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Rec. Center shirt policy to take effect in spring



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Students pump iron in the Recreation Center. A new policy regarding gym attire will take effect in spring.

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The Student Recreation Center will require students to wear shirts with sleeves on all weight lifting equipment and mats beginning in spring 2010. Shirts will not be required on the treadmills and other cardiovascular equipment.

The purpose of the new policy is to help prevent the spread of Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA), a bacteria that causes infections that are difficult to treat, according to Donald Brookshire, assistant director of The Student Recreation Center.

"The Student Recreation Center on campus is taking measures to reduce the chances of students contacting MRSA," said Brookshire. "Since MRSA is spread by contact, we are requiring all patrons of the Student Recreation Center to wear shirts with sleeves on all weight equipment and mats in the facility. In addition, we encourage the patrons to wash their hands frequently and use the cleaning solution provided by

the facility to wipe down equipment before and after each use."

"We are taking a proactive stance to prevent the spread of MRSA due to recent outbreaks in other like facilities such as commercial gyms and other university recreation centers," said Brookshire.

MRSA manifests itself in its host as tiny red bumps that look like bug bites. These bumps can be accompanied by a fever and potentially a rash. As the infection progresses, the bumps grow larger and become pus-filled boils. When the infection goes untreated for a while, vital organs can become affected.

Some of the more common results of MRSA are necrotizing pneumonia, toxic shock syndrome and widespread infection of the whole body. Unfortunately, MRSA is a very difficult bacteria to treat because of its resiliency to many antibiotics, such as cephalosporins. An interesting, yet unconventional way of treating MRSA has been through maggot therapy, in which the larvae clean out the necrotic tissue caused

by the infection.

MRSA can be prevented by taking precautions such as cleaning the surfaces of the equipment, which all clients in the gym are supposed to do.

"The recreation center provides a cleaning solution for students to use on equipment before and after use," said Brookshire. "Student employees are also required to clean equipment during their shift in order to maintain a safe environment for our patrons."

Attendants in the gym will enforce the policy. If a student is not in compliance with the policy, they will be asked to adhere to the dress code accordingly.

"Our attendants in, for example, the strength floor, cardio floor and XP room, will monitor to make sure the dress code is followed," said sophomore and employee Karen Ruper.

"We hope that students will understand that we are doing this for their benefit and that this will improve the student's gym-going experience," said Brookshire.

Three new doctorate-level degrees offered

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Ph.D.-seeking students now have a choice of three programs at KSU: Nursing Science, Education in Leadership for Learning and Business Administration.

The most recent doctorate is the Doctorate of Nursing Science (D.N.S.), a research-based degree that focuses on nursing education, leadership and health disparities.

The program admitted its first class of students in August 2009.

The degree is targeted to working nursing professionals who want to advance in nursing practice, research

or education.

"We hope our students will gain knowledge so that they can either move into different positions or go back to their position that they're in and be able to function at a higher level," said Dr. Tommie P. Nelms of the Wellstar School of Nursing. "Basically what doctoral students do in nursing in general is function as leaders. We hope that they will be leaders in helping with health disparities. We hope that they will be leaders in nursing education."

The degree also addresses the nursing and nursing education shortages.

"We not only have a nursing shortage now, we have a nursing faculty shortage," said Nelms. "[The program

is] trying to get more people to become nurse educators so we in fact educate more nurses."

The program currently has four students enrolled, all of whom must have a current license to practice professional nursing and a master's degree in nursing to be admitted to the program.

The first doctorate-level degree to be added to graduate studies at KSU was the Doctorate of Education in Leadership for Learning (Ed.D). Added in January 2007, the Ed.D is a practice-based degree that targets working professionals who want to advance their role in the P-12 educational system.

The program places a strong emphasis

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Kirby named asst. dean of College of Humanities and Social Sciences

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The College of Humanities and Social Sciences recently named Dr. Dawn Kirby, professor of English, to the position of assistant dean.

Kirby was appointed on Sept. 16 and assumed the role on Sept. 18, replacing Dr. Hugh Hunt. Kirby received her undergraduate degree in English education from UGA, her master's degree in curriculum and instruction from Georgia State and returned to UGA for her doctorate in English Education with a concentration in writing.

"What Dr. Hunt brought to this job was a real compassion and understanding of student and faculty needs and that part I hope I will be able to maintain," said Kirby. "He's been in the position a long time and his are big shoes to fill."

As assistant dean, her major responsibilities will include base management, scheduling and crisis management. In addition, she will serve as liaison to the Professional Teacher Education Unit, a cross-educational program for students in specific content education fields such as history education and English education, that allows them to be taught by professors in their respective departments and professors in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences.

"Dr. Kirby was the overall strongest candidate with an outstanding record of scholarship, teaching and program leadership," said



Dawn Kirby

Dr. Richard Vengroff in a press release. "She brings considerable experience to this important position."

Kirby's leadership experience includes serving as director for the Kennesaw Mountain Writing Project and program coordinator for the English concentration of the education doctoral program.

"Dr. Kirby has always demonstrated a good sense of vision," said Dr. William Rice, Chair of the Department of English. "She has always shown strong people skills and the ability to organize large tasks and to motivate people, both important skills for anyone in academic administration. Being the director of the Writing Project and coordinator of the doctoral program is a big responsibility. Ever since I've known her, she's always maintained a large workload," he said.

The Kennesaw Mountain Writing Project is a site of the National Writing Project and is a federally-funded coalition of teachers whose philosophy is, according to Kirby, that "teachers teach

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Freshman's flood footage leads to Weather Channel interview

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A freshman chose to brave the flooding Sept. 21, leading him to capture footage that led to two live interviews on the Weather Channel.

As Quinton Cychosz approached dangerous flooding on Interstate 575, he decided that instead of turning around, he would get his camera ready and attempt to cross the flooding bridge. The footage he took landed him two live interviews via Skype on the Weather Channel with meteorologist Kevin Robinson four days later.

Cychosz was on his way to campus to skim board with friends when he noticed an area with several policemen and lights.

"As I got closer, I noticed this approximately 100 foot wide river going across 575," said Cychosz. "I was there probably five minutes before they closed it down."

Cychosz said the water reached the deepest at around 10 inches. He recalls that driving conditions felt normal until the moving water started pounding the bottom of his Mustang.

"When it hit the bottom of my car, it lifted up and sounded like a boat hitting waves," Cychosz said.

He said the only moment of fear was when the water got to two inches above his car door, and the car started to slightly drift sideways for what Cychosz said was just a few seconds. Cychosz had his camera to gain footage and pictures of the flooding.

"I knew the footage would get attention and possibly be aired on T.V., but I never expected a live interview," said Cychosz.

Cychosz received an email from the show producers on the morning of Sept. 25 asking his availability for an interview that day. Cychosz said he was nervous but more excited than scared.

"I knew they were going to criticize my driving through the

water so I had to come up with something to say for that," said Cychosz.

The Weather Channel's Web site, weather.com, lists "10 Things to Know about Flood Safety" and strongly advises against driving in flooded areas, "even if the water appears shallow enough to cross."

He acknowledged the dangers of driving through moving waters, but said he was confident his car would make it since he watched smaller cars clear the bridge. When the interviewer asked Cychosz why he attempted crossing the bridge with such dangerous conditions, Cychosz responded, "Well, [meteorologist] Jim [Cantore] drives into hurricanes."

Cychosz compared his decision to a storm chaser's job: "I get the same kind of thrill getting footage of dangerous things that people don't see every day," said Cychosz.

Cychosz appeared live at 7:20 p.m. and 8:20 p.m. Cychosz said he is happy to have talked to people he admires and hopes the experience provides an opportunity for a future internship or even a possible career.

"I have always had an interest and curiosity in weather," said Cychosz. "When I was a kid and we had to go in the basement during tornados, I always wanted to go upstairs and look out the window."

Cychosz is considering a future career in meteorology or pharmacy.



Quinton Cychosz

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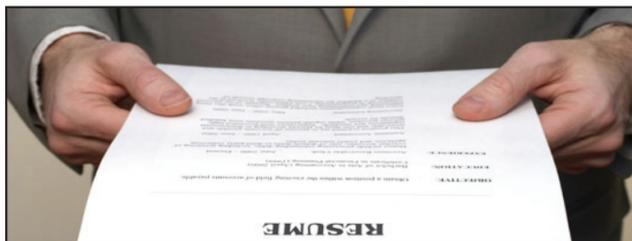
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Systems in place to manage campus emergencies

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After the recent flooding of campus, KSU officials have emphasized preparedness and procedures for emergencies. No loss of life or injury was reported during the flooding; however, significant property damage was incurred.

For emergencies such as natural disasters and crimes, KSU follows the National Incident Management System (NIMS). NIMS is a set of federal procedures that helps organizations prevent and address emergencies. NIMS provides organizations with a template for the collective management of an incident.

"Essentially, what that does is that it defines certain types of responsibilities in responding to any kind of an emergency," Deputy Chief of KSU Police Kemper Anderson said. "You need to know each other, you need to know each other's capabilities, what you can and can't do."

For KSU, four parts of the university share the responsibilities in emergency management: the Vice President for Operations, Department of Health, Safety, and Risk Management, Department of Strategic Security and Safety and Department of Public Safety/KSU Police.

"There are basically four elements of what we're calling Emergency Management, and that is mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery," said Robert Lang of Strategic Security and Safety.

These elements interact to help KSU successfully manage an incident using a layered approach to communicate with the community in case of an emergency.

"Students, faculty and staff all have their own ways of communicating with the world," said Gerald Donaldson of Environmental Health, Safety, and Risk Management.

KSU uses a variety of ways to contact its community, including a system KSU calls ConnectEd which relays SMS text messages, cell phone calls and voice-mails to students, faculty and staff when there is a major emergency.

KSU also has a siren system that can be heard across campus and at the KSU Center in case students need to take shelter inside buildings.

A campus advisory is displayed on KSU's Web site alerting students about emergencies and university openings and closings.

KSU is also putting in place a desktop pop-up for university computers. To solve the problem of KSU students and faculty who may not be able to receive cell phone signals inside buildings on campus, KSU

will override university computers in the event of an emergency to display pop-up messages on university computer screens. These messages will notify classes who might be watching a presentation or film on university computers.

KSU also has a crisis management program. This program consists of crisis coordinators who are linked together by handheld radios, allowing every building of campus to communicate with one another.

"It's extremely helpful to have that base line knowledge of information, even if it's a one or two sentence piece of information, because it's important to get people out if need be and it's also important to retain certain staff and faculty members," said Donaldson.

Crisis coordinators are trained immediate responders and leaders for emergencies. There is at least one crisis coordinator for every building on the KSU campus.

