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## Kennesaw prepares for student veteran surge

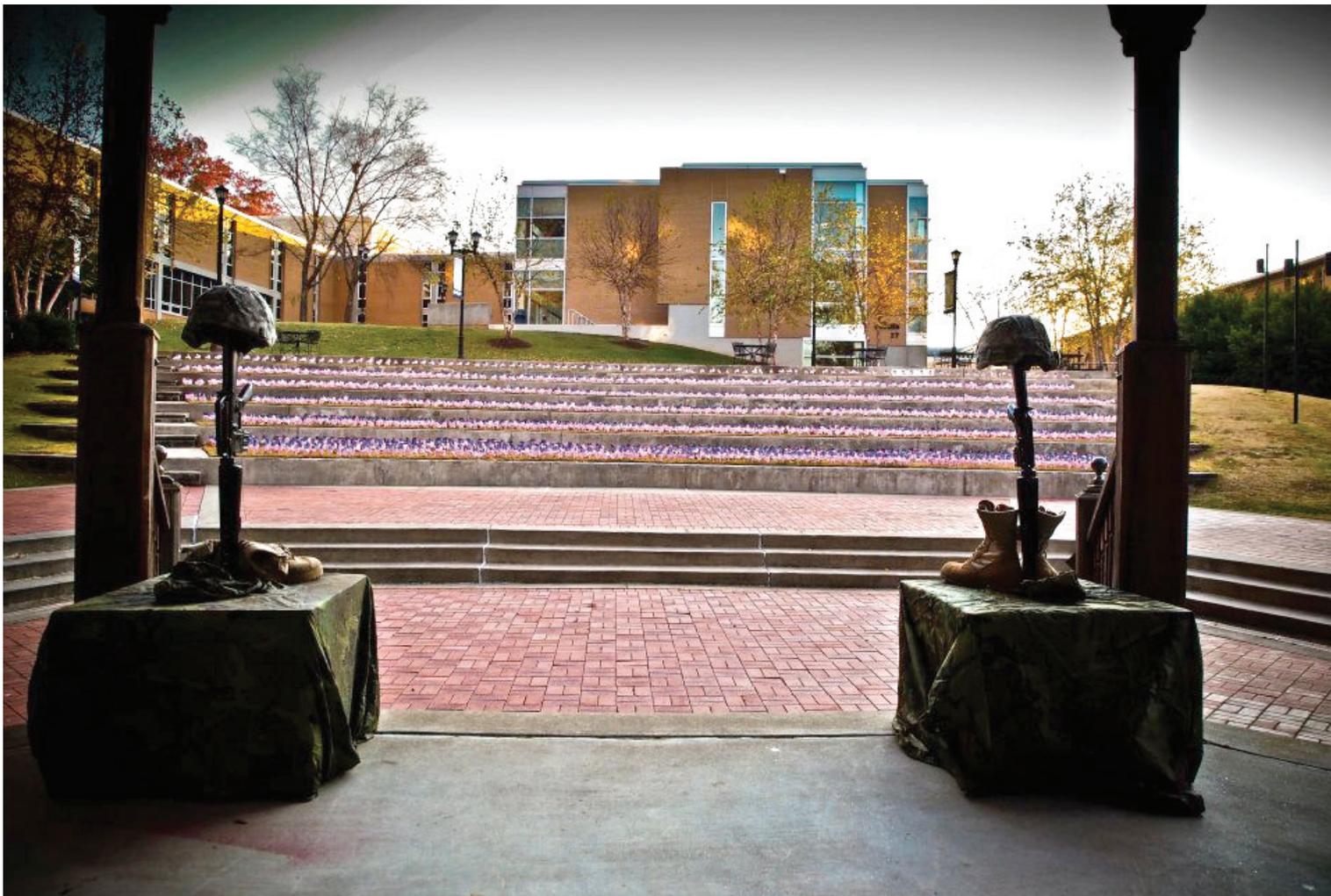


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**Jace White**  
STAFF WRITER

National Roll Call event from Veteran's Day 2011.

KSU can expect a surge in student veteran enrollment in the coming years because of the end of a decade's worth of combat in the Middle East.

This past Wednesday, Defense Secretary Leon Panetta announced that the combat role of U.S. forces in Afghanistan will end in 2013. Though he went on to state that forces would remain to train Afghanistan's military through 2014, this shift in the nation's role in Afghanistan mirrors the closing of the war with Iraq in the final months of last year.

Thousands of U.S. service men and women are returning to civilian life as the military looks to downsize its peacetime forces. For many soldiers released from service, this means attending college or retraining to become competitive in the recovering job market.

According to David Carper, a veteran and transition coordinator

at KSU's Veteran Resource Center, 40,000 service men and women are obtaining veteran status this year on top of nearly two million U.S. soldiers deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan since September 11, 2001.

Through programs and benefits like Veterans Affairs and the GI Bill, the government pays for veterans' education and aid in their reintegration into civilian society. At KSU, approximately 850 student veterans are currently enrolled in school under these benefits. This is nearly a 150-person increase from the last year according to Steven Sayegh, a veteran and transition coordinator at the Veterans Resource Center. However, this does not include student veterans that are not using their military benefits to pay for school. The exact total cannot be determined.

Regardless, KSU can "most certainly expect an initial spike" in

student veteran enrollment over the next few years according to Frank Wills, a veteran and director of the Veterans Resource Center.

"After the initial spike, we expect to maintain a steady increase in student veterans enrolling," said Wills.

So far, KSU has prepared accordingly for the expected surge in attendance among wartime veterans. Sixteen rooms in the new phase of University Place are reserved for veterans living on campus.

In a 2012 list published by GI Jobs Magazine, KSU is among the top 20 percent of military friendly schools in the nation. However, Wills expressed that there is always more to be done.

"KSU is currently the standard for veteran services in the state... but we could easily be surpassed. That is why we need to keep pushing the envelope internally," said Wills.

Sayegh, now an Army reservist

and information systems major, said one of the hardest transitions into college for him was learning to communicate with civilians appropriately.

"You can't talk to normal people like you do with other vets. We're brothers and more direct with each other," said Sayegh, "A lot of times you're not aware you're offending people and you lose opportunities to network or build relationships."

For that reason, the veteran community on campus acts as peer to peer mentors for soldiers returning home and to the classroom for the first time since combat, according to Carper.

If you are a student veteran that would like to get involved or needs assistance visit the Veterans Resource Center. It is currently in the process of moving from Kennesaw Hall to Willingham Hall, which will be complete midway through the month.

Gingrich revisits  
old KSC scandal

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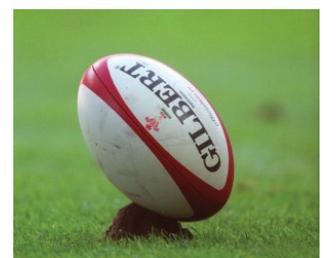
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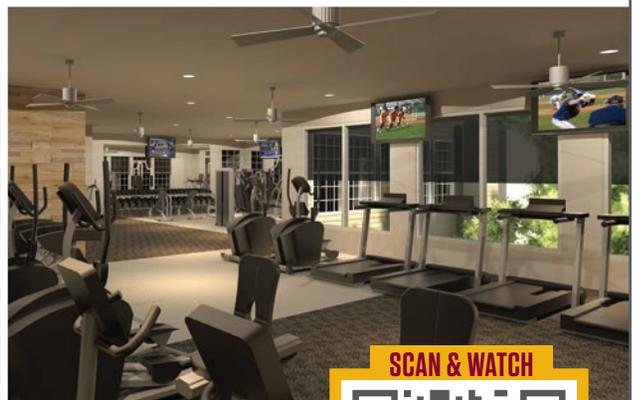
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# Gingrich KSC ethics violation resurfaces

Abbey McDaniel  
STAFF WRITER

In the heat of the Republican Presidential primaries, Newt Gingrich's ethics violations that occurred during his time at KSU, then Kennesaw State College, have resurfaced.

In 1997, just as he was re-elected Speaker of the House, the House Ethics Committee concluded that Gingrich's class "Renewing American Civilization," which he taught at KSC, served partisan political goals and was not eligible for tax-exempt status.

Rewind to 1993 and Gingrich, a Representative for Cobb County at the time, was causing a stir on campus, a stir that was palpable in the articles and letters to the editor in *The Sentinel*.

His interdisciplinary course was open to 150 undergraduates and graduates and was broadcast to about 50,000 students. He also collaborated with noted speakers and politicians on the project.

When *The Sentinel* asked him about the upcoming class in July of 1993 he gave a response that caused a strong reaction from students and professors.

"According to Gingrich, 'something has gone wrong with the basic engine of America.' I'm going to allow Democrats, but not liberal ideas. ... The



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whole point of this course is that [liberal ideas] failed. ... I don't particularly want some guy whose philosophy failed. The welfare state is gone. It's a joke, but it's a joke that kills people and ruins lives," said Gingrich.

Suspensions of Gingrich's intent in teaching the course quickly became apparent.

