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Georgia Southern baseball takes part in fight against childhood cancer

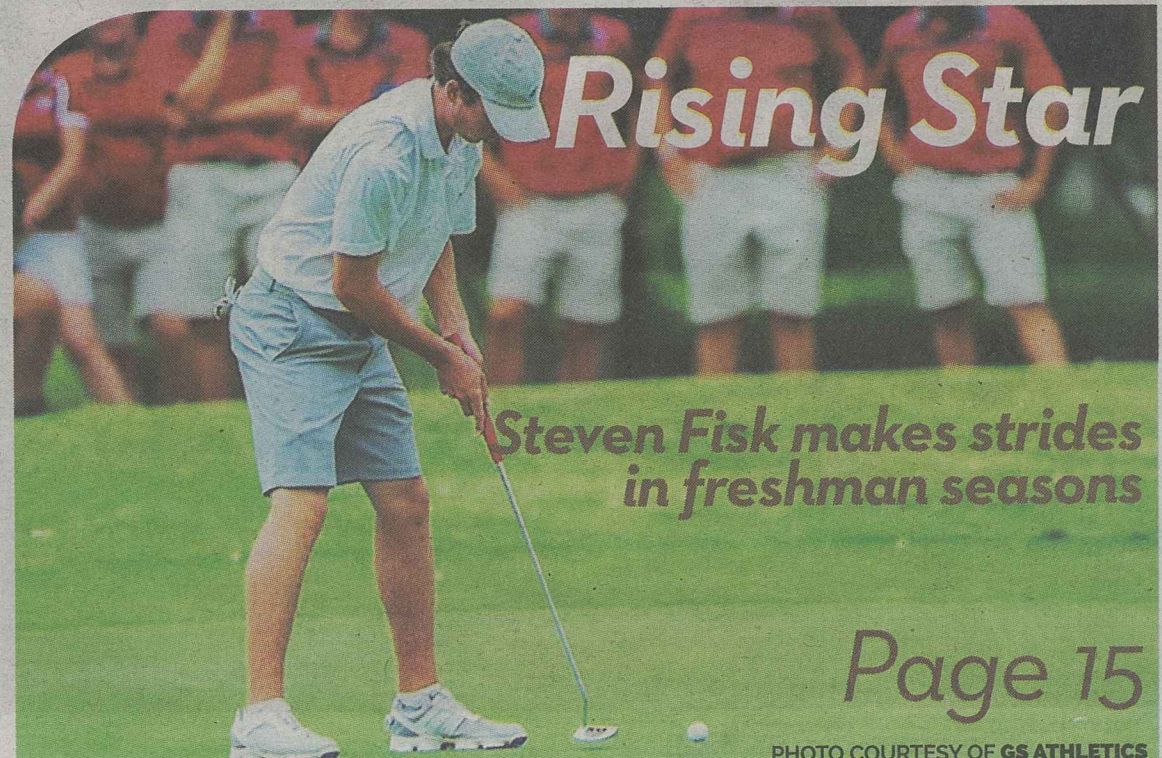
Paws for a Cause



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GSU hosts canine friendly fundraiser

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Rising Star

Steven Fisk makes strides in freshman seasons

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Tuesday



High: 72°
Low: 43°

Wednesday



High: 73°
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Thursday



High: 77°
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Friday



High: 72°
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Temperatures are peaking at 80 degrees, with a chance of storms in the middle of the week. Just remember to wear those rain boots for the lakes that will form on the sidewalks.

Weather Bar

TYBEE CITY OFFICIALS LOOK TO BAN ALCOHOL IN APRIL

By Gabe Thomas

The Savannah Morning News is reporting that Tybee Island officials are looking to ban open-air consumption of alcohol, including parking lots, sidewalks, walkways, parks or beaches, for the month of April.



Tybee police chief, Bob Bryson said the amendment to the city's current alcohol ordinance is aimed at limiting the consumption of alcohol at the annual Orange Crush, an unofficial event organized by college students on social media that takes place each year on the beach at Tybee.

According to social media, the event will take place the weekend of April 15 and April 16 and possibly again the following weekend.

Bryson told the Savannah Morning News that the proposal is not aimed to punish people that are drinking but act responsibly because police will not be patrolling the beach to see who has a drink in their hand.

"People will still be drinking and drinking on the beach- we get it," Bryson said. "It's just the open air, throwing it back. We try to tout ourselves as a family beach."

According to WJCL news, Tybee officials have been preparing for the event for a while. The city is bringing police officers from out of town to help with patrolling and also using volunteers to help take reports and set up barricades.

All this is in response to last year's event where 45 people were arrested and one person was shot.

GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF BUSINESS IS EXPANDING



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By Brea Dupye

The Georgia Southern University's College of Business plans to update and expand the current building with "Building A Legacy."

The current building has not had any major changes since the first time it was built over 20 years ago in 1995. The College of Business has 3,600 students currently enrolled, as opposed to the previous number of about 2,000 at the start.

Along with renovations to the building, they plan to add a financial learning lab and an atrium. Aside from being a place for students to study the financial side of business, the lab will be a venue for events, meetings, competitions, and guest lecturers with the most up to date technology.

In order to remain competitive with the other business colleges across the nation, the college has to invest \$10 million into the building.

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by Cheryl Nuzum

Do Children of Divorce Love Differently?



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Children of divorce want to know that love exists. Maybe it's not everything the love stories and the fairy tales promised, but it's something even better. It's something worth it, something to prove that what our parents took a chance on was worth ultimately failing at. Why chase something when the risk is so high if the reward means nothing? The idea of opening ourselves up to somebody - secrets, fears, thoughts, hopes, dreams - is scary for everyone. The thought of it after you've seen two people who were so open they fell in love, built a life together, then tore it down is even scarier.

SPORTS SHORTS

-Men's Tennis beat The Citadel on Saturday, 7-0.

-Women's Tennis won both of their games this weekend; on Saturday, they beat UL Monroe (4-2) and on Sunday, they beat Savannah State (7-0).

-The baseball team lost all three games against Texas State this weekend; on Saturday, they lost twice (3-4 and 3-7) and on Sunday, it was a lost at 3-4.

