Don't take my word for it, look it up for yourself instead of having Glenn Beck tell you what he thinks the "facts" are.

Thank you, Lieberman, for making sure more

people are dropped from their insurance coverage at the worst possible time- when they're facing catastrophic illness or injury that they can't pay for on their own. Yes, insurance companies do this. When they think your treatment will cost too much, they can and will drop you from your plan, leaving you with no coverage, even if you've paid your premiums every year. And there is nothing to stop them from doing this. Again, don't take my word for it. Look it up yourself.

Thank you, Lieberman, for making sure hundreds of thousands of Americans will never get health insurance even if they CAN pay for it because they have what the health insurance industry calls a "pre-existing condition," which can sometimes be as simple as being pregnant or smoking for a couple years. Some health insurance companies deem pregnancy as too risky and expensive to cover, so they don't cover it. And you're on the hook for all your medical bills, and assuming you don't have \$20-30 thousand cash just lying around, the hospital then hires a collection agency to relentlessly harass you until you go bankrupt trying to pay the hospital. Yes, according to the American Association of Retired People, 1.85 million Americans go bankrupt every year because of medical expenses.

Is it really any surprise Senator Lieberman has chosen to represent the interests of his biggest campaign contributors? Do some research, and look up just how much money Lieberman has taken from United Healthcare, Aetna and other insurance giants. Once you follow the money trail, I don't think you'll be surprised that he's voting to block the public option from even being debated in the Senate.

Letter to the Editor

A spark that needs to be lit

Reflecting on the bye week that Georgia Southern just had and still having the painful recollection of the whipping we took at App. State, I have been disappointed to see how there seems to be not as much life in the GSU football program. Yes, there is True Blue and many other spirit rallying organizations, but as I go to Paulson, I don't see the passion that there once was for Southern football. I see empty seats, a football team that is in dire need for a playoff berth and an area that is hungry for success.

Watching the App. State game on SportsSouth I couldn't help but see the passion, facilities and pride the fans had there in Boone. The stadium was filled over-capacity at 26,215, yet it seems Paulson struggles to fill 18,000. App. State's facilities are of an upper-tier Division I caliber; to me, it feels like Southern's are mediocre at best.

As GSU football used to be the benchmark that everyone tried to strive to be, it now has been taken over by App. State and other Division I-AA teams.

I know money is tight in a struggling economy, but I believe the first thing to do is upgrade the facilities.

Let's face it; recruits want to see the new stuff. I believe much of Georgia Southern's athletic facilities are still stuck in the late 1980s.

As the university is making huge strides forward on the academic side, it seems like the athletics have been sort of left behind, put on the back-burner, and let's face it - athletics is one of the university's most visible platforms.

I love being an Eagle, and no team can compare with the tradition that Georgia Southern has, the passion of the fans and the love for the team.

Yet, I believe it is time to bring some life, put some juice back into the program, and bring that fire back to Statesboro that seems to be lacking since the Paul Johnson days.

Garrett Kee
Sophomore

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What a difference a year, or two, can make



Robert Greene II
is a graduate student in history from Augusta, Ga. He is a staff columnist for the George-Anne.

Tuesday saw the election of a new mayor and also the election of a new city council member, as well as the re-election of an incumbent. While we're used to elections in even-numbered years, those pesky odd-numbered year races are just as important, especially on a local level.

The lack of, well, pandemonium over this event is a bit surprising, considering how city council has been the cause of some of the biggest events of debate and discourse at Georgia

Southern over the previous three years.

Let's start by examining the last race for city council. In 2007, a group was formed to challenge the rights of students to vote who lived on campus. Meetings were held between officials from this group and from the Student Government Association. While voter turnout for students was low, it is not known whether or not this was due to votes being challenged.

Two days ago another election was held. There was none of the hoopla around the race as there was in 2007, nor the excitement of voting that there was in 2008. While such joy about the democratic process is hard to bottle up and keep from an historic presidential race and transfer it to a local election, it is worth noting the saying, "All politics is local."

Nonetheless, the passion for local politics, was

missing. It may very well be that, due to there being only one candidate for mayor, no one really bothered to pay much attention to city council. It was the equivalent of an off-year congressional race: without the office of the presidency up for grabs, already anemic voting numbers drop across the nation. Likewise, that may have been the case with the election of Joe Brannen to the mayor's seat.

For a time, it seemed as though the mayor's race would be competitive, with DeWayne Grice setting out to challenge for the seat early on in the political season. But he dropped out, and with him went any chance of a true mayor's race.

And what a race it could have been. Grice promised to appoint a member of SGA to the city council as a non-voting observer, an idea that was proposed back in 2007 during the last dispute between students and

residents. Perhaps he held the key to forging a true, student-community coalition that can take Statesboro forward. That does not mean the same cannot be done with Brannen as mayor. Students at GSU, especially in SGA, will have to press to make our voice heard all around the community.

But city council seats matter, too. It will be interesting to see what re-elected incumbent Tommy Blich and newcomer Joe Riggs do in city council. Far too often the legislative body, whether it's the council, the Georgia General Assembly or the United States Congress, is ignored when an executive branch office is up for grabs. That shouldn't happen here, however; if anything, the last few years should've served as a warning to students that what city council decides on does matter to your life in Statesboro, however long or short it may be.



WEEKLY BUZZ

Today

12:00 AM, Nov 4 - 12:00 AM, Nov 5 OSLCE: Blood Drive
 12:00 AM - 12:00 AM George-Anne
 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM LeaderShape Interest Meet
 7:00 PM Suppramics: Nourish Your Inner Artist, Russell Union Commons.
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Dorothy Allison author
 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM CARL's Real World GSU...

