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Server crash causes student concern on Twitter

BY LAUREN GORLA
The George-Anne staff

Both Georgia Southern University and East Georgia State College's campus Internet server crashed yesterday at 4:50 p.m., cutting off access to Internet and Board of Regents applications.

Students attempting to access my.GeorgiaSouthern received an error message from the University stating that the problem was due to upgrades from the website.

Students on campus could not access Internet browsing, off-campus

library services, GeorgiaView, Folio, MyApps Google Services and ADP.

Students off campus during the outage could not access university web pages, anything accessed through my.GeorgiaSouthern,

anything accessed through VPN services and Blackberry services.

Many students took to twitter as a means of voicing their confusion and anger at not being able to use the Internet to complete assignments, access websites or even just watch movies.



Blanche Deverheaux @iRepMulattos

2h

Every Georgia Southern student is trying to get their homework out of the way today & crashed the Georgia Southern website.

#Homecoming

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Aubrey Trevathan @AubreyTrevathan

34m

It's okay, GSU. It's not like I had any necessary schoolwork or emails to take care of on a MONDAY

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taylor newberry @TaylorNewberry

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From now on I'm using the money GSU charges me for this nonexistent internet to pay the fees I get for going over on data

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Briana Jones @Miss_Jones14

2h

Georgia Southern does not want me to be great.

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Melissa Steuer @Melsteuerx3

36m

wish I could punch Georgia southern university and anything involving gsu Internet/folio in the gut

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Irene Anderson @Irenethedream_

1h

They are building a brand new stadium but we can't get any decent internet? Or any internet at all? I'm done with Georgia Southern.

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Chris Butler @cmbutler

12m

#GeorgiaSouthern co-workers...do we get the day off if the network remains down tomorrow? #SnowDay

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GSU Class Of 2017 @GaSouthern17

3h

@GeorgiaSouthern your internet is down, where are my student tech fees going again?

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This is a science fiction scene representing a sort of "gate" for faster than light travel, a staple of space sci-fi. It could be compared to an exit onto a modern-day interstate.

Police Beat

Wednesday, Oct. 30

1:44 p.m.: A motor vehicle accident report was taken for a motor vehicle accident report in the RAC parking lot.

3:08 p.m.: Officers responded to a sick person at Engineering Technology. EMS responded but did not transport.

6:40 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at the Russell Union.

Thursday, Oct. 31

12:20 p.m.: A motor vehicle accident report was taken for a motor vehicle accident – hit and run in Lot 21.

12:36 p.m.: A motor vehicle accident report was taken for a motor vehicle accident in Lot 21.

6:10 p.m.: A motor vehicle accident report was taken for a motor vehicle accident – hit and run in the PAC parking lot.

10:45 p.m.: Officers discovered an argument in progress at Harvey Drive and Knight Drive. One subject involved in the argument, Marcus Wesley Wiggins, 18, Statesboro, Ga., was arrested and charged with Possession of alcohol – Under 21 Years of Age, False ID and Simple Battery.

2:21 a.m.: Officers responded to J-Lot in reference to two subjects entering motor vehicles. Two subjects were identified and arrested:

Matthew Joseph Beach, 21, Alpharetta, Ga., was charged with Entering Auto -3 counts.

Christopher Michael Aichinger, 20, Statesboro, Ga., was charged

with Entering Auto – 3 counts and Possession of Alcohol – Under 21 Years of Age.

2:29 a.m.: Officers responded to a panic alarm at Kennedy Hall. The panic alarm was accidentally activated by an occupant.

Friday, Nov. 1

12:25 p.m.: An incident report was taken for a suspicious person/ incident at the Dean of Students Office. This case was assigned to criminal investigations.

1:52 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property on Mike Ann Drive.

1:57 p.m.: Officers responded to a sick person at the Lakeside Café. EMS responded and transported the sick person to GSU Health Services.

2:18 p.m.: Officers responded to a fire alarm at the Carroll Building. The Statesboro Fire Department and maintenance responded. The building was checked with no problems found.

2:51 p.m.: An incident report was taken for lost/mislaid/recovered property at the Russell Union.

6:00 p.m.: Officers responded to a burglar alarm at the University Store. The building was checked with no problems found.

11:01 p.m.: Officers responded to Southern Courtyard in reference to an alcohol violation. Two occupants were judicially referred.

Saturday, Nov. 2

12:54 a.m.: Officers conducted a traffic stop on Maleki Drive at Akins Blvd. The driver of the vehicle, Brandon Eric Muggy, 24, Statesboro,

Ga., was arrested and charged with Headlights Required & DUI 1st.

1:30 a.m.: Officers conducted a traffic stop on Georgia Ave. at Gentilly Drive. The driver of the vehicle, Alyssa N. Crouch, Statesboro, Ga., was arrested and charged with Improper Starting of Parked Vehicle, Driving without License on Person and DUI 1st.

1:30 p.m.: An incident report was taken for found property at Paulson Stadium.

2:17 a.m.: Officer observed a fight in progress and an injured person in J-Lot. Two subjects were arrested:

Russell Ray Ruth, 20, Cantonment, Florida, was arrested and charged with Possession of Alcohol – Under 21 Years of Age.

Dillon Ray Nethers, 20, Newark, Ohio, was arrested and charged with Possession of Alcohol – Under 21 Years Old & Obstruction – misdemeanor.

11:04 a.m.: Officers responded to a fire alarm at Kennedy Hall. The Statesboro Fire Department and maintenance responded. The alarm was activated by an occupant cooking.

3:04 p.m.: Officers made contact with an intoxicated subject at Paulson Stadium. Sean Andrew McWilliams, 18, Statesboro, Ga., was arrested and charged with False ID & Possession of Alcohol – Under 21 Years Old.

4:02 p.m.: A welfare check was conducted at Freedom's Landing. The subject of the welfare check was contacted and no problems found.

6:04 p.m.: A welfare check was conducted at Eagle Village. The subject of the welfare check was contacted and no problems found.

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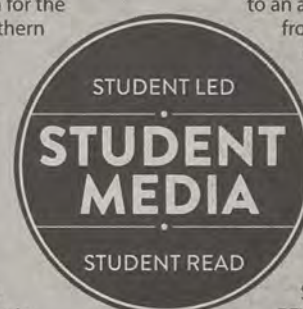
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Corrections

In last Tuesday's edition, an inaccurate quotation was published in the article "Mayoral candidate stirs ethics questions." The quotation from Joe McGlamery stated that Jan Moore was asked to discontinue her column for the Statesboro Herald, but Moore discontinued her reporting for the Herald during the mayoral race.

Our View

Focus fairs better for students

Last week's Eagle Career Expo and Techxpo showed two sides of the career fair coin for Georgia Southern University. The Eagle Career Expo exposed students to a wide variety of employers looking for many different majors to go into different fields. In comparison, the Techxpo offered a concentrated group of employers that were all looking for skill sets found in students in the IT and CS fields.

Students who went to the Techxpo knew they were going into a career fair with employers looking for particular skills and abilities. Students who did not feel like they had skills that were necessary for that expo simply did not show up. The expo was labeled and marketed as being geared towards computer-savvy students and made it clear from the start.

