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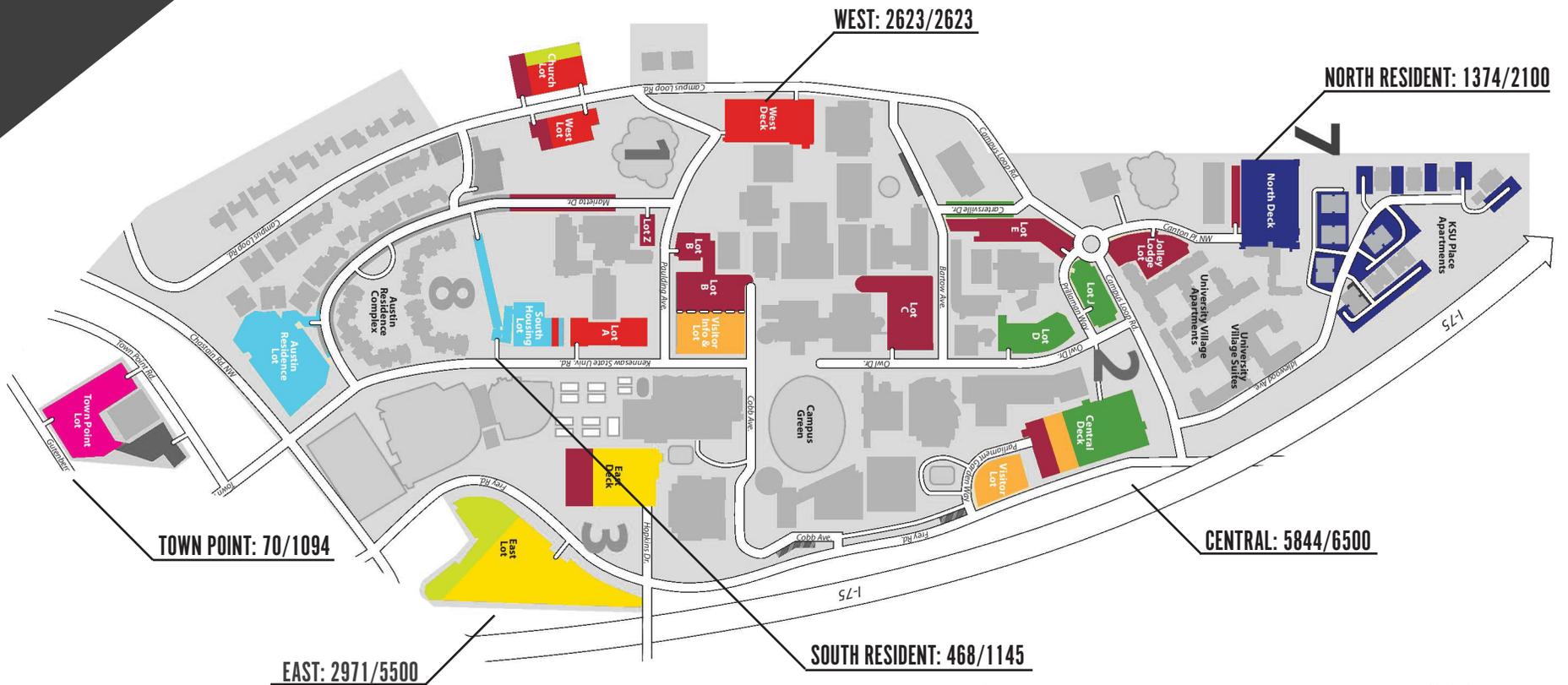
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NEW UNIVERSITY, SAME OLD PARKING

Sierra Hubbard News Editor and Kelsey Greenwood Contributor

Once classes began on Monday, Aug. 17, the parking lots and decks filled up almost immediately. Traffic backed up on Campus Loop Road as cars were turned away from West Deck, and students scrambled into church lots and faculty areas on both campuses to try to get to class on time.

Because all of the gates are open, parking challenges during the first week of fall semester face both students and faculty alike.

"Even though we pay for parking each month, we are not

guaranteed a spot," said Kristen Elley, a Spanish professor. "A colleague of mine came to campus on Monday, could not find a parking space, so he returned home to work. Thankfully he wasn't teaching that day!"

Many students at the Kennesaw campus circled parking decks for 15 minutes or more in hopes of a spot becoming available, which prevented many from making it to class on time. The Kennesaw campus is not the only one facing these problems, though;

Marietta seems to be having similar difficulty as well.

"Parking has been exceptionally worse during the first week of the semester than it was when it was Southern Poly," Jordan Clark, an electrical engineering major at KSU's Marietta campus, said. "Yesterday, I found myself circling the parking deck for 15 minutes looking for a spot."

Courtney Allen, an early childhood education major, said students are taking advantage of parking wherever since people are still in the process of

receiving their parking passes for the fall semester.

Many students are tempted to point to the recent merger as a cause of the conflict with parking, but Joe DiBattista, the senior director of the Department of Parking and Transportation, does not believe that this is the case.

"I don't agree with this hypothesis," DiBattista said, "I think the main reason for conflict, if any, is that the satellite lots just off the Kennesaw campus proper are dramatically underutilized."

As seen in the infographic above, only 39 students have elected to park at the Busbee Drive location, and only 70 have chosen the Town Point lot, despite the two locations having a combined total of over 2000 effective spaces.

"I question why students would rather drive around for 45 minutes in crowded parking areas on campus when just off campus they could instead park at their leisure, and in 15 to 20

