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SGA BEAT

Fight song introduced at Oct. 13 SGA meeting

Tiffani Reardon STAFF WRITER

Director of Athletics Vaughn Williams and Director of the School of Music Dr. Harry Price introduced a rough draft version of a KSU fight song at the Student Government Association meeting Oct. 13.

"Since day one, we have talked about the need for a fight song," Williams said. "So, we started on that five months ago."

Price said the lyrics include mentions of Kennesaw Mountain,

KSU and other things related to the university.

"A big part of homecoming is having your own fight song," Williams said.

They played a piano piece of the future fight song for the SGA to get their opinion of it, and everyone in the meeting thought it was great.

Fight songs are one minute long. This fight song is set up so that half can be played for the cheer section, and there are shorter sections that can be set up, Price said.

"It hopefully will inspire folks to participate," Price said.

Student Services survey block party results announced

Results from the Student Services survey block party were announced at the SGA meeting on Oct. 13.

According to this survey, students who live off-campus have more needs for services than the students who live on-campus, said SGA Director of Student Services Tracy Robinson.

When asked about services they would like that were not mentioned in the survey, students said things like more food choices with lower costs, Robinson said.

"They would like to see a Subway, a Starbucks, ATMs with deposit slots, more activities for residents to get to know each other, more campus events and the last thing was a mailbox," Robinson said.

"Where would you prefer to

On-campus students: the dorm parking lots, the Central Deck, the North Deck and the West Deck. Off-campus students: the Central

Deck, the East Deck, the West Deck and the East Lot.

"Would you like to have a shuttle service to take you to the grocery store and home if you don't drive?"

On-campus students: 170 said yes Off-campus students: 378 said yes

"Do you think The Commons should open earlier than 7:30 a.m.?"

On-campus students: 103 said yes Off-campus students: 276 said yes

"Do you think The Commons should stay open past 8:00 p.m.?"

On-campus students: 170 said yes

Off-campus students: 466 said yes "Would you support a free book loan program created to assist any

students that do not have the funds for books?"

On-campus students: 179 said yes

Off-campus students: 491 said yes "Would you be willing to supply

your own printing paper to have printing be reduced to a price less than the current 10 cents?" Oncampus students: 152 said yes

Off-campus students: 371 said yes

Students sleep in the quad for Homelessness Awareness Week





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Greg Bieger STAFF WRITER

About 40 students began settling down between the Social Sciences Building and the Public Safety Building Oct. 13 for Homelessness Awareness Week.

The event was an experiential one where students would be spending 42 hours sleeping out without the use of electricity, laptops, cellphones, iPods, heaters, couches, mattresses, kitchens, showers or any other of the amenities provided by a domicile. The idea was to give students a taste of what it is like to be homeless and still hold responsibilities such as school, work and familial obligations like many homeless people do.

Two students were struggling to put together an igloo-type shelter out of boxes and plastic shopping bags.

"I have a friend who is homeless and so I just really want to experience what he has to experience on a daily basis," said a student named Kay.

This was the intent of the organizers, to experience for at least a short time what it is like for the 10,000 homeless men, women and children who experience this obstacle every day in Atlanta.

"I think it's a great opportunity to let kids experience what they go through -- inclement weather and the obvious struggles of making shelter," Kay said when asked if she thought this was an effective teaching tool.

"It is just a better way to get involved and expand my horizon on what is homelessness," said student Tyler Stansell.

Stansell said this was the first time he was able to participate in HAW.

Stansell participated in a student exchange program with the University of Southern California where he saw the homelessness of Skid Row.

"It was really intense and it's not something you want to see on a day to day basis," Stansell said.

There was also a mock trial Oct. 14 involving students with the Criminal Justice Student Organization who had "arrested" some of the participants and charged them with littering, possession of marijuana, theft by taking or felony obstructing of justice with the use of violence.

After the mock trial was over, Derek Tharp, "charged" with theft by taking, evading arrest, obstruction of justice and felony obstruction of justice with injury to a federal officer said he "had a blast."

"A lot of people say 'oh yea I went camping so I could be homeless," Tharp said. "But in most shelters the lights do not go off, and you are [here] with a group of people and with the weather and all the buildings being locked. It gives you a sense of perspective."

Freshman Michael Farris also decided to sleep in the quad and participate in the mock trial. He was charged with littering and pleaded out to a \$25 fine.

"I want to experience what its like to be homeless and to become empathetic," Farris said.

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Monica Kaufman Pearson speaks to Society of Professional Journalists

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Atlanta news anchor Monica Kaufman Pearson spoke to the KSU chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists Oct. 10 in the Social Science Auditorium.

Pearson discussed changes she has seen in the industry over the 36 years she has been with WSB-TV Channel 2, and gave advice to students seeking a career in journalism.

Within a couple of minutes into her presentation, Pearson demonstrated how to perform a news lead for broadcast television.

The lead is always important, Pearson said, because it gets the viewers interested in what is being said.

Pearson said that when she began her career, it was very taxing and time consuming to produce a lead for a television news broadcast.

"You had to be the reporter, editor and videographer all at the same time," Pearson said.

There used to be a designated announcer that would provide the lead for a news story, but that's not necessarily the case anymore, Pearson said. She also said that anchors now have more of a means to concentrate on the story.

Pearson also discussed the way technology has changed in the time since she started her career. She used to use a tape recorder but now uses an iPad to send leads to the designated news team member.

Pearson told students that the best kinds of questions to ask during an interview are indirect questions, those that require more than a yes or no answer, because the answers

are more informative

During the designated time for questions, one of the students asked for Pearson's advice about body language when conducting interviews.

Pearson said that the best advice for someone who is doing an interview is for one to be themselves. She said that many different journalists have many different styles of presenting the news and one has to decide which is the best for them.

"Be the best at being you," Pearson said.

Pearson was the first woman and minority to anchor the 6 p.m. news for Channel 2.



Monica Kaufman

POLICE BEAT

Christy Rogers STAFF WRITER

Late Night Brawl

Two officers were dispatched to the University Place Apartments in reference to a fight in progress on Sept. 24 at 4:11 a.m. The officers could not find the fight, but approached a male in the parking lot carrying a 12-pack of alcohol to ask if he knew what had happened. The male said that a few of his friends had gotten into a fight and one was injured. He took the officers up to the injured person's apartment. The male who answered the door was wearing a torn T-shirt and was bleeding from his leg, arm and face. The officers dispatched for an ambulance while they questioned the males who had been in the fight. They all told the same version of what

happened: two of the males started pushing each other during an argument before striking each other several times. Their two friends pulled them off of each other. No charges were filed.

