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# Students and staff discuss the state of Forest Drive

BY CAITLYN OLIVER

The George-Anne staff

It is a winding maze of hallways and classrooms. It is the building that everyone has class in at some point in their college career. It is the place of weak air conditioning. It is the Forest Drive building.

"When it comes to the zombie apocalypse, it will probably be the last building standing," said Michael Pemberton, director of the Writing Center.

The Forest Drive building is about 20 years old and is an important part of campus academics.

The Forest Drive building is home to the Writing Center, foreign languages department, the center for international studies and several other departments.

"I'm not convinced that other people know what they are complaining about. It's hot because you don't know it's hotter someplace else. It's all a matter of perspective," Eric Kartchner, Forest Drive building coordinator, said. "I've been in a lot worse buildings than this. It would be nice if aesthetically some of the doors weren't chipped. But those things aren't what makes a building."

Many complaints made by students have been about the air conditioning circulation, according to Baldwin.

"It sucks. It's cold or really hot and it smells funny sometimes. It's just a trailer they bolted to the ground. The couches are dope though," Keith Bohanon, junior psychology major, said.

Joyce Baldwin, administrative assistant in the history department, as well as other members of administration, sees a different side of the beloved building.

"There was talk of getting another building, but then they started fixing it up so we were like: 'Oh we're going to be here awhile!' Some offices, we paid to have the carpets changed. The flooring underneath had basically rotted. And we've had some offices that had problems with mold. There was one that had to be repainted because of the mold," Baldwin said.

Kartchner sees Forest Drive as a learning environment for students that is just as comfortable as the newer buildings on campus.

"I think of a building as being a place that allows me to serve students and as being a comfortable location. I don't know from the student perspective how you would feel but there are a lot of buildings on campus that may be newer and brick and mortar that I don't feel as comfortable in. I like our rooms. I like our offices and I have no problem with it," Kartchner said.

Every student has to come through here as part of their core classes so they feel like there should be a nicer building, nicer facilities for an area where every student will have to come, Baldwin said.

Pemberton said, "It's an older building but it's certainly proved to be functional. It would be nice for the building to be renovated. I can think of changes that would be useful, like larger classrooms and additional space for some of the departments that are packed in here fairly tightly."

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junior psychology major

“ I think of it as The Labyrinth. I feel like it could be a little more structured. Make it clear foreign language is on this side and history is on that side. Not that both aren't important but I don't like to have to come in and look at all the history stuff and not know here I'm going,

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-Michelle Lagoueyte,  
junior public relations major

“ I like the fact that nobody else wants it. We don't have problems competing for room space. Our rooms are kind of our rooms, we don't have to worry about someone trying to come and take them. We've been able to fix it up how we want,

”  
-Eric Kartchner,  
Forest Drive building coordinator

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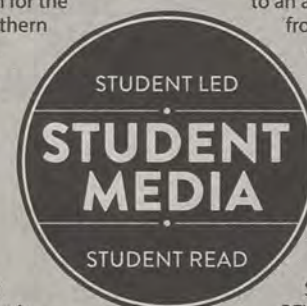
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## It's the end of the line for this Opinions Editor

Well this is it guys. The last week of classes is quickly coming to a close which means it is time to break out those study guides and grab your third cup of coffee as you push through those pesky little soul-sucking things called finals.

It also means that this is the last issue of The George-Anne for the semester and this is my last column as the Opinions Editor. While I won't be leaving Student Media altogether at the end of this semester (I'm taking a victory lap folks! #supersenior), this is the end of my time in the opinions section. (It's okay to cry! Oh, you didn't know that there was an Opinions Editor? That's cool too.)

You would think after having this gig for an entire semester I would have perfected the art of spouting out my thoughts on various vastly important issues the student body is currently facing in 450 words or less (seriously guys, give Batfleck a chance), but it just wouldn't be the end of the semester without a heavy dose of procrastination.

I debated for a while what I should cover in my last column and considered just running a standard opinion piece about a current event or issue because I really don't expect our readers to care about our upcoming change in staff quite as much as we do (we change positions more often than "American Idol" changes judges), but I decided to use my last piece to recognize the people who played a major role in my time as an editor for this paper.

First of all, I would not have been able to make my section without the

### BEHIND THE SCENES



PEYTON CALLANAN

hard work of the columnists.

It takes a lot of guts to unleash your opinions on the entire student body, especially when there is a picture of your face right next to it.

From GSUProblems to sex columns, I have thoroughly enjoyed helping each of the columnist share their voice through the pages of this paper.

Those pages of course wouldn't exist at all without the dedication of my coworkers here in Student Media.

Though we may not always have the most productive work environment, I am consistently impressed by their worth ethic, drive, and ability to slam back margaritas at happy hour.

But most of all I want to thank our readers and the Georgia Southern student body.

You are who we make this paper for. Your support encourages us and your criticisms motivate us.

We may never be able to make a perfect paper, but we will continue to strive to produce content that our peers want to read.

This is a paper made for students by students and as our university continues to change and grow, The George-Anne will too.

*Callanan is a senior communication arts major from Chuluota, FL. She is the current Opinions Editor.*



## Change is the new black

Yay! It's about to be summer! I'm definitely ready to blow this gnat-filled land and head for the cozy suburban hills of Metro Atlanta. There is definitely no place like home and home for me is where the traffic is in abundance and a Taco Bell is on every corner.

But you know what I'm most excited for? Change! I've been doing the same old thing for the last few months. I wake up, eat. Post up, eat. Walkin' round in it, eat. At some point I want to add sleeping to that equation.

Change is a healthy and beautiful thing that we should learn to be happy about.

It was change that caused me to come to Georgia Southern in the first place. It was change that caused me to work toward having

### ERINN IT OUT



ERINN WILLIAMS

a career in the Foreign Service. And it was a need for change this semester that caused me to except Peyton's call for columnists.

