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WHERE'S GUS?

GSU searches for new hero

BY SHELBY FARMER
The George- Anne contributor
AND COURTNEY ESCHER
The George- Anne staff

In the past four years, during all sporting events and school spirit functions, the same two Georgia Southern University students have portrayed the school's eagle mascot GUS.

The time has come for the torch to be passed, and the current GUS(es) to graduate.

The two students had their one-year positions renewed every year during their time at GSU, but now that they are graduating seniors GSU is in search of a new mascot player — a new hero, Barry Munkasy, head cheerleading coach, said.

"The GUS(es) are retiring.

They've both been GUS for three and a half years, and now it's time for them to graduate," Munkasy said.

Online applications for the position were due Wednesday, which will be followed by the first round of tryouts Friday and the second round on Sunday.

"There's the application process, where students will go online to

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SGA elections begin Sunday

BY COURTNEY ESCHER
The George- Anne staff

Voting for Student Government Association will begin Sunday at 9 p.m. and close Wednesday, Feb. 29, at 9 p.m.

This year's candidates for executive office, running unopposed, are Dominique Quarles, a graduate student in higher education, and Christina Belge, a junior public relations major.

The two SGA veterans will be running as a team. Quarles is running for president and Belge is running for vice-president.

"This is my fourth year in SGA. I did two years in senate and two years as an executive. I wanted to run for president because I felt that I was the best candidate at the time because of my experience, and I want to help SGA grow more," Quarles said.

"I saw an opportunity to gain more responsibility and to improve things within SGA, which is something I've really wanted to do. Something I think that SGA is a big part of, for example, is networking with our students, and I think that our networking could be vastly improved," Belge said.

The team's platform is offering students "more," Quarles said.

"Everything is based on having more," Quarles said.

Plans on improving the campus for students lies within maintaining GSU's "large scale, small feel" by helping students' voices be heard, Belge said.

"Something I think is really important is, 'are we maintaining that small campus feel?' And I think that having students' voices be heard is a big part of that, because we are growing," Belge said.

Belge plans to improve networking by finding ways for all students, including SGA senators, to become more involved with SGA.

"There are various ways we can improve networking, right now we have a weekly column with The George- Anne and that's great, but maybe we can expand on that by having a poll or something else. Also, making sure that Meet the Senator sessions

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EAGLES HAVE 'SHOT' AT TITLE



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Freshman thrower Sara Hall practices the shot put in anticipation for the SoCon Championships this weekend.



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SOAR creates new V.A.L.U.E.S performance

BY SADIE NAZWORTH

The George-Anne contributor

The SOAR orientation program has replaced previous campus issue skits with a new performance specifically written and created to depict Georgia Southern University's V.A.L.U.E.S.

There will be a campus-wide performance of "Who Will You Be?" on March 5 at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union ballroom.

"It's basically a civility campaign for incoming students who go through SOAR. They see the presentation and it challenges them to think about who they will be as a student and the kinds of decisions that they'll make and how they'll treat other people and professors and people around the community," Emily Allen, junior psychology major and former SOAR leader, said.

"It is a presentation for students

to be able to see an opportunity of what the campus can be like for them," Mark Bragg, junior marketing major and former SOAR leader, said.

The previous orientation performance was more comical and lacked the certain impact that "Who Will You Be?" has on the viewers, which is what sparked the movement of change, Erin Campbell, assistant director of admissions, said.

"It was difficult to have serious conversations with students because they were focused so much on the funny, so we felt like we needed to do something that was maybe a little more impactful," Campbell said.

The beginnings of the ideal "Who Will You Be?" started in December of 2010 in the hopes of being implemented that following summer, Campbell said.

"Creating this program has been a partnership with the Dean of Students office, and we've worked

with them for several years to try and present a message at SOAR regarding Georgia Southern's V.A.L.U.E.S.," Campbell said.

Not only does this program show what GSU expects from its students and what's going on locally, but also what's going on in the world, Campbell said.

"There have been activities of incivility on campus, and so we wanted to address those so students, when they come here, they can make Georgia Southern the place where they want to live and where they want to be," Bragg said.

Planning and preparation for SOAR is done by many different departments around campus, including the Dean of Students, and is a lengthy process, Campbell said.

"It's a year-round effort. In the fall, it's recruiting our student SOAR leaders, which are a really integral part to the success of the SOAR program," Campbell said. "And, in



Courtesy of Emily Allen

the spring, we are training the SOAR leaders and really starting to look at the SOAR schedule."

Allen said, "Just seeing kind of

the feelings that it brings up in the students and the kinds of things that they think about the program — that's a really beneficial thing to see."

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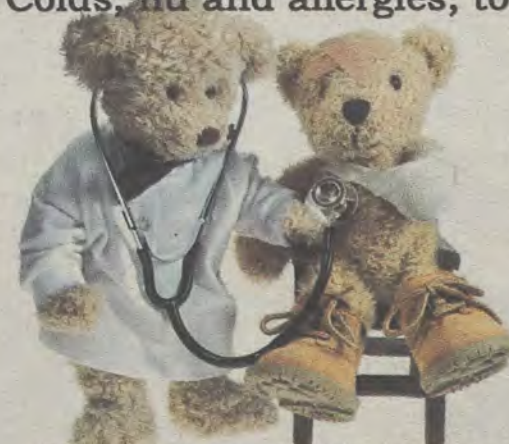
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happen more regularly can improve our networking," Belge said.

Making sure that the SGA senators remain strong middle-men between the students and the faculty is of the utmost importance to maintaining a large scale, small feel, Quarles said.

"We also want to get the senators more involved in being the liaison between that faculty and the students, because that is the main issue in maintaining that large scale, small feel," Quarles said.

Above all, the executive candidates wish to promote voting for all SGA positions, not just executive positions, Belge said.

"We want students to get up in all their classes and promote voting for SGA — not necessarily our ticket, but all of SGA," Belge said.

As the election approaches, even though the candidates are running unopposed, they are nervous about the outcome, Quarles said.

"That Wednesday or Thursday morning, looking at that list is so nerve racking," Quarles said.

Running unopposed is both a challenge and piece of good fortune for the candidates, Quarles said.

"It's a blessing and a curse. It's a blessing because you don't have to run against anyone in particular. But, it's a curse because you want students to know that you still care. Plus, you're the center of attention, so everyone knows if you're having issues with your campaign," Quarles said.

Negative undertones also creep into the election regarding current executives running for higher executive positions, Belge said.

"There also seems to be a negative tone that comes with it, because people tend to think that this is a way for the same people to maintain power, and that's not the case, we just feel that with our experience we could do a good job. Also, we see it as SGA being a tight unit where we can support each other and grow together," Belge said.

The next step for the election is the debate, which will take place Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 6 p.m. in the William Center Multi-purpose Room. Thus far, the executive candidates are uniformed about the focus of the debate and the structure of the debate, being that they are running unopposed, Belge said.

"The elections committee (met last night) probably to discuss the

debate. As of right now, we don't know what our topics are going to be and that is usually how it goes for any election. You just have to be prepared for anything because people will ask questions from one ticket and then from another ticket and so on. We never really know what we'll be debating until the questions are presented to us," Belge said.

As the election moves forward, the executive candidates are stressed but feel that what is meant to happen will happen, Belge said.

Belge said, "Each election has its twists and turns, this one has already had its fair share of them. And, the whole time you feel so stressed, but if it's meant to be it will be."



SGA Elections
Voting begins Sunday, Feb. 26, at 9 p.m.
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Our View

GSU needs to protect logos and identity

In the Tuesday edition of The George-Anne, we reported on an ongoing story regarding the logos of Georgia Southern University and what appear to be copies in use by two high schools.

Two of the schools involved are Athens Christian School in Georgia and Freedom High School in Virginia. For reference, we printed the logos from both schools in the same edition of The George-Anne.

We believe, along with many other students and faculty at GSU, that these logos are clearly copies from the same logos we use at GSU, with only the letters and colors changed.

We fully understand that a criminal court case is out of the question.

Neither high school is using the logo to deceive students into thinking they are Georgia Southern University. We are not assuming an malicious intent from these schools.

A civil case is still a possibility.

However, we do believe that GSU needs to take the necessary steps to protect the university's identity.