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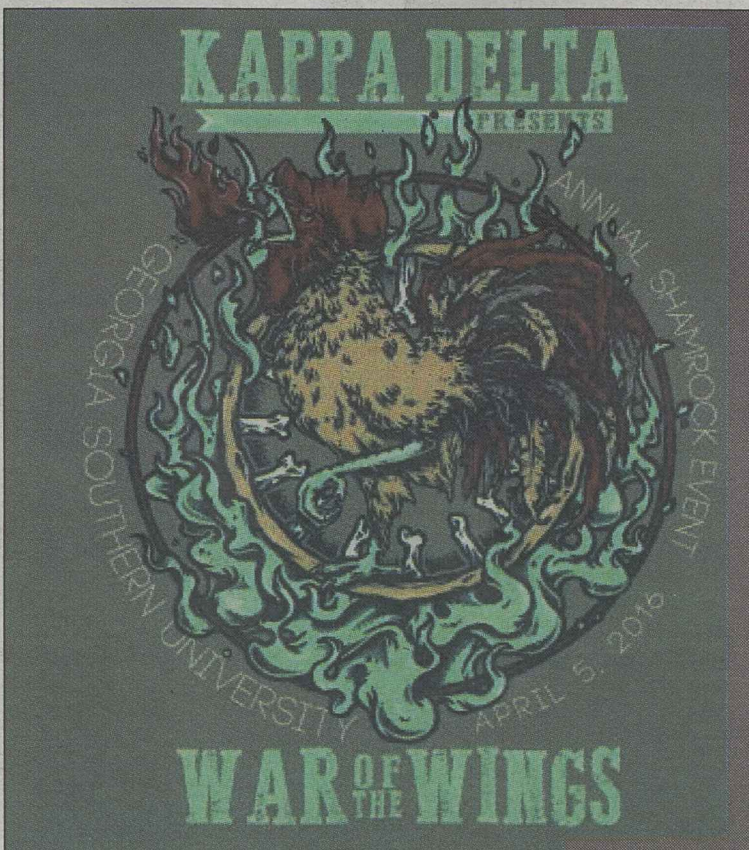
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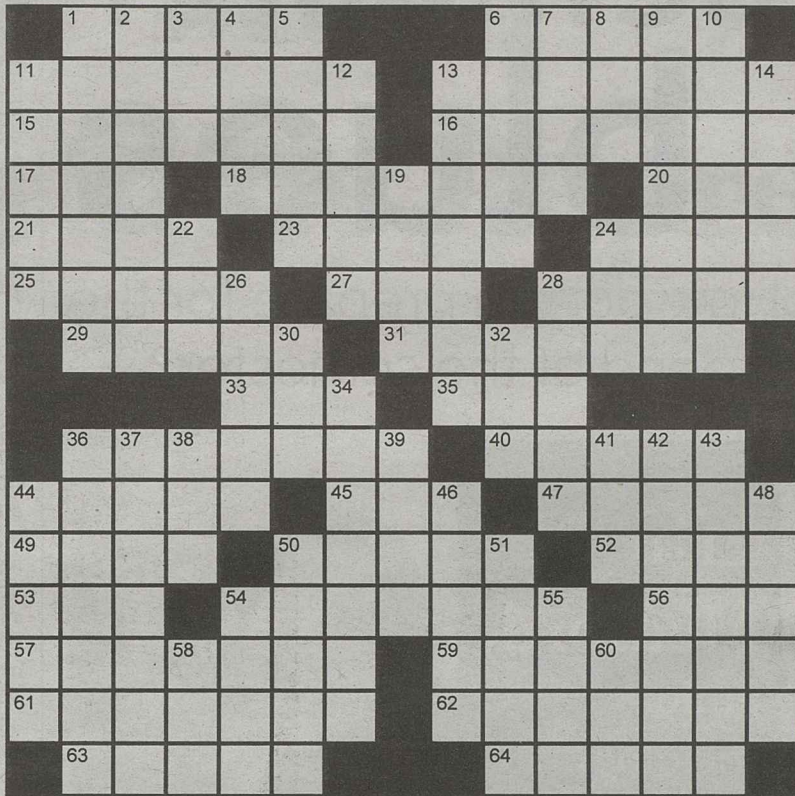
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The George-Anne 4/5/16 Crossword

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- 31 Loser
- 33 Thai river
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- 40 Brewer's need
- 44 Antique shop item
- 45 Summer shade
- 47 French tourist destination
- 49 Chisholm Trail town
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- 52 Challenge for a barber
- 53 Captain's journal
- 54 Unwraps
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- 61 Discombobulates



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- 62 Greek god who served Poseidon
- 63 Aire or Aare, e.g.
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- 46 Civil rights org.
- 48 Prophets
- 50 Old slot machine part
- 51 "The Nutcracker" lead
- 54 Angry reaction
- 55 Urban haze
- 58 Ford Explorer, e.g.
- 60 Bake sale org.

Down

- 1 Beaming
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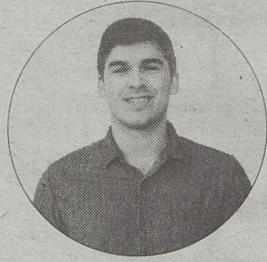


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End of the semester blues



SKYLER BLACK

Black is a senior writing and linguistics major from Warner Robins, Ga.

As we make our way toward the tail end of the semester, students at Georgia Southern have to deal with increased work loads, tougher assignments and final projects. With the last full month of the semester, the normal reaction is to go into overdrive and move into the library. Other students respond by curling up into a ball and giving up with a bowl of ice cream at their feet. Either way, the end of the semester is a stressful time for students and professors.

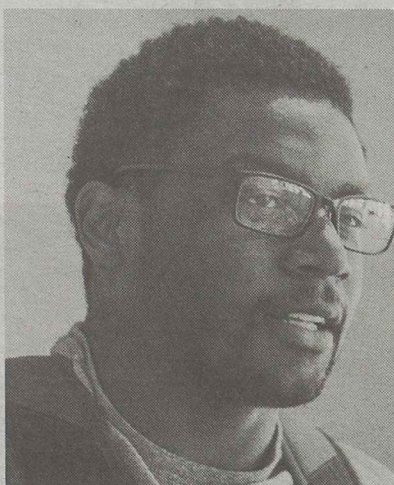
Professors have this annoying habit of putting all of the work for every class due on the same week. They even have the gall to give it a specific name. I mean what kind of a name is "finals week?" My response to the inevitable spiral down is to deny that anything is happening and act as if the end of the semester is a figment of my imagination. It works pretty well when you have been acting that way throughout the entire school semester. If you live your college career as if it's always syllabus week, then there's nothing that'll ruin your days.

In all seriousness though,

the end of the semester is a stressful time and dealing with the workload and time management is a tough balance for all students. According to Jodi Caldwell, Ph.D., the Counseling Center sees a spike in students making appointments for anxiety and depression during the weeks prior to finals week. The ability to find a way to cope with the stress is just as important as preparing for your classes. While studying is important, ensuring that you are healthy should always be a greater focus for you.

While the end of the semester passes, I tend to find myself creating new ways to study and working at all hours of the night. Handling the final weeks of class has never been my strong suit. But as I progress through my years here at college, I find new tips and tricks from my professors and friends. A large amount of students tend to isolate themselves from other people while working which creates an even more stressful environment. Retreating into yourself makes it harder to get work done and puts strain on your well-being. To go along with that, partnering up is a fantastic way to get more work done in an efficient manner. Quizzing yourself before a test is a powerful way to prepare and having another person quiz you helps even more.

As each assignment's difficulty grows through the weeks of April, students need to find a new way to approach the workload that is laid out in front of them. This week, we talked to students on campus about how they prepared for the end of the semester.



Lorenzo Bryson,
junior political science major

"I try not to panic too much and try to stay on top of all my studies. I try to get there in the morning, sleep in the evening time and wake up early in the morning to study some more."

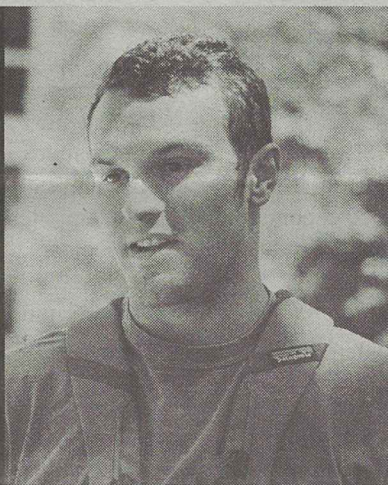
How do you prepare for the end of the semester?

Erin Medford,
junior sociology major



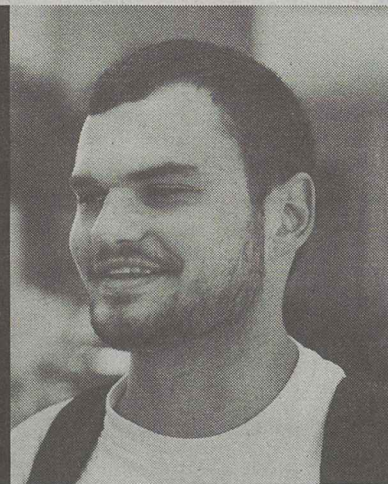
"I go to Dingus and pretend like I don't have responsibilities."

Austin Meaut,
sophomore construction management major



"Basically, I guess going back to class because you haven't really been going all semester. So you just buckle down, go to class, do your work and get on top of your grades because you only got about five more weeks left."

Blake Davlin,
sophomore business management major



"I normally study really hard and return my textbooks. But really I just take a lot of Adderall and load up on caffeine and stay up all night long. That's pretty much all I do for finals and stuff."

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James "Major" Woodall runs for State Representative

BY CHYNA JAMES

The George-Anne contributor

Five year veteran of the United States Army reserve and state president for the Georgia Youth and College Division of the NAACP, senior political science major James "Major" Woodall, is embarking on a new journey: State Representative of District 160.

