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Chandler backs out of provost position

Alisen Redmond STAFF WRITER

KSU's prospective Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs withdrew his acceptance of the position Thursday after two weeks of controversy erupting over perceptions of his political and economic ideology.

Dr. Timothy J.L. Chandler will remain in his position at Kent State University as Senior Associate Provost, said a KSU press release. Dr. W. Ken Harmon will remain in the position of interim provost until KSU hires a new provost.

"I have decided it is in the best interest of Kennesaw State University for me to withdraw at



this time," Chandler said. "I feel strongly about the commitment that I made to elevating Kennesaw State University's academic stature. However, I have now come to believe that the recent distractions caused by external forces would interfere with my effectiveness as provost." The "external forces"

refer to the controversy that erupted after a March 4 article in the Marietta Daily Journal accused Chandler of being a Marxist and anti-American. The

article questioned Chandler's self-identification as a political moderate, and quoted a litany of offending phrases from an academic paper Chandler coauthored in 1998. Among them was the complaint that "Chandler and [co-author] Davis argue that students and faculty should have 'real academic freedom, and real socioeconomic security."

The article quotes KSU President Papp was saying he believes that "if you look at [Chandler's] entire body of work that you cannot reach the conclusion that he is a Marxist by any stretch of the imagination." "We'll let readers be the judge of that," the authors wrote. The article contained no information regarding the content or sources of



Tidwell | The Vathan

Papp (center left) joins department heads and local legislators in welcoming KSU's latest addition.

Diggin' science: Science department celebrates new lab

Nathan Tidwell STAFF WRITER

The College of Science and Mathematics broke ground on its newest addition - a new science lab addition – as KSU held the official ceremony on March 18 to celebrate the new lab space specified for scientific teaching and research.

Just before taking a shovel, KSU President Daniel Papp said the work put into making this building a reality was "a labor of love" for everyone involved.

The estimated \$21 million lab addition, projected to be finished in the next 18 months, will be a fivestory, 73,000 square foot building and will feature 14 instructional labs and 12 project and research labs, allowing for the expansion of faculty and student collaborated research projects.

The lab will sit in the space on

Marietta Drive between the current Science and Math Building and the Arboretum and will consume the current parking spaces near the loading dock to the residential parking area.

Papp added that this new lab space is "vital to the future of the students at KSU" as the science and technology industry in Georgia should see a projected 18,600 jobs

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Sign-ups for **Town Center** shuttle begin **Carolyn Grindrod** NEWS EDITOR

Looking for an alternative to the student parking woes for the fall?

Registration for shuttling services to off campus parking at Town Center Mall have started, and Beth Tindel, director of Parking and Transportation Services, said it's not too early to start thinking about next semester.

"Currently we have 700 parking spaces that we've added to supplement the current parking decks and the 364 spaces at Town Point we added this semester, and will be selling these spaces [at Town Center] to the first 1,000 students," said Tindel. "And these spots at the mall come with great incentive: free parking."

Students who opt out of parking on campus and take the shuttle from the mall will be refunded their parking permit fee, saving \$70 on the optional fee. Commuters will still be expected to pay the \$60 mandatory parking fee.



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NEWS -**Center holds day of Civil War lectures** at KSU and Kennesaw Mountain

Michael Thomas STAFF WRITER

If you have ever been to Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park (Kemo), you know walking to the summit can be trying for the less hikinginclined, and running up it is certainly a feat of athletic achievement. Now imagine sprinting up that same geographic form after days of rain while carrying weights, dodging boulders and getting into fistfights with groups of Confederate soldiers. Sherman's men did just that at the battle of Kennesaw Mountain in June of 1864. Albeit 3,800-odd men died in its violent past, today Kemo is recognized by locals as a nice place to throw the Frisbee or have a picnic on a sunny day. A recent interview in Creative Loafing's Valentine's Day issue listed it as one of the "most romantic place(s)" in Atlanta.

The Center for the Study of the Civil War Era will hold the eighth Annual Symposium on New Interpretations of the Civil War at the Burruss Building and at Kemo's visitor center this Friday and Saturday to keep the historic relevance of the location in visitors' minds, said the center's director, Brian Wills. The event is free and open to the public.

We want to make it an event that's good for college students, faculty members and community members: we don't want it to be restricted to anyone," said Wills. The center always strives to generate interest in history, Wills added. "We are hoping that they will have been stimulated and want to know more... and learn something or walk away saying 'I didn't know that!"" said Willis.

The National Parks Service, Georgia Humanities Council and CSCWE are jointly funding the symposium speakers and refreshments.

The Saturday events take place from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and include presentations made by five speakers with a lunch break at 12:10 p.m. Thomas Costa, Director of Geography of Slavery in Virginia Project at University of Virginia (Wise); O. Vernon Burton, Director of the Institute for Computing in Humanities Arts and Social Science at the University of Illinois; and Emory M. Thomas, Regents Professor of History Emeritus at the University of Georgia will lecture at the Burruss Building room 151 starting at 9 a.m. These three speakers focus on direct Civil War topics.

The latter two speakers Robert A. Prant, Chair of the Department of History at the University of Georgia and Judy Richardson, Series Associate Producer of the Academy Award nominated series Eyes on the Prize, present on effects of the Civil War on civil rights. For example, civil rights activist Richardson, will be exploring the making of Eyes on the Prize and other social movement films. Their parts take place at Kemo's visitor center (900 Kennesaw Mountain Drive, Kennesaw GA 30152) starting at 1 p.m.

The Symposium's 6:30 p.m. Friday program consists of a performance by the Georgia Spiritual Ensemble at Zion Baptist Church (165 Lemon Street, Marietta GA 30060), one of the oldest African American churches in North Georgia. "It's not geared toward speaking," stated Wills, "it's more geared [toward] enjoying beautiful entertainment." The ensemble demonstrates their versions of spirituals that were sung by the slaves in the antebellum and colonial periods of the United States.



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The parking area for shuttle takers from Town Center Mall will be located close to the road front of the mall's food court area, and students will be shuttled from the mall down Busbee Drive back to campus, said Tindel.

This shuttle will also provide free transportation to all students and faculty who want to stop or shop at Town Center.

"We have a lot of students who work at the mall and this will provide them with transportation throughout the week," said Tindel. "Also, if faculty want to grab a quick bite for lunch, they now have that option. It opens up a lot of different opportunities."

The shuttle, like Town Point's, will available Monday - Thursday from 7 a.m. until 11:30 p.m. Shuttle students who wish to be on campus on Friday and the weekends are allowed to park on campus, said Tindel.

The addition of off-campus parking came from the demand for more parking as the student population grows. Tindel said the demand for more parking increases each semester, with fall semesters usually seeing the highest traffic for students with fall 2011 being no exception.

