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THE GEORGE-ANNE

## LOOKING FOR ANSWERS

Eagles look to win first game with new coach  
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# Q & A

## MAYOR ELECTIONS

Candidates answer questions before Election Day  
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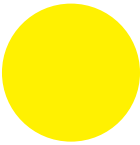
A photograph of a female golfer in a blue shirt and dark skirt, captured in the middle of a golf swing. A golf bag on a cart is visible in the background.

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## HITTING THE LINKS

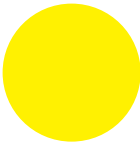
Women's Golf gets second place finish  
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Thursday



High: 80°  
Low: 52°  
10 percent  
chance of rain

Friday



High: 83°  
Low: 54°  
10 percent  
chance of rain

Saturday



High: 85°  
Low: 61°  
10 percent  
chance of rain

Sunday



High: 83°  
Low: 68°  
50 percent  
chance of rain

## Weather Bar

The cooler temps are gone temporarily as the 80s make a return just in time for Halloween weekend. Whether you're an overplayed cat or some other costume, stay safe this weekend.



"This course is applicable to many environments, like mental health, personal relationships, and the workplace." Moses Malloy

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### UPB Unplugged: HALLOWEEN

Thursday, Oct. 26  
TONIGHT  
6:30 p.m.  
Williams Center Multipurpose Room

The University Programming Board has changed the look of Thursday nights in the Boro! Our monthly UNplugged series offers a relaxed, coffeehouse/lounge type environment for students to indulge in tasty treats and beverages while enjoying a variety of entertainment acts, provided by Georgia Southern's most talented. This event is free and open to the public. Students, should bring their Eagle IDs.

Contact UPB@GeorgiaSouthern.edu for more information

### SCIENTIFIC STORIES, FRAME BY FRAME

Zach S. Henderson Library - 2nd Floor Browsing  
Thursday, Oct. 26 - TODAY at 2 p.m.

Zach S. Henderson Library is pleased to host Dr. Van Stan (Geography) as he highlights the collaborative effort between a Forest Scientist and a Graphic Illustrator leading to the production of a graphic novel telling the story of the Invasive Tree Of Heaven. Students are invited to explore the display on the 2nd floor of the library showcasing other Graphic Novels in the collection. The Library will provide light snacks and Attendance Verification to all participants, and also hold drawings for copies of Van Stan's printed Graphic Novel, and other door prizes.  
Contact: Dawn Cannon-Rech at 912-478-7822.

and dcannonrech@georgiasouthern.edu

## IRON EAGLE CHALLENGE 2017

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MYSTERY

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AN ADVENTURE RACE FOR ALL SKILL LEVELS  
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Racers check-in at 8:30am. Race starts at 10:00am. \*All participants MUST have a bike helmet and off-road bike.

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### Day for Survivors Part of "It's On Us" Week

Thursday, Oct. 26 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Russell Union Rotunda

Join us for a program focused on advocating for sexual assault survivors, marketing sexual assault prevention resources and providing a space for survivors to reclaim and tell their stories.

Contact Gemma Skuraton at 912-478-1283 with questions or for more information about this event.

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YOU MAY BE  
TOO OLD TO GO  
TRICK-OR-TREATING,  
SO YOU HAVE TO GET  
YOUR FUN ELSEWHERE.

Check out Brooke Thompson's list of "5 Ghoulish  
Haunted Houses to Visit Before Halloween"  
at reflectorgsu.com. Also follow  
The Reflector @ReflectorGSU on Twitter.



HEALTH SERVICES' FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Friday, Oct. 27 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Russell Union Commons

On an ongoing monthly basis, students will be given the opportunity to taste cups of in-season fresh fruit. Students will also be educated on the health benefits associated with each particular fruit provided. Stop by Health Services' table tomorrow!

Contact: Lena Banks | 912-314-9088 |  
cb08687@georgiasouthern.edu

ANNABELLE  
CREATION

UPB Indoor Movie:

Friday, Oct 27  
TOMORROW  
6 pm & 8 pm  
Russell Union Theater

Looking a fun and frightful Friday night? This event is free and open to the public. Students, bring your Eagle IDs. Concessions will be available - cash sales only!  
Contact UPB@GeorgiaSouthern.edu with questions or for more information.

Free blood pressure screenings for GS students will also be available during the movie. Any student with high blood pressure will be encouraged to schedule a free physical with Health Services.  
Contact Lena Banks at 912-314-9088 or  
lcb08687@georgiasouthern.edu for more info.

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If you guessed the  
Dining Commons, you  
were right!



