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## One small step against domestic violence, one high-heeled walk by mankind

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(From left) John Spranza, Andy Bruce and Nathan Gaddy are among those who rock their heels in the third annual “Walk-A-Mile” event to raise awareness for domestic violence.

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# National landmark opens near GHC

By Mike Geibel  
Asst. Online Editor

The Georgia National Cemetery is open and operational just a short drive from the Cartersville campus.

The cemetery allows for remembrance and honor of fallen soldiers dating back to before World War I. It is to be the main national cemetery to serve the burial needs of military veterans and their families for the next 50 years.

Just about 10 miles east on Highway 20 from the Cartersville campus and a short drive from the entrance sign lies a sight akin to the perfectly aligned white headstones found at national cemeteries across the country.

Built on land donated by WWII veteran Scott Hudgens, the cemetery had its first burial on April 24, 2006 and has been operational ever since.

The 775-acre site is still under development but already has over 2000 veterans memorialized, with room for up to 30,000. The Georgia

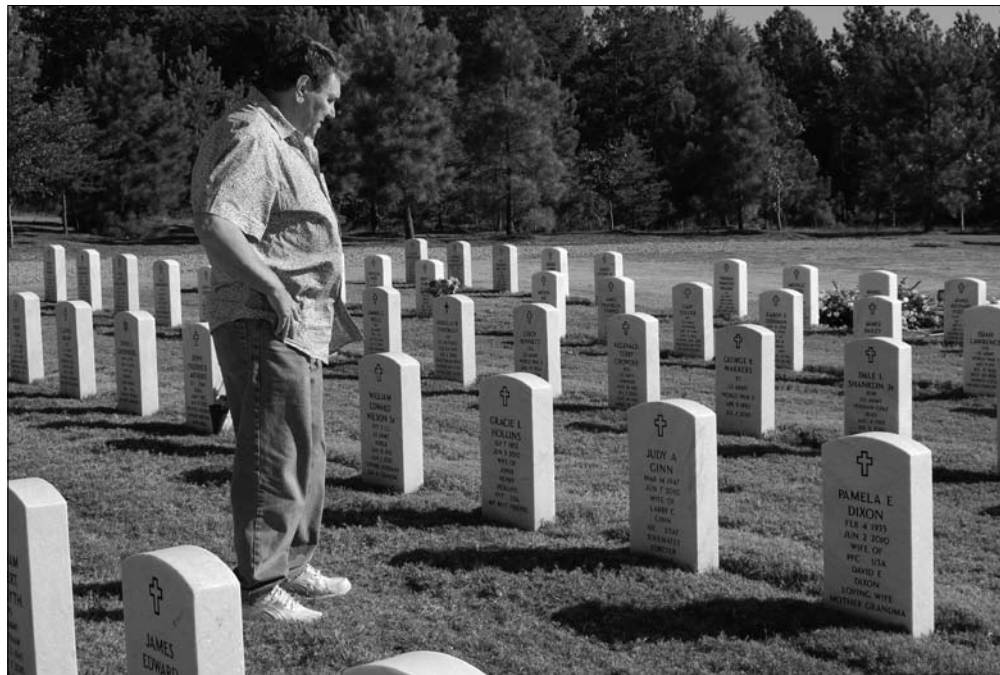


Photo by Kaitlyn Hyde

**Larry Ginn, a veteran of the United States Air Force, visits his wife Judy's grave at the Georgia National Cemetery. They had been married 46 years.**

National Cemetery is the 123<sup>rd</sup> national cemetery and the second in Georgia.

Funerals held at the cemetery are meant to honor and remember veterans who served the United States and either died defending the country, or from other

causes at another time.

According to U.S. Army Spc. Blake Vara, who is a former GHC student and has served on duty for several military burials, a military funeral is "not like anything you will ever see at a civilian service. It is the

most honorable thing you can do for a fellow soldier, and it is incredible to see the reverence they are given." Twenty-one-gun salutes are given at every military funeral, and while that is the most recognized part of the service to civilians, there is

much more involved than that.

Some military funerals have drawn crowds in the thousands, with police, fire and other civil servants joining in the procession and showing their gratitude toward the soldier who gave his or her life.

The soldiers on funeral duty put on their best performance, practicing their routine day in and day out so that it is carried out to perfection when the stage is set for the funeral service.

Vara commented, "It's really a mixed bag of emotions. You always feel sad to lose a fellow soldier, but at the same time, you are honored to be a part of the ceremony to remember them and you want to do everything right."

The Georgia National Cemetery is open to the public from sunrise until sunset every day of the week. The information office is open from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday except on federal holidays.

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# New nursing simulation lab dedicated

By Christie H. Boyd  
Staff Writer

Sept. 28 was a red letter day at Heritage Hall as the new Simulation Lab was dedicated by Randy Pierce, president of GHC. The centerpieces of the lab are two patient rooms that feature two MetiMan mannequins that will be used by second year nursing students.