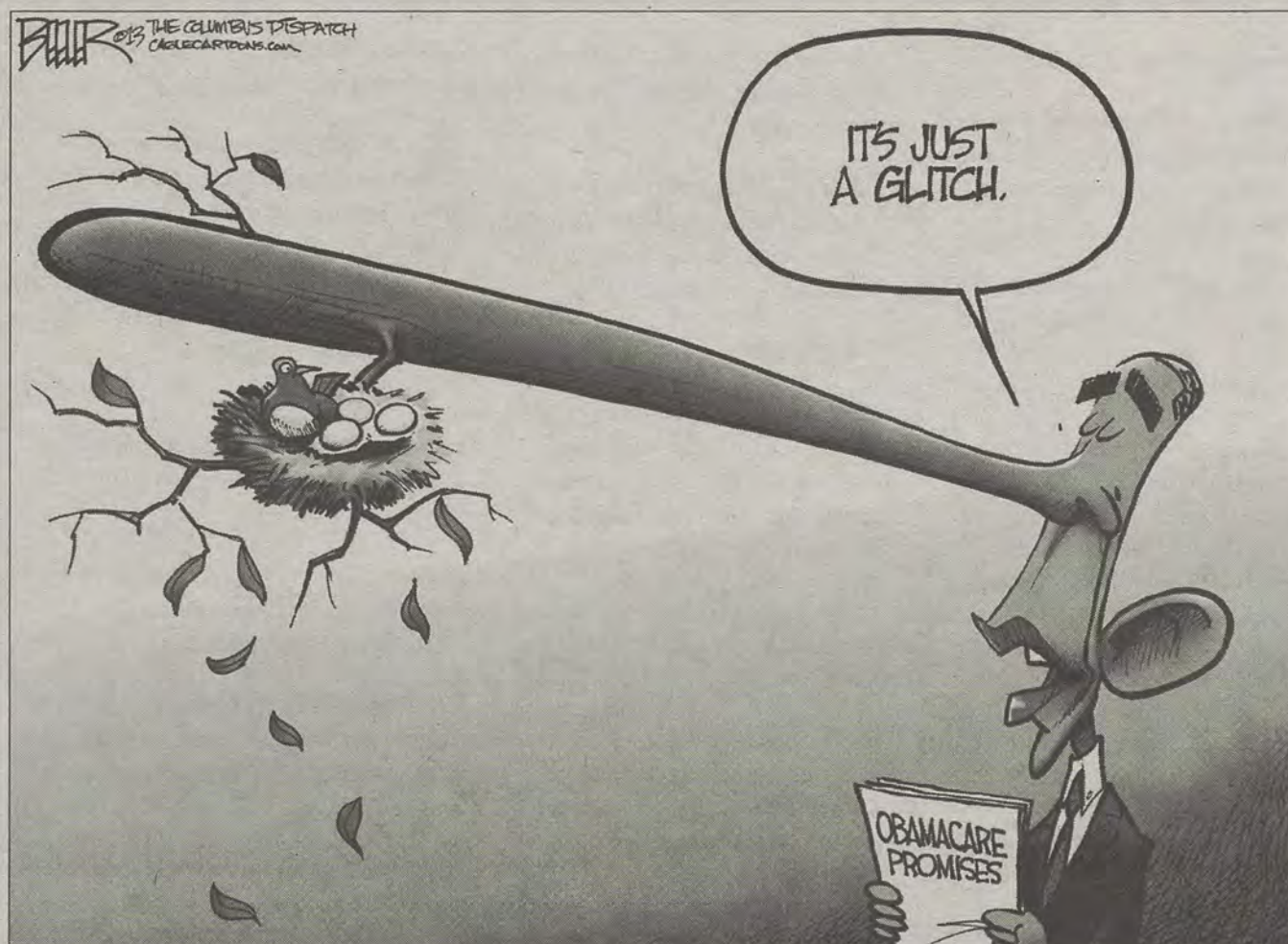
Conversely, the Eagle Career Expo was marketed as a fair that would be inclusive to all students that were looking to find a career. However, many majors had severely limited representation in the jobs and companies that were available at the fair. For example, graphic design majors only had one job that was specifically looking for people in that major.

Career fairs should be based on colleges in order for students to be connected with the most relevant job opportunities to them. Having more frequent, focused fairs based on colleges would benefit both students and employers and GSU should strive to have more of them.

The George-Anne welcomes letters to the editor and appropriate guest columns. All copy submitted should be 350 words or fewer, typed, and sent via e-mail in Microsoft Word format to letters@georgiasouthern.edu. All submissions must be signed and include phone number for verification. GSU students should include their academic major, year and hometown. The editors reserve the right to reject any submission and edit submissions for length.

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Don't be afraid to enjoy Homecoming

It's Homecoming week at Georgia Southern University, and even if you don't have a candidate you want to vote for, that doesn't mean that you can't make the most of your Homecoming week. Tonight, Lil Duval is making his premiere at GSU, and if you have ever seen MTV's "Guy Code," you won't be disappointed.

It isn't all the time that GSU brings comedians to campus, especially a known comedian like Lil Duval. Plus it's free, so you could sit at home eating your leftover donuts watching re-runs of "The Wire," or you could get out and go see Lil Duval with your friends, your choice. Besides, in 10 years your kids might be watching him on TV and you can tell them that you watched his career jumpstart here at GSU. Personally, I've always been a fan of the shirt swap that UPB offers. I hate seeing students proudly walk around with a big ole UGA shirt like they go there....oh wait, you're at GSU so you need to stand up

LIFE IN THE SOUTH



ANNA WELLS

and show your "True Blue" spirit, and there's no easier way to do that than at the shirt swap. Just bring in another team's T-shirt and \$2 and voila: new GSU T-shirt for you!

The Homecoming parade is also a highlight of the week, it's happening on Friday at 4 p.m. and not only do you have the opportunity to have some candy thrown at you during the parade, you also have a chance to grab some free food once the parade is over. Don't forget to check out the Wesley Foundation's float, they never fail to disappoint.

In addition to the Homecoming

parade and celebration on Friday, the men's basketball team kicks off their season with Columbia International. With a new coach, new players and the exciting prospect of a blank slate, it should be a good game to see just what the GSU basketball team has in store for us this season.

And finally, we have the football game this Saturday. While I'm not saying that Western Carolina University is going to be a cake-walk, it should be a game that will allow the Eagles to end their season on a high-note. And hey, if all else fails, the Homecoming tailgates will help you make it through the game.

Before you discredit Homecoming week as not for you, think again, because GSU has put together a great week for us at the Wonderful World of Georgia Southern.

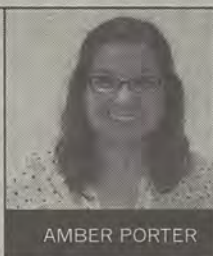
Wells is a senior English major from Bainbridge. She is the current Copy Chief.

Halloween not worth the drama

As Halloween passes, a lot of controversy has come out over political correctness is our costumes. This season, Julianne Hough received a lot of backlash over her choice to put on a little too much bronzer while embodying Crazy Eyes, a black character from the show "Orange is the New Black." She darkened her skin and hair, and looks like she has a bad tan. She has apologized for her choice, but, honestly, why should she? In her case, she is impersonating a specific character and trying to look as much like her as possible. Crazy Eyes has a similar hairstyle to the infamous Miley Cyrus VMA-look. Hough might've believed her orange jumpsuit and nametag weren't enough to convince people she wasn't Miley.

Some colleges ran campaigns leading up to the holiday warning students of not being offensive in their costumes. The slogan, "We're a Culture, Not a Costume," ran alongside students holding pictures of their cultures being mocked in costume. One was a student dressed as a terrorist, another as a Mexican riding a donkey. Honestly, most students don't choose their costumes out of malicious intent, but out of convenience. If you go out and get offended by someone's costume, then you don't understand Halloween. It is a time to be controversial and have fun, to be whatever

MY ELEPHANT OPINION



AMBER PORTER

you want without having to worry about political correctness. Honestly, that is what the college experience is like too. We should be able to express ourselves without being shamed or punished.

Political correctness only makes the situation worse. We need to realize that we can't please everyone. As an international studies major, I understand the need for respect. I know that some people have malicious intent and hate other cultures for no good reason at all. There is a fine line between being respectful of someone's background and pretending it doesn't exist. Political correctness only tries to cover the problems and does nothing to change the actual feelings of racism, prejudice, or sexism. Instead, we need to address the problems directly and say what we mean.

Porter is a junior international studies major from Zebulon. She spent spring semester as a Capitol Hill intern.

Costumes were in bad taste

Last week I wrote about the dangers of being photographed wearing stupid apparel over Halloween. Many people did not share my convictions, as countless people were caught wearing tasteless costumes that were absolutely cringe-worthy. I feel that most people wearing these costumes were concerned with making a joke or perhaps not thinking at all.

For example, the male duo that went dressed as dead Trayvon Martin and George Zimmerman probably weren't thinking they'd be Internet famous by the end of the night, but they certainly made a statement (and plenty of people angry).

When thinking about what you are going to wear, whether it be to just an average night at the club or for a special occasion like Halloween, it is important to ask yourself a few questions. The first question you should ask yourself is, "Would I like my future boss to see this picture?" Some ladies this Halloween proved that they are perfectly fit for a job at Hooters, however, if they ever want a more prestigious job than that, they need to rethink their wardrobe choices and delete several dozen photos.

A second thought that you should consider when picking out an outfit is, "Will this upset anyone else?" I'm not asking for you to consider the feelings and emotions of the crowd for simply altruistic reasons. Think

THE FARM LIFE



JAMES FARMER

about it, people get offended every day, and it upsets them. They have to file these emotions in the back of their mind and try not to get violently angry at the offenders.

However, in social occasions with alcohol involved, all these emotions can come boiling through the emotional barrier that alcohol has eroded. Maybe a better thing to ask is, "Is wearing this outfit worth getting my teeth kicked in?"

Most people dressed appropriately and decently this Halloween. They were considerate of the views of others and didn't show off too much skin. But some people just didn't get the memo and they make the rest of us, and especially themselves, look bad. So anytime you get the occasion to dress up, or dress down if you choose, be aware of what you are actually representing and wearing.

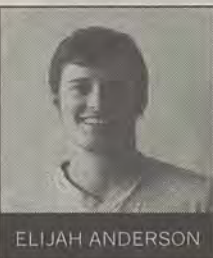
Farmer is a senior international studies and political science double major from Thomasville. He is the current Opinions Editor.

Political correctness debate worth having

In all my Halloween adventures this year I was happily impressed and only moderately flabbergasted by Georgia Southern University's student body. I witnessed a number of creatively witty costumes that took far too much time and money than I would ever be willing to donate to such a frivolous holiday. Nevertheless, it seemed our school had a fantastic time celebrating this overtly sexualized and overhyped festivity.

Each year, however, the headline-hunting media networks utilize Halloween for an entirely different, dare I say ethically questionable, purpose. Rather than filling their pillow cases with delectable sweets, our "unbiased" media tends to highlight and point out the most insensitive and offensive costumes they can find. Whether this is to stir up tensions for viewership, or to simply fill air time, one thing remains to be

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ELIJAH ANDERSON

true; we live in a politically correct culture that demands conformance. But what is political correctness and when does it go too far?