I never thought that I would be sharing my zany and often not well-planned out opinions with the GSU community but here I am. I love it and apparently some of you guys love it too.

So this summer, I would like to see the students of Georgia Southern embrace change. Use these months off to do something that you never

thought you could. skydive, start Zumba, get off the couch every once in a while, even buy chocolate swirl ice cream instead of vanilla. Just get out there and do something strange. Live it up! In case you didn't know, change is the new black.

And don't worry, I'm not a hypocrite. While you are changing I will be too. This fall, I will move from being a senior A&E reporter to the Opinions Editor. So have fun y'all and I will see you guys next year! Hopefully we are still able to recognize each other. There are great things to come for all of us, and this summer is your chance to make the changes for that to happen.

*Williams is a sophomore writing and linguistics and French double major from Winston. She is currently an Arts & Entertainment reporter.*

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## A silver lining can be found in Sterling case

While Adam Silver should be celebrated for his decision to force Donald Sterling out of the NBA and take \$2.5 million of shopping money out of his pocket, the silver lining in this story is being missed.

Like the downfall of many men, Sterling's despicable thoughts, or as Dexter Morgan would call it Sterling's "dark passenger," were brought to light by a woman.

Since Silver announced the lifetime ban, the focus in the media has been on who should own the Clippers, Silver's decision to ban Sterling, the reactions of people throughout the nation and the question of V. Stiviano's character.

The media is questioning whether she was Sterling's girlfriend or mistress while he was married. Although I'm sure 2 Chainz would be proud of Sterling, none of that should matter to you. The media has a job to do, which is to provide the public with factual information.

How you feel about Stiviano is up to you, but if you stand for equality you should be thankful for Stiviano. She did the league a service leaking the tapes of a conversation between her and Sterling, allegedly speaking that is.

She is now being sued by Sterling's wife according to foxnews.com and will face the harsh criticism of the public, as the world and the trial will shed a different

### SHAKEEM THE DREAM



SHAKEEM HOLLOWAY

light on her character. Stiviano is a minority herself, she is of African-American and Mexican descent.

And of course she will be judged in the public court of perception. "He got set up by a very, very bad girlfriend, let's face it. She's called 'the girlfriend from hell,'" Donald Trump said, according yahoo.com.

If you're supportive of Silver's decision and the ousting of Sterling as owner, then support Stiviano as she gets crucified in the public light by people such as Trump.

Some people are going to tell you now that we've come a long way as a country and that Adam Silver is a hero. Some of that may be true, but racism still exists and it will always exist. Just as racism and ignorance exist, heroes exist. And for every racist person, there is a V. Stiviano.

*Holloway is a senior journalism major from Macon. He is the current Sports Editor.*

## Thank you and good luck

Sophomore year has been eventful to say the least. I changed my major, almost failed a couple of classes and got to know some people that will be my lifelong friends.

A lot of those people are the ones that I work with every day. They're seniors that taught me it's okay to let off some steam with curse words, to work hard no matter who tries to put you down or gets in your way and to never let doubt creep in too far and stop you from going after your dreams.

When I first arrived on campus, I was a timid freshman that didn't know Veazey Hall from the Russell Union. I knew a couple of friends and went to class but wasn't sure what I wanted to fill my free time with. Then I walked into The George-Anne newsroom in the Williams Center and found my second home.

The seniors here have pushed me to be better than I thought I could be. They were my counselors when my professors were assigning a paper every other day of the week. They listened while I ranted about sources not calling me back on time and supported me through my freshman year.

This semester, 18 of our staff members and 18 of my friends are graduating. Each of them (whether they realize it or not) had some affect on my growth here at Student Media. Some were just single conversations that sparked an idea or friendships that have grown over two years now.

My everyday interactions won't be the same. A lot of familiar faces will be missing from campus and a lot of us will have to get

### FROM THE CAPTAIN'S CHAIR



LAUREN GORLA

used to that as the semesters go on. One day we'll be part of the group of graduates from Georgia Southern University. It may be in two short years like me or four years for the upcoming freshman class.

I could write for pages and pages about the gratitude and appreciation I have for our seniors but I'll save it for graduation day when reality will hit the hardest. For now, I just want to say thank you.

Thank you for making time even when you were working at your busiest pace.

Thank you for your patience in dealing with a lost freshman and an even more confused sophomore.

Thank you for the knowledge that you shared with our staff that will live on past our time here.

Lastly and most importantly, thank you for your friendship because without it I would not be the person I am today.

*Gorla is a sophomore multimedia journalism major from Warner Robins. She is the current News Editor.*

## The Boro Bucket list gets a true blue makeover

Two years ago, I wrote a column about all of the things I thought you should have on your Georgia Southern bucket list. I have since completed all but one of those items, and I hope to complete the final one before I graduate in a week, but I think as a graduating senior my opinion has changed. There are some things that I think should be added to your GSU bucket list in order to fully enjoy your time here.

Go to an away football game: Georgia Southern fans are True Blue through and through, and I find it so inspiring to go to an away football game and see all of the GSU fans who have made the journey to travel

with their team and show their support. It really makes you appreciate your school and the passion that everyone has for it.

Walk through every building on campus: This campus is changing all the time. Make sure before you leave you have seen the inside of every building on campus, so that way when you come back you can thoroughly take in the changes around you.

Join something: This University is a huge place. Yes, it is a "large scale small feel" college, but it is easy to get lost here. Join something, get involved or do something that leaves a mark. You want to be able to come back in 20 years when your kids are

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JACKIE GUTKNECHT

touring campus and show them what you did here, outside of the Plaza.