The MetiMan mannequins are programmable and can be set up to provide scenarios that would be dangerous for nursing students to practice on living patients in the hospital setting. The mannequins speak, breathe and have pulses just like living patients. Instructors can program them to have almost any symptom.

When on, the MetiMan is able to answer questions. For example, it can be programmed to have breathing problems. A nursing student would ask if MetiMan has asthma and he might respond with a no. The student would then ask if he has congestive heart failure, again getting a response of no. The student would go on to ask if he had any heart trouble in the past and the student may receive yes as

the answer.

This is an important part of the Simulation Lab's experience for students. Rebecca Maddox, interim director of nursing, put MetiMan through his paces by entering different scenarios through the Apple Computer in the control room.

She put the mannequin through several breathing sequences and one could plainly hear a Strider breathing pattern that occurs mostly in the upper respiratory system, mostly in the trachea. When Maddox set MetiMan up for pulmonary embolism, a technical term for blockage in an artery of the lung, one could see, feel and hear that he was only breathing on one side of his chest.

The two MetiMan labs cost about \$180,000 and were paid for through the GHC Legacy Fund with contributions from clinical partners: Floyd Hospital, Redmond Hospital, The Specialty Hospital, Tanner Medical Center, Wellstar and the Harbin Clinic. "This lab could never have been built without the help of our clinical partners. We are fortunate that we have two operational rooms with the



Photo by Chiara VanTubbergen

**A MetiMan mannequin is a new addition to Heritage Hall's simulation lab.**

MetiMen," explained Maddox. "Second-year students will have the opportunity to work with the MetiMan next semester after all the nursing staff received training," Maddox said.

The two MetiMen will provide scenarios that are not often seen in the clinical rotations. There are also

two cameras in each room that will film the students as they provide patient care to the MetiMen. They will be able to watch videos of their performance with their instructors and receive valuable feedback about their treatment of the MetiMen.

The MetiMen are anatomically correct and will

train years of student nurses in a manner that was not possible just a few years ago. They also come with spare parts so that the MetiMan can be set up as Meti-Women.

Human patients will receive better care because of student's experiences in the Simulation Lab.

## Highlands Happenings

### Early Bird Advising

By Kim Riggins  
Staff Writer

Do not miss the chance to meet with an advisor and discuss goals to ensure that the proper requirements are met for graduation and or transfer. Early Bird Advising will not cover specific class times or schedules but will help navigate program requirements as well as answer questions concerning changing majors.

Early Bird Advising will begin on Monday, Oct. 18 and continue through Friday, October 29. Those with questions concerning Early

Bird Advising may contact the Advising Office at 706-802-5103 or email at [advising@highlands.edu](mailto:advising@highlands.edu). More information about Early Bird Advising can be found on the Georgia Highlands website at <http://www.highlands.edu/site/advising>.

### Fall Frenzy

By Amanda Ray  
Staff Writer

GHC Rocks! That is the theme of Fall Frenzy, a yearly event that takes place on every campus.

On the Paulding site, Fall Frenzy was celebrated Oct. 11 at the Courtyard

with the band Act of Congress performing. Other activities included wax hands, pet rocks, a rock wall and free giveaways.

The Douglasville site had its Fall Frenzy on Oct. 14 in the parking lot, also with Act of Congress performing, as well as some of the same activities.

The Marietta site will hold its Fall Frenzy on Oct. 21, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. outside in the quad. Activities will include temporary tattoos, pet rocks and giveaways.

Both the Cartersville and Floyd locations will have performances by the band Lloyd Dobler Effect. Other events will include

temporary tattoos, a rock wall and pet rocks.

The Cartersville campus will have its Fall Frenzy on Oct. 22 from 6pm-10pm and the Floyd Campus on Oct. 20 from 10am-2pm.

Free food is available at each event. Fall Frenzy is also open to the community.

### Phi Theta Kappa

By Amanda Ray  
Staff Writer

Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Honor Society inducted its new members on Oct. 15 in the Lakeview Building on the Floyd campus.

To be considered for membership into PTK the students had to have at least a 3.5 GPA, be enrolled in an accredited institution that offered an associate degree program, have finalized 12 credit hours at the accredited institution and pay a \$60 application fee to join.

PTK students also have the opportunity to apply for almost \$36 million in scholarships set aside exclusively for PTK members.

\*For a full list of the inductees' names, please see the story on [sixmilepost.com](http://sixmilepost.com).

\*PTK will continue to accept applications until December.

# Students, faculty lend a hand in New Mexico

By Neen Snowball  
Staff Writer

"It was a life changing experience," said Susan Claxton, coordinator of the human services program at GHC, referring to the GHC student trip to the Navajo Indian reservation in New Mexico.

Claxton, Cindy Wheeler, assistant professor of English, and 12 students went to the reservation near Gallup in July. The human services students received field placement course credit. The trip was co-organized by Hands and Feet Ministries.

While the group was on the reservation, they lent a helping hand to the Navajo people. Work was done on the house of Ada, an elderly Navajo woman. Her home got new paint, a wheelchair ramp and a new front porch.