The most inappropriate "costumes" I managed to stumble across this year included teenagers and adults dressing up as Trayvon Martin with blackface, skittles and Arizona sweet tea included as well as a woman who dressed up as a victim of the Boston Marathon terrorist attack. In my opinion, this is when political correctness

debate is appropriate. The individuals who choose to employ such costumes are ignorant and, as a society, we should strive to combat such distasteful behavior. But how?

Explicit racism and intentional insensitivity has no place in our society, but neither does the incessant public shaming and abuse that these individuals received. For instance, shortly after posting a picture of her classless Boston Marathon victim costume, Alicia Ann Lynch and her parents received death threats, she was fired from her job, and received countless harassing tweets and calls demanding she "kill herself" and "go to hell." Her life has literally been ruined by an undeniably bad decision she made, but is this not counterintuitive?

In our attempts to modify undesirable behavior we should not stoop to the base levels of humanity exemplified by our

misguided brethren. Resorting to death threats and cyberbullying is no way to address bigotry and this is how our politically correct society goes too far.

More or less we should all employ the old adage, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you," and let that serve as the principle that guides our interactions in society.

To be explicitly racist or insensitive is unacceptable behavior, but we should all remember that in attempting to correct ignorance and hate we must practice wisdom and love. This is the only way to achieve the ends that political correctness strives for.

Anderson is a senior political science major from Cumming. He is writing a thesis paper on U.S. interventions.

Statesboro mayoral candidates talk goals

BY TANNIS KUFNER

The George-Anne contributor

Campaigning ends as the Statesboro mayoral election begins with citizens looking toward candidates Jonathan McCollar, Bill Thomas, Jan Moore and incumbent Mayor Joe Brannen as potential mayors.

The candidates each hold different views on the next step for Statesboro, but together agree on opportunities for growth in the community.

McCollar, community manager for the American Cancer Society, defines his campaign as one that promotes people over politics.

"It is time for leadership with a vision for all," McCollar said.

McCollar himself graduated from

GSU, and the bulk of McCollar's campaign volunteers have been students.

"The same classroom you sat in are the ones I got my degree in too," McCollar said. "The woman who raised me retired from GSU so she could raise me, so GSU is truly at the heart of my foundation."

If elected, McCollar plans to establish a council between GSU students and Statesboro community members to create open communication between the two groups.

In addition, McCollar intends on growing the tax base, increasing the number of jobs and investing in the young people within the city.

"It is time to move people from their couches to the work force," McCollar said.

Another candidate interested in focusing on the tax base and providing equality is

Thomas, owner of Big Bad Wolf Catering, member of Statesboro's City Council for four years and a self-proclaimed "little guy" in the mayoral race.

"I stand for the city of Statesboro and for the little people within the city," Thomas said.

Thomas' campaign focuses on city policy and increasing fairness in governmental operations.

"We need to provide good jobs for our people," Thomas said. "The only thing I can do is provide a clear voice in the leadership."

Along with McCollar and Thomas, Moore is the third candidate running against Mayor Brannen.

Moore works for the Statesboro Herald as its business editor and a behavior intervention psychologist for the Bulloch

County Board of Education.

One of Moore's platforms is the importance of revitalizing downtown Statesboro.

"Downtown should look as beautiful as Sweetheart Circle," Moore said.

Moore, among other candidates, is interested specifically in restoring South Main Street.

Mayor Brannen is running for reelection, and he has been mayor since 2009, according to the Statesboro City Council's website. His platform focuses on approving policies to strengthen Statesboro.

Mayor Brannen said at the October mayoral debate that some buildings are under contract to bring new life to South Main Street.

Mayor Brannen said, "A mayor's role is someone who gets things done for the city,"

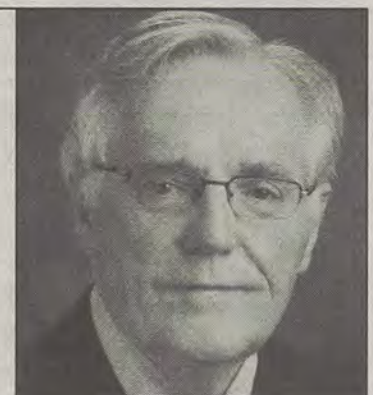
Candidate Platforms



Bill Thomas

- Focuses on city policy
- Government operations running smoothly and fairly
- Strengthening campus and city relations

- Stands for getting policies approved to strengthen Statesboro



Joe Brannen



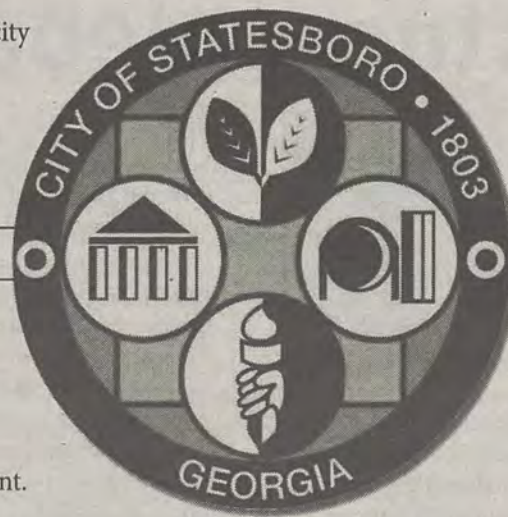
Jonathan McCollar

- Having a well-trained Workforce to spur entrepreneurship development.
- Workforce development
- Mentoring opportunity for young people in Statesboro to engage community members.

- Revitalizing downtown Statesboro
- Bringing new business to South Main Street



Jan Moore



Students to study Irish immigration to Savannah

BY ALANNA NAVIN

The George-Anne staff

Applications are now available for honors and high-achieving students who want to take part in an intensive research experience about the migration of the Irish people in the 1840s to Savannah.

"The story of the migration of peoples from Ireland to the United States is a well-told story, but primarily it applies to people transitioning to the Northeast. The story of the transition of people to Savannah, the southeast, is less studied," Steve Engel, Ph.D., director of the university honors program, said.

The program will be led by Engel and Howard Keeley, Ph.D., director of the Irish Studies program.

Engel will come to the research with a social sciences approach while Keeley will look at the research from a humanities perspective.

"The primary migration of people we are looking at are the ones that occurred during what is commonly called the Great Famine in Ireland," Engel said.

The specific trend of migrations

the students will look at is the migration from County Wexford in Ireland to the city of Savannah.

Students will work with respected organizations in Savannah and professional archivists for their research to piece together the story of the migration of the Irish people to Savannah, Keeley said.

"It's not just historically interesting, but important to understand how the Southeast of the United States came to be," Engel said.

The courses the students will take to understand the research are "Inquiry in the Humanities" and "Inquiry to the Social Sciences."

The courses will give students the basis of the project and help develop the skills needed to use in future research, Keeley said.

The trip will begin with two and a half weeks of research in Statesboro and Savannah, and then continue on in Ireland for two more weeks.

"We plan to cap it at no more than fifteen [students] in order to keep it an intense research experience to make sure the mentorship is there," Engel said.

The deadline for application is



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Feb. 3, and students are encouraged to apply earlier rather than later.

"The honors program is organizing this trip, and, like any honors course, honors students have the first priority for places in the program. Other talented non-honors students are eligible to

apply and we would consider those applications as well," Engel said.

The program is looking for students who are curious and detail-oriented, as well as flexible.

"I think any research project is a puzzle, and there is missing pieces. You start with the edges, and that is

the context, which we are going to provide in the courses. And there's all these areas in the middle and lots of pieces where we don't know where they fit yet," Engel said.

Engel said, "Students who are interested in working on that puzzle. That is the kind of student we want."

GSU looks to expand study abroad programs

BY TAYLER CRITCHLOW

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University Center for International Studies aims to increase GSU's study abroad presence in the next few years.

"Our target is four hundred. We have been sniffing four hundred. Essentially that is two percent of our student body going abroad every year," Jeffery Palis, Ph.D., associate director for the Center of International Studies, said.

That number takes all students going abroad for academic credit and students participating in European Council and International Student Exchange Program into account.

The long-term goal is to send seven percent of students abroad, which is approximately 1,300 students.

The International Education Office

mandated that every university within the system needed to send seven percent of students abroad and had funding to support the mandate, however due to budget decrease the office was cut, Palis said.

"The university who, in many ways, has done quite a bit of commendable work with international education within Georgia has been Kennesaw State," Palis said.

Kennesaw State University, as well as Columbus State University and Georgia State University, have implemented an international fee.

A Global Learning Fee of \$14 was created five years ago to fund scholarships for those going abroad, Lyonka Strawn-Vaozy, international program manager for the Institute for Global Initiative, said.

"I'm not advocating for a fee, and I'm not going to make an argument for a fee. I think students frankly pay enough damn fees. Now

I think that eventually if we want to see the number of students grow we have to find financial resources to help students go abroad," Palis said.

The Center for International Studies is turning to other methods of gaining student attention through publicity and increased amount of programs available.