Friday, November 6th

12:00 AM, Nov 5 - 12:00 AM, Nov 6 George-Anne
 7:00 PM Eagle Cinema Movie Series: Funny People, Russell Union Theater
 9:00 PM Eagle Cinema Movie Series: Funny People, Russell Union Theater

Saturday, November 7th

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM MSC: GLBT Summitt
 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM Southern Sprint 5k, R.A.C. Pavilion.
 9:00 AM STATESBORO - Farmer's Market, Downtown Statesboro Sea Island Bank.
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Sunday, November 8th

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM PHA Service Project

Monday, November 9th

Homecoming Week

8:00 AM - 2 PM Paint the Campus. Paint the Town is a former Georgia Southern tradition, and what better way to revive it than by painting the campus in scenes from the circus? Look around during Homecoming to view the masterpieces created by student organizations with Eagles over the Big Top pride.
 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM OSLCE: Leadership 101 Workshop
 7pm - 9pm GSU Idol, Russell Union Ballroom. Come out to the Russell Union Ballroom to see students show off their amazing talents at Georgia Southern's own GSU Idol. Tickets are \$5 in advance and can be purchased beginning November 2nd from SGA.

Tuesday, November 10th

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM Sculpt it for the Hungry, Russell Union Rotunda.
 7:00 PM - 9 PM Freak Show Talent Show, Russell Union Ballroom. 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM CARL's Community Conversation
 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM Leave No Trace Clinic

Wednesday, November 11th

10am - 2pm Carnie-vorous Blood Drive, Russell Union Ballroom.
 7:00 PM - 10 PM Doo-Dah/Step Show, Hanner Fieldhouse.
 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM Adventure Movie Series





HOMECOMING 2009 CALENDAR

Saturday, Nov. 7th

**Southern Sprint 5k,
RAC Pavilion, 8:30 AM**

Do you like Fried Twinkies and Funnel Cakes??? Well, let's take a break from all the snacks and head on over to the RAC. Run or walk in the Campus Recreation & Intramurals' Southern Sprint for Wellness.

Monday, Nov. 9th

**Paint the Campus,
RU Rotunda,
8 AM to 2 PM**

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to view the masterpieces created by student organizations with Eagles over the Big Top pride.

**GSU Idol, RU Ballroom,
7 PM**

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Tuesday, Nov. 10th

**Sculpt It for the Hungry,
RU Rotunda,
11 AM to 2 PM**

If you think circus tents go up fast, you should see where the carnies learned how to do it! Watch students create GSU-inspired circus designs using food, toiletries, and clothing under the Russell Union Rotunda. All donations are contributed to the Statesboro Food Bank. Sponsored by the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement.

**Freak Show
Talent Show,
RU Ballroom, 7 PM**

We may not have a half-man/half-elephant, but we can guarantee that the freaky talents of Georgia Southern students are worth the fee to the Freak Show. Just remember: it's not polite to laugh...unless it's really, really funny! Tickets are \$1 and can be purchased in the Office of Student Activities beginning on **November 2nd**.

Wednesday, Nov. 11th

**Carnie-vorous
Blood Drive,
RU Ballroom,
10 AM to 2 PM**

What's the difference between a carnivore and a carnie-vore? Carnies save lives! Come out and do your part: donate blood and save 3 local lives.

**Doo-Dah/Step Show,
Hanner, 7 PM**

Britney's Circus Tour has nothing on the talent at GSU! Swing your trapeze over to Hanner Fieldhouse to see the awesome performances in this year's Doo-Dah/Step Show! Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased in the Office of Student Activities beginning on **November 2nd**.

Thursday, Nov. 12th

**You're a Freak...for GSU
Tailgating,
Big Fan on Campus, &
Shirts du Soleil,
RU Rotunda,
11AM to 2PM**

No one tailgates like an Eagle, and we're here to prove it! Come out to the Rotunda to see how the ringmasters do it. Stop by each tailgating area to check out their Big Fan on Campus. Hang out to see who is the Truest of the Blue as organizations donate Furman, App State, and other university apparel to a charity.

**Eagle Rally and G.I. Joe,
Paulson Tailgating, 7 PM**

Join us at the Paulson Stadium tailgating area to begin the weekend celebration of Eagle athletic teams soaring over our rivals! Hear the Duke and Duchess Royalty winners and the top King and Queen candidates announced and enjoy a FREE outdoor screening of G.I. Joe!

Friday, Nov. 13th

**Homecoming Parade,
4 PM to 5:30 PM**

Grab a seat for the Greatest Show in the 'Boro as students show off their floats, crazy cars, and banners!! View the parade route on the Homecoming website.

**Circus on the Circle:
Homecoming
Celebration,
Sweetheart Circle,
5:30 PM to 7 PM**

After lions and tigers and bears (oh my!) have made their way out of the circus tent, bring your blankets and chairs to Sweetheart Circle to enjoy a tasty cookout, complete with live music, animals, and the announcement of the big winners of the Homecoming competitions.

**Womens' and Mens'
Basketball
Season Openers,
Hanner, 5 PM & 7:30 PM**

Head over to see the opening of another year in Eagle Basketball!

Saturday, Nov. 14th

**BLUE OUT Football Game
Georgia Southern vs.
Furman,**

Paulson Stadium, 2 PM
Wear your GSU Blue t-shirts to watch the Eagles soar over the Paladins! The Homecoming King & Queen will be crowned during halftime.

**BLUE OUT Volleyball
Game vs. Samford,
Hanner, 7 PM**

Come out in full True Blue gear to support Eagle volleyball!!



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Professor Bill Ayers makes unpublicized visit

Addresses educational theory, controversy surrounding canceled spring 2009 appearance

By Robert Greene II
Staff writer

Controversial yet distinguished professor of education William Ayers visited campus Tuesday and Wednesday.

His visit was for the purpose of serving on a dissertation committee, according to College of Education professor Ming Fang He.

According to an e-mail sent by the Office of Marketing and Communications, "Our office was unaware of his plans to come on campus, and his visit was not a university-sponsored event."

Ayers was scheduled to visit campus in the spring, but his trip was cancelled due to prohibitively high security costs cited by the university.

"I think what happened at Georgia Southern, is that the administration completely, or at least said publicly, that they didn't feel they could host me here and have it be a safe event," Ayers said.