Keep Your Numbers to Yourself

An officer was dispatched to the KSU Police Department lobby on Sept. 29 at 4:28 p.m. in reference to a theft. The complainant, a female student, told the officer that her boyfriend had stolen her food stamps card. She had told her boyfriend, who she lived with, at the beginning of September that she was expecting the card. On Sept. 21, the boyfriend sent her a text asking for her social security number so he could add her to his car insurance policy. She sent him the number. A few days later, she went to get gas and was told by

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Playing Stupid

An officer was on patrol at University Place Apartments on Sept. 29 at 11:34 p.m. when he observed two males and a female standing near a car with a 12-pack of alcohol. As he passed, one of the males yelled, "Police, police, police!" The three individuals headed for the nearby apartment building, leaving the alcohol behind. The officer got out of his car and yelled several times for the individuals to stop before the two males complied. The female kept walking. One of the males said that the female was his girlfriend, and the officer asked him to have her come over to him. He got his girlfriend to join them, and the officer asked him why he had yelled "police." They did not answer. He also asked them where the alcohol had come from and they said they did not know. He asked them individually, and one of the males admitted he had gotten it from a friend. When asked where his friend was, he changed his story and said that he had bought it from a man at a gas station. The officer had them all blow into the Alco-Sensor, which tested negative for all three, and issued them citations for possession of alcohol by a minor.

iSteal

An officer was dispatched to the University Place Apartments on Sept. 23 at 1:52 a.m. in reference to a stolen cell phone. The officer met with the victim, a female student, who told him she was approached by a male around 1:37 a.m. in the corridor in front of her apartment. The male asked if he could use her phone. She handed him her Apple

iPhone 4 and he walked out of the building. When she went to look for him, he was nowhere to be found. The phone is in a red and gray case and is valued at \$600.

Not as Think as You Drunk I Am

An officer conducted a traffic stop on a car that disregarded a red light and failed to maintain its lane on Sept. 25 at 1:25 a.m. The female driving the car gave off a strong odor of alcohol. The officer asked her how much she had to drink, and she said she had two mixed drinks one hour prior. The officer asked her to step out of the car, but she did not comply, saying she had to roll up her windows first. After fumbling with the door, she rolled her windows up and got out of the car. The officer had her blow into the Alco-Sensor, which tested positive for alcohol. She refused to participate in any more field evaluations, but agreed to answer some questions. The officer asked her if she knew the date, day of the week and time. She answered all three incorrectly. She was arrested without incident.

KPA celebrates National Coming Out Day

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The Kennesaw Pride Alliance sponsored a bake sale Oct. 11 to raise donations for AIDS Walk Atlanta in celebration of National Coming Out Day.

National Coming Out Day celebrates the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community by commemorating the first gay march in Washington D.C. Oct. 11, 1987. Historically, this day's purpose is to promote both governmental and public awareness of LGBT rights.

Many LGBT people use this annual celebration as a day to come out to their family, friends or co-workers.

Coming out is not an easy experience for everyone, but the KPA creates a support group for those who are not ready to come out.

Tamisha Askew, a sophomore member of the KPA, has not come out to her mother. Askew said that her sister is also a lesbian, which has been difficult on their mother. This situation has made Askew fearful of telling her mother, but she said her grandparents are supportive.

KPA member Heiko Pinero described his experience of coming out as a relief. Pinero told his close friends in high school that he was gay before going to his parents. His parents approached him about his sexuality after he decided to tell them that he was gay. Both were accepting.

"It has made our family more open with each other," Pinero said.

Both Askew and Pinero said that KPA President Victor Ferreira is like their dad.

Ferreira said that although his parents were very accepting of his sexual orientation, "some people are safer staying in the closet because you do not know their situation. It is not a situation that should be taken lightly."

Askew and Pinero agreed that coming out should be a personal decision and it is important to tell someone that can be trusted. Askew said that a counselor is a good start.

"Once you have said it once, it becomes easier," Askew said. "Everyone deserves an equal opportunity to be who they are. We cannot change it."

Ferreira advises others to give their friends and family time to process after coming out.

People cannot change who they are, but to their friends and family "one of the most basic things they know about you has changed," Ferreira said. A way to ease people's minds is to give them the opportunity to ask questions, Ferreira said. It is not easy to comprehend at first, so "you have to be safe, be careful and be realistic,"

Ferreira said that National Coming Out Day is a great way to raise awareness about the LGBT community and "to remind people that some [people] do not feel comfortable in their own skin."

Ferreira said this applies to everyone, not just LGBT people.

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Fake dorm room blazes in fire safety demonstration

Rebecca Smith **CONTRIBUTING WRITER**

If you happened to be walking between KSU Place and University Village Suites around noon on Tuesday, Oct. 11, you might have seen something that made you do a

The KSU Department of Strategic Security and Safety, along with the help of the Cobb County Fire Department, set a fake dorm room on fire to show students how quickly a fire spreads throughout a room and how dangerous it can be.

The room built for the demonstration was an 8-by-8 wooden box with the front wall missing. Some of the items inside the room included a twin bed with stuffed animals, a desk, ceiling lantern, curtains, posters and a trashcan overflowing with paper.

"Fire is power," said Dennis Rucker of the Fire Safety Education

and causes more deaths than actual fire.

get to a safe place.

Fire Tips Students Should Know

If there's a fire in your building, alert everyone, call 911 and

If caught in a fire, get low and crawl to safety. Smoke rises

When deciding whether to use a fire extinguisher or not,

look for smoke. If there's a lot, don't use it. Just leave.

Practice safety drills and have an escape route planned.

Division of Cobb County Fire & Emergency Services. "Fire is very dangerous. If you use it the right way and the way it is designed it can be your best friend. But if you use it the wrong way and you're careless with it, it can cause major problems."

Louis Morgan, a freshman who lives in University Suites, was among the students who attended the fire demonstration.

"Although [the fire] may seem minor at first and may take a long time to burn, it does burn eventually and is very dangerous," Morgan said. "It would not take very long for it to travel to the rest of the dorms."

Fire demonstration timeline:

A safety official ignites the trashcan with a lighter

30 seconds: Fire spreads to curtains and side of bed.

50 seconds: Ceiling and posters begin to catch fire. Lantern hanging from ceiling falls. Debris blowing everywhere. Black smoke fills room.

3 minutes: Top of bed and stuffed animals catch fire. Fire is steady, but not spreading very quickly.

5 minutes: Most of bed is on fire. Walls are all black.

5 minutes, 50 seconds: Wall behind bed is beginning to burn completely through.

6 minutes, 40 seconds: Fire begins to spread around room, burning much faster than before. Bed, desk and back wall are still visible though smoke and fire.