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GSU students work with high school delegates

BY JENNIFER ARTHURS

The George-Anne contributor

Two Georgia Southern University students participated in a conference sponsored by the International Model United Nations Association held from this past weekend.

Seniors Marissa McOmber and Josh Rogers held positions in the Southern United States Model United Nations (SUSMUN) conference working with other college students from across the country.

"We had staff members from all over the country from Princeton, Harvard, Stanford, Georgia Southern, Georgia Tech, Middle Berry, USC," McOmber said. "We had a really wide range of people to work with, and that's really exciting in terms of experience level. You're not getting one type of experience or one type of person."

McOmber was the undersecretary general of the general assembly while Rogers was the director for the legal committee.

Rogers and McOmber felt the conference was fulfilling working with high school

delegates that were learning more about the world around them.

"At the end of the week, you could see the growth in [the delegates]," Rogers said. "And you can tell they had learned so much from the conference. And really it's just taking something that I am personally really passionate about and passing it down to them."

McOmber believes the best part of the conference was what the high school delegates learned about their impact on the world.

"The best part is just realizing that high-schoolers can really make a difference learning about the world around them in a very real way," McOmber said.

Rogers was able to participate after a director for the committee had to drop out. After going through the interview process, Rogers became the new director for the legal committee.

"One of the previous directors had to back out a few months ago," Rogers said. "I was not part of the staff all year like most people. But Marissa being the undersecretary general contacted me and said there was an opening. I applied and went to a series of three interviews and I was able to get the



Courtesy of Georgia Southern Model United Nations team

Josh Rogers and Marissa McOmber attend this year's SUSMUN conference. Rogers served as a committee director and McOmber was the undersec retary general.

replacement position."

McOmber has been a part of the SUSMUN conference with the International Model UN Association since her high school career.

"SUSMUN started in 2009, and that was my junior year of high school. I attended my junior and senior year as a delegate,"

McOmber said. "I have been on staff since I was a freshman at college."

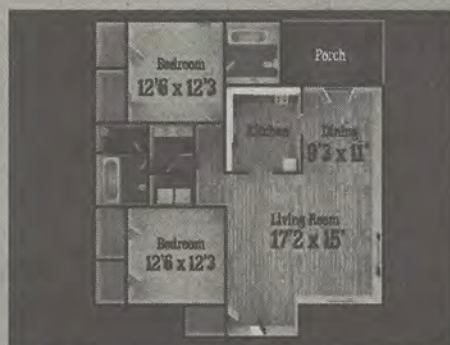
McOmber has taken the position of director general for next year's SUSMUN conference.

The conference next year is scheduled from Oct. 31 to Nov. 2.

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Under the Influence event discusses impaired driving

BY RED DENTY

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Students can experience driving, playing and texting while under the influence of alcohol at the first Under the Influence event.

The event's purpose is to increase awareness regarding the dangers of driving while under the influence of drugs and alcohol. Georgia Southern University's Office of Public Safety will host the event.

The safety program is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Russell Union visitor parking lot.

"Since it is Homecoming Week, we felt it would be the perfect time to raise awareness of impaired driving," Sgt. Tracy Atkinson of the Office of Public Safety said. "We encourage everyone to come out and try our simulators and see how difficult impaired driving actually is."

Chief Michael Russell, director of public safety, echoed Atkinson's sentiment.

"With texting and driving and DUT's we thought it would be a good thing to put on," Russell said.

The demonstrations will feature a rollover simulator, a cornhole game with fatal vision goggles and a texting and driving simulator.

"They're going to have some little golf carts and a little course to go through while you've got these goggles on to show folks how you can't drive," Russell said. "You think you can but you can't."

GSU students, faculty and staff are invited to attend and take part in the demonstrations to combat drunken, impaired and distracted driving.

Under the Influence is held in conjunction with the Governor's Office of Highway Safety and GSU's Office of Alcohol and Other Drugs Programs.



Mr. and Miss Georgia Southern, Terico Agnew and Charlene Bibeau, announce Doo Dah performances. Doo Dah is a dance and step competition between competing on campus organizations for spirit points during Homecoming Week.

Doo Dah dances for Homecoming

BY KRYSTAL MCMATH

The George-Anne contributor

Rhythmical steps will beat across the stage as contestants show off their moves at this year's annual Doo Dah/Step Show.

The Doo Dah/Step Show is a Homecoming tradition that has been in effect for several years. Various fraternities and sororities perform steps, dances and routines to win the grand prize of money and spirit points.

The University Programming Board and Student Government Association will

collaborate to host the step show in Hanner Fieldhouse on Nov. 6 at 7 p.m. as a way to initiate homecoming festivities.

"It's a dance slash step show and different student organizations compete in three categories. The three categories are dance, step and Doo Dah mixed with spirit points and also prizes," Ashley Nixon, special events chair for UPB, said.

The Doo Dah winners win money and spirit points. Doo Dah and step have first, second and third place in each category. First place receives \$200, second place receives

\$100 and third place receives \$50. There is only one winner in the dance category and they will receive \$200, Nixon said.

"This year, all the proceeds that go towards Doo Dah, the dollar that it costs to get in, is going to our Eagle to Eagles Fund from Student Government Association," Garrett Green, Student Government president, said.

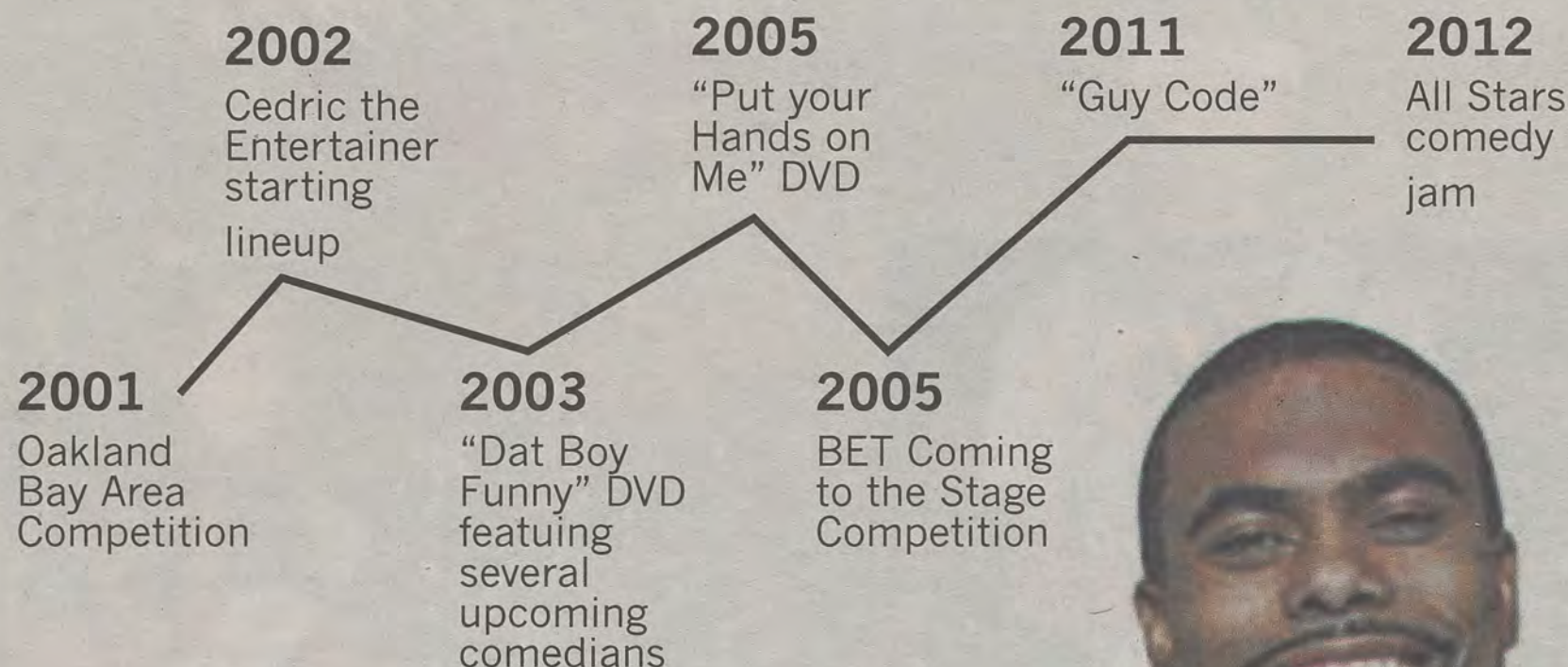
The turnout is always a success and Hanner Fieldhouse is always packed for the event. This event is huge for the student population at Georgia Southern University.

"I've participated in Doo Dah a couple

of years ago and it has been a part of homecoming tradition for a long time," Green said. "Personally what made it special for me was the practicing that we did before the show. I performed with Alpha Delta Pi sorority and some of my Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity brothers that were a part of SGA were on our team. What made it so special was we taught the ADPi sorority girls how to step and we spent a lot of time together and I enjoyed time with my brothers. When it came time for Do Dah and we won it made all of the effort worth it."