He continued, "I argued then, and I've argued consistently that that's disingenuous. You could have President Obama here, or President Bush, or Dick Cheney here, or Rush Limbaugh here. And [there are] people who would object, who would not like it

... but there's absolutely no doubt you could protect them. It becomes a way to suppress speech."

Michael Russell, chief of Georgia Southern campus police, said he and his department were not informed of it until "late [Tuesday] evening."

He and one other officer acted as security for the event.

Russell reported no disturbances, nor did he report any protestors at the event.

"We were asked to be there by the sponsors of the program," said Russell. The sponsor was the College of Education. Russell added that "people don't have to go through us to clear anything."

Ayers said at the beginning of his lecture Tuesday night that he was at GSU to serve on several dissertation committees. He also decided to give a lecture on teaching and research and the relationship between those two fields.

His audience Tuesday night was made up of mostly undergraduate and doctoral students in various fields of education. Ayers' lecture touched on styles of teaching.

"You've got to get off the idea that you can save people," said Ayers during his lecture, condemning the common symbol of teachers in movies as helping

underprivileged students.

"It's a deeply dishonest story," said Ayers. Instead, he said that teachers must know their students in context of family, culture and various other socioeconomic factors.

Ayers also allowed a question and answer session after his lecture. He was asked about methods and strategies of dissertation writing by doctoral students. Ayers emphasized the importance of "show, don't tell" in writing a dissertation.

"Facts never exist by themselves. They exist within stories," said Ayers. He added, "Why" is one of the most important questions anyone can ask.

Ayers ended his session by speaking of the dogma of common sense, citing the examples of slavery and the lack of a woman's right to vote as being ideas that were once common, but were continually challenged until they were destroyed. He then urged students to not just accept the status quo, but to challenge it.

"What are we not seeing? What are we missing?" said Ayers.

After the event, Ayers answered questions from reporters to The George-Anne.

Ayers said, "I remember being invited, and I do remember being disinvited."

He said that he's spoken at Georgia Southern "a dozen times, so it's not that unusual."

Ayers said he was here for a defense of a dissertation and one proposal of a defense, which he referred to as "typical professor's work."

"I've served on maybe half a dozen or more [committees] here," Ayers said.

He cited the example of radical lawyer William Kunstler, whose speaking costs were also high on college campuses due to security concerns.

"To say that the only reason I wasn't invited was because of a safety concern is nonsense. I'm not afraid. I live openly at my house in Chicago."

He also said he was unaware of any backlash to his scheduled visit in the spring, and the only people hurt by this were the people who invited him.

"The people who are aggrieved in that situation are the students and the faculty who invited me. They have a right to talk to me. They should be able to talk to me. Not to agree with me, but to talk to me," he said.

"If they are not allowed to talk to me by state officials or the administration, then that administration is doing a disservice to its students, and it's undermining a very core value about the role of a university in a free society."

Charles Minschew contributed to this report. To see a video interview with Ayers, visit www.gadaily.com

District 4 selects new council member; new mayor slides into seat

By John Bender
Guest writer

The votes have been tallied, and the winners are confirmed. On Nov. 11, John C. Riggs, a GSU alumnus, won a seat on the Statesboro City Council.

He will be representing District 4, which includes a long list of student housing facilities: Bermuda Run, Cambridge at Southern, Campus Crossing, Campus Rentals, Copper Beach, Eagle Village, Garden District, Garden Villas, Heritage Square, Kennedy Res. Complex, Lanier Apartments, Pinewood Court, Plantation Villas, Sherwood Forest, Southern Villas, Stadium Walk, The Avenue at Southern, The Exchange, The Seasons, University Court, Southern Courtyard, University Pines and University Place.

Of the possible 321 votes in this election for city councilmen, Riggs received over 76 percent of the total with 245 votes.

Sonny Riggs, John Riggs' father said that they "appreciate the students getting out and voting," though he wished both more city and student voters would have participated.

Of the 12,827 registered, 779 turned in a ballot,



Katherine Kennedy/STAFF

Poll worker Barbara Price, right, accepts Margaret Dannacher's paperwork as she prepares to cast her ballot at the Honey Bowen Building in Tuesday's city election.

only 6.07 percent of what could have been. With regard to the student population he will represent here at Georgia Southern, Riggs said, "I hope that I can be representative of [students]. I hope I can get their input and their cooperation."

On Tuesday night, the mayor of Statesboro was also elected. Joe R. Brannen officially won by a tally of 592 votes out of 663, which means he won with

nearly 90 percent of the vote.

Brannen said of his plans as mayor that he is "going [to get] ready for the new year and try to get everybody on the same page. I am just looking forward coming January 1 to do everything I can for the citizens of Statesboro."

Regarding students, Brannen said, "We are very proud to have them in our community. They're

outstanding citizens, [and] we want to be sure to provide safety for them while they are here in our community - the mayor's office is open [if they need] to contact me as far as suggestions that [need] to be done that would make things better for them."

Brannen also stated that he is also a graduate of Georgia Southern College, and that there "wouldn't be Statesboro without Georgia teachers, Georgia Southern College and Georgia Southern University."

Brannen said that Riggs was a "fine young man, I've known him since he was very young and [I'm] just delighted to have him; he will be an outstanding council person."

Also, Tommy Blich retained his city council seat Tuesday night, winning with 54.14 percent of the 314 possible votes for District 1.

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New system makes drivers conscious

By Ally Rakoczy
Staff writer

Georgia Southern will now have a "Report My Driving" system for all university vehicles as a part of the State of Georgia Comprehensive Loss Control Program. The university began issuing bumper stickers for the program for all non-emergency GSU vehicles at the end of October and all university drivers were required to attend open forums with details of the program.

For student workers on campus who use university vehicles, this means paying more attention to the way they drive.

Roxanne Nobles, administrative assistant in the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement—an office that frequently has students drive university vehicles—said she didn't think students will be affected negatively by the new system.

"There are no implications [for students] as long as they respect the laws like any normal driver would," she said.