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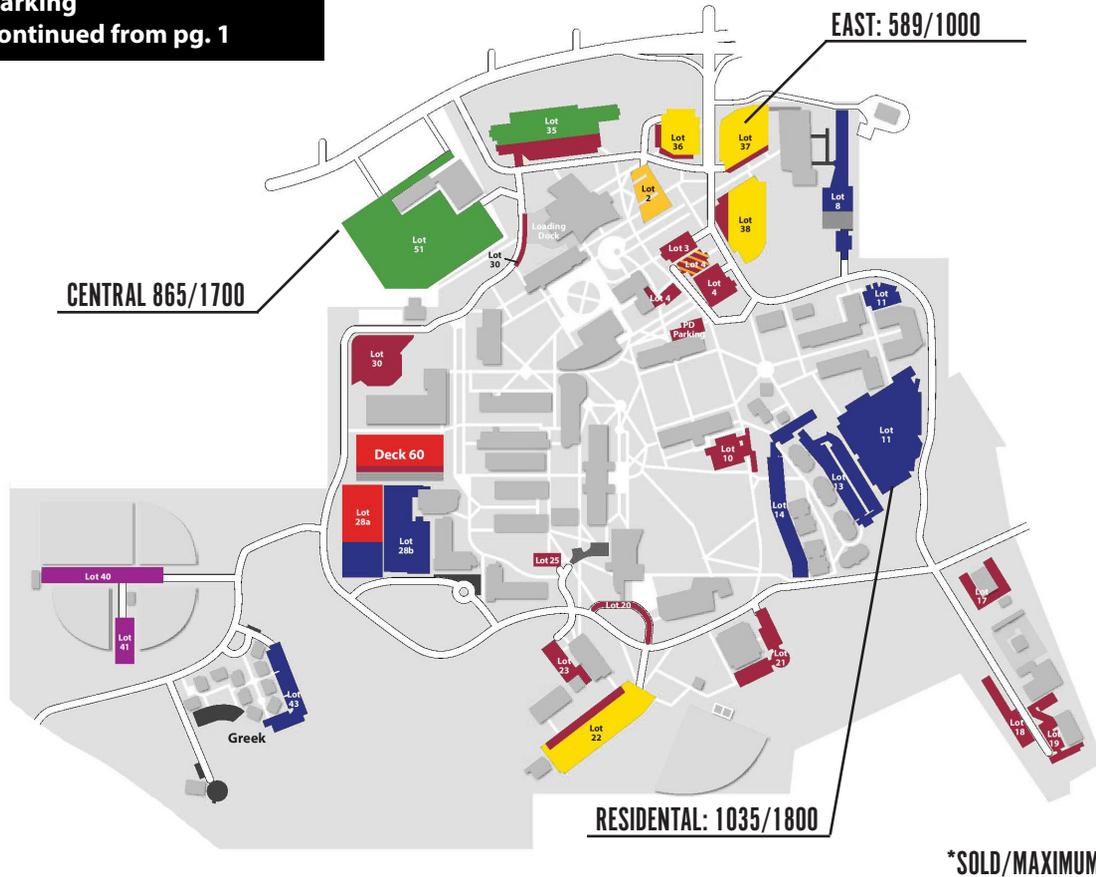


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minutes be dropped off in the middle of the campus by BOB?"

Some students may not wish to wait for shuttle services to take them to and from campus, but there are incentives in place to encourage them to change their mind about the concept.

"One tangible incentive is that there is no \$26 permit fee to park at the 3305 lot," DiBattista said. "Some intangible incentives are reduced driver frustration where you are not circling around to find a spot, ample parking and a ride that drops you off right in the heart of the campus."

In regards to difficulties on the Marietta campus, he points to the new area parking system, which is a switch from SPSU's assigned lot system. He admits, however, that there is plenty of room for improvement within the department and with the processes that are in place.

"We will be working on a solution that will be in place to make it easier to navigate

online, and ensure students are able to choose their parking area and have a credential to park before classes begin," he said,

For now, there is still a grace period in effect to allow for new students to get accustomed to campus and to receive their correct parking decal. During this time, gates are up in most parking areas, and there are personnel placed at the entrances to many decks to answer questions.

"We certainly do not want to penalize anyone for not understanding the process or for simply being lost," DiBattista said.

Citations are still being issued for other violations, however. For example, parking has already begun citing vehicles that are parked illegally in the southern housing areas. Warnings are being issued for vehicles with no parking decals, and citations for this offense will begin on Sept. 1, 2015.

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Students wait anxiously in a line stretching through the student center the first week of classes.

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EMAIL CONFUSION CAUSES LONG LINE AT CARD SERVICES

Remi Mehri Contributor

The line outside of Card Services at Kennesaw State University where students can obtain their parking decal and student ID was at an all time high the first week of fall semester due to a misleading e-mail and a change in orientation.

According to an e-mail sent to all KSU students on Aug. 7, "All returning students are required to obtain a new KSU ID card." However, Joseph DiBattista, the Sr. Director of Card Services, said only former Southern Polytechnic State University students need to acquire a new student ID card, as well as transfer students and any freshmen who missed orientation.

Elaine Ferguson, the Director of Card Services, said a follow-up email was sent just minutes after the original e-mail clarifying for whom the message was intended. The social media sites of Card Services was updated as well to correct this error.

However, it seemed as though the original e-mail still confused students. In fact, some of the students who already had a proper student ID were waiting in line unknowingly. These students were also waiting side-by-side many freshmen due to the unexpected errors that affected orientation.

"Because of the way orientation was administered

this summer, we knew it was going to be a little bit more challenging," DiBattista said.

Most of the incoming freshmen were not given their parking decals at orientation and were instead told to go to card services at the beginning of the school year to obtain them. Ferguson said Card Services did not receive the car decals until late July due to manufacturing delays. Therefore, any students who attended orientation before late July had to come back to Card Services to pick up their decals.

In preparation for this increased volume, Card Services increased their staff, extended their hours and designated a few staff members to handle phone calls. All of this is done to ease the process of acquiring student IDs and parking decals, but the line still stretched past the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life and all the way to the Lifelong Learning Center with an average wait of 15 to 30 minutes.

Jordan Hausburg is a junior at KSU majoring in communication. In all her years at KSU, Hausburg said the line outside card services has never been so long. Like many students, she believed the line length was due to the KSU and SPSU merger. As mentioned above, former SPSU students are required to have a new KSU

student ID by September 1.

The former SPSU students are allowed to obtain this new ID at the Marietta campus as well as the Kennesaw campus. For that reason, the merger was actually not a factor that affected the length of the line. In fact, only two of the 41 students standing in line at the Kennesaw campus were former SPSU students.

Regardless of the merger's role in the wait, one of the former SPSU students, Kyle Pritchett, a senior majoring in management, was still not happy about having to acquire a new student ID and decal. According to Pritchett, this was just one of the drawbacks that came from the merger.

"It added 11 more classes for me to graduate, so it wasn't beneficial to me in any way," Pritchett said, also citing the long lines to receive a decal as another negative.

Card Services is aware of the frustrations of students, but said that improvements are on their way. DiBattista said they are now negotiating and discussions new ways to issue parking credentials that will be seen next fall. As of now, however, DiBattista suggests that students come in the morning.

"We open at 7:30 a.m.," DiBattista said. "We usually have a line that's about 15 to 20 [students], but they're out of here in five minutes."

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KENNESAW JEWISH COMMUNITY MAKES LOCAL HISTORY



The Kennesaw Jewish Community's first Torah scroll is on display in the Chabad Jewish Center.

Photo courtesy of Chabad West Cobb & KSU

Lindsey Walden Contributor

The Kennesaw Jewish community celebrated the completion of its first Torah scroll August 23 at the Chabad Jewish Center.

The backdrop to the celebration held this past Sunday hardly seemed appropriate, yet the rain did little to dampen the spirits of the people congregating within the Chabad Jewish Center. That morning, dozens of people gathered to celebrate

in the receiving and finishing of Kennesaw's very first Torah Scroll. While the rain delayed the flight of the scribe bearing the actual Torah, those involved with the Jewish community waited patiently and excitedly as the formalities were talked through. Once finished, Rabbi Zalman Charytan led the crowd in a celebration. As a unified group, they paraded in the streets with an ark bearing a symbolic Torah with an ornate

white tent covering it. This was a more than a celebration of tradition, but of a community growing together and reaping the benefits of patience and hard work.

