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Don’t Wait! It’s time to reapply for 2018/2019 Federal Financial Aid!

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The hybrid class review is used as the basis for the study sessions. 80% of the students attending a study session pass MATH 1111 with at least a C. To register, please call 912-478-5371 or send an email to asc@georgiasouthern.edu. Seating is limited, register early! Anyone not registered will be allowed to stay only if seats are available.

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- Monday, November 28, 4:00-5:00 PM, Ms. Jackie Varnell
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- Tuesday, November 29, 5:45-6:45 PM, Ms. Jackie Varnell
- Wednesday, November 30, 1:30-2:30 PM, Ms. Jackie Varnell

UPB Presents: UnPlugged - Movember Edition
Thursday, November 17th, 6:30 - 8:00 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?

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If you want to add your free listing, contact ads1@georgiasouthern.edu.

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### AMERICAN
- **Bites**
  - 1212 Brampton Ave
- **Cracker Barrel**
  - 216 Henry Blvd
- **Dingus Magee’s**
  - 3 Georgia Ave
- **Fordham’s Farmhouse**
  - 23657 U.S. 80
- **McDonald’s**
  - 810 Archway Dr
- **Subway**
  - 1550 Chandler Rd
- **Wild Wing Cafe**
  - 52 Aspen Heights Dr

### BARBEQUE
- **Bourbon Grill & More**
  - 718 Northside Dr E #10
- **Vandy’s BBQ**
  - 725 Northside Dr, East Suite

### CHINESE
- **Chinese Kitchen**
  - 456 S Main St
- **Panda Express**
  - 101 Brampton Ave

### COFFEE
- **Cool Beanz**
  - 58 East Main St
- **Ellianos**
  - 598 Brannen St
- **Three Tree Coffee**
  - 441 South Main St

### DELI
- **Panera Bread**
  - 810 Backhead Dr
- **McAlister’s Deli**
  - 1100 Brampton Ave
- **Krystal**
  - 244 Henry Blvd
- **Wendy’s**
  - 500 Fair Rd

### FAST FOOD
- **Jimmy John’s**
  - 100 Brampton Ave
- **Steak n Shake**
  - 201 Henry Blvd
- **Wendy’s**
  - 500 Fair Rd
- **Your Pie**
  - 701 Piedmont Loop

### GRILL & PUB
- **Locos Grill & Pub**
  - 91 Briarwood Ln

### ITALIAN
- **Olive Garden**
  - 201 Henry Blvd

### JAPANESE
- **Tokyo**
  - 100 Brampton Ave

### MEXICAN
- **Barberitos**
  - 1100 Brampton Ave
- **El Jalapeno**
  - 711 S Main St
- **El Riconcito**
  - 2 College Plaza
- **Moe’s**
  - 608 Brannen St

### PIZZA
- **Little Italy**
  - 450 S Main St
- **Mellow Mushroom**
  - 1098 Bermuda Rd
- **Picos**
  - 609-9 Brannen St
- **Stoner’s Pizza Joint**
  - 1076 GA-67
- **Your Pie**
  - 701 Piedmont Loop

### SEAFOOD
- **The Boiling Shrimp**
  - 12218 US-101

### SOUL FOOD
- **Sisters of the New South**
  - 721 S Main St

### SUB SHOPS
- **Jersey Mikes**
  - 721 S Main St

### SWEETS & TREATS
- **Bruster’s**
  - 995 Lovett Rd
- **Daylight Donuts**
  - 455 S Main St
- **Pita**
  - 17 College Plaza
- **Pita Pit**
  - 609 Brannen St

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If you guessed the Eagle Motorsports’ UTV, you guessed right!

**CHRISTOPHER STOKES**
On Sunday, I received a push notification from AP news. “At Least 20 dead in Sutherland Springs shooting.” Sadly, I felt nothing. I felt nothing because this is something that I, and presumably all of you reading this, have become accustomed to.

We have reached a point as a society that mass shootings are just another Tuesday. As Americans, we pride ourselves on and strive to be the first to innovate and the best once we get there. Why is this ideology stopping at gun control legislation?

The only big, divisive factor between the U.S. and other developed and wealthy countries. In fact, spending on mental health is similar to those of other developed and wealthy countries around the world experience numbers of mass shootings that are not even a fraction of 10 countries,” a New York Times article said.

While the argument that Americans have the right to own guns is valid, it needs to be more controlled. It’s true, if someone wants a gun they will get one no matter what the law says, but why should be systematically make it easy for them to evade background checks with things like the Gun show loophole?