As you get older, the items on your bucket list seem to change. Yes, I still think it is important for everyone to dance on a picnic table at Rude Rudy's, order Jimmy Johns after

midnight, go to the bars with your parents and take a picture with Gus, but I also think it is important to get involved with your school. Georgia Southern has been my home for the last four years, and I have so much pride in that. If you get involved in your school, there's no doubt in my mind that by the time you leave you will feel that pride as well.

Hail Southern and No Place Else.

*Gutknecht is a senior journalism major from Conyers. She is currently the investigative reporter for the news section.*



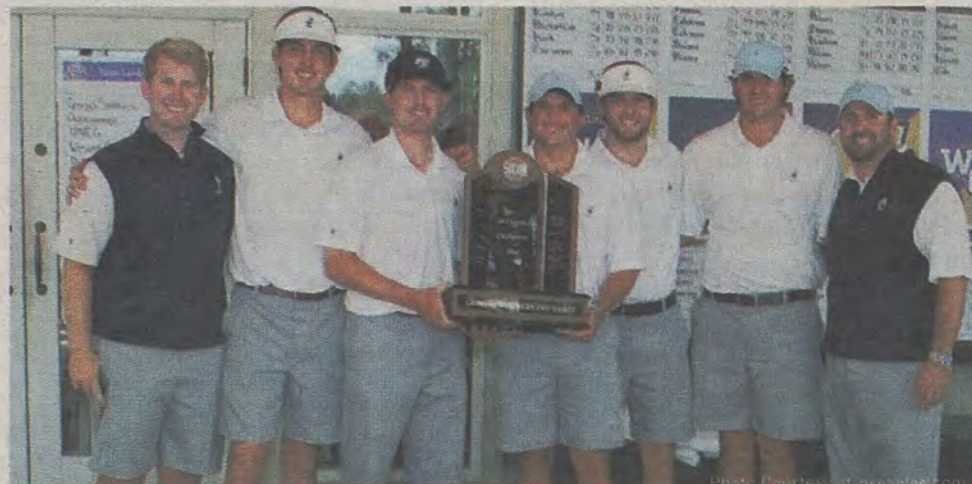
## Georgia Southern University's year remembered



**Main Dining Commons and Lakeside Dining Commons** opened in the beginning of the academic year. Eagle Dining announced that Einstein Bros. Bagels and Coldstone Creamery would close at the end of the semester and a new restaurant will come to campus next semester.



**After scheduling** conflicts with the original artists chosen after a student poll, The University Programming Board managed to get Lady Antebellum as the replacement.



**The GSU golf team** clinched the 2014 SoCon title in April, the third since 2006.



**Georgia Southern University** suffered the losses of fallen eagles over the past year. The faculty, students and staff that are no longer here have each left their marks on our lives and will be remembered for years to come.

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Former GSU running back Dominique Swope (6) was removed from the team after an alleged connection with an incident at Cambridge Apartments.



Former Eagle Jerick McKinnon (1) excelled in his performance at the 2014 NFL Combine.



Paulson Stadium has been under construction since summer 2013 and is funded partly with student fees that were voted on during fall 2012. Though the stadium will not be completed by graduation it is to be done by the end of June.



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Former Eagle head football coach Jeff Monken took the same position at Army on Dec. 24, 2013.



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# Stadium will not be completed by graduation

BY STEFANY BORNMAN

The George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern University's graduating class of 2014 will be the first to look at the nearly completed Paulson Stadium as they walk across the stage next Saturday.

The \$10 million construction project that began in the summer of 2013 was scheduled to be completed in May 2014.

"It is technically two different construction projects. We had the Football Operations Center, which is going in the east end zone and will not be complete by graduation, but it was not scheduled to be complete by graduation. Everything will be complete by June," said Brandon Cox, director for the Athletic Facilities.

Cox said by the end of next week most of the glass for the outside of the Football Operations Center will be put in place.

"The added seating will be available for commencement," said Marvin Millis, associate vice president. "The north stands expansion of the mid-deck is complete and

students' friends and family will be able to sit and use the area. Through the expansion more seating than previous years is available for use."

"I was nervous about graduation. Every time I drove past the stadium this semester, it didn't seem to be getting closer to being complete. Where would my family sit and watch me walk across the stadium on the most important day of my life?" said Caroline Fletcher, senior public relations major.

The biggest difference for those attending graduation this year will be entering the stadium.

Due to construction, students and families must enter Paulson from the gates near Parker's Gas Station.

"It's a relief knowing even if the construction is not complete at least they made an effort to make it look pretty for graduation," said Christina McKelvey, senior communications major.

The stadium expansion project will be completed by the end of June.



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Paulson Stadium will not be completed by graduation but is expected to be done by the end of June. Due to the construction, students and family will need to enter the stadium through the entrance near Parker's gas station.

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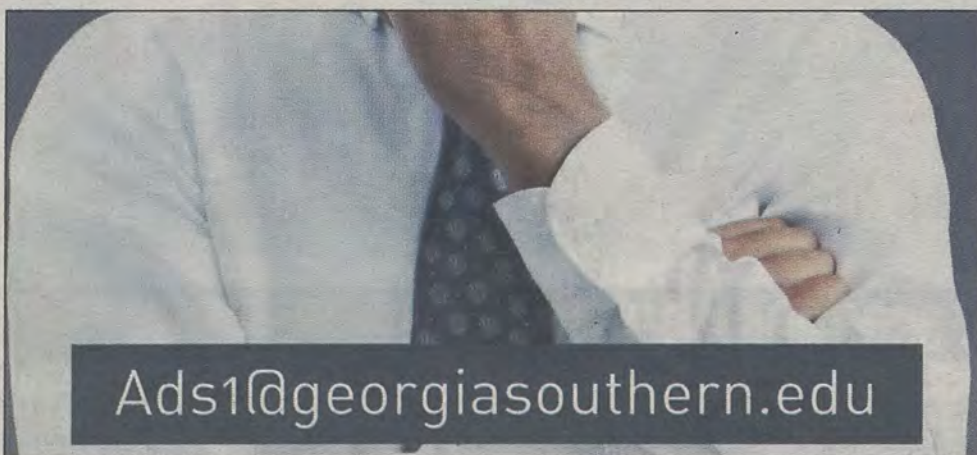
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 - Happy hour Ends @ 8 p.m.
- El Jalapeno**  
 - Happy Hour 3-7  
 - \$2.25 12 oz margaritas all day
- 40 East**  
 - Happy hour 5-7 p.m.
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 - \$10 Buckets  
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## Finals survival guide