Our logo is part of our identity, and allowing other schools to use these designs is infringing upon GSU as a unique institution.

Having a distinct logo is essential to being recognizable as a school, and we hope that GSU does continues fighting to protect that.

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Treats sold for any charity

The warm February spring has arrived at Georgia Southern University, which also means that a time-honored GSU tradition is taking hold once more.

I am talking about the tradition of turning the Russell Union rotunda into a market for all manner of sweets, treats and t-shirts.

One of this year's highlights are the t-shirts being sold with the word "SEX" printed on the front in bold lettering. These shirts are being sold to promote sex education and sexual health awareness.

This is a noble cause, but let's be honest about it. You are probably not buying it for the cause — you're buying it because it is a shirt that has "SEX" written on it in bold lettering.

I have also walked by the rotunda and heard girls shouting the unsettlingly vague sales pitch of "Would you like to buy a cupcake

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for charity?"

I have no idea what the charity actually was. I'm sure it is also a respectable cause, but the priority is still the cupcakes.

Honestly, just a cry of "Cupcakes! Here!" would probably be enough. It's a cupcake. I don't need a moral reason to eat one.

To be fair, this probably says more about the average college student than it does any of those selling goodies. We all love our tasty treats, and if we can feel like we're doing a good thing in the process, even better.

The annual favorites of the

rotunda market are easily the cookies that the Girl Scouts of the USA have been selling since 1917. I'm a fan of the peanut-buttery Tagalongs myself.

The girls could be funding the rise of a Thin Mint New World Order and I would still get right back in line for another box of delicious cookies.

Still, maybe we should pay attention to where our hard-earned treat money is going.

If there were a group of fascists from the Society to Re-Invalidate Poland selling cheap slices of pizza, they could very likely make a solid income.

"Invade what now? Oh, this is good pizza."

All joking aside, I do encourage students to buy that cupcake or that t-shirt. Just don't forget the reason they're being sold.

LaSalle is a junior writing and linguistics major from Cumming, Ga.

From the left

Bullying still a big problem

I think we can all agree that bullying is a big problem our children face in school. The thing about bullying is that it's not limited to one group or demographic. It's not determined primarily by your socio-economic status, but by the opinions of others around you.

There are children and teenagers taking their own lives because of their inability to continue enduring the agony of being bullied day after day. Many of these individuals don't speak out against it either out of shame or fear. And it's not limited to the schools either.

Earlier this month, an openly gay man was merely trying to go to a store when three men viciously beat him whilst videotaping the ordeal.

This video went viral.

In Philadelphia last year, there was a kid that was constantly assaulted by a group of five other boys, who one day recorded them beating this child up and hanging him from a fence.

This video went viral as well.

It's a travesty that we live in a society in which bullying is widely ignored. There are so many videos of kids getting bullied on YouTube that it makes me sick. Many of these individuals are overmatched and outnumbered with no chance of winning the fight and everybody around just watches.

These are only the known accounts of physical bullying, so who knows what else is going on.

Our school systems need to do more to crack down on bullying and do more to ensure that our young people can go to



ROB ROBERTS @Robert_ARoberts

school and feel like they are part of a safe community. Bullying is one more inhibition we have in our educational system and one of the easiest to fix.

We don't have to reallocate millions of dollars to help these victims; we just simply have to start paying attention. We need to foster a supportive environment in which students feel safe at school and feel that they can look to each other for help, not be scared to see Johnny and his friends in the hallway.

Tennessee passed a law that allows bullies to attack LGBT, so long as they cite religious reasons. Why shouldn't they be able to attack the gays if their God hates gays? I understand we ensure religious freedom, but not at the expense of the rights of another.

We should all be opposed to this criminal piece of legislation and instead demand stricter laws regarding bullying with more accountability and fewer loopholes.

Roberts is a senior public relations major from Warner Robins, Ga.

From the right

Saxby steps in right direction

Today, our own Saxby Chambliss co-sponsored legislation which would prohibit members of Congress from receiving pay if the congressional budget and appropriations process is not completed by the start of the fiscal year on Oct. 1.

In a press release he sent out today, the Republican Senator said "It is unacceptable that it has been more than 1,000 days since Congress passed a budget. We can't expect Americans to set household budgets if we are not doing the same for the federal government.

It is no wonder that our national deficit is over \$15 trillion. It is also unacceptable that members of Congress continue to receive paychecks for a job they aren't doing. This bill is a step in the right direction towards holding Congress accountable and balancing the federal budget."

The remarkable thing about this bill is it was actually introduced in the House by Democrat Jim Cooper from Tennessee. Also, it doesn't just take the lawmaker's paychecks; it would also take the paychecks of the lawmaker's staff as well in a way that the funds could not be made up retroactively. If they refuse to act until after the election that's a whole years pay down the drain.

It's this kind of action that the people of this country are looking for from their government. People are fed up with the Democrats sitting around and not doing anything in the Senate.

That is just a political move so that when election time rolls around in the fall and the Congress still has low approval numbers,



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the Dem's can spin it and say it's all the Republicans fault by that nothings getting done. This is simply not true.

During the debt ceiling crisis last summer, the Republican House passed not only one debt management measure, but three. The House also has already put out at least one budget for each year they have had control while the Senate has yet to put one out ever since they took control in 2008.

The only thing the Democrats have done is filibuster in the Senate when they don't get their enormous spending bills passed. Oh, and they also don't pass job creating legislature like the Keystone pipeline unless they can get the opportunity to spend more money.

This year is too crucial for the Dem's to be allowed to sit in their seats up in Washington and do nothing, but if they are going to do that then this bill will make sure they and their staff get their just reward.

Chapin is a senior political science major from Roswell, Ga.

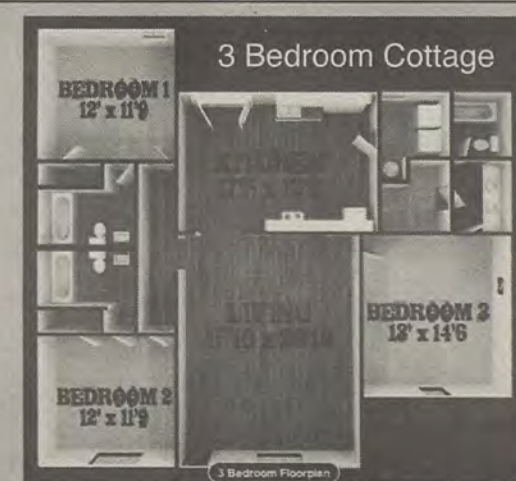
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Weekly SGA column

Textbook fees are still hurting students at GSU

Last semester I had the pleasure to meet with a representative from the Parent's Association. This organization is comprised of families that have a child attending school here at GSU. The man I spoke with brought up a great point during our in-depth discussion on an issue at the top of my current agenda: Fees.

We began to bring attention to the use of books for consecutive semesters by professors. There is a notion that, oftentimes, students will be required to purchase a book that is sold here on campus as a new book, and the semester it is purchased new will be the only semester that the book is used. This brings up a few inconveniences for the student in this situation.

For one, the books having to be purchased brand new are, most times, significantly more expensive than a used book.

The second problem comes with finding out that you cannot sell the book back because the teacher will no longer be using that book. Though I have not experienced this personally, it is a situation that has been voiced by several

individuals.

SGA is currently working to have a conversation with faculty representatives to get their views on the situation. I fully understand that there comes a time when things need to be changed and updated. As new research is developed and better teaching practices are found, there comes a need to update your material, which often times includes getting new books.

I have also come to understand, through complaining to the administrators in the bookstore, that a part of the problem is also associated with the professors that do not notify the bookstore of the book that they will be using the following semester in a timely manner.

This could create a situation where students on our campus are not afforded the



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opportunity to sell their books back to the bookstore. This causes students coming behind them to pay more for the book because the bookstore was unaware at the time of buy-back that the book would be used again and thus be eligible for buy-back. We want our professors to always be in a position to provide us with the knowledge that will put us in the best position to be successful in our distinct areas of study. At the same time, we want to make sure that we are doing this as cost-efficient as possible.

I posed a question to a few professors that I was recently in contact with about how they would feel about having to use a book for a minimum of four semesters, not to include summer. I felt good about the response that I received from them. Some made mention of it being difficult to decipher when new information will be published and the issue that comes when you are bound to a text that does not include all of the information that you need to cover with your students. Other professors I

spoke with have been using some of the same books for more than five years.