CLAYTON HARDEN



Keep checking @gsstudentmedia on Instagram and @SeenAtSouthern on Twitter every Tuesday to test your knowledge of our campus Tweet us a selfie or send us your guess When you guess correctly, you can be featured in the paper!



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## Don't Die ~~Racist~~



### MATTHEW ENFINGER

Matthew is a junior journalism major from Augusta, Ga.

Regarding the topic of racism, I've often heard that a person's environment and up bringing controls their view on what is racist.

When an old man or woman say a racial slur, perhaps without meaning to be racist, some are quick to say "That's just the way he/she was brought up. Just ignore them."

I'm a big believer in the fact that people can change. I do believe that it

isn't easy to change but I do think that an older generation can and should refrain from using racial slurs just because it was accepted in their generation.

I recently read an article by The San Diego Union-Tribune that explored Theodor Geisel's, Dr. Seuss, works and the current controversy of racial undertones in some of his most popular pieces and I believe that while Dr. Seuss was brought up in a time when some depictions of races were accepted and was even a part of that generation that encouraged that behavior, I think that his work that transcend his life shows that Seuss saw the error of his ways and worked to amend them. We should too.

### Seuss' early life, works and history with racism

Philip Nel, a professor at Kansas State University and one of the nations' leading Seuss scholars said, Seuss was "racially complicated."

Seuss was born in Springfield, Massachusetts on March 2, 1904. Growing up on of Seuss' favorite children's books was called The Hole Book which stereotypically depicts an African American woman talking in dialect about cutting a watermelon.

In high school, Seuss acted in blackface in a production and drew a cartoon at Dartmouth negatively depicting two black boxers.

Nel wrote that these acts were considered acceptable and were "all too common" in that era.

At the beginning of World War II, Seuss started working for a New York newspaper called PM. Some of his work was extremely racist such as *Waiting for the signal from home*, published in two months after the bombing of pearl Harbor. The image shows Japanese citizens depicted with exaggerated slanted eyes, buck teeth and waiting in line to pick TNT

packages.

However, some of his work seemed to speak in a different tone such as his piece *What This Country Needs Is a Good Mental Insecticide*. The piece was published in 1942 and shows white American citizens waiting to be sprayed by an Uncle Sam figure. After being doused a bug, labeled "racial prejudice bug" crawls out of their ears.

### Seuss' life in his work

Many of Seuss' works, which were at one time acceptable and perhaps funny, can be viewed as racist in recent reading.

In the 1950's Seuss wrote *If I ran the Zoo* which includes stereotypical depictions of African and Asian workers. Another of Seuss' works, *Scrambled Eggs Super*, depicts Arab stereotypes. More recently Seuss' most popular piece, *Cat in the Hat*, is believed to be depicting the main character similar to black face cartoons.

However, during the same decade he wrote some pieces that has stood the test of time as messages of inclusion, anti-discrimination and peace. *Horton Hears a Who!*, is a story that Seuss dedicated to his "great friend" Mitsugi Nakamura of Kyoto, Japan and can be seen as an apology of sorts for his past racial drawings of the Japanese race. Seuss also wrote *The Sneetches* that can be seen as a story criticizing racial humor.

I understand that its not possible to understand the exact intent of Seuss' works. I understand that Seuss' past actions were at times unforgivable and cruel. However, it seems to me that through Seuss' work it depicted his coming to realization that his past work need to be amended.

In my personal opinion, I don't think Dr. Seuss died a racist. So, why should we?

### What does this mean for us?

I believe that Dr. Seuss' works have shown us that someone can be born and raised in a generation where racial stereotypes were acceptable but still be able to see that they currently are no longer accepted.

My question is why can't we? Why is it that we are afraid to change when we notice that something we say isn't right? Instead of being stuck in old ways, I say we try to learn from each other and grow together. Perhaps next time someone from an older generation says a racially obscene word in public, tell them that its not appropriate. I'm not saying yell at the person, but have a conversation about why its no longer appropriate or tolerated.

I believe its our duty as a younger generation to correct these wrongs and be aware of them. It's up to us to be an example to both the generation after us and those before us.

Dr. Seuss' words from the *The Lorax* remains true with us today, "UNLESS someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not."

# VEGAS STRONG

### SAMMY TALIERCIO

Sammy is a freshman art major from Peachtree City, Ga. This is a guest column.