"I'm young, I'm full of life, energy, enthusiasm and vibrancy. The fact that I'm bringing a different perspective being a veteran, a student, an activist, and a social justice warrior separates me," Woodall said.

Major sums up his platform with three E's: economics, educational reform, and environmental justice.

With regards to education, he focuses on issues like the campus carry bill, increases in Hope and Pell scholarships and bringing more resources to students at GSU and other similar institutions.

"I believe we should make our campuses more safe and efficient. As someone who represents not only myself but also other people, I became an opposer of the campus carry bill," Woodall said. "I'm a veteran and I believe we should have guns but if people I'm representing tell me they don't want something, then I'm going to make sure they don't have to deal with that situation."

For the economic standpoint, Woodall believes we should expand what's already here and make resources available to citizens. He believes that healthcare is a right and not a privilege, and does not support the Religious Freedom Restoration Act.

"I do not endorse or support any act that discriminates

against any population in this community," Woodall said.

The environment is important to Woodall and he stresses the fact that we don't need to be in same positions as Flint, Michigan and Macon, Georgia.

"I think we should invest in the green market. Georgia Southern has done a wonderful job with creating a sustainable environment and we need more of that in our community," Woodall said.

Dean of students, Dean Jackson, is very pleased to see Woodall doing great things as a student on campus.

"I'm very proud of him taking initiative and taking action about what he wants to see change, Jackson said. "To see him putting his studies in action is exactly the result we expect of students.

Multimedia journalism major, senior Kaitlyn Glenn, is very supportive of her fellow peer trying to achieve this goal at such a young age.

"I think it's unique to have such a young person to represent this type of town," Glenn said. "I think it'll be good for this community to have such a different perspective,"

Elections for State Representative will be Nov 8. This is just the beginning for Major, who is looking forward to standing up for the community, with or without becoming state representative.

"I have a will and I have a heart to serve," Woodall said, "And that trumps experience any day,"

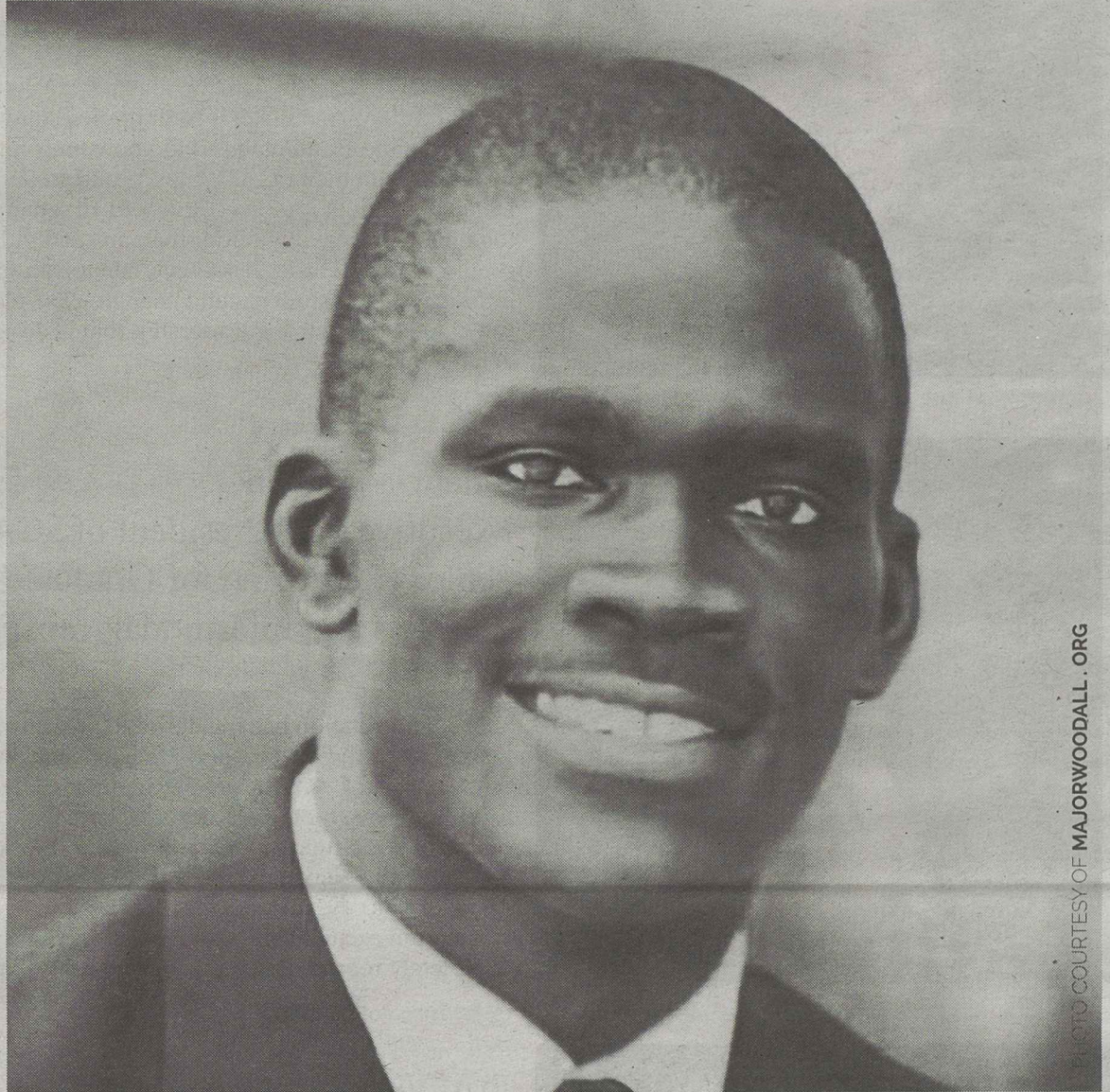


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James "Major" Woodall is the Democratic candidate for the Georgia House of Representatives in District 160. Woodall will run against incumbent Republican, Jan Tankersley, in the November elections.

“I'm young, I'm full of life, energy, enthusiasm and vibrancy.”

JAMES "MAJOR" WOODALL
senior, political science major

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Meet the 2016-2017 SGA candidates

John Warren Ticket



Dylan John
 President of SGA
 Senior (Returning for Graduate school)
 Construction management / Applied engineering

The John-Warren ticket is built upon a solid foundation of being externally professional and internally approachable. Students need to know their representatives and be able to enjoy ownership and shared governance in their SGA. We are proud to say that the energy and drive behind our campaign is not the isolated vision of four executive and 10 senatorial candidates. But, instead a collection of student voices that together are speaking louder than any individual on the John-Warren ticket, a ticket that is engaging and representative. Through surveys, conversations at The Rotunda and a simple hand shake or high-five, we are interacting with students and changing the playing field of SGA. A student government that our students can count on for strong leadership that is designed to Empower and Engage the Eagles. Hail Southern!



Valencia Warren
 Executive Vice President of SGA
 Senior (Returning for Graduate School)
 Logistics and intermodal transportation Major

The Eagle Nation has the desire to not only be heard, but to be acknowledged and understood. The time has come for the student body to take back ownership of their rights and desires on this campus. Simon Sinek once said, "When people are financially invested, they want a return. When people are emotionally invested, they want to contribute." I am truly emotionally invested into the students of this great institution. I recognize the unique ideas, backgrounds and dynamics of each individual and I am committed to engaging and elevating the Eagle Nation and the Student Government Association. Take ownership and get your voice heard through meaningful engagement, inspiration and elevation through the John-Warren ticket. I am excited about the new energy and dynamic that will come from such a diverse team that is completely representative of ALL voices on this campus.



Erin Vilella
 Vice President of Auxiliary Affairs
 Junior
 Early childhood education and special education, ESOL certification

As a senator in the Student Government Association (SGA), I have grown to love and appreciate the capacity we have as student leaders. Working toward our goals and passing legislation has motivated me to do more for our strong, hard-working and busy student body. As we work out issues and concerns of my fellow students, my priority is to keep them involved in the process of creating solutions. From attending meetings to starting grassroots projects, I will engage and empower students by giving them an opportunity to invest in their own ideas and initiatives. As VP of Auxiliary Services, I vow to value students' input as an asset to SGA and Georgia Southern rather than a customer.