8 minutes, 20 seconds: Entire room is consumed by fire. Everything is burning.

8 minutes, 30 seconds: Contents of room are no longer visible due to severity of fire.

8 minutes, 40 seconds: Two firefighters begin to extinguish fire with hose. 9 minutes, 10 seconds: Fire

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OWLSpace study area now open in Sturgis Library

Tiffani Reardon STAFF WRITER

The OWLSpace Study Commons on the ground level of the Sturgis Library opened with a ribbon cutting ceremony Oct.

Assistant Vice President of Library Services Dr. David Evans gave a short speech on the features of OWLSpace and its future.

The Study Commons includes group seating, individual seating, presentation rooms, wireless access and electrical outlets. It will also have vending machines in the near future.

"Students told us in a survey during the spring 'we need electrical outlets, we need places to sit, we need group space,' so here you have it," Evans said. "This is just the start of it."

"This alone will increase seating by about 23 percent," Evans said. "Our goal is to eventually get 1,000 seats in here, so this puts us well over about

562 seats. In this space alone there are 105."

Presentation rooms are first come, first serve, in comparison with the group study rooms upstairs, which require a reservation.

OWLSpace will close 15 minutes before the library closing time. Student Government Association President Ronald Wilson said that eventually there will be a new door on the Student Center side of the building to provide easier access to the Study Commons.

When asked what they thought about OWLSpace, students seemed very happy about it.

"I think it is a nice alternative to the upstairs cubicles," said KSU student Terry Finson, 20.

"Here you can just hang out, where you have to be quiet in the library," said KSU student Andy Hovancsak, 20.

Funding for the Study Commons came from the technology budget.



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'Sons of Anarchy' shows postmodernism at its best



Steven Watson SENTINEL COLUMNIST

Good afternoon, Sentinel readers. It is confession time. Here

I am a liberal feminist who is committed to human rights. I oppose violence in all its myriad forms. But that is not my confession. My dark secret is that, in spite of these ideals, I freaking love the violent, misogynist, gunloving train wreck that is "Sons of Anarchy" (FX, Tuesdays, 10 p.m.). It follows the exploits of the titular motorcycle gang, which the members call a "club" in what might be the most transparent euphemism

There is no justifying what these guys do. In this season's premiere, the group sneaks off from a wedding to slaughter a bunch of Russian arms dealers. They dump the bodies at the site of a new commercial development in their hometown of Charming, Calif. They steal the weapons and ammo to sell to the Galingo drug cartel, led by the always terrifying but somehow

lovable Danny Trejo.

If that weren't bad enough, the newly married Opie lies to his wife the next day when the Russian massacre shows up on the news.

"We're cool with the Russians," he tells her before leaving for work. Opie's job, by the way, consists of bedding down with other women in between chase scenes and shootouts.

Did I mention that Clay, the group's president, assassinated his best friend 20 years ago because the friend wanted the Sons out of arms dealing? Clay enlisted the help of the local sheriff, lied to him about his motives, and married the friend's widow. They were having an affair. They both lied to the dead man's now-grown son, Jackson, about his father's death.

Yeah. That's going to bite Clay in the butt... and it will be awesome.

My wife likes to tease me and say I want to join the Sons. But that's absurd, and we both know it these guys would kill me on general principle and use my corpse to mule cocaine. What appeals to me is how the show flips accepted norms on their collective head. I found myself cheering last season at the shooting of an ATF agent. What is that about?

It is about the writers making

side. Clay is an old man with arthritis. He never had a legit job and is almost too old for gang duty. He lies to his own men and leads them into dangerous deals because he has no other way to retire.

Clay's stepson, Jackson, has a baby with his fiancée Tara, a doctor. When they are together and Jackson promises Tara he will leave the gang after one more score, I want to believe him as much as Tara does.

But I know Jax is lying to himself. I know he and his brothers are doomed to death or prison. I know that the things they do to protect Charming, an ostensible function of any street gang, actually make the town more dangerous. None of it makes any sense. It is postmodernism at its best, and I cannot wait to see how it all plays out.

... we both know it - these guys would kill me on general principle and use my corpse to mule cocaine.

RE: Pill popping shouldn't be first choice

To be perfectly frank, I do not often think to pick up The Sentinel while walking around campus (despite the fact that it's free!) But when I finally did so, I felt compelled to respond to a recent article about the liberal amount of pills, namely SSRIs that are distributed to those of us suffering from depression and/ or anxiety disorders. I myself have been on various SSRIs for many years. It was working out OK...until I moved to Atlanta four years ago. I had to obtain a new psychiatrist who could continue prescribing these pills for me. This particular doctor opted for a higher dosage (I later realized, much higher than I needed) and also prescribed several other drugs that gave me, let's just say, some very bizarre and disturbing side effects.

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SSRIs and related drugs can be incredibly helpful in stabilizing chemical imbalances. But I also agree that we have become a society that will, more often than not, go straight for the pill bottle, when there may in fact be other healthier viable options within reach. A trusted therapist can be an enormous help and provide valuable tips to cope with depression and anxietywithout the drugs!

> Kristen Grabowski Communication **Graduation Year: 2011**

"Occupy" protesters need to grow up

Oh, "boo hoo;" so the government doesn't give you stuff for free.

Grow up.

Yes, banks and companies on Wall Street were wrongly bailed out and were handed billions of dollars by the federal government. That is unfair and immoral.

But somehow, these imbeciles immediately jump to blame Wall Street for getting bailouts. We can get mad at the corporations for asking to be bailed out (although some of them tried to refuse the corporate welfare), but we cannot say that this recession is exemplary of what happens when we have capitalism or free markets.

Ironically, if the government had let the banks fail (which should have happened), these same morons would be out in the street demanding that the government do something to keep the banks afloat.

The movement is intellectually bankrupt, relying on nothing but bromides and slogans about capitalism and greed.

These protesters need to be reminded that the origins of this entire mess lie within the halls of Congress, not on Wall Street.

Another institution that deserves to be scrutinized is the Federal Reserve. It's manipulation of interest rates and easy credit caused this housing bubble.

The Fed's artificially low interest rates

They see Bank of America Corp. and Wells Fargo & Co. charging new fees and immediately blame the banks for "corporate greed," not realizing that it was the financial overhaul reform law (also known as Dodd-Frank) that led to these new fees.

created an atmosphere in which businesses, particularly in the housing industry due to the Community Reinvestment Act, made poor investments.

Housing developers responded to the artificial demand caused by the fact that people could easily obtain loans to buy houses they wouldn't normally be able to afford. Due to low interest rates, developers could easily obtain the capital to build homes.

