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CARE speaks on global needs

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Students got the chance to look at helping make a change on a global scale April 25 as members of both the Cooperative for Assistance and Relief Everywhere and Peace Corp addressed the importance of getting internationally involved.

"Find your passion. What really excites you- and go for it," said Steve Hollingsworth, vice president of CARE, while educating attendees on the past, present and future of the impact CARE has been making for the past 65 years by helping fight poverty, hunger and social inequality around the world.

CARE, Hollingsworth said, is one of the largest humanitarian organizations in the world.

Founded in 1945 to provide relief to survivors of World War II, CARE quickly became a trusted vehicle for the compassion and generosity of millions. CARE's mission is to serve individuals and families in the poorest communities in the world.

Hollingsworth discussed his own early experiences with the organization, where he traveled to

South America.

"I left the country at 21," said Hollingsworth, "and didn't move back until I was 49. I came back to a country that is very much aware of the changes in the world."

Hollingsworth said that 2.8 billion people or nearly half the world's population is currently living on less than \$2 a day.

"The world is truly a neighborhood and we do have a role to engage in it and solve problems," said Hollingsworth.

Derreck Kayongo, the senior advocate field coordinator for the Atlanta CARE chapter, said CARE functioned as an authoritative "voice of the voiceless" and that the credibility of that voice is important.

Kayongo said that student internships were available to help with CARE, but said that typically CARE looks for involvement from those with at least a four-year degree and previous volunteer experience.

Becky Ament, regional recruiter of

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Derreck Kayongo of the Atlanta CARE chapter speaks to KSU students about the importance of becoming involved in global issues.

Higher tuition and fees on the way

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Tuition and fees at KSU will increase by \$170 for fiscal year 2012 which begins July 1.

The Board of Regents approved a 3 percent tuition increase for the entire University System of Georgia and increased the institutional fee by \$100.

Full-time KSU students will pay an additional \$69 in tuition, \$100 in the institutional fee and \$1 in another student fee, said Director of Financial Aid Ron Day. This means a 5.7 percent increase in costs for students taking 15 hours who park on campus and pay in-state tuition, Day said.

The increased costs come with the passing of Georgia's FY12 budget, which decreases funding for the USG by \$346 million, the AJC reports. The cut is \$46 million higher than Governor Nathan Deal's original budget proposal of the \$300 million reported at the beginning of Deal's term by the AJC.

"It's a big reduction for us," Day said.

Increases in tuition and fees will cover one-third of the USG's lost revenue, the AJC reports.

"We are not getting any federal money this year," Day said. "Some federal programs have been cancelled and with Tue changes to HOPE, the only option many students have to respond to these cuts is student loans."

But the federal government limits how much students can borrow and those limits are not increasing with the rising cost of higher education, Day said.

This leaves private loans, with higher interest rates of 5 percent to 12 percent and sometimes even higher, as the only other loan option students had, Day said.

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BOR approves new degrees

From Staff Reports

KSU has added two new master's degrees and a new bachelor's degree to the collection of current degree offerings, after the Board of Regents approved the new programs this April.

The new Master of Science in Criminal Justice, Master of Arts in Integrated Global Communication and Bachelor of Arts in Art History degree programs all will be launched this fall.

"As Kennesaw State University grows as an institution, our capacity to serve our community's expanding needs likewise is growing," Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs W. Ken Harmon said. "The faculty and administrators of these programs identified significant community demand for these new degrees, and we are pleased the Board of Regents supported our request to add these exciting new offerings here at KSU."

In keeping with the university's emphasis on global education, KSU's new master's programs will include a focus

on internationalization.

In addition, the Master of Science in Criminal Justice has an international criminal justice focus, including experiential learning through study abroad opportunities. The program also includes a comparative criminal justice systems course and will help to recruit and prepare diverse groups for careers in criminal justice professions.

The increased diversity in the metro area, and across the country, represents a multi-layered phenomenon that criminal justice practitioners must be able to understand and work with," Sam Abaidoo, chair of the Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice Chair, said. "The MSCJ provides an opportunity for criminal justice practitioners to acquire the necessary knowledge and skills."

The Master of Arts in Integrated Global Communication also will offer a study abroad opportunity and culminate with student teams competing against each other to resolve a global communications problem for a client. It will be the only graduate communication

program in Georgia with a purely global focus.

"Only a handful of U.S. universities offer graduate communications programs with an international or global focus," said Charles M. Mayo, associate professor of communication at Kennesaw State. "By offering the M.A. in Integrated Global Communication, Kennesaw State University will not only fulfill an important need in Georgia, the Southeast and the nation for communications managers knowledgeable of the global economy, global media and global audiences, but we also will join an elite group of universities across the U.S. that have recognized this need."

While also meeting the needs of the larger community, a grassroots effort by students is partially credited with the addition of the new Bachelor of Arts in Art History.

"This new program has been driven by popular demand from the students," KSU Department of Visual Arts Chair Joe Thomas said. "There is a high level of interest, and we have people who are waiting for the degree to be approved."

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the Atlanta Chapter of the Peace Corps' also spoke April 25 about the Peace Corps' mission to spread peace as well as fight against AIDS/HIV.

Ament said that this year marks the 50th year of the Peace Corps' international involvement after President John F. Kennedy established the organization to promote world peace and friendship.

Today, the Peace Corp has 8,655 volunteers in 71 posts serving 77 countries, who continue to do important work like bringing clean water to communities and

teaching children, while also work in areas like HIV/AIDS awareness, information technology and business development.

Currently, KSU has 81 affiliated members -- 11 of which are faculty and staff who have served, and 51 alumni currently involved in two-year missions -- who have already taken the step to get involved with CARE and the Peace Corps to make a difference. To learn more about becoming involved with these organizations, visit CARE.org and Peacecorp.gov.

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"I have never pushed private student loans," Day said. "We do not advocate them, but we have them."