Bryan Sandbach
 Vice President of Finance
 Sophomore
 Civil engineering

Not many of you know much about Student Government and what we do. We want you to know that we are all here for you. I am running for an executive position because I want to fix this problem with you as my focus. It is our responsibility to ensure that the students of Georgia Southern know who SGA is, what we offer and how to reach us so that we can help you excel through your academic career. I will ensure that the needs of the students and organizations will be met financially, in an effective and efficient manner, to secure the wonderful college life that GSU offers!

Spence-Wedincamp Ticket



Errol Spence
President of SGA
1st Year Graduate
MPH, health policy
and management

I am running to be the President of our student body, because over my five years of service in the Student Government Association, I have gained the experience needed to efficiently move the organization forward and best advocate for the interests of the student body. As President of SGA, I think that one of the strengths required for the position is to understand the nuances of diplomacy. Much of the position requires understanding what stakeholders are involved in order to get our goals accomplished. Through my experiences in Model United Nations, five years of service in SGA and Congressional internships, I have had hands on application of the skills needed to accomplish goals in a variety of settings. I tirelessly chase perfection, and take care to see to it that the work produced by our organization is substantive and meaningful.

As the leader of the organization, one of my main goals is to ensure that every member is actively engaged. SGA should consist of a dynamic group of students who are continually working to encourage thoughtful exchange of concerns and ideas from each other as well as the student body, and eager to find viable solutions. One of my major accomplishments, as Vice President of Academic Affairs this year, has been facilitating the passage of the University Attendance Policy for University Sponsored Activities. It was in no way easy, but through commitment and hard work, we were able to get it done for you! I look forward to serving you one more time!



Michael Wedincamp
Executive Vice-President of SGA
1st Year Graduate
Public administration

My name is Michael Wedincamp and I am running for Executive Vice President of SGA. Serving as a senator this year has been a lot of fun and a lot of hard work. Getting to know all of the senators, executive board members and of course you, the students, was an experience of a lifetime. I look forward to doing it all over again next year, but I cannot do it without your help.

I have always been passionate about advocating for students' needs. My participation on the executive boards of many student organizations will allow me to better serve you. I understand how to work with administrative bodies in order to accomplish substantive initiatives. While serving as a student government vice president I was able to work with fellow representatives to build a better

campus environment. I have organized student political debates, campus entertainment activities and community outreach efforts. This type of experience matters. As the Executive Vice President my goal is to work closely with each of the colleges' senators. It is important for the SGA Senate to be a unified body and when this occurs, there is nothing that can stop the student voice. Student led organizations on campus should have more of a voice. The foundations have been laid out in a recent constitutional amendment for this to occur, but I would like to see it come to full fruition. I cannot wait to put my experience and passion for advocacy to work for you. There is no goal unattainable when we work together.



Josh Archer
Vice-President of Auxiliary Affairs of SGA
Senior
Computer science

Hey everyone, my name is Josh Archer and I am running for Vice President of Auxiliary Affairs. I am a senior majoring in computer science. I have served as a Senator and as Chair of the College of Engineering and Information Technology during my time past two years as member of Student Government. During my roles I have pushed to improve the WiFi on campus. I fought for vLab and more software for it so that we can spend less time traveling to campus and in return saving us time for our assignments. I have pushed to improve the freshmen

experience by improving the mediums we pass information to them.

If I am elected, I will focus on improving the efficiency of admittance to sporting events and increasing effectiveness of concession lines. My other goal is to research ways to make meal plans more affordable and flexible for all students. It is my hope that all of you will elect me as your Vice President of Auxiliary Affairs so I can continue serving the Student Body.



Cooper Largent
Vice-President of Finance (2nd Term)
Junior
Information Technology

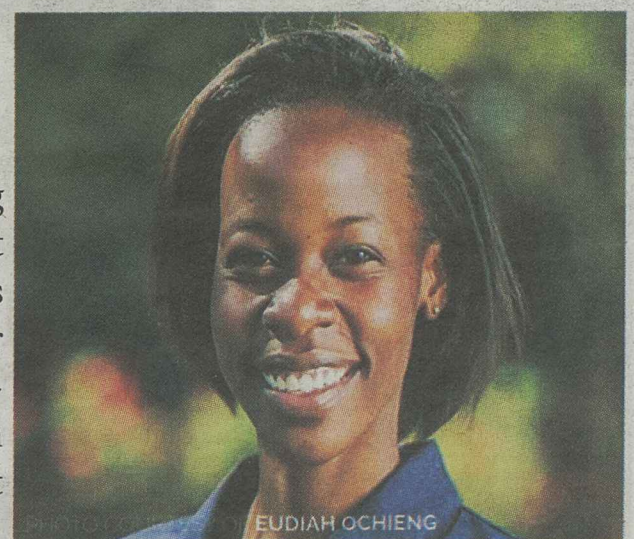
My name is Cooper Largent and I am a junior information technology major. If I am re-elected as your Vice President of Finance, I will continue to pursue my goal of improving the fund request process. This will ensure that students receive the funding that they need in an efficient and timely manner.

No ticket affiliation

The Student Government Association strives to advocate for the students, to ensure that their voices are being heard. Through our organization, we wish to inform the student body of our purpose and mission as well as how we can aid in their time here at Georgia Southern. One aspect that we all share as Eagles is that we, first and foremost, are students. Responsibilities for SGA are to assist in the academic experience and to identify

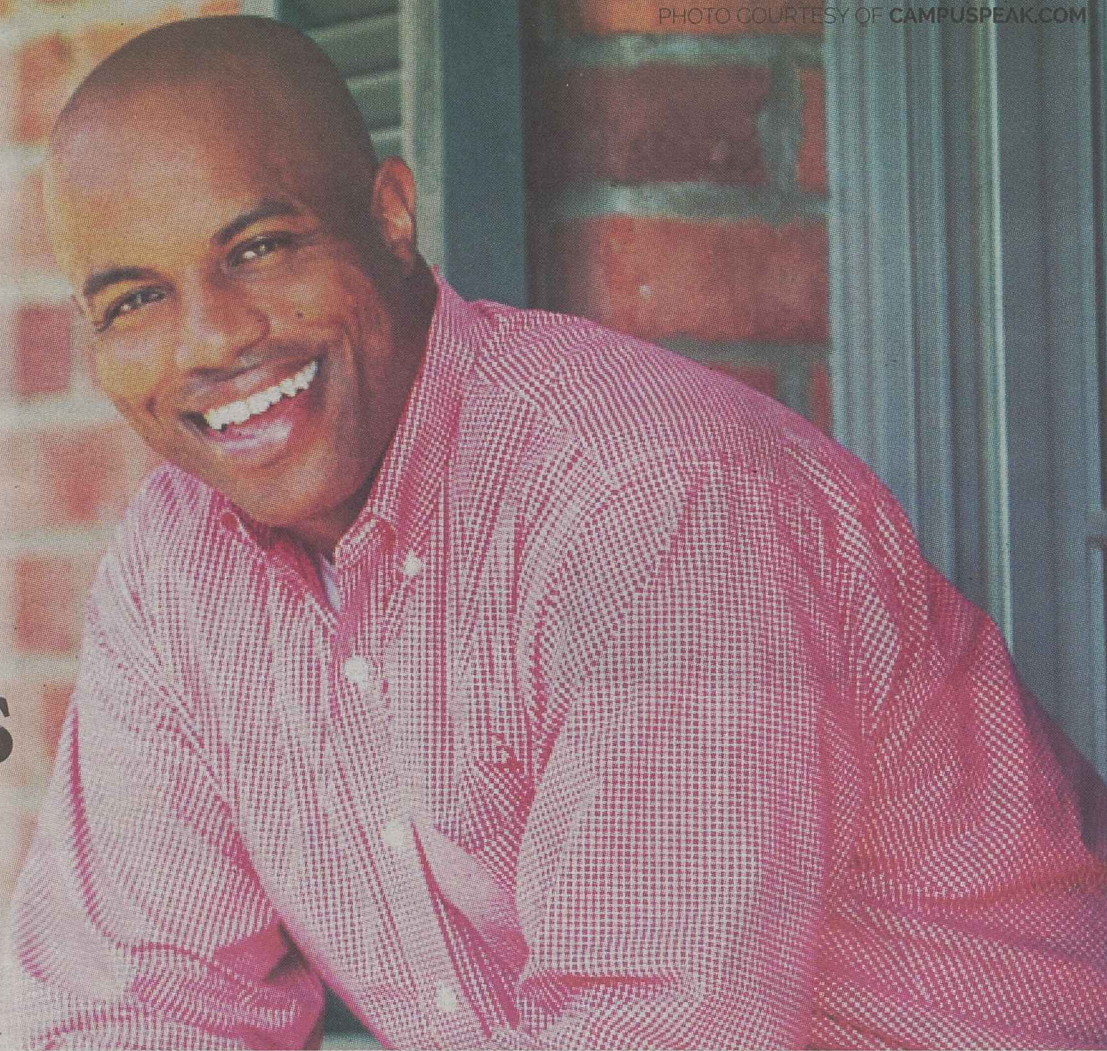
current academic issues. If elected as Vice President of Academic Affairs, I will actively seek to hear student voices for academic concerns and provide input into established programs including the new attendance policy, SOAR in 4 and the Quality Enhancement Plan: Effective Writing. I aim to serve the students and together we can improve the Georgia Southern University academic experience.

