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## "Creek on the Blue Mile" project PAGE 4-5

Downtown Statesboro looks forward to a multi-million dollar project to beautify the existing Blue Mile

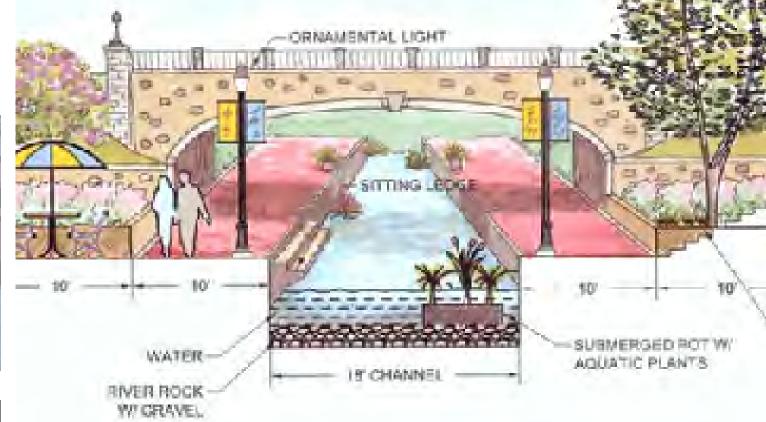


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KICKING BASS PAGE 7

Tyler Bass kicks the gamewinning field goal to win the Camellia Bowl



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# Campus Life

# \_\_EVENTS\_\_\_ Around Campus

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## STUDENT EMPLYMENT JOB FAIR

This event provides students a place to meet and discuss employment opportunities with on-campus departments.

Thursday, Jan. 17 at 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Russell Union Ballroom

## JAN DROP/ADD ENDS18 SPRING SEMESTER

## **POSTER SALE!**

The poster sale is back for the spring smester. You can find posters of any kind to decorate your spring dorm.

Tuesday, Jan. 22 at 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tech Corner Training Room

## SPRING 2019 'BORO BROWSE

The 'Boro Browse gives campus departments, Statesboro area businesses and non-profit agencies an opportunity to visit campus and share information about their goods and services with Georgia Southern students, staff and faculty.

Wednesday, Jan. 23 at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Russell Union Rotunda & Commons

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## Kayla Dunn, Dylan Chapman and Zora

Want you and your pet to be featured next time? Post your photo on Twitter with the name of your pet and a little bit about you (name, year, and major). Make sure you include #petsboro and tag @SeenAtSouthern!

## CAMPUS LIFE }

## **@SeenAtSouthern**

Our photographers went out on campus and snapped some photos depicting life at Georgia Southern. Come back every week or follow our Twitter, @SeenAtSouthern, to see if you have been spotted!

> ISIS MAYFIELD/staff There is a new art display at the Center of Art & Theatre by Lily Kuonen! Her work, Playntings, is a combination of both paintings and plays! Her art will be on view until February 8! Check it out!









GAME WINNING SHOT by Quan Jackson (@Qjacks13) Congrats on your 100th win Coach!

We asked The George-Anne Reflector followers which movie or TV show they were most excited about and these were the results.

PLAYNTINGS

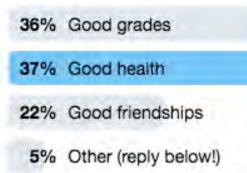
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## What do you want to accomplish in 2019?









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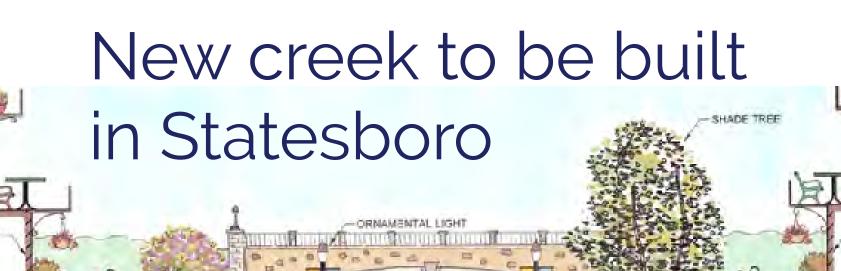


#### Up is Down

Comic by Chase Taylor

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# Features @GeorgeAnneFeats



#### **BY COY KIRKLAND**

The George-Anne staff

BUILDING

The Blue Mile Committee announced in Dec. 2018 the "Creek on the Blue Mile" project, a development plan for a lake reservoir, creek and linear park in Statesboro.

The project will also include an entertainment zone and possibly bring new developmental interest to Statesboro.

Keely Fennell, co-chair of the Blue Mile Project, said the new project would allow up to 75 acres in the county to shed flood waters.

The heavy rain water that would flood around the area would instead flow into a designated reservoir that is built for the storm water surge.

With a central water source located near the Blue Mile, the area would be free from the effects of flood water build up and would be open for new commercial development.

WATER

RIVER ROCK W/GRAVEL

#### Inspiration

Keely reached out to Andy Burns, one of the developers for the Market District construction project.

After asking Burns to meet and come up with some ideas, Burns referenced a project that was used to create Carroll Creek in Frederick, Maryland.

Carroll Creek was created in order to help control the adverse effects that the city's 100-year flood plain had on their community much like Statesboro.