If, however, students are found to be operating a university vehicle recklessly, Nobles said that they would lose driving privileges.

"They will probably be reprimanded and be restricted from driving university vehicles if they abuse the privilege and can't be mature when operating



Katherine Kennedy/STAFF

Drivers of university vehicles can now be reported for reckless driving on campus.

the vehicles," said Nobles.

Students have had mixed reactions about the new system.

"University vehicles tend to have awful drivers. I think I might actually use [the Report My Driving system] because something definitely needs to be done about university drivers on campus," said Ashley Milton, a junior early childhood education major. "There was actually a university truck going five miles per hour today down the road, so their driving can be frustrating at times."

Senior sports management major Geoff Buckle didn't think that the new system would be utilized by students.

Buckle said, "No one is going to use it even if their driving is bad, because, let's face it, students are going to think it's just too much effort to call it in."

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Kiss T.G.I.F. goodbye?

By Candice Hall

Staff writer

T.G.I.F. may not be the mindset of Georgia Southern's students if the recently proposed schedule change is put into place.

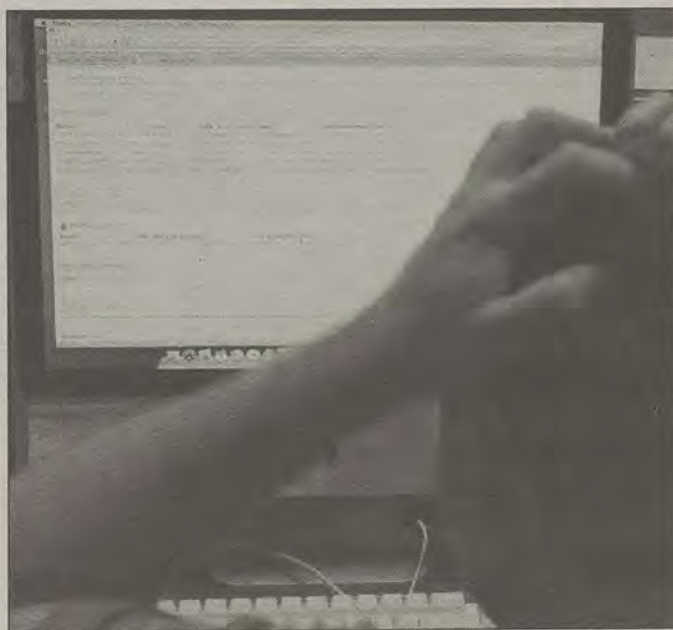
One suggestion to accommodate the growing population of GSU is offering additional class times. With this solution comes one scheduling aspect of which students may not be fond. The proposed class schedule suggests converting Monday/Wednesday classes to Monday/Wednesday/Friday.

Instead of having the option to take a 75-minute class only MW, students will only be given the option of 50-minute sessions on MWF. These shorter sessions will provide a substantial increase in the amount of class sections offered in each subject, according to officials proposing the schedule change.

"The division of Academic Affairs works diligently to make sure that adequate course offerings are available each term based on anticipated enrollment changes," said Registrar Mike Deal. According to Deal, one resolution to the issue is spreading the course offerings throughout the day and over the entire week.

The proposed schedule change would not only potentially spread out student's school week but could also keep students on campus later into the evening. The current proposed schedule shows class times beginning at 8 a.m. and lasting until 8:45 p.m.

Kristin McCann, a senior early childhood education major, said, "I don't like the idea of only having the option of MWF classes instead of just MW classes. Because of the time I am required to spend away from campus for my major, I would have no option but to take late



Brandilyn Brown/STAFF

There is a current proposal to cut out the option for having Fridays class-free beginning as early as the 2011 school year.

classes on Fridays."

With later class times comes the concern, will students actually attend class late in the afternoon on Fridays?

"Attendance will drastically drop, in my opinion, and people will try to jam-pack their Tuesdays and Thursdays. Four years might be turning into six if students have to be at school until 8 p.m. They may only take the bare minimum to avoid Friday classes or late hours," said McCann.

Provost Gary Means, is just one of the people working on this scheduling issue. One of the biggest challenges GSU faces as it grows is the facilities available to accommodate more students, said Means.

Changing courses to MWF opens up approximately three hours of extra time a day that could be used for extra sections of classes. Means said that providing flexibility for students is a goal of GSU and that this proposed schedule could be one way that GSU accomplishes that goal.

Other possible solutions have been suggested to handle the growing numbers here at GSU: A short Maymester session is being considered, according to Means, as well as the possibility of more online courses being offered to students.

These scheduling proposals are only suggestions in the early stages however, said Means. Nothing will officially be decided upon until spring semester.

The decided changes will then be implemented, at the earliest, for the 2011 school year.

POLICE BEAT

Wednesday, October 28, 2009

Officers issued one traffic citation, issued three traffic warnings, assisted seven motorists, assisted one sick person and investigated three accidents.

A case of harassment was reported at Southern Courtyard.

A case of harassment was reported at Centennial Place.

A cell phone was taken from the Recreation Activity Center.

A resident of Eagle Village reported some clothes missing.

Thursday, October 29, 2009

Officers issued one traffic citation, issued one traffic warning, assisted eight motorists and investigated two accidents.

A wallet and keys were taken from Eagle Village.

A bicycle was taken from the Lakeside Cafe.

Friday, October 30, 2009

Officers issued two traffic citations, issued two traffic warnings, assisted one motorist, assisted one sick person, responded to a drug complaint at Sanford Hall and investigated two accidents.

A wallet and several keys were taken from the Recreation Activity Center.

Saturday, October 31, 2009

Officers issued one traffic citation, issued three traffic warnings, assisted one motorist, responded to a drug complaint at Southern Pines and assisted another agency.

Nicholas Aaron Wesley, 19, Greenwood Dr., Martinez, was charged with minor

in possession/consumption of alcohol, disorderly conduct and obstruction of an officer.