Personally, I don't think that all of the information that we learn has to come from a textbook. I have enjoyed several of my classes in which we pull material from different sources. Articles and journals published by researchers in the field are always options to print off or post for students. Use of the Galileo portal is also an option to provide students reading material that is found within online databases.

I feel that the professors we work with are talented enough to differentiate the methods to which they use to instruct students. This could produce an environment where there is not a need to rely on a text book as the sole method of introducing material to students.

Let me say "Thank You" to those faculty members that do consider the cost associated with the books. It is my hope that we will be able to communicate our concern with the faculty and they will work with us to find a system that meets the needs of all stakeholders.

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BY LINDSAY GASKINS

The George-Anne staff

Students attempt bar entrance

Lines wrap around the four bars of University Plaza almost every weekend as students, both of age and underage, fill the dark, noisy buildings.

Some of the students passing the bouncers in front of the entrances and making their way into the crowd will be carrying fake IDs.

Most students who carry fake IDs to use at the bars are with friends who either also have fakes or are overage.

"I got mine so that I could drink with all of my friends who also had IDs," GSU student, John Smith*, said.

The bars are the main site for fake ID activity and students notice which bars are the most strict on IDs.

"Rum-Runners is the only bar that I've noticed that seems to double look at the ID. Everywhere else is really chill," GSU student, Sally Johnson*, said.

Usually, if the ID is poorly made, bouncers will give that person an under age band without making a big deal about it, Hamilton Brodnax, sophomore marketing major and bouncer at Rude Rudy's, said.

Some students use IDs that they obtained from other people instead of using a fake ID that was made for them.

"Mine was given to me by a fraternity brother. The guy looks just like me," GSU student, Don Jacobs*, said.

Most bouncers have a routine that they follow when checking IDs.

"The way I do it is, I go by expiration date, birth date, then picture. I do that for every single ID," Brodnax said.

"If it is a legitimate ID, and I know it is fake, we take it from them. But, normally we just reject them," Brodnax said.

"It is very rare that we actually take one, because we know they are so common," Brodnax said.

In any case where a person could be in reasonable doubt that they are above the legal age limit to consume or purchase alcohol, then it is required by law that their ID must be presented, according to Georgia Code 3-3-23(H).

The seriousness

each bouncer at the bar has on fake IDs depends on who is working at what time, Brodnax said.

After the IDs are taken up, it is up to the bar staff to decide what to do with them, Brodnax said.

"We usually just give them to our boss, who cuts them up and throws them away," Brodnax said.

Despite different rumors, bars in Statesboro take fake IDs seriously, Brodnax said.

Brodnax said, "For the most part, we take it pretty seriously. We have become a little tighter on it."

Police: Fakes carry consequences

Fake ID carriers may think they are above the law, but if they are ever in an accident, the law may be the very thing that saves their lives.

If a person is carrying a fake ID and an accident occurs, identifying the victim may be challenging for police officers.

"If you carry a fake ID that says you are someone else and something happens to you, we don't know who you are," Michael Russell, chief of Georgia Southern University Department of Public Safety, said.

There are multiple ways of identifying possible possessors

of fake IDs, Russell said.

"A lot of the times, we come into contact with someone who has been drinking and they are staggering or causing other problems," Russell said.

"You can also see they obviously have wristbands on from the bars that are underage and a lot of the times they will give us the wrong ID," Russell said.

"Usually when (students) go to the bar, you put your fake ID up front to show it, then when the police talk to you two hours later, you have to fish through it to find your real license," Russell said.

These incidents are fairly common, and usually end in arrest, Russell said.

If one is caught with the possession of a fake ID, then typically that person will be charged and taken into custody if they have used the fake to purchase alcohol, Russell said.

Buying alcohol with a fake ID is a misdemeanor.

"Because it is a misdemeanor,

normally you will be charged and taken in," W. Scott Brannen, attorney at the Brannen Law Office, P.C., said.

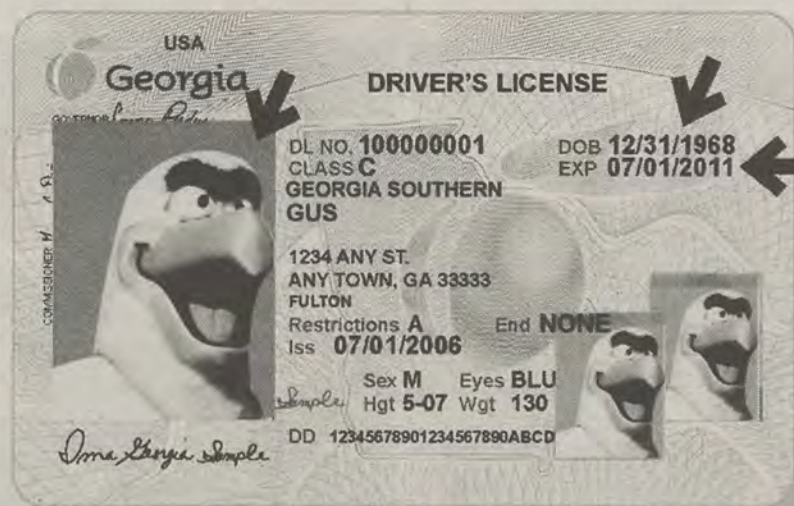
Using a fake ID or misrepresenting your age to purchase alcohol in the state of Georgia will result in the suspension of your drivers license, according to the Georgia Department of Driver Services website.

It is unlawful for any person to knowingly possess, display or use any false or altered identification, according to the State of Georgia Law Code TITLE XI.

If a person is convicted of manufacturing or distributing fake IDs, the punishment is imprisonment for no less than one, nor more than five years, according to the Georgia Code 16-9-2.

Russell said, "Some (fake ID manufactures) are very good. We actually had an arrest on campus last year where they were manufacturing them, and some of these folks have the same computer equipment that the driver's license people have."

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GUS, from page 1

apply for the position, and then there will be sort of an interview process, where we will ask them questions that will allow them to express their creativity," Munkasy said.

Following the interview process, the potential GUS(es) will compete in a faceless competition, demonstrating what life will be like on the job as GUS, Munkasy said.

"We have what we call the 'paper bag test,' where we basically put a paper bag on their head and see what they can do without facial expressions," Munkasy said.

The final test among competitors will be the suit portion of the tryouts when students will try on the actual GUS suit and show the judges their best mascot moves, Munkasy said.

Munkasy has been through the tryout process around four times over the past decade.

Final decisions will be made shortly after tryouts. The new GUS(es) will be trained by Munkasy and the current GUS and will also attend a training camp over

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-Barry Munkasy,
GSU head cheerleading coach

summer, Munkasy said.

While GUS is a male, Munkasy said that females were welcome to try out for the position.

"Something that I think is kind of obvious that I think most people forget is that GUS can be a female. We can and we have had a female GUS. Anyone can be GUS — you just have to be tall enough, because that suit looks really weird on a short person," Munkasy said.

"It's not an easy job. It's extremely hot in that suit, even on the coldest day, so you have to be committed. And when it's one hundred degrees out for football games, it's about one hundred and forty in

that suit, and football games last for three hours, and you have to be on the whole time. Once you put on that suit, you realize it's a job," Munkasy said.

Finding a candidate to best portray GUS in the way that predecessors have before him is the primary goal of Munkasy and the other judges. After all, it is all about the character of GUS, Munkasy said.

Munkasy said, "It's all about maintaining the character. It's like when you go to Disney World, it doesn't matter who's in the Mickey Mouse suit, what matters is that he's still acting like Mickey Mouse."

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Sound and recording club seeks to teach GSU

Live Sound and Recording Club teaches basics of audio and video recording

Film and television

BY AMBER GORDON

The George-Anne staff

Film and sound come into union as the Live Sound and Recording Club teaches and educates students in the art of recording audio and video.

The organization was created because of the lack of opportunity to learn audio and video techniques on campus.

"I felt that there was more of a need for this kind of material on this campus, because we didn't really have a developed media course in the classes. They have a minor in music technology and a master's, but they don't have a bachelor's. Then they have some film classes, but they're small there's like sixteen people per class, which makes it hard to get into. I was just trying to open up another way for people to learn audio and video," Ian Farrell, the Live Sound and Recording Club president, said.