"Education needs finding," Day said. "Our lower-income student population is diminishing and this will hurt us in the long run. What will we do with this population that is not educated? We will not have the tax revenue because they will not have the high-paying jobs. There is a ripple effect."

Alex Tatum, a junior math education major, said it will be harder to find the money to pay for the rising cost of higher educating because the budget cuts mean fewer hours at her job at Chattahoochee Technical College.

"It sucks, but you have no choice," Tatum said.

Other students said they feel the hit of tuition increases in other aspects of their education.

"It's hard to even get books," said sophomore communication major Joselyn Mandz. "I will have to borrow more and tighten expenses."

Policy experts say if Gov. Deal signs HB87, a bill similar to the anti-immigration law passed in Arizona that led to an economic boycott and federal lawsuit, Georgia could lose millions or even billions of dollars from an economic boycott and federal lawsuit.

If Georgia loses that much revenue, next year's budget will be even tighter.

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Preston named head coach

From Staff Reports

After a nationwide search, KSU has named its new head men's basketball coach.

Lewis Preston, who is regarded as one of the top assistant coaches in the country, will be coming from Penn State to be leading the Owls after being appointed to the new position April 20.

"The hiring of Lewis Preston represents a new chapter in the elevation of our basketball program, and we are eagerly looking forward to the arrival of our new coach," said President Daniel Papp. "This appointment builds on the momentum within KSU Athletics that just keeps getting stronger."

Preston has served as an assistant to Penn State's Ed DeChellis for the past three years, and before that as an assistant to Florida's Billy Donovan during their national championship in 2007. Preston was also a member of the Notre Dame staff under Coach Mike Brey.

"This is a tremendous opportunity, and I am thrilled and humbled to have been chosen by Kennesaw State," Preston said.

"My focus has always been on developing my student-athletes, both athletically and academically, to their fullest potential. I can't wait to get started on hiring our assistant coaches and recruiting the additional players that will complement our current team. I am happy to be coming to KSU as it kicks its athletics program into high gear."

Preston's appointment is the first for newly named KSU Athletic Director Vaughn Williams, who was introduced to campus April 12. Williams is slated to join KSU May 2 from his role as associate athletic director at the University of Connecticut.

"Lewis Preston's leadership and drive to win is unsurpassed," Williams said. "He has what it takes to both motivate and inspire our players, and to fully leverage the top-notch basketball facilities he will have at his disposal. He is one of the best collegiate assistant basketball coaches around, and we are fortunate to have him on board."

A press conference is scheduled in the upcoming weeks to formally introduce Preston as the new head men's basketball coach to the KSU campus and



Lewis Preston

the local community.

Preston will replace Tony Ingle, KSU's former head men's basketball coach, whose contract was not renewed at the end of the 2010-11 season.

As KSU's new head coach, Preston will be charged with recruitment, coaching, budget management, purchasing equipment and uniforms, scheduling of games and practices, public relations and fundraising. In addition, he will be fully responsible for the academic achievement, retention and graduation of the team's student athletes.

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Rollin' Dirty

A car ran the stop sign on Idlewood Avenue at Campus Loop Road around midnight April 6. After stopping the car, the officer smelled marijuana inside and asked the driver if he'd been drinking or had any drugs. The driver said no. Another backup officer arrived to clarify the smell and talk to the driver. The first officer searched the vehicle with permission where he found a half-burnt marijuana cigarette, rolling papers, a small silver bowl and a small rolling amachine in the center consjole. The driver was arrested for possessing less than 1 oz. of marijuana

It's not easy being green.... ..and drunk

A green Honda Civic ran the stop sign on Campus Loop Road at Paulding Avenue April 10 at 4:35 a.m. The 18-year-old female driver struggled to pull out her driver's license and registration when the officer stopped her. She smelled

strongly of alcohol, but said she hadn't been drinking when the officer asked. The driver said she was coming from University Place although the officer noticed she was coming back the way she presumably left. The officer asked her to step out of her car to perform field evaluations, which she failed. She was arrested for DUI, underage consumption and stop sign violation.

Candid camera on the can

An officer was dispatched to a report of a suspicious person in the Burruss Building April 11 at 12:28 p.m. A woman met the officer outside the women's restroom on the third floor. She said a man was in the restroom and had put a camera-equipped cell phone under the wall of the adjoining bathroom, and tried to take a picture of her. The officer entered the restroom, asked everyone to exit, looked in all the stalls, and found a man in the last stall. He was identified as a member of the custodial staff, and was arrested. He later claimed he didn't take any

pictures, but had fallen asleep sitting on the toilet bowl in the stall—the officers did not find any inappropriate pictures on his phone.

Off the wall actions

A boy and a girl were walking up Campus Loop Road April 15 at 1:54 a.m. and tried to climb the wall just west of the University Village entrance sign. The officer asked why he trying to climb the wall, and the boy said he wasn't really going to do it. The officer noticed he smelled strongly of alcohol and asked how old he was. It turns out he was 19 and drank two or three beers; the girl also confessed to drinking and allowed the officer to search her purse for illegal items. The officer found a mason jar that held a smaller Altoids container; which contained a small baggie of raw marijuana. The boy was arrested for underage possession of alcohol by consumption, and the female was arrested on with the same charge and for possessing less than 1 oz. of marijuana.

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An ode to ideas

In America, what do we glorify? In our case, I guess I should ask whom do we glorify? As a country, we no longer glorify the search for truths, ethics, philosophy or anything existing in the realm of ideas.

Ideas are no longer a part of our conscious contemporary thought. With the exception of a few serious philosophers, most do not contemplate the nature of existence, the relationship of man to existence, and rarely do we discuss man's proper relationship to other men. Instead, some are reading this right now and wondering, "What about man's relationship to women? This writer is sexist."