Sunday, November 01, 2009

Officers issued two traffic citations, issued six traffic warnings, assisted two motorists and responded to two alarms.

A wallet was taken from Centennial Place.

An i-Pod was taken from a vehicle at Eagle Village.

A case of simple battery was reported at Sanford Hall.

Andrew Mason Hoffman, 25, Lanier Drive, was charged with driving with suspended license.

Jermaine Denardo Thomas, 22, Oliver Spur, was charged with wanted person.

Monday, November 02, 2009

Officers assisted seven motorists and investigated one accident.

A bicycle was taken from the Newton Building.

A bicycle was taken from Southern Courtyard.

Three bicycles were taken from Southern Pines.

A laptop computer was taken from Cone Hall

Tuesday, November 03, 2009

Officers issued one traffic citation, issued eight traffic warnings, assisted six motorists, responded to one alarm and investigated one accident.

A bicycle was taken from Southern Pines

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Wednesday, November 4: "A Virtual Visit to Haiti." A presentation by Dr. Helen Graf, the Department of Health and Kinesiology. Introduction by Dr. Barry Joyner, Chair of the Department of Health and Kinesiology. Russell Union 2084, 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 5: A lunchtime buffet with a French menu. Coordinated by Mr. Bob Miller, Food Services. Landrum Cafeteria, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Included in the Dining Plan, or \$7.95 for Eaglexpress, or \$8.95 for cash customers.

Thursday, November 5: "A Cultivation of Curiosities: The Art Collections of François Ier. A presentation by Dr. Tiffanie Townsend, the Betty Foy Sanders Department of Art. Introduction by Dr. Julie McGuire, the Department of Art. The Arts Building 2016, 4:00 p.m. Free admission.

Friday, November 6: A French luncheon. Coordinated by Chef Stephen Minton and Dr. Larry Stalcup, the Department of Hospitality, Tourism, and Family and Consumer Sciences. The Family and Consumer Sciences Restaurant, noon. Cost: \$8.00. Reservations required: 478-5975.

Sunday, November 8: "A Concert in Celebration of National French Week." Performances of vocal and instrumental music written by French composers. Coordinated by Dr. David Murray, the Department of Music. The Carol Carter Recital Hall in the Foy Building, 3:00 p.m. Free admission.

Monday, November 9: "The Clash of Catholicisms: The Two Versions in Spanish-Controlled French Louisiana, 1763-1803." A presentation by Dr. James Woods, the Department of History. Introduction by Dr. Michael McGrath, the Department of Foreign Languages. Nessmith-Lane 2911, 4:00 p.m. Free admission.

Monday, November 9: The Diving Bell and the Butterfly (2007). Part of the John Humma Cinema Arts Series. Coordinated by Tomasz Warchol, the Department of Literature and Philosophy. Russell Union Theatre, 7:15 p.m. Admission: \$3.00.

Tuesday, November 10: A second French menu at the lunchtime buffet in Landrum Cafeteria. Coordination and prices as on November 5. Coordinated by Dr. Clara Krug, Department of Foreign Languages, 912.478.5281

Blue Goose: staying sober so you don't have to

By Ally Rakoczy

Staff writer

The bar landscape has a new addition on the weekends in the form of a giant blue bus.

The "Blue Goose" buses, a company created by a junior psychology major, Jon Lockin, have established a new way for students to obtain safe rides home from the bars, allowing them to avoid the dangers of DUI.

According to Lockin, the concept of the Blue Goose evolved from a prior safe ride service that he had operated out of his truck to a total of three blue buses, two of which run every Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Lockin said he "doesn't presume to be some mastermind of genius," rather he asked students what they wanted in a designated ride service. According to Lockin, it's all in the details.

With everything from the music that is played on the bus to the places the bus goes on its route, students have been the major contributors.

"I have a little piece of paper in the bus that asks them what kind of music they want to hear [on the bus], and then I go get the commercial rights to it and I buy it for them," said Lockin.

"I guess you could say it wasn't so much my idea, but I had the first idea [when it started out of his truck], and students have allowed that idea to grow and come to fruition," he said.

With a little help from his dad, Lockin was able to purchase the first bus from a military auction.

"We got it at a really great price, and it was in great condition. It was already blue and it could hold more than most buses could at that size," said Lockin.

"It was just really perfect," he said.

According to Lockin, since the bus used to be used in the Air Force, it already had wider aisles, more seating and a great engine.

"It was old, and it looked cool. It was really a Godsend and it was only after that I had the first bus running that I was able to get a loan and get the second bus," said Lockin.

Lockin hires drivers that drive the university buses.

"I figured if they're good enough for the university they're good enough for [Blue Goose]," said Lockin.

Lockin said that the students are his priority in the operation, and he found that if he set the right price, students would quickly start utilizing the service.

"I've never really seen a point with charging per mile because Statesboro's so small," said Lockin. "As



Jeff Haas/STAFF

Blue Goose is a cheap form of transportation that shuttles late-night bar patrons to and from their homes. The service was created by a GSU student.

long as it's anywhere in Statesboro, it's not going anywhere crazy.

"I quickly found that charging a flat rate of \$3 that made [the Blue Goose] very popular," said Lockin.

Lockin admitted that the Blue Goose service is worth more than the \$3 fee he charges, but he knows that it is a price point that works for the students and still brings in revenue.

"That's part of what makes it work. It is a no-brainer. I'd be a fool not to [charge that]," said Lockin.

According to Lockin, the next step was to put all the bells and whistles in the buses, like sound systems, lights, and, soon to come, TVs.

"[It's about] mak[ing] the ride faster and mak[ing] it more fun. You get home safe, if not safer, than in a cab and it's still fun."

Students seem to agree with his concept, preferring to pay the flat rate of \$3 per person than fork out the cash for a cab.

"I've only ridden it once, but it was a great time. It was like the party didn't end once you got into the bus," said senior marketing major Jamie Cureton.

The Blue Goose has definitely made an impact on the cab companies in the area, according to Cynthia Francois, a driver for DW Yellow Cab in Statesboro.