"It's a very big achievement for us to have this Torah. All Jewish institutions need a Torah. It's the cornerstone of our religion. It brings us together as a people," said four-year member Judith. Rabbi Charytan agrees, stating, "The Torah is the

most sacred object, document, in Judaism. It is the guidebook to how a Jewish person should live their life. Everything that Judaism is comes from the Torah. It represents the growth of Judaism and the continuing of Judaism." The Rabbi also mentioned that three is the perfect number of Torah Scrolls to have per Synagogue or center. When reading from different parts of the Scroll, multiple Torah's allows multiple books to remain open for reading. Until today, the Chabad Jewish Center was borrowing their only Torah. "It costs nearly \$70,000 to have a Torah Scroll commissioned," Charytan said. "A member of our community donated slightly more than half of our total, leaving us to raise the rest."

Less than a year later, the Chabad Jewish Center began to make arrangements to fly in a Scribe to finish the centers first Torah Scroll.

The Chabad Jewish Center also has a prevalent and growing presence among the KSU student body. The Chabad Jewish Student Union is comprised of several KSU students who have found a home within their religion on campus. Several students made an appearance at the celebration; among them were Lillian Kaufman and Matthew Prater. Prater, a junior and public relations major, says, "Our presence on campus gives people an opportunity to become more comfortable with their faith and heritage. We've grown so much in the past two years. The Torah is definitely a symbol of the Jewish people. The Christian faith has the Bible, and we have the Torah. It's the heart of the Jewish

community and faith." Kaufman, a sophomore and marketing major agrees, "I think today will show that Kennesaw has a strong Jewish community. If you're Jewish and you're looking to meet other Jewish Owls or even branch out and met new people, join us for one of our Chabad dinners every Friday night at 7:30."

For the Jewish community, the completion of a Torah Scroll allows them to have another outlet to delve into their religion. The Torah Scroll is the holiest book within the Jewish faith. It holds the five books God passed down to the Jewish people. Unlike the Christian Bible, there are many rules involved with writing a Torah Scroll. The first is that a scribe must write it. Scribes go through rigorous training to receive the honor of writing the books that leads an entire faith. Before a scribe can begin writing a Torah Scroll, he must first know at least 4000 Jewish laws. Each Scroll is written by hand on certain parchment with specially prepared ink. It takes nearly a year for each Torah Scroll to be completed, after which it is read up to four times a week. This community's Torah comes just in time for the High Holidays: Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. This Scroll will be used to read and teach from during those holidays. Today, the Chabad Jewish Center made Kennesaw history as they solidified their faith and their presence within the community. As their growth continues, they hope to achieve a greater presence among their community and encourage others to learn more about the Jewish heritage and faith.



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Felecia Glover Contributor

A TINDER-ELLA STORY

Meeting new people can be intimidating, whether it's looking for a fun date, an overnight companion, or a long-term relationship. When I first heard about Tinder, I thought it was an odd, almost disgusting app almost like a hot-or-not style dating system. I didn't want to be judged that way.

It wasn't until a good friend of mine started to describe her experiences with the app, that I realized this was normal for people my age. I used to think this is something people in their forties need to meet new people. "I'm young, I can meet people on my own," I thought.

If it had not been for my curiosity, and my best friend's insistence that it's "just something all of us do" I wouldn't have found my boyfriend of six-months, and what I would describe as my most healthy, compatible relationship yet. But, I am not the only one who is in a successful relationship, thanks to online dating, accord-

ing to NY Daily News, one-third of married couples in U.S. meet online.

I decided to take the plunge. What could it hurt? It was free, easy to use, and if anything it would be a good way to kill some time. So I set up a short profile, posted a few photos, and tag-lined "just moved back to this area." I was new to Tinder, and still not sure how I felt about it.

I was overjoyed at my first few matches, but put off when no one was messaging me first. The first conversation I had was with Pete Za, someone I had matched with who had a profile picture of a pizza. What I found to be a hilarious onslaught of pizza puns ensued, including "you just can't top that," "there's not mushroom for anything better," and "I think I have crust issues."

Sure, it was a stupid first conversation, and a probably a waste of time, but it helped to take the edge off and coaxed me to just try to enjoy the con-

versations I could have.

Following this, I spoke to some men that were excessively forward for my taste, others with far too much baggage, and even some whose grammar and spelling was so atrocious that I couldn't even take them seriously. I even have a folder in my last phone full of the ridiculous profile pictures people post, (one of which included a man riding a white horse, in his underwear, while holding an American flag.)

The story really began when I found Josh. His profile displayed that he was attractive, well-dressed, and didn't attempt to woo me by showing how large of a fish he caught on that camping trip with his buddies last summer. His tagline, along the lines of: "Despite my pensive appearance, I'm really a nice guy."

"Bet you five bucks I can make you laugh," caught my attention the most. I thought if he used the word pensive he might have a decent vocabu-

lary, and I appreciated that he was confident about his sense of humor.

I was not disappointed. He quickly made jokes about my pictures, and when I told him my hair was now a boring shade of brown, rather than dyed like in some of the pictures, he proceeded to tell me about how his hair was most bland shade of brown in town. I dished out my dry humored jokes and puns, and he reciprocated. After a couple weeks of the back in forth, I decided I felt comfortable enough to meet him in person, for the first time in my Tinder experience. He accepted.

After a successful first date at a cozy coffee shop on the Square, we went on a few more dates and eventually started hanging out pretty regularly. Soon after, we became exclusive. I'll admit, at first I was a bit nervous to tell my friends and family that I met my new boyfriend on Tinder, but once we were together, how we met

didn't matter. To my surprise, when I was looking for a simple distraction, I found love and happiness. What started as something casual and fun turned into a real romance. It's funny how life throws you for unexpected loops, because just as I unexpectedly found romance from a dating app, my relationship situation unexpectedly changed while I was constructing this article.

I guess this isn't a Tinder-ella story after all.

At the end of the day, it didn't really matter where I met him. He was no longer a game in an app, or a face on a screen. He was a real person, we had a real relationship and real feelings were involved. Earlier this week, things ended just like they often do in young romances, and it is going to be just as difficult to work through as a relationship that began in a bar, classroom or church.

OWL YAKS



Owl Yak is a compilation of The Sentinel's favorite student comments from the anonymous Yik Yak app. Check each week to see if you made it (Just don't tell anyone!)

"My bank account just left me a reminder that I'm safe from identity theft."

"KSU is the only place where at 8:15 a.m., you're already on the fifth floor of the biggest deck."

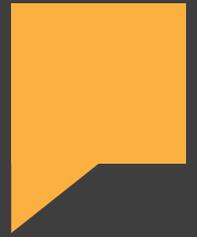
"Apparently yield signs mean something different to Kennesaw students."

"I'm majoring in chemistry while minoring in giving up."

"New personal low: I just pressed the unlock button for my car, thinking it would open the door to my bedroom."

"I'm surprised KSU hasn't painted all the grass yellow yet."

"Am I the only one who feels like a cat when the professor uses a laser pointer for class?"