Today, more than \$150 million in private investing is underway or planned in new construction, infill development or historic renovation along the park according to the City of Frederick's website.

Burns plans to use the drainage ditch that runs under

South Main and use the concept of Carroll Creek's success as the projects main prototype.

IF CHANNEL

#### Practicality

Currently the committee has spent the last 12 to 14 months in the financial and planning stages of the construction process. The Blue Mile Foundation paid for a feasibility study that would consider the physical and environmental concerns relating to wetland mitigation and permitting requirements to modify Little Lotts Creek, constructing a regional detention pond, solving potential utility conflicts, modifying roadway crossings and addressing flood plain issues.

The "Creek on the Blue Mile" project has many potential obstacles such as the project corridor crossing main roads including South College Street, Norfolk Southern Railroad, South Main Street, Fair Road and Zetterower Avenue, according to the feasibility study. The project also requires property acquisition and may have potential utility concerns.

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AQUATIC PLANTS

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Despite these difficulties, the project could yield even greater opportunities and benefits according the study. The developmental land that will be reclaimed will allow an influx of businesses, investors and recreational development to help connect historic downtown Statesboro to Georgia Southern University.

#### Sources of Revenue

The process to get the project running began when Fennell and Darron Burnette became partner co-chairs of The Blue Mile Project, which started in 2012. In the process of achieving this goal, Fennell and Burnette decided on entering in a competition called America's Best Community. The contest was built around the city's ability to show the potential for community revitalization impact while also leveraging the individual communities resources, talents and other assets to achieve progress within the 11-month period. By demonstrating those qualities of Statesboro, the Blue Mile committee was able to secure \$1 million of funding for the project.

SITTING WALL

PLANTER

"We get back to Statesboro with \$1 million and we think how can we make a difference on a Blue Mile with a million dollars," Fennell said. "Now, \$1 million seems like a lot of money but in really it's not that much money." Fennell said.

The Blue Mile Committee then made a request for any help that Governor Nathan Deal could give and ended up gaining a gift of \$5.5 million to build a park and reservoir.

BUILDING



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Fennell and Burns said they were both very grateful when Governor Deal also agreed to give a low interest loan to the city of 2 percent or less for 30 years for a balance of \$15 million which could be used along with designated storm water funds and for the rest of the "Creek" and The Blue Mile.

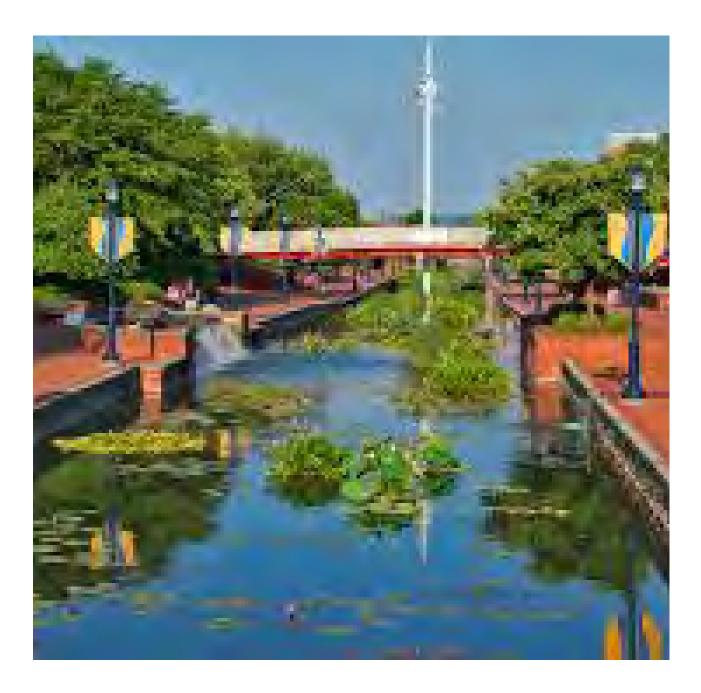
"So all of a sudden we have a loophole of money that we are grateful for the governor's office for and now we have a creek in progress," Fennell said.

The funding for the linear parks will come from the money made from the purchase from creek front lots to business owners, investors and residential developers. Andy Burns said that this is possible due to the premium pricing that comes with creek front property.

In addition, the "Creek on the Blue Mile" project will come to no cost of the local taxpayers and increase the tax base by \$100 million in the planned area development. Mayor Jonathan McCollar said the project will bring in an additional 750 jobs to the area.

McCollar said the main way that the Blue Mile Project will affect students of Georgia Southern will be the improvements on the quality of life.

"It's gonna benefit the community as



a whole," McCollar said.

McCollar also said that the project is as geared towards students as it is to the entire Statesboro population. McCollar and Fennell both said that one of the main missions of the Blue Mile Project is to bring in outside interest and tourism to Statesboro.

"I hope it becomes a destination where people from Savannah want to get away from the hustle and bustle of city life and come spend their money and tax dollars here in Statesboro," Keely said.

The project is still in its planning and engineering phase and will likely not start construction until 2020.

# DINIONS

# THE GEORGE-ANNE LETTER FROM THE EDITOR **Returning to changes**



#### **MATTHEW ENFINGER** Matthew is a senior writing and linguistics major from Hephzibah, Georgia

Dear faculty, staff and students,

I'd like to wish you a warm welcome back to the Georgia Southern University Statesboro campus. As we return back to campus, we return to changes.