Eudiah Ochieng
Vice-President of Academics
Junior
Biology, Pre-Physician Assistant



GSU hosts inaugural Diversity, Inclusion and Fairness conference

BY TANDRA SMITH AND ERIN MCGUINESS
The George-Anne staff and contributor



Justin Jones-Fosu has spoken three times at GSU, most recently last year. His opening keynote speech will focus on everyday diversity.

The inaugural Diversity, Inclusion and Fairness (D.I.F) Conference, hosted by the Georgia Southern University Multicultural Student Center, will be held Saturday April 9, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Russell Union. The theme for this year's conference is "Embrace the Elephant".

Talia Myrick, graduate assistant for the Multicultural Student Center, says that the D.I.F Conference uses the "Embrace the Elephant" metaphor to represent the issues on our campus that need to be talked about and that everyone is aware of, but students may be

too afraid to talk about.

"People are afraid to talk so it's the big elephant in the room. We're all just sitting here but we all know there's an elephant that we need to talk about and discuss and we all have an opinion about the elephant so that's why it is called 'Embrace the Elephant,'" Myrick said.

Tori Alexander, junior international studies major, likes the theme of the conference.

"I actually really like the theme of 'The Elephant in the Room.' The title and subjects discussed gives this issue a lighter feel and will make students more open and willing to come," Alexander

said.

Beginning at 8 a.m. on April 9, attendees will check in and have breakfast before hearing Justin Jones-Fosu, an award winning entrepreneur and author, give the opening keynote speech titled, "Hug an Elephant, Kiss a Giraffe: Redefining Diversity in Everyday Life."

"He is our opening keynote for a reason - he is going to wake people up. He has so much energy and is so passionate," Dorsey Baldwin, director of the Multicultural Student Center, said.

Jones-Fosu says he is not trying to give individuals who

listen to him speak a whole bunch of facts and statistics. Instead, he is trying to help them recreate their own mindsets, challenge what others are saying and determine how they impact and influence their own friends and other groups.

"I want them to be inspired to transform. Real diversity is when we can disagree but respect each other," Jones-Fosu said.

After the opening keynote, attendees get to choose between two sessions dealing with topics ranging from identity, prejudice, privilege and boundaries before having a "courageous confrontation lunch" where student leaders will facilitate a discussion based on four hot button topics.

Chris Linder, assistant professor in the Department of Counseling and Human Development Services at the University of Georgia, will finish out the conference.

"Linder's research interest is

all about social activism so we're hoping she will wrap up the day and give students something to think about to make an impact on this community or whatever community they're involved in," Baldwin said.

The conference idea is appealing to many students and will allow them to understand and react to different situations.

"[Conferences] are effective because they're in your face about it. Once I hear it, I'll be able to respond to issues more effectively," Cleve Kellogg, junior sports management major, said.

Tickets are available for purchase in person in Russell Union room 2070 in cash until Tuesday, April 5 at 5 p.m. It is \$10 for GSU students, \$15 for non-GSU students, \$20 for faculty/staff and \$12 per person when buying for a group of 10 or more. The price includes breakfast, lunch, access to all sessions and a conference souvenir.

D.I.F Conference Schedule

8 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - Check-in/Breakfast

8:35 a.m. - 10 a.m. - Opening Keynote with Justin Jones-Fosu

10:10 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. - Concurrent Session 1

11:20 a.m. - 12:25 p.m. - Concurrent Session 2

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. - Courageous Conversation Lunch

1:45 p.m. - 2:50 p.m. - Concurrent Session 3

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Closing Keynote with Dr. Chris Linder

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Bark for Life

A good time and a good cause

Bark for Life, a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society, will be a day full of activities for dogs and their owners. Caricatures, as shown above, will be available for \$25 and are just one of the many activities taking place that day.

BY ASHLEE GILLEY
The George-Anne staff

An American Cancer Society fundraising event, Bark for Life, is an event open to the public and their canine companions. Georgia Southern students, Kaitlin Moore and Amie Evans, are planning the event together this year as interns for the health charity.

"Bark for Life is a community event, [made] fun for dogs, to raise money for the American Cancer Society and the Statesboro Relay for Life," Amie Evans, senior health education and promotion major, said.

Activities such as live music, games and contests for the dogs will take place throughout the day. Contest winners for the softest fur, most unique name, longest tail and more will be awarded prizes such as dog toys and treats.

Kaitlin Moore, senior health education and promotions major, said owners will have a chance to have a caricature drawn with their dogs as well as take photos together with props in the Instagram photo booth. These photos may even end up posting to the Bark for Life Instagram page.

Student organizations

and local vendors such as Bruster's, will be selling homemade goods and popular snacks like ice cream sundaes for both the dogs and their owners. Along with the activities and vendors, Statesboro's therapy dogs will be offering their services to anyone who needs them, and the Humane Society of Statesboro and Bulloch County will have several dogs available for adoption.

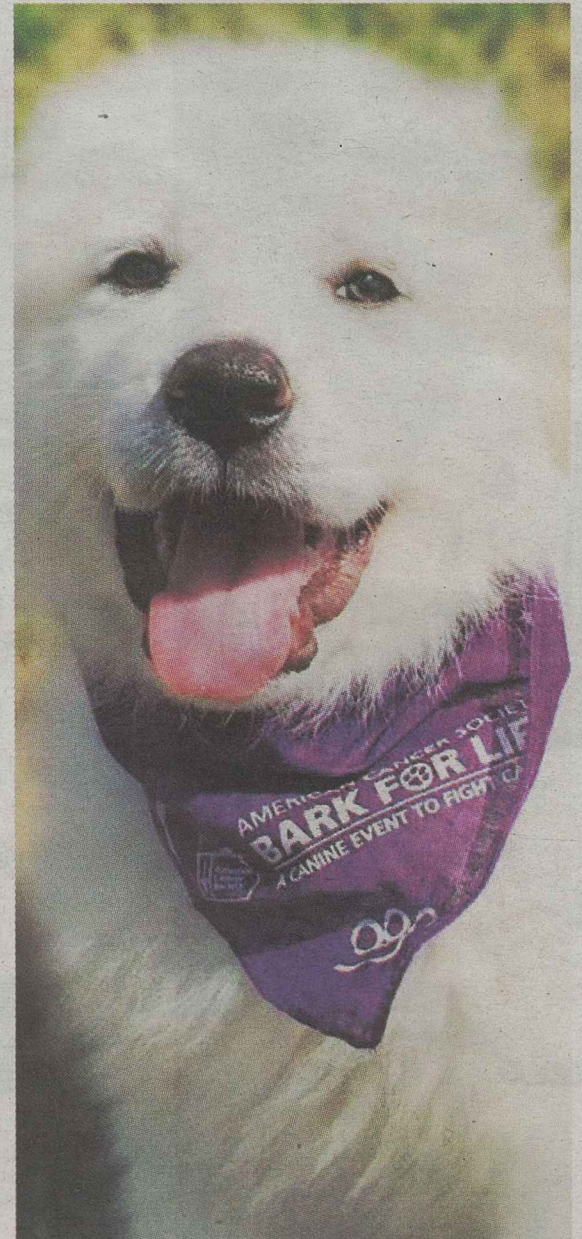
"It is always fun when you can take your best friend with you and help raise money for such a worthy cause," Carole Smith, secretary for the Humane Society of Statesboro, said.