In the case of crime-related emergencies, KSU must notify its community of crime on or near campus. The Clery Act is a federal law that requires all federal financially aided colleges and universities to disclose information to its community about crime near or on campus.

"It's about taking care of the students, and everything we do is related to that," said Randy C. Hinds, Vice President for Operations.

SGA holds T-shirt design contest

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The Student Government Association (SGA) held a T-shirt contest last week to choose their 2009-2010 T-shirt design.

Entries were encouraged to incorporate the values of governance, advocacy and service, which represent the SGA.

The contest ran from Monday, Aug. 31 to Thursday, Sept. 15 and the winning design was chosen at the meeting on Thursday, Sept. 24. Five entries were submitted. SGA plans on making the contest an annual event and hopes this will result in a rising number of entries.

Winner Annika Mieling received a \$50 KSU Bookstore gift card and a free T-shirt. Mieling, a senior German international student, is majoring in graphic communications at KSU.

"I think it is important as a designer to participate in as many competitions as possible, no matter how big or small they are," Mieling said. "I also have to admit that I really like to compete because it just makes me push myself."

The contest was advertised on Facebook as an event, and all entries were sent to Anna Clemons, Senator of the Arts for SGA.

"[I] volunteered to undertake this project because it is a great opportunity to let students know about SGA, an organization specifically geared toward giving students a voice on campus," said Clemons.

Mieling said she put a great deal of thought into the T-shirt, trying to make it fun and modern, yet at the same time incorporating the core values of SGA.

"I wanted to make the T-shirt design really



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Annika Mieling's design will be printed on SGA's 2009-10 T-shirts.

engaging to the target audience, which is students, since they should like it and wear it," said Mieling.

On the T-shirt, the students' silhouettes represent their opinions. A thin white line trickles from each student into "Kennesaw State University," symbolizing the students' connection both with the school and each other through teamwork. The dripping paint stands for Kennesaw Mountain and draws one's eyes to the words "Student Government Association."

Although her picture shows the paint in yellow, Mieling also gave the option of green, since it is the color of hope. The SGA has yet to decide which color they will use in the finished T-shirt.

Some of SGA's accomplishments this year include reducing the cost of the mandatory meal plan, stopping a two-fold increase in parking fines and cutting the parking fee from \$110 to \$60. They also assisted in attaining the 88 acres for the new Student Recreation Center and mounted the "Owls Remembered" sculpture for fallen KSU students.

Invisible Children rallying for membership

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The new KSU Chapter of Invisible Children (ICKSU) is rallying for membership in its attempt to free African child soldiers and end the longest war in Africa's history.

Joseph Kony is head of the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA), a rebel group in Uganda. According to Amnesty International USA, an armed conflict has existed between the LRA and the Ugandan government since 1987.

According to Every Child Ministries, the LRA has kidnapped approximately 30,000 children.

Invisible Children began in 2005 with the goal to raise awareness for humanitarian issues in war torn northern Uganda. According to Allyson Tibbitts, president of the new organization on campus, the focus of ICKSU is to raise money for Schools for Schools, a movement within Invisible Children that assists schools in Uganda.

"We believe KSU can help make the difference that is necessary to end the longest running war in Africa, bring Joseph Kony to justice and restore these peoples' lives," said Tibbitts.

The KSU chapter's fundraisings go to rebuild Awere Secondary School in Northern Uganda.

ICKSU recently branched from a group called STAND that worked with Invisible Children, as well as other humanitarian causes. According to STAND president Brendan Horgan, STAND will now be broken into two groups: ICKSU and the ONE Campaign.

"In the past we have not had official membership in the group, but there were usually around 20 people that would be actively involved in plan-

ning and helping plan events, and there were usually about 150-200 people who would come to the events," Horgan said.

Horgan said he hopes students will get involved with this organization to make a difference in Uganda.

"Through what Invisible Children has already done we have seen that power. Even major human rights movement in history has started on college campuses," said Horgan.

ICKSU held a kick-off screening on Friday, Sept. 25. Attendees watched the documentaries "The Rescue of Joseph Kony's Child Soldiers," "How it Ends," and a five-minute update made recently by the Invisible Children organization. The flooding and subsequent closing of the campus caused the organization to reschedule the screening from Tuesday, Sept. 22 to Sept. 25.

"We anticipated a turn-out of around 400 people on Tuesday, September 22, but Mother Nature had different ideas for the evening," said Tibbitts, "but we still had a great time and were able to spread awareness and information."

Tibbitts says the group has a total number of 45 people to sign up as official members of ICKSU. "This is the go-to spot to get involved," said Tibbitts of the organization.

ICKSU will be holding an open Schools for Schools meeting this month to discuss fundraisers. The group is also planning a book drive. Tibbitts suggests that for the time being, those interested can visit <http://s4s.invisiblechildren.com> to donate directly through KSU from now to Dec. 17. This is part of a nationwide competition in which five people from participating schools will be chosen to go to Uganda.

Students walk a mile without shoes for TOMS

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Students raised \$826 for TOMS Shoes, an organization that gives shoes to children in need, while walking barefoot at the ONE Mile With TOMS event on Oct. 1.

Students who participated took their shoes off and walked around campus to experience what shoeless children around the world feel daily.

The Department of First Year Programs, the Center for Student Leadership and the ONE Campus Challenge collaborated to host the event.

Audrey Ruark, head coordinator of the event and KSU sophomore, is the Ambassador of the ONE Campus Challenge in Georgia and Alabama. According to Ruark, the ONE Campus Challenge is an organization that helps fight global poverty: "Our goal was to not only raise money for TOMS Shoes, but to make the walkers understand why shoes are so important," said Ruark.

Ruark invited Andrew McEntyre, who works for Abbadabba's shoe store and represents TOMS in their store, to sell TOMS at the event.

"TOMS Shoes appealed to me because it uses the market as a for-profit organization that's main goal is to help others," said McEntyre.

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teachers." The project gives teachers professional input and advice from other teachers rather than industrial strength companies.

"The work is greatly rewarding, because you can see an immediate impact and you can see that the teachers are actually implementing and using the things we brought to them, and they inform us about what's going on in the schools," she said. "It really is a partnership."

As director of the Writing Project, Kirby managed the budget, coordinated programs both on campus and as part of the summer institute class and supervised teachers and staff.

Although she still plans to direct the Writing Project, she and others involved are looking to appoint another faculty member to head the doctoral program, though she will still continue

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on the "Leadership for Learning" aspect of the degree, allowing teachers to increase their role as a leader while remaining in the classroom.

"What this involves is looking deeply at what happens in schools, P-12 schools, in terms of how teachers are invited to the leadership table to work with the school principal to create greater learning opportunities for all students," said Harriet J. Bessette, coordinator of Ed.D./ Ed.S. programs.

The program currently has 67 students divided into three cohorts, or small learning communities. Students are required to complete a minimum of 75 credit hours.

The five concentration options include Elementary and Early Childhood Education, Inclusive Education, Instructional Technology, Adolescent Education—Language Arts and Adolescent Education—Mathematics.

"There aren't many doctorates, if any, across the country that have Leadership for Learning in their name and can offer working professionals a doctorate that will allow

For every pair of shoes a person buys from TOMS, a pair is given to a child in need. Since Blake Mycoskie founded TOMS Shoes in 2006, the organization has given more than 150,000 pairs of shoes to children. By the end of 2009, they hope to have given over 300,000 pairs.

"I thought I should try to put myself in other people's shoes and see what it is like," said freshman Thi Heeyen. "As I walked by, I felt sad for the children. I had never been able to feel what it was like before."

Junior Kelsey Gullledge is a TOMS Campus Representative at KSU.

"A TOMS Campus Rep is similar to the ONE Campus Challenge," said Gullledge. "I had to apply online on the TOMS Web site and they contacted me. They send us promotional materials and the TOMS Campus Reps host events and create a club."

According to Gullledge, anyone can become a Campus Rep by applying online at tomsshoes.com.

Abbadabba's will be discounting 10 percent off to KSU students Oct. 4–11 to continue raising funds for TOMS. Students can also go to the TOMS Web site and purchase a pair of shoes or get involved with the cause.

For more information about the ONE Campus Challenge, go to one.org/campus.

to be a part of it. "It's a great relationship with the Education College. I won't let that go. I want to stay involved with it, just not as much of the day-to-day work," she said.

As she fully assimilates into her role of assistant dean, Kirby is determined to support the College of Humanities and Social Sciences by utilizing her management and people skills.

"One thing I'd like to see happen is that the students see that everybody, from the teachers that they see every day all the way up to this college to Dean Vengroff and all of the support staff, all of the administrators and all of the teachers completely and totally support their education and want them to have the best experience here at Kennesaw they can possibly have," said Kirby. "My goal is to do any part of the job it takes to make that happen."

them to remain in the classroom, if the classroom is their first love," said Bessette.

The second doctorate added was the Doctor of Business Administration (DBA), with the first class starting May 2009.

A globally recognized degree, the DBA is designed for experienced professionals in business-related fields.

The DBA is the highest attainable business degree and helps prepare students for greater roles within organizations.

Two students from the DBA program were awarded with the Clendenin Graduate Fellowship this year, a scholarship that aids in the completion of graduate degrees.

The DBA is a minimum three-year program that combines on-campus classes, online collaboration and independent study.

Students begin the program with core concentrations and can take courses in marketing, accounting and management. The second and third years of the degree are reserved for dissertation work, independent study and collaboration with faculty.

CORRECTIONS

In the 9-29-09 issue, the photos on pages 2 and 3 attributed to Michael Matuson were actually taken by Rebecca Hood. The photo of the hole on Campus Loop Road on page 13 was taken near the Lutheran Church, not the Methodist Church. It is the policy of The Sentinel to correct all errors of fact.

KSU VISION 2010-2015: PARTICIPATE IN THE PROCESS

The KSU Student Government Association, in conjunction with the Office of the President, announces a series of Forums beginning the week of Oct. 11, 2009. "KSU Vision 2010-2015: Participate in the Process" will be an information-sharing and feedback-gathering opportunity.



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University averages midterm grade of 'C'

Last week's flood and subsequent response by the powers that be showed the good and bad of decision making at KSU. Last week's news story, "CAMPUS FLOODED: Classes cancelled due to torrential rain," described the situation as it unfolded: "KSU began emailing alerts around noon on Sept. 21, saying that while the campus was still open, driving conditions were unsafe and to not come to campus 'unless absolutely necessary.' At approximately 12:45 p.m., KSU sent out a flash flood warning, but campus remained open. By 1 p.m., campus was closed and classes were cancelled."