### To procrastinate, or to study: that is the question

BY MATT SOWELL & RASHIDA OTUNBA

The George-Anne staff

In preparation for a week of all nighters, drink gratuitous amounts of coffee, raid Walmart for last minute study snacks, buckle down with a religious text of your choice to repent ceaselessly for your past failings, and make an impromptu trip to Club Hendy for a last minute study group.

Finals week is upon us.

With that being said, here's a list of things to do while you ignore all responsibility.

#### PRODUCTIVE THINGS TO DO WHILE YOU PROCRASTINATE:

**PACK:** Summer is upon us and you still have to make the three and a half hour drive back to Atlanta with the bulk of your worldly possessions.

**LEARN A NEW SKILL:** It's never too late to become the next Martha Stewart. Design a craft or two.

**WATCH MOVIES:** "The Breakfast Club" and "Heathers" are always great classics to turn to in times of distress.

**EAT:** You must gain nourishment somehow. Consume large amounts of Nutella and chips. This week if you're counting calories, you're doing it all wrong.

**CLEAN HOUSE:** Delete crappy songs off of your iTunes playlist. Don't be afraid to turn on shuffle in the car with your friends anymore. It's time to delete the Radio Disney songs you've had since seventh grade. You've always wanted to do it. Why not now?

#### THE PROCRASTINATOR'S PLAYLIST:

1. 'I Love It' by Icona Pop: Because why not?

2. 'I'm With You' by Avril Lavigne: Because "why is everything so confusing," anyway?

3. 'Fancy' by Iggy Azalea: Because even if you blank on the exam, you're still flawless.

4. '#Selfie' by The Chainsmokers: You'll need this song in the background as you upload study night photos of yourself and your notes to all your social media accounts. It's not like you'll actually be studying anything but as long as your friends think you are you've done your job. Fake it 'til you make it.

5. 'Summertime Sadness' by Lana Del Rey: Because that's going to be your state of mind this summer when your parent's find out you've failed four classes.

6. Anything by Kanye West: Let some of his arrogance rub off on you. It's okay if you didn't study. You still made the greatest study guide of all time.

7. 'Say Something' by A Great Big World, when you lose all hope, play this and dedicate it to your GPA.

Study hard, my friends.

#### FINALS DESTINATION

BY MATT SOWELL

The George-Anne staff

It's that time of year: stress is creeping into the lives of students like a virus taking over the campus. Finals season is a time of crying, binge eating, studying, and Netflix. It's not all bad, finals is the beginning of summer, which is great if you're not someone taking summer classes, in which case; sorry, finals are pretty awful. Here's your guide on how to survive this joyous time of year.

#### TREAT YO' SELF

Let's be real: ramen noodles taste like poverty and disappointment. Live large: go eat somewhere out of the ordinary. School's almost over, spend a little.

Go see a movie, if you go before 4 p.m. tickets aren't as insane.

Study outside! The weather has been beautiful, go study by the pool or in sweetheart circle.

Keep stress down, go work out, rock out to your favorite song. Study, but balance it with things that will keep you sane.

#### STUDY TIPS FROM PROFESSORS:

1. "Start studying now. Don't wait and cram at the last moment. 2. If you don't already have a study buddy, get one - cooperate and graduate. 3. Use flash cards if the subject matter allows. Make them up ahead of time and then go over them several times with breaks in between. As you go through this process, place aside the

ones you have learned - that way you are concentrating on the ones you have not yet mastered."

- Emerson McMullen, history

1. "Arrive in plenty of time before your scheduled final. Arriving to finals used to stress me out more than taking the actual exams. I'd get there early, then stress that I was in the wrong place or had the wrong time. 2. Relax. I've always believed that the teacher is going to try to trick you on the exam, so expect it by reading carefully and go with your gut if you aren't sure. I don't think I was very trusting of some of my former teachers. 3. Do the extra credit if available. Doesn't matter what your current grade is in a class, always do any and all extra credit that's offered to you. This helps by reinforcing the things you've been

learning & may also expand the mindset you have on a certain topic. 4. Do the hands-on practice or ungraded homework. If your course book has hands-on practices, do them. Once again, this is just reinforcing the content you've been learning."

-Kristen Hawkins, information technology

1. "Know what is on the test! Ask your professors, rather than your classmates. 2. If you need a calculator for the final, make sure the batteries work. 3. After the final, don't forget to stay in touch with your professors. They love to see you grow from what you were on the first day of class, to what you become when you finish up and set your foot in the outside world."