"When ideas are relative to the originator, they immediately lose all value."

If we have abandoned ideas, what do we glorify? Do we glorify great men? Although not as immortal as great ideas, great men have a lot to offer. The Founding Fathers (who, for the most part, glorified ideas) brought the world from mysticism and tyranny into an era of enlightenment.

Yet, we do not look to men such this. For most, if you ask them to name an inspirational figure,

they will name an athlete or celebrity. Some might go further and name a politician, but only a popular one.

But what do we idolize the most? What is it that has caused us to venture away from ideas and the men who promoted them? Our holy cow and America's most prized possession is public opinion.

This sacred monolith that we often call "the majority" has driven us away from almost all critical thinking necessary to a rational society. This is a democracy, so majority rules, they tell us. It is the will of the people, they cry. These sentiments have been substituted for truth – for ideas.

We are afraid to have ideas that contradict this sacrosanct majority. Yet, the very thing that solidified our reverence for this mob and stripped us from the world of ideas was an idea.

It was an idea that said that the truth is relative. To say that you know the true nature of anything is dogmatic, according to the worshippers of the mob. What's true for you is not always true for me, they say. Your idea cannot be better or worse than my idea.

When ideas are relative to the originator, they immediately lose all value. As a result, man cannot grasp these ideas. They become merely a product of their time and not a result of reason or the discovery of objective truths. What can man do in a world without ideas but live in a



Justin Hayes
Senior Columnist

state of nihilism?

In light of this, I ask you to ponder what ideas act as the foundation upon which your belief system is built. What are the premises upon which you operate?

If you are able to come up with a comprehensive explanation and justification for the way you live or your view the world, then share it with others. Create a discussion and share your ideas.

I also ask that you do not put your thoughts on protest signs and expect to create an honest, intellectual debate. Write papers, columns or blogs to ensure that you have created a consistent, logical argument for your ideas.

This will be the last column I write for The Sentinel as a Senior Columnist. In writing this column, I hope that at least one of you will continue this discussion – respectfully, openly and honestly.

Farewell, KSU. It's been a pleasure.



HB-87: Show me your papers or get out

“Immigration” is a controversial word these days, but the phrase that reform bandwagoneers mean to use is “anyone that isn’t white.”

The elephant in the room is it is not illegal immigrants that are undesired, but that “real Americans” don’t like brown people. Or black people, or Muslims, or Asians or any race that isn’t white. Trace history back further and we hated the Irish, Catholics, Germans, Italians, Japanese (we even put them in internment camps in California during World War II), and American Indians (think: Trail of Tears). The U.S. is a country composed of immigrants yet each generation looks down on the immigrants that come after.

Just because there isn’t an Ellis Island between the U.S. and Mexico doesn’t make the Land of Opportunity any less appealing. For example, Hispanics staring across the border past the newly built security fence face nothing but prosperity and conspicuous consumption, while only murder and drug wars are behind them. Who can blame them for dreaming of something better; for doing whatever it takes to keep their families safe and secure—just like “real Americans.”

The Georgia Senate just passed HB-87, an Arizona-style, “show me your papers” bill that is

nothing short of thinly veiled, institutionalized racism. How many of us would be here now had such a bill passed in the early 1800s? But it doesn’t matter—we’re legal now and blinded by an irrational dislike of people who pay into our system via sales tax among other things. We call it patriotism as scores of families who reap no governmental rewards—SSI, Medicare, Medicaid, etc.—work their proverbial asses off to make a life for themselves, just as our forefathers did.

The right side of the political spectrum likes to preach family values, but they mean to say “family values for REAL Americans.” They sit in the House and Senate and pass bills that tear family values apart the Friday afternoon before they sit in church with their families on Sunday, shaking hands with constituents who share the same backwards, hypocritical views.

If you truly respect the original REAL American values—a good work ethic, an honest day’s wages, the family as a priority—then HB-87 isn’t something you will support. If for no other reason than keeping in the spirit of piousness and self-righteous indignation, afford those who rely on the same fair shake your great-grandparents relied on when they came “off-the-boat” for the chance to make a life for themselves and their families.



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“...it is not illegal immigrants that are undesired, but that “real Americans” don’t like brown people; or black people, or Muslims, or Asians or any race that isn’t white.”

The Sentinel: The highlight of my college career



Alessandra
Turner
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Writing for the KSU Sentinel has been the absolute highlight of my college career. I have learned so much about myself and my fellow KSUers; I have met some amazing people and I have had some great opportunities. My articles aren’t always agreed with, they aren’t always punctuation-perfect and they usually aren’t submitted on time—in fact, I typed this article two days after its deadline.

My articles are laughed at, cried over, argued over and forgotten every week—or sometimes every three—and it is those articles, whether laughed at, forgotten or both—that make up the college work I’m most proud of over the last four years.

The semester that is coming to a close with this article has been a particularly challenging one for me at The Sentinel. This semester I am typing from home, matriculating from home and keeping a happy home for my newest addition: my now 10-week-old baby Law. I haven’t always had time to write, and when I did have time I didn’t always have enough brain cells left after being up all night, not to mention the week I actually gave birth—there was no article that week.

I haven’t always known what my fellow KSUers were talking, thinking or worrying about and, for your sake, I avoided writing on what I was often thinking about—diapers, spit up and my newest son’s weight from week to week.

But though I often found myself in a position to choose between eating breakfast or getting a shower—God forbid my newborn should let me do both in a morning—I always endeavored to make time for The Sentinel. Sometimes it was because my editor had no op-ed pieces to publish, sometimes it was because I didn’t agree with my fellow writers, and sometimes it was because the government was up to its old tricks, but always it was because this newspaper means the world to me.