Lil Duval in Our House

'Guy Code' feature to bring comedy to Hanner Fieldhouse



BY MEAGAN GREENE

The George-Anne contributor

Get ready to see the styling's of Lil Duval, MTV's own comedian, tomorrow night at Georgia Southern University in the Hanner Fieldhouse.

It began with a homecoming comedian poll that was between Lil Duval, Dormtainment, Upright Citizens Brigade, and Jeff Dye, Donnell Rawlings, and Damien Lemon as a trio on the GSU campus. Out of the votes given by the school, Duval won. After the contracts were signed and all the procedures were taken care of it was official that comedian Lil Duval would be at Southern on Tuesday for homecoming.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and Lil Duval will go on at 7:30 p.m. It will be a one-hour performance.

"I'm really glad that the student's voice got to be heard and they can see that who they voted for is who we're getting. We picked solely on popular vote, this is the first time we've done this for a comedian, concerts before, but no comedians," Ashley Nixon, University Programming

Board special events chair, said.

Lil Duval has been featured on MTV2 in series' such as "Guy Code" and "Hip Hop Squares." He also has a viral video show called, "Ain't That America," which began this past July also on MTV2.

"I'm super excited to see Lil Duval perform, I've been following him since 'Guy Code,'" LaRodrick Harris, sophomore public relations major, said.

Lil Duval performs at many colleges around the country.

"He was just recently at Howard University. Howard has one of the biggest homecomings in America, and everybody knows they have the biggest homecoming. He came for theirs and now he's coming to ours. It's kind of awesome for him to come to this homecoming, so I'm really excited about that," Nixon said.

Lil Duval is going to have free reign over the subjects hit during the show. He won't be holding anything back.

"It will contain explicit content," Nixon said.

Any student is invited to come free with their Eagle ID and regular ticket prices are \$5.



Organizations compete to be the Biggest Fan on Campus

BY ALEXANDRA MCCRAY

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University's on-campus organizations will have the chance to prove that they have the most school spirit at Biggest Fan on Campus Tailgate.

The University Programming Board will host the tailgate, which will take place at Sweetheart Circle from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursday.

"What we want to accomplish with the event is just to find the organization that has the most school spirit. We have three categories; it's a tailgate and a biggest fan collaboration," Milton Dockins, Biggest Fan on Campus Tailgate coordinator, said.

Any on-campus organization is invited to participate in the tailgate. Organizations such as Alpha Omicron Pi, Collegiate One Hundred, Delta Tau Delta, The Minority Advisement Program and the NAACP have already signed up to participate along with three organizations who have a candidate on homecoming court, Dockins said.

"So the organizations will get to grill and serve food, because football tailgating is really big down here so they'll get to do that. And then they'll be able to dress up in different game day attire to show their school spirit and represent their organization and the school at the same time," Dockins said.

Currently, 12 organizations are signed up to grill and tailgate and compete for the title of biggest fan. Participants will be judged on their overall organization appearance and how well they display school spirit, along with how well the organization showcases their favorite on campus traditions, Dockins said.

"Students can come by and participate, the participants that will be participating in the tailgate portion will have samples of whatever they're cooking so they'll be giving those samples out to anyone who comes past. And judges will be out there participating as well so they'll just be mingling with the people from campus who stop by or people from the community that stop by and vice versa," Dockins said.

"I'm down for going to anything that's happening on campus, if it's interesting or fun or just something to do," Amanda Roberts, freshman business management major, said.


The Biggest Fan on Campus Tailgate will be followed by UPB's next homecoming

Involved Organizations

- Alpha Delta Pi
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- Baptist College Ministries
- Collegiate 100
- Delta Phi Epsilon
- Delta Tau Delta
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- Kappa Kappa Gamma
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event, the Homecoming parade, which will take place on Nov. 8 at 4 p.m., beginning at Allen E. Paulson Stadium and ending at Sweetheart Circle.



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Holiday Helper Tree shares the gift of giving

Seasonal

BY ERINN WILLIAMS

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The Holiday Helper Tree event is bringing the gift of giving to Georgia Southern University students this holiday season.

It was started by Eileen Smith in partnership with the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement and has been providing people with holiday cheer for 20 years.

"I have a heart for people in need and I know that the GSU family cares about helping others too and what better place to start than our home in Statesboro. My slogan for the program has been 'catch the spirit and pass it on' and it touches my heart to see people getting involved and sharing the gift of giving" Eileen Smith, senior administrative secretary of the department of sociology and anthropology, said.

On Wednesday at 10 a.m., the Holiday Helper Tree kick-off event will be held in the Russell Union where Statesboro Head Start students will sing holiday tunes.

The Holiday Helper Tree will be decorated with tags that have gifts wished for by individuals and families in the community.

Students and faculty can pull a tag from the tree and provide someone in need with the gift on the tag this year or if they are part of an organization on campus their group can even adopt an entire family and provide them with holiday cheer.

"It is a great opportunity to come out and donate to someone who truly needs it during the holiday season. This is a huge source a huge source of joy this time of year so we really need

as many people as possible to help out," Danyel Addes, event coordinator, said.

700 individual requests have been made for gifts through 13 different organizations in Bulloch County.

Students and faculty can also pull as many tags as they would like from 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. in the Russell Union Nov. 22 and all gifts are due back to the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement by Dec. 2.

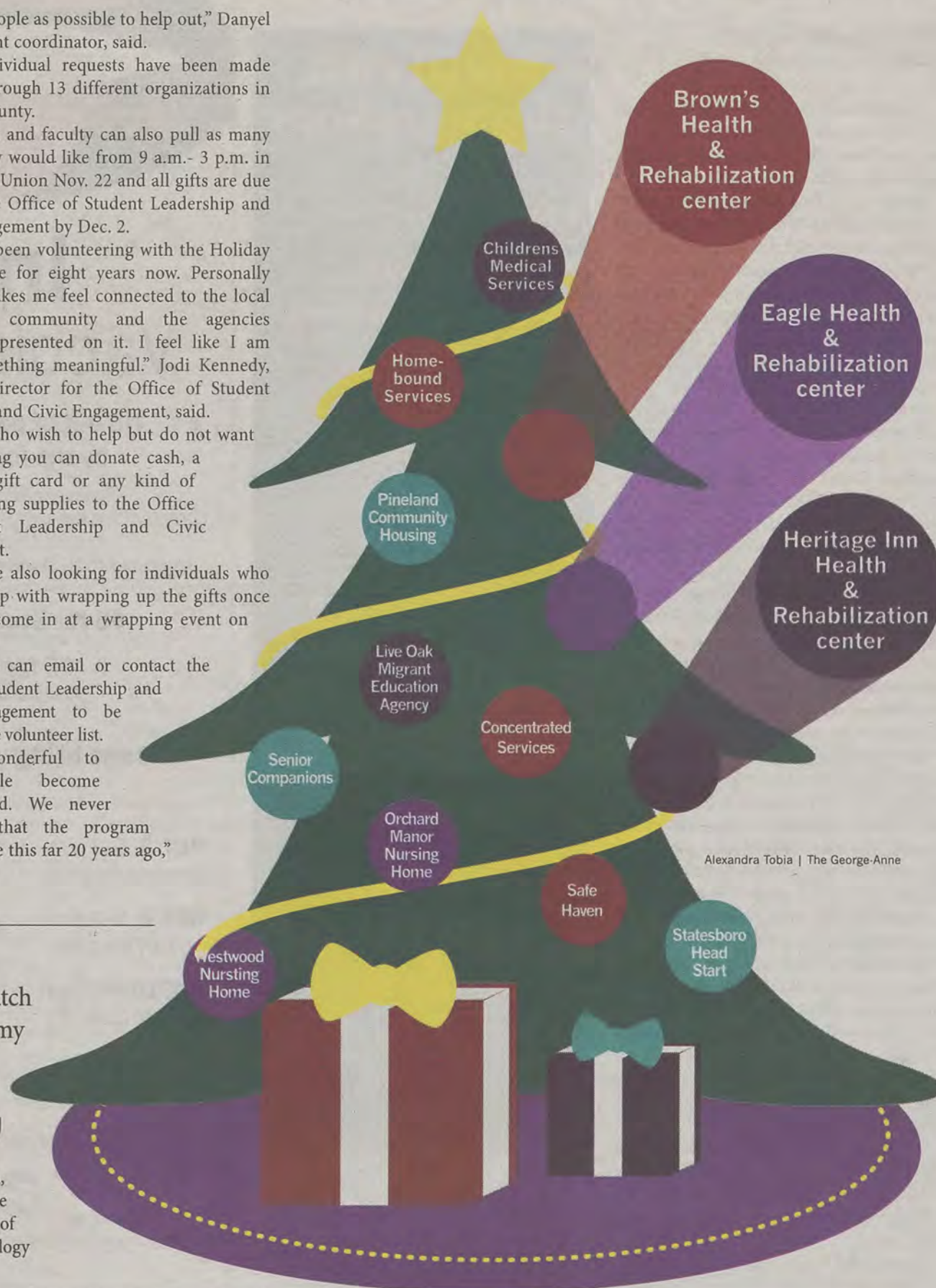
"I have been volunteering with the Holiday Helper Tree for eight years now. Personally the tree makes me feel connected to the local Statesboro community and the agencies that are represented on it. I feel like I am doing something meaningful." Jodi Kennedy, associate director for the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement, said.