-Shantanu Bagchi, economics



## Music Review

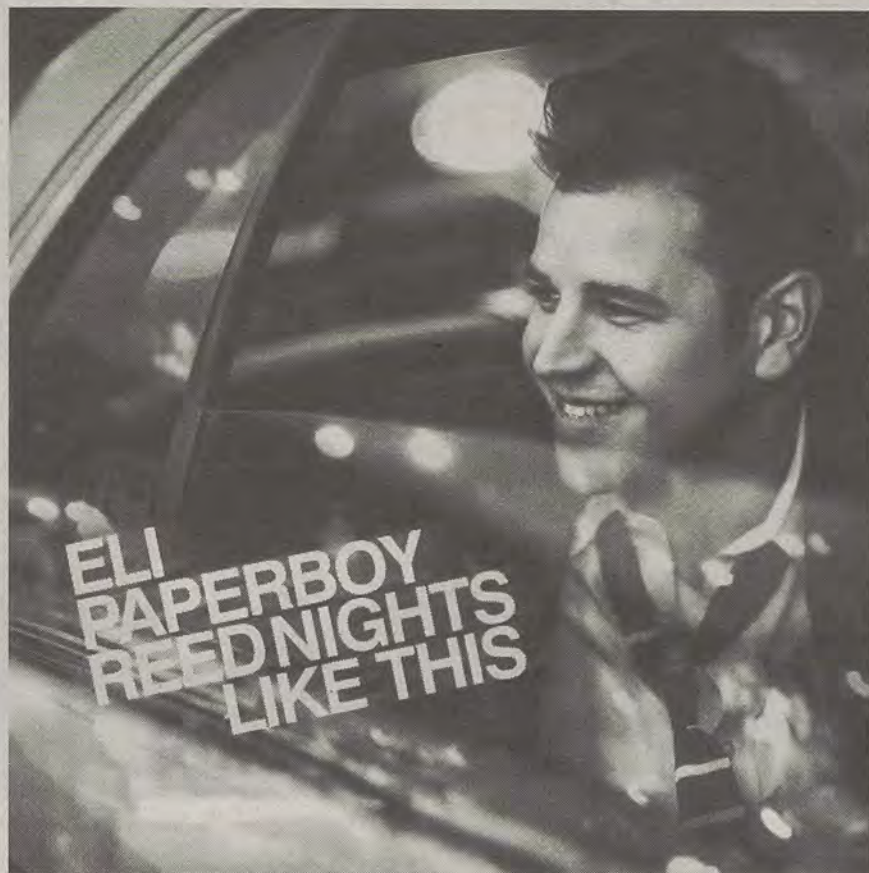


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## Eli 'Paperboy' Reed: Nights Like This

GRADE: 7/10

BY CHARLES RUDISON

The George-Anne Staff

Eli "Paperboy" Reed uses his voice to reinvent the jukebox sound in his latest album "Nights like This."

After a four-year hiatus from making music, soul and R&B singer Eli "Paperboy" Reed has finally released his second album "Nights Like This." The album was released Tuesday.

"Nights like This" is an album that features a particularly new sound by Reed. He took a risk and changed his sound up from soul and R&B to contemporary pop lined with a twist of electronic flourishes.

'WooHoo' is easily the best track on the album. It was initially released in 2013 and since then has been tinkered with. Even though some things about the song have changed, it still grasps the energy and attitude of Reed at his peak.

"I've never really listened to Eli Reed, but the song 'WooHoo' is captivating. It's funky and really has all the aspects of a good song. I felt as though

I was listening to Elvis for a moment," said Seth Lawrence, sophomore psychology major.

The production of the album was nearly flawless. Rock & roll funk, and electronic music was fused together and it still sounded smooth. It is impressive how Reed perfected such a complicated sound.

"Nights like This" is a positive album. It's the kind of album that you can have fun with. It is the kind of album you can throw a pair of socks on and dance around your house to while pretending you are Michael Jackson or Elvis. This album could definitely lift your spirits after a bad day.

Reed leaves fans believing that if this album were to be released in the 1950's it would be an instant classic. However: it is not 1950 and Reed produces a sound that is halfway dead. If it wasn't for the fact that the sound is unique for our era the album would be easily forgotten about.

The album also has a decent replay value. While it doesn't feature songs that listener's feel they must listen to 10 times over, the music is unique and listeners will re-listen to it from time and time again.

## Spanish honor society initiates new members

BY KYLIE COFFEY

The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern University's Spanish honor society, Sigma Delta Pi, just initiated its newest members last Thursday.

The honor society, which is a national organization, got its start on the Georgia Southern University campus on May 3, 1968.

Toby Graves, Ph.D., a lecturer of Spanish at GSU, said one of the main purposes of the organization is to acknowledge those students that are excelling in their Spanish classes.

Sigma Delta Pi looks for "a commitment to studies in Spanish, so a commitment to learn about cultures of the Spanish-speaking world," said Graves.

Students must have three years of college Spanish, including a third-year Hispanic Literature or Civilization and Culture class, before applying for the honor society.

Applicants are expected to have at least a 3.0 on 4.0 scale in all Spanish classes, be in the upper 35 percent of their class and have completed at least three semesters of college Spanish.

Alyson Elam, senior English and Spanish majors, said that she joined Delta Sigma Pi to connect with other students who also study Spanish.

"Although I just joined SDP, I have already been able to connect with my fellow students and with several of the great professors we have," Elam said.

Elam also said that benefits of being a part of Sigma Delta Pi are abundant, members can receive scholarships to study abroad, awards for service, and even be published in the Sigma Delta Pi journal "El Cid."

"I was unaware of any Spanish honor society on campus, but I would be interested in applying for it once I get into my upper division classes because of the opportunities," Courtney Iwinski, sophomore pre-nursing major, said.

Some of the benefits available to members are graduate research grants, undergraduate study abroad awards and two grants for undergraduate and graduate members.

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"So this is Love," is an a cappella performance that will highlight the ups and downs of being in love.

## Pitch Black A Cappella to host end of the year show

BY MICHELLE NORSWORTHY

The George-Anne contributor

It's no secret that the love game has its ups and downs and this Saturday, Pitch Black A Cappella will personify that with their end-of-the-year show, "So this is Love?"