College is supposed to help children blossom into adults by helping us to find ourselves wherever we may be hiding. This school year some of us found ourselves while standing on the stage of the Stillwell Theater, others found themselves in the Bailey Center Performance Hall, others under stacks of books in the Horace W. Sturgis Library, a few friends found themselves while mock-trialing. This school year many of us found ourselves all across campus in various nooks and corners, rooms, halls and events; I found myself on the pages of the KSU Sentinel.

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Project examines storm water management

Katherine Forman
STAFF WRITER

Anyone who was here September 2009 should remember the flooding that canceled classes for a week. So much water was going into the storm drains that caused overflowing and flooding in many areas around campus.

To help with this our school recently passed a new storm water management plan. This may not be something that most are aware of, but it does affect everyone here at KSU. I was not aware of this before KSU Environmental Health, Safety, and Risk Manager Stephen Ndiritu came and spoke to my Sustainability at KSU class.

Taught by Director of Sustainability Robert Paul, this class is about what KSU is doing now to sustain resources while still providing for the issues with the school

at hand. A group project was assigned to develop a plan to further improve KSU.

For my group's project, we decided to help Mr. Ndiritu by helping with the Best Management Plan for storm drain systems. There are storm drains located all over campus and several of them have runoff that is inspected by Cobb County. Cobb County, as well as KSU officials and volunteers, check the creeks for litter and other pollution.

During our project, we went around and inspected several of the creeks around campus. Many of the creeks that we visited were clean of litter and debris. Checking the creeks and outruns is just one of the goals of the best management plan. It falls under the category of public involvement.

The other goals of the plan are public education and outreach, illicit discharge detection and elimination, construction site storm water runoff control, post construction storm water management, and pollution prevention. For our project, we decided to focus mainly on public education and outreach as well as pollution prevention. For education and outreach, you may start to see some posters around the parking decks with tips about how automobile pollution can be kept from going into the creeks.

Some of the tips are as simple as checking your car periodically for leaks or changing the oil. Another way of simply keeping the runoff to the drains clean is making sure that all the trash makes it into its proper place.

Litter will gather in the drains and clog them up. This can cause the drains to overflow and flood the area surrounding them, instead of taking the water to the creeks. The litter affects the wildlife of the creeks. Through this plan, there will soon be some metal labels showing up around campus to show where the drains are located.

This plan still needs volunteers to help with labeling the drains as well as getting the word out about the storm water management plan. To assist with the project, contact Stephen Ndiritu at sndiritu@kennesaw.edu. For more information about storm water management, check out the "Cobb County Environmental Information" link on the website stormwater.cobbcountyga.gov/programs.htm.

De-stress yourself for finals week

Ashley Thompson
STAFF WRITER

Finals: the word that wreaks havoc around campus this time of year. That said, KSU students have begun preparing, studying and stressing with finals approaching.

Considering the inevitable stress that comes with finals week, we all definitely need some techniques and ideas to help us de-stress ourselves and put our minds and bodies back at ease. There are fun, cheap and easy ways that can help you take on the stress and be rewarding in the process.

If you turn to food when stressed, try fitting in some fitness or activity to calm your mood. Exercise is a natural way to deal with stress. Go to the gym with a friend, take a dance class or go for a walk in the park. Sitting indoors studying can be depressing so make time to get outside and enjoy the warm weather, sunshine and friends to brighten your day and take your mind off studying.

Another way to deal with stress is to simply make time for yourself. Take a few minutes and write in a journal. It's amazing how a pen and paper set you at ease. If writing is not for you, then just take 15 minutes and go to a quiet area, or listen to some of your favorite songs on your

iPod. Not focusing on school for just a short amount of time will alleviate your stress and make you more focused on studying when you return to it.

Everyone is different and handles stress in many different ways. De-stressing methods that work for one person may not work for someone else. KSU students have their own way to deal with stress.

"I usually don't acquire loads of stress, however, when finals are overcrowding my mind, I take one day completely to myself to be alone," said Briana Powell. "It rejuvenates me so that I can begin to tackle my studies with a clear mind."

Other students prefer the company of others to take their minds off things.

Farah Ali said that she handles stress by getting together with friends and enjoying a glass of wine.

"The wine is relaxing and the company keeps you laughing and in a good mood so I don't think about school," said Ali.

Being stress-free is very important for your own personal health and well-being. With the dreaded week of finals just around the corner, remember to take time for yourself and do whatever you enjoy to "de-stress" your mind.





Heath Martin | The Sentinel

Living Options

Pros and cons of off campus housing

Editor's Note: This is the second in a two-part series about housing options for students.

Jessica Sides
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

There are many reasons to live off campus. One of the most obvious reasons is money. On-campus housing may be convenient, but it can be expensive. Off-campus housing is typically much cheaper. Other reasons to consider living off-campus could be lifestyle preferences. Some students prefer more solitude and feel hassled by constantly being surrounded by other people. Many students have pets that are prohibited from on-campus housing. There are also those students who want to move in with someone of the opposite sex, or those who already have families, which isn't an option for KSU on-campus housing.

KSU is commonly known as a predominantly commuter campus. A majority of students attending KSU live at home. While many students answered that they live in apartment complexes nearby, their numbers did not compare to those who have opted to live rent-free with their parents. For most, it's more than a matter of preference; they simply cannot afford to pay rent, utilities and other bills while also attending school. Many who

live at home have quite a long drive too.

Brandon Hobson, a graduate student studying public administration, lives in Atlanta with his parents, but he says his only option is to embrace the drive in order to have the luxury of no rent.

Jackson Hogue, a freshman business major, drives 30 or more minutes each day from his parents' home in Canton, and is thankful his car gets good gas mileage.

Other students with a long commute from home say they combat high gas prices by scheduling their classes on just two days a week, cutting their driving trips to and from campus.

But what about students who are forced to rent off-campus, unable to live with their parents? It seems that in this case students have chosen what they can afford over proximity to KSU campus.