In a letter to the editor Peter Chiarmonte, an associate professor of Communication,

wrote "Educated men and women are not opportunists bent on business and political success..."

Some, like student Lois Kubal, defended Gingrich: "Dr. Gingrich is a public personality with extensive press coverage. Does he really need our college as a pulpit of our political beliefs?"

Though he taught without monetary compensation, the course was in need of funding in order to obtain guest speakers

and broadcast to a large audience. Nearly \$300,000 was raised and paid to the KSU Foundation, Inc.

Suspicion that the political action committee Gingrich once headed, GOPAC, was involved in fundraising quickly surfaced.

In a September '93 issue, *The Sentinel* wrote, "Former GOPAC officials, including Jeffrey A. Eisenach, former executive director of GOPAC and a former staff member of the Office of

Management and Budget, are now part of the 'Renewing American Civilization' project."

Just after funding concerns arose, a Regents policy that prohibited unpaid professors who held elected office from teaching in the University System of Georgia forced the course to move to Reinhardt College after just one semester.

Gingrich's project at KSC provoked the interest of many across the country, including Lee Sheppard, a tax attorney based in Washington D.C.

The *Sentinel* reported that Sheppard "raised questions in an article in the legal journal *Tax Notes* of whether the Foundation has been used as a 'warm room' for 'money laundering.' Sheppard asked whether the Foundation was used as a channel for donating money for political purposes disguised as educational donations that would otherwise not be tax deductible." Concerns about the course were confirmed in 1997 when Gingrich was found to be in violation of House Ethics Rules "by admittedly providing the subcommittee with incomplete and inaccurate information on the role GOPAC played in funding the course," as reported to *The Sentinel*. Gingrich was reprimanded and made to pay a penalty of \$300,000, which he says was reimbursement for the investigation.

## New VP for advancement and development



“ Having the opportunity to serve as a Vice President for Development has always been one of my career goals. ”

Linda SpectoBoehringer  
STAFF WRITER

Michael J. Harders was selected as KSU's new vice president for advancement and development, beginning April 2, 2012.

Harders will replace Wesley K. Wicker, who resigned from the position in October after his campaign raised \$75 million.

Harders joins KSU from Missouri State University, where he served as executive director of development since 2007. He was selected from a pool of 45 candidates in a national search process chaired by KSU

Provost W. Ken Harmon.

"Having the opportunity to serve as a Vice President for Development has always been one of my career goals," Harders said.

"I was very impressed by the strong administrative team leading the University. I was also impressed by the reputation of the faculty and students at KSU. I feel that with all of the great things about the university, it is a place where I can add value and make a difference."

Harders said he was looking forward

to living and raising his family in Cobb County, and plans to immerse himself in university life over the next few months.

"I will need to meet and get to know the friends and alumni from KSU," Harders said. "I will also need to try to understand the goals of the various areas of campus and work with the university advancement team to develop a plan to help the university to continue to move forward and achieve the mission and realize the vision for KSU."

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# POLICE BEAT

Christy Rogers  
STAFF WRITER

## Cooperation: The Best Policy

An officer was dispatched to one of the dorm neighborhoods on Jan. 12 at 3:35 p.m. in reference to suspected drug paraphernalia. The officer made contact with a resident, who stated that there was a hookah in the kitchen but no drugs had been used with it. He also informed the officer that his roommate does smoke marijuana and stored it in his top dresser drawer. The second roommate was contacted and initially refused to let the officer search his room, but after a few minutes decided to allow it. The second roommate removed the marijuana from his drawer and gave it to the officer.

## Pinocchio's Wooden Box

An officer was dispatched to the KSU Place dorms on Jan. 17 at 1:26 p.m. in reference to a resident smoking marijuana. When the officer arrived at the apartment he asked the resident for ID. The resident said he'd have to get it out of his bedroom and the officer asked if he could accompany him. The officer could smell burnt marijuana coming from the resident's room, and he asked the resident if he had been smoking. The resident said no. The officer obtained permission to search the room and found a rolled piece of aluminum foil that had burnt marijuana residue on it. When he asked the resident what it was, the resident said he didn't know. The officer asked again if the foil was his and what was in it, and the resident admitted to smoking marijuana, but said it was old. The officer asked if there was any other marijuana in the room and the resident said no. Further search turned up a wooden box with a plastic baggy containing suspected marijuana. The resident was placed under arrest.

## Getting Older Stinks

An officer conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle failing to maintain its lane on Chastain Road at Barrett Lakes on Jan. 14 at 1:36 a.m. The officer could smell marijuana and observed a candle burning in the center console and a 24 pack of Bud Light on the passenger seat. The officer asked the driver how old he was, and he said he was 17. The front passenger said he was 19, while the four rear passengers were 14, 15, 15 and 17. The officer requested each person to step out of the car and asked them if they had any marijuana; all responded "no." The officer asked who the beer belonged to and the 19-year-old passenger said it belonged to his dad. The officer searched the vehicle and found prescription medication; loose, unpackaged, unburned marijuana; a silver metal grinder; and an unloaded handgun. He also located another 24 pack of Bud Light in the trunk. The 19-year-old passenger stated the marijuana and alcohol were his and was placed under arrest.

## A Popular Hiding Spot

An officer was dispatched with backup to the University Village dorms on Jan. 13 at 3:52 p.m. in reference to a suspicious odor. The officers met with some RAs upon their arrival. The RAs informed the officers that they had been doing Health & Safety Inspections when they encountered suspected marijuana, a seed grinder and pipes in one of the rooms. They made contact with the resident who lived in that room and the officer told her about the situation. The officer asked the resident if she had any marijuana and she admitted to having some in her top drawer. The officer also removed a tin containing drug paraphernalia. The resident was arrested.

# SGA Beat: Vaughn Williams announces fight song premier at Mercer game

Tiffani Reardon  
STAFF WRITER



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Athletics Director Vaughn Williams appeared at the Thursday, Feb. 2 SGA general session meeting to talk about KSU's new Fight Song.

"This is a part of history. This is what everybody's been telling me for nine months, folks," said Williams. "This is what every other college that deserves to have school spirit has. This is your time."

The Fight Song will be premiered at the basketball game against Mercer, which is almost sold out of tickets.

Also in this meeting, Ali Abedi, former president of the Muslim Student Association came to speak with SGA about the Muslim Inter-Scholastic Tournament coming up in March.

"MIST is a tournament that's held in the Southeast region for high school students to compete in various competitions.

Whether they're academic, athletic, artistic or even spiritual," said Abedi.

There will be all kinds of different tournaments including basketball, debate, acapella singing and many others. It will bring about 300-350 high school students to KSU.

This event will happen on campus from March 9-11.

"I want to show them exactly who we are at KSU," said Abedi.

Also in this meeting, Senator Joycelyn Foster introduced a speed-dating event hosted by LINK. The event will be on Saturday, Feb. 11 at 7 p.m. in the University Rooms. It will cost \$5 per person, and students must be pre-registered to join the event. Students can register or learn more information by emailing [leadsargentina@gmail.com](mailto:leadsargentina@gmail.com). All proceeds from this event will go toward human trafficking prevention efforts.



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# Ten grand to promote driver safety

**Tiffani Reardon**  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The Wellstar College of Health and Human Services' Center for Health Promotion and Wellness received a grant for \$10,940 from the Governor's Office of Highway Safety to fund an awareness campaign aimed at reducing the number of 18 to 24 year old traffic fatalities, according to a press release from the Director of University Relations Frances Harrison.

The grant funds the Georgia Young Adult Program, which is a peer-education campaign that works to convince young drivers how to prevent accidents. The campaign runs from Oct. 1, 2011 to Sep. 30, 2012.

The funds from the grant will be used to prevent impaired driving and promote seatbelt use, said Sherry Grable, director of KSU's Center for Health Promotion and Wellness.

The press release said, "Coasters reinforcing that message will be distributed to specific populations, such as first-year students, Greeks and student athletes during high-risk times including spring break, homecoming, rush and St. Patrick's Day."

Ground signs, posters, and banners will also be placed around campus, in hopes of changing what students "perceive as the norm."

"Perception of the norm is a powerful prediction of personal behavior, whether its alcohol use, cigarette smoking, substance abuse, seatbelt use, or

bullying," said Grable. "The social norms model proposes that many problem behaviors may be due to the desire to fit within one's social group. With repeated exposure to a norm, misperceptions are reduced and the target population begins to act in accordance with the true norm of their peers."

The Domino Strategy on How to Drink Responsibly is a new social marketing campaign that will be implemented on campus, which is funded by the grant. Its goal is to encourage students to pay attention to their alcohol intake and to follow the responsible drinking guidelines defined by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, according to the press release.

The funds will also be used to train peer-health educators at KSU to show other students the dangers of drinking and driving and the importance of using a seat belt.

The biggest reasons for the campaign are the statistics of traffic accidents. According to the press release, car accidents are one of the leading causes of death and injury among 16 to 24 year olds. In 2008, almost 19,000 young adults were injured in car accidents and 285 of them died. In Cobb County, there were 5,195 young adults involved in accidents, 1,065 of them were injured, and 10 were killed.