The show will begin at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Theater.

"[It's] our takes on the craziness of college love," Felipe França, president and cofounder of PBA said, "[It is about] meaning of love. But it's nothing too deep. It's very light and enjoyable."

The show is a mix of barbershop and pop hits performed by the male and female divisions of PBA. Some of the artists audiences may be familiar with are ABBA, Ellie Goulding, and Imagine Dragons, Sonia Wade said. Wade is the head of the female division.

PBA's two divisions have different styles. The female division focuses mainly on songs with a pop feel, whereas the male division focuses on a classic barbershop sound.

A cappella is a form of vocal music that does

not use instruments. Instead, the sounds of these instruments are made by the singers, Wade said.

A cappella has gained traction since the release of films and television shows like Pitch Perfect and Glee. However, PBA is the only officially-recognized student a cappella group at Georgia Southern.

"This is our big show. This is our opportunity to showcase all of our numbers, all of our talent," França said.

At intermission, audience members might expect to interact with members of PBA through short skits and blurbs from performers, França said.

The songs that will be performed illustrate the different phases that love goes through. The event will paint the different experiences with love in lighthearted strokes.

"We didn't want this to be a sappy, sad thing," França said. "This is meant to be a break from work. If you're stressed, this is the perfect environment. It's so relaxed and you'll see a lot of familiar faces."

Admission is free and open to the public.



# Another average comedy

Movie Review ★★☆☆☆

"The Other Woman" is enjoyable and hilarious at times, but it's a cute chick flick at best that viewers would be better off renting or watching online rather than wasting money on a movie ticket. "The Other Woman" is like every other chick flick and romantic comedy

BY LAURIANNA CULL

The George-Anne staff

What happens when a married man cheats on not one, two or three, but four different women and they all find out?

"The Other Woman" answers this question as New York lawyer, Carly, played by Cameron Diaz ("There's Something About Mary") discovers that her boyfriend, Mark, played by Nikolaj Coster-Waldau ("Oblivion") is married when she shows up on his doorstep. In the trio of women, Diaz and Leslie Mann greatly carry the performance

while Kate Upton stands there and looks pretty, which is probably all she was hired to do as evidenced by her lack of acting ability.

Thankfully though, this did not slow down the comedy team as Diaz and Mann committed to looking outrageous and not shying away from physical comedy. They played around with their contrasting characters as Carly (Diaz) acted as the sophisticated leader of the group, Kate (Mann) went with the deer in head lights innocent approach.

"The Other Woman" is a cute and funny film that will certainly keep the audience entertained, but in a year no one will remember they saw it.

It is a film where a man cheats on extremely different types women that form a group in order to seek revenge and ultimately become friends. Even down to giving the man hormones as a revenge technique so that he grows female breasts.

"The Other Woman" is enjoyable and hilarious at times, but it's a cute chick flick at best that viewers would be better off renting or watching online rather than wasting money on a movie ticket.

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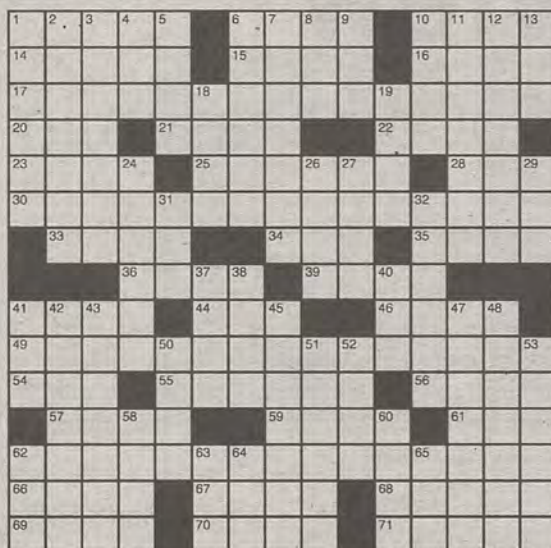
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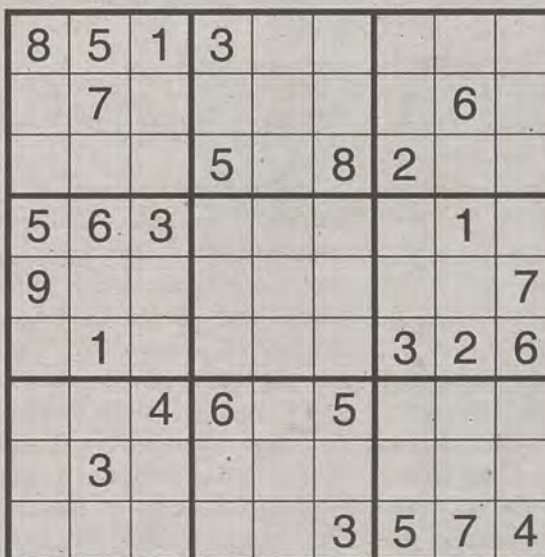
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The George-Anne sports staff

After a spectacular final season in the Southern Conference most sports have come to a close. The George-Anne sports staff compiled a comprehensive review of each team and how they fared throughout the last season. There were many ups and downs for every sport but they made every student at GSU proud to be an Eagle.

#### Women's Tennis:

As the women's tennis team's last match came to an inevitable close during the quarterfinals of the 2014 SoCon Championships, they reflected back on their performances this past season. During their eventful few fall months of invitationals, the Eagles were able to secure some impressive wins and tough losses against teams like Wofford and Kennesaw. They began their season with a sweeping three-game win streak which eventually fell during their midseason play. Fortunately for the Eagles, coming back and defeating Western Carolina in March was a big confidence boost and they again found their stride. The Eagles concluded their regular season with a steady 10-11 record and their conference play with a record of 4-5.