I remember when I got the first email stating that campus was still open, but that nobody should come "unless absolutely necessary." My immediate reaction, and those of some fellow students, was "so are classes cancelled or not?" After all, what exactly does "absolutely necessary" mean? The email said nothing of class cancellation, so is class "absolutely necessary?" Or maybe it's only if you have a test? The wording of the first email made it sound as if "campus is open and classes are in session (maybe), but don't try to come."

It's all too possible that nobody could have

predicted the extent of the rainfall and the damage it dealt, but messages sent to the student body in times like these need to be more clear.

Another low point for flood day was the multitude of people using the campus green as a Slip 'n Slide. Surely this sounds like a lot of fun, but considering how awful the green looks now, it's no surprise that it had to be closed. Perhaps students should consider the consequences of their actions as it affects the rest of us.

Luckily, better decisions were made after the first day and campus was closed and classes cancelled for Tuesday and Wednesday. I'm not saying this because I might have been happy to have some days off (I was), but with an estimated \$1 to \$2 million worth of damage and many major roads still flooded or closed (not to mention the damage to people's homes, cars and property), it was better to err on the side of caution.

Overall Grade: C+

Another recent development on campus is the crackdown on those not using the designated smoking areas. The policy has been in place since 2006, but it is just now being fully enforced. The

likelihood of seeing any significant change is low. The amount of manpower needed to properly enforce the policy is neither available nor necessary. I think most students and faculty would agree that there are more pressing areas in need of assistance than strictly enforcing the smoking policy.

In the article "Student petitions West Deck parking problems" in the Sept. 15 issue, parking officials claimed that the "hangtags and gates will regulate traffic flow and allow KSU police to handle situations more serious than directing traffic." Is ensuring that smokers are in their designated areas more important than improving traffic and safety at a 20,000+ student, largely commuter school?

Overall Grade: D

Speaking of parking, there seems to be a lot of noise lately about the problems in West Deck, most of which is overblown. The West Deck is the smallest deck on campus with arguably the most convenient location on campus, so stop crying if you don't get a spot. Parking officials have to first deal with public safety before convenience. Some complain that there are spots available when the deck is closed off. This is true, but if it wasn't closed



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SENIOR COLUMNIST

off there wouldn't be spots because there would be lines spilling onto Campus Loop Road trying to get into it. Safety at an already clogged and dangerous intersection trumps some complaints from people who don't feel like they should have to do some walking to get to class.

Overall Grade: B

Freedom of speech vs. the right to bear arms

The whole liberal-conservative dynamic in the United States really intrigues me. Although followers of the inherent ethos live in what is, fundamentally, the same existence, they seem to be living in parallel mirror-universes.

Per, conservatives have Ted Nugent, South Park and NASCAR; erstwhile, liberals have Sean Penn, Jon Stewart and NPR. Clearly, things could not get more diametric than that.

And then one muses on the topic of the Bill of Rights, and once again, the red and blue shirts simply must play warring tribes, with one side vaunting the first amendment as a chief priority and the other half espousing the necessity for the second.

Both sides are virulent in their rhetoric, and I suppose it is difficult for one to be unbiased in debate regarding either. That being said, I believe that since these are the two most regularly contested articles of the Constitution, it is high time that we, as a collective, finally elected one as having primacy over the other.

Both amendments, indisputably, are worded in fairly vague terms; there's nary a mention of "hate speech" or "intellectual property rights" within the First Amendment, so it is somewhat difficult to apply the inking of some dead guy in a wig to today's America. Likewise, the entire basis for the Second Amendment was to show those no-good redcoats what-for, and since the United Kingdom is virtually the only country in the world that likes the U.S. at the concomitant, that is also a fairly outmoded ideal at the present. I believe the answer lies within the notion of "personal rights."

Within the first amendment, there is the potential for considerable obfuscation. Sure, there are certain mandates, such as the old platitude about shouting "Fire!" in a crowded theater (thanks a lot, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr.), but for the most part, the line between legal speech and illegal speech is somewhat difficult to demarcate.

In regards to the Second Amendment, such really isn't a factor, as when a body turns up in a sewer canal with 93 gunshot wounds, nobody questions the authority of the gunman's individual rights. With the First Amendment, disputes end in litigation. With the Second Amendment, they end in cadavers.

Come to think of it, I don't think I have ever heard a grieving mother curse the existence of "free speech," or have a witnessed a widow throw herself upon her husband's casket whilst decrying the right to peaceful assembly.

Sure, some could trudge up the argument that ideas like fascism and eugenics lead to the mass murder of millions, but I state this: did the National Socialists order the Jews into the corals with polite, open minded discourse? Did Stalin cajole millions



JAMES SWIFT
COLUMNIST

into the gulags with the promise of an open press? Forced mandates, I assure you, are almost always a boon to the firearms industry. Well, that, and the domestic coffin manufacturers.

Proponents of the Second Amendment, veritably, are defending their rights to utilize arms under the guise that they will never actually use them for the intended purpose of the very amendment they fight to uphold. Therefore, Second Amendment advocates are actually fighting for the potential of the Second Amendment instead of the Second Amendment itself.

In terms of prioritization, I believe this is no doubt a slam dunk win for the First Amendment; I utilize my First Amendment rights on a daily basis, as do all Americans. Truth be told, I really cannot recall the last time I formed a militia to gun down monarchal Europeans, so by default, the First wins this round.

Finally, we come to the epitomized bodies of the ideals represented in the two Amendments, with the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) in one corner and in the other, the National Rifle Association (NRA). With a rough estimate of nearly four million members, the NRA dwarves the ACLU by about 3.5 million card carriers. By sheer quantity, the Second wins this round.

We end this dispute in a 1-1-1 tie. Therefore, to declare a winner, we must go to sudden death. You know, like the one experienced by the 15 corpses at Littleton, or the 33 at Virginia Tech or the 30,000+ firearm-related ones in the year 2005 alone.

Free speech, no matter how lurid or offensive or off-kilter, has killed a grand total of zero Americans since the inception of this country, whereas the Second Amendment has killed more Americans than any non-organic, biosocial element in our nation's history.

Huh, sounds to me like a "clear and present danger" if I ever heard one...

Redefining the Afghan Mission

The Afghan war is posing a difficult problem for Obama, both politically and strategically. He fired Gen. McKiernan and placed Gen. McChrystal in charge of military operations in Afghanistan. Recently, Obama and his hand-picked general had a disagreement over troop levels in Afghanistan. Obama cannot consider sending more U.S. troops to Afghanistan, at least until he gets his health care plan passed. He just can't afford that political fight now. When good strategy clashes with good politics, guess which one is sacrificed?

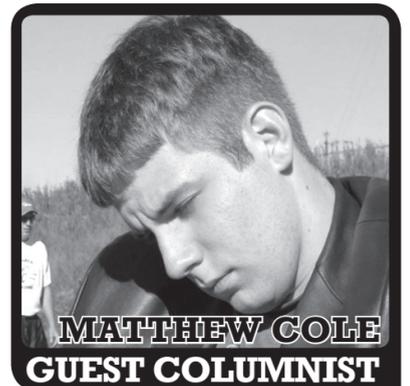
That being said, I'm not eager to see more troops sent to Afghanistan without a better strategy and mission. We must first be clear on our mission objectives before we talk strategy. Our best generals are well-suited for determining the best strategy to accomplish their given mission, but this does not mean that they are responsible for determining the mission itself. That's the job of the U.S. Congress, with direction from the President.

War powers were invested in our civilian government because it would not be wise to have the military determining when we should go to war, as was the case for the militaristic Japan of WWII. Generals such as Douglas MacArthur and more recently David Petraeus, who overstep the scope of their mission and try to dictate U.S. foreign policy, risk undermining the credibility of the U.S. government in its foreign policy agenda.

Consider the hypothetical question of whether America should back Israel if they decide to attack Iran. Tim Russert posed this very question to Hillary Clinton in a Democratic debate during the campaign season last year. Despite Russert's thoughtless badgering, Clinton knew enough to keep her mouth shut. An answer in either the affirmative or the negative could have disastrous implications for U.S. foreign policy, especially now that Clinton is the Secretary of State.

If the U.S. states that we will back Israel in this hypothetical scenario, then Israel is more likely to act without fully considering all the risks involved, since they know they can rely on U.S. support. If the U.S. states that we won't back Israel, then Iran will take that as an encouragement to continue on their present path. The best answer is to remain noncommittal. Leaving both Israel and Iran guessing is a sort of deterrent against stupid actions by either country. Clinton won't admit to using this strategy, but it is nevertheless an effective one.

Unfortunately, along comes David Petraeus on April Fool's Day of this year to state that Israel may be compelled to attack Iran over the Iranian nuclear program. While this may be a real possibility, it is totally inappropriate for a high-ranking general to say this. His public predictions of



MATTHEW COLE
GUEST COLUMNIST

Israeli foreign policy decisions on a matter not directly related to his mission may be interpreted by other countries as an implicit statement of support for such an Israeli attack. This only makes Obama's job harder.

Bush shamelessly played the Petraeus star-power card to silence his opponents in Congress, but Obama seems determine to silence or marginalize any general who might subtract from his own star-power cult of personality. Since it is the responsibility of the civilian government to determine our mission in Afghanistan, and Obama seems to prefer not to think about Afghanistan, I will make a few suggestions.

I am not in favor of a withdrawal from Afghanistan just yet, but I also don't support a continued occupation of the country. Call it what you like, but the Afghans see it as an occupation, and their perception is the only one that matters in any counter-terrorism strategy.

Throughout history, the military occupations that have been successful were those in which the occupied people thought that it would only be a temporary situation. The occupiers who gave the impression that they were there for the long-term had much more trouble. This means that we should distance ourselves from the corrupt Afghan government and stop trying to build a liberal democracy in the country.

Such attempts have been miserable failures so far, and it's time to write that off as a lost cause. Afghanistan is unlikely to maintain a government not run by corrupt thugs. Let's accept that historical reality, and focus on conducting combat operations against the Taliban along the Afghanistan-Pakistan border.

Our image as the puppet-masters behind the corrupt government only makes Afghanistan less secure. Any gains to be made will come from working with the Pakistani government, not the Afghan government. Let's redefine our mission in Afghanistan, and reshape strategy accordingly.

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Getting your news from uneducated commentators is wrong

People are passionate about their politics these days. They're especially passionate about their political figures. Throwing insults at heroes on both sides such as Reagan and JFK is more than insulting a public servant, it's insulting someone that people have idolized and placed on a pedestal.

The problem with that is that the fine line between healthy interest in politics and irrational fanaticism has been crossed. It's become a system of both irrational love for the candidate we want and an irrational fear of the candidate we don't.

What should be politics has been reduced to little more than red versus blue, the Red Sox versus the Yankees, a game that we're determined to win at all costs. And in this fit of irrationality we've chosen pundits and politicians based more on their ability to trash the other team. We've lost any academic integrity the system once had.