“MORE GUN OWNERSHIP CORRESPONDS WITH MORE GUN MURDERS ACROSS VIRTUALLY EVERY AXIS: AMONG DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, AMONG AMERICAN STATES, AMONG AMERICAN TOWNS AND CITIES AND WHEN CONTROLLING FOR CRIME RATES.”

MAX FISHER and JOSH KELLER Reporters for The New York Times

We know from example led by other countries like Australia that tighter gun control laws lead to less death. Between 1987 and 1996, Australia had 4 mass shootings. After that, stricter gun control legislation was passed and they haven’t had a mass shooting since.

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Dear Ashley,

As a result of fake news and large news corporations having agendas, how can journalists expect the public to trust the media?

-L

Dear Ashley,

What is the key to success?

-L

Dear L,

I’m guessing you’re interested in one day becoming a journalist. It seems like you’re worried about your future success as a journalist due to the selfish mistakes of so called “trusted” news outlets. Don’t so much worry about how other journalists will gain the trust of their audience, but focus more on how YOU will gain their trust. The field of journalism is already a very competitive career field, so use this misconception of fake news as a clutch to help build your own name. So the better question is how can you expect the public to trust you as a journalist? Facts! Deliver facts on top of facts and never sugar coat anything. Be aware that there are potential future employers that will expect you to compromise your honesty in some cases but never fall victim to that. If there’s anything worse than jeopardizing your job it’s jeopardizing your reputation. Let me know if this helps!

-Ashley

An Octoeron
URGES VIEWERS TO QUESTION RACE

BY EMMA SMITH
The Georgia-Anne Staff

With their latest upcoming production, the Georgia Southern Theater and Performance department encourages their audience to question race through entertaining metaphors and politically-insensitive language.

“An Octoeron,” directed by theater professor Nicholas Newell, will open at the Blackbox Theatre at the Georgia Southern Center for Art & Theatre on Wednesday, Nov. 8 at 7:30 p.m.

AN OCTOERON

“An Octoeron” is a melodrama written by playwright Branden Jacobs-Jenkins and premiered in 2014. It is a post-modern adaptation of a play under the same name, written by playwright Dion Boucicault and premiered in 1859.

The play takes place in nineteenth-century Louisiana and plays on several deconstructed ideas of race. It is five acts long, beginning with a prologue.

“An Octoeron” is basically a play within a play. Tyair Blackman, sophomore theater major, plays the protagonist BJJ, a black playwright named after Jacob-Jenkins. BJJ also portrays George, the hero of the story and MClosky, the antagonist.

In the story, BJJ wants to direct Boucicault’s play, but faces some difficulties when the white actors quit. He then decides to improvise and play the characters himself.

Blackman says although he is a little nervous for opening night, he is excited to see how the audience reacts to the play.

“I’m a pretty awkward person so that plays into some of the nervousness, but I’m really excited to see the audience’s reaction to the play. ‘A lot of it is a tad tricky, like certain props, and they’ve been working hard on it since mid-August,” Newell said. “They’ve been doing great, not only as performers, but also as students and colleagues.”

In order to fully grasp the underlying theme of the play, Newell says you have to come out and see it.

“An Octoeron” will run through Wednesday, Nov. 15. All shows begin at 7:30 p.m. with a matinee performance on Sunday, Nov. 12 at 2 p.m. There will be no show on Monday, Nov. 13.

The show contains adult themes and language and is not recommended for children. Student and youth tickets are $6 and faculty, staff and community tickets are $12. You can call the Box Office at (912) 478-5379 to make reservations.

NEWELL’S THOUGHTS

Newell says the original version of “An Octoeron” has been mostly forgotten about, mainly because of the show’s themes, which included white actors portraying black characters using blackface.

“What Jacobs-Jenkins has done with this is sort of turn it all on his head,” Newell said. “He’s had the experience of trying to adapt this melodrama and a lot of white actors dropped out because they didn’t feel comfortable doing it.”

Newell also says that for a simple play, “An Octoeron” has a lot of technical details which the cast and crew have handled well.

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-Ashley

Dear Ashley,

What is the key to success?

-L

Dear L,

I am not a fortune teller nor am I DJ Khaled. However, I will tell you that if you want to be somebody and you want to go somewhere, your better wake up and pay attention. In simpler terms, you’re in school so you’ve already made a big step to being successful, not to say schooling is the key to success, but it more depends on what you define as being successful. Dedication could be a major key, determination, self discipline or a combination of all three characteristics. I hope this helps!