Bark for Life will be held on April 16 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the RAC concert stage. Admission is free for humans and \$10 per dog. All dogs participating will be given an exclusive purple Bark for Life bandana. T-shirts for human attendees will be available as well.

For more information on the event, visit the Bark for Life of Statesboro Facebook page. Moore said, "Come out to Bark for life and have a 'fur-riffic' time. It puts the fun in fundraiser."



The Humane Society of Statesboro will bring several adoptable dogs to the event.



Every dog will receive an exclusive Bark for Life bandana. T-shirts will also be for sale.

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Meg Made It

LEMON CAPER TILAPIA

BY MEG ELWOOD
The George-Anne staff

While it's not the prettiest of dishes, this recipe is great for fish lovers on a budget. Most whitefish, such as tilapia, can have a very bland flavor, sometimes almost tasteless. While pan frying can be messy, the light, golden crunch created by the cornstarch batter is a delicate flavor enhancer. Of course, the main flavor is in the lemon caper sauce. A nice citrus tang complimented by a bitter, pickled flavor of the capers becomes a perfect compliment to any bland fish.

Preparing the fish:

- 2-4 whitefish fillets (such as tilapia), deboned
- 1/4 cup cornstarch
- Salt and Pepper, to taste
- 1/2 tsp paprika
- 1/2 tsp garlic powder
- Vegetable oil, for a shallow fry

Step 1:

Combine dry ingredients into a shallow dish and mix. Flip each fillet in the mixture, so it covers both sides evenly. Tap to remove excess batter.

Step 2:

In a cast iron skillet or pan, pour vegetable oil to cover the entire bottom, the depth depends on the pan. The more oil and the hotter the stove, the greater a chance for a big oily mess. Begin on medium-low heat.

Step 3:

When the oil is heated, it will seem to be moving in the pan. Add the battered fish slowly into the pan. Cook on each side for 2-3 minutes until golden brown and crispy. If a fillet begins to flake in the pan or is stiff, it's cooked and ready to be transferred to a plate. Be sure to place a paper towel on the plate to soak up the excess oil.

Step 4:

Serve by placing fillet on a plate and drizzle with the warm sauce.

Lemon Caper Sauce:

- 2 lemons, zest and juice
- 1 garlic clove, minced
- 2 tbsp unsalted butter
- 3 tbsp capers, drained

Step 1:

In a small sauce pan or pot, melt the butter and add garlic. Cook until fragrant, approximately 2 minutes.

Step 2:

Zest lemon before cutting in half to juice. Add zest, juice and drained capers to melted butter. Stir and let sit aside on low heat. The sauce will begin to reduce and become lighter in color.

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Capers are pickled flower buds that add a nice "pop" to a dish. Olive and pickle lovers will probably enjoy these small Mediterranean flavor pods.

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From a small town to the big screen

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Five Georgia Southern students holding one of the Multimedia Development Center's three Emmy Awards. The MDC is located in the Gene Bishop Field house at Paulson Stadium.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ARTHUR BERGER.

Director Art Berger behind the control panel while an Eagles baseball game is streamed on television. The MDC offers students the chance to gain hands-on experience.

BY CARLTON TAYLOR

The George-Anne contributor

The Multimedia Development Center (MDC) is a multi-award winning productions service which operates through the department of Information Technology Services. The MDC provides the live stream footage projected on the video board at Paulson Stadium during home football games and commencement ceremonies, as well as the visual presentations at SOAR which make freshmen "oo" and "ah" over becoming an Eagle, according to Arthur Berger, the director of the MDC.

Berger, a Georgia Southern alumni, wants to help pave a way for students to take off and find themselves through developing productions for the Statesboro of today and the worldwide industry of tomorrow.

"[The MDC] is all about student success and academic success," Berger said. "We want to help young people learn a mindset and learn it well... We've done a good job placing students after they graduate and getting them really unique opportunities that they might not have had before."

As a nine-time nominee, three-time winner of an Emmy Award and a recipient of both the Society of Professional Journalism's Mark of Excellence Award and the MTV College Television Awards' Blue Ribbon Award, the MDC has been recognized for its talents nationwide, according to Berger.

Kathryn Burrell, a junior theater major and current student employee with the MDC, had the opportunity to assist in the production of a commercial that aired on ESPN and CBS last summer. The commercial was viewed by an audience of a few million, according to Burrell.

"There's a big difference between sitting there in class and being under an academic setting and learning how they work then actually going out and learning how they work," Burrell said. "It really helps me because I've got an Emmy nomination under my belt to put on my resume."

Burrell added that with the MDC being active on-campus, students like herself are exposed to aspects of production that can assist in getting necessary hands-on experience.

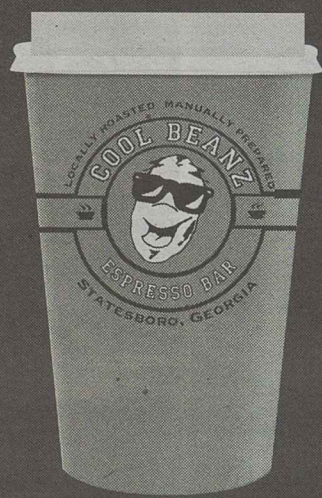
The MDC has been able to prove their mission toward students and their personal and academic success by their archive of student achievement stories. Daniel Waugh, a senior journalism major, will be working in Florida this summer as an intern broadcaster for the Florida Collegiate Summer Leagues.

"I was at the right place, at the right time," Waugh said. "I was broadcasting with ESPN 3...[The MDC] helped a lot in terms of broadcasting athletic events. It allows you opportunities that other universities might not be able to [provide]."

Berger and the MDC have been able to help people like Waugh achieve credibility and stand out above any other internship and job applicants. They can aid students who are interested in going into any type of production, from commercials to sports.

With a full-time staff of four, between 10 to 15 student employees and a large number of student volunteers, the MDC has a place for every student and is willing help you stand out amongst the rest, according to Berger.

For more information about the MDC, visit their website at its.georgiasouthern.edu/multimedia.