The overall goal of this campaign is to change these statistics and make Cobb County a safer driving environment.

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# KAB needs to rethink the speakers they host

A popular complaint among students is the amount of fees that we pay each semester. Students pay \$52 a semester for "Student Activity Fee." KAB uses the fee to pay for events they host. I have no problem with KAB hosting events for students; events are important for college life. I do have a problem with how they spend the money. KAB recently invited the "Teen Mom" Maci Bookout to speak to KSU students about the struggles of teen pregnancy.

Teen pregnancy is a real issue that should be addressed. Is a woman who became famous and makes money from her pregnancy the best spokesperson on the topic? Now I understand if a high school invited her to speak, but a college is not her target audience. The students here are adults and not teenagers. Bookout didn't even discuss the struggles involved with teen pregnancy. She talked about her life and her experience, but her talk glorified teen pregnancy

instead of discouraging. KAB paid her a large amount of money to come to KSU. This isn't the first time KAB spent money on an event that fell short.

Last semester KAB invited Wale to perform at our homecoming concert. They paid him \$10,000 for this concert and he didn't come because he was double-booked. Wale promised to reschedule his concert, but he has yet to do so. That is a lot of money to spend on a no-show. We have no way of getting that money back from him; we have to hope he eventually performs.

KAB also invited Greg Mortenson to speak about his book "Three Cups of Tea." The book was used as the featured book for KSU 1101 that year. Several of the stories in the book have been questioned on their authenticity. The Central Asian Institute has said that Mortenson has not spent all of the money that was raised on schools. He also has fabricated or stretched the truth on his time in Pakistan.

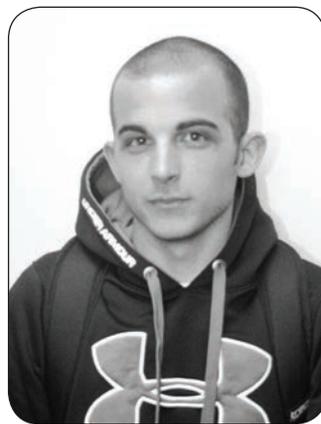
His charity has complained on the money spent on his book and speaking tours. KAB paid him to speak even though these allegations existed.

With this rocky history of speakers, KAB needs to be more responsible with our Student Activity Fee. If they can't be trusted with our money, maybe the amount they are allowed to spend should be reigned in.



**CARL DEBEER**  
SPORTS EDITOR

# KSU sports need the rituals fans love



**Carter Wilson**  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

When you think of your favorite college team, you think of their history, tradition, and commitment to excellence. Either way, there is one ritual, one tradition that is a stamp on that school's athletics and gives

that team something that it's known for. It's something like Clemson's most exciting twenty-five seconds in football, the Frisbee Chant at UCLA or rolling the now debatably-dead trees on Toomer's Corner in Auburn. If you thought of KSU first, I'd be curious as to what you may have thought of. Granted KSU's athletics are just now blossoming and are not yet on the same scale of the examples that I listed, but there are so many more rituals performed by schools of a mid-major caliber or even lower. One of the recent sports-related YouTube phenomenon's was the students of Utah State University and their 'We Believe That We Will Win' chant. This proves that tradition is not just among major schools that have more fans and play in the major six

conferences, but it stretches even further. Tradition comes from schools that have a sense of pride and can rally around one group of athletes to create something special and something people will always want to take part in no matter the size of the school nor the level of competition.

It's never too late to add any kind of tradition to a school's athletics. It can especially happen at a school like KSU, which is newly Division One, growing very rapidly, and adding a football team within a few years. It's traditions and rituals like these that catch on and make people proud of their university and want to participate purely for the experience and being able to say that they were there. It would give our school a more major atmosphere at events and

# LETTERS

## to the Editor

**Ben Long:**

It's completely pointless. It's just an excuse to have a "cute" acronym nickname. BOB means nothing to our school. They should at least spell it out as Big Owl Bus, so the "owl" is actually shown, but even that sounds stupid. Something along the lines of The Owl Prowl would have been much more fitting. Can we do something to fix this?

**Holly Lacour:**

I think it's funny and I smile to myself when I see it go by. I really don't care what name it has...

**Eric Sembrat:**

It's incredibly bland and uninspired - I'm sure students that refer to it by its name feel worse. I feel like it's that first decision that gets thrown up at the wall as a joke until everyone starts agreeing with it.

**Nitasha Ginn:**

I absolutely agree with Carl. I think they should change it; BOB is cute and kind of funny, but not a great name for the Shuttle.

**Aarick Farist:**

Agreed, B.O.B. is a horribly lackluster name. I had an idea but never sent it in, now it seems imperative that I send it in. My name for the Kennesaw State University student shuttle was: "LocOWLmotion" A play on the word Locomotion. It's a stretch, but it's better than "B.O.B."

**Cherie Miller:**

How about OTTP - Owls on the Prowl?

**Savannah  
Napolitano:**

I wanted to write about the last article that this guy did, regarding people who have worked in food service having "served the country." I never got around to doing it. Now, however, I'm just annoyed. How about instead of complaining about the name of the shuttle service, which is irrelevant, talk about what can be done to improve it. Are the routes too long? Seats uncomfortable? Smelly? Bad lighting? Anything would have been more productive than writing that article. Nobody is going to call their boyfriend and say, "I'm riding B.O.B." Ditch the 6th grade humor and write about something that matters. I ride the black route shuttle as well and I could have thought of a LOT better use of space rather than your half page of trying to be funny.

**Christy Rogers:**

Yeah, BOB is such a generic name and doesn't say anything about who we are as a university. It's not themed to the school at all.

**Scooter Bagwill:**

I agree. I have had people say to me that they will no longer go to KSU if the shuttle is named BOB. Other school are going to laugh at us. I feel embarrassed when I tell people our shuttle name.

## RE: B.O.B. Boring Obnoxious Bus



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# A grim forecast for weather-readiness



Natasha Larivee  
CONTRIBUTING EDITOR

At around 9 a.m. on Sunday, Jan. 22, an estimated EF-3 tornado swept through the already storm-battered Tuscaloosa, Ala. area, leaving at least two dead and dozens of homes and businesses damaged. It was a grim reminder of the storms that moved through in April 2011, leaving over 200 people dead and thousands

out to be an unusually active month for severe weather and tornado season getting ready to swing into high gear, it is more important than ever to ask whether we are prepared at KSU for a severe weather outbreak, so I did. On a rainy Thursday afternoon I ventured to the Student Center and began asking

injured in Alabama alone. Even more unnerving than the scope of the damage and the destruction these storms left behind is the fact that they occurred just a mere 170 miles from KSU's main campus.

With January already turning

random students what they knew of severe weather and whether they thought that the campus was ready to deal with a severe weather outbreak. The result was pretty grim.

About 7 out of every 10 students I asked felt that KSU was not fully prepared to handle a severe weather outbreak. Most students stated that the reason they did not feel the school was prepared was because no one has really ever told them where to go if, say, a tornado were to take aim for our campus. Obviously the right thing to do in such a situation would be for everyone to get inside as fast as possible, but once inside a building, not many people would know where to go. When I asked students where they felt the safest place to go inside the Student Center would be, most shrugged their

shoulders and looked around aimlessly before making a guess. If we are expected to be ready for severe weather, then there should be a better protocol in place to guide students in such a situation. Perhaps there should be conspicuous signs at the entrances to each building that lists the safe-rooms inside each building and can easily guide students in the right direction if they have to get to safety quickly.

However, the responsibility for weather-readiness does not lie solely with the university. It is also each individual's responsibility to make sure that they are ready for severe weather. Many of the students I interviewed could hardly describe the difference between a severe weather watch and a warning, and when I asked what the single best way to stay prepared for severe weather was, only a rare few answered correctly. The most effective way to prepare for a severe weather event is to know the forecast. Stay ahead of the weather and plan accordingly. It is each individual's responsibility not only as a student but also as a person to take the time to understand what basic weather warnings and watches mean, and how to protect yourself and others when threatened by each. With spring on the way and the skies looking more ominous than ever, it is vital that we, as