"With an average growth, we've projected to increase parking by 400 spaces a year," added Tindel. "We thought we had that covered after building the Central deck, but you see how quickly that filled up. It's a good problem to have, but it's still a problem."

A shuttle seemed to be the quickest solution to the growing struggle for parking, as it has room to expand or recede the services as needed.

"If something happens to the growth, we can just stop it," said Tindel. "It's completely flexible. If we build another deck, we are locked into that debt for the next 30 years."

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Tindel said that Town Center wasn't an original option for offcampus parking.

"When we first started planning to be parking off campus, we originally didn't look at Town Center as feasible option, but after doing several test runs, we decided it was the best option," added Tindel. "With Town Center being only about a mile away from campus and taking on average 23 minutes, it appears to be the better of the other places we originally looked at."

This semester, Parking services added the Town Point Shuttle, which currently takes 20-minute loops around campus and stops at Town Point, The Rec Center, The Commons and the dance studio at Chastain Point – making for a 10 minute wait time.

Tindel said that they hope to continue a 10 minute wait time for Town Center, as they will have five shuttles next semester with a sixth shuttle as back up depending on student demands.

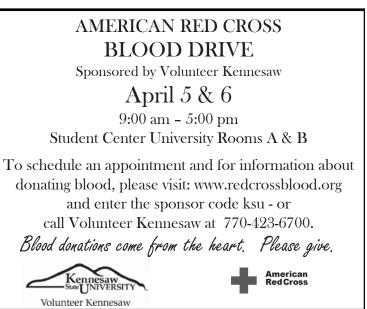
With the addition of Town Center Mall, Parking services have also entertained the idea of more en route stops for the shuttles.

"We'd like to adjust the routes a bit," said Tindel. "We have been looking at more routes and more stops, we just want to take baby steps at first. One of our goals is to have a pick up area at the East parking lot [across from the East Deck] so that students don't have to walk across Frey Road...but more spots is more money."

Tindel said that KSU has spent \$150,000 this year to help fund the shuttling services and those students who park on campus and spend the \$70 to do so help subsidize the shuttle.

"That's about \$53 per service hour per bus," said Tindel. "And if we added another shuttle, that's another \$53 per hour. It's how

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NEWS March 22, 2011 -**Concord Coalition discusses federal budget solutions**

John DeFoor and Ryan Schill STAFF WRITERS

Discussing solutions to balance the federal budget, the Concord Coalition met on March 1 at Prillaman Hall during their "Fiscal Solutions Tour" as a bi-partisan panel talked over budget issues, includig reducing entitlements like Social Security and Medicare

Panelists included heavyweight economic experts including Alice Rivlin, the founding director of the Congressional Budget Office

and David Walker, the former United States Comptroller General.

The national debt was identified as the largest threat to economic security in the U.S. Walker warned that the U.S. could "lose its sovereignty" if it continues to borrow heavily from foreign countries such as China.

"Greece has the [European Union] to bail them out," Walker said. "Nobody's going to bail out America."

The U.S. is facing a crushing \$14.2 trillion debt. However, Concord Coalition Executive Director Robert Bixby warned that the true enemy is the interest the U.S. pays each year

on the debt. In 2011 the U.S. spent more than \$200 billion on interest payments. That number could reach more than \$900 billion by 2020.

"We're not talking about paying off the debt; we're talking about stabilizing," Rivlin said. "The idea that we might pay the debt really isn't in the conversation."

When asked by an audience member about solutions, Walker said, "The public is starved for two things: truth and leadership."

"People are ready for the truth," said Joseph Antos of the American Enterprise Institute. The truth, according to Bixby, is that for the

U.S. to balance the budget and begin to pay off its debt, entitlements must be cut and taxes must be increased.

"If you say, 'Do you want benefits cut and taxes raised?' people will say 'no," Bixby said. "But if you explain [why] they will understand."

Bixby believes that politicians in both parties are "daring each other to say something responsible" while they pander to their base.

Rivlin concluded the conversation with a positive outlook.

"Ten years ago," she said, "we were in a surplus. We've done it before and we can do it again."

KSU honors retiring staffers

Staff Reports

Whether it's the first five years or retirement, the KSU faculty and staff will be celebrating and saying farewell to those with milestones on April 1, as the Human Resources department hosts the 2011 Years of Services and Retirement Ceremony.

The service, which will begin at 10 a.m., will honor all those celebrating five, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 or even 35 year marks at KSU during the 2011 calendar year and will be held in the Social Sciences Auditorium in room 1021.

Those wishing to participate in the ceremony are asked to contact Alicia Stignani in Human Resources.

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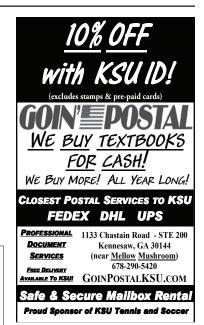
According to KSU's Campus Master Plan Executive Summary from 2006, the addition is part of the Phase 2 plan for KSU and is scheduled for completion in 2013.

Kennesaw Mayor Mark Mathews, who was also in attendance at the groundbreaking, welcomed the new KSU addition and said that the more KSU grows the more the city of Kennesaw sees success.

'This is not only an addition to KSU but an addition to the whole community," said Mathews.

The architectural firm of Perkins + Will designed the project, which is expected to achieve Gold LEED (Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design) certification, while Choate Construction of Atlanta, who built the Village Suites, The Commons and the Central Parking Deck, will be in charge of building the new addition.







NEWS -

Calhoun recognized for outstanding service

Staff Reports

Dean of Continuing Education Barbara Calhoun was recently recognized for her long-term contributions and professional accomplishments to the field of continuing education as the Georgia Adult Education Association awarded her during their annual conference with their most prestigious recognition – the Outstanding Adult Educator award.

"I was surprised and thrilled to receive the award," Calhoun said. "It was a really good feeling to be recognized by my peers, so many of whom were just as deserving of the same recognition."

Calhoun has worked in the adult education field for more than 25 years and is a past president of GAEA. Under her direction, the College of Continuing and Professional Education has doubled in size since 1995 as approximately 23,000 student registrations each year, making for, according to Calhoun, one of KSU's largest community outreach efforts.

Calhoun

In the mid-1990s KSU was the first university in Georgia to offer noncredit classes in an online environment. While under Calhoun's leadership, the college has since worked on global initiatives, such as creating international training programs in five Eastern European countries, establishing

a southern training base for China and developing and delivering training for female Afghani delegates working to gain leadership positions in their country after 9/11.

"Every time we work with groups like this, we create friendships and strong, healthy connections between the U.S. and the global community," Calhoun said.

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transportation demand management works. People pay more for convenience."