For the second time in program history we are bowl champions thanks to Chad Lunsford and company at the Raycom Media Camellia Bowl, a new Engineering and Research Building is being constructed at the corner of Akins Blvd. and Forest Drive and Kyle Marrero, the current sitting president at University of West Georgia, may become GS' 14th president.

Another thing that's changed is that you're here. Not the you from last semester but the new you starting out this semester. Whether you're returning back to GS or you transferred from somewhere else, the spring 2019 semester at GS is yours to win.

While many things have and will change this semester, there is one thing that will remain the same, The George-Anne's hard work and dedication to you, our readers.

This semester we look forward to carrying The George-Anne legacy that has been held here at GS since 1927. We look forward to reporting and writing about the topics and issues that face you. We look forward to working with our other divisions such as The George-Anne Reflector Magazine and The George-Anne Studio.

Most importantly, we look forward to building a community with you.

Thank you for your readership and if you have a news tip or a story that needs to be told feel free to email me at gaeditor@georgiasouthern.edu.

Sincerely,

Matthew Enfinger The George-Anne Editor-in-Chief

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## From 2-10 to 10-3 in just one season



RYAN KOSTENSKY Ryan is a senior journalism major from Brookhaven, Georgia

Few fans of the Georgia Southern Eagles saw this turnaround coming, but supported their team from beginning to end. Fresh off the 9-4 season in 2015, where GS won the GoDaddy Bowl for their first bowl victory in program history, Tyson Summers, the then Colorado State defensive coordinator, was tasked with the job of replacing Willie Fritz who left to take the Tulane job. But this isn't about the aforementioned Summers, who would go 5-13 and lose his job after just 18 games, but about his successor and current GS head coach, Chad Lunsford. Lunsford had the support from the very first press conference when he riled up Eagle Nation, telling them

to show up because his team was about to show out, and Coach wasn't wrong. After starting the 2017 campaign 0-6, Lunsford was able to go 2-4 the rest of the way, including a 52-0 drubbing of South Alabama on Senior Day.

So how was Coach Lunsford able to turn around the sinking ship in just one season? The best answer I can give for that is the culture change. Under Summers there was very little visible culture, and the team was stagnant from the start. Lunsford would go back to the "blue-collar" mentality that the Eagles thrived with under legendary coach Erk Russell, introducing ideas such as W.I.N. (What's Important Now) and firing up not only his team but all of the True Blue Nation with his signature elbow drop on a folding chair after each victory GS notched. But the culture change in Statesboro wasn't the only noticeable difference from one season to the next. With the help of a more developed and disciplined offense and defense, Lunsford and the boys showed they were out for revenge on the field as well. The GS offense set a FBS record for fewest turnovers in a season with just five, all of which were lost fumbles, which meant that redshirt-sophomore quarterback Shai Werts was the

only quarterback in the nation to not record an interception in his 13 games of play.

In addition to the record, the Eagle offense led the nation with a +22 turnover margin, which was six better than the second place team.

Coach Lunsford gave Eagle Nation things they had never seen before in 2018, starting with the 34-14 beat down of then No. 25 App State on national TV, the team's first victory over a ranked team in the FBS.

He also beat rival Georgia State for the first time since the first game of the series in 2013, but the pinnacle of the season came Dec. 15 in Montgomery, Alabama, where a Tyler Bass game-winning 40-yard field goal gave the program their first 10-win season in the FBS, as well as their second bowl victory, a 23-21 score over Eastern Michigan.

The 2019 season is far away, but will be a daunting challenge, with one of the toughest schedules the Eagles have ever put together, but if anyone can get the job done, it'll be Coach Chad Lunsford and the rest of his coaching staff.



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## Sports aGeorgeAnneSports

The last second, game-winning play

BLAKE KESSLER/staff Redshirt-junior Tyler Bass made 19 of 21 field goals on the 2018 season, tying the school record.

#### BY KAITLIN SELLS The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern held a lead over Eastern Michigan for most of their bowl game but with 3:33 left on the clock, EMU scored a touchdown to take a one-point lead over GSleaving the Eagles with work to do.

With determination and refusal to give up, GS drove the ball and redshirt-sophomore quarterback Shai Werts made an unbelievable fourth and ten drive where he picked up 29 yards to put the Eagles in field goal range.

With three seconds left on the clock and down by one point, Head Coach Chad Lunsford called a timeout to regroup and to prepare redshirt-junior kicker Tyler Bass and the rest of the kicking team to help the Eagles claim the win in the

2018 Raycom Media Camellia Bowl.

"I had complete confidence [in Bass]," Lunsford said. "He's a clutch guy and I have big time confidence in our field goal teamwe call it our money team. They did a great job protecting, the snapper did a great job of snapping the ball, we got a great hold and a great kick. I had no doubt we would make that field goal."

Bass and the rest of the field goal team stepped up and set up for the 40-yard kick, the ball was snapped and Bass claimed his 19th made field goal for the season as well as the win for the Eagles.