-Ashley

Dear Ashley,

As a result of fake news and large news corporations having agendas, how can journalists expect the public to trust the media?
MONEY AND MANAGEMENT DISPUTES
EL JALAPEÑO INVESTORS INVOLED IN ONGOING LAWSUIT

BY JULIA FECHTER
The George-Anne staff

Local restaurant El Jalapeño is now under new management due to an ongoing lawsuit between the three co-owners, according to documents filed with Bulloch County’s superior court. Original co-owners Rolando Ramirez, Oscar Canales and Luis H. Gomez started El Jalapeño, located at 711 South Main St., on July 1, 2013.

However, Ramirez and Canales filed a civil suit against Gomez on June 21, 2017 alleging the following claims:

• Mismanagement of the restaurant’s assets
• Taking the majority of all the business’ profits
• Fraudulently converting assets for personal use
• Preventing other co-owners from accessing the business’ financial records
• Failing to compensate other co-owners for initial investment and subsequent work

Ramirez and Canales, who helped Gomez start El Jalapeño, filed a civil suit against him on June 21, 2017. They alleged in the lawsuit that he mismanaged the restaurant’s assets, took the majority or all of its profits, fraudulently converted assets for his personal use and prevented them from accessing the business’ financial records and failed to adequately compensate them for their initial investment and further work at the business. Gomez filed a counterclaim on July 25 against Canales and Ramirez where he denied their allegations.

The most recent document, an Oct. 30 order, revealed that Michelle Wilson, general manager at El Jalapeño, was appointed as the interim receiver of the restaurant. Doug Collins, CPA (certified public accountant) was appointed to be the advisor to Wilson. As advisor, Collins has authority to account for El Jalapeño’s books, records, method of operation, bank accounts and business operation, as well as wind down the business or liquidate its assets.

He also has the authority to remove or replace Wilson as the receiver at his discretion without the need for the court’s permission.

Wilson, as receiver, has sole authority over the restaurant’s operations, including but not limited to: management of equipment, monies, permits, licenses, contracts, documents relevant to the restaurant’s operations, employee records, computers and their files, keys, cards and access codes.

Ramirez and Canales requested in the initial civil filing that a receiver be appointed to manage the business’ affairs because they believed there was a “manifest danger of loss, deterioration and diminution of funds on deposit, the business enterprise and investments made by the plaintiffs.”

The Initial Lawsuit
El Jalapeño, also referred to as Boro Mexican Foods LLC, was formed “on or about” July 12, 2013. Gomez’s attorney, Charles C. Black, established the business by filing for a business license with the Georgia Secretary of State’s office in 2013. Neither Gomez, Ramirez or Canales are listed on that particular filing, according to a transcript of a hearing held on July 31, 2017.

Though there is a Secretary of State filing where Gomez indicated that he himself was the organizer, there is not an operating agreement between Gomez, Ramirez and Canales.

Before that date, Gomez and Ramirez had had a previous business relationship with each other, as they had previously operated a restaurant together in Americus, Georgia before starting El Jalapeño.

Gomez, Ramirez and Canales made an initial verbal agreement that Ramirez and Gomez would each own 40 percent of the company, while Canales would maintain a 20 percent stake in the company. This agreement was to be maintained at all times.

Ramirez deposited $30,000 into a Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. account for the business on July 16, 2013. He later deposited an additional $9,500 into the account on Sept. 16, 2013.

Likewise, Canales put $20,000 into the account to help with final renovations to El Jalapeno’s leased building. However, Gomez never contributed his portion to the restaurant’s start-up costs, according to the lawsuit.

After Ramirez and Canales had made their initial investments, the lawsuit states that they worked full-time in the business’ daily operations. Gomez was tasked with handling El Jalapeño’s financial accounting, deposit of receipts, filing tax returns and payment of sales, payroll and income taxes.

Around June 1, the lawsuit states that Gomez was said to have threatened to have Ramirez and Canales arrested if the two did not leave the premises El Jalapeño.

It then alleges that Gomez denied the two access to the business property and the business’ accounts. The suit elaborates that they believe Gomez assumed control of the company due to their limited English language and skills.

It also alleges that Gomez used funds which would have been used “as disbursements to all members of the Company” for purposes other than valid business expenses, such as household and personal expenses.

Ramirez’s and Canales’ lawsuit against Gomez requests several
El Jalapeño, under interim receiver of Michelle Wilson is continuing to stay barred them from the premises of the business. The Statesboro Police Department detailed two incidents that occurred in June and August 2017. The first incident was a burglary with forced entry that occurred at El Jalapeño on June 28.

Cesar Augusto Milla Alvarado, an employee of the business, reported the burglary at 9:53 a.m., whereby police responded to the restaurant’s premises. An unidentified person broke through a window and stole $1,200 cash, in the form of coins, from the restaurant’s office. That case was turned over to the Criminal Investigation Division of the SPD, but it was listed as inactive as of Aug. 4. The second incident happened on Aug. 24, when police responded to assist the Statesboro Fire Department with an alarm call.