Courtney Adams, a junior communication major, lives in Reflections on Sweetwater, an apartment complex in Lawrenceville. While her commute takes her 45 minutes, she says the "cheap rent and having to only live with one other roommate is nice. I also have a large space and it's quiet."

Noise control is certainly a concern to those living in apartment complexes near campus, with a high student

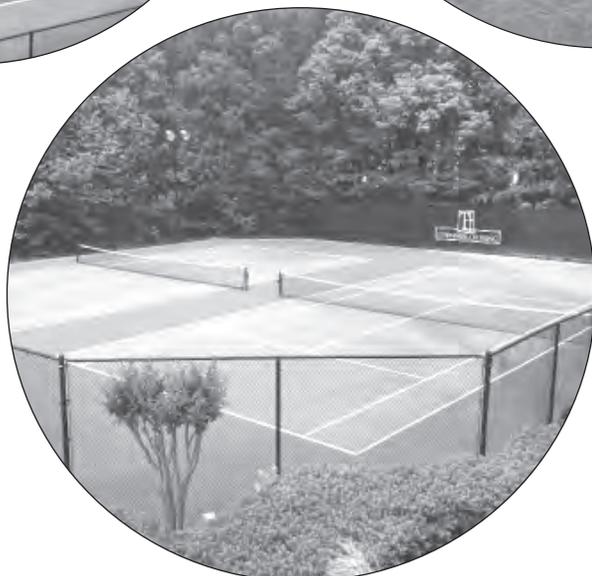
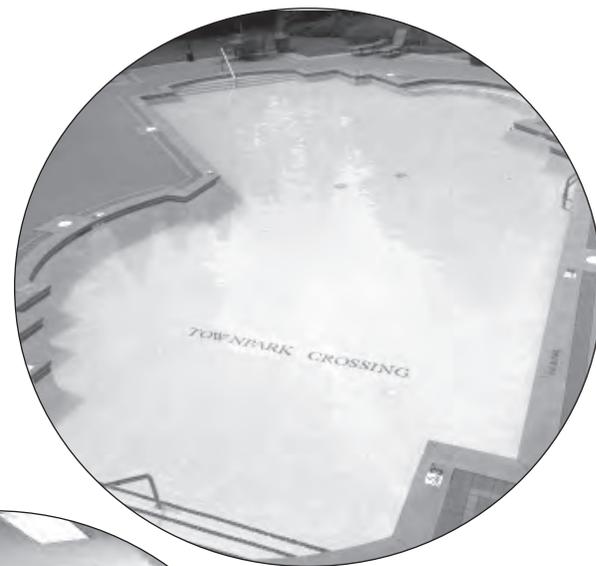
population. Park Graves, a junior English major, says his apartment complex, The Bridges of Kennesaw, off Jiles road, has "a lot of students and low-income families," and the noise can be somewhat bothersome. The noise is tolerable, though, when he considers the benefits of living in his apartment complex.

"We get 5 days-a-week trash valet, and I'm really close to campus. Not to mention, my rent is very cheap," said Graves.

Apartment complexes certainly realize their upper hand when it comes to how much they charge for units closet to campus. For those within walking distance, there is a significant hike in rates compared to those just a few more miles away.

Taylor Smith, a senior English major, took this into account when she was apartment hunting last year. She eventually opted to live in an apartment complex off Barrett Parkway instead of one of the many other options closer to school.

"It seemed the ones just a couple of miles closer to school were more expensive, which is why I decided to rent where I did," said Smith. "These apartments are nicer and have more space than other complexes -- for the same amount of money, I get more."





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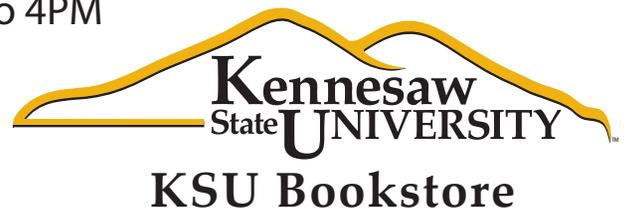
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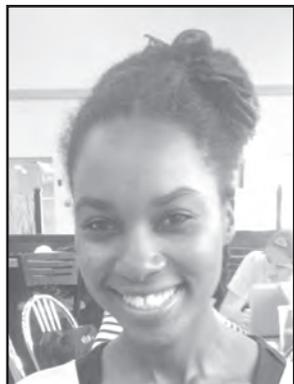
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“Joining Phi Sigma Pi honor fraternity has been the most memorable thing that has happened this year because I’ve made so many new friends and we have all had so much fun.”



Courtney Bolz
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“This year I’ve just really been trying to balance the stress of going to school and having a job at the same time.”



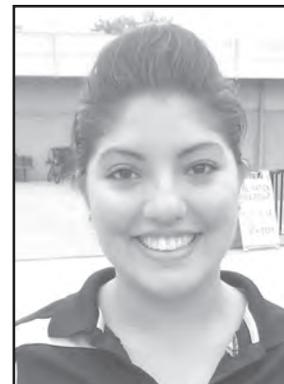
Chelsea Tynan
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“I just transferred here and I really like how diverse everyone is here. Compared to my previous school, I really like how everyone here is really laid back.”



Kim Chandler
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“I’m part of the Alpha Omega campus ministry and it’s been really awesome because many more people joined this year. I’ve made a lot of memories and friendships this year because of my involvement in this ministry.”



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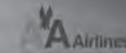
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Make the best of summer school

Megan Emory
STAFF WRITER

Due to the financial aid uncertainty and economic recession, more people are choosing to take summer classes to get one step closer to their diploma. Summer classes are either eight-week sessions or June and July four-week sessions. This leaves a July 4 break and 17 days before class starts up on August 17 for fall 2011.

Summer classes are available to help students catch up or get ahead in their required credit hours. KSU student, Tiffany Coggins, uses summer classes to catch up on her mandatory hours for graduation.