As much of the world did on the morning of October 2, I woke up to the heartbreaking and agonizingly frustrating news that a senseless

tragedy had taken place in the form of yet another shooting. My reaction at first was dismal; it pains me to admit it, but due to the fact that I am young enough to have difficulty remembering a time before shootings occurred as often as they do now, I unfortunately react less and less to each one. I of course feel sympathy for the victims and their families and anger towards the terrorists behind the acts, but the surprise I once felt with each event is nearly gone.

However, once I read that this latest attack had become the deadliest in our nation's history, I felt an overwhelming amount of emotions: shock, anger, sadness, confusion. Selfishly, my mind raced towards the Bruno Mars concert I was planning on attending with my older sister in less than two weeks. My heart raced with fear, my mind filled with will there be a shooter

there too? Could my sister and I be in danger of getting shot? Is there a possibility that I could die going to this concert?

All of my fear melted away as soon as the first song began and the crowd started to dance and sing along to the music together. Though we were all strangers, everyone was united through our love for the songs and the artists we were celebrating together. We swayed during the slow songs, proudly sang every lyric to every song and even laughed at some concert-goers that might've had a few too many drinks. I felt happy and carefree, not a worry in my mind.

I wish I could say that I believe this concert has changed my outlook on the possibility of more shootings altogether but that would unfortunately be a lie. I know there will be more shootings in the future. I know more people will be hurt and some will die. But I also know that the terrorists who plot and carry out these disgusting acts of violence will never win.

The love, unity and pure joy that I saw and felt at the concert is far more powerful than any bullet. The fear that terrorists attempt to create will always be met with courage and bravery. Their evil will never defeat the good that still exists in the world.

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## 5 GHOULISH HAUNTED HOUSES TO VISIT BEFORE HALLOWEEN

BY BROOKE THOMPSON  
The George-Anne contributor

It is that creepy time of year again. Not only are pumpkins and leaves everywhere, but the ghosts and ghouls are coming out as well. You may be too old to go trick-or-treating, so you have to get your fun elsewhere. If you are looking for a fright, here are some scary sights:

### HAUNTED FOREST AT THE CLUBHOUSE

According to ExploreGeorgia.org, the Haunted Forest has been a tradition in Statesboro for nearly 35 years. It's family friendly and open from the 24th through the 31st from 8 p.m. until 12 a.m.

### SCAREHOUSE OF THE SOUTH

Located in Soperton, GA, this attraction is about a 50 minute drive from Statesboro. It is rated R and they claim to be Georgia's most extreme haunted house. On their website, they warn not to bring kids. They are open the 27th and 28th from 6:30 p.m. until 11 p.m.

### LOT 13 PRESENTED BY WICKED SOUTH PRODUCTIONS

This haunted house is located in Savannah, GA and is about an hour from Statesboro. Lot 13 Haunted House is open from 27th through the 31st and Nov. 3 and 4. Ticket sales start at 7:30 p.m. and end at 11 p.m.

### THE WEREHOUSE OF GA

The Werehouse of GA is located in Lyons, GA and it's about an hour away from Statesboro. According to their Facebook page, the haunted house is over 9,000 square feet with 24-foot Vortex Tunnel. They are open from the 29th through the 31st.

### PLANTATION BLOOD

This scary sight is the longest drive on our list at about an hour and 20 minutes from Statesboro. It is located in Augusta, GA and clocks in at a staggering 30,000 square feet. Planation Blood opens at 7:30 p.m. and they are operating the 26th through Oct. 31 and Nov. 3 and 4. Tickets are \$22 a person.

#### BONUS:

Savannah, GA is one of the most haunted cities in America and it's only about an hour away from Statesboro. There are a ton of ghost tours to choose from there to get into the Halloween spirit.



A vibrant orange poster for the University Store Halloween Costume Contest. At the top is the University Store logo. The title 'Halloween Costume Contest' is written in a large, yellow, dripping font. To the right, the date 'OCT 31' is displayed in large black letters, with 'IN STORE FROM 10AM -2PM' below it. On the left, a wooden signpost lists prizes: 'INDIVIDUAL PRIZES' includes First Place (\$100 University Store gift card), Second Place (\$50 University Store gift card), and Third Place (\$25 University Store gift card). Below that, 'GROUP PRIZES' states that winners of the group costume category will each get a \$10 Chick-fil-A gift card. A separate sign at the bottom right encourages entering the student individual, fac/staff individual or group (student or fac/staff) category. The bottom of the poster features silhouettes of jack-o'-lanterns and spider webs.

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# MAYORAL CANDIDATES TALK ELECTION, UNDERAGE DRINKING AND GEORGIA SOUTHERN'S FUTURE AT TOWN HALL FORUM

BY BRETT DANIEL  
The George-Anne staff

Incumbent Mayor Jan Moore and electoral opponents John Grotheer and Jonathan McCollar answered community-submitted questions during a public forum at the Transitions Learning Center in Statesboro on Monday evening.