This is well evidenced by people on both sides who turn to commentators for their news. These commentators tell them upfront that they are trying to push a certain agenda.

That's like educating yourself on timeshares by going to a timeshare salesman and listening to his sales pitch. But even worse, we didn't even choose intelligent commentators.

Guess how many college degrees there are between Sean Hannity, Glenn Beck and Rush Lindbaugh? It's the same as the number of times I've had sex with Jessica Biel. How much job experience in economics, business, public office or any other relevant field do they have? Zero. The number of funny jokes Dane Cook has told. The amount of career goals and aspirations I have. The number of quality points an "F" gives to your GPA. Zero.

We're deriving our opinions on social and economic issues from people with no more experience than the rest of us. We've effectively turned politics into a high school popularity contest.

Somewhere along the way, actual academics made a quiet exit out the back door of politics. When gas prices went crazy, everyone with one high school economics class under their belt went around telling everyone how it was simple supply and demand problem and that drilling domestically was the

only solution. Millions of feet entered millions of mouths as the price got cut in half with no major change in supply or demand and people realized they aren't economists.

When the actual economists said we were in a recession right around the start of 2008, people instead listened to the commentators telling them it was a hoax trying to grab ratings. I think we all know how that worked out.

A few years ago people on both sides were completely convinced global warming was either destroying the earth or a complete hoax only to find that both factions have been wrong thus far.

This useless distrust of academics is nothing but counterproductive. It's like the time you were 16 and your parents told you not to go out drinking, but then you did anyway and you woke up with vomit all over your shirt in a strange place.

We can't even pick presidential candidates anymore. Sarah Palin? She holds a bachelor's degree in sports journalism after transferring around six no-name schools. She also shoots animals out of helicopters. Really?



GARRETT MOLL
COLUMNIST

I want real politicians. Have you ever heard of Andrew Jackson? He duelled 13 men in his lifetime over political and personal disputes. One time, after a man insulted his wife, he challenged him to a duel, allowed the man to shoot him in the chest first, and then killed him with one shot and lived with the bullet embedded in him for the rest of his life.

It's nowhere in the record books, but I'd imagine after the duel he ate a 72oz steak while riding a bald eagle in celebration. I don't even care about his politics; I'll take that guy over the classless snake oil salesman who have replaced him.

Put up or shut up, Mister President

President Barack Obama can no longer simply "talk tough" with Iran. It is not merely because a recent poll shows that 69 percent of Americans think he hasn't been tough enough on the state that behaves like a lying child. It is not merely because the public now knows about the second Iranian nuclear facility, though that is a large factor. It is not because Mahmoud Ahmadinejad continues to lie through his teeth to the United Nations about his nuclear program. It is because of the hard line President Obama has been taking with the increasingly dangerous and untrustworthy nation.

When the news that Iran had another nuclear facility reached the public's ears last week, world leaders naturally denounced the nation's sneaky and under-the-table advancements in nuclear energy, calling on Iran to open up and allow inspectors into the new facility. All of it is posturing.

It goes something like this: Iran does something with its nuclear program, and Nation X condemns it for any number of reasons. Nation X calls for sanctions against Iran, and the citizens of Nation X see that their leader has done something and are happy. Nation X has no real stake in the matter besides wanting to keep nuclear weapons out of the hands of a nation that would greatly upset the balance of power in one of the most unstable regions on Earth. You could substitute nearly any nation for Nation X in that example, except for one: the United States of America.

This isn't merely because of the most obvious stake America has in the matter: Israel. This is because America is the most powerful country in the world, and the president of the United States is the leader of that free world. Other leaders can make empty promises and threats and very little is thought of it. President Obama does not have that luxury.

Since World War II, the American presidents' opinions and statements have been taken seriously, especially in times of crisis. Last week, President Obama told Iran that they were "on notice," a particularly powerful statement coming from the most powerful man in the world, or it should be.

President Obama also said, "I've always said that we do not rule out any options when it comes to [United States] security." Read that again, carefully. It doesn't take too much imagination to replace "any options" with "military action" as many have done. Those are even stronger words coming from any international leader, especially the president of the United States.

Strong words, and even the implication of military action toward Iran, are nothing new from the



NOAH SOLOMON
COLUMNIST

president, as President Bush was often chastised for those very things. He could get away with not doing anything about it, because he was the first to mention it. President Obama is making remarks on Iran nearly in line with President Bush, his immediate predecessor. This lack of action on President Obama's part, especially now that Iran has a second nuclear facility, will be interpreted as weakness.

What action should be taken is not the main issue. It is that President Obama has backed himself into a corner. With his strong words against this new revelation from the controversial country (words that should have been delivered by the secretary of state so as to preserve the president's political capital), he is gambling that Iran will back down.

Unfortunately for the President, Iran has a long history of being obstinate even in the face of threatened U.S. military action. Now that Iran has proven beyond the shadow of a doubt that they are ignoring the international community and continuing with their nuclear program, there is a very good chance the U.S. will have to take more drastic measures.

Before last week, President Obama had a bit of wiggle room. Now, he has given himself very little. With 61 percent of the public believing that military action will become necessary to stop Iran's nuclear program from producing weapons, Americans are now in favor of stronger actions as well. If Iran bows to international pressure, nothing will come of the president's comments. But if Iran acts in line with their past behavior, President Obama will have to step up U.S. actions or risk making the country look weak in the face of international crisis. So, with all due respect, Mister President, looks like you're soon going to have to put up or shut up.

Progressive policies don't promote progress

Liberalism is in the process of making a dynamic shift back to its political roots. Instead of liberal, many people on the left have begun to identify themselves as 'progressive,' reminiscent of the reform era between 1890 and 1920.

During this period, many of these self-titled progressives pushed for a minimum wage, support of organized labor, regulation of business, direct election of U.S. senators, an income tax, women's suffrage and the prohibition of child labor. Besides the latter two initiatives, these policies still remain, mostly, as a part of the modern progressive movement.

Why do members of the left feel it is necessary to re-brand their political views for the modern voter? In the 2008 election, when asked if her political views were liberal, presidential candidate Hillary Clinton responded that she "preferred the word progressive." Is it because liberalism has been associated with big government for so long that it has received a negative connotation? Is it because the word "progressive" embraces the idea of progress, which is more symbolic of moving forward than its opposite philosophy, "conservative?"

The identification "liberal" previously described proponents of small government. It was not until after the progressive movement that the phrase was used to describe the left-wing meaning we know today.

Now, latter day "liberals" are known as "classical liberals," which have more in common with modern day conservatives. Confused? It seems that the "progressive" identification has been adopted again to indicate that those with conservative beliefs are opposed to progress, an unfair, but effective strategy.

Whatever the reason, latter and modern day progressives view their policies as necessary for creating a better, more fair system for the average American or middle-class. To them, it is the viciousness of unregulated capitalism that creates inequalities and oppresses the middle and poorer classes.

For example, progressives pushed for the regulation of monopolies and cartels to prevent unfair prices for the American consumer. With their absolute market power, they argue, monopolies can essentially charge whatever they want and, therefore, take advantage of the average Americans who need their product. All moral problems with this argument aside, their main goal is to protect the American consumer from high prices.

If this is the case, then why is it that all of their policies seem to increase prices and costs for Americans? The income tax burden of a business shows up in the final price that consumers pay for their good or service. Government regulations, whether they



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are necessary or not, can also lead to higher prices.

First, regulation forces businesses to spend more money—and raise prices—to comply with all of the new rules and mandates. For example, the progressive minimum wage forces businesses to pay more to their workers. Where does this extra money come from? Well, the business can either raise their prices or layoff workers.

In either situation, the American economy will see an increase in prices or a decrease in employment. The same effects can be seen in government support of increased benefits for organized labor, which increases the cost to employers.

Second, regulations can actually hinder competition and create barriers to entry. Larger businesses can afford the costs of regulation, but smaller businesses or new companies entering the market cannot. Therefore, the smaller companies cannot afford to stay in business while the larger company increases its market power.

We see the same unintended consequences in the issues of today. The U.S. Treasury Department predicts that a cap and trade bill, aimed at bettering the environment, could cost the American household an extra \$1,761 a year—a hefty sum for some families struggling to make ends meet under the current economic situation. This does not even include the increase in prices that will be seen in the goods and services of businesses that face similar tax and regulatory burdens from this bill.

It seems that progressive policies promote anything but progress—at least in the economic sense. The new progressive model is one aimed at social engineering. The progressives in Washington want to force the American people to work together to save healthcare, the environment and the economy. As inspiring as this sounds, at what cost do we say enough is enough? How much more does the American economy have to buckle before we move to sound economic policy that inspires growth and individual liberty?

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THE OWL FORUM

Gay black author tells it like it is

As a student with a diverse group of friends I can really appreciate this article and what it helps bring to the surface. I think what Mr. Johnson is doing is great! As a student body I think that it is seldom we hear about these struggles. A lot of us are probably still naive to the fact that hate crimes still happen today and that society as a whole may not be as open as individuals. Students often hear from radical groups against homosexuality on campus, like the article that was written in the last Sentinel. It would be nice once in a while to have some positiveness on campus. I

can also relate with Mr. Teague and his struggle to educate the public on AIDS. When I was little, my mom used to take me along on her meals on wheels trips. We delivered to AIDS sufferers and I made so many wonderful friends as a young child that it has been hard to forget. They are real people with feelings who just happen to have a terrible disease that doesn't define who they are. I hope that The Sentinel continues to publish these stories and that the student body responds. Without hearing about people's differences it is hard to grow as people ourselves.

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FEATURES

I didn't mean to be all preschoolish, but what's she doing?"

Disabled students struggle with more than choosing doors

ANASTASIA BARTOLUCCI
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College is hard enough for most young people with moving away from home, copious homework and social pressures. However, transitioning to this new life is much more daunting for students enrolling with handicaps. For these students, assimilating with their peers poses many more challenges than it does for most people.

Kayla Bartolucci, a KSU freshman, faces this situation every day. Bartolucci is an amputee after a recent below-knee operation for a chronic bone infection that claimed her lower leg. Since her operation, she has advocated making life on campus easier for disabled students.

Another KSU freshman, Anne Sandek was born with a congenital defect and is no stranger to spending her days in a wheelchair. Although Sandek is used to navigating with a wheelchair, she had a hard time adjusting to college life—it was full of unexpected pressures.

"I have to plan my days in advance. Running late for class isn't an option for me. I can't just sprint up the stairs and down the hall to make my class on time," Sandek said. "I have to park and set up my wheelchair, find the most accessible entrance of the building, maneuver through the crowd, wait on an elevator and then can finally head to where I'm going. Never mind stopping by the restroom."