"I am attending summer classes here at KSU, but not because I want to. I find it hard to give up my summer vacation time just because I want to graduate on time," Coggins said. "I am forced to take at least three classes for my major every summer in order to graduate in my expected four years. It is a shame because I feel burnt out

and exhausted and have no break to look forward to."

Meagan Painter views her summer schedule with much more optimism.

"I am ready to be out of college, and even though I will be spending more time in the classroom and less in the sun and on the beach, hopefully the classrooms will not be as crowded," Painter said.

Taking summer classes to get harder classes out of the way may work well for some because they can devote their time to that specific subject. With this in mind, Harun Elitok will use summer classes to his advantage.

"One other thing is in the summer, I feel I get much more profits than other people because I am taking classes and getting close to the end," Elitok said. "It gives me a great feeling. I know that summer classes are little bit easier."

Spending your summer vacation in Kennesaw and taking summer classes need not be a negative experience. There are still interesting events and

activities that will fit in between your schedule. Even with the burden of school, there are still things to do in the area that will help you make up for your lack of "break" in summer break.

The Starlight Six Drive-In Theater in Atlanta has six outdoor screens that show current major motion pictures year-round. The cost is \$6 per person, but you cannot put a price on going to a real drive-in movie!

Lake Acworth is a great way to get the feel for the beach right here. It is located in Acworth and the parks around the park are open from 7am- 11pm during the summer. The only cost is the parking fee.

Depending on your schedule, taking summer classes does not mean that you are giving up all hopes of a vacation. There are activities to do in Kennesaw; time for a 3 or 4-day weekend and a chance to get ahead in your hour requirements. Your summer is not gone if you take some time for yourself and keep on track with your work!

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Last week, The Sentinel hid **11 Easter eggs** throughout the paper. Shari Sheridan and Allie Hahn were the first two students to send the correct number of eggs to our editor in chief. Congratulations, and enjoy your free movie tickets! Here is the egg breakdown:

News: 3 eggs. Bottom of page 3, in a window on page 4, in Police Beat on page 5.

Opinion: 2 eggs. Page 6 on

Justin Hayes' tie knot, page 7 inside "ZOMBIES."

A&L: 2 eggs. Page 9 inside "Costa," page 12 on the top right side of the housing illustration.

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Men's golf clubs competition, brings home first conference title

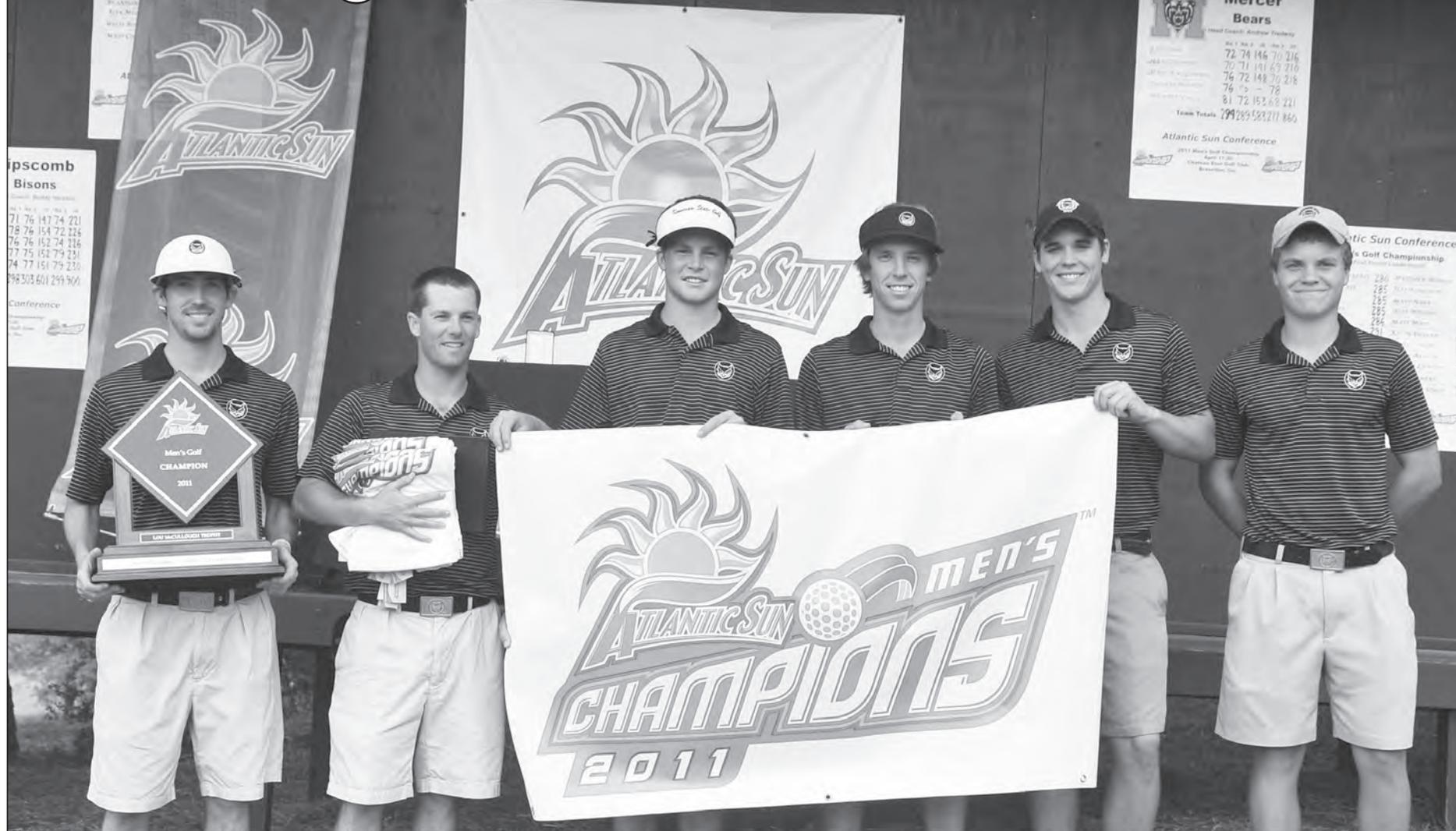


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After a season featuring four first place finishes and four top-5 placements, men's golf fittingly dominated the Atlantic Sun Conference Championships for KSU's first title. The Owls led from day one and rolled through the final rounds to finish as the only team under par at the Chateau Elan in Braselton, Ga.