Although the organization formally started in August of 2011, it has been able to partake in several events, projects and learning classes that helped club members become familiar with a recording studio.

"We shot the video for the 'What are you listening too' project and we had a few other

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As long as they have a good interest in this and if they're willing to learn, then we'll teach them.

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-Ian Farrell,

Live Sound and Recording Club president

instructional courses on cables and we walked them through on how to use equipment, but most of the stuff we did last semester are some of the Eagle Entertainment events," Farrell said.

The ability to do these events has given club members real life experiences that couldn't be simulated in a classroom.

"The club allows me to do some outside stuff and lets me work with life situations. Like at the homecoming last semester, we were able to do some work with the live setting, which is something I wasn't able to do in the music department," junior music composition major Merritt Skidmore-Hess said.

One of the perks the club has that other students don't have access to is the ability to work with recording equipment such as studio and live recording gear.

"We kind of cheat the system a little bit. I'm in the music program, so I get access to

studio, so I drag a few of these guys in there to show them what a studio looks like and then show them the gear and explain what it does. We have some gear here, but it's all live sound gear because I work with the AV team here for the Union," Farrell said. "It's kind of like, I happen to have all these networks and hookups so we can use the equipment that way."

Even though the club is based heavily in technical language and deals with a wide array of equipment, the organization is open to any student willing to learn.

"It's helpful for students to have a little background information, so I don't have to be like, 'Okay, this cable does this and this does this,' so I can just jump in and say, 'Okay, this is what we're going to do.' As long as they have a good interest in this and if they're willing to learn, then we'll teach them," Farrell said. "The best way that I learn is through projects — just getting their hands dirty — and if they need assistance, then the people who know it are around to help them."

The Live Sound and Recording Club has set goals it wants to achieve for the future in order to further the organization and GSU.

"Our goal for this semester is to do our projects and just to get those done. In the future, I'd like to come back and see that the club is having regular meetings with a large amount of people who are interested and they're doing classes and stuff like that. I would like to see our club start networking with other clubs and even the colleges on campus. If they need something, they can come to us and say, 'Hey, we need this commercial shot for our program,' or something like that. I just want us to be fully networked and somewhat renowned on campus," Farrell said.

With recording and audio clubs few and far between at GSU, the Live Sound and Recording Club hope to connect the campus through film and sound.

The Buzz List

■ **Chris Brown and Rihanna** have each released a song which features



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a collaboration with the duo on both tracks. They are going to be great hits.

■ **Kourtney Kardashian** has announced that she will be having a baby girl. One more Kardashian female is exactly what this world needs.

■ **Drew Barrymore** was seen leaving a doctor's office with a sonogram in her hand. Celebrities can't expect us to respect their privacy if they don't keep their business private.

■ **Adele** flipped the bird at the BRIT Awards after she was cut off during an acceptance speech. This goes to show that this gesture is appropriate everywhere except the Super Bowl halftime show.

■ **Bam Margera** was arrested after he jumped into a pool fully clothed at a Mardi Gras party. Of all the things he has done in "Jackass," this is probably the tamest.

■ **Lindsay Lohan** is scheduled to host Saturday Night Live on March 3. In related news, Saturday Night Live is looking for a host for their March 3 episode.

■ **Britney Spears** voiced that she would like to be a judge on Fox's "The X Factor." Good for her, we're hoping she will learn something.

Information compiled by Arts Editor Quanyia Epps and Assistant Arts Editor Gianna Carme from TheHollywoodReporter.com.

Live Sound & Recording Club

GSU raises diversity awareness with Drag Show

Performing Arts

BY KIMEKO MCCOY

The George-Anne staff

The queens and kings will takeover Georgia Southern University tonight as the sixth annual Drag Show hits the stage in the Russell Union ballroom.

The Multicultural Student Center has collaborated with the Gay-Straight Alliance to bring everything together for the show's previous years and have come together once again to produce this year's show.

Graduate Assistant at the MSC Darius Robinson and senior multimedia communication major and member of the GSA Annie Bolton have been working together to make the annual drag show possible.

"Every year the show is put on by MSC and we help coordinate details," Bolton said, describing

the Gay Straight Alliance and its involvement with the show.

The two play separate roles that ultimately work together for production of the show. The GSA offers a different perspective of diversity awareness to the show and helps the MSC in any way it can.

"We bring all the volunteers," Bolton said. The hosts of the evening will also be provided by the GSA.

Senior chemistry major Danielle Duncan and Michael Boddie, who is a senior majoring in both Spanish and education, are both very outgoing GSA members who intend to keep the show rolling with introductions of performers and show fillers.

On the other hand, the MSC has also done a great deal of work in preparation for tonight's show.

"(We're) getting drag queens, djs and having a dance contest," Robinson said. "The plan is to get students aware."

Presented by Gay straight Alliance
and Multicultural Student Center

GSU Drag Show

Russel Union Ballroom

Feb. 23 @7pm

Students should gear up for this year's drag show because it is sure to be an eye opening experience.

"I expect it to be the same fun, awesome night for everyone," Bolton said about her anticipations for the drag show.

Bianca Nicole will be returning for the GSU drag show this year as well.

"A grad student from a while back introduced us to Bianca Nicole," Robinson said.

Nicole has traveled to various different places for drag shows, and when she comes to strut her stuff at the GSU drag show, she brings along a few friends.

"This year, I think we might have even more performers," Bolton said.

GSA and MSC both intend to open the minds of students to those of different sexual orientations through the entertainment of a drag show.

"We want people to walk away

knowing there's a difference between being gay, transsexual and etcetera," Bolton said. "They're not all the same."

The show is meant to be an opportunity for students to be exposed to things they are not accustomed to.

"A lot of students have never seen anything like this," Robinson said. "We want to get more students acclimated to the drag show."

At the end, there will be a question and answer session for audience members to get a better understanding of the LGBTQ lifestyle or the experiences of participating in drag shows.

Every year that GSU hosts the drag show, the show is packed quickly.

"We break fire code because of so many people," Bolton said.

The event is free and will be tonight at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Ballroom.



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American Boychoir to perform at GSU

Performing Arts

BY JAZMIN DAVIS

The George-Anne staff

Members of one of the premiere concert boy choirs in the United States, The American Boychoir, will lift their voices in unison at Georgia Southern University for the first time this Thursday evening.

As the Statesboro Youth Chorale opens and accompanies the choir, a diverse group of boys from fourth to eighth grade plan to take on the Performing Arts Center stage.

Directed by Dr. Michael Braz and Sarah Hancock, the choir will bring American values to GSU as they "reflect the ethnic, religious and cultural diversity of the United States," according to PAC director Carol Thompson.

Thompson booked this event for two of The American Boychoir's members, former Statesboro Youth Chorale members Daniel and Steven Metrejean, who are returning to their hometown of Statesboro for this performance.



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The American Boychoir practices for an upcoming performance. The group will be performing tonight at 7 p.m. at the PAC.

The brothers are the sons of two GSU accounting professors, Eddie and Cheryl Metrejean.

"Audiences should see this show for the

pure beauty of the voices and for the personal ties it has to our campus and community," Thompson said.

While having performed in Statesboro

last year at the First United Methodist Church, the choir has made its way back to the southeast to show GSU college students what they're made of.

The American Boychoir was founded in Columbus, Ohio, in 1937 at the only non-sectarian boys' choir school in the nation, The American Boychoir School. The school changed its location in 1950 and is now stationed in Princeton, N.J.

As a director herself and as someone who's witnessed the creative sounds of the choir, director Sarah Hancock expressed her ideas of the significance of these unfamiliar performers.



"Their sound is absolutely gorgeous-high, pure, always in perfect harmony. Most people have no idea what children's voices can really do," Hancock said.

According to Hancock, The American Boychoir conductor Fernando Malvar-Ruiz makes appealing choices when coming up with the music for his programs.