Along with expanding the shuttling services, Tindel said they also plan on add shelters at the Commons and Rec center stops to help protect from environmental conditions.

Parking is also discussing changing the way they handle parking permits, and Tindel said in the next year the Parking and Transportation Committee will be looking into ways to zone the parking areas on campus, so that students would be able – on a first come first serve basis – to choose where they park based on premium space, availability and price differentiation.

"For example, the West Deck is prime real estate for parking," said Tindel. "If we decide to do zoning then a student who wants to park in the West Deck might have to pay more for the convenience, but then they know they'll have a space because once we sell out of spaces, that'll be it."

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Chandler's other writings.

Papp released a statement following the hysteria that said he was "convinced that Dr. Chandler is neither Marxist nor anti-American, as some have alleged."

"Attacks on my character, including the suggestion that I am undemocratic, are baseless." Chandler said in a press release. He also said that he was "not inclined to withdraw from the provost position under the cloud of a Red scare,"

Chandler declined the position one week later, although he said in a KSU press release that he appreciates the opportunity the KSU appointment

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presented and was grateful for the support of his colleagues.

"Dr. Chandler is a highly respected academic and we understand his decision," Papp said. "The Kennesaw State University community wishes Dr. Chandler all the best in his future endeavors."

Papp emphasized in a press release that Chandler's decision was strictly his own and was not related to any viewpoints Chandler expressed in previous academic works.

According the Atlanta Journal Constitution, Papp said another search will have to be conducted to fill the provost position.

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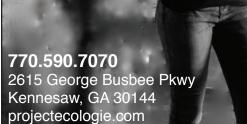
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Is it a right or just plain wrong?

What is a right? To put it simply, rights are a moral concept, derived from man's nature as a rational human being and the means through which he promotes and preserves himself, i.e. his right to life. They not only act as a moral compass for man's choices and actions, but more importantly, they provide an ethical code to guide man's relationships to others.

The concept of individual rights requires that man, through reason, recognize the existence of these rights in all other men. Rational man cannot function by means of force or in a society based on coercion. In a society based on individual rights, the only obligation man has to others is to abstain from violating their rights. All transactions in a society must be agreed upon voluntarily in order to be legitimate and just.

Though man may have a right to his life or a right to property – the only means by which man can preserve his life – it does not mean he has a right to any good, land, or resource he desires or wants or needs. The right to property is a right to an action. It only guarantees that man has a right to perform any action that will either produce or earn him the property he needs to survive.

A man cannot simply go to any unlocked house and take food from the refrigerator on the grounds that it is the means to his survival. The Bill of Rights, one of the only documents recognizing man's natural rights, does not fulfill man's needs for objects like food, clothing and shelter. Instead, it is a restriction on the power of government to violate and interfere with



Justin Hayes Senior Columnist

It is easy to see how so many people would believe that their "rights" are being violated when something like the HOPE scholarship is changed. It is hard, they argue, to obtain a job without at least a college degree. Without a job, they say, one cannot survive, so it is necessary for the government to provide this to all.

How does the government provide all of these things for which we have these so-called "rights?" The simple answer is by means of

"Positive rights enslave men in a society based on force and coercion – a society making those who create and earn a slave to those who do not."

man's rights. These are referred to as negative rights.

There are many politicians and intellectuals who believe that there exists a set of positive rights that the government should provide to all. These include the right to a "living wage" (by whose standards?), the right to a home, the right to food and the right to an education. For some, it goes further: they believe we have a right to higher education, a right to a cell phone and a right to wireless Internet. physical force. Someone must build homes and others must provide the service of education through their own effort. Government simply confiscates these objects through taxation or outright theft and gives it to those that need them. Thus, through the use of physical force, the whole concept of rights is negated. These positive rights enslave men in a society based on force and coercion – a society making those who create and earn a slave to those who do not.

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Impeach PrezBo for bombing Libya

House Democrats and this Libertarian finally had something in common last week. While Obama was requesting UN permission to bomb Libya, I had a moment where it seemed possible that hell had frozen over and pigs were flying- because house Democrats and I were finally in agreement on Obama.

"President Obama is a flouter of the Constitution" was the cry of some very staunch Democratic house members and should have been the cry of every American from one sea to the other. While Republicans, Tea Partiers and most of Congress sit quiet on



Alessandra Turner Senior Columnist

have been Constitutional Law professors let me explain. The Constitution of the United States of America, the document around which all aspects

"The Constitution... clearly states that the American president needs congressional approval to wage war."

this issue, I am assured that at least a few House Democrats have read and retained at least some information from the U.S. Constitution. House Democratic representatives from Massachusetts, Ohio, California, New Jersey, New York, Maryland, Texas and D.C. were livid on March 19 when President Obama requested permission *FROM THE UNITED NATIONS* to bomb Libyan military artillery, tanks and outposts.

Mr. Obama, who has often times inaccurately represented himself as a Constitutional Law professor, must have forgotten his professed "respect *for* the Constitution." For those of you who don't go around pretending to of our American lives have been crafted, clearly states that the American president needs congressional approval to wage war.

So why exactly is our American president requesting permission from the UN for actions only the U.S. Congress can grant? Is it perhaps because, as we saw with Obamacare, our President has no respect for the Constitution? Mr. President: you are not allowed to wage war without congressional consent and you cannot force the American people to buy your insurance product. I thought I'd never say this, but I whole-heartedly agree with Dennis Kucinich! You, sir, should be impeached.

OPINION United States responds to Japanese disaster with misguided altruism

These days contributing to international disaster relief is as rapid and simple as tapping a few keys on your mobile phone or computer keyboard. Donating to your favorite charity can be a form of altruism—exercising an unselfish concern for the welfare of others. However, we must ask if the facility and rapidity given by technology makes us less considerate of others' actual needs.

Urgency overcame Americans last week to donate money to Japanese disaster relief as well as it did for charitable organizations to deliver collected funds. Holden Karnofsky, founder of charity-researching website GiveWell, was quoted in a March 15 New York Times article as saying charities were "aggressively soliciting donations." In fact, by last Tuesday, the American Red Cross had raised \$34 million dollars for the cause.

However, the Japanese government issued a statement insisting that outside aid was unnecessary and unwanted, but that it intended to work with other governments. Karnofsky also remarked in the article that he didn't think the donations would be used toward disaster relief because they weren't needed for that purpose.

We could compare the U.S. sending money so rapidly for Japanese relief to a distant relative sending a check inside a birthday card: it's somewhat wellintentioned but thoughtless and hasty all the same. Furthermore, if U.S. charitable organizations are aware that Japan is not interested in working with them, why has there been such a rush to donate?