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UNDERAGE DRINKING: A SERIOUS ISSUE



Kaitlyn Lewis Opinion Editor

This fall Georgia enacted a law that seemed to lessen the legal penalties for underage drinkers and drunk drivers. Instead of arresting violators, officers will issue citations.

In unique cases arrests can be made, but Code Section 3-3-23 will, for the most part, keep college students out of jail, as the Atlanta-Journal Constitution puts it.

I know that underage drinking is not uncommon among college students, and that there is always a way around the law. However, my distaste for breaking the no-drinking-under-21 law has grown much stronger since I began working as a cashier in a grocery store. The fact that officers have become more tolerant for underage drinking upsets me, because my penalty for selling alcohol to minors

is severe. To put it simply: if I sell alcohol to minors, I lose my job, go to jail and get fined; but if a minor illegally drinks or purchases alcohol, he or she only gets a citation.

To clarify, it is not the drinking itself that bothers me, but merely the deception a minor must employ to obtain the alcohol and his or her rebellion that I still do not understand. I understand college students want to have fun together, and not all of us can drink. But before you try to purchase alcohol with a fake identification card, take a look at this issue from my perspective.

I have been given much responsibility with my job. Not only do I handle customers' money, but I am also entrusted with the sale of restricted items.

Working in retail means I must constantly be alert. I'm

at my register helping a group of college students check out, but an elderly lady interrupts me to ask where she can find the coffee. I tell her to look on aisle six and continue scanning items. My supervisor tells me I'm about to go on break soon and oh, there's that lady who frequently shoplifts. I need to keep an eye on her. My line is filling up fast. Customers are waiting, but I'm still scanning the college students' groceries. I reach for the next item—a six pack of beer. I stop right there and ask to see their driver's licenses—all of their driver's licenses. I'm not taking chances with this. I want to be certain that I am legally selling this six pack to students who are at least 21 years old.

I take the selling of alcohol very seriously, because if I am careless, I will certainly lose my job, and possibly be put in

jail and fined up to \$1,000. If it is ever found out that alcohol was illegally sold to a minor, the grocery store I work at will lose its liquor license, which will result in thousands of dollars lost in sales.

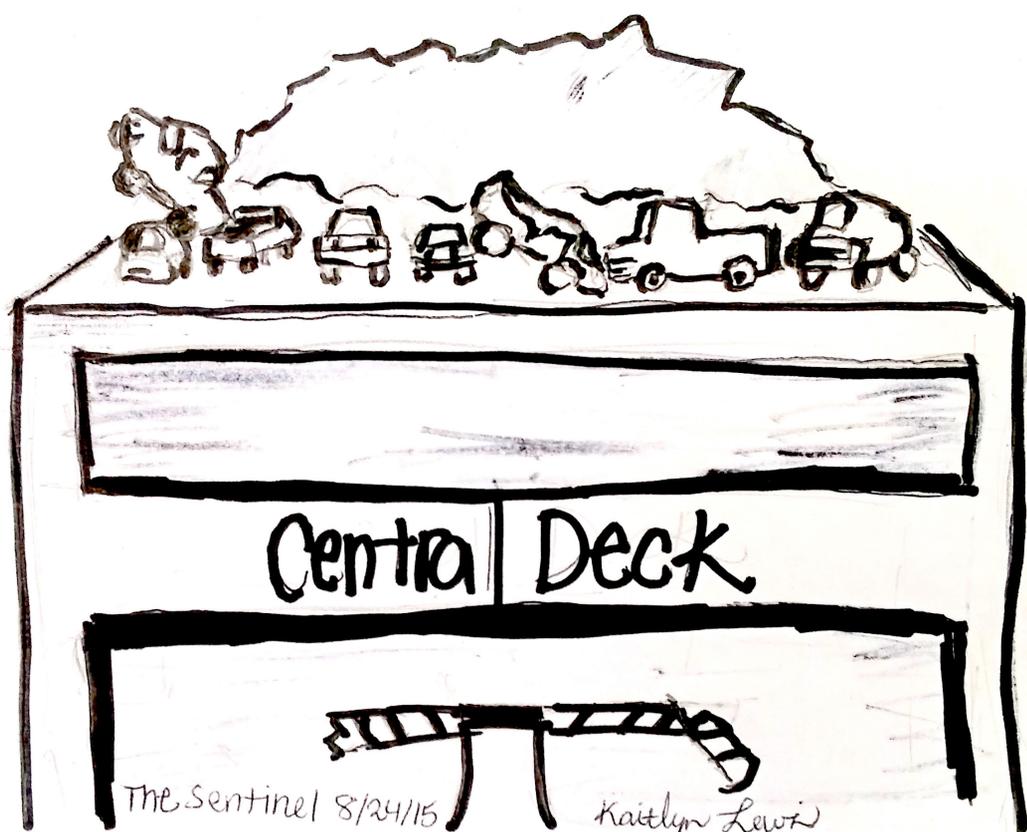
Furthermore, if alcohol is sold to a minor or someone who is already intoxicated, and he or she becomes involved in a drunk driving accident, the store and the cashier may be held liable for damage and lives lost, according to the Dram Shop Act in Georgia.

As a grocery store employee, I am constantly reminded of the strict rules for selling restricted items like alcohol and the penalties for ignoring them. I took a class that instructed me on how I should sell alcohol, but all the information is readily available to me in the employee handbook I received when I was hired.

On our side, the responsibility and penalty hanging over our heads is much more intense than the legal consequences hanging over a minor's head. If anything, it should be the other way around since the minor is the one who actually intends to break the law.

Occasionally, I come across customers with suspicious forms of identification. Usually these customers come up with an excuse to leave the store before I ask for the manager. It upsets me, though, because I do not think they realize the potential consequences of their decisions.

In my opinion, Georgia should not take underage drinking this lightly. I believe both the stores and customers should be held to the same standards when it comes to purchasing restricted items such as alcohol.



The current state of parking at KSU is almost like a junkyard.

Illustration by Kaitlyn Lewis

WEEK OF WELCOME

Sam Rusch Contributor



Famous actor Tim Meadows welcoming new students to KSU.

Photo courtesy of Corey Hancock

Unavoidable traffic jams, hour-long lines at the bookstore, and parking a nightmare; welcome to the first week of classes at Kennesaw State University.

KSU's Department of Student Involvement created the Week of Welcome to help prepare KSU students for an enjoyable experience and to invite them to get involved on campus. The Department of Student Involvement had no involvement in contributing to the traffic and bookstore conditions previously mentioned.

Everyone's college experience is different. The Week of Welcome is viewed by many as a chance for students to gain confidence as they begin, or continue, their college education. This year, the Week of Welcome jump-started with a Greek block party, a fall festival, a cookout provided by Dining Services, foam parties, and a casino night!

On Monday, Aug. 17, students were warmly welcomed with bubble soccer matches and a bike fiesta! For students looking to get the latest scoop on KSU, HOOT booths were set up on campus to provide students

with vital information as well as vitally important KSU swag.

The Rec Sports Street Party took to The Green on Tuesday with Club Sports looking for some fresh talent and the Wellness Center promoting good health.