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Millhouse

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- Happy Hour 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

El Sombrero (Buckhead)

- Happy hour 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

GATA's

- Entertainment = Perpetual Groove

- Drink spec = reverse cover \$2.50 off total tab

- Power hour = \$1 shots and \$3 doubles

Latte Da

- Drink of the week: marshmallow hazelnut latte

Ruby Tuesday

- \$5 absolute cocktails

- \$6 wines

- \$5 apps

- Happy hour 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. to close

- \$5 absolute margaritas 9 p.m. to 11 p.m.

FRIDAY

Ruby Tuesday

- \$5 absolute cocktails

- \$6 wines

- \$5 apps

- Happy hour 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. to close

Dingus Magee's

- Tent City playing

- Happy hour 2 or 1

Averitt Center

- The play "The Glass Menagerie" by Tennessee Williams at 7:30 p.m.

El Sombrero (Buckhead)

- Happy Hour 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

- \$2 sex on the beach

Gnat's Landing

- \$7 lunch and drink special

- \$10 beer buckets

- Happy hour prizes

Latte Da

- Drink of the week: marshmallow hazelnut latte

GATA's

- Entertainment = Voodoo Soup

Manny's

- 1/2 priced wine starts at 6 p.m.

SATURDAY

Dos Primos

- Stoneheart free until 9 p.m.

- \$3 after 9 p.m.

- Happy Hour \$4.50 pitcher of beer

- 2 for 1 mixed drinks and shots

- \$3 Big Beer 32oz

Averitt Center

- The play "The Glass Menagerie" by Tennessee Williams at 7:30 p.m.

Ruby Tuesday

- \$5 absolute cocktails

- \$6 wines

- \$5 apps

- Happy hour 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. to close

Dingus Magee's

- Suex playing

- Happy hour 2 for 1

El Sombrero (Downtown)

- \$2 lime margaritas all day

- Domestic beer

El Sombrero (Buckhead)

- Happy hour 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

GATA's

- Entertainment = The Other Brothers

Gnat's Landing

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- Happy hour 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Gnat's Landing

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Latte Da

- Drink of the week: marshmallow hazelnut latte

Averitt Center

- The play "The Glass Menagerie" by Tennessee Williams at 2 p.m.

Ruby Tuesday

- \$5 absolute cocktails
- \$6 wines
- \$5 apps
- Happy hour 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. to close

GATA's

- \$2 Natural Light tall boys
- \$2 Blue Ribbon

Manny's

- \$2 well liquor singles
- \$3 well liquor doubles

Millhouse

- Kids eat free

Dingus Magee's

- Happy hour 2 or 1

MONDAY

Ruby Tuesday

- \$5 absolute cocktails
- \$6 wines
- \$5 apps
- Happy hour 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. to close

Latte Da

- Drink of the week: marshmallow hazelnut latte

El Sombrero (Buckhead)

- Happy hour 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- \$2 margaritas

Dos Primos

- Poker, 8 p.m.

Gnat's Landing

- \$7 lunch and drink special
- All day happy hour
- 1/2 off select apps

Manny's

- 1/2 price pizza

Millhouse

- \$4.95 gorgonzola app

TUESDAY

Ruby Tuesday

- \$5 absolute cocktails
- \$6 wines
- \$5 apps
- Happy hour 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. to close

Averitt Center

- High tea hosted by Dr. Dell Presley (discussion is the playwright Tennessee Williams) at 4 p.m.

Latte Da

- Drink of the week: marshmallow hazelnut latte

El Sombrero (Buckhead)

- Happy hour 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- 12 oz daiquiris

Dos Primos

- Golf League

GATA's

- \$6.99 all you can eat wings 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Beer pong tour
- \$5 Natural Light pitchers

Gnat's Landing

- \$7 lunch and drink special
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The Sustainable Solutions exhibit has made its debut at the Georgia Southern University museum.

New exhibit comes to GSU

Sustainable Solutions makes going green simple

BY E. FEAGIN OLIVER

The George-Anne contributor

The green movement is coming to Georgia Southern University as the Center for Sustainability brings a new exhibit to the GSU museum.

The exhibit, Sustainable Solutions, will address everything from recycling to diet in its attempt to teach the community how to minimize its impact on the environment.

Visitors will walk away from the exhibit with a positive message — using innovative technology and responsible adaptation, individuals can and will live a healthier, more environmentally friendly life, which will ensure the availability of resources for future generations.

Lissa Leege, director of Center for Sustainability and curator of Sustainable Solutions, said, "There are simple solutions to sustainability issues, we just have to take those steps."

"These principles reach audiences of all ages and levels of environmental awareness through videos, captions and numerous multimedia and interactive elements.

One of the strengths of presenting information in this fashion is that the message sinks deeper than that of a lecture or article due to its interactive qualities and simplifications of solutions to seemingly impossible problem," Leege said.

Demonstrations in the exhibit include an interactive quiz, which calculates the number of planets it would take to support your current lifestyle, and buckets of coal to show the energy and costs of different types of light bulbs.

According to the exhibit, making changes

toward sustainability can be as simple as shortening your shower time, as innovative as transforming your blue jeans into insulation or as obvious as painting roofs green.

"The important thing is that they make that commitment," Leege said.

There are more benefits to living an environmentally responsible life than energy and resource conservation, as Sustainable Solutions highlights.

Living this kind of lifestyle is also cost efficient and often healthier for the individual, and certain adaptations are even supportive of local farmers and industries.

The exhibit offers many simple steps toward a smaller environmental footprint and directs viewers to multitudes of programs and activities in the community that focus on issues concerning environmental well-being.

The GSU campus, in particular, is known to be avid about sustainability.

"I am incredibly proud of our campus. We have made tremendous strides in the past five years," Leege said.

The Farmer's Market, a source of locally grown produce, will return on March 20, and starting April 15, the Center for Sustainability will have a No Impact Week, which Leege described as "an immersion in sustainability," in which participants will be encouraged to completely eliminate their carbon footprint.

The Center for Sustainability will continue to bring sustainability to campus and make it easier for college students and community members alike to conserve and protect their environment today, while looking toward the promise of a prosperous future.

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Award-winning poet comes to GSU for reading



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Award-winning poet Sandra Beasley reads her original poems at GSU.

Performing Arts

BY ROBYN STILLS

The George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University students, faculty and staff gathered around in the Information Technology building as award-winning poet Sandra Beasley made her first ever appearance for a poetry reading.

Sandra Beasley is a poet, journalist and novelist. She is allergic to dairy, beef, cigarette smoke, grass, dogs and more.

Her allergies have been the basis for some of her poems in her poetry books and in her memoir "Don't Kill the Birthday Girl."

Closing out the day reading excerpts from her literary works "Don't Kill the Birthday Girl," "Theories of Falling," and "I was the Jukebox,"

Beasley shed light on a life of someone dealing with severe allergies. She also gives insight and untold details of her life experience.

One of the poems she read was from "Theories of Falling" and it described how her childlike mind made sense of what was going on with her body.

Using the imagery of a fisher price shape toy and a hammer that she used to smash the toys into the different shapes, she conveyed to the audience how she understood what the doctor was telling her on how her body responded to the things she was allergic to.

"It was really good, interesting and I like how animated she was," freshman pre-nursing major Kaitlin Crabtree said.

Before she became a writer, Beasley was the editor of

American Scholar magazine, which she quit to pursue writing full time.

"Some opportunities don't show themselves until after the risk" Beasley said.

It took about a year for her initial text to form. In that time, she read and gathered information from science journals, travels and interviews.

When describing her work Beasley said, "My work shows heightened awareness of science and death."

Some of her poetry has appeared in places such as Best American Poetry, Poetry Daily and the "XX File" column for Washington Post.

Her advice to young writers is to read, read, read and read some more.

"When I get back to reading I'm inspired to write again," Beasley said.