In the case of certain charities, money is extracted from donations to cover administrative costs. The previously mentioned New York Times article states the Red Cross retains nine percent of all fundraising, meaning the organization had raised more than \$3 million for its own purposes by last Tuesday. While it's understood that companies, even non-profit organizations, need funding to remain in business, it's unfortunate that it undermines the unselfish component of altruism. Meanwhile,

imparting such an enormous sum of money on Japan brings the possibility for waste

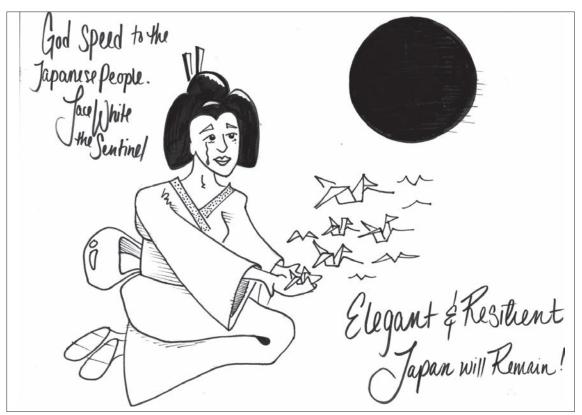


Mallory Brewer Chief Copy Editor

and inaction. As Saundra Schimmelpfennig points out in her blog "Good Intentions Are Not Enough," Japan is entirely capable of handling its own disaster. The country's buildings and infrastructures have been engineered over the last century to withstand earthquakes and the emergency response systems have been fine-tuned to warn people of impending crises at a few moments' notice. That said, introducing myriad foreign charities right now would only worsen the existing chaos.

Japan is still interpreting its own needs. Although it's hardly practical to take action at an individual level, U.S. donors ought to wait at least until they figure out to which charity they want to donate and their rationale for doing so. GuideStar, a donor's guide to charity giving, recommends that people take a proactive rather than reactive stance in their donating—giving after careful consideration rather than based on some presupposed need.

In the meantime, people could consider donating directly to Japanese charities such as the Japanese Red Cross. Doing so would eliminate the superfluous layer of American bureaucracy and thus reduce potential fiscal waste and the confusion of coordinating foreign efforts on the Japanese's behalf.



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ARTS&LIVING Welcoming warmer weather

Megan Emory STAFF WRITER

With our returning from spring break and summer vacation coming up, many look for something fun to act as a distraction from the chaos of college life. However, the inconsistent weather has left all of us questioning what we can do to pass the time. There are unique places to see and activities to try around Kennesaw that you can take advantage of thanks to our wave of nice weather.

The Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park, an ideal outing for those who enjoy nature, is located between Marietta and Kennesaw. Part of the National Park Service, this park holds many events and is rich with the history of those who fought on the land. In one of the most unique and beautiful scenes around, the Smith-Gilbert Gardens is a relaxing place to take in the world around you. The gardens are located in Kennesaw with a \$7 admission fee for adults. One of the more popular sports, such as "GOLF!" says KSU student Joung Son, is also a unique idea. Many find a round of golf to be not only relaxing but also stress-relieving and there are a multitude of golf courses around Kennesaw.

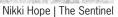
For those looking for an adventure or a thrill to fill your downtime, the KSU Wellness Center offers nature bound activities that include hiking, rock climbing, zip lining, white water rafting, horseback riding and much more. Some payment is required to attend the events and more information can be found on the Student Health and Wellness Center website. The biggest thrill around would have to be Six Flags Over Georgia that opens for the summer season on March 19.

Those looking to have a good time on a budget, there are still entertaining options to do with everyone's favorite word, FREE. Many KSU sports teams are looking for spectators to cheer them on. The baseball team has home games on March 29, April 1, 2, 3 and 5. The softball team has home games on March 30 and April 2 and 3. Both the women and men's tennis teams have home matches on March 21, 25, 26 and April 1. You don't necessarily need to be a part of an official team to enjoy sports. Kimi Knoll "loves to go out and play softball with her boyfriend" as a way to spend free time in between her hectic schedule.

Another alternative, right on campus, would be to rent equipment from the Wellness Center, get a group of friends together and have fun. People looking for a purely relaxing choice can always get a blanket and lay on the campus green, doing whatever they please.

"When the weather is warm, I love to take walks around Kennesaw Mountain or enjoy riding around in my Firebird with the T-top open!" says Lauren McClellan, who said she loves the changing weather.

All of these activities give students the opportunity to stretch their Owl wings amid the chaos of school and the stress that accompanies the last few months of the semester. "When the weather is warm, I love to take walks around Kennesaw Mountain or enjoy riding around in my Firebird with the T-top open!" -Lauren McClellan



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Living life as a student veteran

Michael Leder CONTRIBUTING WRITER

People deal with difficult lifestyle changes every day, but military transitions are among the hardest. Kennesaw State University has a growing population of student veterans, and with the help of the Veterans Resource Office their transition is that much easier.

Jonathan Nebus is just one of the thousands of veterans that transition out of the United States Military each year and enroll into college. Nebus, a KSU communication major, served in the U.S. Navy from 2001 until 2005 as a damage control officer. Now in his senior year, Nebus utilizes the Veterans Resource Office to help him with his transition into a collegiate lifestyle.

"It's a great source to have. They have helped me get my foot in the

ing Robert Withers who served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 2004 to 2008. Withers is one of the nine staff members who help veterans in their transition.

"On your own, the VA system is pretty complicated to work through, and with these organizations they pretty much do the footwork for you," said Withers.

Around 685 KSU students receive VA benefits such as the Montgomery GI Bill that helps pay for tuition and fees and provides a monthly stipend for housing.

The second major service the Veterans Resource Office provides is a network for the student veterans on and offcampus. The Student Veterans Club is closely associated with the resource office and together they host socials and events for student veterans.

"Because you have had similar experiences and shared similar life

STUDENTPOLL What's the best way to get back into your routine after spring break?



Kelly Fullerton Freshman Biology

"By doing a little school work during the break so you don't get off track."



Kyle Mullany Sophomore International Affairs

"You've got to force yourself...it's self motivation."

—Compiled by Jess Sides



David Alexander Freshman Business

"I just took a nap."



door with my career, there is a lot of help that can come through them," said Nebus.

Located inside Kennesaw Hall in room 1304, the Veterans Resource Office helps veterans transition into the college life by connecting them with everything they need including financial aid, linking up with fellow veterans, and local military support services.

The primary function of the Veterans Resource Office is to provide resources and assist student veterans in obtaining benefits from the Veterans Association, which is a branch of the federal government.

"The more support and the more people that are aware and want to get involved the better. They are willing to do anything to help out and get you the answer that you need," said Nebus.

The Veterans Resource Office is staffed by student veterans, includJonathan Nebus

challenges you guys can relate and it's a good way to build a network of friends," Withers said.