Each candidate answered a total of 10 questions with a two-minute time limit for responses. The forum comes less than a month away from the election on Nov. 7.

The following are their answers to questions regarding underage drinking, Georgia Southern University's future and next month's mayoral election.

**Q: As you know, we're in a community with 20,000+ young people at Georgia Southern, plus a number of others at Ogeechee Technical College. What is your approach to underage drinking in the city of Statesboro?**

**Grotheer:** I'm clearly against underage drinking. There's nothing good about it for the community or for the young people who could possibly hurt themselves or someone else.

**McCollar:** As a community, what I believe is that we got to set clear boundaries. In these boundaries, we got to set clear ordinances to increase the safety of our young people within this community. Those individuals that are drinking underage and those that are serving underage drinkers should definitely be penalized to the fullest extent of the law.

**Moore:** This is what I tell my police staff every single day. This is what I tell the folks that own restaurants and bars. At the end of the day, if [minors] choose to break the law in Statesboro, Georgia, you are still going to keep them safe. That is your job. I don't want to hear about another young person losing their life in a bar here

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I DON'T SEE A BOUNDARY BETWEEN MYSELF AND THE STUDENTS THAT ARE OUT THERE ON THAT CAMPUS BECAUSE AT ONE POINT I WAS A STUDENT OUT THERE ON THAT CAMPUS.

**JONATHAN MCCOLLAR**

Mayoral candidate

again.

**Q: How will you factor in Georgia Southern University in your future plans for the city of Statesboro?**

**Grotheer:** I don't see Georgia Southern as being 'them' and the city being 'us.' We're all one. We need to embrace them and support them and collaborate with them on key issues, whether it be infrastructure, natural resources or economic development. They are a big part of this community and if I'm mayor, I will support them 100 percent.



The forum was hosted by the Statesboro Herald at the Transitions Learning Center located in Statesboro.

**McCollar:** I'm born and raised in Statesboro and I'm a double Eagle. I don't see a boundary between myself and the students that are out there on that campus because at one point I was a student out there on that campus. We got to elect a mayor that has a plan specifically and purposefully to bring this city together. I am that individual.

**Moore:** I think you might be surprised how much students do work within our community. Georgia Southern students do feel like a part of this community and I'm glad they are here. Do they need to be more of a part of our community? Perhaps, but they're not going to be until we give them a reason to be, and we need to give them a reason by bringing things into town and downtown that they want to do.

**Q: Why do you think you would be the best candidate to be elected on election day?**

**Grotheer:** I believe the city should lead the collaboration efforts among the city, county, GS and the Board of Education on planning issues. It should promote sustainable growth, including wise management of our infrastructure, natural resources, education, recreation and economic development.

The city should also encourage and protect single-family neighborhood development. Mixed used development should be encouraged, which supports a walkable and viable downtown.

I believe the mayor and council should be fiscally responsible and accountable to the taxpayers. The city budget should, therefore, reflect the priorities of the community that are established with



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Incumbent Mayor Jan Moore is running for re-election. She is one of three candidates in the race.

input from all the citizens.

I am genuinely committed to serving the city of Statesboro full-time and believe me, my background in city and county government has prepared me to serve as your next mayor. If given the opportunity, I will give you my commitment to listen and to be your voice as we work together to plan for a better future.

**McCollar:** I am running because I believe this is a unique time for our city. I believe that all of the experiences that I've had within my life - the ups, the downs, the trials and tribulations, the successes and the achievements - have made me uniquely prepared to address the issues that we're really facing.

For the past few years, when I've run for office, I've always put forward a platform that addresses the issues of the day. Statesboro, our future is in your hands. Years ago, I said gangs were going to be an issue in our community and here we are. Years ago, I said poverty was going to be an issue within our city and here we are. Years ago, I said the tax base is overburdened and is not producing enough revenue so that we can do the things in a fashion to execute the well-being and quality of life of people within this community.

Rosalynn Carter stated that a good leader takes you where you want to go, but a great leader takes you not necessarily where you want to go but where you ought to be. And that is us coming together to put the people over politics.

**Moore:** Four years ago, I stood in front of you and said that I would accomplish the following things:

A return to open and transparent city government. I have done that.

Stabilization of the city's financial condition. I have done that.

Re-development plans for two of our main entryways into the city - South Main and West Main. I have done that.

Job creation in our industrial park and within the city, resulting in a much lower unemployment rate. I have done that.