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~ Natasha Larivee

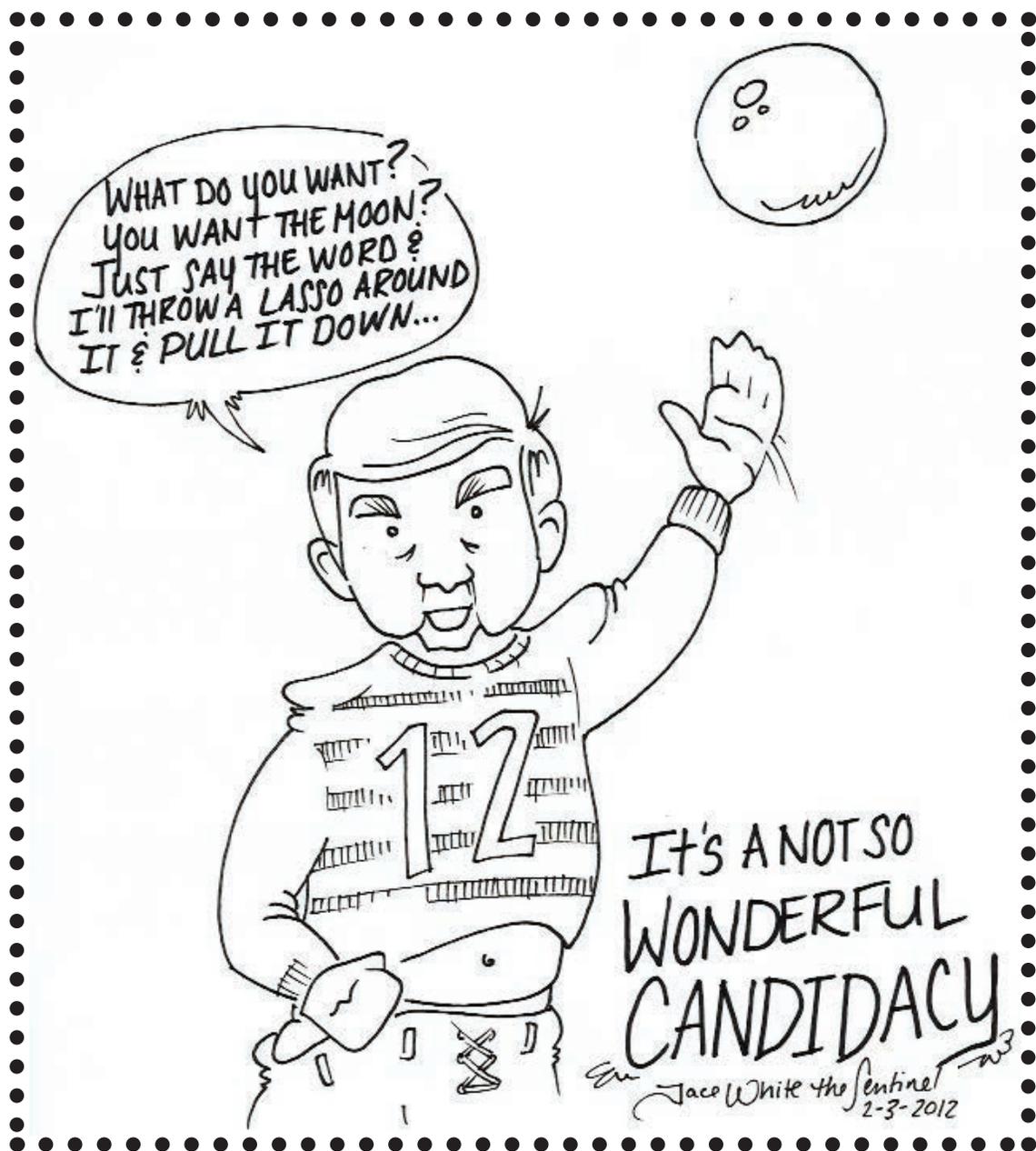
a community, take the time to prepare ourselves for severe weather. We must quickly clear up the fog looming around our campus in order to better our chances of survival should dark storm clouds appear on the horizon.

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give people the feeling that there is a sense of entitlement that comes with being an Owl. It's something that we are definitely lacking as a school. Right now, at most sporting events, it can look kind of sad and quiet. There is definitely a bland feeling to a lot of our competitions. Having a few of these rituals would bring life to these events, and, in the end, it would benefit our teams. Take a look at the Cameron Craziess and how many games Duke has won because of them. The combination of winning and having hype and excitement around our teams can create

a buzz on campus, giving the students the feel of being united. That's also something we can lack sometimes. It'll make the University a more fun place to be.

It can't hurt to put your school on the map and let people know of its existence. What we need is that one creative mind. One idea can take the school so far. So I'm going to tell our student body to start brainstorming and trying out their ideas at different events. If one catches on and becomes the next big thing, it can work wonders for the University. Get involved with your school!



# New honors club furthers involvement for honors students

Jannetta Samobu  
STAFF WRITER

The Honors Club is a new club that started in the fall 2011 school year established for honors students. President Steven Chamblee and Vice President Samantha Roberts founded the club along with a few other members.

According to Roberts, their goal for the Honors Club is to “help honors students and other students with similar interests meet outside of a school setting, to make friends and create a sense of camaraderie in the program.”

The Honors Club meets the last Tuesday of the month at 12:30 p.m. At club meetings, members plan social and leadership events. For example, their latest event was a college night trip to the High Museum.

Not only can you be a part of educated social and leadership event, but the club also has plans to help

honors students put their best foot forward when it comes to academics.

The club is “hoping to offer a peer advising day for students before they register for classes,” Roberts said. The unfortunate circumstances are that a lot of students don’t know about this helpful club and many students don’t know about the KSU Honors Program.

For those who are unaware of the Honors Program, it is a program that started in 1999.

According to the Honors Program website, “The essence of honors at Kennesaw State is personal attention, top faculty, small classes, enlightening seminars, research options, career-building internships—all designed to enrich your college education and prepare you for life achievements.”

In order to be considered an

honor student upon graduation, students must take the classes required and meet GPA requirements. There are many benefits of being a part of the Honors Program, which can help with future endeavors after college.

If students want more information on the Honors Program, visit the Honors Program website at <http://www.kennesaw.edu/us/honors/> or contact the Honors Program Director Dr. Liza Davis whose information is also located on the site.

“We are hoping to help facilitate new friendships. We also want to offer leadership opportunities, such as peer advising, both for those who want to lead and for those who need some advice. We also help students who want to present at conferences and can bring their knowledge and experiences in presenting back to the KSU community,” Roberts said.



## RaconTOUR: The art of storytelling comes to Atlanta

Christy Rogers  
STAFF WRITER

The Unchained Tour is getting ready to roll through Atlanta, and they want you to celebrate the art of raconteur-ing with them.

Raconteur-ing is the art of telling anecdotes in a skillful and amusing way. Each raconteur on the tour has a personal story to tell, adhering to Unchained’s belief that the art of raconteur is “one of the great arts” and is essential to a healthy community, according to their website.

This 10-show, 9-city bus tour of the South aims to bring attention to locally owned independent bookstores, community gardens and performing cafes. In addition to the raconteurs’ riveting stories, Unchained plans to bring musicians, writers and other artists into the mix.

“Our original intent with Unchained was to support

independent bookstores, helping to lure book buyers away from the tyranny of Amazon and the chain bookstores,” Francis Allen, executive director of Unchained said. “Between those two outlets they control an unimaginable degree [of] what gets written, published, and sold in this country.”

Allen and the rest of the Unchained staff and performers believe that it is extremely freeing and rewarding to “unchain” yourself from the Internet. Things like “Facebook and Twitter and all those things that swallow up so many hours in our day.” Though Allen admits that “the Internet has its place and is a highly functional and efficient tool,” people are better off spending those wasted hours “living in the real world, where people are

people and not avatars.”

The tour will hit Atlanta on Saturday Feb. 11 at 8 p.m. and Sunday Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m. Both take place at Manuel’s Tavern, located at 602 North Highland Ave.

NE. General admission tickets are \$15. Allen



thinks this experience will encourage students, who may not remember the lifestyle Unchained presents in the same way she does, to live “a considerate life.”

“When I used to think

about storytellers I had this awful, cornball image of the folk and cowboy storytellers that bored me as a kid and, frankly, still bore me now,” Allen said. “I hope students

will realize they’re witnessing the re-

naissance and evolution of an art form.”

Performers include Joan Juliet Buck, who acted in the 2009 movie “Julie & Julia” and is the former editor of French Vogue; the band

Shovels & Rope, which had a song by its female singer Cary Ann Hearst appear in episode six of HBO’s “True Blood”; Elna Baker, a famous Mormon comedian and author; and several other guests. Unchained was created by George Dawes Green. He founded The Moth, a series of nights dedicated to storytelling in New York in 1997. Since then, more Moths have sprung up across the country, including locations in Los Angeles, Detroit, Chicago, Atlanta and Boston, with plans to expand even further. Unchained is inspired by, but not affiliated with, The Moth. The tour hopes to expand to the New England and Western areas of the United States.

Students can visit [theunchainedtour.org](http://theunchainedtour.org) to find out more information on ticket sales, performers, venues and news coverage.