But the interest rates did not reflect the supply and demand of the market. So, in 2008, the market began to clear out the mal-investments and the housing bubble burst. But, after Fannie Mae and Freddie

Mac bundled these sub-prime mortgages and insurance companies insured these "troubled" assets, the bursting of the bubble brought everyone in the financial sector down.

If you are upset about corporate welfare or the downfall of our economy, there is but one culprit: the state.

The layers of distortion that caused this mess could easily confuse most people. It is no wonder that the "Occupy" folks are having such a hard time understanding where the responsibility lies.

But, they fail to see the forest through the trees. They see Bank of America Corp. and



Justin Hayes
ALUMNUS COLUMNIST

Wells Fargo & Co. charging new fees and immediately blame the banks for "corporate greed," not realizing that it was the financial overhaul reform law (also known as Dodd-Frank) that led to these new fees.

This is not to say the protesters have no right to be angry or march through the streets. Have at it. They would just be better suited at going to Washington, D.C. and not yelling at Wall Street to pay for their college tuition.

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Sleep-out delusional, unproductive



Michael Foster
SPORTS EDITOR

Last week was dubbed "Homelessness Awareness Week" by KSU, during which multiple organizations such as the Center for Student Leadership, Adult Learner Programs, Student Life, the KSU Department of Public Safety, as well as multiple sponsors from non-profits organized a series of events intended to raise public awareness about the homeless population in our society. Their main argument is that a large portion of the homeless population did not get to their lonesome state through neglect, drugs and alcohol, but rather through unfortunate living circumstances.

I believe that premise is true. Homelessness Awareness Week does a great job focusing students' attention on a sensitive issue. I'm

...the watereddown parameters of the sleep-out led to a silly looking, two-day event that did little more than mock the homeless people.

grateful for the resources I have in my life. I've bought a homeless man a meal. I've given out cash from my car window. I've participated in multiple food drives. These are gestures I would consider productive.

I am unable to convince myself that the Homelessness "Sleep-Out" event, held on campus between Thursday and Saturday, was anywhere near productive. In fact, I found the exercise to be delusional.

When I arrived to campus last Friday morning I was greeted by a number of tents scattered in the grass outside of the Social Sciences building. I noticed people carrying around certain types of food and building their best cardboard shelters.

There were also expensive tents being used as shelters, freshly ironed T-shirts and expensive athletic-performance shorts being used as clothing and even folding chairs. Folding chairs? Expensive materials? I almost wanted to stick around for the rest of the day until a tailgate started. When was the band going to show up?

I'm positive I could have taken a few items off that lawn, thrown them in the back of my car, driven up I-75 a ways and found myself a place to have a nice camp for the weekend. If a two-day stay in a tent becomes too exhausting, it's just a few strides to KSU's air-conditioned buildings. This event is not representative of what makes homeless life so difficult. On the official KSU Homelessness Awareness website there is a statement that claims the events during the week "can increase our knowledge and understanding of living without shelter and food, and sometimes living without hope."

Without shelter, you say? Tent. Check.
Without food, you say? Cereal box. Check.
Without hope, you say? The Social Science building, as well as the participants' cozy dorms, are just a white flag and a walk away.
Check.

Those three "checks" contradict the mission. The real lives of the homeless come with so many more negative implications. You are fooling yourself if you think the sleep-out is going to drastically influence your own position on homelessness.

Don't tell me I don't know because I didn't participate. I've gone camping before with

limited supplies. But even though I was in the cold and unbearable wilderness, I was content because I knew my warm bed and a big plate of food was just a day away.

Homeless people cannot make that same claim. Their lives are full of uncertainty and insecurity. Their hardships are long-term. They endure more than any of us would endure. They also live within an emotional cage that many of us will never even begin to fathom in an accurate light. To plop a tent down next to your school's library for a few days doesn't mean you are doing any sort of justice.

I'm not trying to demonize the event, and I appreciate the overall efforts made through various activities during the week. But the watered-down parameters of the sleep-out led to a silly looking, two-day event that did little more than mock the homeless people. It's unlikely the participants are any more aware of what it means to be homeless.

My grandfather spends much of his time building relationships with homeless individuals. He invests time in their stories, and sometimes even sponsors them—handing them clothes and other resources to help them get back on their feet. My grandfather doesn't own a tent, and has never tried to squeeze himself into a cardboard box, but he's aware and proactive in solving problems within the "invisible" sector.

This behavior makes a difference. Trying to represent a situation through a skewed and watered down activity does not lead to solutions.

ARTS&LIVING

VEG(etarian) club aims to increase awareness about meat-free living

Josh Pate STAFF WRITER

October marks Vegetarian Awareness Month and in response there is a new KSU club on campus that plans to raise awareness to create a more vegetarian-friendly campus with two events this month.

Vegetarian Experience Guild in its first growing month has been planning several vegetarian events around campus. It plans to kick off the first event this month with the Ask-a-Vegetarian on Oct. 20 in front of the Commons in preparation for Trick-or-Treat Trivia on Halloween.

Whether it's lacto-ovo, fruitarian or vegan, the group plans on answering student questions about what it means to be a vegetarian as well as handing out helpful tips and tricks to being meat-free.

Junior English major and President of VEG, Maribeth Bryan, said one of the main goals of the guild is to improve the knowledge of vegetarianism, especially in the Commons.

Oct. 13 marked VEG's second meeting and students participated in sharing stories of vegetarian living. Meetings usually cover all aspects of vegetarian living, like dealing with life questions, "Where can you get a tattoo with vegan ink?" "Do dryer sheets really use animal fat?" "Does Kraft Mac N-Cheese contain non-vegetarian ingredients?" and "Is fish meat?"

Also, some controversy seems to be surrounding the labels in the Commons and whether they are accurately representing the interests of vegetarians, said Bryan.

Many students at the meeting expressed feelings that a third party should get the information on the labels in the Commons to help assure students that they are truly eating a vegetarian dish.

The creation of VEG has given vegetarian students on campus an outlet to express their experience as a vegetarian and a KSU student.

Peyton Solomon, sophomore Sociology major, raised a point at the Oct. 13 VEG meeting that students at KSU have mandatory meal plans but have few options in the Commons if they are vegetarian. Therefore, their swipes go to \$7 or \$8 salads.

Rachael Sanders, freshman Special Education major, also pointed out that these salad options aren't truly vegetarian.

"It is even hard to find a vegetarian salad on campus without ham or bacon in it," said Sanders

The Commons has not submitted a comment about its vegetarian items as of press time, but its culinary services mission statement states that it "does not simply meet, but instead exceeds, the standards for value, quality, nutrition, variety, cultural differences, food allergies and convenience."