The future for the Veterans Resource Office is focused on a potential "one-stop shop." Ideally, this would be a place where veterans could apply for school, apply for benefits, and get advising.

We have applied for a \$400,000 federal grant that we may or may not be getting, we should find out in the next couple months if we have been approved," Withers said.

The majority of that grant money will go towards that "onestop shop" by purchasing new computers, hiring an advisor, creating an events office, and creating a place to study.

"I can't claim any grievances with the VA, the fact is that they have provided a place for us to work, they have put it in our hands and I really like that," Withers said.

Learn how to study

Heath Martin STAFF WRITER

Most college students strive for academic success to gain the upper hand after graduation. That said, what can we as college students do to boost our ability to succeed? It may seem that in some subjects or classes we are just bound to slide by or that some students are just intellectually superior to the rest.

We all have the ability to get an 'A' in every class; here are some tips to make getting that grade a

the calendar on your phone and set alarms to remind you.

You may have found your favorite study place by now. Although a quite space with

few distractions is conducive to learning, one place may not be enough. Try alternating the places where you study as researchers have found that memory is linked with location and switching up study locations can increase the ability to retain studied material.

It may seem obvious, but still some people underestimate going to class. Even if you teacher posts all the lectures or notes online, not all information covered in class may be posted online. Going to class and actually participating is extremely beneficial as well. For most professors, constant lecturing without student input and discussion is just as boring for them. As you participate in classes you are also learning better than silently paying attention because your mind is engaged.

Another helpful hint is not to study one specific subject for an extended period of time. It is better if you set time limits for studying and study a few similar subjects. If you stay on one subject for too long, your mind can get bored and restless and will stop retaining information despite your best wishes. Studying a few similar subjects is helpful because it gives your mind variation and usually similar topics can help you understand something better than

if you just studied it alone.

Minimizing distractions is extremely helpful as well. Studies have shown that we think we can multitask but we really cannot. The brain is a powerful machine but like a computer, doing multiple things can slow it down and can possible cause you to crash. While studying or working on a paper or project, try to stay off Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and other distracting media.

Finally, ensure that you are getting ample sleep because as The Huffington Post says, a tired mind is a slow mind. If you are sleep-deprived, your ability to retain information and pay attention in class is greatly diminished. Sometimes, all-nighters seem necessary, but try to not make them a habit. Gong back to being organized, if you have planned out all your important test dates and due dates, staying up all night working and studying will not even be necessary. You will also feel better about yourself and be more motivated in school and other areas if you get adequate sleep.

Hopefully, everyone is on his or her way to great grades as this semester is finishing up. For those of us who may be struggling though, utilizing these tips can certainly help get back on track for a solid finish.

That isn't the case though. little easier.

For starters, you need to get organized if you aren't already. Go out and get an agenda and make note of all the important dates—usually found in your syllabus—for all your classes. You can then plan accordingly for studying for tests or starting research for projects and papers. Take your agenda to class with you too so you can write down all your homework and readings for class and make changes to major dates as needed. If you find yourself frequently forgetting about assignments, tests and papers it also might be helpful to go through

DIVERSIONS

ARIES (3/21-4/19)

This week will be completely unpredictable. Even the things you plan will go awry. Try not to stress about it and just go with the flow.

LEO (7/23-8/22)

You may be fighting low self-esteem issues this week. Keep your head up and remind yourself that you are great, no matter what anyone says.

SAGITTARIUS (11/22-12/21)

Daydreaming will get you in trouble this week. Try to stay focused on the task at hand and you'll stay on top of things.

TAURUS (4/20-5/20)

You're full of energy, but don't let it turn into negative energy. Keep a positive outlook and people will be inspired and encouraged by you.

VIRGO (8/23-9/22)

You are completely driven by your emotions this week, and that's ok! Go with your gut on decisions you have to make.

CAPRICORN (12/22-1/19)

You need some alone time this week. People have been crowding you and bombarding you with tasks, that you need to take a break and just be with you for a little while.

GEMINI (5/21-6/21)

A blossoming friendship has lifted your spirits this week. Be careful to maintain this friendship, it will be important to you in the long run.

LIBRA (9/23-10/22)

Your school life is about to drastically affect your social life. Stay calm and remember what's really important. Your friends will understand your commitment your studies.

AQUARIUS (1/20-2/18)

You will interact with a handful of rude or angry people this week. Don't let them get the best of you, keep a smile on and kill them with kindness.

CANCER (6/22-7/22)

Your patience will be tested this week. Try to remember that good things come to those who wait and your perseverance will definitely be rewarded.

SCORPIO (10/23-11/21)

You will find yourself to be the life of the party this week. Don't let it get to your head, you don't want to be annoying once your fame wears off.

PISCES (2/19-¥3/20)

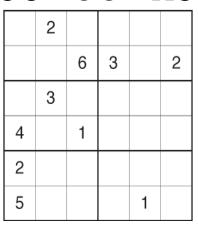
This week has a lot of fun opportunities for you, but only if you search them out. Keep your eyes open for spontaneous events that could make for a fun adventure.

Ooowl Snap! O Su·Jo·ku

The staff of The Sentinel wants to see your best shots. If you have a KSU photo, whether it's you and your friends painted up at the hockey game or an artistic shot of the Wilson Building, we want to see it. Post it on the wall of our Facebook fan page ("KSU Sentinel") and let us know who took it and what's going on in the shot. Each week, we'll select the best photo and print it in "Diversions.

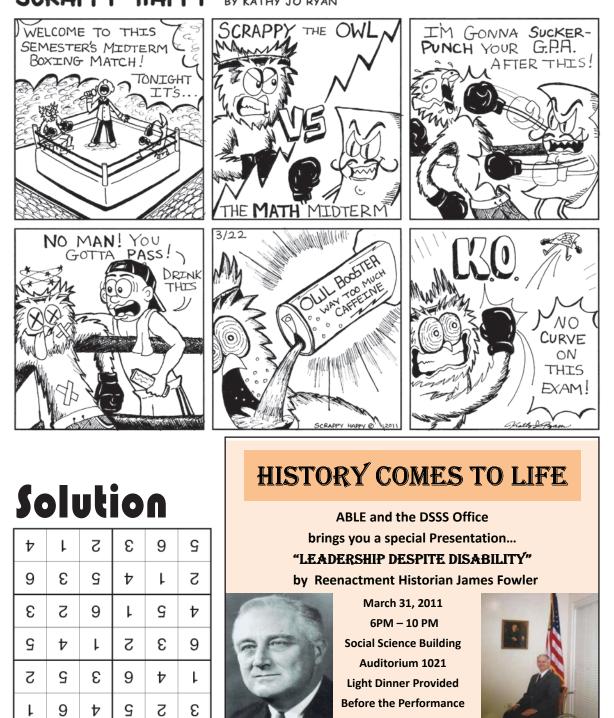


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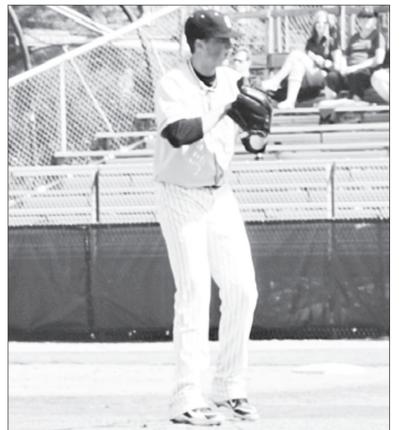