"The busy nights are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and those are the nights that they're out

there also," said Francois.

According to Francois, the cab prices are still the same, but the Blue Goose is taking a good deal of business.

"As long as they're out there, it will continue to hurt the business because most of the business that we have comes from the college students," said Francois.

For many students, the Blue Goose is a cost-effective, fun way to avoid DUIs and drunk drivers.

"It think it's great that we have a ride to help prevent a lot of drunk driving," said senior marketing and logistics major Jenny Pippin. "It's really a great option to have when you can't find a ride and you don't want to take a cab."

According to Lockin, there are plans to add a shuttle service to the Blue Goose, in addition to the recently added "Goosepass."

"We'll have a printer and computer to print boarding passes, and food and drink are allowed, of course," said Lockin.

This option will be "much cheaper than a cab," according to Lockin and will begin next semester. In addition to the shuttle service itself, students will be able to purchase a ticket on the Blue Goose web site through an e-ticketing system.

The "Goosepass" is a small keychain that Lockin developed that is directly connected to your credit

card or debit card.

The keychain is free, and all students have to do is register their card with the Blue Goose. After that, there is no need for students to bring cash to ride the Blue Goose.

"[This way] for the future all you need is your ID, the money you want to spend at the bar and your car keys," said Lockin.

While many students are wondering what the Blue Goose plans are for expansion in the future, Lockin is keeping his options open.

"We're looking at expanding, but we haven't specifically picked a location yet. We want to learn from the successes of Statesboro," said Lockin.

According to Lockin, Statesboro's consolidated bar district and quiet routes make it a successful operation, and a good deal of research will be needed before he considers expanding elsewhere, which, according to Lockin, is wherever they "can make the most difference possible" for the students.

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'The Revenger's Tragedy' opens on Friday

By Derek Joyce

Staff writer

One day not so long ago, a beautiful young woman was shot down in her wedding dress along with the entire party. Years later, she came back to exact her revenge by taking down everyone involved in the bloody massacre.

Sound familiar? In 2003 and 2004, Quentin Tarantino became a household name with the release of "Kill Bill" volumes 1 and 2. However, it is also the back story of Georgia Southern's latest theater production, "Revenger's Tragedy."

"It has the same plot except the playwright, a professor in North Carolina, changed about half the characters in that original script from men to women. Because of that fact, we sort of took "Kill Bill" as an inspiration for how we are staging it and for our costumes and set," said Jim Harbour, the director of the play.

"Revenger's Tragedy" has a great production value. The play is set in a rundown church that was renovated as a night club. The stage is very dark and elaborate in detail. In addition, the stage is a thrust, extending into the middle of the floor with the audience seated on three sides.

The stage is divided into three sections, one in the center and two podiums in the corners, so the audience must look around to not miss anything.

"Revenger's Tragedy" also has a very colorful cast of characters. The main protagonist is Vi, the equivalent of Beatrix Kiddo from "Kill Bill." Her



Nico Adams/STAFF

"The Revenger's Tragedy" is a darkly humorous take on "Kill Bill" that premieres tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.

main adversary, The Duke, who was the basis for Bill, is played by Stephen Derengowski.

The cast also features the Duke's children and wife, a news crew, and Vi's family. Each character is uniquely built and memorable.

Be warned, this play is designed for a mature audience. "The script is filled with adult language," said Harbour, "so we decided, in terms of all the violence, to go a little more graphic and a little more extreme in terms of the use of blood."

The play also features very dark humor, which settles the gore and intensity. The costuming

is supposed to feature articles like fishnets and bustiers to match the setting's nightclub atmosphere.

"Revenger's Tragedy" promises to be a very intense, very entertaining show to finish the theater's fall season. Just watch out for spewing blood, backstabbing and plot twists.

Tickets cost \$5 for GSU students and \$10 for faculty and staff. The show premieres tomorrow night at 7:30 p.m. in the Center for Art and Theater.

GSU Idol comes to the Russell Union next week

By Daniel Fitzgerald

Guest writer

Next Monday, Georgia Southern students will have the opportunity to attend the Student Government Association's annual singing competition, GSU Idol, to kick off the homecoming week festivities.

The event will be held in the Russell Union ballroom at 7 p.m., and all proceeds will be donated to United Way.

GSU Idol, inspired by the popular show "American Idol," is an annual singing competition on campus where students can compete while giving back to the community at the same time. Contestants have been choosing their songs and preparing since the end of October.

"I'm nervous, really nervous actually," Tyler Kennedy, a GSU Idol contestant, said "But I think I'm ready for it."

The show will be comprised of an opening number performed by all of the contestants followed by a first round in which contestants will

each perform a song from the Billboard Top 100 that they have chosen.

"Four judges will pick one person each to move on, and the highest audience vote will pick the fifth person to go to the second round."

Josh Martin, SGA publicity coordinator said "The last five will have to sing a circus-themed or abstract song, and judges will pick the final two from that."

GSU Idol is adopting the circus theme from homecoming week and applying that to not only the show's music but also its atmosphere.

"Expect to be amazed when you walk into the ballroom," Bonesya Bonner, a member of the GSU Idol committee, said, "It's going to be transformed almost into a real circus. The decorations are going to be crazy."

Circus-style concessions will be sold outside the ballroom, including peanuts and popcorn.

The finalists will perform "Man in the Mirror" by Michael Jackson, and the winner will be voted for by the audience. Attendees may use their ticket stubs to cast their votes or pay \$1 for each additional vote.

"I'm excited that we'll be able to raise money for United Way because it's SGA's philanthropy," Martin said "I'm also excited because these are all really talented people and are all really good at singing, so I am eager to see how they sing their songs and how the audience responds."

United Way is a non-profit organization that works with 1,300 United Way offices throughout the country which are responsible for fundraising and supporting the community.

Its main focuses are on raising money for education, income and health. GSU Idol is SGA's biggest fundraiser for United Way every year.

Contestants and SGA members alike are confident about the turnout and the quality of the performance itself.