VEG has expressed its desire to be open to other Registered Student Organizations and events on campus for catering and possible fundraisers, like the Relay for Life and the PRIDE Alliance events.

November also plans to be a big month for VEG, as it is planning on giving students ideas for vegetarian alternatives for one of the most meat-consuming holidays, Thanksgiving.

"We can make an impact with a little effort," Ryan Hames, Treasurer of VEG said.

The efforts of VEG are clearly in sync with a growing voice on campus.

VEG advisor and English Professor Chris Palmer said that students should "do what you can do," to help the environment, animal rights and their bodies.

Palmer, who was a vegetarian for five years, feels it is important to reduce the amount of misinformation out there about vegetarianism.

"I worked at an organic health food store in Chattanooga and it changed my world," said Palmer.

VEG does not require group members to be vegetarian. In fact, Bryan said they encourage non-vegetarians to come and learn more about vegetarianism in their meetings and events.

To learn more about VEG and upcoming activities, email Bryan at veg@ksuclubs.com.

Anderson's folk paintings to be displayed in "Artful Memory"

STAFF REPORTS

Sometimes the best art comes from what you know — or what you remember.

Such is the case for renowned Georgia artist Linda Anderson, who will be displaying 18 of her inspirational and nostalgic works of art in the exhibit "An Artful Memory" in the Fine Arts Gallery of the Joe Mack Wilson Building starting on Oct. 18.

"Linda Anderson's work is completely mesmerizing," said Joseph Meeks, dean of the College of the Arts. "It is visual storytelling at its best. It is whimsical and delightful - a real joy to experience."

Anderson's displayed works come from her artistic memoir, "Flashes of Memory: An Appalachian Self-Portrait," published by the KSU Press in 2009. The book, which is one of the inspirations for this exhibit, will also be available for purchase in the gallery.

As a native of Clarkesville, Anderson began painting in the 1980s after her daughter became ill.

"Painting saved my life," she said in a 2004 interview with The Atlanta Journal-Constitution. "When I'm in front of the easel and have that brush in my hand, then all that drops away."

An opening reception for Anderson's exhibit is scheduled on Oct. 18 from 5-8 p.m.

The exhibit will be on display for students, faculty and the community to enjoy with free admission

The Fine Arts Gallery in the Wilson Building will be open 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 7 - 9 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday.

Spare change collection will support local arts programs



STAFF REPORTS

A little change can go a long way, especially when it comes to saving local arts programs.

This year, Fifth Third Bank is providing piggy banks to help collect donations and spare change from students, which will then be donated to the KSU College of the Arts.

According to the college's website, the program is to help support the "ongoing growth and excellence of the College of the Arts [which would] not [be] possible without support from many people," as tuition and state funding cannot provide all of the operations for the college and its programs.

The College of the Arts, as stated on the website,

relies heavily on private gifts from the community to maintain the quality academic programs and services offered to our students.

Last year, the college received well over its goal of \$10,000, totaling an estimated \$19,495 in the funds raised. This year the college hopes to match those donations.

Donations can be made online at kennesaw.edu/arts/annualcampaign/give.html, or individuals can request a pledge envelope or make a gift over the phone by calling 770-499-3129.

KSU employees may make their gifts via payroll deduction (pre-tax).

To learn more about the Piggy Bank Program, visit kennesaw.edu/arts/annualcampaign/ or the Facebook page "Piggy For the Arts at KSU."



Knowing transportation tricks can take you where you want to go

Christy Rogers
STAFF WRITER

Whenever you want to go somewhere—a new restaurant, your friend's apartment, etc.—you usually hop in your car and drive over. It struck me at orientation for my study abroad program that I was not going to drive a car for five weeks. This was slightly intimidating. I had looked at maps of Paris' metro system, and it looked to me like a 4-year-old had gone crazy with a box of Crayolas. I was starting to become nervous as to how I would find my way around this foreign city.

It is extremely terrifying to face the prospect of being entirely reliant on public transportation, when our culture is so much more grounded in owning your own car and using the highway to get everywhere. I was surprised upon my return from Paris just how much I ended up missing the metro system. Public transportation may seem daunting at first, but you will eventually realize that it is much more relaxing to sit back and watch the stops tick by than to navigate the terrifying stream of bad drivers on I-75.

It all depends on where you go as to how your program will handle public transportation costs. The cost of my metro pass was included with the trip, and it gave me unlimited rides on the metro and RER (a type of primarily above ground public transportation in Paris). If your trip relies primarily on buses, the cost will probably be included. Make sure you attend orientation because this is where you'll get the most information about the cost.

Here are some basic things you should know about public transportation abroad.

SUBWAY

Oh, Paris Metro system, how I miss you! You can look up maps of various subway systems—Paris, London, New York, Copenhagen and Madrid to name a few—but it will probably just confuse and scare you even more. Rely on your program directors and the kindness of strangers to guide you. What you basically should know is that you need to figure out which line the station you've entered connects to and toward which end of the line you are headed.

More than using the subway however, is the necessary reminder I feel I must make about personal safety. I used the metro by myself a few times and never felt intimidated or threatened. However, if you are in a touristy city, you need to keep your wits about you and pay attention on busy subway lines. Pickpockets take advantage of distracted,

confused tourists much more easily than you may realize. And trust me, when I say "busy" I mean that when I went to the Louvre, the closer we got to the stop the more I could distinguish what type of shampoo the person in front of me used. Be aware of your surroundings!

TAXIS

I would recommend you use a taxi once just to say you did it. However, I would not recommend it as your usual mode of transportation. Taxis can get expensive fast, and hailing one can be extremely difficult. Yet it could be your only option if the subway system is closed. For instance, in Paris the metro closed at 12:30 a.m. on weeknights. If you were out past then, your best option would be to try to hail a taxi. I only used a taxi once in Paris, and after seeing the way most people in that city drive, I will be delighted to never get in another car on a Paris street again.

BUSES AND OTHER TRANSPORT

I'm kind of useless in the bus department because I have never ridden on a bus that was not headed to school or part of a field trip. However, I do know that Paris had a bus system that included a night bus to pick people up after the metro closed. If you're a fan of the bus, you may want to do some research and find out if this will be a usable option in your host city.

Paris also featured a tram system, which I didn't use much

because it had very few stops, and an RER system, which would take you beyond the city proper into the outskirts of Paris (including Disneyland Paris!). I mostly stuck to the metro, but it doesn't hurt to figure out if there are other options you can use that might be quicker.