"I thought they were going to ice me because on my fifty-yarderbefore the half they iced me-so I was sitting back there thinking 'oh they might ice me' but once Magill, our holder, gave me the look, I gave him the nod- I knew it was a go," Bass said. "Before the kick I just focused on one thing I just focused on kicking the ball straight, right to my aiming point."

The biggest celebration from Eagle Nation followed, led by Bass taking off in a victorious sprint immediately after kicking the ball, before the ball even passed through the uprights.

"When I kicked it, I took off running before it even went in because I knew it was going to goin," Bass said. "My immediate thought was just nothing. My whole body went numb, just a lot of adrenaline. I just went and celebrated with my teammates because we worked so hard for this, for that win."

The team stormed the field. The fans stormed the field. Bass and Lunsford were both lifted in celebration as the Eagles claimed their second bowl win in school history. From a 2-10 season to a 10-3 season the football team was on cloud nine as their hard work throughout the season finally paid off.

"It's our win," said Bass. "It's not one person who won that game, the whole team won that game."

With that win, Bass and the rest of the Eagles claimed their first 10-win season as an FBS program. Following, Bass was also named to the AP All-Bowl team.

Bass finished the season 19/21 kicking tying the school's all-time records of 10 field goals of 40 or longer and 19 total made field goals. The kicker will return to the field in the 2019 season as he steps up as a senior and looks to make the most of his final season as an Eagle.

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## SPORTS

## Georgia Southern outlasts the Eagles of EMU, winning the Raycom Media Camellia Bowl, 23-21

#### **BY RYAN KOSTENSKY**

The George-Anne staff

In a game that was contested from start to finish, the Georgia Southern defense outplayed Eastern Michigan, leading the Eagles to their second bowl victory in program history with a 23-21 win.

GS shut out EMU in the first half, and limited the Eagles from the north to just seven points in the first half overall, all while the team lead 17-7. EMU simply couldn't move the ball like they wanted to in the first half of play, ending three out of their first four drives punting the ball to the Eagles of the south.

The streak of recording a turnover in 20 straight games was snapped, as both teams were able to play relatively clean football throughout the game. The defense was a present and caused havoc on

EMU when needed the most. EMU was limited to 93 total yards in the first half, and went 1-4 on third down, while GS amassed 230 total yards, going 4-7 on third downs.

After the game, senior defensive end Logan Hunt talked about his mindset on stopping opposing offenses, and how it came to fruition over the course of the game.

"My motto, just for the whole season, is always reset," Hunt said. "Have a short memory, forget plays and just reset and move on to the next one, so that played a big piece in tonight's victory."

Leading by 10 points in the second half, it seemed as if GS was primed to run away with the game, and win their second bowl game in blowout fashion, much like 2015's GoDaddy Bowl where they throttled Bowling Green 58-21.

ideas on the matter. Eastern used just one play, a 75-yard touchdown pass, to silence the GS fan base which had been quite raucous throughout the first half. EMU dominated the third quarter, out-gaining GS 128 to 39, all while only scoring seven points. The story of the third quarter was chunk plays for the MAC opponent, which happened much to the dismay of GS.

One of the Eagle defenders targeted early and often was senior safety, Sean Freeman. After the game, an emotional Freeman talked about how the defense was able to recover from the offensive onslaught EMU tried to bring on them.

"We had to just keep our composure, that's the big thing," Freeman said."We had to keep our composure and just keep playing football, and we did in the second half."

The play of the game for the But EMU had different GS defense came early in the

fourth quarter, but it played a huge factor in the outcome of the game. With EMU in position for what would have been a rather easy field goal, head coach Chris Creighton elected to go for it on fourth and two, but the GS defense stood pat and forced an incomplete pass. The teams wouldn't know it yet, but the field goal could've been all EMU needed to win the game.

GS only trailed for just over three and a half minutes in the entire game, and the defense was a huge factor in that, just as they have been all season. Out of EMU's nine drives in the game, five ended up in punts, while one ended up as a turnover on downs.

GS finishes the season 10-3, the first time ever since the team has been in the FBS, and improve to 2-0 all time in bowl games.

In front of a packed

house, with true blue fans everywhere the eye could see, GS delivered an all-time classic that will be talked about for years to come. Eagle Nation showed up, and Head Coach Lunsford and the boys showed out.

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After the game, Lunsford talked about the legacy that this senior class will leave on the program for years to come.

"You go back to it, and yes they would've wanted to win a Sun Belt Championship," Lunsford said. "They put themselves in position to do that but we couldn't get it done. But they never quit, they never gave up, and now they go down in Georgia Southern history as the first Georgia Southern football team to win 10 games at the FBS level, so I think they've got a strong hold on their history part of Georgia Southern."



## Five takeaways from the Camellia Bowl

**BY BETHANY-GRACE BOWERS** 

The George-Anne staff

After a full fight through the pouring rain, Georgia Southern was a field goal away from winning the Raycom Media Camellia Bowl with only two seconds remaining on the clock. The moment that redshirt-junior kicker, Tyler Bass stepped onto the field to make the kick to make or break the game, the stadium was roaring.

With all that he could, Bass kicked the football 40 vards to clinch the victory with a 23-21 win over the Eastern Michigan Eagles.

a goal that they had set for Although he did not surpass His growth in the program will themselves at the beginning of the season.