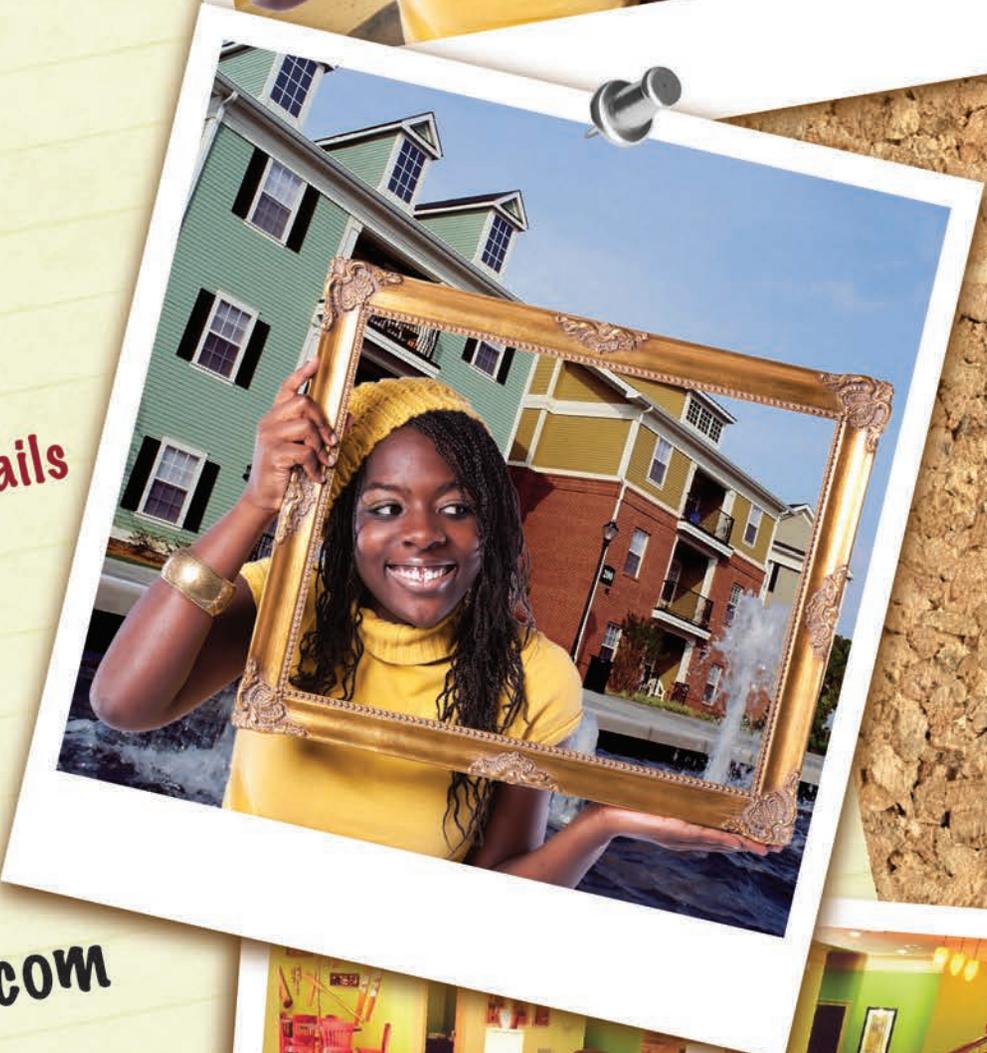
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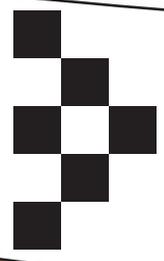
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# KSU Lady Owls host 5k

**Linda Spector Boehringer**  
Staff Writer

KSU Lady Owls brought awareness and contributions to the fight against breast cancer with their 4<sup>th</sup> annual 5K run on Feb. 4.

The race began at the Convocation Center and entailed three laps through campus.

More than 400 participants pre-registered and many others turned up for the run. This year's 5K generated the highest turnout to date.

Anthony Ward said he attended because breast cancer affected him personally.

"I am here because my great grandmother died of breast cancer," Ward said. "I needed to come to make a difference. I know she's looking down at me smiling."

Assistant athletic director for student athletics Karen Pfeifer said students helped with the race and fundraising for the

American Cancer Society.

"Our student athletes have really risen to the occasion to help our community and those in need. I am very proud of them," said Pfeifer.

KSU's Owl Radio DJed the event, and each participant received a goody bag with a t-shirt, water bottle, lunch ticket and four tickets to the women's basketball game against East Tennessee State on the same day.

Awards for top runners in each age group and to the overall top runner were presented at the game during halftime.

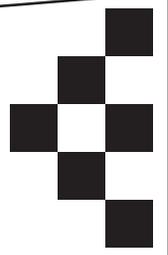
The race benefited the American Cancer Society and the Owls Fund.



**Our student athletes have really risen to the occasion to help our community and those in need**



# run for Breast Cancer



I am here because my great grandmother died of breast cancer...I needed to come to make a difference...



# A moment in time

By: Lily Wilkerson

Study Abroad students competed in an essay contest about their experiences abroad. The winners of the contest will be featured in The Sentinel over the course of the month.

As a girl, I wanted to be the Queen of England. Not a girl swept away by a handsome knight, or a princess in pearls and gowns, I simply wanted to be the Queen. I believed she was the personification of class and dignity, and a high school trip to England cemented my admiration. I wanted to grow up and be *somebody*.

Years after this girlhood dream, as a young woman I stand in front of the General Post Office, O'Connell Street, Dublin. Ireland's police force, the *garda*, barricade the street. I can hear distant, angry chanting and closer, the crackle of an officer's radio. My classmates surround me, conversation giving way to the cold. The sky is gray, and the city is nervous.

We are about to witness the Queen's first visit to



Ireland in nearly a hundred years. I am about to set eyes on my longtime idol, and Dublin, the city that has lately captured my heart, is in chaos.

I want to choose sides. The history between Ireland and England is bloody, and the scars have only barely begun to heal. I feel that I should

join the protesters, as Dublin clearly still lacks a sense of identity.

I want Dubliners to make this city their own, and I want them to do it without assistance from the symbol of their subjection. At the same time, I want to grab hands with those around me and talk in hushed whispers about

the Queen making history, her goodness and goodwill, and the past finally being put to rest. I want to support the Queen, how can I not? My whole life I have put the monarchy on a pedestal, but now everything I have learned about this city wants me to tear it down.

A young boy stands with a British flag, and his mother holds his hand underneath one of few remaining posters: *we want FREEDOM, not Royal visits!* Protesters grow louder and we feel their presence, though they are restricted to areas the Queen's motorcade won't pass. The *garda* search the bags of teenage boys who have joined us along the road, still in their school uniforms. Ireland is protecting the Queen by treating its people like criminals, and I watch the boys' faces turn red as their

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belongings are tossed aside.

After hours of waiting, we hear the first of many approaching sirens. The *garda* begin to push people back, and the motorcade passes: horses, motorcycles, SUVs filled with dignitaries, and finally the Queen. Waving her small hand out the window of a green Suburban, in a mere second she passes the General Post Office, which was all but destroyed by British forces in 1916. I wonder if she even looked.

Ireland as a nation was divided about the visit, and I have since struggled to understand why I was as well. I have no significant ties to either country other than my own opinions and travels. What I have since realized is that for me this isn't about the

Queen and the Post Office, or Ireland and England, it is about absolutes. Sometimes you can't choose between then and now, or label a person or place with certainty. Sometimes things just *are*

Maybe the Queen's visit was only a symbol, maybe it was too little too late, or maybe it was something meaningful. But I have learned to accept life, to not struggle with defining my world but to live, to absorb each moment. As the last of the sirens faded and the hushed crowd returned to life, I finally understood that I didn't always need an answer as long as I kept asking questions.

Months later, I will tell people about my experience with study abroad. I will throw around empty words like

*amazing* and *unbelievable* and *I wish I could just go back*. What I can't explain, and wish I could, is the realization I had on O'Connell Street.

I want to explain that I haven't left! I'm in Ireland now! I want to tell them that my heart has changed; I have grown and I have learned, and when I need perspective I see the Queen's hand, waving through a window at a country who doesn't know how to accept her gesture.

There is no absolute wrong or right; there are only the decisions we make. In that moment I made mine to not live a life driven by the compulsion to categorize my world into absolutes, but by the longing for exploration and experience.