#### Swimming and Diving:

The 2013-2014 swimming and diving team spent the season breaking records left and right. The team took third place at the CCSA Championship meet and broke 11 records at that meet alone. Senior Kristen Bates' NCAA B-cut time in the 100m Breaststroke and

sophomore diver Emma Weisel's representation at this year's NCAA Zone B Championships were some individual highlights. Mid-Major Final Rankings put GSU at number 68, a tremendous accomplishment from their 120th spot in the fall.

#### Men's Tennis:

Georgia Southern University's men's tennis team went 5-18 with the season ending in the quarterfinals of the 2014 Southern Conference Championships in a 4-0 defeat by the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. It was the final season for seniors Oliver Webb and Marco Osorio; Webb was named to the 2014 SoCon First Team All-Conference as his final award.

#### Softball:

The regular season is wrapping up for the Georgia Southern University softball team and they have a lot to be excited about. The Eagles currently sit atop the Southern Conference and have notched wins over several top opponents including the University of Wisconsin. They also nearly knocked off top ranked University of Tennessee on two separate occasions. Team leaders include: senior pitcher Sarah Purvis, who pitched a perfect game and a no-hitter, leading batter senior shortstop Kourtney Thomas and the solid bat of senior Shelby Morrill.

#### Volleyball:

It was a thrilling year for the Georgia Southern University volleyball team as they captured the Southern Conference championship in GSU's last season in the conference. With big wins over Division-I opponents such as Ole Miss and Central Michigan the Eagles have given themselves experience heading into next season. The team made it to the first round of the NCAA Tournament but fell to Florida State University. Junior Jamie DeRatt led the team in kills and looks forward to leading the team moving forward.

#### Women's Basketball:

Improvement was seen in the Georgia Southern University women's basketball team throughout head coach Chris Vozab's second season. They opened the year by traveling to Auburn and nearly upsetting the powerhouse. The Eagles struggled to keep a rhythm as the season progressed but defeated Wofford College in the first round of the SoCon Tournament. They were later defeated by the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. Junior guard Anna Claire Knight lived up to her preseason all-conference title and averaged a team high 15.9 points per game.

#### Women's Soccer:

It was a hard fought year for the Georgia Southern University women's soccer team. To open the year they lost all-conference senior goalie Katie Merson before the first game. Continued injuries at the goalkeeper position required a club soccer player,

junior goalkeeper Molly Williams, to step in and perform. Senior forward Alex Murphy and sophomore midfielder Nora El-Shami led the team in goals. A loss to Davidson in the final game of the season kept the team from advancing to the SoCon Tournament.

#### Baseball:

With seven games left in the regular season, the Georgia Southern University baseball team has found themselves at sixth in the conference. The season started off promising with wins over the University of Georgia as well as Georgia Tech. Late in the season internal trouble resulted in the loss of three players. Junior outfielder Aaron Mizell has been an asset at bat for the Eagles, cranking 11 home runs. The Eagles are still fighting for a spot in the SoCon Tournament.

#### Men's Basketball:

It was a season of ups and downs for the Georgia Southern University men's basketball team. In the third game of the season they went toe to toe with the University of Miami in a thriller but fell 80-81. Redshirt junior Jelani Hewitt served as a team leader and averaged over 19 points per game. They fought through the first two games of the tournament before they were bested by Wofford College.

#### Football:

This season the Georgia Southern University football team gave the fans their money's worth. It was the final season for former head coach Jeff Monken as well as the triple option

and the old look of Paulson Stadium. Senior Jerick McKinnon was a staple for the Eagles in the backfield and looks forward to being drafted into the NFL next week. The finished the season with the prolific victory over the University of Florida 26-20.

#### Men's Soccer:

The Georgia Southern University men's soccer team wrapped up their season with three more wins than last year. All-conference senior goalkeeper Neal Bates was a tremendous asset in goal, allowing only 1.40 goals per game. The Eagles pushed past the first round of the SoCon Tournament but were defeated by Elon before the championship game.

#### Men's Golf:

The 2013-2014 Georgia Southern University men's golf team walked away with a SoCon title in its last season in the conference, before the jump to the Sun Belt in the fall. The team was highlighted by strong performances from senior Will Evans and juniors Charlie Martin and Scott Wolfes.

#### Women's Rifle:

This was the inaugural season for the Georgia Southern University women's rifle squad. Their first program win came against Wofford last October. Freshman Kathryn Youngblood had the team high shot average at 561.2. With a new shooting range under construction the future looks bright for the new GSU rifle program.



# Star seniors to leave the 'Boro

## Purvis, Thomas, Morrill leave their stamps on GSU's softball program

BY KATIE TOLBERT

The George-Anne staff

The dynasty of this senior class has allowed the Georgia Southern University's softball team to accomplish two consecutive Southern Conference championships and possibly end their career with a third.

The Eagles still have one more conference series left before the tournament, but it will take quite a lot to knock GSU out of the top seed in the SoCon.

Head Coach Annie Smith took this program to a new level and that was primarily due to the amount of talent



Sarah Purvis



Kourtney Thomas



Shelby Morrill

this senior class provided.

Senior pitcher Sarah Purvis has been the Eagles powerhouse in the circle since 2012, her sophomore year, when she got the opportunity to start for GSU.

In her last two seasons,

not only did she lead the Eagles to SoCon championships, she also earned SoCon Pitcher of the Year both times.

The Eagles are continuing to grow and recruit players with high levels of talent, but

this senior lineup of players is just too strong to replace.

Senior infielder Kourtney Thomas was a sophomore transfer from the University of Tennessee when she came to GSU. As starting shortstop, Thomas is quick

to make plays in the infield, but behind the plate is where the Eagles lean on her the most. Almost every time Thomas is up to bat, the Eagles can expect something out of her.