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SPORTS

Owls beat Bulldogs, sweep Bisons





Owls started Bryan Blough goes through his motion in the second game of the Lipscomb series, throwing eight and two-thirds innings to record his first win of the season. KSU had a strong week finishing 4-1.

Ashley Thompson and Michael Foster STAFF WRITERS

Continuing a four game winning streak, the Kennesaw State Owls baseball team swept the Lipscomb Bisons in a three game weekend conference series home stand.

GAME 1

Friday's series opener started strong for the Owls with solid hitting from junior first baseman Andy Chriscaden who led the Owls with three hits, including a three-run homerun, and drove in a career high five runs to push KSU to an 11-7 win over Lipscomb.

The Owls went ahead 2-0 early in the third inning off of Chriscaden's two-run double to left-center field. Chriscaden struck again with an opposite field, three-run homerun to give the Owls a 6-0 lead to end a six run fourth inning.

Lipscomb threatened to score in the top of the sixth inning after loading the bases off of Owls starter Josh Carr. Head coach Mike Sansing brought in reliever Jeff Brown who ended the inning with no runs scored after a pop fly from Lipscomb's T.J. Hoelzer and M.L. Williams

Sean McClurken A-Sun Player of the Week

- As the leadoff hitter batted .526 (10for-19)
- Scored seven runs while also knocking in four runs in five games
- Registered a hit and a run in fivestraightgames
- Walked five times and posted a .625 onbase percentage

grounded into a force play at second base. Sansing felt reliever Jeff Brown came into the game doing a great relief job by pitching out of a crucial jam in the sixth inning and bridging the Owls into the ninth inning, he said in a statement. Owls' senior second baseman Sean McClurken ended the day with three hits, with sophomore Peyton Hart and junior Aaron Dobbs both getting two hits each.

GAME 2

The Owls continued their streak on Saturday winning in a low-scoring game beating the Bisons 2-0. Senior Bryan Blough pitched a solid game in Saturday's match-up against Lipscomb with a career high ten strikeouts. After going eight and two-thirds innings Sansing made the call to pull Blough and put in reliever J.B. Johnson who needed only one pitch to give the Owls the win.

"I wanted to finish, but the coach felt like it was time," said Blough. "It was in his hands and I wanted to finish, but I didn't want to go against the coach and his call, or go against what was best for the team."

Allowing only ten hits, nine singles and a triple, Blough recorded his first win for the season. Sansing stated he was pleased with the way Blough controlled the game by establishing his game early and gained confidence in making his adjustments in the middle innings.

"I felt like he got ahead of most of the guys and threw a lot of sliders and strikes," said Sansing. "It's the best performance he's had since he has been with us."

KSU took the lead early in the third inning on a wild pitch thrown by Lipscomb's starting pitcher Connor Sinclair. The Owls added an insurance run later in the bottom of the seventh inning after Drew Fowlkes doubled to right field then scored on a single from Bucky Smith to centerfield. Smith's single pushed him to a six game hitting streak with two hits coming in Saturday's game.

GAME 3

The Owls ended their three-game home stand Sunday afternoon as they swept the Bisons with a final score of 6-2. KSU's starting pitching was solid once again with Junior Zac Griffith taking the mound and allowing only two runs over eight innings.

Throwing only 91 pitches, Griffith struck out five batters and only walked one. After allowing the Bisons to jump out 1-0 in the top of the third, the Owls came back scoring four runs in the bottom half of the inning.

McClurken started off the bottom half of the third inning with a single to left field. After a walk to Dobbs, Ronnie Freeman answered and loaded the bases with a single. Chriscaden followed Freeman with a two-run double scoring McClurken and Dobbs, giving the Owls a 2-1 lead. Before the inning came to a close Hart doubled to left center field to score two more runs and the Owls gained momentum. Hart finished the day hitting 2-for-4.

Keeping their 6-1 lead, Griffith only allowed the Bisons one more run in the sixth, but gave up no hits in the seventh and eighth innings before reliever Andrew Austin came in to finish the ninth.

Rivalry game against UGA

The Kennesaw State Owls baseball team drew in the largest crowd in Stillwell Stadium history Wednesday as they hosted the Georgia Bulldogs in the second game of a double-header home stint.

The crowd of 1,203 people was shown quite a performance, as the Owls defeated the Bulldogs 12-8. KSU's win over their in-state rival boosted their record to 11-8, while Georgia dropped to

8-9.

All-America center fielder, Zach Cone, homered in his first at-bat to give Georgia a first inning 1-0 lead. However, Kennesaw State would string together three straight three-run innings to start the game, building a 9-4 lead after four innings.

The Owls lost their game, earlier Wednesday, to Harvard by giving up nine late runs to lose 10-6. But, Kennesaw State kept pressing against Georgia, much to the liking of Sansing.

"I was glad to see us keep the pressure on, and show some consistency," Sansing said.

Starting pitcher, Sean Fream (1-1), was awarded the victory, allowing just two earned runs in six innings.

Sophomore catcher Ronnie Freeman led the offensive show for the Owls batting 3-for-4 at the plate, scoring two runs and batting in two runs. McClurken, Chriscaden, and junior Jordan Craft all compiled two RBI's as well.

Chriscaden's homerun in the first inning ignited the offensive fireworks. The Owls finished the game with 11 hits.

Austin got the save for Kennesaw State, pitching the final three innings.

Georgia's overall record isn't anything to boast about, but still, Sansing expressed how much it meant to beat a team with a bigger label.

"Any in-state game probably means a lot to the players. Guys know each other, and have played summers together, so it's always a little bit bigger. I know the guys looked forward to playing them."

The Owls' victory over Georgia ended the Bulldogs' five game winning streak.

KSU travels to Statesboro today to take on Georgia Southern at 6 p.m., but return Wednesday to Stillwell Stadium to take on Georgia State, also at 6 p.m.