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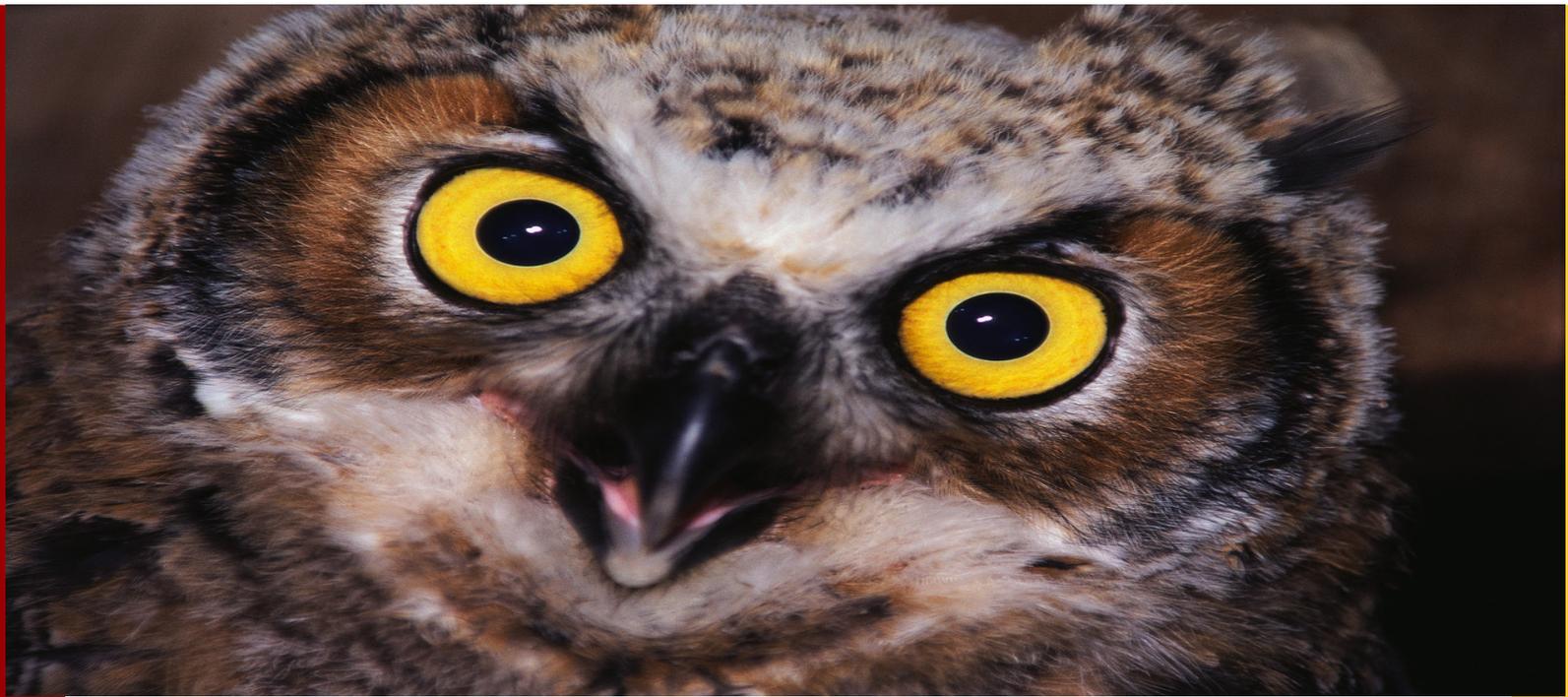
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# Ask Linda

Linda Spector Boehringer is a non-traditional student at KSU, who is currently juggling the joys of family life while returning to school to pursue a degree in Nursing. Spector Boehringer lives in Kennesaw with her husband of 16 years, Werner, and her three children, Austin, 15; Farrah, 14 and Marley Rose, 5. Her inspiration to start an advice column stems from her grandmother, Rosy, who shared a passion for "Dear Abby" columns. With this column, Spector Boehringer hopes advise, listen and educate our campus based on your concerns as well as create a close-knit community feel for KSU.

Send questions or comments to the 'Ask Linda' facebook page or asklinda@ksusentinel.com



Hi Linda,  
 I have a comment regarding the shuttle's form of displaying the route (black/gold) it runs. I believe it would benefit all the shuttle riders and drivers to have the name of the route (black/gold) on the back of the bus, big and bold. It wouldn't hurt to have the information on the sides either. Not only will this eliminate confusion but it will also help riders when then see the bus from far away.  
 Best regards,  
 Bob

Yes Bob!  
 What a fantastic idea. How many times has a shuttle rider darted, jogged or ran to get to the shuttle only to find out it's the wrong one? At times the shuttle driver is kind enough to wait and then it's not even the right bus, so the driver waited for nothing. I believe this is a great idea.

I would like to invite readers to comment at Ask Linda/

Linda Spector Boehringer Facebook page or email me [asklinda@ksusentinel.com](mailto:asklinda@ksusentinel.com) Please share comments, voice your thoughts! Let's see who thinks it's a good idea!

Thanks for bringing the topic to the forum I can't wait to hear the reader's thoughts! I will keep you posted.

Cheers,  
 Linda

On February 10th, Dr. Kerwin Swint, Professor of Political Science will be moderating a panel titled "The Power of Words: Media and the U.S. Elections" during a Fulbright Foreign Student Enrichment Seminar in Atlanta. The discussion is from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Atlanta University Center, Robert Woodruff Library in the Exhibition Hall.



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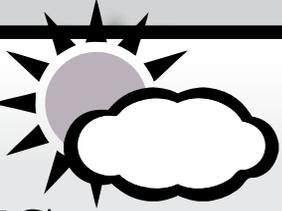
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**K-TOWN WEATHER REPORT**

Weather Information was received from the Weather Channel website. Go go, Mother Nature! Yeah.



### OWL SNAP!

The 229 (in white) fights to win against Bass to Trout (in black) during the mens B league intramural game.

Want your picture in the paper? Visit our Facebook page to send us photos of you and your friends hanging out around campus, attending a KSU sporting event, etc. Bonus points if you can score a photo with Scrappy!



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We've already been through 4 weeks of school. Can you believe it? Now starting on the 5th week, mid-terms will be here before you know it and then, Spring Break! Have any great plans? Send us your best Spring Break ideas on our Facebook page and you could be featured in an upcoming issue of The Sentinel!



# KSU club football slated to kick off in the fall

**Michael Foster**  
(SPORTS EDITOR)

KSU students won't have to wait much longer for football. In fact, kickoff could happen as early as this semester.

Football has been added to the list of club sports available on campus, and the process of putting a team together has gone by extremely fast, according to Head Coach Anthony Osburn.

"We're just getting started. Believe it or not we're only about two and a half weeks into the process. So things are going super fast," said Osburn. "Fortunately, the promotions for the interest meeting has gotten us almost 50 guys so far who have filled out paperwork and are ready to play."

Two interest meetings have already been held, drawing in potential players, but there will be open tryouts for the next three weekends at field one at the Owls' Nest.

Team President, Danny Payne said that tryouts will be held next Saturday, Jan. 11 and on Saturday, Jan. 18. Payne, a sports management major, said this is his first venture into managing a team.

"I'm just getting started. I'm a sports management major, I'm really interested in all aspects of sports and this is a great opportunity to kind of explore that. But, Anthony is the one with coaching experience," said Payne.

Osburn has coaching experience at the semi-pro level, and said the transition has gone smoothly. He hopes that the team can organize a spring game against Chattahoochee Tech. The Eagles, who have been playing in the National Club Football Association

as an independent for the past three seasons, have already won a national title.

"It will be huge," said Payne, regarding the prospects of a spring game against the Eagles.

Osburn and Payne both believe that fan support for the team will come quickly.

"We're hearing a lot of people talking, just in general, about football. Since they announced they were going to have an NCAA team the talk has gone up," said Osburn. "I've been in classes where professors have brought this up, so, we're hoping that once the word gets out we will get a lot of support. We're going to need it."

KSU will be the 21<sup>st</sup> team to join the NCFE and will compete in the South Atlantic division.

Other teams that compete in the NCFE division KSU will join include South Carolina, Clemson, and North Carolina.

Regular season play will begin in September and run through November. Payne and Osburn are both one-hundred percent confident that the team will be ready to play. They claim interest is increasing.

"We're getting calls from high school seniors," said Osburn.

Payne said that there has been a constant stream of emails from prospective athletes, as well as others who want to help out with the management aspect.

Football has been a hot topic at KSU for the past few years. Last year, KSU announced that an NCAA football team would be developed and kicking off as soon as 2014.

KSU has never fielded a football team at any level, and Payne agrees that the club sports' fan support at KSU has been great over the

years, and should make for a great environment right away.

Osburn is looking forward to the support as well, but also wants to encourage anyone to come tryout.

"We got a good crop of guys in. I would say that at this point, if anyone wants to come tryout, come out to the Owls' nest," said Osburn. "Tryout times are posted. They will probably want to show

up 30 minutes early to fill out some paperwork. We're talking about doing some more interest meetings, but for now anyone can come tryout."

For more information on the team you can visit the team's Facebook page titled "KSU Club Football" or [www.ncfafootball.org](http://www.ncfafootball.org).

You can also contact the team's management at [ksuclubfootball@gmail.com](mailto:ksuclubfootball@gmail.com)



Pictured left to right: Danny Payne, Anthony Osburn.

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## KSU men's golf season preview is now here

**Tom Mudrak**  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

KSU's men's golf team will get the spring season under way this weekend. The Owls will begin their quest to defend their Atlantic Sun Conference championship with a trip down to Gainesville, FL., for the Gator Invitational.

KSU will be looking to repeat the success they experienced last spring, which included the school's first trip to the NCAA Championship.

After an inconsistent fall season, the Owls will face a spring slate characterized by stiff competition and high expectations. No longer flying under the radar, the Owls are getting national attention and commanding respect from the best teams in the country.

Seniors Jeff Karlsson and Matt Nagy are going to be expected to lead the team in their final campaign as collegiate golfers.