The Eagles knew that this season would be tough, coming off of a 2-10 record in 2017, but the team was determined to improve and challenge whatever adversity was thrown their way.

Through the pouring rain with so many fans watching, the Eagles showed audiences everywhere that they would never stop working and that got them a bowl win.

#### WERTS' RUNNING GAME

back sophmore running Wesley Kennedy III in gained yards, Werts was the only player with rushing statistics to score a touchdown, two at that.

Werts went the whole season without throwing an interception and made sure that the ball was always in the right hands, and sometimes that meant his own, right into the end zone.

#### **BASS. AKA OLE FAITHFUL**

Bass kicked three field goals

only continue, especially with the mentality that the coaching staff continuously motivates their players to have.

#### **FIRST 10 WIN SEASON IN FBS**

The title really speaks for itself. The GS Eagles had many goals this season. One of them being better each game. There was a different mental focus for each game. Some were referred to as "juice games" or "statement games" but each attack was individual.

This mentality kept

#### **SWAG LIKE CHAD**

There is an elephant in the room and each fan has thought about it at some point. There is a person behind all of this, yes there are a lot of people, but the head of it all has to be patted on the back at some point.

When the coaching change happened after the majority of the 2017 season was over, Eagle Nation was defeated and did not know what this year had in store. A man named Chad Lunsford was chosen as GS' Head Coach and the next

Here are five takeaways from the bowl win:

#### SECOND BOWL APPEARANCE

This was the Eagles' second ever bowl appearance and now the bowl record for the team sits at 2-0. With a win in the GoDaddy Bowl in 2015 and now, with a victory over Eastern Michigan in the Raycom Media Camellia Bowl, the Eagles from Statesboro have a solid bowl record.

The GS Eagles traveled to Montgomery knowing that it would take work to get that tenth win and to attain

Every touchdown scored Saturday night was due to Werts running into the endzone when he knew he had to. Unlike most quarterbacks who aren't always willing to take that risk, Werts saw the opportunity and went after it.

Werts scored in the first quarter with a 26-yard run and Bass came behind him to clinch the extra point. This pattern continued in the second quarter with 3:48 left and Werts rushed five yards for a touchdown, with Bass clinching the extra point yet again.

Werts surpassed each running back in the game when it came to touchdowns.

during Saturday's game and all three secured points toward the Eagle win. Being 3-3 for the game ultimately meant that GS clinched a bowl victory and a perfect record for the night would mean that teammates continued to trust Bass and his kicking game.

With a 50 yard field goal to run the clock down and end the second quarter, Bass was already off to a good start for the night. The GS Eagles went into halftime leading 17-7 and another ball floated between the poles.

To top that off, Bass kicked a field goal to win the game for the team. A perfect ending to his season, this put him at a record of 19-21 overall for kicks.

players' focus in the present tense. They set goals ahead of them, but there was not too much focus placed in the future that the present was neglected.

Each win was its own. That didn't mean that players assumed they would win because they won the week before, but it was back to the drawing board. Always. Every week.

The wins were earned each week, not given, and that is the main reason why this season meant so much to the coaching staff, players and Eagle Nation. The fact that this was a 10 win season made the bowl victory so much more valuable.

season was up in the air.

From the start, Lunsford made players work hard and never take a win for granted. That mentality in the offseason assured that they would have the determination and drive to fight through a season and come out stronger, more accomplished and would restore a sense of pride back to GS.

The coaching staff, along with Lunsford, has taught the players the life skill of working for what you want and then going and getting it. More than just the football team has learned from that this season and GS has changed because of it.

SPORTS ]

## Views from the Camellia Bowl Game



KAITLIN SELLS/staff Sophomore running back Wesley Kennedy III rushed for 107 total yards in the Camellia Bowl against Eastern Michigan.



Raymond Johnson III (92) finished with seven tackles in the win against Eastern Michigan. Logan Hunt (9) finished with two.



Both senior runnng back Wesley Fields and senior line backer Tomarcio Reese were captains for the Camellia Bowl



KAITLIN SELLS/staff Redshirt-sophomore punter Magill Bauerle had 57 punts on the 2018 season.



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Redshirt-sophomore slotback Malik Murray caught a 13-yard pass on a third down conversion attempt in the bowl game against Eastern Michigan.



KAITLIN SELLS/staff

Before the bowl game, Georgia Southern put on a pep rally at the GS fan fest where the band put on a show to hype up Eagle Nation.

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By Myles Mellor

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Last Week's Solution:

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## **Finalist Named for Georgia Southern's** 14th president

## Kyle Marrero named finalist for Georgia Southern's next president

BY MCCLAIN BAXLEY The George-Anne staff

After a five month search, the University System of Georgia named Kyle Marrero, Ph.D., as the finalist for Georgia Southern University's 14th president.

A confidential search began following the resignation of

who is currently the provost and vice president for academic affairs at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

Marrero has served as president of the University of West Georgia since 2013. During his time at UWG,

former president Jaimie Hebert Marrero won the 2015 national award for Innovation and Excellence, in the category of Leadership Development and Diversity, from the American Association of State Colleges and Universities.