El Jalapeño was only in the discovery process. That report noted that a 2005 Ford Escape belonging to Tracie Lyn Ramirez was seen at the restaurant. Police then made contact with the vehicle nearby at #1 Azalea Drive. The report stated that the car was “possibly involved in Arson and Burglary at El Jalapeño”. Two other people were mentioned in the report’s additional name list. Their names were restricted, but their ages were listed as 37 and 47-years-old.

Ramirez could not be reached for comment. Ramirez and Canales opened their own restaurant, El Rancho Grande, located at 3000 Northside Dr W, in July of 2017. That case was turned over to the Criminal Investigation Division of the SPD, but it was listed as inactive as of Aug. 4.

The police arrived at El Jalapeño around 8:50 a.m. Gomez and Steven Levi Morris were listed as others involved in the incident. Two separate documents from the Statesboro Police Department detailed two incidents that occurred in June and August 2017. Police expressed concern that a possible arson had occurred.

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Matthew Enfinger contributed to this report.
ELECTION DAY

JONATHAN MCCOLLAR BECOMES STATESBORO MAYOR

BY JOZSEF PAPP
The George-Anne Staff

Candidate Jonathan McCollar has won the Statesboro mayoral race, defeating incumbent Jan Moore and candidate John Grotheer.

McCollar received 1,076 votes or 52.98 percent of total votes, while Moore received 847 votes and Grotheer receiving 104 votes. There were 4 write-in votes.

There were a total of 2031 votes in this mayoral race.

BACKGROUND

McCollar becomes the first African-American mayor in Statesboro history. McCollar attended and graduated from Statesboro High School in 1992 and received his bachelor's degree in history from Georgia Southern University.

This is the second time McCollar has run for mayor after losing in a runoff election that Moore won by only 93 votes.
Eagles travel to Boone Thursday for
Second Straight Rivalry Game

BY THOMAS JILK
The Georgia Southern Staff

The Georgia Southern football team will face a quick turnaround this week as they prepare to face Appalachian State in Boone, N.C. on Thursday night at 7:30 p.m.

The game will be broadcast nationally on ESPN and the 0-8 Eagles will take on the 5-4 Mountaineers, who are second place in the Sun Belt. Last season, App State won 34-10 in another Thursday matchup.

STILL SEARCHING

Interim GS head coach Chad Lunsford made no excuses after Saturday’s loss to Georgia State. He said his team needs to learn “how to win” and specifically how to finish games in which they hold a lead.

“Ball security, ball security, ball security,” Lunsford said on Saturday when asked how his team could better finish a game.

He was referring to the costly fumbles by experienced players like junior running back Wesley Fields and senior slotback Myles Campbell that resulted in points for Georgia State.

He said ball security is a “constant thing that we continue to work on” and "why that didn’t show up today, I don’t know.”

GETTING DEFENSIVE

The Eagles’ defense was vastly and obviously improved on Saturday as they limited big plays allowed over the top. Notably, GS managed four sacks and consistently put pressure on the quarterback, something that has not happened much this season.

However, GS did allow big passing plays at key times, a habit that will need to stop at App State if the Eagles have a chance to pull off the upset.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

For App State, junior running back Jalin Moore has been wearing down defenses all season. He’s run for 563 yards and averaged five yards per carry so far.

Senior quarterback Taylor Lamb has been the picture of consistency throughout his career, topping a 60 percent completion rate this season for the fourth year in a row. He’s tossed 19 touchdowns and just four interceptions.

App State inside linebacker Eric Boggs has had three ten tackle games this season, and he is likely to get drafted into the NFL in 2018.

For GS, quarterback Shai Werts seemed to make strides in the passing game against Georgia State. He was 22-of-28 for 147 yards and a touchdown, and his accuracy was clearly on point.

He’ll need another big day on Thursday not only passing, but leading the rushing attack and making good decisions in the option game.

The GS defense is finally mostly healthy, and junior safety Josh Moon and sophomore corner Monquavion Brinson are ball hawks that have game-changing turnover-creating ability.

Senior linebacker Chris DeLaRosa will come into his final game against App State second on the team in tackles, looking for revenge and ultimately to help his team earn a win.

“I’ve been looking forward to App State because that was the game I got hurt in last year,” DeLaRosa said on Saturday.

He got his second interception of the year on Saturday and returned it for 15 yards. He has been the anchor on defense for GS all season long, beginning with a forced fumble that led to the Eagles’ only touchdown in opening week against Auburn.
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