Are you curious about the culinary arts? Bethany Wheeler, 28, a dietitian for the Center for Health Promotion and Wellness, announced that the Wellness Center would be offering free cooking demos to students as a non-course credit. Along with many other services, the Wellness Center provides alcohol education to students. Get educated to see if you should order another round or if you should pay your tab and call a cab!

KSU might be getting a disc golf course in the near future. Dylan Holt, 23, of the KSU Disc Golf club, said that a nine hole disc golf course is "in the works" to be built at The Perch.

Are you a lover or a fighter? Austin Allen, 22, is hoping to launch the first mixed martial arts club at KSU. Allen is an experienced fighter and said that KSU MMA club members will be able to train alongside UFC fighter Byron Bloodworth

at Iron Clutch Fitness off Sandy Plains road.

If you're a team player and want to get involved on campus, then check out OwlLife at owlife.kennesaw.edu to choose from over 200 different student organizations at KSU.

Students were called out to the dance floor to show off and learn some new dance moves at the Student Development's "You Got Served" dance party on Wednesday afternoon. There was free pizza, but no hanging around the punch bowl at this dance party. The Student Center was all the way turned up thanks to Owl Radio and students were encouraged to visit stations with instructors offering hip hop, south Asian, Belly, Break, Capoeira, and Salsa dance lessons.

Since college is all about stuffing your brain full of knowledge, who wouldn't want a free stuffed animal? The Kennesaw Activities Board provided students with the opportunity to make their own stuffed owl on Thursday afternoon complete with its own KSU t-shirt.

With the week nearly over and stress levels probably peaking, students were invited

to attend a free screening of "Furious 7" Thursday night.

Tim Meadows, who starred in "Mean Girls" and was an "SNL" cast member for 10 seasons, wrapped up the Week of Welcome with a performance at the ARC II Amphitheater Friday night.

If your class schedule doesn't leave you with any time to commit to a club or another student organization, why not volunteer? Volunteer Kennesaw offers students with lots of opportunities to give back to the community. Check out www.vksu.kennesaw.edu for more information about how

you can volunteer and become a part of VKSU.

Without a doubt, college can be stressful. Some of us are taking 18 credit hours, some have full time jobs, and some commute from more than 30 miles away four days a week. If you ever feel like your workload is just too demanding, slow down and take a few deep breaths; you got this! From all of us at The Sentinel, we would like to extend a warm welcome to all new and returning KSU students!

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Life in Color returns to KSU this fall after a successful concert in 2013.

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LIFE IN COLOR TOUCHES DOWN IN KSU

Kayla Dungee Contributor

KSU presents a colorful opportunity for students to dance away all their worries on Aug. 29. "Life in Color," a United States Electronic Dance Music (EDM) event based company, will host the world's largest paint party on the new Marietta campus. Like any quality rave, the event is

supported by a lineup of some of the best EDM DJ's and artistic performers across the nation. Set to perform is 3LAU, Party Favor, and Shaun Frank, all whose hypnotic beats can be previewed on Spotify before the show.

Night Owl Productions gave students a small dose of what to

expect at the paint party during their first week back. Between classes, Night Owl Productions allowed students to shoot paint from a water blaster at a towering unicorn head, ultimately creating a colorful, neon masterpiece. Although no outside paint can be brought into the venue, partiers can purchase paint on site at the

venue and help cover themselves or all those around them.

The paint party has crossed a multitude of borders, from Seoul, South Korea, Ibiza, Spain, and Hadera, Israel before finally touching down in Marietta. The aim of the tour this year is to answer the question, "How did color come to be?" After being showered in an array of colors,

everyone who attends is bound to understand how color was created. The show is slated to begin at 7 p.m. and wind down at midnight. All white clothing is recommended so the portrait that you will end up becoming will shine brightly.

For KSU students, tickets are \$35 until August 26, 2015 when prices hit \$40.

The KSU Zuckerman Museum of Art held its opening reception on Saturday, Aug. 22 from 6 to 8 p.m. The opening featured live music, light snacks, and some of the artists were in attendance to talk to viewers about the works. The artists were engaging and enthusiastic about their works and could be seen discussing their works with visitors.

"RITES" is located in Mortin Gallery 3 and displays the works of Alexis Peskine, Cosmo Whyte, Jon Goode, and Robert Hodge. Fahamu Pecou, Curator of the exhibit said that "RITES" explores issues of Black masculinity. It is a "trauma and triumph in transition from boyhood to manhood." The works range from video, spoken word and abstract art.

Jon Goode's work includes "A Room With a View," which is a spoken-word performance piece exploring the assumptions that are often made about African-Americans. "It's about taking back control of our story," Goode said.

"Aljana Moons is about shaping your own destiny," Alexis Peskine said. The film was shot in Senegal and features an

abstract take on manhood, rites, and masculine role models. On display are the costumes constructed of rice bags and soup cans that are worn by some of the characters in the film.

Maria Artemis, an Atlanta-based sculptor, has her work "Anamnēsis" located in Mortin Galleries 1 and 2. Featured are charcoal drawings, three-dimensional works where

Artemis explores "hidden potential and things unseen or that we don't notice," and a video entitled "Zuckerman Museum of Art Sun Study Animation" that shows the movement of sunlight on the building. Artemis has also selected a series of abstract works of Ruth Zuckerman that are displayed in the Zuckerman Pavilion. Some of Artemis' works are displayed in a dialogue with

Zuckerman's.

In the East Galleries, "Forget Me Not" displays a series of works from contemporary female artists. Videos, photographs, paintings and three-dimensional compositions are featured.

This current exhibition will be on display from Aug. 22 until Dec. 6. Admission to the Zuckerman Museum is free and open to the public. Hours of

operation are Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sundays from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The museum is located on campus at 492 Prillaman Way. More information about the Zuckerman Museum itself and current and future exhibits can be found at <http://zuckerman.kennesaw.edu/>.



Amanda Brendel Contributor

Spectators at the grand Zuckerman opening.

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COMPUTERS AND ROBOTICS CLUBS TO JOIN AT KSU

Mira Mayembe Contributor

Computers and robots are everywhere; they clean, perform surgeries and guide society in day-to-day life.

If you are looking for a way to become involved in the world that is computers for the future or just for fun, look into these two clubs right on campus.

The first is the Association for Computing Systems (ACM)—an international learned society for computing (the use or operation of computers). It is the world's largest scientific and educational computing society and is a nonprofit group. The goal of ACM is to unite the world's computing educators, researchers and professionals

to inspire dialogue, share resources and address the field's challenges.

The organization will be hosting a social and informational event on August 27 in at the Marietta Campus (J266) from 7pm – 10pm. On May 6th, KSU and SPSU got together for Geek Heritage Night, where members watched the Imitation Game, a film based off the life of Alan Turing (father of computer science). With the two campuses now merged, there may be more Geek Heritage Nights in the future.