"I am thrilled and honored for the opportunity to become

the 14th President of Georgia Southern University," Marrero said in a press release. "I have great admiration for the institution and people of Statesboro, Savannah and Hinesville -their communities, faculty, staff and students—who represent the traditions and

distinctiveness of each of the campuses that define Georgia Southern and look forward to working together to build a unified Eagle Nation."

The Board of Regents will take final action on naming Marrero president at a future board meeting.

## Students react to finalist for next president

## **BY ANTHONY BELINFANTE**

The George-Anne staff

Since Kyle Marrero was announced as a finalist to be the next Georgia Southern University president, students have begun to voice their opinions and hopes for GS.

Former president Jaimie Herbert resigned in May 2018, officially stepping down from his position in June.

On Jan. 9, Marrero was announced as a presidential finalist, after a five-month search.

"[A new president] will represent a new era for Georgia Southern," Jacob Springer, senior mechanical engineering major, said. "I'm just excited to see what will happen and see what new things will be brought to the university."

Marrero is currently the president of the University of West Georgia, and has been since 2013.

"If we had somebody solid that would stay for a while, I think it would be good and we could make more change," Emily Pittman, sophomore English major, said.

No official date has been set in choosing the new president, but students are already optimistic on what a new president could do for GS.

"I'd like to see them incorporate Armstrong well," GS graduate Flynt Lovett said. "I know some students over there are feeling kind of left out. Maybe we could get some stuff done over there for them to feel more welcomed into the Georgia Southern family."



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Kyle Marrero currently serves as the president of the University of West Georgia. During his time at UWG, he improved the university's enrollment, GPA and graduation rates, according to his biography on the university's website.

Getting to know Kyle Marrero, Georgia Southern's finalist for president

#### BY EMMA SMITH AND **BRENDAN WARD**

The George-Anne staff

Members of University of West Georgia shared their thoughts on Marrero possibly leaving and memories of his time at the university.

Judy Butler, president of faculty senate at UWG, said she and Marrero have been close for years and that he was popular among the community.

"He's just good to everybody," Butler said. "He's very accepting of everybody and I've never seen him down, even when he's been sick or something. He always has a smile on his face."

Butler said Marrero has

pushed UWG to be the best it can be during his time as president.

"We have hired, in the last two years, 201 new faculty lines. [Marrero] has pushed that growth," Butler said. "One big thing he's done is nurture the leaders on campus."

Jonny Denny, executive president vice for the UWG's Student Government Association said that Marrero was active in the UWG community and tried to engage with his students.

regularly "He attends as many student events as possible, keeping his presence on campus very inviting and open to students," Denny said. Denny shared some of his

favorite memories of Marrero.

"Some of my favorite experiences have been him judging our 'Spring Cookoff' event between student organizations, his Presidential 5K run he does every year at homecoming and his monthly 'Lead Lunches' where he has lunch with various student leaders on campus and asks them questions on how the university can serve them better," Denny said.

Marrero was also active with SGA and kept them up to date on everything happening on campus, Denny said.

"I have worked with Dr. Marrero for over two years and it has been a pleasure having him as president of our

university. While I am truly saddened by his departure, I know he will be an excellent president at Georgia Southern because he is an outstanding leader," Denny said.

More interesting facts about 

During his time at UWG, he improved the university's enrollment, GPA and graduation rates, according to his biography on the university's website.

He was named one of Georgia Trend's 100 Most Influential Georgians for three straight years.

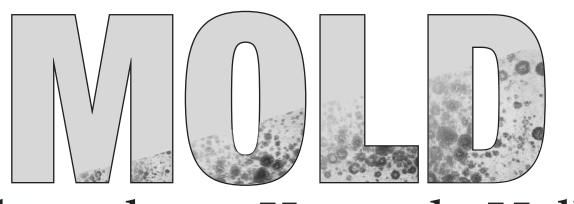
Before serving as UWG's president, Marrero served as vice president for university advancement at the University

of West Florida. He holds bachelor's and master's degrees in vocal performance from Bowling Green State University and a doctor of musical arts degree from the University of Michigan.

He has served as an artistic ambassador for the United States embassies and 40 states as a singer and stage director. His wife Jane Redding Marrero is a nationally acclaimed opera singer. The University System of Georgia will vote on whether or not Marrero will be selected as GS' next president soon. The George-Anne will continue to provide updates as they become available.

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## shuts down Kennedy Hall

#### **BY KYLE CLARK** The George-Anne staff

Kennedy Hall residents were notified on Jan. 9. that they would not be living in their assigned housing this semester due to levels of mold being detected inside.

According to its website, the issue was discovered when University Housing had a second party conduct an examination on the building to prepare for future renovation.

The primary focus of these renovations was to replace the heating ventilation and air conditioning system, according to the website.

be properly handled before the semester began. The final decision to close Kennedy Hall was made on Jan. 7, a day after the mold was discovered.

Students living in Kennedy Hall have been relocated to various on and off-campus housing facilities such as currently empty rooms on campus and apartments such as Axis Student Living. This will come at no additional students and charge to Georgia Southern University staff has been helping students move their belongings to their new accommodations.

"The mold issue in Kennedy

The mold issue could not is a problem but I'm glad they caught it and are providing accommodations for students affected. I'm glad they went the safe route and moved us elsewhere while taking care of it," Cameron Matis, freshman engineering major, said.