Preparation is just the first part of the adversity facing disabled students' schedules. The real challenge is a matter of accommodation. While the average student would likely choose the closest entrance, the decision is not so simple for students with handicaps.

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act, higher education institutions are prohibited from discriminating against students with disabilities. The act obligates colleges, universities and professional schools to provide disabled students with reasonable accommodations to avoid discrimination. Although the act has improved accessibility and services for



Kayla Bartolucci makes the best of her recent amputeeism, going to class and performing everyday activities like other students.

those with disabilities, other aspects need improvement.

Jason Turner, a continuing education student, is working toward a second degree while confined to a wheelchair. Turner finds trying to navigate around the Burruss Building rather difficult. "Have you seen the Mount Everest staircase at the front of that building?" Turner said.

"In order to get to my class—which is on the third floor no less—I have to wheel around to the far right end of the building, steer up the windy ramp, sift through the crowd to access the elevator and then up to the third floor," Turner said.

Many college students with handicaps argue not only the physical conditions as prominent stresses in daily routine. Sandek described hardships that she and many disabled students face as far as social pressures.

"Making friends is difficult enough for the average person, let alone trying to build a friend axis without working legs," Sandek said.

Many disabled students feel out of place while trying to

get around a tiny dorm room party in a wheelchair or while throwing a ball around the campus green with classmates. "People don't try to judge us," Sandek said. "You cannot help feeling like a burden to those who share your company. I can't access the same bars and clubs, or get up to dance with other people at social functions."

The attempt at a normal social life goes beyond the university gates. Bartolucci attended the county fair recently, but wasn't allowed on rides with her friends: "They told me I needed 'two functional legs' in order to ride!" Bartolucci said. "I can understand them denying me access to some rides, but what does missing a foot have anything to do with sitting on a Ferris wheel?"

This is just an example of the common prejudices plaguing people with handicaps—limiting their right to lead normal lives. As Bartolucci said, "You try to hide your flaws to fit in, but it's hard to hide your inabilities. We can't be normal when we're forced to stand out."



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Facebook aids students' procrastination

JEFF DEARMAN
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Facebook is a social networking site that connects more than 300 million users worldwide. Those users also spend six billion minutes on the site each day. Research has shown that students who pass their time adding friends, chatting and poking other users on Facebook may devote as little as an hour weekly to their schoolwork.

At KSU, 45 out of 50 students have their own Facebook page. Out of those 45 with Facebook, 32 spend more than two hours daily on the site. One student admitted that he checked his Facebook more than 30 times a day.

However, Facebook did not bring the advent of procrastination, which precedes the inventions of cell phones and computers. As Piers Steel, an online procrastination expert, explained: "The causes of procrastination combine temptation, sense of immediacy, the value of doing the job and whether you believe you can get the work done."

The term "cramming" exemplifies that students tend to wait until the last minute to complete assignments. Because students are getting more distracted, teachers are getting stricter in classes with computers—even deducting participation points if they catch

students on sites such as Facebook during class.

"I was in the library trying to write a 2,000 word essay when I realized my Facebook habit had got out of hand—I couldn't resist going online. Before you know it, a couple of minutes has turned into a couple of hours and you haven't written a thing," said Daisy Jones, a senior at KSU.

Melissa Garcia, a sophomore international affairs major, admits that Facebook is part of her daily routine. "I check my Facebook like 20 times an hour," Garcia said.

Like Jones, Garcia gets caught up reading her friends' status updates and looking through their pictures. "I would much rather check my Facebook, even if I checked it five minutes ago, than write a paragraph," she said.

Despite its propensity to distract her, Garcia finds the site useful: "It's a great networking tool—it helps me get it touch with my family back home [in Colombia]."

Though Facebook intends to be a social networking site, it has begun desocializing us as students and moreover, as a society. It's much easier to browse someone's profile and add them as a friend online than it is to walk up to them, introduce yourself and start a conversation in real life.

Students encouraged to 'band together' in October



Photo from band2g.com

HEATHER COOK
STAFF WRITER

October is domestic violence awareness month and students are encouraged to support the cause through a program called "Band Together." The program was designed with the motto "You make us" meaning that "each of us has a vested interest in the happiness and well-being of one another; so when someone hurts, we all hurt, when someone smiles, we all can smile and when someone faces a problem, it is up to us to help see that person through."

"The purpose of 'Band Together' is to bring awareness while raising funding for domestic violence organizations such as the Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence, in an effort to help combat this issue which plagues the community at large. With 'Band Together' our hopes is that for each person which purchases a band, he or she will become advocates against domestic violence as well as a friend and reliable resource to the victims of it," the movement's co-founder Clark Williams said.

Williams and his close friend Maximilian Hines founded Band Together after witnessing the harsh realities of domestic violence with the people that were close to them. They started the program in order to reduce domestic violence and eventually put an end to it.

"Violence needs to be combated and in order to do so, it should be publicized," Ilesha Cochrane, a freshman psychology major, said.

"Students can help by getting involved, speaking up about the seriousness of domestic violence and not being afraid to speak out against others that they believe to be abusive," Williams said. "This is not just a woman's issue, it's an issue which effects every man, woman and child involved—students of today are our leaders of tomorrow."

During the month of October, various events will be held including a Candlelight Vigil that will be hosted by the Women's Resource Center to End Domestic Violence. The vigil serves to remember those who have lost the struggle in domestic violence and to celebrate those who have survived. The service will be held on Oct. 15 from 6:45 p.m. - 8 p.m. at the gazebo behind the historic Decatur Courthouse.

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Restaurant review: Thai Ginger



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A few minutes from KSU is a little-known culinary gem—Thai Ginger. Upon entering the restaurant, elaborate decorations and pictures adorn the walls. Napkins are folded into crowns and the atmosphere is upscale. Few restaurants pay this much attention to detail in their dining areas.

“If customers including KSU students really want real, authentic Thai food, then come to Thai Ginger and we can help with that,” said Juntana Jitsomboon, the restaurant’s owner. “We have real quality food and ingredients, friendly service and affordable prices.”

Their delicious Pad Thai, one of customers’ favorite dishes, is an example of the restaurant’s reasonable prices. For only \$8.95, the Pad Thai comes with chicken and shrimp.

Chef Buakaew Nartpranin (Bua) has brought with her more than 20 years of Thai cooking experience from various restaurants in Atlanta, New York, New Jersey and

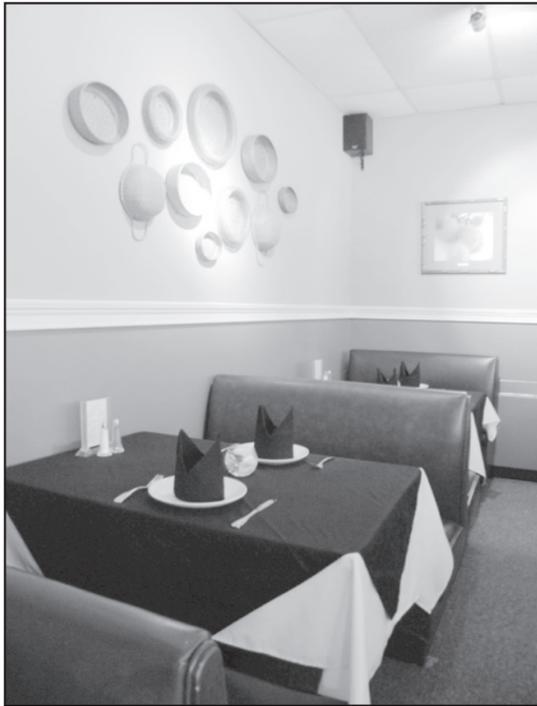
northeastern Thailand. Her philosophy is to cook just as you would cook for yourself or your loved ones—always cook with love and passion.

Bua’s passion shows in Thai Ginger’s dishes and she claims that she would proudly serve her dishes to the king. The crowned napkins and the décor makes customers feel like dining royalty and the food is simply divine.

“Thai Ginger never ceases to amaze me, the staff is always really friendly and helpful, the food hot and fresh, the restaurant is clean and classy,” said Tiffany Lempeis, a sophomore communication major. “My favorite dish is the Pad Thai with Tofu and vegetables, while my husband loves the Red Curry—he says the dish has the perfect amount of spice. I definitely recommend this place, you get a lot for your money.”

Jitsomboon has offered KSU students a 20 percent discount on their meals with student IDs. More promotional discounts are offered on the restaurant’s Web site at thainginger.com.

Chefs take great pride in serving tempura ice cream (left). This Pad Thai dish has shrimp, peanuts, bean sprout-top of noodles (right).



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Thai Ginger’s decor (above) is contemporary yet elegant.

Zombieland movie review

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The premise is not new. The concept is unoriginal. The characters, both alive and dead, are nothing you haven’t seen before; but Ruben Fleischer’s “Zombieland” somehow manages to be a fresh, hilarious and occasionally frightening tale of four people banding together to survive in a world where humans no longer top the food chain.

The film starts off with a terrific montage of title credits that conveys the basic setup for the rest of the story: the world has been overrun by the undead, and only a few have managed to survive.

Enter Columbus (every character is called by the name of their respective hometowns), a neurotic, cowardly college kid and the unlikely hero of the movie.

Played by Jesse Eisenberg, Columbus is the type of character you can’t help but root for because he just seems so out of place in a world where he should have been killed ages ago but has managed to survive. Columbus achieves this improbable victory by adhering to a strict set of rules that are pre-

sented by narration and by clever title cards throughout the movie.

Early on, Columbus bumps into Tallahassee (Woody Harrelson) as discovered his true calling: demolishing zombies. The unlikely duo set out together and run into swindler sisters Wichita (Emma Stone) and Little Rock (Abigail Breslin) on the way.

While Harrelson is the main event of the cast, everyone performs admirably, though the immensely talented Breslin is given very little to do. All four of the roles were certainly not written to win over Oscar voters, but the actors playing the characters are so charming and have such great chemistry that by the film’s zombie-filled climax, you have learned to care for them and hope that they make it out alive.

For a zombie movie, the undead are not showcased much. They show up at the appropriate moments, eat intestines, and lose copious amounts of blood when hit the head with a banjo, but that’s the extent of their place in the film.

Zombieland is less a zombie flick than it is a comedy film that happens to include zombies—the comedy and action drive the

movie home. The scenes in which Tallahassee shifts into undead-killing mode are some of the bloodiest and most enjoyable moments of the film.

Though a short film, coming in at only 80 minutes, Zombieland feels like a full experience. It does fall into some clichés, but it doesn’t drag them out, as the filmmakers probably knew what the audiences are paying to see: a laughed-filled, gory romp.