MARCH 22, 2011

Men's Golf gaining national recognition Five top-3 finishes this season put Owls ranked in top-60

Jack Morbitzer SPORTS EDITOR

Coming off a second-place finish in the Seminole Intercollegiate, the KSU men's golf team is earning nationwide recognition as the No. 56 ranked team. The Owls won the title at the Barefoot at the Beach Intercollegiate March 6 before placing second at the Seminole and headed into the Furman Intercollegiate as one of three teams in the nation to have two individuals ranked in the Golfstat top-25.

Sunday, the Owls finished second at the Furman Intercollegiate shooting a 4-under-par 860 for the tournament. KSU sat in first place for the final round but No. 42 ranked Clemson shot a final round 16-under-par to take the victory. The Owls sit just outside the Golfstat top-50 and a second place finish over the weekend among a field with five top-50 squads has head coach Jay Moseley thinking positively. Starting Sunday, March 27, KSU will host the Linger Longer Invitational with rival Mercer University at the Reynolds Plantation Great Water Course in Greensboro, Ga.

The Sentinel sat down with Moseley last week before the Furman Intercollegiate to discuss the season to this point, player performances and the program as a whole.

The Sentinel: First of all, congratulations. Your team has played really well this year, what are your general thoughts on that?

Jay Moseley: The team is playing great right now and it's no surprise to me. I knew before the season started we had a lot of talent and potential on the team. It's always that un-expectation of 'how will the team perform?' 'What's going to happen over the course of the year?' all that uncertainty all coaches deal with. You never know what to expect but obviously pleasing to see all the good performances coming. We've just been really sharp across the lineup, especially this spring. We had a few blunders last fall in the early season, you have some jitters go through you, and you make mistakes. But the whole mindset this year is to get better and better throughout the course of the fall and into the spring and to improve just daily, weekly and monthly.

S: What improvements have you seen from fall to spring?

JM: We've been a lot sharper tee-to-green. We made some uncharacteristic mistakes off the tee, losing penalty shots, losing shots we shouldn't have been. Overall, I feel we have a very good ball-striking team and that bodes well on any golf course. Our guys are hitting it in play and from there you can really be aggressive and make birdies. Our putting has been tremendous all year. That's been by far what we've done best. That's what has carried us through.

S: How do you translate that from the practice green to the tournament green?

JM: We talk about things away from the golf course. I tell them all the time 'putting is an attitude.' Everyone knows how to do it. It's just being in the right mindset when you're under pressure. On the greens in tournament conditions, there's no way to rehearse that or practice that. You just have to have the confidence and the ability to go out and do it under the gun. We do a lot of things in practice that get you in the mindset of competing. We do a lot of games and competitions to help the guys focus, key in and know that each and every putt counts for something. Our attitudes have been great. They understand that just because you hit a putt and it doesn't go in, doesn't mean it was a bad putt. Not every single one will go in. You've got to be able to focus and carry that onto the next green.

S: With golf being an individual sport, but a team sport at the collegiate level, what are some of your coaching philosophies? What is it that you do as a coach to get on the same level with these guys?

JM: As you mentioned golf is an individual sport in every other way that it's contested, it's just you, the ball and the course. But in college, it is a team sport and we count toward a team score, but it's still the same game. The guys go out and play 18 holes, sometimes 36 in a day, but it's still 18 holes of golf. You're still trying to make the lowest number on each hole, in each round. But every player is different. I treat anyone player different than the next. I see it more my position, my role, to adapt to different personalities and know how to coach player A versus player B. All my players are different. They have different needs and personalities. Just being able to understand that and communicate with them is key. I don't have any outlandish philosophies or theories. I just try to do the best and get the best out of my guys. They know the responsibility is on them and they embrace that. There's no one on the team that thinks they're as big as the team and there's no one that feels they don't belong on the team. Everybody knows they matter and they count for something. I feel we have a good environment to thrive in.

S: Turning to your individual players, what have you seen in Matt Nagy's play this spring?

JM: His first two starts of the season weren't anything special. He was ultimately trying to do much. Sitting out for an entire year, there was a lot of anxiety he built up. (Ed. Note: Nagy redshirted the 2009-2010 season.) He probably had high expectations and it just didn't work out for him. Then he finished the fall with a win and a second place finish and needless to say he's turned things around. He hasn't looked back from there. He played well through the winter break and into the spring and he's just tremendously confident. He believes in himself, he knows what his abilities are. He knows if he goes out and plays his best there's nobody that can beat him. That's what makes him a special player. **S:** What about Jeff Karlsson? I know he missed some time being sick, he comes back and is co-medalist of the Seminal Intercollegiate. What do you have to say about that performance?

JM: Jeff is hard to describe. He is a very special talent. He doesn't have any weaknesses in his game at all. He did miss about 3-4 weeks that he didn't touch a golf club. He was pretty sick with mono and couldn't go to class, couldn't get out of bed, couldn't do much of anything. So it's taken a while to get his health and diet back under him. He went to our last two events not even at 100 percent. At the first event he fought through and felt OK. His game just wasn't tournament sharp so we knew he wasn't going to be completely back but he still played well. His last round showed that he was getting better. Then this last weekend, he was comedalist and nearly passed out in the second round. He had trouble finishing the round off. I told him after the round, 'You played great and had an outstanding week; just think how scary it will be when you're back to 100 percent,' and he knows that. There's nothing that he can do right now, it's just going to take time to get him back healthy. He is just a special talent. He hits the ball further than anybody and as straight as anybody. He's at a huge advantage on any course with the length he has. His short game is very sharp and he just has no weaknesses. It's fun to watch.

S: I'd like to switch to the program as a whole; right now, you guys are ranked in the top-60 of Golfstat, which is very strong for KSU. But to continue to build a reputation, to get that recognition, what does the program have to do?

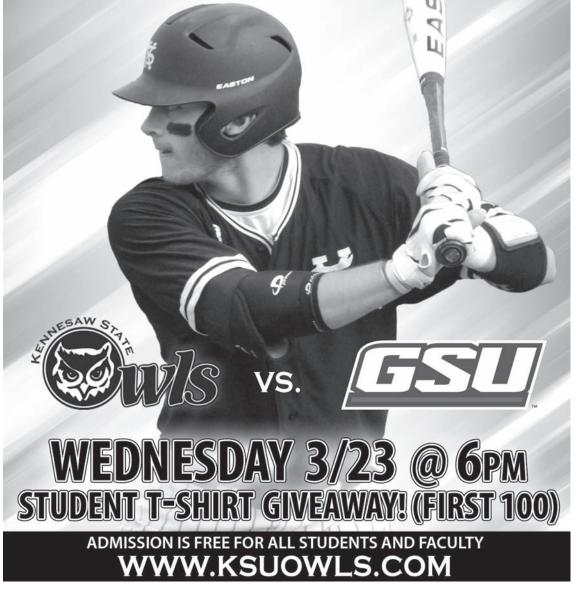
JM: We just have to keep doing what we're doing. We can't get ahead of ourselves. We can't get caught up in reading articles, news and all that good stuff. We just have to keep our heads down and keep working hard. What the guys have done from the day I got here until now is exactly what has gotten them into the position they are. That's what is going to continue to get us to the top of the college game. It's nothing different we just have to keep working hard and getting better. I feel good with where we are and where we're headed.