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By Sarah Dixon, PR/Marketing Intern
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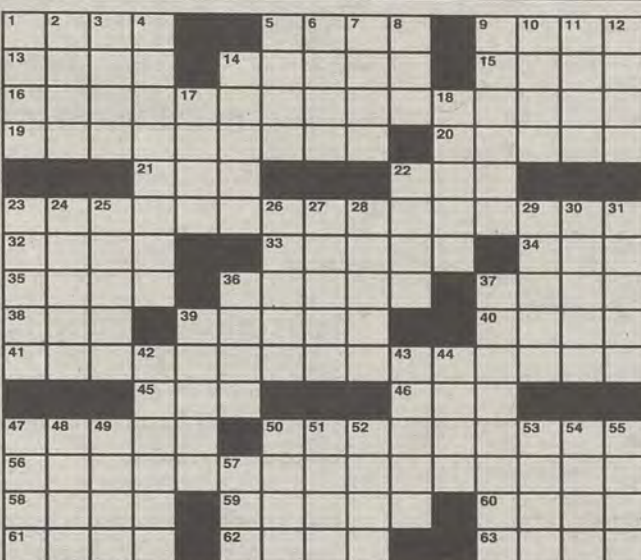
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Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

ACROSS

- 1 Payment option
- 5 The Arthur Ashe Award for Courage is one
- 9 Detergent target
- 13 Peek—
- 14 One-named singer of "Rolling in the Deep"
- 15 Creepy lake?
- 16 Joint Chevrolet/Kia vacation package?
- 19 Burns rubber
- 20 Sources of inspiration
- 21 Spy novelist Deighton
- 22 Pres. before RWR
- 23 Joint GMC/Hyundai vacation package?
- 32 Sheepshank, e.g.
- 33 Cleveland's Quicken Loans



By Rich Mausser

2/23/12

DOWN

- 34 Blend
- 35 Elihu for whom an Ivy is named
- 36 Took the wheel
- 37 Colada fruit
- 38 Sidewall letters
- 39 Glistened
- 40 Feature of American paneling, but not British?
- 41 Joint Ford/Chrysler vacation package?
- 45 Chap
- 46 ICU workers
- 47 Two-time loser to Ike
- 50 Sought at auction
- 56 Joint Dodge/Toyota vacation package?
- 58 Clock radio letters
- 59 Colleague of Thomas
- 60 Pale-green moth
- 61 Homer's tavern
- 62 Legendary Brazilian footballer
- 63 Celtic land

- 1 Cleveland cagers
- 2 Contribute to, as a crime
- 3 Sound measure
- 4 Portable cooker
- 5 Site of an early exile
- 6 Space exploration org.
- 7 It's hatched
- 8 Ja or da, stateside
- 9 Take off, as a discount
- 10 Malleable metal
- 11 Thieves' group
- 12 Earl Grey et al.
- 14 Rice—
- 17 App downloader
- 18 Colleague of Clarence
- 22 Dick's partner
- 23 Internet telephony provider
- 24 Jawbone of ___: Samson's weapon
- 25 Type of acid found in veggies
- 26 Mystic's medium
- 27 Home to Maine's Black Bears
- 28 Lowest card in klaborjass

February 21st Puzzle Solved

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- 29 Essential acid
- 30 Of a higher quality
- 31 Praise
- 36 Played, but not in the field, briefly
- 37 Ice cream truck offering
- 39 1992 Summer Olympics country
- 42 Roosters, at times
- 43 Lyre-playing Muse
- 44 Ladies' court gp.
- 47 Stuck, after "in"
- 48 Major—
- 49 Rapper ___ Fiasco
- 50 Pulitzer-winning WWII journalist
- 51 \$150 Monopoly prop.
- 52 Carry
- 53 Gloomy
- 54 Present opening?
- 55 Asian flatbread
- 57 "The Purloined Letter" monogram



Welcome to Falling Rock National Park by Josh Shalek



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Eagles take on Tech in front of record crowd

Baseball

BY COLIN RISTICK

The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University Eagles (No. 30) hosted the Georgia Institute of Technology Yellow Jackets (No. 10) on Wednesday night in a crowded and highly anticipated game.

An all-time high in attendance was reached with 3,258 total fans, 1,600 of them being students.

GSU struck first with a fielder's choice off of the bat of junior right fielder Victor Roache, scoring junior center fielder Scooter Williams from third. Williams walked to start off the game and hustled to third on Michael Burruss's line drive single to right field. Roache was not credited with an RBI on the play.

Starting pitcher Justin Hess, a junior, worked fast and effectively until the third inning. In the top frame of the third, Hess gave up a single up the middle and a single to left right off the bat.

This brought up junior Brandon Thomas, who took a first-pitch fastball that was left up in the zone over the right-center field fence for a three-run homerun, putting the Yellow Jackets up 3-1. Hess was pulled out of the game after only two and one-third innings. He gave up three earned runs on five hits.

Freshman Lucas Hart came in for relief in the third inning with one out, inheriting one of Hess's runners. But, he got the Eagles out of the jam, forcing a pop-out to center field and a strikeout.

GSU wasted no time bouncing back into the game. In the bottom half of the third inning Williams got hit by a pitch, Burruss doubled up the middle and then Roache walked to load the bases bringing up senior Eric Phillips.

Phillips hit a deep sacrifice fly ball to right, scoring Williams and moving Burruss to third, bringing the game to 3-2. This brought junior T.D. Davis up with two outs. He also walked to reload the bases for sophomore Stryker Brown. GT's starter, sophomore Jonathan Roberts, was pulled for sophomore Alex Cruz.

Cruz walked Brown to bring the game to 3-3, which was followed by sophomore Ben Morgan's two-out, two-run single to left field,

scoring Roache and Davis, putting GSU on top 5-3.

Freshman Clint Clark worked the count to three balls and two strikes before Cruz walked him as well. Freshman Tyler Avera hit a deep fly-out to right-center field to end the inning, leaving the bases loaded.

The top of the fourth started just as poorly as the start of the third did for the Eagles. A walk followed by a double off of the wall from sophomore Mott Hyde put one back on the board for the Yellow Jackets.

This also spelled the end of Hart's night on

the mound. Junior lefthander Drew Johnson came in after just two-thirds of an inning by Hart.

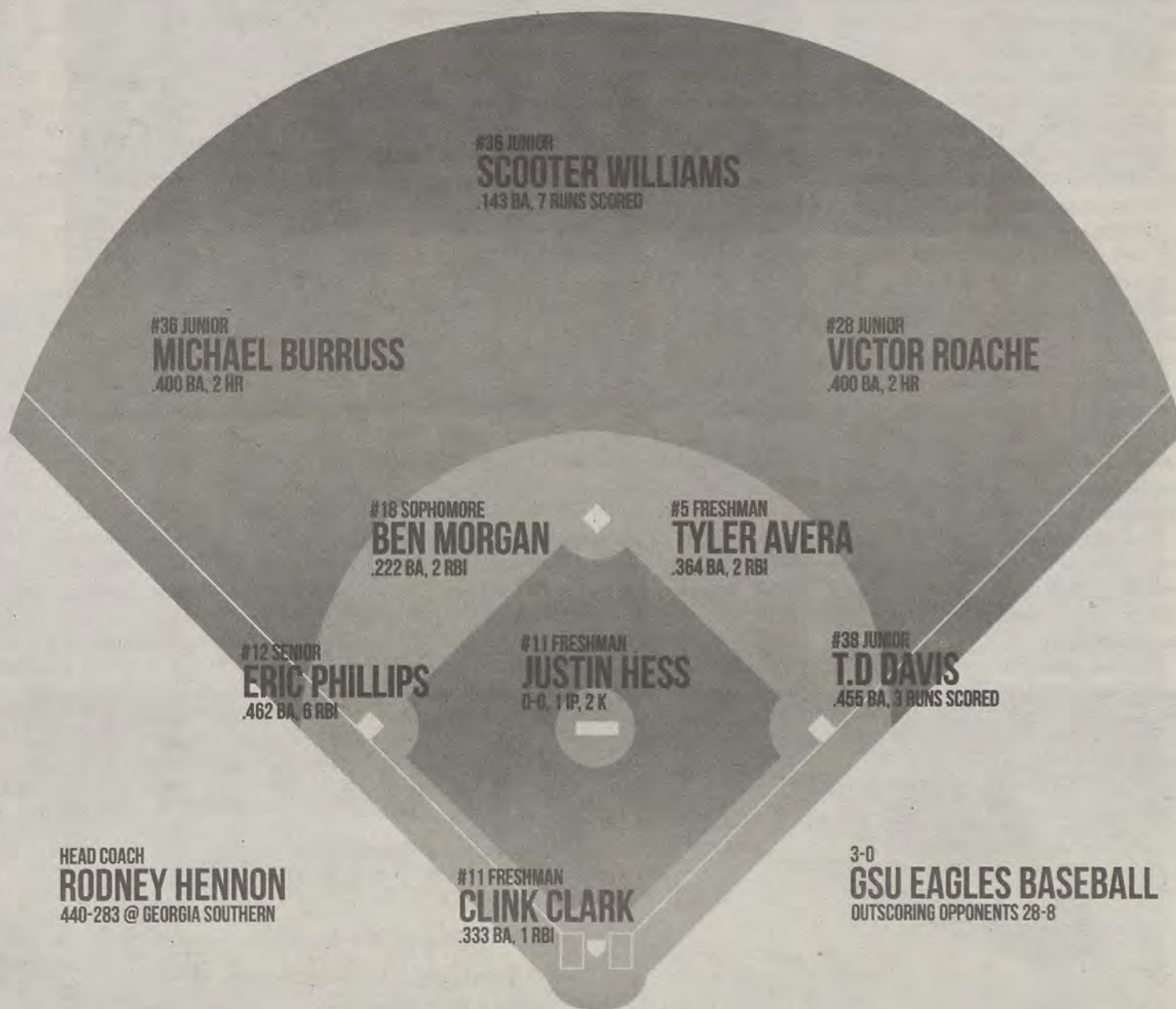
Johnson inherited the runner at second, who moved to third off of a sacrifice bunt from Tech for the first out. Sophomore leadoff man Kyle Wren slapped a line drive to left-center field to score Hyde and tie up the game at 5-5.