WALKING

I suppose walking doesn't actually count as public transportation, but I thoroughly enjoyed walking around Paris. If you don't have anywhere specific you're heading, it can be fun to stroll through the city. I found some of the most wonderful stores and restaurants this way. Just make sure to take a map in case you get lost!

Trust me, despite any advice your program director and I give you, you're probably going to be a little scared of using whatever public transportation system is available in your host city. Everything will probably be in a foreign language and you'll probably have to stop and ask someone "excusez-moi, ou est le metro?" a few times. You have plenty of resources at your fingertips to understand the various transportation systems, but the only way you'll really enjoy it is to get lost a few times and have fun figuring it out.

Oh, and enjoy that first wave of road rage you'll get when you come home and drive on the interstate again for the first time. You'd be surprised how quickly you will forget what driving is like in America after being abroad for a few weeks.



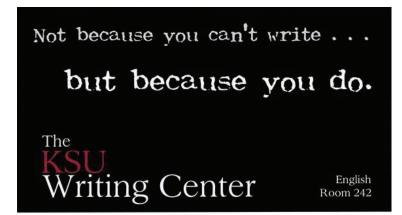


Brimstone and brownies: Pride Alliance holds bake sale for AIDS Walk Atlanta during SOAPA preaching



The photo above was submitted by Sarah Calhoun, a senior majoring in psychology. She took the photo near the First Amendment circle at 12:30 p.m. on Oct. 13, where students were protesting the presence of members of the Southeast Open Air Preachers Association on campus. At the same time, the Kennesaw Pride Alliance held a bake sale to raise money for AIDS Walk Atlanta.

"I thought it really demonstrated the resilience of the KSU gay community in the face of hatred and discrimination, which made me really proud of our school," Calhoun said. To submit an "Owl Snap" photo of something happening around campus, e-mail eic@ksusentinel.com.



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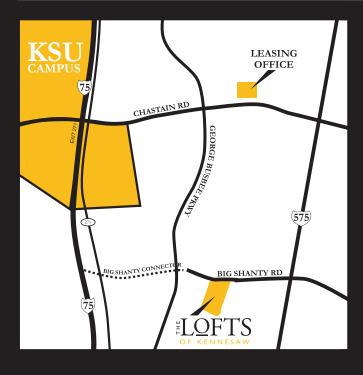
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'How God became English' exhibit explores history surrounding KJV Bible translation

Carolyn Grindrod ARTS AND LIVING EDITOR

It's arguably one of the most important and influential texts in English history.

But how did the King James Version of the Bible come to be that way?

Commemorating the 400th anniversary of its first printing, the Department of Museums, Archives & Rare Books opened "How God Became English: The Making of the King James Bible" on Oct. 4 to allow students to discover the history that surrounds four centuries of the KJV's existence.

"The King James Bible has become the benchmark by which Bible translations are judged and is a work which generations have grown up with, learned from and integrated into their culture," said Heather Oswald, archive specialist and exhibit team member. More than this, the King James Bible is an enduring source of inspiration for artists, musicians, authors and scholars."

Oswald said "How God Became English," which is being displayed at the Athenaeum Gallery in the Sturgis Library, features manuscripts, Bible leaves and books from the 13th through 20th centuries all centered around the biblical text.

"[These] pieces illustrate the evolution of the written and printed word as language developed, and religious and royal authorities influenced the texts created," added Oswald.

"We take for granted that we can pick up a Bible and read it in English without fear or consequence," Oswald

continued. "Despite today's easy access, the translation of the Bible into vernacular languages triggered centuries of conflict and led to the persecution of thousands. The struggle of scholars, preachers, and lay people to read and interpret the Bible for themselves is part of our cultural legacy."

Running until October 2012, the exhibit is presented with a supplementary traveling exhibit from the National Endowment for the Humanities, "Manifold Greatness: The Creation and Afterlife of the King James Bible" that will be on display through Oct. 28.

The secondary exhibit, "Manifold Greatness," was organized by the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D.C., and the American Library Association Public Programs Office and is based on an exhibition of the same name developed by the Folger Shakespeare Library and the Bodleian Library, University of Oxford, with assistance from the Harry Ransom Center of the University of Texas, to mark the KJV's anniversary.

"The 400th anniversary of the King James Bible is a milestone in the history of a work that has influenced language, culture and the arts since its first publication in 1611," said Oswald. "The exhibit provided us an opportunity to explore the complicated history of a work many people presume has always existed, and to highlight the collections of the Bentley Rare Book Gallery."

Both exhibits are free to the public and are available for viewing during normal Sturgis Library hours, said Oswald.

To learn more about "How God Became English" visit the web.kennesaw.edu/archives/exhibits_kjb.



King James I of England was responsible for the first English translation of the Bible 400 years ago.



Octuba Fest 11

Caran Rice STAFF WRITER

Get ready to bring on the brass as the College of Arts presents its annual two-night concert event, Octubafest, on Oct. 19 and 20.

The KSU OctubaFest is part of a series of annual concerts throughout the country, established in 1974 by the late Distinguished Professor Emeritus Harvey Phillips of the Indiana University School of Music, created to showcase the tuba and euphonium.

OctubaFest is a free, twonight concert event, which will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 19 and Thursday, Oct. 20 in the Performance Hall of the Bailey Performance Center at 8 p.m. The performance will feature the works of Marcello, Shostakovich and Gillingham.

The series begins with the guest artist recital featuring Martin Cochran on the euphonium and Dr. Christopher Blaha on the tuba.

Cochran is the instructor of music at the University of Alabama-Birmingham and received his Doctor of Musical Arts degree from the University of Alabama.

Blaha has been an assistant professor of tuba and euphonium at Appalachian State University since the fall of 2009 and holds both his Doctor of Musical Arts and Master of Music degree from the University of Michigan.

Both men will be accompanied by KSU alumni Valerie Pool on the piano.

Pool is currently enrolled in the Artist Diploma in Opera Coaching

program at the Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music.

On Oct. 20, KSU Artistin-Residence in Tuba and Euphonium, Bernard Flythe, will take the stage along with the KSU Tuba-Euphonium Ensemble and the KSU Low Brass Quartet.

Flythe will be collaborating with KSU Director of Percussion Studies John Lawless and Judith Cole on piano. The music of Eric Alexander, a trombonist and composer from Atlanta, will be featured.

"The audience will be exposed to virtuosic solo and chamber music performances from tuba and euphonium artists," said Flythe. "They will hear music of diverse styles including classical and jazz elements and will have a greater appreciation for instruments that are not usually featured as soloists."