S: Do you see the recognition on the course now? JM: Oh, absolutely. I've had coaches, parents and others around here recognizing what we're doing. Everyone knows we're improving. It's no surprise to us. We know and expect it, and it's just icing on the top when other see it.

TORMAN INTERCOLLEGIATE TEAM LEADER DOARD						
Current position	Team	To Par	Round1	2	3	Total
1	No. 42 Clemson	-16	287	289	272	848
2	No. 56 Kennesaw	Е	282	290	288	860
3	No. 45 VA Tech	+2	285	287	290	862

FURMAN INTERCOLLEGIATE TEAM LEADER BOARD





Softball drops two against Georgia State Conference play begins on road Friday

Jack Morbitzer SPORTS EDITOR

Softball dropped both contests in a twinight doubleheader to Georgia State Friday, 1-0 and 3-1. The teams were scheduled to play one game Wednesday, but cancellations of other games on the schedule opened the date and the teams agreed midweek to play two Friday afternoon.

In the first game, freshman starting pitcher Amanda Henderson pitched all seven innings giving up one earned run on one hit. Henderson struck out eight and only walked one, but the Owls (13-9) struggled from the plate and failed to score any runs on the five recorded hits.

The only run in game one came after Henderson walked the leadoff batter and the runner stole second. An RBI double to right center scored the Panthers' only run and was the only hit for GSU.

KSU couldn't capitalize on their chances leaving the bases loaded in the first inning. The Owls had the tying run in scoring position as pinch hitter Lyndsay McCurry led off the inning with a bunt and was sacrificed to second by sophomore second baseman Jensen Hackett. However, sophomore first baseman Ashlee Burkett popped out to first base and sophomore center fielder Sara Sikes struck out for the last out of the game.

Starting GSU Alana Thomas was awarded the win pitching six innings giving up four hits and Erin Collins recorded the save. Both teams had two errors in the game.

After a twenty minute break the teams again took the field and the Panthers jumped out to an early lead in the top of the first of KSU junior starting pitcher Jessica Cross.

GSU's lead-off batter singled to start the game and was sacrificed to second and advanced to third on a ground out. The next batter singled scoring the run and putting KSU behind 1-0. In the top of the third inning an error allowed GSU's Cassie Boese to reach second base safely. The next batter doubled, scoring Boese as an unearned run. With two outs, Paige Nowacki hit an RBI single, scoring Jessica Clifton putting the score at 3-0. After a walk moved Nowacki to second, freshman right fielder Bianca Durant saved another run for KSU, throwing out Nowacki at home trying to score from second for the last out of the inning.

From there the score remained the same as the Panthers threatened in the fifth inning, leaving the bases loaded. In the sixth inning, GSU left two on base, and KSU did the same in the bottom half of the frame.

KSU's final inning started promising as Durant singled as the lead-off batter. Two batters later, freshman relief pitcher Catherine Tarvin doubled to center and the tying run was at the plate with the runners in scoring position. After an Owl strike out, Hackett recorded an RBI single and the goahead run was at the plate. Burkett hit a pop fly in foul territory down the first base line that was caught for the final out.

Cross was given the loss throwing four and a third innings giving up one earned run and three total with six hits, four walks and three strike outs. Tarvin pitched two and two-thirds innings, giving up one hit with three walks and two strikeouts.

GSU's Langford McCall was given the victory, throwing six complete innings with one hit, no runs, no walks and five strikeouts. Erin Collins recorded the save, getting the last two outs in the bottom of the seventh.

The Owls have now lost fourstraight including two in extra innings and take to the road for three separate double headers this week. Tuesday, KSU plays at Troy University. Atlantic Sun conference play starts this weekend with double headers Friday at North Florida and Saturday at Jacksonville.

Owls Track and Field makes their mark at Georgia Intercollegiate

Ashley Rivers STAFF WRITER

Friday and Saturday marked the start of the men's and women's outdoor track season. The Owls competed in the Georgia Intercollegiate Tournament with other schools from around the state, including host Georgia Tech. Both school and personal records were set.

"It was a good competition for us," said head coach Andy Eggerth in a statement. "We are coming off of some heavy training so it's nice to still see us breaking personal records and winning handedly despite them being tired."

The men started the outdoor season off strong breaking two school records. Junior Jaakko Nieminen earned a first place finish in the 5,000-meter and broke the previous school record of 14:45:56 with his time of 14:41:05. He is currently the leader of the Atlantic Sun Conference as well, finishing 40 seconds ahead of the next finisher in the event.

Senior Piotr Witczak broke another school record Friday evening. His time of 3:53:51 in the 1,000-meter broke the previous school record of 3:55:17 set in 2001 by Jari Venalainen. Freshman Cole Jackob finished second in the 800-meter event with a time of 1:54:55, his best of the season.

Also in the 5,000 meter, senior Mackenzie Howe finished way ahead of her opposition with a time of 16:53:41. She not only earned first place, but currently

holds the record in the Atlantic Sun Conference, a full 30 seconds above the second finisher.

In the 110-meter hurdles, the Owls finished in first, second, and third place with junior Kendall Parks finishing first with a time of 14.10 seconds. Finishing second was junior Brian Graham and senior Joshua James came in third.

Sophomore Suzee Mills broke not only her own record, but also topped the leader board for the A-Sun Conference in javelin throw. She threw for 43 meters and took first place. Senior Jakia Ragland tied her school record for the high jump with a 1.70-meter leap in her first meet of the season, which is also this season's highest conference jump.

For the relay events Saturday the team including Parks, junior Jemir Martinez, senior Antonio Logan and senior James Verdi took second place in the 4x1 relay with a time of 41.25 seconds. Their time is currently the fastest in the A-Sun. In the 4x4 relay James, Logan, Martinez, and junior David Tansey also finished first for the Owls with a time of 3:15:74, placing the team first overall in the conference for the event.

On the field, senior Jerome McKinzie didn't compete in the 2011 indoor season but returned to place first in the high jump event, clearing 2.05-meters.

Next weekend, the Owls will compete in many different meets and events. The four meets include the Stanford Invitational, Alabama Relays, Raleigh Relays and finally the Yellow Jacket Invitational.



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