Peter Blutreich, executive University director of oversaw Housing, the outreach to displaced students and stressed the vigilance of the housing department in maintenance of all living facilities.

"We track all our work orders and so this was a surprise as far as the issues involving the mold behind the

walls. It's an older building, it really runs and functions rather well, it's just an older building," Blutreich said. "When we saw something we didn't like we had to investigate it."

At this time it is uncertain when Kennedy Hall will open again, although it

will most likely be after the spring semester.

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KYLE CLARK/staff

## Students react to our new governor

#### **BY NATHAN WEAVER** The George-Anne staff

Brian Kemp was officially sworn in as Georgia's governor on Monday. The official proceedings began at 10 a.m., and the official swearing-in took place a few hours later at the McCamish Pavilion at Georgia Tech at 2 p.m.

Kemp's victory in the governor's race came after his Democratic Party challenger Stacey Abrams hinted at contesting the election's results last fall, and even vowed to pursue a federal lawsuit against the state of Georgia.

Kemp won 50.22 percent of the final tally, just barely avoiding a runoff election. Blaine Salter, chairman of Georgia Southern University's College Republicans, shared his thoughts on Kemp's win and official swearing-in.

"I'm confident that Governor Kemp will continue the progress made by former governors Sonny Perdue and Nathan Deal," Salter said. "I'm also very pleased to see that he has named State Representatives Lott, Rogers, Reeves and LaRiccia to serve as his floor leaders in the State

House and State Senators Tillery and Strickland as his floor leaders in the State Senate. I know these great leaders and the other members of the General Assembly will assist our new governor in accomplishing legislation that keeps Georgia moving in the right direction."

Eduardo Delgado, president of GS' Young Democrats, shared his hopes regarding Kemp's governorship.

"One thing he boasted about was that he would bring economic prosperity to Georgia," Delgado said. "I hope he does get that. Another thing is his rural broadband policy, I also hope he does do that."

On the issue of teacher pay, which Kemp pledged to raise during his campaign, Delgado said teachers who put time and effort in are not fairly compensated.

"I'm hoping that he does fund it more," Delgado said. "If he wants to increase teacher pay, he won't have people in the way."

In addition to raising teacher pay and bringing broadband to rural areas of the state,

Kemp's campaign promises include cracking down on street gangs, overhauling sexual harassment policy, enacting restrictions on abortion, expanding gun rights and cutting overall state spending.

Kemp addressed the state on Monday in his inaugural address and first speech as governor, in which he pledged to fight for all Georgians, "not just the ones who voted for me," and doubled down on his promise to fully fund education.

## H7-19 NEWS HAZING, assault and threats A timeline of Kappa Sigma's recent investigation

April 2017 hazing at initiation event

#### BY MATTHEW ENFINGER

The George-Anne staff

Kappa Sigma's Georgia Southern University chapter may face five years of university suspension following reports of the fraternity hazing and assaulting new members at an initiation event in April 2017.

The following is a timeline of the events behind GS' investigation according to reports by Student Conduct Coordinator Richelle Keilholz.

The two names of the students who reported the incident were redacted from the university's report under Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act protections. Members will be referred to as Student One and Student Two.

## APRIL 2017: HAZING AND Assault at initiation event

On the night of April 18, 2017, Student One said that he was blindfolded and taken to an off-campus location called "The Compound."

According to the report, Student One described "Gate Night" as an initiation process by Kappa Sigma where new pledge members were brought to 12 rooms or "gates" by their Big Brothers. During this process, verbal ceremonial messages were read to pledges by members of the Executive Council. At the 12th gate, new members were officially considered initiated.

Student One said at the second gate, he was punched several times by non-executive council members who were intoxicated and was eventually knocked unconscious, according to the report.

Student One shared pictures taken from that night, and although the pictures were not made available to The George-Anne, Keilholz's report describes the pictures as Student One holding a gauze covered in blood.

Student Two reported a similar event that happened to him the same night. According to the report, Student Two said that during his "Gate Night" experience he made it to the seventh gate and was slammed onto the ground.

According to the report, the incident was reported to the chapter's alumni advisor, Brian Dart. Dart said in a later interview with Keilholz that he spoke with Student One about the event at "Gate Night" and was asked by Student One to have the situation handled

#### Fall 2018

student lost fraternity privileges

within the chapter. According to the report Dart said after the event, he met with all the members of the organization and made them swear on the Bible that an incident like this would never happen again.

The incident was not reported to the Department of Fraternity and Sorority Life or the Dean of Students Office at GS, according to the report.

## FALL 2018: ALLEGATIONS AGAINST STUDENT ONE

In fall 2018, the chapter removed Student One's new member access and house privileges due to some concerning behavior taking place inside the chapter, according to the report.

In an interview with Keilholz, Dart said new members mentioned they were being harassed and hazed by Student One. According to the report, Student One allegedly asked new members to buy him groceries, do his homework and steal a car seat from a store.

According to the report, Dart said he was told that Student One was using drugs and failing to attend chapter events.

It is not documented in

November 2018 hazing incedent reported

the report if Dart reported Student One's alleged hazing and harassing actives to the Department of Fraternity and Sorority Life or the Dean of Students Office at GS.