Zombieland is not the greatest comedy or horror-comedy of all time, it certainly belongs in the same conversation as cult classics “Shaun of the Dead” and “Evil Dead II.” It is endlessly entertaining, and chocked full of great action sequences, cartoon-like gore, hilarious quotes and features one of the most surprising and enjoyable cameos in recent memory.

As the summer dies down and makes way for the Academy Award-baiting season, Zombieland provides a fun tale that is the most straightforwardly entertaining movie to come out since “Star Trek” in May. You’ll laugh, you’ll cry and you’ll really, really want a Twinkie.



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American Indian Festival acculturates guests

KATHERINE BINNS
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The first thing heard was the drums. Pounding out a rhythm, with unexpected rises in volume, the Native American men sat in a circle behind the stage, smoking a peace pipe and chanting incantations that created a sacred space for the later dancers.

At the American Indian Festival at the Gwinnett County Fairgrounds Oct. 3 and 4, this special scene has been illustrated to educate audiences for 18 years.

"My father said that the Native Americans were the most misunderstood race in the world," coordinator Ryan Eddy said. Eddy is the son of founder Paul Eddy, who died in 2006. "He was full-blooded Yankton Dakota from South Dakota," Eddy said of his father. "This was started to educate the public."

Underneath a banner that said "Paul Eddy, you are truly missed," Cherokee, Navaho, Comanche, Mohawk and several other tribal members danced in traditional dress for hours with a mesmerizing drum-beat. Based on ages, there were junior dances, "little tot" dances, gender-specific dances and an "intertribal dance" in which the audience could participate.

The announcer explained the mean-

ing of each dance as well as interesting tidbits about Native American culture. For example, of the beautiful feather costume attachments of the men, it was explained that each feather was given by an elder.

Before "the straight dance," the announcer said that in olden times the tribes burned all feathers by the elders as a cleansing ritual. Junior girls' costumes were explained as well—each of the 365 bells attached to their dresses stood for every day of the year, each one with a special prayer inside.

Many of the dancers are not new. Some have come to this festival since they were "little tots." Many of them learn their dances once they learn how to walk.

"I've been dancing since I was six, so I guess 23 years," said Bronson Haywahe, whose tribe is Assinabione, from Saskatchewan, Canada. "I knew [Eddy's] dad. It's in honor of him. He was also from the north."

In addition to the dancing, there are about 10 tents surrounding the stage that sell Native American crafts including jewelry and leather goods, as well as three or four tents outside selling food.

You still have a chance to see the dancers on Oct. 24 and 25, when they will be performing at the Chickapee Woods Agricultural Center in Gainesville, Ga.

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EarthTalk

How are hair salons greening their industry?

MCT

Dear EarthTalk: As I understand it, hair salons are pretty toxic enterprises on many counts. Are there any efforts underway to green up that industry?

- Paula Howe, San Francisco

Hair salons have long been criticized for the pollution they generate. Traditional hair dyes and many shampoos contain harmful synthetic chemicals that are routinely used on customers' scalps—and then washed down the drain where they can accumulate in waterways, soils and even our bloodstreams.

While there doesn't appear to be an industry-wide, coordinated effort to green up these operations, green-friendly salons are popping up all across the country, leading the charge by taking matters into their own hands. A simple Google search for "green hair salons" followed by your two-letter state abbreviation may well turn up one or several within driving distance.

Not surprisingly, Southern California seems to be ground zero for the green hair salon movement. For example, Beverly Hills'

Shades Hair Studio prides itself on its chemical-free atmosphere. Spurred on by her own health problems related to working with conventional hair dyes, owner Susan Henry—so-called "colorist to the stars"—first created her own line of natural hair colors that contain no harmful ammonia, and then transformed her Shades salon into a model for environmentally friendly hair care.

Across town, Nori's EcoSalon in Encino is making waves in the industry for its non-toxic permanent hair color treatments and 100 percent botanical henna using home-grown formulations. To boot, Nori's interior features energy efficient lighting, recycled denim insulation, low-VOC paints on the walls and sustainably sourced bamboo on the floors, along with a number of other green touches to keep indoor air quality high. And up the coast, San Francisco's Descend Salon goes to similar lengths, and then steps it up a notch by recycling its hair clippings for use in absorbent mats used in oil spill clean-up efforts.

Not just for California anymore, eco-friendly hair salons

occupy just about every major North American city, many operating in the same spirit as Shades, Nori's and Descend in making use of non-toxic and/or organic ingredients while greening indoor surroundings for an overall healthy experience. Then there's the granddaddy of them all, Aveda, which in addition to operating some 200 of its own spas, supplies natural hair care and personal care products to 7,000 professional hair salons and spas in 29 countries.

Another way to get a greener hair treatment is to search on the Web sites of green hair care product makers such as EcoColors, Aveda, Modern Organic Products or Innersense for salons that use their products.

Of course, if none of the salons in your area have gone green, take it upon yourself to encourage them to make the transition. You can start by showing them this article and suggesting they begin to carry some all-natural products, perhaps by first contacting companies like EcoColors, Aveda, Modern Organic Products or Innersense to see what's out there that they could easily transition to.



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Plan ahead to green Halloween

MCT

I know. It's barely October, and here I am writing about greening Halloween. Trust me, I'm not usually this far ahead of the game when it comes to planning. But one thing I've learned over the years is that the best way to reduce the eco-impact of the Halloween festivities (while still enjoying the holiday) is to plan ahead. Costumes and decorations are easy to find around the house or at the thrift store, but not usually on the day before the big event. Filling your trick-or-treat bowl with eco-treats is another good way to go green, but options may be limited or expensive in your area. Think ahead and you can bulk packages of your favorite green goodies that won't break the bank.

So think of this as a green Halloween primer. Here are a few things to start thinking about now:

- **TREATS:** Stock your treat bowl with organic, natural treats instead of the standard commercial fare to reduce kids' exposure to chemicals and preservatives. Fair trade chocolates, organic candies or sweets made with pure cane

sugar, fruit juice and natural colors are just that much sweeter because they're healthier for kids and the planet. Another option is to skip the candy altogether and hand out small toys, stickers, pencils or soy crayons. Keep the costs down by purchasing these items in bulk now, before the Halloween rush begins.

- **DECORATIONS:** Think green before you break out the orange and black decorations. Natural items like pumpkins, gourds, straw bales and corn husks are inexpensive and festive and can be tossed in the compost pile after the holiday to minimize waste. Reusable decorations that can be used from year to year also help save money and reduce waste over the long run.

- **COSTUMES:** Start scouring your home or your local thrift store to find great costume ideas and supplies. Think about what you can put together from the items you already have around the house (wrap recycled cardboard in aluminum foil to make wands, swords or tiaras; or make a cape for your princess or wizard out of an old pillowcase) instead of buying new.

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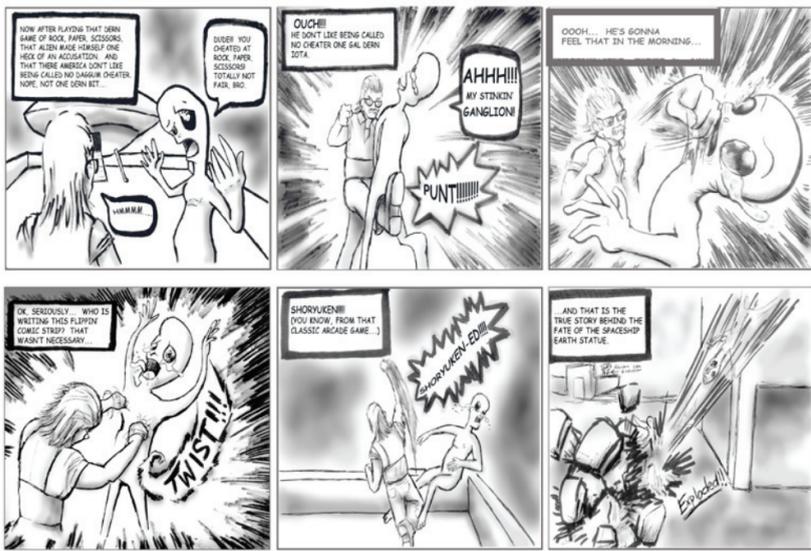
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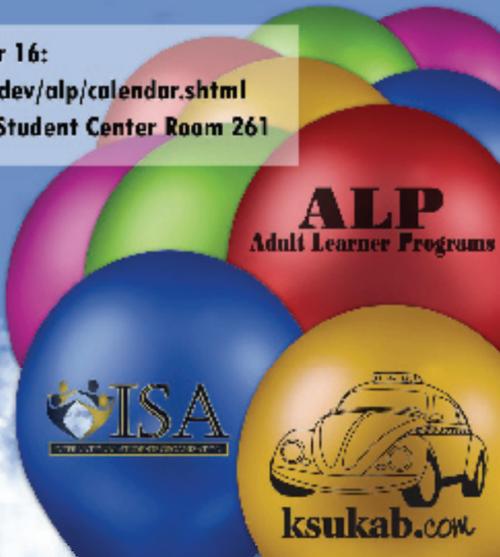
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Ten ways to reuse your shirts

SUPRIYA DOSHI (MCT)

I have countless cotton T-shirts at home. Some are in my dresser, others are in under-the-bed storage containers, and there are probably another dozen at my parents' house.

But, being the pack rat I am, I can't get rid of them for various sentimental reasons. The T-shirt we signed at the end of 5th grade; a gym uniform; marching band shirts corresponding to our show theme (don't laugh—marching band was awesome); race shirts; several variations on University of Illinois shirts ... the list goes on. So, instead of donating the ones you like, but never wear, here are 10 ways to repurpose your T-shirts:

1. T-shirt bag (www.marthastewart.com/article/good-thing-t-shirt-bag): This one is one of my favorites. Not only are you reusing something, you're getting something useful out of the deal too. It's pretty simple, and it could make a great

gift or gift bag. Plus, you get to pick your pattern!

2. Pillows (www.ewhow.com/how_2071556_make-tshirt-pillow.html): I'd totally take one of these on a road trip or plane, though I'd opt for the square pillow rather than the T-shirt-shaped one. And instead of buying stuffing, you can use the leftover shirt scraps and even entire shirts.

3. Rags: This option is perfect if it's an ex's shirt or one that's too old to look good in bag or pillow form. No read directions for this one: Just tear or cut the shirt into pieces, or use it whole.

4. Pet toys (www.craft-stylish.com/item/40916/how-to-make-sweater-dog-toys): If your dog is less destructive than mine, these toys might work for you.

5. Underwear: If you're a sewing whiz, here's a site with directions and a pattern for making your own undies from a shirt: <http://supernaturale.com/articles.html?id=70>. Or, for less effort but more money, SoloJones will do it for you: www.solojones.com/salvaged.aspx.