Restore great working relationships with the county, Georgia Southern University, the Bulloch County Board of Education and the Development Authority. I have done that.

Get the word out around the state about Statesboro and what it has to offer, as well as bringing resources back to our city. I have done that.

And this is what I plan to do the next four years:

Bring recreational activity back into our parks for the people of our community that live near them.

Find a way to bring water recreation back into the city for the people of the community.

Bring in some form of transportation from our city to our industrial park so that people in our community can take advantage of the job opportunities that are waiting for them.

Staff a police force that is more representative of the diversity within our community.

Recruit innovative business and retail into our community.

I believe in results. I don't deal in rhetoric because at the end of the day, nobody cares what you say. They only care what you do. A vote for Jan Moore is a vote for proven results.

**Forum coming to GS campus**  
A second mayoral forum is scheduled to be held in the Russell Union Ballroom on Nov. 1 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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# A REVIEW OF HOPE FINANCIAL AID PROGRAM CHANGES

**BY TANDRA SMITH**  
The George-Anne staff

With the fall semester just halfway over for many Georgia Southern University students, many might be unaware of a few of the changes that have taken place to the HOPE Scholarship program and its affiliates.

## HOPE Career Grant

Formerly known as the Strategic Industries Workforce Development Grant, the HOPE Career Grant allows students attending many of Georgia’s public universities and technical colleges to receive up to \$500 a term for enrolling into majors that line up with in demand fields in Georgia. Students studying truck driving can receive a one-time grant up to \$1,000. According to the [ajc.com](http://ajc.com), those fields include, but aren’t limited to, computer programming, computer technology, early childhood care and education, health science, practical nursing. The program of study and number of hours you take determines how much money you would receive from this program.

### According to [myajc.com](http://myajc.com) this would translate to:

- 3.5 points instead of 3 points for a B
  - 2.5 points instead of 2 points for a C
  - 1.5 points instead of 1 point for a D
- Students must maintain a 3.0 GPA to keep their HOPE Scholarship.

In order to receive this money, you must meet the HOPE Grant eligibility criteria. This is separate from the HOPE Scholarship, but has many of the same requirements, according to [gafutures.org](http://gafutures.org).  
Meet HOPE's U.S. citizenship or eligible non-citizen requirements.  
Be a legal resident of Georgia.  
Be in compliance with Selective Service registration requirements (if you’re a male).  
Meet academic achievement standards.  
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Be in compliance with the Georgia Drug-Free Postsecondary Education Act of 1990.  
Not have exceeded the maximum award limits for any HOPE program.  
To apply for this grant, you must submit either a Free Application for Federal Student Aid or the Georgia Student Finance Application.

## HOPE budget boost

Gov. Nathan Deal’s 2018 fiscal budget will give \$49.3 million to the HOPE Scholarship and the Zell Miller Scholarship for public colleges and universities. The budget will also add \$515,441 to the HOPE Scholarship and Zell Miller Scholarship for private schools as well, according to the Georgia Budget & Policy Institute. The budget increase is intended to help with the program’s growth, as well as allow more money to be awarded to eligible students. About \$10.9 million will go towards the Zell Miller Scholarship, which has grown 12 percent, according to the GBPI. The GBPI also states that the proposed spending for all of the HOPE financial aid programs is now at a total of \$757 million. The fiscal budget for 2018 went into effect on July 1.

## House Bill 801

Finally, HB 801, also known as the Rambling Wrecktification bill, has gone into effect this 2017-2018 academic year. The bill passed the Georgia House in early Febuary 2016 and the Senate in mid-March of the same year. The idea behind the bill was to encourage students to take more science, technology, engineering and math classes without the stress of potentially losing their HOPE or Zell Miller scholarships. Another driving factor for this bill was the number of in demand technology jobs that the state of Georgia is aiming to fill as soon as possible. Under HB 801, students taking specific courses would receive an additional half point to their HOPE GPA when a student earns a B, C or D. Additional points will not be added to a grade of A or F.

# LIFE AFTER SUMMERS BEGINS AT TROY

BY MCCLAIN BAXLEY AND THOMAS JILK  
The George-Anne staff

Last year's game between Georgia Southern and Troy is one that fans and players on both teams have not forgotten.

In a game that could have clinched their sixth Sun Belt championship, the 10-3 Trojans were upset by BJ Johnson and GS, which was 4-7 heading into that game, on senior day at Paulson Stadium.

This year's game has a lot less on the line, but will be a huge test for the Eagles, who are 26-point underdogs.