Those who wish to help but do not want to take a tag you can donate cash, a Wal-Mart gift card or any kind of gift-wrapping supplies to the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement.

They are also looking for individuals who want to help with wrapping up the gifts once they have come in at a wrapping event on Dec. 3.

Students can email or contact the Office of Student Leadership and Civic Engagement to be added to the volunteer list.

"It's wonderful to see people become so involved. We never imagined that the program would come this far 20 years ago," Smith said.



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'Ender's Game' better left in the book

Movie Review



BY PEYTON CALLANAN

The George-Anne contributor

Ever since "The Boy Who Lived" came to the big screen in 2001, movie studios have been clamoring to find the next "Harry Potter." "Ender's Game," which is based on the Orson Scott Card book in which a brilliant child name Ender Wiggins is recruited and trained to fight in an intergalactic war in order to save the earth, is the next in a long line of movies trying to take a successful young adult book series and turn it into a cash-cow franchise.

No matter how you slice it, adapting a beloved book into a movie is difficult. From the "Hunger Games" to "50 Shades of Grey," there is usually a large amount of outcry from readers before they even start production, over everything from casting choices to filming locations.

No matter how detailed an author's description of a character or a setting is, every reader is going to imagine it differently. This makes it impossible for directors to bring a book to life on screen in a way that will please every fan.

Similarly, screenwriters are tasked with squeezing hundreds of pages worth of content into a two-hour movie. They have to make the movie entertaining and understandable to those who are not familiar with the original source material and still make it a faithful interpretation for hardcore fans.

Gavin Hood ("X-Men Origins: Wolverine") pulled double duty as director and screenwriter for "Ender's Game," and unfortunately both his direction and script seem to be lacking the thing that made "Harry Potter" such a phenomenon.

The premise of this film is interesting and yet very familiar, children being trained to fight in a war is something we have seen in both

the Potter films and the very popular "Hunger Games" series, but this big-screen adaptation feels more like an outline of the source material, with things being stated rather than shown and scenes rushing by so quickly that there is no chance to absorb any sort of emotion out of the scene.

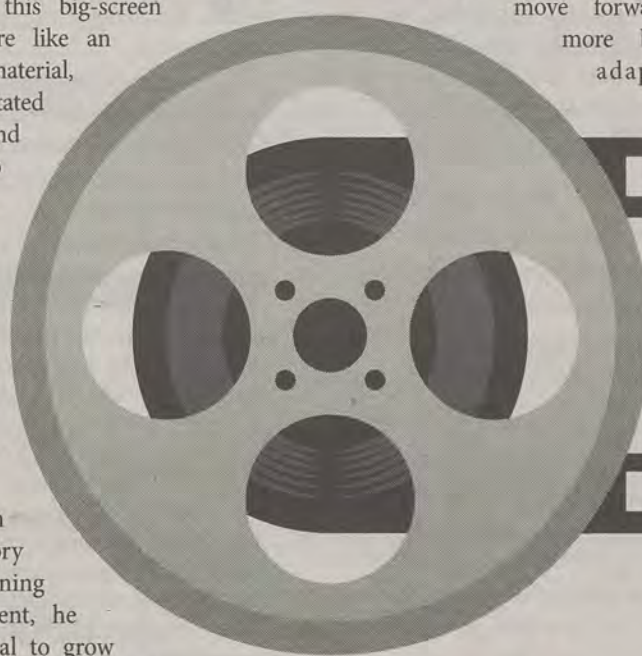
Asa Butterfield ("Hugo") does a valiant effort at carrying the movie as the title character Ender, and though he won't go down in great child actor history like Dakota Fanning or Haley Joel Osment, he certainly has potential to grow into a great leading man. However, Butterfield is never given a chance to show much range due to the clunky script and short scenes. He left explaining how he feels while Harrison Ford ("Star Wars") tells us how great Ender is without much chance for us to see it ourselves.

Ender's friends and battle-school classmates are reduced to being Mighty Ducks-esque side characters that have a few comical or encouraging lines but not much else left to do. It makes it hard to be invested in them if viewers know nothing about them. One of the things "Harry Potter" did so well was that it made viewers fall in love with even the smallest of characters. Neville's triumph in the end was just as exciting as Harry's.

It's hard to see this film turning into a classic that calls for repeat viewings every time it is on ABC Family but every series has

room for improvement. If they move forward with more big-screen adaptations,

then the creators need to spend more time fleshing out the characters and focusing on the emotional turmoil these child soldiers are facing by actually giving them the chance to act.



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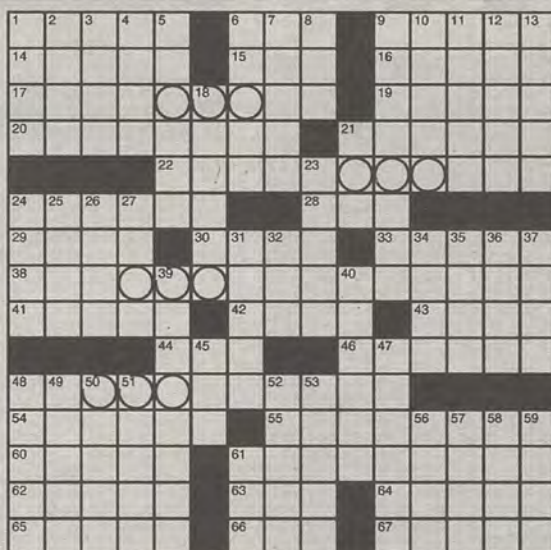
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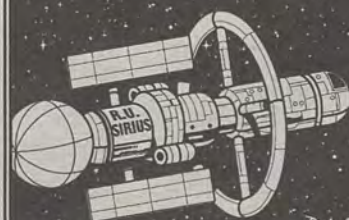
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GSU turns down Wofford 3-0

Volleyball (22-4)

BY HAYDEN BOUDREAUX

The George-Anne contributor

The Georgia Southern University volleyball team captured its 10th Southern Conference win this season on Saturday as it defeated Wofford College (11-16, SoCon 5-7) in straight sets.

GSU started the first set with aggressive offense, outscoring Wofford 5-2. The two teams began trading points with junior outside hitter Jamie DeRatt and junior middle Kym Coley sending a volley of spikes at the Terriers. Sophomore right side Katie Bange got into the mix as well as she recorded three kills in the set.

Wofford made too many errors in the first set and could not deflect the offensive attack and allowed seven points from hitting and service errors. The first set went to the Eagles 25-21.

The second set was more of the same with senior outside hitter Nicole Jeschelnik helping GSU jump out to a commanding 4-0 lead. The Terriers continued to set themselves back by committing three straight hitting errors, and they would go on to end the set with 12 total.

Jeschelnik continued to power down shots, racking up six kills. With a comfortable lead, DeRatt ended the set with a service ace 25-17.

The final set began with each team jockeying for the lead. When the set was tied at 8-8, DeRatt began an offensive surge for her team and helped establish a six-point lead.

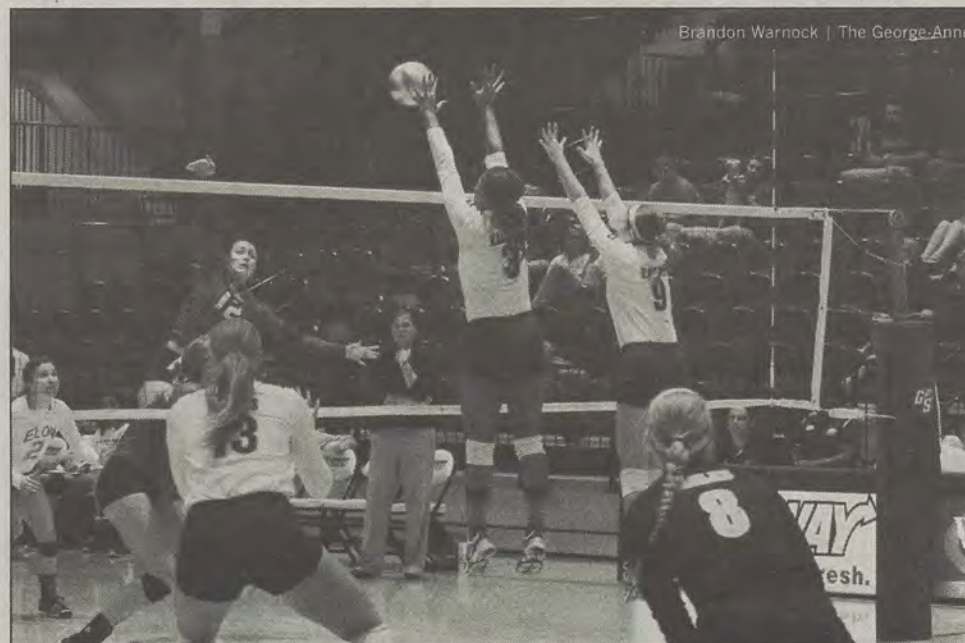
Wofford attempted to battle back and scored four unanswered points before GSU finished off the match on a kill from Coley 25-21. The Terriers ended the final set totaling 21 errors on the night.