Students involved with ACM will have the opportunity to go to many conferences varying for those pursuing computer

graphics, data communications, mobile computing and many, many more. Information can be found at acm.org. Members can compete in the International Collegiate Programming Contest; Student Research Competition (SRC); ACM Student Chapter Excellence Award. Chapters have the opportunity to win awards in Outstanding Chapter Activities, Outstanding Community Service, Outstanding Website, Outstanding Recruitment Program and Outstanding School Service. Winners of each of the five areas win \$500.

The Aerial Robotics Competition Team is a student

organization open to all majors. The team's goal is to "collectively build an autonomous flying robot that can interact and operate within random environments." If you are looking to be the next contributor in designing the world's most advanced robots, this is the club to join.

The team is part of the IARC or the International Aerial Robotics Competition. The IARC is the longest running collegiate aerial robotics challenge in the world, with three decades to prove it. The goal of the competition is to tackle challenges that are impossible (currently) for any flying robots owned by the government or

industries. KSU's team accomplished their long-term goal of competing in the IARC at Georgia Tech on August 17. The team won the Most Innovative Design Award. The team has eleven months to prepare for the next IARC competition where they can claim the prize of Best Systems Integration Award. Additional information can be found at aerialroboticscompetition.org.

Joining ACM and/or the Aerial Robotics Competition Team can help KSU students discover a new passion or hone their skills. Connecting with advisors of the clubs and reading more about them on their official websites is also helpful.

KSU ALUMNI WIN GOOGLE MAPS HACKATHON

Brooke Doss Contributor

Two Kennesaw State University alumni won the "Storm the Road: Hackathon for Safety" technology competition in Atlanta on June 24, 2015 with their winning app, BeForecast.

Zacch Thomas and Calvin Nix, developers at OpenSpan, were part of a three-developer team that created the app, which helps users track weather conditions and receive updates in locations where they have appointments by allowing them to input the date, time, location, and description of the event.

"Let's say a person plans to take a trip to the beach next month. The app would sync with Google Calendar and provide incremental weather updates to the user as the date of the event approaches. On the date of the event the app

would provide directions to the location of their event. If the weather conditions were severe, the app would provide safety suggestions on how to get to their event location safely," explained Thomas.

Both Thomas and Nix cite safety as the number one motivator behind their creation of the app. But each describes different challenges as being the most difficult when going through the planning and construction processes.

Thomas said the hardest part of the competition was narrowing all of their ideas down to one that could be accomplished within the 24-hour time frame that was given. The team dedicated over four hours of this time to the planning stage, and they believe that this dedication

to planning was an important factor in their success.

Nix said that working through the night was the hardest part of the competition for him. "I discovered that as we became more weary, both physically and mentally, we began to make mistakes that we normally wouldn't make under normal circumstances. I believe it took a deep understanding of one's self to fight through the exhaustion and getting the work done," he said.

Thomas believes that teamwork was a critical element of creating the winning final product. "Team work makes the dream work, in essence," he said. "I think one of the biggest reasons for our success is that we had prior experience working together at OpenSpan. Having a preexisting

relationship minimizes the time needed to assess one's strengths and weakness.

We already knew from start what each of us could bring to the table on this project. The only thing left at that point was to make it happen."

Nix also speaks of their prior work experience as being crucial to their success. "I feel that our experience in a user interaction driven industry provided us a huge advantage in this competition. We knew that whatever we did in this application we had to keep the end user in mind at all times. We knew that this key element was crucial to creating an app that we could easily showcase its value," he said.

Larry Braswell, support manager of customer care at OpenSpan, describes working

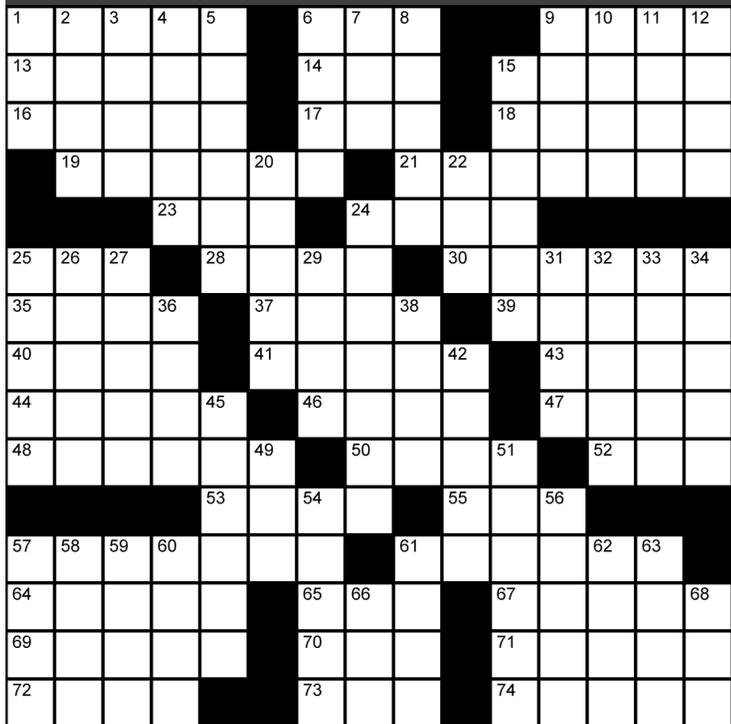
with Thomas and Nix as "very encouraging" and "confidence inspiring."

"For a manager, these guys are true treasures. Perhaps the most important trait they share, over and above anything else, is a selfless devotion to mission accomplishment that can be found only among an ever shrinking number of people," he said.

The 24-hour "Storm the Road: Hackathon for Safety" competition was part of the Google Maps team's 10th anniversary "Code the Road" Tour, which challenged participants to merge weather and maps APIs for safety. The Hackathon in Atlanta took place June 23-24, 2015, and was hosted by Google Maps and The Weather Channel.

PUZZLES

THEME: TECH GADGETS



ACROSS

- 1. Had, with thou
- 6. Exclamation of disgust
- 9. Fit of shivering
- 13. American writer Jong
- 14. Beauty treatment site

15. "No guts, no ____"

- 16. ____ in, for a doctor
- 17. "C' ____ la vie!"
- 18. *A portable one is great for camping
- 19. eBay participant
- 21. *Power provider