Karlsson broke out on the national stage last year, leading the team with a stroke average of 70.6. The Swedish native was honored as a second team All-American in 2011 and was the Atlantic Sun Conference player of the year. Fellow senior Matt Nagy had a big year in 2011 as well, posting five top-five finishes and winning two tournaments. He was also a member of the 2011 A-Sun

All- Tournament team. Coach Jay Moseley spoke highly of his two seniors, saying the duo were huge in taking this team to the next level, but noted that this year's squad is all about the team. KSU maintains six upperclassmen from 2011 and after last year's NCAA run, experience is plentiful on the team.

However, Moseley says there is always room for improvement.

"My guys worked hard, it just came down to capitalizing," said Moseley. The Owls won two titles this fall but only after finishing 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> in their first two fall tournaments.

"We have a lot of things to build on; we're relying on everyone this spring after the mixed results from the fall," said Moseley.

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| Thursday, February 16  | 12:30pm - 1:30pm | Burruss Building 383 |

## Women's golf season preview

**Samantha Machado**  
(CONTRIBUTING WRITER)

The women's team has a top placement of 6<sup>th</sup> place this season. Not making the Atlantic Sun Conference tournament is sure to serve as a driving factor this season.

Hayley Clinning, from Manukau City, New Zealand, earned two top-25 finishes last season. Clinning was named to the National Golf Coaches All-American Scholar Team.

"We want to win the Atlantic Sun Conference for the first time for KSU women's golf and play in the NCAA post season. I believe we definitely have the team to do it. We have goals set for each tournament to map our path to winning, so it is going to be a very exciting semester for us," Clinning said.

Head coach Rhyl Brinsmead has clearly put the effort into pumping the team up as they approach their next tournament, the UCF Challenge, on Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. Having placed 13<sup>th</sup> last year in the same tournament, the team has room to improve and build more

confidence. Ket Preamchuen, a junior from Chachoengsao, Thailand, has the current lowest average. She will surely need to be on her game in competing in the last four tournaments.

Preamchuen ended last season with the lowest average. Keeping her spot as the top contender is a goal this season.

Regardless, the Atlantic Sun Conference tournament is only two months away. As Clinning said, they plan to win which would be the first tournament win since October 2010 in the Palmetto Invitational.

Having not played in any of the final three tournaments before, it will be a challenge the team is ready to take on, concentrating on everything their coach has taught them.

To learn more about KSU golf and how the Owls are doing, you can follow them on Twitter. The women's Twitter name is @KSUOwlsWmnsGolf.

## Freshman Theodor still undefeated, Owls go down 6-1

**Matt Bradshaw**  
STAFF WRITER

In their home opener, the men's tennis team were dealt a 6-1 loss by the College of Charleston Cougars. After losing all three doubles matches, the Owls were nearly swept in singles play as well.

Their lone point came from undefeated No.3 singles player Louis Theodor (3-0), who had to fight his way back to a win after losing a first set, 6-2, to Cougar No.3 Kyle Parker. Theodor went on to win his match 6-4 in the second set and 10-8 in a third set tiebreak.

"Louis played an excellent second set and tiebreaker today," said head coach TJ Greggs. "(Theodor) continues to show his resolve. Even after a very difficult first set, he fought back and found a way to win once again. We knew this was going to be a tough one, but I was especially proud of our top three

today, who really competed well with three very strong players."

The Cougars are proving to be a very strong team this season as they nearly upset Clemson at home in their season opener, just falling short 4-3.

Clemson has been ranked as high as 70 in the nation this season but that didn't stop College of Charleston from winning two out of three doubles matches. It was no surprise when the Cougars took all three doubles matches from the Owls.

The Owls will look to draw on this experience later in the season when they take on Atlantic Sun Conference rivals Eastern Tennessee State University and University of North Florida, who are both ranked in the nations top 100.

The Owls look to rebound on the road next, facing Alabama State and Alabama A&M next Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>.

## Fight song unveiling, "gold out" against Mercer highlights rivalry weekend

**Michael Foster**  
(SPORTS EDITOR)

KSU has a historic event planned for this weekend, and it could be even sweeter with an Owls' win.

On Friday, KSU will officially unveil its fight song—another step in creating the wholesome college environment that the school has been building towards in the past decade.

Right after, the men's basketball team will look to break a tough losing streak against its bitter rival.

The unveil will happen before the men's basketball game against Mercer, which is set to tip-off at 7 p.m. A free tailgate for the first 800 fans will begin before the game at 5 p.m., next to the Convocation Center.

KSU's sports information has teased fans with images, showing lines of the fight song, posted on its Facebook page.

Snippets include, "All through the southland. All know our might."

"From the mountain we bring spirit, heart, and victory."

"Our men and women bring

honor and fame."

Free gold, "Beat Mercer" t-shirts will also be handed out to the first 1,500 fans that show up to the game. KSU has planned a "Gold Out" and wants every fan to come to the game in a gold shirt.

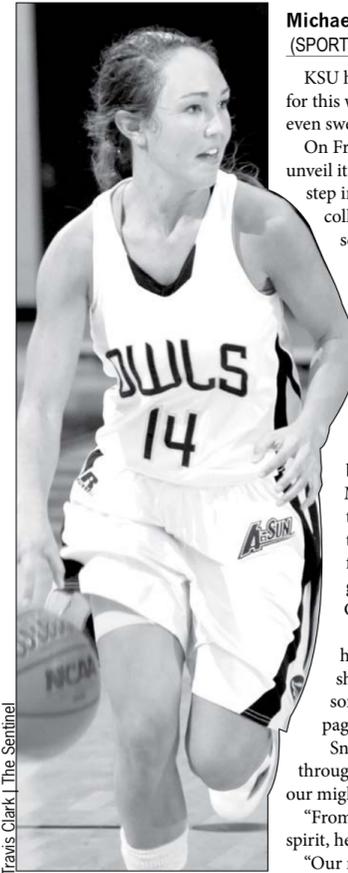
Not only is the basketball game against Mercer the biggest sporting event on campus every year, but a win would give first year head coach Lewis Preston his first ever Atlantic Sun Conference victory.

Mercer is tied for first place in the conference with a 10-2 record in the A-Sun. KSU has struggled throughout the season, despite showing glimpses of improvement.

Junior forward Aaron Anderson has blossomed into one of the conference's best players and is currently leading the conference in rebounding with an average of 9.1 per game.

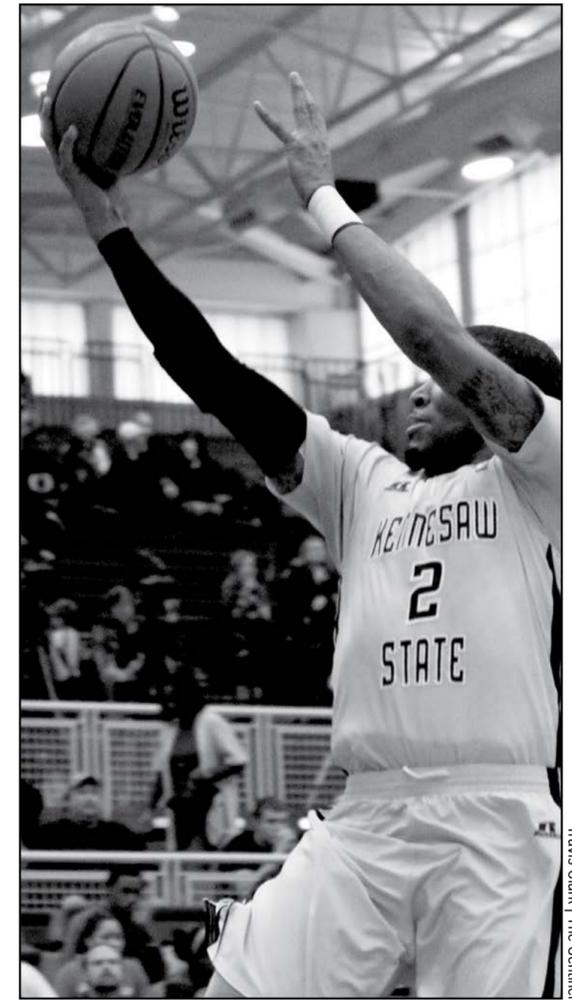
Markeith Cummings, a preseason all-conference selection, is fourth in the conference in scoring with 15.6 points per game. Students will want to pick up tickets at the Convocation Center ticket windows from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Wednesday through Friday.

The women's basketball team (11-13, 6-7 A-Sun) will also face Mercer on Saturday at 5 p.m. The girls team is fighting for playoff position for the Atlantic Sun Tournament.



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Taylor Mills looks to make a pass.



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Markeith Cummings goes for a layup.

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Beside the two seniors, the owls will be looking for junior Ben Greene to continue his strong play from last season. KSU will also be looking for some guys to step up and make a name for themselves in 2012.

"Kelby Burton is a young guy who's been working hard for us and will be flying under the radar this season," added Coach Moseley.