Statistically, it was a solid game for the Eagles. They were led on offense by Jeschelnik with 12 kills, followed by Bange with nine. Sophomore setter Katalin Minnerly played a key role as well, as she piled up 38 assists on the night.

On defense, DeRatt and sophomore libero Alex Beecher combined for 26 digs.

GSU sits atop the SoCon in the current standings with only four games remaining before postseason play. The Eagles are closely trailed by Furman University, which was defeated the Eagles in both of their meetings this season.

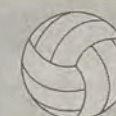
The Eagles are on the road tonight as they face off against The Citadel, which they beat earlier in the season 3-0. The game will be held in Charleston, S.C. at 6 p.m.



The Georgia Southern University volleyball team rebounded from its second loss to Furman University this season with a 3-0 throttling of Wofford College. **Top:** Senior outside hitter Nicole Jeschelnik (14) rises above a defender to deliver a hit. **Bottom:** Sophomore middle Crysten Curry (3) and junior outside hitter Jamie DeRatt (9) go up top for a block.

Weekend in Review

Friday



Volleyball

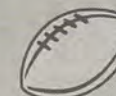
GSU vs. Furman
3-1 Loss



Men's Basketball

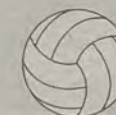
exhibition
88-49 Win

Saturday



Football

GSU vs. Furman
16-14 Loss



Volleyball

GSU vs. Wofford
3-0 Win

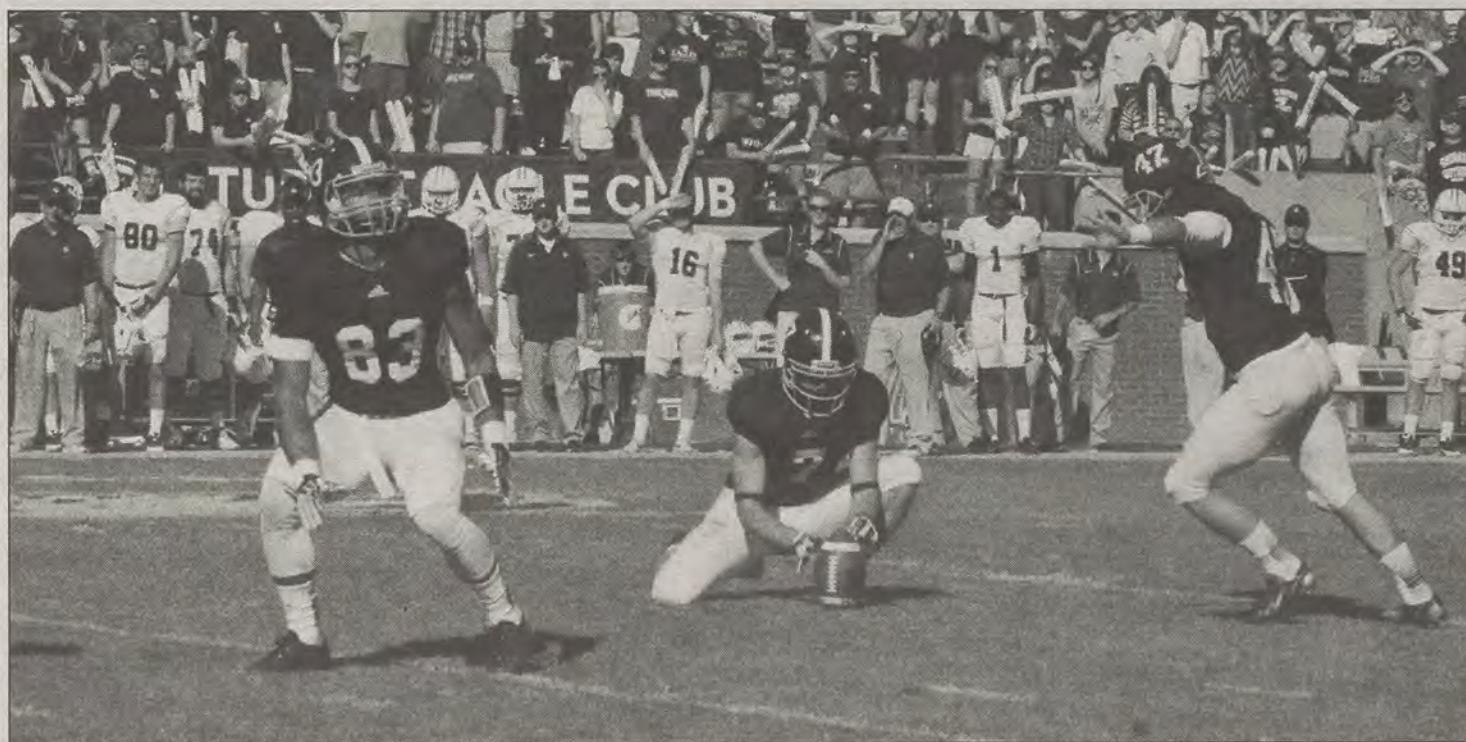
Sunday



Men's Soccer

GSU vs. JMU
2-1 Win

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Sophomore kicker Alex Hanks (47) lines up a field goal attempt. Hanks would go on to shank his only field goal attempt of the game as GSU lost 16-14 to Furman University.

Missed opportunities lead to GSU defeat

Football (4-4)

BY WILL CHENEY

The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University football team's 16-14 loss to Furman University began with fireworks from both sides but ended with Eagle miscues.

Furman won the coin toss and elected to receive the ball to start the game, and receive they did. On the first play from scrimmage, Furman sophomore quarterback Reese Hannon flipped the ball to redshirt sophomore fullback Tanner Skogen.

To the Eagles' dismay, Skogen lobbed a pass to a wide-open receiver, senior Andrej Suttles, who marched in for a 75-yard touchdown catch. The extra point attempt was blocked by GSU sophomore defensive lineman Jonathan Battle to give Furman an early 6-0 lead.

"We were in man coverage. You don't come out of man coverage," GSU head coach Jeff Monken said. "You don't come out of man coverage until your guy goes down field and blocks somebody else. That's not what we teach and he (WHO) should've covered that guy until the whistle blows. It's a heck of a way to start the game."

On the ensuing GSU drive, Monken brought some trickiness of his own. On a fourth and

seven on Furman's 43 yard line, senior GSU punter Luke Cherry threw a pass to junior safety Deion Stanley that went for 26 yards and a first down. Sophomore running back Nardo Govan punched in a one-yard touchdown to cap off the drive and give GSU a 7-6 lead.

Halfway through the second quarter, the Eagles were stricken by another big play from the Paladin offense. Hannon threw a short pass over the middle to redshirt senior wide out Ryan Culbreath that went for 54 yards and a touchdown as Furman took a 13-7 lead.

With 2:04 left in the first half, GSU missed an opportunity to put points on the board as freshman kicker Younghoe Koo missed a 42-yard field goal attempt wide right. The teams went into their respective locker rooms with Furman still leading 13-7.

"The big plays were killers," Monken said. "They had two hundred yards in the first half. One hundred twenty nine of them were on two plays. We felt like we were playing pretty good except for the two long plays."

Redshirt freshman quarterback Kevin Ellison started the game under center for GSU, but was replaced by senior Jerick McKinnon at the start of the second half. Both were still feeling the effects of injuries suffered last week during the loss at Appalachian State University.

"Kevin's hurt. You don't see from a long way away the wince on his face when he gets

up after every time he falls on it or gets hit on it," Monken said. "We talked about it before the game if he [McKinnon] could go and we would use him if we felt like the game dictated that."

The Eagles came out of the locker room in the second half and hit the ground running. GSU put together a 13-play, 75-yard drive and made it to the end zone with a one-yard rush by freshman runningback Irving Huggins. The touchdown gave GSU a 14-13 lead and was Huggins' first career touchdown.

In Furman's ensuing drive, the Paladins did what the Eagles had failed to do. Furman marched down the field 74 yards on 17 plays and senior Paladin kicker Ray Early drilled an 18-yard field goal to take a 16-14 lead.

On GSU's first drive of the fourth quarter, the Eagles put themselves in another position to put three points on the board with a 10-play, 49-yard drive. Sophomore kicker Alex Hanks took the place of Koo this time, but the result was the same. Hanks missed a 43-yarder and the Eagles remained two points behind.

Furman held on to the ball for the final five minutes of the game and the clock dwindled to zero. The Eagles dropped to 4-4 overall and 2-4 in Southern Conference play.

The Eagles will try to end their skid next Saturday as Western Carolina University comes to Statesboro for the Homecoming game and Senior Day.

Attendance falls below average rate

Football (4-4)

BY WILL CHENEY

The George-Anne staff

Saturday marked the first time the Georgia Southern University football team has lost two games in a row since 2010, and it shows in the stands.

The last time the Eagles lost two games in a row it was to Wofford College and the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

The .500 start may not be what the GSU fans had in mind for the last hoorah of the Southern Conference before the team jumps to the Sun Belt Conference in the 2014 season. The paid attendance of the game at Allen E. Paulson Stadium on Saturday against Furman University was 12,220. This was the smallest crowd at an Eagle home football game this season.