"Expect to be amazed from the beginning to the end. It's going to be a night to remember," Bonner said.

Tickets will be sold all week at the Russell Union Rotunda for \$5 or will be \$7 at the door. For more information stop by the Russell Union or visit the Georgia Southern website.

CALENDAR

Today, Nov. 5

All Day: A Generation of Printmaking
All Day: Seeds of Passage
Where: Center for Arts and Theater

All Day: Sacred and Profane
Where: Arts Building

7 p.m.: 2nd Annual Fall Symposium
Where: Foy Building

Tomorrow, Nov. 6

7:30 p.m.: Faculty Brass & Percussion Recital
Where: Foy Building

7:30 p.m.: The Revenger's Tragedy
Where: Center for Art and Theatre

Saturday, Nov. 7

9 a.m.: Southern Sprint for Wellness 5K
Where: RAC

1 p.m.: Eagle Men's Soccer vs. Appalachian State
Where: Soccer/Track Complex

Sunday, Nov. 8

2 p.m.: The Revenger's Tragedy
Where: Center for Art and Theatre

3 p.m.: French Week Recital
Where: Foy Building

7:30 p.m. The Revenger's Tragedy
Where: Center for Art and Theatre

Monday, Nov. 9

7:15 p.m.: The Diving Bell and the Butterfly
Where: Russell Union

Tuesday, Nov. 10

8 a.m.: Poinsettia Plant Sale benefit for Botanical Garden begins
Where: Botanical Garden

11 a.m.: Sculpt It for the Hungry
Where: Russell Union

7:30 p.m.: The Revenger's Tragedy
Where: Center for Art and Theatre

Wednesday, Nov. 11

9 a.m.: Graduate School Fair
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Where: Foy Building

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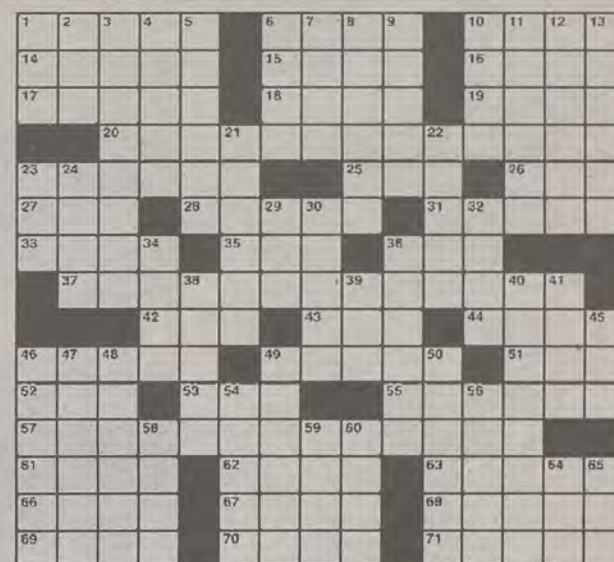
Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

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- 1 Washing machine sequence
- 6 Pirate's booty
- 10 Twilight time
- 14 Start of an old Army slogan
- 15 Rock group's trip
- 16 In the past
- 17 Jack of rhyme
- 18 Against
- 19 Persia, now
- 20 2005 Margaret Peterson Haddix children's thriller
- 23 1958 #1 hit sung in Italian
- 25 In error
- 26 Hot tub
- 27 Lyricist Gershwin
- 28 Title holder
- 31 Classic language, and with 61-Across, hint to the puzzle theme found at the starts of 20-, 37- and 57-Across

- 33 Property measure
- 35 Moray, e.g.
- 36 Yak
- 37 Accumulate wealth
- 42 On Soc. Sec., say
- 43 Simpson judge
- 44 Schoolbook
- 46 "Beak" for "nose," e.g.
- 49 100 bucks
- 51 "___ the ramparts ..."
- 52 Trip segment
- 53 Thurman of "Kill Bill"
- 55 Fashionable
- 57 Non-remunerative athletics
- 61 Cherish
- 62 Aussie greeting
- 63 Singer Baker
- 66 Till bills
- 67 Fish organ
- 68 Prepare to advance after a fly ball
- 69 Computer adventure game



By Mike Peluso

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- 70 Oxen connection
- 71 Ed of "Lou Grant"

DOWN

- 1 Network with an eye
- 2 Slangy assent
- 3 Parking lot siren
- 4 Andean beast
- 5 Matador's foe
- 6 Men-only party
- 7 Refuses to
- 8 Writer
- 9 Reaction to personal loss
- 10 "___ What Comes Naturally"
- 11 Pre-riot state
- 12 Garlicky shrimp dish
- 13 Nairobi native
- 21 Most recent
- 22 Key above D
- 23 By way of
- 24 SeaWorld attraction
- 29 Teachers' org.
- 30 Fairylake
- 32 Lie alongside
- 34 Bring in
- 36 Capri's Blue
- 38 Transition to the next subject

Monday's Puzzle Solved

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Quick Hits

Both men's and women's basketball seasons tip off next Friday in Hanner Fieldhouse.

Football travels to Birmingham to face Samford on Saturday.

Men's soccer earns first win of the season by defeating North Florida, 1-0.

Volleyball continues SoCon play heading to the College of Charleston on Saturday.

Swimming & diving looks to compete at home against Campbell on Friday.

Men's soccer plays final home game of the 2009 on Saturday against Appalachian State.

"Blue Out" t-shirts for GSU's homecoming game against Furman are now on sale.

Men's soccer SoCon title clinched by Wofford.

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NEWS FROM THE NEST

MEN GET A WIN



Brandilyn Brown/STAFF

Senior midfielder Danny Hall (#7) dribbles the soccer ball down the field during this season's home game against Wofford.

By GSU News Service

Freshman midfielder Rich Heyer scored his first goal of the season, knocking the ball into the left corner of the net in the 61st minute and lifting Georgia Southern to a 1-0 win over North Florida. Junior forward John Cox assisted on the goal. The Eagles (1-14-1) shut out the Ospreys for the remainder of the match to record their first victory.