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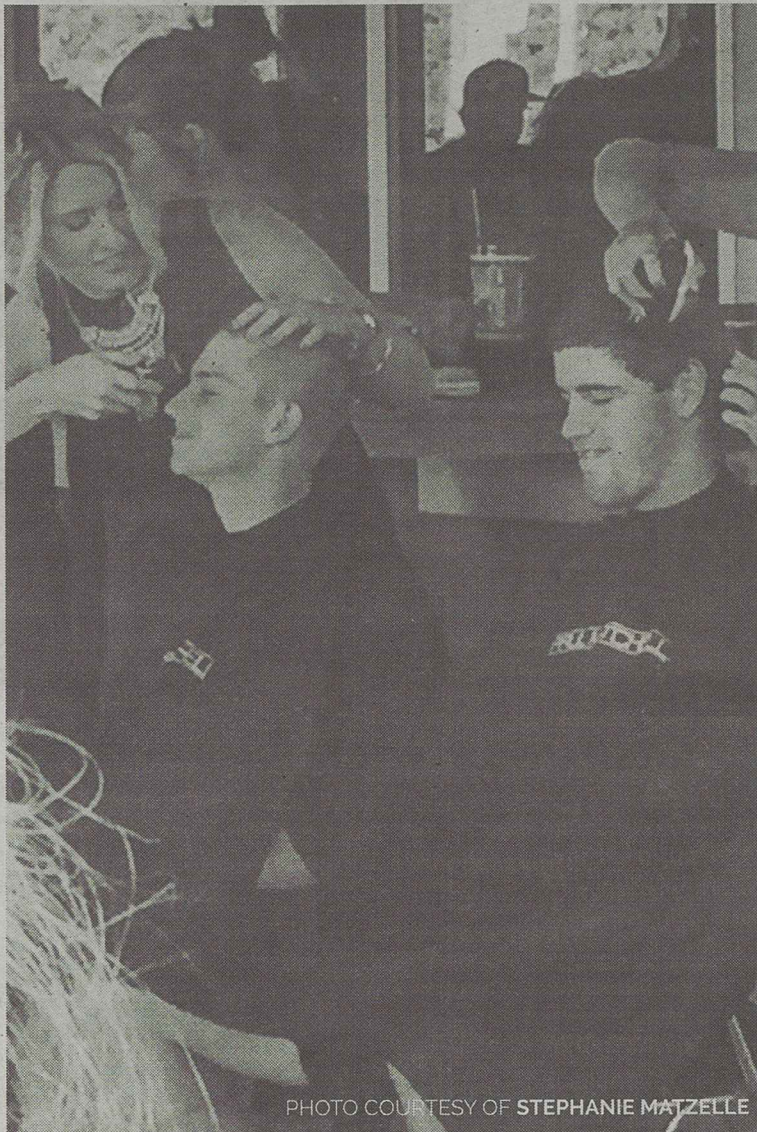


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The baseball team getting their heads shaved. This is the second year the team has taken part in this event.

Eagle Baseball joins the fight to cure Cancer

With the help of 67 Styles Salon, the baseball team raised over \$11,000 at their event on Sunday. Half will go to national childhood cancer research and the other half will be donated to a local children's hospital.

BY STEPHANIE MATZELLE
The George-Anne contributor

After a loss against Texas State on Sunday afternoon, the Georgia Southern baseball team partnered with the non-profit organization, Vs. Cancer Foundation, to hold an event to help promote cancer research.

This non-profit organization was founded by Chase Jones. The purpose of this organization is to encourage athletes and the community to support and donate to childhood cancer research.

For the second year in a row the entire baseball team shaved their head after the game in order to bring attention to the fight against cancer.

Donations were being given during this event to help raise money for cancer research and the local children's hospital.

GSU first baseman Ryan Cleveland has relationships with people who have had cancer. His grandpa and uncle have both had cancer. Doing something like this for a good cause made him feel very good about himself.

"It's a good feeling. You know you're helping somebody, whether it shows or not, just knowing that inside is a good feeling," Cleveland said.

Will Hudgins is an infielder on the GSU baseball team. Shaving his head in order to help raise attention for cancer was very important to him.

He had a very close family member who struggled with this disease.

"I feel great honestly because I have lost a lot of people to cancer so personally it makes me feel good. I know it's for something bigger than myself so I'm glad we've taken a part of this and raised money for it. I was happy to do it. My grandfather lost to the battle of cancer in 2011 so this means a lot to me," Hudgins said.

If you missed this event, you can donate online at <http://team.vs-cancer.org/georgiasouthern>.

Defensive woes continue for GSU in weekend sweep by Texas State

The losses dropped the Eagles' Sun Belt record to 6-6.

BY KEVIN KENEELY
The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern continued to struggle with their defensive game this weekend as they committed eight errors against Texas State.

The Eagles entered the weekend tied for second in the Sun Belt with Texas State. After a rough weekend, GSU is now tied for fourth in the conference with Little Rock.

"We've dug ourselves a little bit of a hole in the league and we've just got to battle and fight our way out of it," head coach Rodney Hennon said.

The Eagles had strong outings by all of their starting pitchers, but the team's defensive woes hindered them

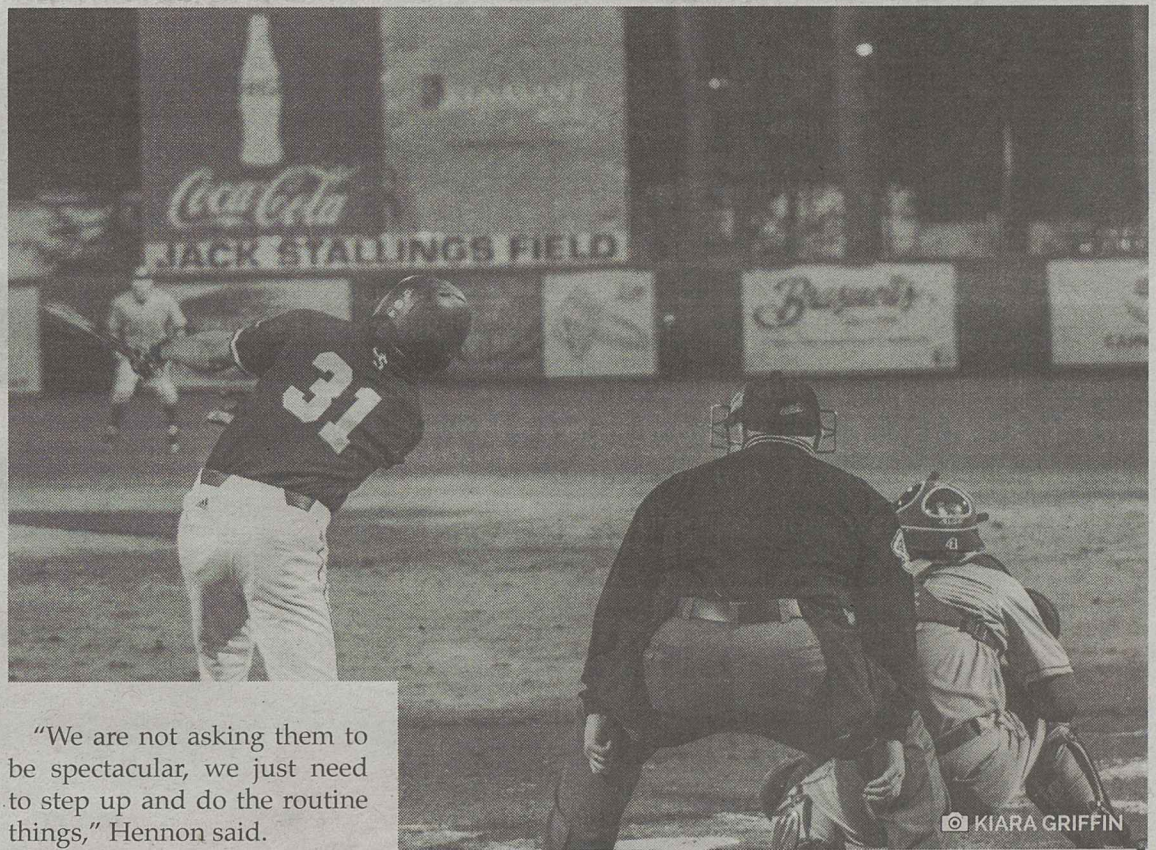
from picking up any wins this past weekend.

The starting pitchers gave up a combined two earned runs over the weekend.

Coach Hennon is not making any excuses with the way his team performed this weekend.

"We've got to be tougher mentally, tougher minded and be able to step up and make a play. It's simple as that," Hennon said.

Hennon feels like his team is letting the negatives snowball on themselves. The team is working to fix these problems quickly as they are officially at the halfway point in the season. Hennon knows this won't be an easy fix, but he isn't asking for perfection.



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Junior SS Evan McDonald had a total of 4 hits against Texas State this past weekend. He's shown good discipline at the plate, drawing 13 walks on the season.

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Georgia Southern uses home run ball to power past UL Monore

The softball team improved to 6-3 in the Sun Belt following a weekend series against ULM. They return home this weekend against Appalachian State.

The team celebrates a home run. They sit at 20-17 overall and 6-3 in conference play this season.

BY KEITH SMILEY
The George-Anne staff

The Georgia Southern University softball team took the fight to UL Monroe over the weekend and picked up a pair of wins against the Warhawks.