## TROJAN VIEW

### SILVERS SHINING

Senior quarterback Brandon Silvers is no stranger to the spotlight. In 2014, he was named to the Sun Belt Conference Newcomer Team and set the NCAA Freshman Completion Percentage Record (70 percent).

The following year he received an All-Sun Belt Honorable Mention before making the All-Sun Belt First Team last season. Against the reigning national champions, Clemson, he threw for over 200 yards and two touchdowns.

This year Silvers is continuing the trend of picking up yards as he's already eclipsed 1,800 yards in just seven games.

With five different receivers already accumulating over 150 yards, the Trojans could have a field day against the Eagles' secondary.

### STOPPING THE RUN

Troy's defense has done a fantastic job of being able to slow down their opponent's run game.

This was shown most effectively in one of their biggest wins in program history, a win over LSU back in September. LSU, who has one of the best running games in the SEC, was held to just 162 total rushing yards.

The Trojans are allowing a mere 92 rushing yards a game. That's seventh nationally.

And they're facing a GSU team this week that has yet to find its' rushing identity. If Troy's front line can continue to manhandle the opposing o-lines, it'll be a long game for Georgia Southern.

### REAPING REVENGE

As alluded to earlier, the Eagles stole a potential Sun Belt title from Troy in 2016.

Had the Trojans won the season finale in Statesboro, they would've shared the Sun Belt championship with Arkansas State and App State. The win would've also launched them into a better bowl game.

In a senior-led performance, the Eagles pulled an upset and sent the 2016 senior class off with a win.

Saturday is Troy's chance to get revenge and officially kick Georgia Southern out of a bowl game. A win also keeps them at only one conference loss with a very easy remainder of their schedule.

## EAGLE ANGLE

### LUNSFORD ERA BEGINS

As Chad Lunsford prepares for his first game as the head coach of GS, he faces some daunting challenges in turning the on-field performance around.

"This season has not gone the way we want it to go," Lunsford said. "We've got to run the ball effectively and be efficient in the pass game."

Lunsford talked about how the Eagles continually have beat themselves this year with penalties, fumbles and the like. The Eagles have committed 14 turnovers through six games, a number which could be more if they hadn't recovered many of their own fumbles.

The Eagles will certainly focus on avoiding ejections via targeting penalties or loss of composure as they experienced against UMass and Arkansas State. Many of these errors perhaps came after some team members were not all on the same page, an issue Lunsford said he will try to erase.

"It's all about trying to make sure that the team is unified," Lunsford said. "You never want the Eagles to beat the Eagles."

That notion begins on defense for GS, where the Eagles gave up 33 first downs and 670 total yards at UMass. Defensive coordinator Lorenzo Costantini's unit will need to step up if GS wants to put itself in position to grab its first win of 2017.

### QUARTERBACK QUERY

GS offensive coordinator Bryan Cook told the Savannah Morning News' Nathan Deen that Kado Brown earned the right to play with his two-touchdown performance against UMass.

Brown will step in more if Shai Werts is unable to go on Saturday, a matter which Lunsford said on Monday was still up in the air.

"I expect Shai to be our quarterback," Lunsford said on Monday, "as long as he's healthy and ready to roll."

But on Tuesday, Deen published a story in which Cook said, "I think [Brown] earned an opportunity to play moving forward. How we manage that, we'll see."

This could set up a situation going forward where both Brown and Werts see action in the manner that Kevin Ellison and Favian Upshaw split time last season.

### GAME DETAILS

The game at Troy on Saturday will be broadcast on ESPN3 at 3:30 p.m. and will as usual be on the Georgia Southern Sports Radio Network.

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**UPB Presents: Halloween Town**  
6 P.M. @ Sweetheart Circle\*  
\*Rain location will be the Russell Union Ballroom

**THUR. OCT. 26**  
**UNplugged: Halloween Edition**  
6:30 P.M. @ William Center MPR

**FRI. OCT. 27**  
**Movie: Annabelle Creation**  
6 & 8 P.M. @ Russell Union Theater

**FRI. NOV. 3**  
**Fall Family Weekend Block Party**  
5 P.M. @ Infront of Bookstore

**FRI. NOV. 3**  
**FFW Movie: Spider-Man: Homecoming**  
7:30 P.M. @ Sweetheart Circle\*  
\*Rain location will be the Russell Union Theater

**FRI. NOV. 10**  
**Movie: Hitman's Bodyguard**  
6 & 8 P.M. @ Russell Union Theater

**FRI. NOV. 30**  
**Lighting of Sweetheart Circle**  
4 P.M. @ Sweetheart Circle

**MON. DEC. 4**  
**No Stress Zone**  
6 - 10 P.M. @ Russell Union Ballroom

**THUR. DEC. 7**  
**Lantern Walk**  
7 P.M. @ William Center MPR

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BY KAITLIN SELLS

The George-Anne contributor

On Tuesday night, the Georgia Southern men's soccer team topped the Stetson Hatters 2-1 in an action-packed game with a special theme: a pink out in honor of breast cancer awareness month. Students and spectators wore pink in support, and free pink cotton candy was given out while supplies lasted.