6. Wall art/decor: Some T-shirts are so cute they

could be artwork. So make it happen! Frame your art in a shadowbox, or use it as fabric on chairs or other furniture.

7. Quilts: Another option for you crafty ones. Quilts would make great gifts, and particularly soft shirts could end up as baby blankets.

8. Scarf (www.cutout-and-keep.net/projects/tshirt-scarf): It's starting to cool down again in Chicago, but one of these should help you stay warm.

9. Rag rug (http://vintagechica.typepad.com/the_life_and_times_of_thi/2006/10/rag_rug_tutorial.html): Crocheting is a need-to-know for at least this tutorial on making a rug, but it might be worth learning for such an awesome, useful final product.

10. Napkins: Be super-duper eco-friendly by turning decent quality shirts into cloth napkins. Just cut into rectangles and sew!

Now that you've filled your house with T-shirt items, you might still have a few left. And you can't keep 'em all forever. So pick out a few and donate them so someone else can wear or reuse them!

7 hidden secrets to getting the lowest apartment rates



ASHLEY GRIMALDO (MCT)

Apartment hunting can beat you down. Just try a casual online search for apartments in your target area and you'll be snared into a web of locators who will poach your inbox and cell phone with reckless abandon. No, apartment hunting is not for the faint of heart, and if you don't know your way around the industry you'll pay for your ignorance.

Renting is an attractive option right now if you are short on cash and need a place to stay. Sure you'd like to buy with housing prices so low, but unless you have a healthy 15 percent or more for a down payment you may be safer to rent and build up wealth first.

Apartment prices have not tanked, at least in most cases, but they have become more competitive. It's much easier to qualify for a lease now, even if you've broken leases or declared bankruptcy in the past. The current economic climate has encouraged a more lax approach to accepting tenants; so don't assume that some bruises on your financial history will keep you out of a nice community.

Although the following list is not exhaustive, it will give you a good idea of what you can negotiate when signing a lease. Most apartment owners have complicated systems that issue different prices for available units each day. It's not like buying a car—the leasing agent and manager can only do so much. These perks and discounts may or may not apply in your area, but it can't hurt to check them out.

1. Look and Lease Specials
The most important piece of information is to do your research well in advance before setting foot on property. Do your own drive through (if you can sneak through the

gate), look at floor plans online, research apartment ratings, and call for availability ahead of time. One of the deals you can sometimes score is a 24-hour look and lease special—the leasing agent shows you the property and will offer it below market rate if you sign a lease within a day.

2. Shop Around
Take your floor plans and pricing sheets with you to compare places. After seeing half a dozen they all blend together. The bottom line rent may not be the whole picture. Find out what is included and what is extra. Does the community have a functional gym that can save a \$40/month membership fee? Are all bills paid? What cable company and electric companies are allowed on site and how do they compare? How much are the initial fees? Keep a spreadsheet to organize your information.

3. Free Move Locators
Depending on your area, apartment locators can have a tremendous impact on your up-front costs. Some of my favorite locators are ones that provide an additional service for you, like a free move. I have moved twice with an apartment locator service that offers complimentary movers and truck and it has saved up to \$300 each move. You might have to enlist your buddy with the pickup for some extra valuables and furniture, but it is well worth it. To take advantage of it you must tell the leasing agent who referred you upon showing, since the locator service is only paid when they are listed as the referring locator.

4. Fees Negotiable
Administration fees, pet deposits/pet rent, and other initial fees can add up to \$500 or (much) more. For additional bargaining power, know that management can curtail many, if not all, of them.

Some fees will be waived as part of a special, but it's always good to inquire if you present yourself as having to choose between several communities.

5. Renewal Tips—renewal party, money off 1st month
After you've lived in your pad for the entirety of your lease you may notice that Average Joe walking in from the street can get a better deal on a unit than you, a proven, reliable tenant who pays early each month. This will infuriate you and make you feel like a number. Apartment owners assume that you're willing to pay a bit more the following renewal period since moving is such a hassle. Be proactive and find out what specials the new move-ins are getting. Request the same deal and threaten to jump ship if they don't honor it. Also stop by the renewal parties, if your community offers them. Many give away one month free of rent, washer/dryers, or even flat screen TVs (plus you get a free meal out of it).

6. Unit Location
Not crazy about a fourth floor walkup or the brick wall view? Depending upon availability and occupancy rates, you might be able to get an identical unit in a more desirable location for the same price. The least expensive units (in the hot months) are east and north facing—they don't catch the painful direct sunlight in the afternoon.

7. Free Storage
If you're on the fence with deciding between two communities, let each leasing agent know it. If they're in a pinch and need to raise occupancy percentage they'll throw in extras like storage or a garage. Parking spaces are likewise negotiable. Know you live in a culture that doesn't value bargaining and wield the little power you have to get the best deal—it can't hurt to ask.

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A green consumer means living conscientiously

ANDREW KATZ
(MCT)

Green living in a down economy has become a concern for many Americans, but while adopting eco-conscious practices may seem challenging at first, it's simple to make an impact.

"It's easy to be planet-friendly and human healthy," said eco-expert Kim Carlson, founder of EarthSmart Consumer Certified, a retail product certification program that collaborates with leading environmentalists to ensure the products we buy don't damage our planet. "You just have to kind of know your way around that world and once you do - it's easy. It's just changing a few behaviors."

Minor modifications such as using power strips for your electronics and switching out your old light bulbs for compact fluorescent ones will reduce your carbon footprint and save some money, but you can always do more.

"We're hitting and bumping up against the limits of the resources here on the planet," she said. "Wise use of those resources is the whole point of being green."

Below are a few tips Carlson, author of "Green Your Work: Boost Your Bottom Line While Reducing Your Carbon Footprint" (Adams Media, \$14.95), suggests to help others develop healthier lifestyles, become more aware of the environment and eat with green in mind.

Choose products with reduced packing

As consumers, most of us don't pay attention to the packaging of the products we buy, and with all the distractions (long lines, free samples, etc.), it's understandable why.

- Tip: Pre-packaged goods are convenient but they could be packaged differently, so stick to the perimeter of your grocery store for non-processed foods, including fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy products and meats, which are both minimally processed and minimally packaged. Then hit the bulk aisle for rice, cereal, pasta and nuts. You'll have more space in your cabinets and fewer packages to toss out later.

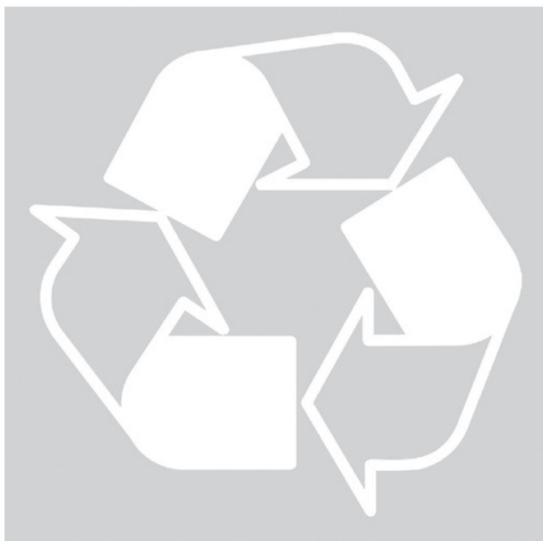
- Reminder: Buying dry goods over wet products will result in lighter trucks using less fuel and fewer emissions released into the atmosphere.

Shop with reusable grocery bags

"Any time you can reuse something, you're ahead of the game because you don't have anything to throw away," Carlson said about the widespread use of the popular reusable shopping bags. "You don't have to worry about composting or what to do with it; you just keep using it until it wears out."

- Tip: Take advantage of new technologies when you can. "There's bags that are being produced out of bioplastics like corn and switchgrass," Carlson noted. "Things that can biodegrade."

- Reminder: Most reusable bags cost about \$1, so stock up - every bag makes a difference.



Buy locally raised ingredients

Purchasing local products instead of their commercial counterparts will keep your dollars close by and guarantee fresher and more nutritious foods.

- Tip: Pay a visit to the nearby farmer's market. Buying produce such as lettuce, eggplant and potatoes from neighborhood vendors is a great way to invest in your community and purchasing in-season products will assure you of quality and lower prices.

- Reminder: Ask the sellers where the items come from at each stand to ensure they were grown in your area.

Select sustainable seafood

Fishing practices worldwide have destroyed habitats, depleted fish populations and polluted the oceans, but smarter shopping could offset the consequences of over-fishing.

- Tip: Pick up one of the Monterey Bay Aquarium's Seafood Watch pocket guides, which are handy region-specific booklets full of suggestions for favorable seafood purchases (view online or order at www.montereybay-aquarium.org/cr/cr-seafoodwatch/download.aspx). Also, eat at your favorite restaurants that recognize the issue and work to serve quality,

sustainable dishes.

- Reminder: Ask for "ocean-friendly" seafood: Arctic char, bay scallops and rainbow trout, among others, are "abundant, well-managed and caught or farmed in environmentally friendly ways," one guide states.

Green night out

It's one thing to buy local ingredients and products with reduced packaging for your meals at home, but if your family frequents restaurants several times a week, broaden your scope.

- Tip: Choose environmentally cognizant restaurants - typically non-chains - that serve locally grown cuisine, recycle waste and conserve energy resources.

- Reminder: When you come across a great eco-friendly restaurant, spread the word!

Other ways to make an impact

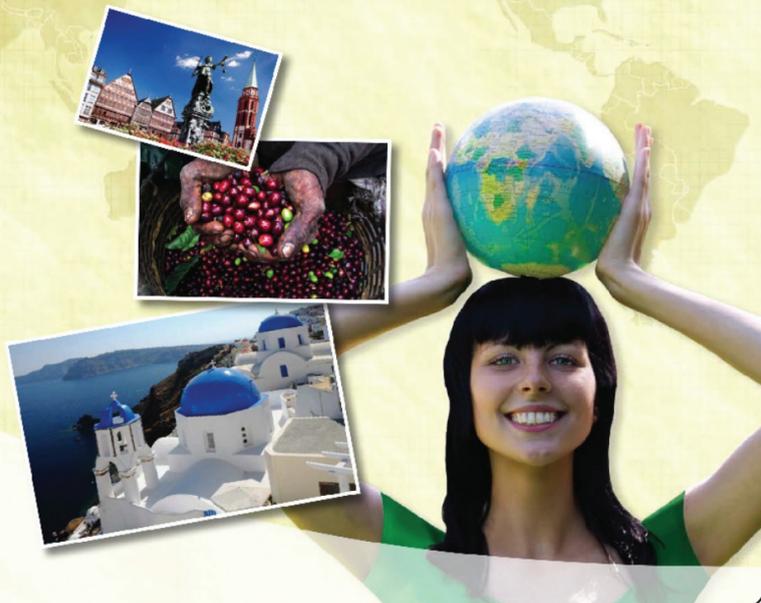
Eating is a social bonding experience; it should be a carefree occasion, not a chore.