Bernard Flythe

NOTICE ZONED PARKING OPEN FORUMS

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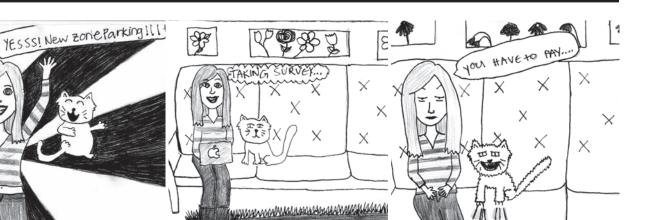
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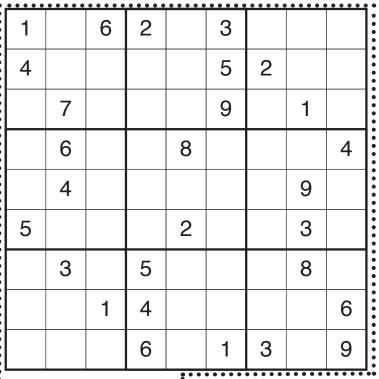
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Libra: Sept. 23-Oct. 23

An on again, off again relationship could pick up steam as Venus increases the sexual intensity. You'll be wondering if this person might even be a soulmate. It's probably too soon to tell for sure, but have fun investigating.

Scorpio: Oct. 24-Nov. 2

You could be under pressure to date someone other people want you to be with. Maybe your parents are playing matchmaker or your friends are trying to hook you up with a nice acquaintance. The moon says it's okay to check it out.

Pisces: Feb.19-March 20

Don't worry if you're in hermit mode. The moon is making you extra sensitive, and it's important for you to heal and find balance. You won't want to spend time with a lot of people. And you might want to avoid dating or intense interactions with a sweetheart for a bit.

Sudoku

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Aries: March 21-April 19

You're being pulled in two directions at once, thanks to a schizophrenic moon. You might be thinking about a former flame while, at the same time, you're pursuing a brand new flirtation. Give yourself time to sort it all out.

Aquarius: Jan. 20-Feb. 18

You could encounter someone whose force of personality and sense of humor astound you. The moon is stirring up powerful feelings of attraction to a new friend, colleague or neighbor. You could find yourself comparing this person to people you've dated in the past.

Sagittarius: Nov. 22-Dec. 21

A moon opposition has you making a list of your partner's flaws and failures. Meanwhile, you're feeling restless about your own achievements and wondering if you need to make a change. Evolution is happening, and it's good to ask some deep questions.

Gemini: May 21-June 21

It's important to deal with schedules, budgets, and lists this week. Saturn is reminding you that sometimes you have to work within certain restrictions. The health of your family and your romantic relationship depends on it.

Cancer: June 22-July 22

Don't be intimidated by technology, even if your cell phone, your GPS system, and your DVD player give out on you at once. Uranus is reminding you not to be so focused on toys and machines. Take a break and enjoy some private time with your honey.

Leo: July 23-Aug. 22

Mars is increasing your need for instant gratification. If your sweetheart has to work late, you'll demand that he or she call in sick to spend time with you. Or if your partner is tending to a friend or relative, you'll want your share of attention.

Capricorn: Dec. 22-Jan.19

Pay more attention to your intuition and emotions. The moon is encouraging you to get in touch with what you really feel instead of being "efficient" and "hard working" every moment of the day. You're allowed to want, to desire and to dream.

Virgo: Aug. 23-Sept. 22

You're enjoying your lover without worrying too much about tomorrow. A sensual moon has you focused on loving touch and intimate moments. You're trying not to project into the future or put definitions or restrictions on your romance.

Taurus: April 20 -May 20

A passionate full moon is bringing hidden feelings to the surface. You could be tempted to make a confession to someone. Maybe you'll finally tell that cute neighbor or sexy coworker that you'd love to go out with him or her.

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Department of Sports and Recreation highlights fall events

Michael Foster SPORTS EDITOR

KSU students will have opportunities in the next few weeks to participate in events organized by the Department of Sports and Recreation.

The department will hold its annual Iron Owl Weight Lifting Competition on Oct. 29, as well as the 34th annual Turkey Trot in November.

Both events will be open to all students, faculty and staff. A single guest will also be allowed for each participant in the Turkey Trot.

Fitness Coordinator Carolyn Kuzontkoski gave specifics about both events.

"They did that last year, and it was a great success," said Kuzontkoski about the weight lifting competition. "So, we're doing it again this year."

Kuzontkoski said there are multiple different types of events at the competition, but the rep-off is a new addition.

"We will have two benches next to each other and have two competitors from different weights go at it. It will be a lot of fun. We've got great sponsors and great giveaways," said Kuzontkoski.

California Dreaming and North Georgia Barbell are sponsoring the weight lifting event. Giveaways include T-shirts and other prizes.

"I got a personal best in the event, and everyone got a lot of free stuff. So, it was a good time," said junior Kirk Sweeney, who participated in the event last year. "Last year I did the bench max and dead lift. It was a lot of fun and gave me something to train for for two months."

The Iron Owl competition will be held Saturday, Oct. 29, at 12 p.m. at the Student Recreation and Wellness Center Gymnasium. Weigh-ins for the event will be held between 12 p.m. and 5 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 28.

Anyone can register online, or at room 129 in the Student Recreation and Wellness Center.

While the Iron Owl competition is a young addition to KSU's events, the annual Turkey Trot has been a tradition here for 34 years and counting.

"The Turkey Trot is a 5k," said Kuzontkoski. "In conjunction with the 5k we have a one-mile fitness walk. It's all free, so you can't lose. You get a free T-shirt, as well as giveaways. You can even bring a friend if you want."

One new feature of the Turkey Trot will be contributions made to Cobb Christmas.

"This year we are collecting canned goods that we will donate to Cobb Christmas," said Kuzontkoski. "I'm really excited about that because that's something we have not done in the past."

Participants who bring canned goods will become eligible for additional prizes. The 34th annual Turkey Trot will be held on campus as well.

Students, faculty and staff who want to stay updated with the latest recreational events at KSU can find additional information, as well as dates for upcoming events at kennesaw.edu/student_life/intramurals.



Photos courtesy of KSU Department of Sports and Recreation

"Last year I did the bench max and dead lift. It was a lot of fun and gave me something to train for for two months."
-Kirk Sweeney

Character

Women's soccer drops rivalry game, loses position in playoff standings

Michael Foster SPORTS EDITOR

The women's soccer team is in danger of missing out on the Atlantic Sun Conference Women's Soccer Championship.

The Owls, who played their final home game last Saturday, fell Friday night to their in-state rival, the Mercer Bears. Mercer (8-6-1, 2-4-1) defeated KSU (6-8-1, 2-5) at Bear Field by a score of 1-0.