This team has most of its success when the Eagles are being consistent and owning their jobs. Senior infielder Shelby Morrill is one of those players that has consistently performed for the Eagles when they needed her the most ever since her freshman year.

Needless to say, this group of Eagles is going to be hard to shut out in the SoCon Tournament. GSU

has everything riding on the outcome of this season.

The returning players are all talented, but this group was about as good as it gets in the SoCon. For the seniors, this championship means everything; it is the legacy they will leave behind and it is what will be remembered of them.

The Eagles will finish off their regular season play this weekend in a road series against Samford University.

While the rest of the university is cramming for finals, the Eagles will begin the SoCon tournament on Wednesday, May 7, in Greensboro, N.C.

## Martin's journey back

BY EMILY ARNOLD

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Perseverance was said to be the theme of the 2014 Georgia Southern University men's golf season, but for junior Charlie Martin it has been the theme of the past year.

For Martin, the game of golf came naturally. Since he was 11 years old, he knew that was what he wanted to do. To have all that confidence completely stripped away after hitting the opening drive of one of the most important tournaments of the season into the woods, his future in golf was looking questionable.

"I was playing really good my fall semester of my sophomore year and didn't really practice a lot over the break," Martin said. "I just thought it would always kind of be with me. I thought I was always going to be able to hit a golf ball."

The problem was found in his swing. Having played golf for a long time, Martin took for granted the golf swing he had established for himself thinking that it would never go away. After returning from winter break his sophomore year, he started occasionally hitting bad shots, but since that happens often in golf, Martin and his coaches thought nothing of it.

At the 2013 NCAA Regional tournament was when the trouble became evident. After

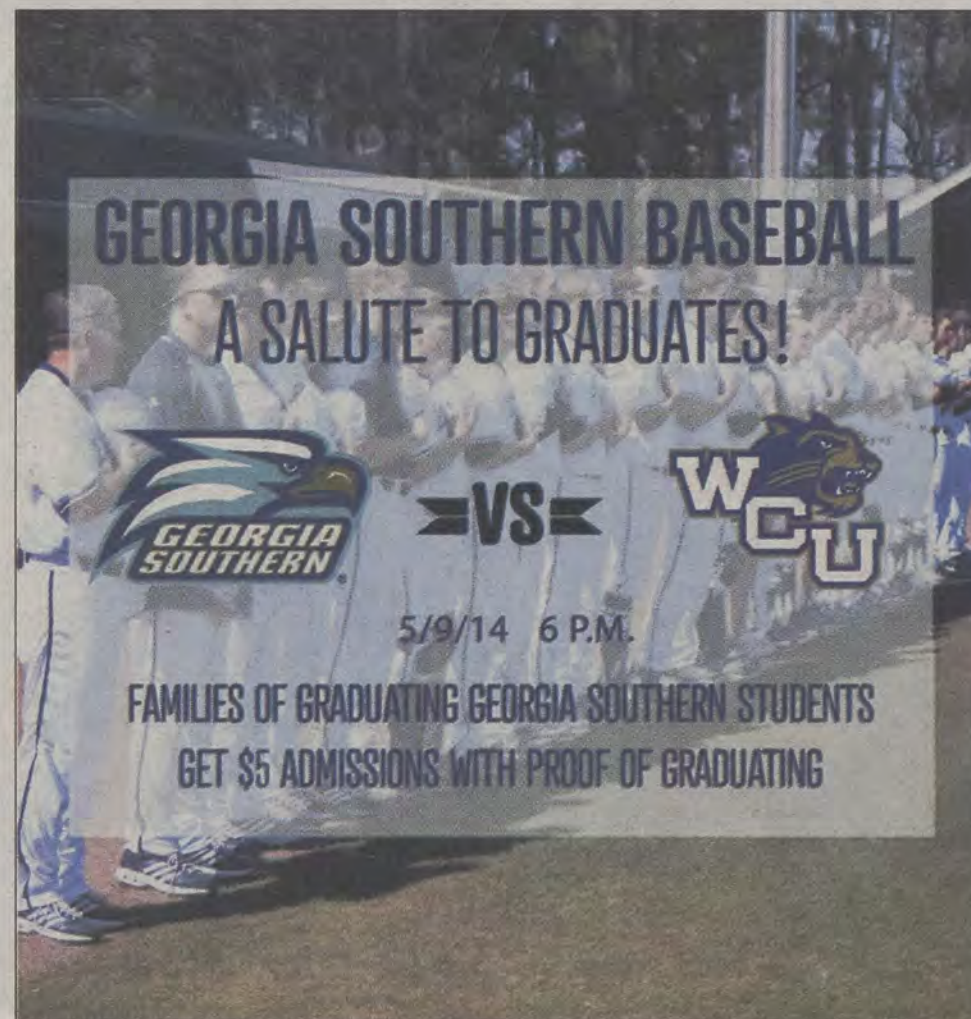
shooting 17 over on the last five holes of the practice round, Head Coach Larry Mays and Coach Collins voiced their concern for his place in the tournament which caused his competitive attitude to take over. He finished the tournament with two 81 and an 86 in rounds one, two and three, but that was just the beginning of a long summer full of losses.

"I was finishing almost dead last in every tournament I played in," Martin said. "It was embarrassing yes, but that's not what really kept me from it. I withdrew from the last couple tournaments I was going to play in that summer because I didn't even want to play."

To start the process of falling back in love with the game, Martin took a month off from playing golf. Taking his first lesson since starting college, Martin began looking at the reasoning why his swing was wrong. Following that, he began the process of rebuilding his swing and finding the fun in practicing the game he's played for so long.

"Being humbled out like that really just made me respect the game a lot more and want to practice and make practicing fun and not just think about it as a job," Martin said.

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