Jack Morbitzer SPORTS EDITOR

After dominating all three rounds of the Atlantic Sun Conference Championship, men's golf claimed its first ever championship in school history firing a 7-under par 845 at the Chateau Elan in Braselton, Ga.

Junior Jeff Karlsson stayed in his top form winning his third individual medalist honor of the season shooting a 6-under par 207.

"We knew what we had to do coming in to today's round," head coach Jay Moseley said in a statement. "We played the same we have all year and all week and our best was unbeatable. Our goals were set high and it's special to achieve them and I am proud to be taking the trophy home to Kennesaw."

The Owls were the only team to finish under par, winning by nine strokes. North Florida, ranked No. 47, finished second at 2-over par.

A first round 4-under par 280 set the tone and No. 45 ranked KSU never looked back. Karlsson's first round 67 complemented junior Matt Nagy's 68 to help propel KSU to the top of the leader board after round one. With a commanding lead, the Owls

finished round two with a 1-under par 283 and a 2-under par 282 in the final round sealed the victory.

"We have been wanting this all year," Karlsson said in a statement. "We played our best and no one could catch us. We have been through this before with our previous wins this year and we were well prepared."

Nagy finished tied for second on the individual leader board, as he and Karlsson were named to the A-Sun All-Tournament team. Sophomore Ben Greene finished tied for 21, shooting a final round 2-under par 69, with freshman Jonathon Klotz tallying a 5-over par 218 to tie for 21 as well. In his final conference championship, senior Chad Wilson finished tied for 28 with a 6-over par 219. Wilson is the only non-returning starter on the roster.

A final round 7-under par 277 by conference rival Mercer tied the lowest third round score in A-Sun history and propelled the Bears to a fourth place finish.

Campbell finished third at 3-over par 855, as defending champion ETSU placed fifth at 9-over par 861.

KSU will have time to celebrate before heading to the NCAA Regional tournament May 19-21.



Photo courtesy of KSU Athletics

Junior Jeff Karlsson scopes a putt in the A-Sun Championships. The Swedish international took home the individual conference crown, his third individual win of the season, shooting 6-under par.

Softball clinches A-Sun spot with sweep of Bruins

Strong pitching can't stave off losses to Bisons on road

Jack Morbitzer
SPORTS EDITOR

Travelling to Tennessee for a set of conference doubleheaders, the Owls (28-22, 10-8) flip-flopped the results from Thursday at Lipscomb to sweep Belmont and clinch a spot in the conference championship.

With strong pitching and little offense, KSU dropped both games Thursday to the Bisons, 2-0 and 1-0. The formula was changed for Friday's contests while pitching stayed strong and the bats came alive to claim both games, 9-0 and 6-0.

Junior Jessica Cross (13-7) dominated the weekend and notched another win as a starting pitcher in Friday's first game.

Cross threw six complete innings giving up just one hit with four strikeouts. She also went 3-for-3 from the plate with four RBIs and a walk. A two-run home run by Cross in the top of the first inning set the pace and she never looked back.

Three runs each in the first, fifth and sixth innings gave the Owls nine total runs. In the sixth inning, sophomore left fielder Sharon Swanson swatted a three run home run, her 14th on the season.

Cross' home run in the first inning was her thirteenth and tied Swanson's conference lead, which the sophomore left fielder reclaimed in the sixth. The two dingers from Cross tallied her third multi-home run game of the season.

"I was just relaxed today, both at the plate and in the pitcher's circle," Cross said in a statement. "I've been just focusing on each batter that I'm facing, and when I was at the plate, it was all about making good swings and picking the right pitches."

With no response from Belmont in the bottom half of the inning, the game ended due to run margin rules.

The second game wasn't much different, but this time sophomore starting pitcher Abbey Meixel recorded the victory throwing a complete game, giving up just three hits and striking out seven.

In the top of the third, a two-run home run by sophomore third baseman Ashlee Burkett broke the deadlock and put KSU up 2-0.

Coming back in the top of the fourth, sophomore short stop Jensen Hackett scored on an RBI single from Cross. A two out rally in the top of the fifth began with an RBI single from Hackett, continued with an RBI triple by sophomore center fielder Sara Sikes and ended with an RBI double by Burkett.

The Owls left two runners on base in the sixth and seventh innings but couldn't widen the margin.

With KSU's sweep and Stetson losing both games Friday, the Owls clinched a spot in their second-straight trip to the A-Sun Championships beginning in May.

"We're glad that we made it into the tournament again, it's what we shoot for, to have a chance to win a championship," Whitlock said in a statement. "We have two more conference games this season, and our goal is to win them and put ourselves in position to have the highest seed that we can in the tournament and be in the best position to win it."

Despite giving up only three total runs in two games Thursday, KSU couldn't score any of their own and were swept by Lipscomb, both in shut out fashion.

The first game was a pitcher's duel between Cross and last year's A-Sun Player of the Year, Whitney Kiihnl.

Cross threw a solid game giving up just two runs on four hits and four walks with six strikeouts. However, the line of Kiihnl was superb as she conceded no runs on four hits with one hit and 13 strikeouts.