Game 1

The Eagles showed no rust from the long trip, as they grabbed the first game of the doubleheader on Saturday 9-4. GSU's Emily Snider and Morgan Robinson were able to get the Eagles on the board early in the top of the first inning with two scores.

ULM's Cheyanne Lyon got her team on the board in the second inning with a

solo home run to right field. GSU C A.J Hamilton didn't let the Warhawks shot go unanswered, as she responded back quickly with her home run at the top of the third inning. ULM wasn't able to respond, eventually losing 9-4 to GSU in the first game of the double header.

Game 2

GSU's momentum continued into the next game, beating ULM 6-1 to sweep the first two games of the series. Alesha Mann's home run in the second inning helped jump off an early 3-0 lead over the Warhawks. Robinson followed with a home run of her own in the next inning, boosting the

lead up to 4-0. ULM was able to get on the board in the next inning, but GSU controlled the rest of the game on their way to a 6-1 victory.

"It's big to win series, especially in conference play. I was really happy for and proud of our team today because it is our goal every weekend to go out and win series," GSU head coach Annie Smith said in an interview after the game. "I was pleased with the effort and performance up and down our lineup - at the plate, on the mound and defensively. I thought we played good softball in both games against a tough UL Monroe team. They are a team that fights inning after inning, so to come out with two wins today was great."

Game 3

ULM was able to bounce back Sunday in the last game of the series, beating GSU 4-3. It wasn't an easy win for the hosts, as the Eagles put up a tough fight after being down 3-0. They got on the board in the fifth inning, scoring twice off a home run by Macy Weeks and a single by Rowan McGuire. ULM answered back at the bottom of the fifth with a run to extend their lead and seal the win.

The Eagles will be looking to win another three game series next Saturday, as they take on Appalachian State at Eagle Field. First pitch is Saturday, April 9 at 1 p.m.

GEORGIA SOUTHERN TO HOST PRO DAY TOMORROW

BY KEVIN KENEELY
The George-Anne staff

Georgia Southern will have 13 former football players take part in tomorrow's NFL Pro Day. It will be held at the Ted Smith Family Football Center and the Beautiful Eagle Creek practice fields.

Activities will start at 9:00 a.m. and move to the practice fields at 10:30 a.m.

NFL Pro Day is a scheduled event that takes place every year and is a day in which college football players, hoping to one day play in the NFL, get the opportunity to show off their skills in front of NFL scouts and coaches.

The following is a list of players participating in the Pro Day tomorrow. Check back on Thursday for a full breakdown of the events.

- Jake Banta (LS)
- Roscoe Byrd (OL)
- Darien Foreman (OL)
- Antonio Glover (S)
- Tay Hicklin (CB)
- Derek Keaton (WR)
- Raymond Klugey (OT)
- Ryan Longoria (WR)
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Fisk watches his ball in flight. He and the rest of the team return to action on April 11 at the Coca-Cola Wofford Invitational.

BY CAMERON DUNN
The George-Anne contributor

Georgia Southern golf sensation Steven Fisk isn't your traditional golfer. The Stockbridge native grew up on a par three golf course, which averaged about 100 yards in length, so naturally that gave him the opportunity to work on both his short swing and also his long ball when needed.

Fisk is the oldest of two, so he always knew he had to grow up and set the best possible example for his younger sister. Fisk has become an integral part of this year's golf team and it can be credited to the large amount of time he has put into his craft.

"I first started playing golf when I was five years old, so about 13 years now," Fisk said.

He leads the Eagles with a stroke of 1868 and if you ask him what the best part of his game is, he will simply tell you it's his diligence.

"The way I scrap around and find a way to shoot a good score, and one thing I'd like to work on is the consistency on a day to day basis," Fisk stated.

He chooses golf over the other sports because of the individual aspect of it.

"Even though we are on a team here at Georgia Southern, we are still out here fighting on our own," Fisk said.

The Masters is coming up soon and Fisk said he couldn't wait to watch it. Even though Jordan Spieth is his favorite golfer, Fisk is rooting for Rory

McIlroy to win because of the heartbreak he suffered a few years ago. However, he isn't shy about his feelings regarding his favorite player.

"Spieth is my favorite player because of how he grinds, he always seems to get the best out of all of his rounds," Fisk said.

Fisk first realized that he had the skills to play at the collegiate level around the age of 14, and after taking a year off, he realized that goal was pretty attainable. He would one day like to create his own path and work his way onto the professional scene.

When Fisk is not in class or tearing up the golf course at the Bennett-Ramsey facility, you can usually find him with his teammates.

"I enjoy hanging out with the team; we go out and watch other sports like March Madness. I can't wait for college football to start back though; I'd pick college football over pro ball any day," Fisk said.

Fisk plans on making the best out of every opportunity that GSU brings him, and it seems like he will have all the support he can get from his teammates and his coach.

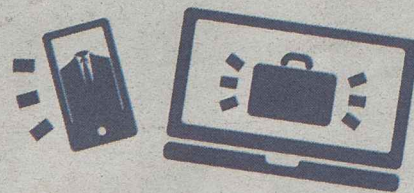
Head coach Carter Collins said, "Steven brings a lot of work ethic, drive and competitiveness to the team. He's a good kid who wants the team to do well and that helps the team chemistry and helps us achieve our team goals."

Fisk shines on the links in freshman season

Steven Fisk has finished in the Top 10 four times this season, the most on the team.

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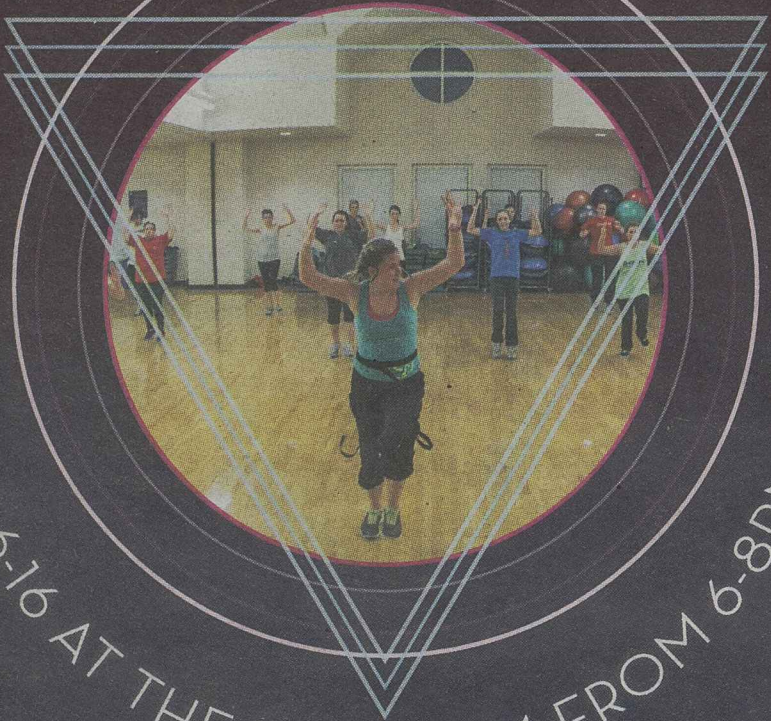
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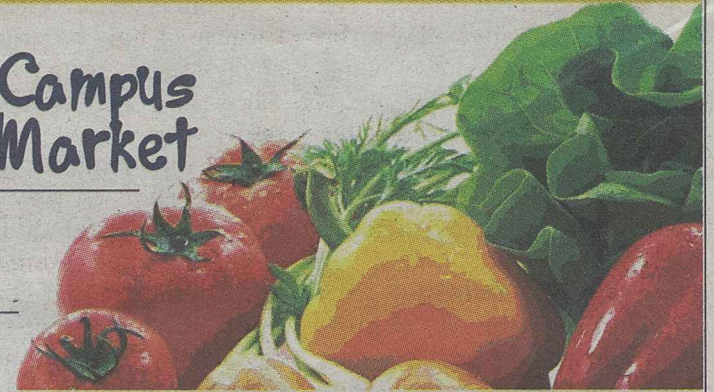
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