Brandon Thomasm, who already had three RBIs on the night, added one more on a line drive single to right field, scoring Wren to put the Jackets up 6-5.

The next batter walked, putting runners on first and second for freshman Zane Evans, who ripped a liner to left field, scoring Thomas. This put the Jackets up by two and ended Johnson's evening.

Freshman Jared Cheek came in to relieve, pitching with runners on first and second and one out. A double off of the wall tacked on one more run, putting GT up 8-5 going into the bottom of the fourth.

Due to the game not finishing in press time, please see the final game review online at www.thegeorgeanne.com.



Tyler Fleider/The George-Anne

Coach Hennon skippers Eagles

Baseball

BY CLINTON HINELY

The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University baseball team is a model of consistency and it all begins with the head coach.

Head coach Rodney Hennon has been coaching the GSU baseball team for 13 seasons and has led the Eagles to 30 plus wins in every one of those years. Hennon's ability to field consistent teams adds him with legendary GSU coach Jack Stallings as the only coaches in GSU history to record more than 10 straight 30-win seasons.

Hennon coached for two seasons with his alma mater, Western Carolina University, before moving to the Eagles before the 2000 season and has a career record of 528-322-1.

Hennon currently has a record of 440-283 and an incredible 222-126 Southern Conference record with the Eagles. He passed another legendary GSU head coach J.I. Clements for second place on the GSU all-time wins list.

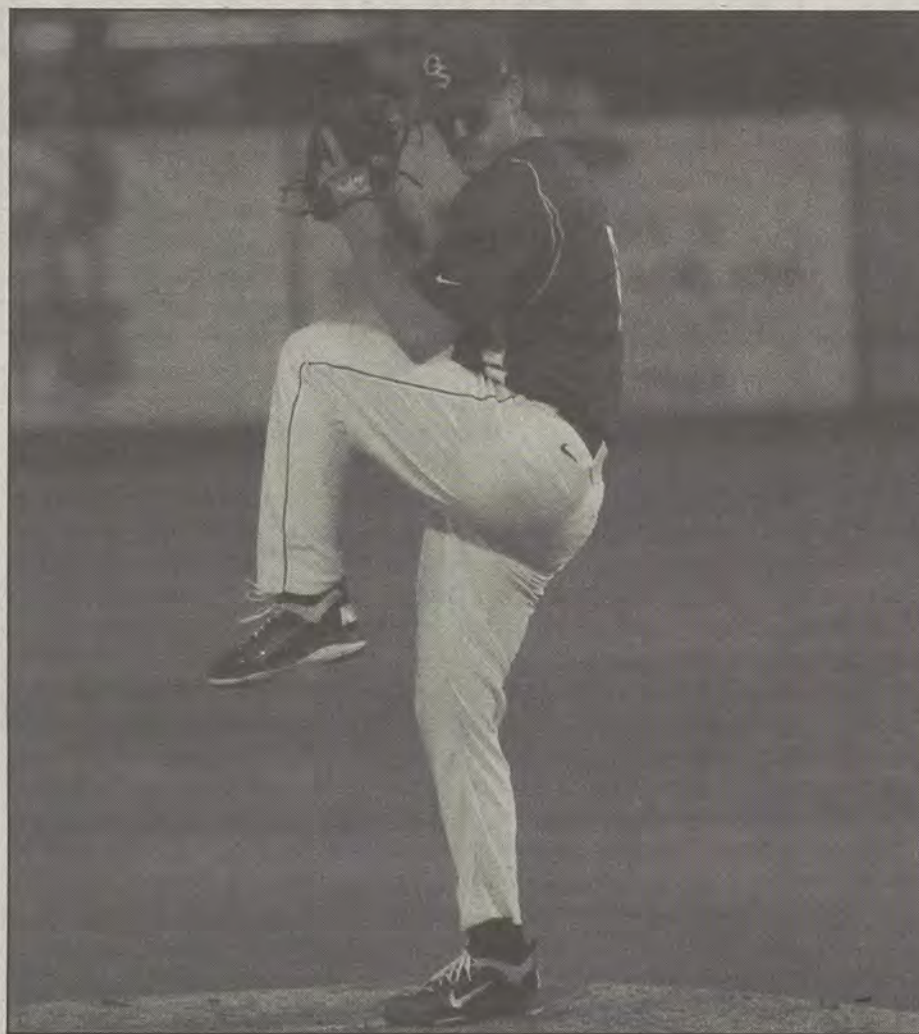
During his career, the baseball team has continued to earn trophy after trophy, winning the SoCon tournament title three times, and has been runner up twice, finishing no lower than fourth place during the regular season in 11 seasons.

After last season, three baseball players were drafted in the Major League Baseball draft for the fourth-straight year, making the total 24 players drafted under Hennon's 13-year leadership.

Hennon proves he can motivate his



RODNEY HENNON



Rebecca Farris/The George-Anne

Junior pitcher Justin Hess (8) pitches against Georgia Tech on Wednesday. The Eagles fell 11-9.

student-athletes off the field. The baseball team posted the highest GPA of any men's team in 2006-2007. During the fall 2007 semester, 14 baseball players recorded a 3.50 GPA and five of them had a 4.0 GPA, the greatest number of any sports program that term.

GSU has many tough opponents on its

schedule for the 2012 season, including Georgia Institute of Technology, Indiana University and the consensus No. 1 University of Florida. However, with Hennon guiding the players, there is no reason not to expect the baseball team to continue their model of consistency.

Fans set attendance record

BY CLINTON HINELY

The George-Anne staff

Fans had to walk a long way to get to their seats at J.I. Clements Stadium on Wednesday night because the attendance was at an all-time high.

Parking at J.I. Clements Stadium was not even an option for fans and the parking lots around the softball fields and in front of Hanner Fieldhouse were almost full. Fans had arrived anticipating another solid game in the Georgia Southern University versus the Georgia Institute of Technology rivalry.

A record crowd of 3,258 attended the baseball game and so did a record number of students, around 1,600. Before the game the line to get in was a sight to behold, the number of students waiting to get their student I.D.s scanned made its way down the sidewalk and into the parking lot by the tennis courts.

The top four attendance numbers in GSU history are against GT and eight of the top 19 are against the Yellow Jackets as well. GSU versus Tech has also set all five of the records for most attendance over a two-game series, with the largest two-game crowd being against the Yellow Jackets last season with a crowd of 5,433.

Although GT holds the series lead against GSU, 88-28, the in state rivals never fail to deliver a competitive game. Under the lights at J.I. Clements Stadium, the record number of locals and students were treated to another thriller in the rivalry with Tech winning 11-9 from a three-run homerun in the eighth inning.



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GSU pitcher has opponents seeing Red

Softball

BY BRIAN STONE

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University softball pitcher Brooke Red has been named Southern Conference Softball Pitcher of the Week for the week of Feb. 14-19.