KSU will face the best from the get go in the Gator Invitational, hosted by the seventh ranked Florida Gators. Other teams playing in the invitational

will include SEC foes Auburn and Arkansas, as well as A-Sun rival and fifth ranked North Florida.

KSU will travel back to the sunshine state two more times in the coming month for tournaments before returning to Georgia to co-host the Linger Longer Invitational in Greensboro. The Owls' ultimate goal can be reached in April at the A-Sun championship, which will be played an hour away at Chateau Elan Legends Golf Club in Braselton, Georgia.

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## Women's basketball earns comeback win in front of record crowd

Michael Foster  
SPORTS EDITOR

Six players scored in double figures as KSU's women's basketball team improved its place in the Atlantic Sun Conference standings on Saturday with a, 78-68, victory over the East Tennessee State Lady Bucs.

"This is something we've been trying to do for seven years now," said head coach Colby Tilley.

The loss dropped the Lady Bucs to 6-17 (5-7) on the year, and was also ETSU's first loss to the Owls in school history.

"To come out and get a big win like this over a good team like East Tennessee State today is a great moment for not only the girls, but for our program as well," said Tilley. "Even though we fell behind early the girls never gave up as they kept playing very hard and followed the game plan throughout."

The Owls' victory came in front of 1,524 spectators, which served as the largest crowd in KSU women's basketball history.

KSU (11-13, 6-7 A-Sun) defeated USC Upstate just two days before, 54-45, in the Convocation Center. The two consecutive home victories have landed the Owls in fourth place in the conference standings, tied with North Florida.

ETSU was also knocked back to 5-7 in the conference with the loss. The Lady Bucs started the game on fire, hitting 11 of their first 19 shot attempts from the field.

The Owls would storm back, however, and trailed by just eight points at halftime, with the score at 40-32.

KSU would be the team to start firing on all cylinders in the second-half, starting on a, 29-13, scoring run to take a, 61-55, lead.

"We kept chipping away in the second half. Next thing we knew we were in the lead. Despite missing all of those free-throws we were able to hang in there," said Tilley.

The Lady Bucs would shoot just 27-percent in the second-half. Chelcey Farrar finished with 15 points and 11 rebounds. The junior guard earned her second double-double of her career, and also recorded her 200<sup>th</sup> career rebound.

Redshirt freshman Taylor Mills, who played for an entire 40 minutes, continued to add to her already impressive first season, finishing with 14 points, five assists and two steals.

Kristina Wells also finished the game with 40 minutes of playing time.

ETSU's Destiny Mitchell, who had been a scoring machine, averaging 19.8 points a game, was held to just one field goal in the second-half of the game.

"We just went straight to a zone and made her miss baskets. We were able to get a hand in her face. She was 6-for-6. But, we just kept the ball out of her hands," said Tilley.

"I just tried to play the best defense I could play," said Farrar.

Farrar, Wells, and Sametria Gideon all finished shooting over 50-percent.

KSU also managed to make it to the charity stripe a total of 34 times, making 18 free-throws. The Owls are now 5-5 at home for the season, and could finish the year with a winning record.

KSU is now in comfortable position for the postseason, as the top eight teams in the conference will qualify for the Atlantic Sun Conference tournament.

The Owls have three more conference home games left on the schedule, including a two-game home stand to finish the season against Belmont and Lipscomb.

## KSU men's rugby opens season with two solid wins



The KSU team crashes into the Emory team with brute force.

Jodi Walden | The Sentinel

David Conyers  
(CONTRIBUTING WRITER)

KSU's men's rugby team has started in the new Southern Independent Rugby Conference with victories over Emory and Middle Tennessee State.

Saturday's 27-15 performance against MTSU, although scrappy, was enough to elevate the Owls to 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Northern Conference.

The season pipe-opener on Jan. 28 against Emory U. resulted in a 34-16 score. Played at Emory's home ground in heavy conditions, KSU ran in five tries and outplayed their Atlanta neighbors. The Owls were best served by outside center Preston Thompson, scrum half Jamie Postle, and tight forward Daniel Medina.

Saturday's match started slowly with both teams creating a lot of

unforced errors and slowing the tempo of the game. MTSU was the first to open the scoring with a try ten minutes into the first stanza, but KSU responded with two quick tries to Austin Collins and Preston Thompson to regain the lead, 10-5, at the 30 minute mark.

MTSU was the next to respond, shortly afterwards, with a converted try to lead 12-10 going into the half-time break.

Stern words from the coaching staff at the break lifted the Owls. KSU's Blake Schragger ran strongly to cross for two individual tries to give KSU a, 22-12, lead. aMTSU added a further penalty goal to trail 20-15. KSU sealed the game

with a long range interception by wingman Yousef Ali to wrap up the match, 27-15.

Marcus Medina was the most outstanding for the team and well supported by flanker Bobby Stillings and lock Daniel Medina. KSU's B team, although well beaten, exposed some new talent in former soccer player Samer Kaedah. Jacob Singer and Jake Howard both excelled for the team as well.

This weekend KSU travels to Georgia Southern to play one of their long time foes. The team will be missing Preston Thompson and Bobby Stillings who have both been chosen in the USA South Sevens squad to compete at the IRB sevens tournament in Las Vegas.

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## Men's lacrosse falls short in physical contest

Eric Fuller  
(SENIOR WRITER)

Just hours before kickoff at the Super Bowl, the sun broke through the grey clouds and shined a warming ray of light on the turf fields just down the street from the campus of KSU.

It was on this day however that the UGA Men's Lacrosse team would shine brighter.

Freshman Michael Trainer scored 4 times and junior Trent Dean tallied 3 as UGA defeated the KSU men's lacrosse team

13 - 3 at The Owl's Nest on Sunday. UGA jumped out to a quick 4 - 1 lead and KSU was never able to recover. A strong defensive performance by UGA kept the Owls off the board early and often, while the speed and finesse of the UGA forwards allowed them to score prolifically.

After defeating Georgia Tech last week, 9 - 2, the Owls were never able to find the same scoring touch. After allowing 2 early goals, Junior Bradley Jones scored for the Owls, providing a

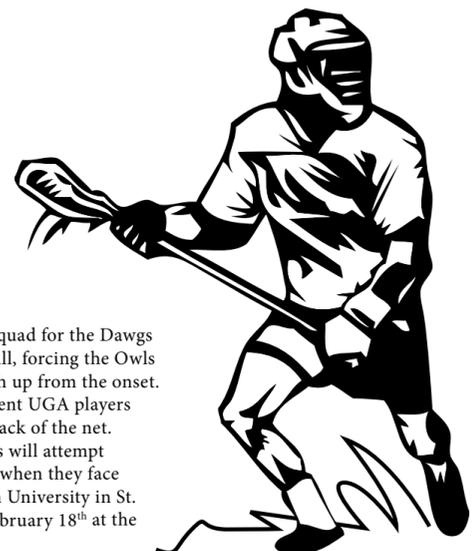
spark for KSU. UGA goalie Connor Busby remained strong between the pipes however, and made some strong saves with the help of the UGA defensemen.

Senior Tom Mudrak was a defensive force for KSU. Mudrak played physical and made some nice plays in the defensive end of the field. The Owls were never able to turn that play into offensive momentum, however, and couldn't contend with the scoring pace of UGA.

Lead by Trainer and Dean,

the attack squad for the Dawgs scored at will, forcing the Owls to play catch up from the onset. Eight different UGA players found the back of the net.

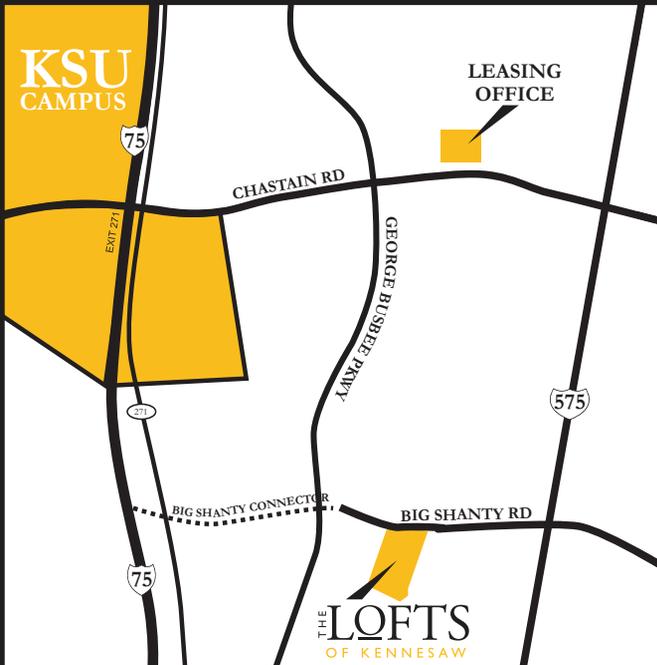
The Owl's will attempt to rebound when they face Washington University in St. Louis on February 18<sup>th</sup> at the Owl's Nest.





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