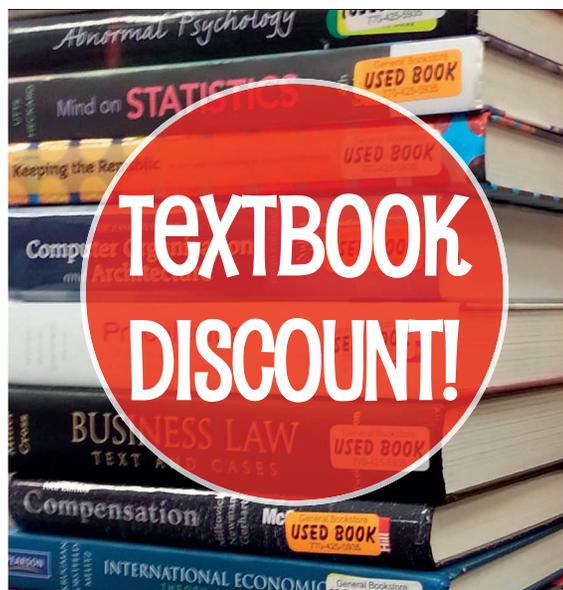
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- 24. *Pretty hot and tempting, in a text
- 25. Public health org.
- 28. Bluish green
- 30. ____ talk
- 35. ZZ Top hit
- 37. Lady Gaga's 2010 dress material
- 39. Lowest Hindu caste
- 40. Tons
- 41. "Walk the Dog" device, pl.
- 43. Civil wrong
- 44. Done to some documents
- 46. "Cheers" regular
- 47. "The Iliad," e.g.
- 48. Interruption in continuity
- 50. Medieval domain
- 52. Emerald ____ borer
- 53. Naive, alt. spelling
- 55. Hat
- 57. *Bose, e.g.
- 61. Iron Man's robotic nemesis
- 64. Like a ballerina
- 65. Unit of electric current
- 67. Scape goat's due
- 69. ____ circle

- 70. Likewise
- 71. More ill
- 72. No I in this
- 73. Long, long time
- 74. Working shoelaces

DOWN

- 1. "For ____ a jolly ..."
- 2. Circle parts
- 3. Awful
- 4. Create a sculpture
- 5. *Mobile computer
- 6. * ____-friendly
- 7. *Directional helper
- 8. Appear like a chick
- 9. Winglike
- 10. "It's time!" signal
- 11. Impulse
- 12. One who eyes another
- 15. Costing nothing
- 20. Public ____, rappers
- 22. As opposed to mishap
- 24. It's often sudden death
- 25. * ____ drive

- 26. Indian metropolis
- 27. Greek bazaar
- 29. Long, long time, alt. spelling
- 31. Mandolin's cousin
- 32. Parkinson's drug
- 33. Root of iris
- 34. *Apple or Pebble, e.g.
- 36. Proofreader's mark
- 38. Amos or Spelling
- 42. Perceive by olfactory sense
- 45. a.k.a. Norwegian Hound
- 49. Sigma Alpha Epsilon
- 51. *Activity tracker
- 54. All worked up
- 56. ____ bar, DQ treat
- 57. Skirt opening
- 58. A conifer
- 59. Largest volcano in Europe
- 60. Throat-clearing sound
- 61. On top of
- 62. French Sudan, today
- 63. Black cat, e.g.
- 66. Jersey call
- 68. Energy unit

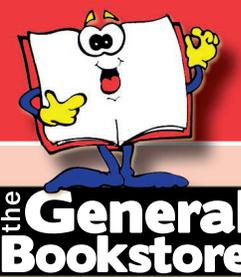


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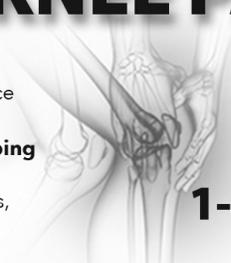
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XC HEAD COACH'S JOURNEY BACK TO KENNESAW

Taylor Blackmon Contributor



Courtesy of KSU Athletics

Last week David Poteet was named head coach of the Kennesaw State cross country program, director of track and field and cross country Andy Eggerth announced.

A Marietta native, Poteet's journey back to Kennesaw includes an abundant background of running and coaching experience both before and after leaving Kennesaw.

As a long distance runner at Berry College, Poteet ran distances anywhere from 200-1500 meters. He also had a German coach during his career that helped him look at the different styles and techniques of European runners.

After graduating from Berry, Poteet returned and coached as a graduate assistant before arriving at Kennesaw College in the Mid 80's where he coached from 1984-1986. He says his stint at Kennesaw has helped him to know the history and foundation of the school along with the athletic department and what it has grown to be.

"Coaching here in the mid 80's helped me to know the history of the school," Poteet said. "And the foundation of the athletic department in terms of when it started, how it started, and what it's grown to. After leaving Kennesaw, I followed their program throughout the years because I always had that interest in it."

Poteet not only has previous experience as a coach at KSU, but he also has a year's experience as a high school coach at Carlton J. Kell High School where he was the assistant cross country and track and field middle distance and distance coach. Poteet's experience at the high school level is something he feels will help him to be successful in his recruitment at the collegiate level.

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"I've coached at both high school and college levels and that helps me a lot because I know what kids are going through coming out of college, and at the same time I know what to look for in a high school kid when they're coming out of high school," he said. "I know the type of quality we're looking for, the type of student-athlete we're looking for, and whether it's a personality fit with the

team and me with them."

As KSU has transformed over the past 40 years from Kennesaw College to Kennesaw State University and gone from 7,000 students to 33,000 students, Poteet is excited about the changes he sees throughout the campus.

When it comes to Poteet's coaching style, he believes in "run before fun," and building positive relationships between himself and his runners; developing a family, as he described it. He is a strong believer in positive reinforcement, even when a player is doing something wrong.

"The first thing I want to touch on is the relationship [between the player and coach]," Poteet said. "The coach shouldn't be a demander. It's got to be done with mutual respect, and [as a coach], you show the athlete respect. I'm not a yeller. It's all positive. Even when someone's not doing something correctly, you stay positive, and you work with them and make something positive even when they're off."

Poteet expressed his excitement about the opportunity to develop the cross country program at Kennesaw State.

"We're trying to prepare for life as well as running," he said. "Grace and class and respect all sound like cliché words, but they're very important to success here at the program. We have to change the image of runners in the metro area that it's not just Kennesaw but that it's a major college with some great things happening."

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ATLANTA FALCONS ENTER 50TH SEASON WITH MAJOR QUESTIONS

Mason Wittner Staff Writer

The Atlanta Falcons' 2014 campaign provided an odd mixture of emotions for fans.

Atlanta was featured on HBO's documentary series *Hard Knocks* prior to the regular season, giving an insight to training camp and the preseason. Through the show, fans were assured of a stronger, tougher mentality for the Falcons following a brutal 4-12 showing in 2013. Players and coaches alike seemed to all buy-in to the idea that that the team would do whatever it took to return to their winning ways.

Unfortunately, things didn't exactly pan out.

Following a 56-14 thrashing of Tampa Bay in week three, the second-largest win in franchise history, the Falcons felt pretty good about themselves sitting atop the division at 2-1. However, Atlanta suffered

detrimental injuries to three offensive linemen in the 41-28 loss to the Vikings, virtually demolishing their playoff hopes as the team fell to 2-6.

Despite sitting at 6-9 entering the final week of the season, the Falcons found themselves in a one-game playoff at home for the NFC South championship as they faced off against the Carolina Panthers (6-8-1).

Matt Ryan threw a pair of interceptions, each returned for a touchdown, as Atlanta closed out their season with a 34-3 throttling at the hands of the Panthers and missed their shot at the playoffs.

After the excitement of a possible playoff berth faded, the harsh reality of a 6-10 season set in and a number of questions needed to be answered.