## NOVEMBER 2018: ASSAULT Reported and interim Suspension Issued

Student One expressed concern to his mother about his status within the Kappa Sigma Fraternity and the incident that occurred in April 2017. According to the report, Student One's mother contacted Dart and the fraternity's National Representative Leo Brown to ask about her son's membership status.

According to the report, during these conversations, Student One's mother described the events that took place in April 2017. Upon receiving the information, Brown placed the GS chapter of Kappa Sigma on interim suspension status with the national organization and is pending review in January 2019.

According to the report, Student One's name was released to the chapter as the student who reported the incident to the Kappa Sigma National Headquarters. According to the report Student One said he began receiving death threats and harassing communication from other Kappa Sigma members.

While some messages were sent directly to Student One, others were communicated among other members on Facebook and GroupMe.

#### POSSIBLE COURSES OF Action

Kappa Sigma has the option to accept the recommendation and their cases would be resolved and their sanctions would go into effect.

Kappa Sigma can choose not to accept the recommendations and can move forward with a formal hearing. Once the formal hearing is complete the sanctions are reviewed by the decision approver.

It is currently unclear which course of action Kappa Sigma has taken.

During a period of Organizational Suspension, Kappa Sigma may continue to occupy or hold property, but may not seek or add members, hold or sponsor events or attend any events that are social in nature according to pg. 57 in the GS Student Code. of Conduct.

## Investigative reports describe videos of alleged hazing in Delta Tau Delta

#### BY MATTHEW ENFINGER

The George-Anne staff

A concerned individual called the Dean of Students Office on Nov. 7 and said they received three videos with footage of alleged hazing in the Georgia Southern University chapter of Delta Tau Delta.

The three videos were emailed to the Dean of Student office, who identified GS students and new members of Delta Tau Delta in the video, according to says "What the fuck don't you understand about that?" as the unnamed student rises to his knees, according to the reports.

The camera zooms back into the unnamed student's face showing dirt, mud and grass over the front of his face and shirt while a male off camera tells him "keep your hands behind your back and put your face in the fucking dirt," according to the report.

The unnamed student then falls forward into the dirt from his knees with his hands behind his back, according to the report. Several men off camera can be heard laughing at the unnamed student lying on the ground, making fun of him saying, "Why would you do that you fucking dumbass?" mouth and tells him to "Swallow that shit." The student was then forced to roll over other recruits with his hands behind his back.

The contents of the gallon jug were not detailed in the report.

## VIDEO 3: LAYING ON A Concrete Floor

A student can be seen lying on a concrete floor where there appear to be five to seven men standing around him and others on the ground, according to the man off camera can be heard yelling, "Hey, get his back up, put that shit back up." The video ends with the man off camera screaming, "Let's go, lets go."

According to the report, there were several other students in the video that could potentially be identified by individuals associated with Delta Tau Delta.

## NEW MEMBERS DENY EVERYTHING

The Office of Fraternity and

members that I would be asking specific questions during the interviews," Mast said in the report. "However, the videos submitted to the Office of Student Conduct show that the answers given by the new members are not honest."

#### POSSIBLE COURSES OF Action

Delta Tau Delta have the option to accept the recommendation and their

records requested from GS by The George-Anne.

The videos were not made available to The George-Anne, however the following are descriptions of the alleged hazing according to an investigative report by William Mast, coordinator of student conduct.

## **VIDEO 1: FACE IN THE DIRT**

According to the report, an unnamed student can be seen lying on the ground, face first, in a white shirt that says "strike one" on the back.

One to three men off camera can be heard yelling, "Get back up", "Get back up you bitch" and "Keep your hands behind your back." Another man off camera

## VIDEO 2: FORCED TO DRINK Yellow/green Chunky Substance

A student appears to by lying in a field with the camera close to his face. According to the report, an individual off camera can be heard saying "I heard you pissed your pants last night" and proceeds to pour a yellow/ green chunky substance out of a gallon jug into the student's report.

A man off-camera screams at the student on the ground, "Hey, keep moving, keep fucking moving" and then kicks him in the head while the student is lying on the ground, according to the report. Others cheer him

on. The camera then pans up the student who has a dark or red substance on his head, according to the report. The student can be heard repeating something quietly. The man off-camera screams "huh" repeatedly as if to get the student to speak up. The camera then pans over

to the student at the 23-second mark being forced to stand, or potentially complete a wall sit, with a weight above his head. According to the report, the Sorority Life provided the Office of Student Conduct with the names of all new members of Delta Tau Delta for the fall 2018 semester. According to the report, new members were asked questions regarding allegations against the Delta Tau Delta Epsilon Omega chapter at GS and specific questions aimed at the evidence the Office of Student Conduct received. According to the report, all new members stated that they

According to the report, all new members stated that they were never asked or forced to drink alcohol or any other substance, required to complete calisthenic workouts, lay face first on the ground, were never given specific clothing items to wear or hold a weight over their head.

"I explained to the new

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TUESDAY 13 SOLD Workshop: What They Don't Tell You About Conflict Resolution Tiffany Davis, Office of Student Conduct 5:30 pm | Williams Center Multipurpose Room







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SOLD Workshop: Leading With Professionalism: Interpersonal Skills, Judgement, & Ethical **Decision Making** Danielle Smith, Experiential Learning & Student Engagement

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