- Tip: Plant your own garden, replace meat with wheat or introduce unusual grains into your diet to mix things up a bit.

- Reminder: When cultivating a garden, you can choose to go all-organic with soil, plants and fertilizer, or low-impact, by abstaining from using pesticides.

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MELISSA BUTZ
STAFF WRITER

The event started at 11 a.m. to celebrate the beginning steps of the 88-acre land purchase KSU attained last year. The two new state-of-the-art synthetic-turf fields and the 16,000-square-foot Owl's Nest building were all recognized as just the beginning of what is to come.

"This is an immense enhancement for KSU students. It the first phase of what will be an impressive complex," KSU President Daniel Papp said. "You ain't seen nothin' yet. There is so much more to come as our reputation catches up with our resources."

Participation in club and intramural sports has grown by 30 percent in the past three years and will continue to grow. This new edition will be more able to support the needs of 22,500 students than the 1.7 acre intramural field did.

"[This complex] is for the students and paid for by the students. Thank you to all students because without them the Owl's Nest wouldn't be possible," said Jen Byers, president of women's lacrosse.

Showcasing their athletic ability, many of the 15 club sports were doing 20 minute scrimmages throughout the day. The women's lacrosse team started the day off while the invited guests were arriving for the main part of the event. The other club sports, such as rugby, men's lacrosse, soccer, Frisbee and flag football played on the new fields after the ribbon was cut while the cheerleaders were tumbling inside. Each team was encouraged to stay to cheer on their fellow club sports members.



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From left to right: Dr. Daniel Papp, Darius Robinson, Norman Radow, Daniel Street, Jen Byers, Kathy Alday and Jerome Ratchford.

The amount of work and effort put into this facility is tremendous. There were designated days club sports members were called in to paint, set up goals and benches and perform various tasks. Many others, including faculty members, also helped finish the new sports and recreation center.

One such person was Laura St. Onge, coordinator of club sports, who devoted countless hours to the new center, even bringing her son and husband with her to help. When asked about her devotion to finishing the center, she said, "It's not about me. It's all about you. I'm just doing my job." St. Onge also said, "I am so very proud of all my club sport athletes and about who you are as people."

"This isn't about money. It's really a labor of love," said Norman Radow, Chairman of the Board of Trustees. "Every project we are undertaking is going to be the best. That is my promise to you."

Many people helped make these fields possible, and the students are very grateful. Many students will be able to use this new complex now and in the future.

"We finally have our place at Kennesaw State University, a place to call our own," Jen Byers, said, summing up the feelings of club sport members. "How can we not be more proud of our school than we are today?"

"Some people don't realize how important intramural sports are, and they are very important," said Kathy Alday, from the Department of Student Life.

"I wish fellow students many delightful memories as you use this facility," Vice President of SGA Darris Robinson said.

KSU splits weekend fixtures, breaks 7-game losing streak

JOHN MORBITZER
STAFF WRITER

It took two weeks and 7 matches, but KSU (8-7, 3-5) tallied a win in straight sets against the University of North Florida (7-8, 2-5) before dropping their Saturday match against Jacksonville (10-5, 6-2).

"We really tried to focus on playing the ball. Volleyball is such a game of instant gratification, so you want it all to happen, but we were patient this week. It worked out on defense, it worked out on offense and we saw those things come to fruition tonight," head coach Karen Weatherington said.

The patience was evident for the Owls as UNF fought back from four points behind to take a 23-22 lead late in the second set. KSU forced set point, but a serving error left UNF with a chance. A kill by KSU forced another set point and the Owls finished the set with a point to win.

"Our setters were phenomenal, and tonight the offense did a superior job with the execution," said Weatherington. "Our strategy was to take care of the ball, make that first pass and get the ball to the target, and from there we won't have breakdowns."

The setters, Senior Ginny Frederick and Sophomore Rachael Albright, combined for 32 of the team's 39 assists, while Sabrita Gulley lead the team with 15 kills.

"I feel like we played incredible, one thing we did really well is that we played our game," said Frederick.

After breaking the 7-game losing streak Friday night, the Owls welcomed the Jacksonville University Dolphins to the Convocation Center Saturday afternoon but struggled to string two wins together.

"We fought hard, but we didn't put ourselves in a position to make the winning plays when we needed them," said Weatherington.

The Owls were ahead in the second set 24-21 with set point on JU when the Dolphins rallied for three points to tie at 24. However, pressure from the Owls forced two JU errors, and KSU registered their only set win of the match.

A 7-1 lead for the Owls in set three diminished as the teams stayed locked at 23 late. An error by the Owls lead to set a point for JU, and a decision by the referee involving the attack antenna awarded the point, and the win, to the Dolphins.

A closely contested fourth set was taken over by JU who recorded a 5-0 run to take a lead and put the set and match out of reach.

Albright recorded her fifth double-double of the season with 20 assists and 14 digs against the Dolphins, while Asjia Stokes led the Owls with 15 kills to reach 225 on the season to set a career-high.

"We need to keep playing aggressively. When we play scared and make mistakes, we don't play well. We need to work hard, and when we do, we win," said Albright.

KSU takes the court again with a road trip to Florida as the Owls face Stetson and Florida Gulf Coast in conference matches Thursday, Oct. 8, and Saturday, Oct. 10.



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Juniors Selina O'Leary (top) and Sabrita Gulley (bottom) and the Owls volleyball team have cooled off after a fast start to the season.

Owls on the ROAD

Womens soccer splits weekend in sunshine state

BEN HAMPTON
STAFF WRITER

The KSU soccer team wrapped up an A-Sun weekend in Jacksonville, Fla. where the Owls (5-5, 3-2 A-Sun) defeated the University of North Florida 1-0, but lost 3-1 to league leading Jacksonville University. The ladies played their first game Friday against UNF. The Ospreys (5-7-1, 2-2 A-Sun) never found the back of the net, allowing standout KSU keeper Staci Pugh her fourth clean sheet of the year. Pugh is second in the A-Sun in saves per game averaging 5.4 this season.

The only goal of the game came in the 21st minute of the contest. Caitlin Dingle received a ball at the top of the penalty box from Katie Scott and ripped a shot past the UNF goalkeeper for her fourth goal of the year. Dingle's four goals and two assists give her the lead in points on the team with 10.

In game two the Owls did not get the result they were looking for as they fell to Jacksonville 3-1 Sunday afternoon at the Ashley Sports Complex.

The Dolphins (6-6, 3-1 A-Sun) got on the scoreboard first in the sixth minute, when Liz Fink received a cross from Becca Massip and scored to give the home team a 1-0 lead. In the 36th minute Jacksonville went

up by two when Jelena Vrcelj sent a corner kick into the box. The KSU defense got a deflection on the ball, but Fink got to the rebound and buried the shot for her second goal of the half.

Almost ten minutes into the second half, Lauren Ruffini scored a goal on a corner kick sent in by Caitlin Dingle. With the goal coming early in the second half the ladies were right back in the game, down a goal with more than 30 minutes to play.

The Owls kept the pressure on for the remainder of the half, outshooting Jacksonville 15-5, but they could not find the back of the net. In the 87th minute the Dolphins put the nail in the coffin when Emily Culbreth scored a goal from 15-yards out to win by a final score of 3-1.

KSU will continue Atlantic Sun Conference play this Friday at the KSU soccer complex. They host Lipscomb University Friday at 7 p.m. and then Belmont University at 2 p.m. Sunday.



Katie Scott (right) and the Owls are currently third in the conference with a 3-2 in-conference record.

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CLUB SPORTS

Owls sneak by ECU with two more wins

LUCAS BIGHAM
STAFF WRITER

KSU edged out East Carolina University (ECU) at home Friday and Saturday and continued the team's undefeated start to the season.

After a dominant victory over University of North Carolina last week, the Owls have been looking to take that momentum with them before they travel to St. Louis for the ACHA Division II Showcase.

With a healthy mix of veterans and talented rookies, the squad is confident that this could be their best season yet. However, they're also aware of the challenging teams they have in front of them.

Both teams met on the ice Friday night and each look to continue their flawless records in front of more than 700 spectators. From the first drop of the puck the Owls seemed in control after their first two goals.

However, ECU didn't give up that easily. The Pirates slowly fought their way back by tying the game 6-6 and forced overtime. In sudden death, Owl's rookie

Tucker Green scored a breakaway goal on a shift change to give the Owls the victory.

"We're expecting big things from [Green]," said Bill Morrison, assistant coach for the Owls.

Saturday's game began with ECU taking the lead early. Near the end of the second period the Owls were down three goals, even though they had nearly doubled ECU in shots on goal.

By the third period, the momentum of the game had turned in the Owls favor. Forwards Jerry Holden and Peter Kencer scored two goals each. Kencer scored the game-winning goal with only a few minutes left in the game. Chris Koutnik upped the final score to 7-5 with seconds left on the scoreboard.

On Oct. 9-11 the Owls will travel to St. Louis to take on rival Miami of Ohio, Illinois State and Missouri. The last time the Owls met Miami of Ohio, they defeated them in overtime to qualify for the ACHA Nationals.

"We're anxious to play them," said Morrison. "We're going to make a run at the nationals."



Photo courtesy of KSU Club Sports
Dylan Morrison and KSU Hockey Club are off to an undefeated start, and are looking to remain undefeated at the ACHA Nationals.

Men's soccer shutout Morehouse

LUCAS BIGHAM
CLUB SPORTS REPORTER

The Owls men's soccer club defeated Morehouse 5-0 on Saturday in their last home game of the season.

"This game was a collaborative effort and I couldn't be more proud of how we are turning out," said Brandon Scholz, starting goalkeeper for KSU.

The Owls scored all five of their goals in the first half. The goals were scored by Oleksamdv Tsyra, Ryan Philpotts and Samer Kaddah. In the second half, the Owls focused more on maintaining possession and not giving up any goals.

Since the season began, the men's soccer club has put much more emphasis on their physical training, specifically their endurance.

"We now have an agility and core trainer plus run constantly on the field during practice," Scholz said. "This training has given us the ability to push through the pain and really deliver like we have the ability to do."

Next weekend, the Owls will travel to Clemson to compete at Socctoberfest against several SEC teams that include Ole Miss and UGA. KSU will be looking to capitalize on their underdog status entering into the tournament.

"I have absolute faith my team can rise to the challenge," Scholz said. "We really hope to establish KSU as a strong contender in the SEC soccer world and we are working hard and training hard to do so."

Making it the finals of this event will earn the Owls a spot in the regional tournament.

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