The first answer came with the firing of Mike Smith last December. Despite being the winningest head coach

in franchise history, going 66-46 (.589) through seven seasons, Smith was 1-4 in the playoffs and led the falcons to a combined 10-22 record in his final two seasons.

Atlanta finished last in total defense in 2014, surrendering 398.2 yards per game.

On Feb. 2, 2015, the Falcons hired the 16th head coach in franchise history in Dan Quinn. Former defensive coordinator of the Seattle Seahawks, Quinn's presence alone brings promise of stingier defense as well as experience with a Super Bowl on his résumé. Since arriving in Atlanta, Quinn implemented an attack-style defensive front, different from the two-gap approach under Smith. The new system looks to improve the pass rush immensely.

In addition to Quinn's hiring, the Falcons selected former Clemson defensive end Vic Beasley with the eighth overall

pick in the NFL Draft.

Atlanta also brought in a new offensive coordinator in Kyle Shanahan who hopes to improve upon the Falcons' offense that finished eighth overall in the league last season.

The Falcons return the tandem of Matt Ryan and Julio Jones, who connected for nearly 1,600 yards a season ago. Ryan lost longtime target Harry Douglas, but acquired wide out Leonard Hankerson and rookie running back Tevin Coleman.

If the offensive line can stay healthy and keep Ryan on his feet, as well as give the duo of Coleman and Devonte Freeman a little room to run, the offense has potential to be explosive.

The Falcons have shown signs of hope through their first two preseason games.

Ryan led Atlanta 91 yards in 10 plays, capped by a 13-yard touchdown to Jones, in the first drive of the team's first

preseason game against the Tennessee Titans. The newly improved Falcons caused an interception and fumble returned for a touchdown in the Titans' first two possessions of the game.

Atlanta starters showed great promise once again in the second preseason game against the Jets as Ryan went 4-for-5 for 75 yards and a touchdown and Atlanta scored on each of its first two possessions.

As Falcons fan, it's hard not to be cautiously optimistic about the direction Quinn appears to be taking this organization. It's still early, and the Falcons still have plenty of time to find a way to return to their old ways and break the hearts of us all.

For now, though, things appear to be looking up in Atlanta.

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Oct. 04 vs. Houston Texans 1:00 PM CBS

Oct. 11 vs. Washington Redskins 1:00 PM FOX

Nov. 01 vs. Tampa Bay Buccaneers 1:00 PM FOX

Nov. 22 vs. Indianapolis Colts 1:00 PM CBS

Nov. 29 vs. Minnesota Vikings 1:00 PM FOX

Dec. 27 vs. Carolina Panthers 1:00 PM FOX

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IT'S BEGINNING TO FEEL A LOT LIKE FOOTBALL



Chris Raimondi Sports Editor

We've made it. Kennesaw State's first football game in school history is next week, Sept. 3 at East Tennessee State.

Since February 2013, over two years of building, planning, recruiting and practicing have led to next Thursday's road matchup for the Owls. All of the pomp and circumstance from unveiling uniforms to holding a public homecoming scrimmage will be miniscule when KSU steps on to the field in Johnson City, Tennessee.

The timing for kickoff could not be better as the school's exponential growth is all the more palpable while KSU welcomes in a new campus in Marietta. Finally, for the students, KSU feels more like a traditional college than ever before. But what lies ahead?

For starters, the football team is now in game-mode every week. More film-watching, pre-game walkthroughs, increased media coverage and weekly position battles are just a few elements added to the young Owls' routine. They get to hit other teams instead of each other, finally.

But for the students, you will receive something every weekend this fall that seniors like myself have been waiting for since the day I decided to come to KSU. We get to support our own football team.

Sure, most of us have allegiances to other college football programs. Some of us were probably raised on it, especially in the south. UGA, Georgia Tech, Alabama, Auburn; whoever you support may forever be 'my' team to you. But the college you decided to apply to and attend now has given you something authentic.

For six Saturday's in Kennesaw this fall, it will be game day at Fifth Third Bank Stadium. You go

to KSU, so whether you like it or not, the football team is your team.

The school provided student tickets, tailgating opportunities, transportation, apparel and access to get to know the players and coaches. KSU has done its part to spark interest; the responsibility to build tradition is now in the hands of the students.

The 2015 football season is an opportunity to lay a foundation at KSU for annual traditions. The team can control what happens on the field, but ultimately the students have the power to give the players a reason to compete.

The tone can be set by whether or not supporters choose to tailgate, attend the Owl-Walk, enter the stadium early and leave late, establish post-game rituals and sing along to the fight song.

For a majority of fans, one of the six home football games will be the first KSU sporting event they attend. While it is great to see football helping raise student spirit, the school's newest team is at the bottom of totem pole when it comes to KSU's athletics. Every team at KSU competes for a conference championship annually. The bar is set high for the football team, and they are well aware.

The inaugural home game is Sept. 12 against Edward Waters at 4 p.m. The rest of the season offers a homecoming game, military appreciation day and senior day. Will there be tradition? Who knows?

What I do know is that it's football season in Kennesaw. And I can't wait to see what that means.



Cheerleaders lead the Owl Walk before the Black and Gold Spring Game

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REED NETS DOUBLE HAT TRICK IN BLOWOUT WIN

Jonathan Hicks Contributor

Brittany Reed recorded a double hat trick in Kennesaw State's 12-0 blowout win over Alabama A&M in the season opener Friday.

The Owls led 7-0 at halftime with Reed claiming five goals in the first 25 minutes. The junior finished with a total of six goals after netting her final goal in the 56 minute. Reed set a new KSU record for most points and goals in a single game with 12 points and six goals against the Bulldogs.

"You know she's always going to give 100 percent when she's on the field," KSU head coach Rob King said of Reed. "I wouldn't want to mark her."

The Owls started the scoring in the second minute with a goal off a corner by Reed. Cassidy Kemp was the game's second leading scorer with two

goals while three other Owls scored during the contest, including a stunner from midfielder Hannah Churchill from a free kick.

KSU lined up in a 4-3-3, a formation that relies on a lot of interplay on the wings and speed. The offensive nature of the formation showed through with the Owls taking a total of 36 shots throughout the match. The majority of the game was spent in Alabama's final third as KSU dominated possession from the start.

"I definitely think we're at our strongest when we high press teams and don't let them play out," Churchill said. "I think this is a good building brick for our first game but we still have a lot we need to work on."

Alabama A&M failed to gain a foothold in the match,

mustering only a single shot in the entire 90 minutes. The overall defensive cohesion and understanding from a backline led by sophomores Abby Roth and Ida Hepsoe helped KSU showcase such suffocating defense.

Coach King was able to allow every player to get some minutes and build match fitness. "This game was one where we came with a game plan and we executed it," King said. "That style and tempo is something that will be important for us this season."

KSU travels to Atlanta to face Georgia State on Monday. "Georgia State is a good team, a lot of kids we know," King said. "It'll be a close game, but it's a rivalry game and we'll want to go down there and come away with a win."



Brittany Reed scored a KSU record six goals against Alabama A&M

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