KSU didn't go down without a fight against the defending conference champions. The Owls defense was stout enough to fend off an aggressive attack from the Bears, who saw four straight corner kicks successfully defended by the Owls in the first half of play.

Mercer scored its first goal in the 31st minute, but was held down for the rest of the game.

Redshirt freshman Katrina Frost, who has been an All-Conference caliber scorer for KSU this season, nearly tied the game in the second half when she just missed a free kick 20 yards out.

"It was a close, hard-fought game," said head coach Rob King. "We defended well but weren't able to possess and create enough good chances to win the game."

KSU was outshot 16-6 in the contest.

The loss puts the Owls in a tough position in the conference standings. The Owls will need to win their next two games and receive some help if they are going to qualify for the Atlantic Sun Conference Women's Soccer Championship tournament.

The Owls are currently tied with Mercer and Lipscomb for sixth place in the conference, which is the last qualifying seed. Each team has two conference wins.

However, KSU has one more loss than both teams, and will need to finish with more total conference win to earn the final seed in the tournament.

The Owls final two games will be against the best and worst teams in the conference, with road tests at East Tennessee State and USC Upstate.

Mercer's remaining games are against East Tennessee State and USC Upstate as well. Lipscomb's remaining matches are against Florida Gulf Coast and Stetson.

The Atlantic Sun Women's Soccer Conference Championship tournament will begin on Saturday, Oct. 29.



Junior midfielder Lexi Hastings, right, attempts to gain possession of the ball against Mercer Oct. 14.





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Athlete of the Week: Ket Preamchuen



5'4"
Favorite golfer: Adam Scott
Favorite food: pulled pork
sandwich
Has a younger sister
Born outside the U.S.

Neha Ali STAFF WRITER

We know it for its lush culture filled with delicious cuisine, tourist areas and even fashion. Thailand may be thousands of miles away, but KSU has its own piece of the country right here.

Ket Preamchuen, a junior at KSU, isn't your average Asian American. She's from east Thailand and she plays golf. Preamchuen came to the U.S. her freshman year of college. When Preamchuen was young, she walked outside one day and saw her father playing golf. She was intrigued about the sport and asked him to teach her how to play. Mr. Preamchuen has been his daughter's life and golf coach ever since. Preamchuen gave The Sentinel insight of what it's like to be a female golfer from a different country:

What is your favorite thing about Thailand?

My favorite thing about Thailand is the culture. Thai people are very alike. Here you have no idea who is really American because there are so many different races of people.

What is one Thai food that you think people should try?

Well, I make this dish called mango sticky rice and its really good. It's a dessert with mangos, sticky rice and coconut milk. I make it for my teammates and coaches all the time. They love it.

How do you like Kennesaw?

I love it here. This is like my second home, and my teammates are like my second family. It was tough for the first year because I couldn't do anything here. Thankfully, my teammates and coaches kept me busy.

What's different about sports here from sports in Thailand?

The academic standards in Thailand are a lot stricter. Sports are just pastimes people play as extra hobbies. In Thai culture, sports in high school aren't as big either. When I played in high school, my teachers didn't understand how my golf game and school went together, so they wouldn't give me an opportunity to make up work.

Now that you're here, what have you decided to do with your academic career?

I'm majoring in sports management with a marketing concentration. I'm an outgoing person and I feel like this field fits that personality. The bad part is if I go home to Thailand, I can't do anything with my major because sports over there aren't very competitive.

What do you have planned after graduation?

It'll take a lot of hard work and also money for fees, but after I graduate, I hope to turn pro. If that doesn't work out I hope to get a master's degree. I remember a while ago, my dream was to learn German and go to Germany to work with the German soccer league. Now, I want to stay here.

What other sports do you like?

I like volleyball. I played it in high school. I also love soccer. I'm a fan of German soccer.

Describe golf in three words?

Hole-in-one.

What do you like about golf?

Being myself. I mean that golf really allows me to be myself and mentally think about who I am and what I'm doing.

What's the most exciting tournament you have appeared in?

This past summer I qualified for the U.S. Women's Amateur Championship in Rhode Island. I had no idea it was a big deal here. I was in Rhode Island representing KSU and myself. I barely made the cut, but I'm glad I did.

What is your biggest weakness when it comes to golf?

My weakness is being on the green. I'm good at course management, but when I get on the green, I struggle with getting the ball in the hole.

How do you feel about the stereotypes placed on golf?

There are so many people that say golf isn't even a sport and that there's no sweating or physical activity involved, but actually golf is a more of



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a mental sport. When I play, it's all about my mental game. People also wonder why we have to do jumps, weights and conditioning. Well, when you actually play golf, it involves walking 18 holes, which is about five miles. It's challenging because you're walking at different courses in different conditions with really heavy bags.

What are your goals for the season?

My goal is to win conference, make top 50 and hopefully make it to regionals.

Out of all the courses you have played at, which one is your favorite?

My favorite course is the one in Colorado that we recently visited. It was in the middle of the mountains, and all around you could see trees everywhere. It was beautiful.

What's something fun you did recently?

I went ice skating for the first time last semester. I fell a lot! I didn't know how to break the skates. Every time I would start skating, I would go to the fall towards someone; but I let them know I was coming towards them so they could hug me to keep me from falling.

Do you think you're more of a tomboy or a girly-girl even though you play a sport?

I'm more of a tomboy. I always question my teammates about my body type because I have muscular legs. Plus, my parents always question me about my tan, because in Thailand, girls are more attractive when their skin is light.

After discussing her life, Preamchuen shined the spotlight on someone else. "I am thankful for professors like Dr. Jimmy Calloway, who understands about the life of a student-athlete," she said. "Dr. Calloway really works with me and motivates me to stay focused. He tells me to concentrate on my game. I think he understands because he has also been an athlete." Next year will be Preamchuen's final year at KSU. She wants to leave with lessons that will always stay with her. "I will always be prepared," Preamchuen said. "I've heard that from many people, to always be prepared."

Because of her golf schedule, Preamchuen has never been to a homecoming game. "That's one thing that I haven't experienced." Other than golf, she spends most of her time studying and practicing. In her freshman year, Preamchuen was named to the National Golf Coaches Association All-American team for her 3.81 GPA. She was the first female golfer at KSU to receive the award.

"I try to motivate them about their schoolwork, and I tell them that college is totally different from high school," said Preamchuen.

Last season, Preamchuen received many accolades, such as being named to the Atlantic Sun All-Conference Team, National Golf Coaches All-American Scholar Team and being conference player of the week twice.

The Owls will go to the Texas-San Antonio Invitational on Oct. 30.



Senior forward Brittany Vining goes for the goal.

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