The dominance by Kiihnl allowed Lipscomb to claim a victory with little offense. An RBI single in the bottom of the first held the Bisons in the lead until the bottom of the sixth when a two out solo home run gave Lipscomb some insurance heading into the final half inning.

KSU left five runners on base in game one, but couldn't muster any sustained rallies.

The second game was more of the same, this time freshman pitcher Amanda Henderson (5-7) received the loss even with a solid outing, giving up just two hits and one run with two walks and eight strikeouts. Watson tossed sixth and a third scoreless innings giving up four hits with two walks and four strikeouts. Kiihnl came in and struck out the last two batters to record the save.

The lone run in the game came from a solo home run in the bottom of the second.

KSU left six runners on base through the game including two in the top of the seventh. After two of the four total hits came in the form of singles in the top half of the last inning, Kiihnl remained in control and shut down any hopes of rally.

It is now rivalry week for KSU as they'll travel to Athens to face the No. 3 ranked Georgia Bulldogs Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. before finishing the season Saturday at Mercer.



Jack Morbitzer | The Sentinel

Sophomore left fielder Sharon Swanson (pictured right) leads the conference in home runs with 14 after going yard Friday against the Bruins. Sophomore first baseman Brittany Moore (pictured left) went 3-for-4 at the plate in the second game helping the Owls to finish the sweep and clinch a spot in the A-Sun Championships. KSU currently sits sixth in the conference standings and is one of five teams to punch their ticket to Spartanburg.

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Blough-tstanding performance



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Senior starting pitcher Bryan Blough was recognized by the Atlantic Sun Conference as Pitcher of the Week Monday for recording 14 strikeouts against East Tennessee State University. Head coach Mike Sansing likened the performance to those of current professionals Chad Jenkins and Kyle Heckathorn. East Coweta's own gave up only seven hits in a complete game victory throwing just 117 total pitches. The award makes KSU one of just two teams in the league to have two Players of the Week awards and a Pitcher of the Week award, with Sean McClurken and Ronnie Freeman earning accolades earlier this season.

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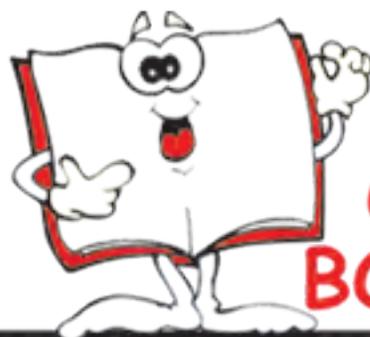
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Baseball takes two from Bucs, still in league mix

Jack Morbitzer
SPORTS EDITOR

Baseball took two of three in a weekend series against East Tennessee State.

The first game featured an offensive affair while game two was a career mark for senior starting pitcher Bryan Blough, as he struck out 14 batters en route to a 5-4 victory over the Buccaneers.

"I wanted to get off to a good start and keep the ball down," Blough said in a statement. "The ballpark is so small that I knew I needed to keep the ball low and I was able to do that. Plus, my slider was really working well tonight and felt like I could throw it for a strike at any time."

Though Blough retired all but one batter that he faced through one out in the fourth inning, ETSU took a 2-1 lead as two solo home runs were sandwiched between three strikeouts. The Owls (24-19, 11-9) took an early lead from a solo home run by senior third baseman Ethan Herron in the top of the second.

Blough stayed in control from there and a four spot by KSU in the top of the seventh, which included a two-run home run by junior first baseman Andy Chriscaden, allowed a 5-2 cushion. A two run home run in the bottom half cut KSU's lead to one, but Blough remained in the game through the ninth inning and allowed no more runs.

With the complete game victory, Blough (3-3) gave up just seven hits with one walk and 14 strikeouts.

"This was an outstanding performance by Bryan tonight," said head coach Mike Sansing in a statement. "His slider was about as good as I've ever seen. He had total control and was in command from the first inning. In the ninth, he was still dominating and in control."

The first game featured another comeback after ETSU played the long ball in the third inning. A couple of two-run home runs against Owls starter Zak Griffith (7-2) put the Bucs in front 4-2.

Opening the top of the fourth with two singles, junior right fielder Aaron Craft cracked a three-run home run and gave the lead back to KSU. An RBI double by left fielder Aaron Dobbs brought home center fielder Ray Anderson to add another tally to the scoreboard.

From there, KSU and Griffith remained in control and added a run in the seventh on an RBI double. An RBI single by Herron in the top of the ninth pushed KSU's lead to 8-4 and closer J.B Johnson came in to close out the ninth.

Dobbs went 4-for-4 at the plate, a season-high, and drove in a run while scoring two.

"I saw the ball well tonight," Dobbs said in a statement. "But, we all had good at-bats. We came out with confidence and did what we needed to do to keep the pressure on their pitchers."

The final game of the series showed KSU didn't have enough in the tank to sweep as ETSU snapped a six-game losing streak with a 7-3 victory.

The Bucs scored two runs in the second inning, but KSU came back with a three-run home run by

Chriscaden for the lead, 3-2.

In the fourth inning ETSU's Paul Hoilman tied the game with a solo home run. Two runs in the sixth inning off starting pitcher Josh Carr and a two-run home run by Holiman against relief pitcher Sean Fream in the eighth inning were the rest of the runs scored.

The Owls couldn't mount another comeback and the four run deficit proved too big.

KSU takes the field Monday in a non-conference game against Mercer before hosting Georgia Southern Wednesday at 6 p.m. for student appreciation night at Stillwell Stadium.

2010-11 A-SUN STANDINGS

School	Conference W-L	Overall W-L
#18 Stetson	14-4	31-9
Jacksonville	14-7	24-15
UNF	12-9	23-15
Belmont	12-9	23-18
FGCU	10-8	21-20
KSU	11-9	24-19
ETSU	12-10	23-15
Mercer	12-11	28-15
>USC Upstate	7-12	14-29
Lipscomb	5-13	14-27
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