With the win, the Eagles moved back to a .500 record at 7-7 on the season.

## FIRST HALF

The first half was mainly dominated by the GS offense, the Eagles outshooting the Hatters 12-1. There were also many set plays on the Eagles' offensive side, with seven corner kicks in the first half alone.

There was slight tension, fouls coming from both teams - the Eagles with seven and the Hatters with five. Although the Eagles were pushing intensely offensively, the half ended with a score of 0-0.

## SECOND HALF

The Eagles continued to come out strong in the second half and continued to press their offense, again outshooting the Hatters 10-4.

It wasn't until late in the second half that senior forward Blake Wilson put the Eagles on the board in

the 72nd minute with a turnaround shot from the side split in between a pair of defenders, but their lead didn't last for long.

On a set play only three minutes later, Stetson's Eyal Cohel put a free kick from 23 yards out into the back of the net in the 75th minute. The Eagles didn't let that setback slow them down.

Two minutes later freshman midfielder Aldair Cortes drove the ball up the left side, found fellow freshman forward Jack Rittmeyer at the top of the box, who then returned it back to Cortes to complete a give-and-go inside the box, and a shot from Cortes that finished in the back of the net.

## ANALYSIS

This was one of the best performances the men's team has shown all year: beating a team on a four-win streak, and putting 22 shots up on them at that opposed to the five the Hatters got off. The goalkeeper for the Eagles, Robert Flott, recorded his second shutout of the season with two saves in the game. GS also earned more fouls, totaling 15 at the end of the game, and Stetson had only eight.

The men's soccer team's next match up will be on Saturday, Oct. 28 when they will be hosting Howard at 7 p.m. It will also be Senior Day and the Eagles will be recognizing the team's seniors in a pre-game ceremony.

# SECOND-PLACE FINISH FOR WOMEN'S GOLF SHOWS DRASTIC IMPROVEMENT

BY THOMAS JILK  
The George-Anne sta

The Georgia Southern women's golf team played their best event of the season as they finished second out of of 11 teams at Wofford's Terrier Intercollegiate.

Previously, the team hadn't finished better than third-to-last at any of the first three events of the season.

Natalie Petersen, a GS freshman from Holly Springs, N.C., tied for second overall individually, posting a 1-under-par 71 in round one and a 1-over-par 73 in round two. Petersen finished 18th in the last tournament for the Eagles, and at Wofford she showed she can swing with some of the finest golfers in the country.

GS junior Ansley Bowman tied for 12th place overall, and sophomore Ella Ofstedahl tied for 15th after leading the Eagles with an even par second round. Both Ofstedahl and Petersen notched four birdies on day two. Overall, the five Eagles holed 22 birdies during the two-day event.

High Point University (+16) won the event by eight strokes over GS (+24) and third-place Presbyterian College (+29).

The women's golf program at GS was born in 2014 after more women's scholarships were required for Title IX compliance after the football team gained roster spots due to the move up to FBS play. In just its third year, the program is showing it can compete consistently and recruit and develop some standout college golfers.

Coach Emily Kuhfield has led the program since its inception, and the team lost its two top golfers from last season, making this result all the more impressive.

The next event for the Eagles - and the final one of the fall season - will be the Idle Hour Classic, hosted by Mercer, which begins Oct. 30 and ends on Oct. 31.

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## KEEPING YOU IN THE KNOW ABOUT STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT EVENTS, DESIGNED WITH YOU IN MIND.

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It's almost time to reapply for 2018/2019 Federal Financial Aid! Students planning to attend and receive financial aid for Fall 2018, Spring 2019, or Summer 2019 must reapply for financial aid by completing the 2018/2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Beginning October 1, 2017, you can complete your 2018/2019 FAFSA online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).

- You will use 2016 tax information for the 2018/2019 FAFSA.
- Georgia Southern University's school code for the FAFSA is 001572.
- The priority date for the 2018/2019 FAFSA is Feb. 1, 2018. It is important to apply by the priority date because funds are limited for some campus need-based financial aid.