GSU survived a barrage of North Florida shots on goal as the Ospreys held the advantage in the match, 8-5, and in corner kicks, 7-1. North Florida attacked the Eagles' territory repeatedly in the first half with 12 shots, four on target with junior goalkeeper Zach Buckley making the saves.

The Eagles' most promising scoring opportunity was a penalty kick at the 19:40 mark, but Osprey

goalkeeper Julian Beau moved in to save Danny Hall's attempt. The Ospreys continued with a flurry of five shots and two corners in a two-minute period without success.

GSU's Cox nailed a shot at the 33:54 mark that was defended, and North Florida shot just once more in the half. Hall kicked the Eagles' only corner at 41:35 to close out the action in the first half.

Trading shots in the first 10 minutes of the second half, the Eagles substituted in Heyer at 58:41 and placed two attempts on the Osprey goal.

Joe Madigan took aim for the first and then Heyer took the pass from Cox on the right side and crossed for the score.

The Eagles would hold off six Osprey attempts the rest of the match with Buckley picking up four of his six total saves in the final 29:20 and his first

collegiate win.

"Defensively, we did an outstanding job, and it was probably one of our better games in terms of possessing the ball and creating opportunities," said head Coach Kevin Kennedy. "Danny did a great job in midfield, John performed well at the front and Austin organized us on the backline. It was a good finish."

The Eagles play their final home match, Saturday, Nov. 7 at 1 p.m. at the Soccer/Track Complex at Erk Russell Athletic Park.

After their last home game, the Eagles close out the season with a trip to Elon. That game is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 9 at 6 p.m.

GSU Men's Soccer will honor its seniors Danny Hall and Joey Ralph prior to the start of GSU's final home game on Saturday.

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SGA



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Delta Sigma Theta



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Phi Mu



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Jessica McBride
Jamie Brown
Lauren Holley
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Alan Bryan
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Each class votes
for their
respective Duke
and Duchess.
All classes vote
for King and
Queen.

GAMEDAY MAYDAY

GEORGIA SOUTHERN EAGLES (4-4, 3-2) VS. SAMFORD BULLDOGS (3-5, 1-4)



Rob Eakins/STAFF

Georgia Southern defensive back Laron Scott (#34) returns a punt during the Eagles' visit to Appalachian State two weeks ago.

By Thom Cunningham

Sports editor

The Georgia Southern Eagles are currently sitting in third place in the overall SoCon standings. Coming off of a bye week, the Eagles will look to improve their record as they head to Birmingham, Ala. to face the Samford Bulldogs.

Despite their record, the Samford Bulldogs are still a very tough team whose defense can compete with many SoCon teams. The Bulldog defense gives up an average of 16 points per game and is one of the few defenses in the SoCon that hold opponents to under 100 rushing yards per game.

The weakness for the Bulldogs comes from their passing game, where quarterback Dustin Taliaferro has thrown more interceptions than touchdowns this season.

The Samford passing attack is capable of committing turnovers, so constant pass rushing from Brent Russell, Harland Bower and others might be a top priority in order to bring pressure.

"It's not how you start, it's how you finish" is one of the most accurate statements in sports; but due to the Eagles' road woes this season, it will be important for GSU to play focused and mistake free from start to finish.

Samford is not a team to underestimate, especially during their homecoming. Don't let the record deceive you. This is a tough, physical team who plays well at home.

Inside the Huddle: Samford Bulldogs

Offense

The Bulldogs offense is out-rushing and out-passing opponents by 200 yards each. During the season, the Bulldogs have averaged around 30 more first downs than opponents and averages about 300 yards on offense per game. This offense has the capability to put drives together and execute them to their success.

Like most teams, their offense has flaws as well, which will need to be exposed by the GSU defense. The Samford passing attack is not one to worry about so much. Quarterback Dustin Taliaferro has a 58 completion percentage and six interceptions compared with four touchdowns.

Chris Evans, the Bulldogs' tailback, leads the backfield in rushing touchdowns and rushing yards. Evans also leads the team in receptions. It is fair to say that the Samford offense likes to run through Evans.

Defense

Junior linebacker Bryce Smith is one of the play makers for this Samford Bulldog defense. Currently, he leads the team in tackles with 65, including nine tackles for a loss.

Smith's play-making ability doesn't stop there, as he also leads the defense in interceptions and broken up plays.

Samford's best strength on defense comes from their big boys up front. Their defense currently has a total of 19 sacks, with four different players recording three.

In Samford's past two games, they have given up 26 points or more. Before that time, the Bulldog defense held opponents to 20 points or less.

It is safe to say that the Samford defense has been struggling the past two weeks more than they have all season.

Players to watch

Bryce Smith
Harland Bower

Chris Evans
Brent Russell

Darrell Pasco
Dion Dubose

Around the SoCon

Standings

Team	Overall	SoCon
Elon	(7-1)	(5-0)
App. State	(6-2)	(5-0)
GSU	(4-4)	(3-2)
UT-C	(5-3)	(3-3)
Furman	(4-4)	(3-3)
The Citadel	(4-4)	(2-3)
Samford	(3-5)	(1-4)
Wofford	(2-6)	(1-4)
WCU	(1-7)	(1-5)

SoCon Stars

Appalachian State quarterback Armanti Edwards has a total of 24 touchdowns this season. He has more rushing touchdowns than he does throwing, tallying 12 on the ground and 10 through the air.

Elon wide receiver Terrell Hudgins is the only player in the SoCon with over 1,000 receiving yards this season. He also has 13 touchdowns and averages 150 yards per game.

Chattanooga defensive end Josh Beard leads the SoCon in sacks with 10.5 while teammate and defensive back Jordan Tippet leads the SoCon in interceptions with four.

GSU kicker Adrian Mora leads the SoCon hitting 86% of his field goals attempted. He also ties in the SoCon for most field goals made with 13. Tied with him is Appalachian State kicker Jason Vitaris.

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