Red is 2-0 this season and has posted an impressive 0.60 ERA in her three starts. She also has made four relief appearances so far for the team. She has only allowed two earned runs so far this season and only three overall.

She has emerged as a quality second starter behind Preseason SoCon Pitcher of the year Sarah Purvis.

Her two wins this season have come against Georgia State University, where she only allowed five runners on base, and a two-hit shutout against Drake University.

Red has pitched the second-most innings so far this season for the Eagles, at 23.1, after sophomore Sarah Purvis.

She has also been very impressive at

holding opposing hitters to low batting averages, only allowing a .152 batting average this season.

In her first collegiate win against the Panthers, she only allowed three hits and one unearned run.

In Sunday's game against University of South Florida, she did a great job getting the Eagles out of a jam, coming in to retire two batters in the sixth inning to keep a two-run lead.

She has also done a fantastic job at keeping people off base this season, allowing only five walks in her seven appearances.

The freshman pitcher has been impressive since her senior year of high school. When she attended Northside High School, she finished her senior year with a miniscule 0.43 ERA, a 15-5 record and 185 strikeouts.

She collected honors, such as first team all-state, first team all-region, Region I-AAAA Pitcher of the Year and Houston County Player of the Year.

Red will most likely make her fourth start of her GSU career at home in this weekend's Eagle Classic Tournament.



Rebecca Farris/The George-Anne

Freshman Brooke Red (15) throws one of her many strikes this season during the game vs. Georgia State.



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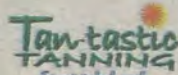


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MY OPINION

KEVIN GREGAN/
SPORTS REPORTER

The state of Georgia hosts the prestigious Master's Tournament in golf every year in Augusta and normally only the select few can watch such a competitive event in the preferred way to watch it, live.

It may come as a surprise to people in Statesboro that they have the chance to see a top tier college golf tournament right here in Statesboro.

This year marks the 33rd year that the top collegiate golfers from across the nation come to Statesboro, Ga. to compete.

The site of this spectacle is the Forest Heights Country Club, which is an apparent breeding ground for successful golfers.

Among the people who have placed in the top 10 at this Schenkel Invitational Golf Tournament, there have been 10 Major Championship winners, six Tour Championship winners, 217 combined PGA Tour Tournament wins, and 10 NCAA champions.

Many Georgia Southern University students have the impression that they're living in some small college town that nobody really cares about.

It's refreshing to find out that along with our history of football prowess provided by Coach Erk Russell in the 80's, our town also has roots in the hearts and minds of many of the successful golfers in recent memory.

There are many great prestigious golfers to come through this town. The current number one ranked golfer at the moment, Luke Donald, came through here.

Other big names include Bill Haas, Lucas Glover, Jonathan Byrd, Andy North, Scott Hoch, John Cook, and Camilo Villegas.

A fan favorite, Bubba Watson, has also graced Statesboro with his presence. The event this year could showcase the next fan favorite in professional golf that could revitalize the

popularity of the sport among the people of this generation.

That's right Eagles, while there may not be Tiger Woods, Luke Donald, or Phil Mickelson competing, the future of golf will be.

Four of the top 10 players in collegiate golf will be coming to play and two of the top 10 schools in the country will be in attendance.

The strength of the competition is something to be excited about seeing. There are 298 college golf programs in the country and all of the teams that will be attending the tournament are in the top 100. Eight of the teams are ranked in the top 50 in the nation.

Of the 14 teams that will be coming to the lovely town of Statesboro, The University of Florida, Auburn University, and the University of South Carolina will be among the seven Southeastern Conference schools attending.

North Carolina State University and the University of Virginia will be representing the Atlantic Coast Conference.

The University of Notre Dame will be the only school from the Big East Conference. Georgia Southern will be the lone representative from the Southern Conference.

As members of this community, GSU students and fans have the chance to show these other schools that this community really supports GSU and that Statesboro is indeed a place that breeds champions.



Courtesy of Georgia Southern Athletics

Drew Guffey practices his swing for the Schenkel Invitational.

Fans pack J.I. Clements versus Yellow Jackets



Rebecca Farris/The George-Anne

The Georgia Southern University baseball team took on the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets last night, losing 11-8. **Above:** A record crowd fills J.I. Clements Stadium. **Upper Left:** Head coach Rodney Hennon (10) and Scooter Williams (24) communicate on base-running. **Lower Left:** Clint Clark (11) bats against Tech.

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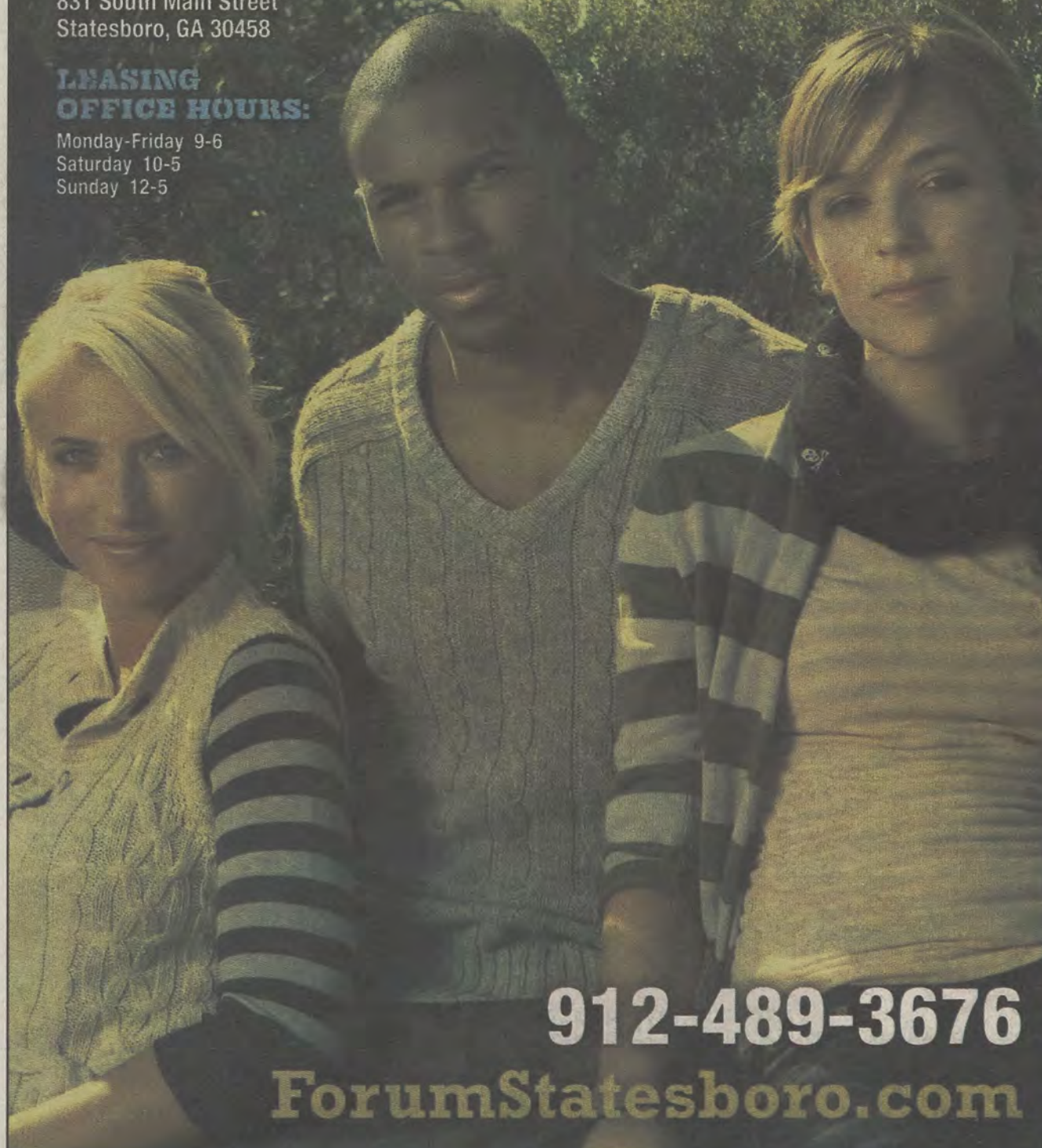
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