Avoid the long lines next summer! Reapply early! If you have questions, contact our office at 912-478- 5413 or email the financial Aid Counselor at [finaid@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:finaid@georgiasouthern.edu)

### Student Disability Resource Center

There's a new student organization: Disability Education for Awareness and Leadership. Come and join us in Russell Union, room 2052, Tuesdays at 11am to learn and to advocate!

### Office of Student Activities

Student Organization Essentials (SOE) are monthly workshops for student leaders who want hands on training in essential organization management topics. Each session will focus on basics, providing samples, how to's and tips to make you and your organization successful. Workshops are open to all students and organizations are eligible for WINGS Incentive Points for participating.

Contact: The Office of Student Activities | [osa@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:osa@georgiasouthern.edu)

### Admissions/New Student and Family Programs

The Office of New Student and Family Programs is still looking for volunteers to assist with Fall Family Weekend, November 3rd and 4th. We are very grateful to those of you who have already signed up to volunteer for this event! We are specifically hoping to have 40 volunteers sign up for our Fall Family Challenge happening on Saturday, November 4th from 8am-12pm Downtown Statesboro. This is a new event that we are doing this year, and we will need a lot of volunteers to ensure its success.

### Check-in and Silent Auction

Saturday, November 4th, 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (Shifts vary) Location: Nessmith Lane Ballroom, Georgia Southern Campus. Volunteers may help set-up, greet families in the parking lot, work check-in, and serve as floaters to answer questions.

### Family Weekend Challenge

Saturday, November 4th, 7:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Shifts vary) Location: Downtown Statesboro  
Volunteers will help greet families, work booth set up, set-up tables and/or equipment, and/or clean-up after the event.

### Tailgate

Saturday, November 4th, 11:30am – 3pm (Shifts vary) Location: RAC  
Volunteers will help greet families, work booth set-up, set-up tables, and/or clean-up after the event. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (912) 478-0438 or email me at [cfordyce@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:cfordyce@georgiasouthern.edu).

### OSA/UPB Annoucements

#### UPB: Unplugged: Halloween

Thursday, October 26th, 6:30 pm, Williams Center Multipurpose Room  
The University Programming Board has changed the look of Thursday nights in the Boro! Our monthly UNplugged series offers a relaxed, coffeehouse/lounge type environment for students to indulge in tasty treats and beverages while enjoying a variety of entertainment acts, provided by Georgia Southern's most talented. Faculty / staff / students, do you have a special talent that you'd like to share with the campus? (You must be logged in to MyInvolvement to register) This event is free and open to the public. Students, please bring your Eagle IDs. If you need assistance, related to access for this event, please email: [upb@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:upb@georgiasouthern.edu) at least 2 weeks prior to the event. Contact: [UPB@GeorgiaSouthern.edu](mailto:UPB@GeorgiaSouthern.edu)

#### UPB: Indoor Movie - Annabelle Creation

Friday, October 27th, 6:00 pm & 8:00 pm, Russell Union Theater  
Looking a fun and frightful Friday night? Join the University Programming Board for our bi-weekly, Friday movie series. This event is free and open to the public. Students please bring your Eagle IDs. There will be two showings of this movie at 6:00 pm & 8:00 pm. Concessions will be available for purchase. Cash sales only! If you need assistance, related to access for this event, please email: [upb@GeorgiaSouthern.edu](mailto:upb@GeorgiaSouthern.edu) at least 2 weeks prior to the event.

#### UPB: Fall Family Weekend Block Party

Friday, November 3rd, 5:00 pm, University Bookstore  
Join the University Programming Board and the Office of Admissions for a Fall Family Weekend Kick-off Block Party. The block party is free and open to all families and students of Georgia Southern University. There will be FREE food, great music, and FREE giveaways. This event is hosted by the University Programming Board. If you need assistance, related to access for this event, please email: [upb@GeorgiaSouthern.edu](mailto:upb@GeorgiaSouthern.edu) at least 2 weeks prior to the event. Contact Information: [UPB@GeorgiaSouthern.edu](mailto:UPB@GeorgiaSouthern.edu)

#### UPB: Movie - Spiderman Homecoming

Friday, November 3rd, 7:00 pm  
Looking for fun on a Friday night? Join the University Programming Board for their biweekly movie series. This event is open to GSU students only, please bring your Eagle IDs. Concessions not provided or permitted at this movie. Please bring your own towel. Bleachers also available for those that do not wish to get in the pool. If you need assistance, related to access for this event, please email: [upb@georgiasouthern.edu](mailto:upb@georgiasouthern.edu) at least 2 weeks prior to the event.

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