"They're not obligated to come. I appreciate every fan that was here," GSU head coach Jeff Monken said. "They don't have to spend their money or come out and watch us. They're entitled to come if they want. I know and I understand it's a results-driven industry. We haven't given the results certainly that I expect and I'm sure that they expect."

GSU's 4-4 record is also the worst start for a GSU football team through eight games since 2010 when the team began with a 4-4 mark. 2010 was Monken's first season as head coach of the Eagles.

Even though the team began 4-4 that season, the Eagles managed to crack off six straight victories before being eliminated by the University of Delaware in the semifinals of the SoCon tournament.

To look back even further, the last time GSU began 4-4 and lost to Appalachian State University was in 2008 under former head coach Chris Hatcher. The team went 6-5 that season and missed the playoffs.



Courtney Bonacci | The George-Anne

Sophomore defender Reed Norton (4) breaks away from a defender to keep possession of the ball. Norton recorded an assist to his brother in the match against James Madison University.

Men's soccer takes the win over James Madison

Men's Soccer (8-9-0)

BY EMILY ARNOLD

The George-Anne contributor

In its last regular season match, the Georgia Southern University men's soccer team came out on top with a score of 2-1 against James Madison University Sunday afternoon.

Playing in Harrisonburg, Va., James Madison's home turf, the Eagles fought for the win after being down one goal.

"I was extremely proud of the guys," GSU head coach Kevin Kennedy said. "It is extremely tough in college soccer to go on the road, to make the longest trip of the year,

and to play a very good team and to rally from going down a goal. I was really proud of the guys to get the results."

Junior forward Josh Grant scored the first and only goal for James Madison 36 minutes into the game. The ball was kicked from 10 yards out and was assisted by redshirt junior midfielder Renaldo Garcia. This was Grant's seventh goal of the season.

Just three minutes later, senior forward and team captain Hunter Norton leveled the playing field and scored his sixth goal of the season. Norton shot the ball into the net from 12 yards out after receiving it from his brother, sophomore defender Reed Norton.

"We've been playing together our whole

lives," Hunter Norton said. "I love playing with him. When he decided to come to Georgia Southern, too, I was really excited."

The next goal was shot 11 minutes into the second half by freshman forward Jeremy Rector. Rector volleyed the ball from a failed clearance into the net 17 yards out to put the Eagles ahead by one.

Senior goalkeeper Neal Bates played a great game in the net with seven saves from 16 total shots. Bates' shining moment was his penalty save 65 minutes in which locked in the 2-1 lead for the Eagles. With 102 saves this season, Bates is in ninth place in GSU history for single-season saves, but with 188 career saves, Bates takes the seventh all-time spot.

"We knew it was going to be a tough game," Norton said. "I'm proud of my team for getting a win no matter what."

After winning the last four out of five games, up next for the Eagles is the 2013 SoCon Tournament. Going in as the sixth seed, the Eagles plan to take the tournament one game at a time.

"We scored 10 goals over the course of the last five games so I'm excited about those things going to the conference tournament," Kennedy said. "Winning the first round [of the tournament] will be the main focus this week."

The Eagles will go head-to-head with the University of North Carolina at Greensboro this Saturday night at 7 p.m.

Fall season closes for GSU

Women's Tennis

BY MACY HOLLOWAY

The George-Anne contributor

The Georgia Southern University women's tennis team was able to conclude its fall season with multiple impressive wins this past weekend at the Wofford College's Terrier Invitational.

When the Eagles traveled to Spartanburg for their last fall tournament they were prepared.

"This was a great tournament for us to end on," head coach Amy Bonner said in a news release. "The team competed so well all weekend and I was excited for them to close out the fall season on a high note."

Defeating University of North Carolina senior Zoe Hamel (6-3) (6-4) in the first round, Gardner-Webb University junior Yasmin Doost (6-1) (6-3) in the second round and Western Carolina University sophomore Stacia Kissell (6-4) (6-1) in the last round. GSU senior Paola Garrido finished on top in the Gold Singles Flight.

Junior Jordana Klein was also able to attain a few wins when she overcame Presbyterian College

senior Courtney Gardiner (6-0) (6-1), and in the final round defeating UNCA sophomore Ericka Rivero (6-1) (6-2) to win her flight.

Sophomore Stephanie Woods was also able to earn herself the title in the Black Singles Flight after she defeated WCU sophomore Nicole Nielly (6-4) (6-4), followed by a triumph over Presbyterian senior Patricia Alves (6-1) (6-2) in the second heat and rounding it out with a win against Mercer University sophomore Danielle Jones (6-1) (6-1).

As far as doubles matches go, the Eagles also had a streak of good luck when Garrido and Woods teamed up to overcome teams from Presbyterian (8-3), UNCA (8-6) and Wofford (8-5) to win their flight. While the pair Klein and senior Caitlin Kitchen had some impressive wins against Presbyterian (8-1), Mercer (8-4), and UNCA (8-3) to bring home the White Doubles Flight title.

"The girls are playing well and most importantly coming together as a team," Bonner said.

The Eagles will not hit the courts again until Jan. 25, 2014 at home against Stetson University.



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Paola Garrido stands strong defensively. The women's tennis team finished its fall season Sunday at the Terrier Invitational.

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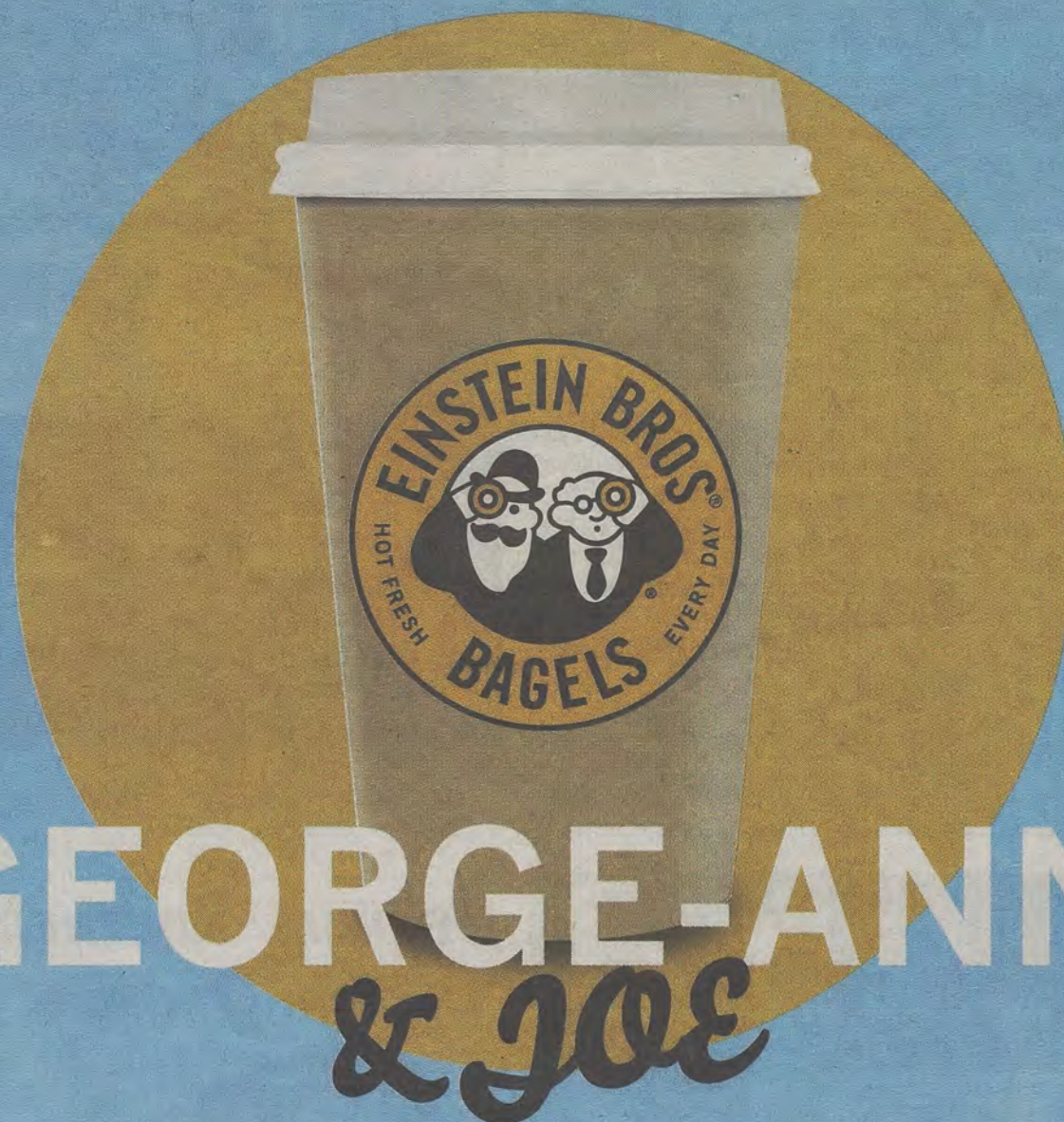

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