Wheeler said, "It was touching to see how much Ada appreciated the work we did. We learned that many groups come to the reservation with promises that they don't keep. We



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GHC human services students hand out produce to Navajo families.

were glad to be able to see the project through to completion."

The group took part in other projects such as re-roofing another house, preparing and delivering lunches to the homeless and volunteering at a clothing drive.

The students also deliv-

ered fresh produce to families on the reservation. The Navajo children were especially excited during this event.

"You would have thought we were handing out candy. They wrapped themselves around our necks and legs because they wanted to play and didn't want us to

go," said Amanda Stevens, human services major.

According to Claxton, life on the reservation isn't exactly picturesque like most people conceive it to be. Many families are without running water and electricity. Some of the homes are falling apart while other families make homes out

of campers.

Wheeler said, "I saw houses that were made out of pieces of plywood that looked as if they were duct-taped together. It was a very eye-opening experience."

Although many families live at the poverty level, Claxton says that the Navajos retain a very strong family culture. The older children take care of the younger children while the parents are at work trying to help their family survive. There is also a deep respect for the elders within the Navajo people.

Hospice isn't really utilized because the Navajo people still rely on the use of medicine men and women as they have for centuries.

Claxton plans to return to the reservation two days after Christmas with Hands and Feet Ministries. Students are welcome to sign up for this trip, but it will not be for credit. However, Claxton is planning another trip during spring break that will be for credit.

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When: Oct. 29 from 6-10 p.m.

Where: Lakeview Auditorium at Floyd

Gaming Club Zombie Bash:

A zombie-themed costume party with free food and games

Entry: \$7/person or

\$12/couple with no costume.

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When: Oct. 31 from 7-11 p.m.

Where: Student Center at Floyd

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# Stacey Lannert sheds a light on her life story

By Danielle Donaldson  
Staff Writer

When Stacey Ann Lannert was eight years old her father molested her, and a year later he began raping her.

Speaking on the Cartersville campus Oct. 6, Lannert shared her life story as part of the college's recognition of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

After Lannert told her audience about being sexually abused by her father, she showed a clip from when she was on the "Oprah Winfrey Show." She then asked if seeing the video describing the abuse she suffered made them think differently about her.

"I don't tell people about my past so they can feel sorry for me. I tell people my past so they can understand," Lannert said.

Lannert's father had been abusing her mother before he moved on to her and her sister. When her mother could not take the abuse anymore, she divorced her husband and left her two daughters with their dad. Lannert was just 13. At one point, Lannert told her babysitter to tell her mother what her father was doing to her, but her mother didn't take any action to help.

When Lannert's sister was 15 years old, she was raped by her father. Then Lannert shot her father twice in the head, and he died instantly. She was only 18 at the time. This event started the journey that would change the rest of her life.

Lannert was found guilty and sentenced to life in prison without parole because she could not prove her reason for shooting her father was self-defense.



Photo by Katie Morris

**Speaker Stacey Lannert tells her story to the Cartersville campus and community.**

When Lannert was in jail, she felt isolated because no one believed her when she would say what her father did to her.

As time passed Lannert was approached by a public defender that was more than willing to help her get her case appealed. The public defender took on Lannert's case pro bono.

Lannert and her public defender continued to

lose appeal after appeal. Judges apologized to Lannert because under the current domestic violence laws they could not do anything to help her.

As years went by, governor after governor pushed her petition aside. She kept waiting for her turn.

To keep busy, she trained dogs. "The dog that I trained saved my life," Lannert said, almost in tears.

When her lawyer said she needed to garner more public support for her case, Lannert was hesitant at first, but she eventually gave an interview to Glamour magazine.

After that interview, she realized that she did have to get her story out to as many people as possible "to bring sexual abuse from darkness to light."

This helped her face reality, to stop pretending that she was not abused and that what happened to her in the past did actually happen.

Soon after the article was published in Glamour, people from all over the country began writing Lannert letters saying they believed her story. Some even admitted that they either knew someone who had gone through the same situation or that they themselves were victims.

Lannert had been in jail for a total of 18 years when Matt Blunt, governor of Missouri, awarded her clemency on Jan. 6, 2009. Lannert walked out of jail a free woman six days later.

After listening to Lannert's story, sophomore Jennifer Peacock said, "I thought it was very powerful, and I was shocked to hear how many men and women are abused."

Lannert also spoke on the Floyd campus on Oct. 7.

## GHC students/staff participate in community domestic violence awareness event

By Hayden Jones  
Staff Writer

Donning their various high heels, participants in the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes March Against Domestic Violence began their trek at Unity Point on South Broad Street and ended at Government Plaza in Rome on Oct. 8.

Approximately 300 people participated in the event; around 100 of those were Georgia Highlands' students.

Silhouettes of women were placed along the route, each bearing the name of someone that has been injured or killed as a result of domestic violence.

Tamara Early said, "A lot of times people just overlook issues like this because it either doesn't actually impact them or they just feel uncomfortable discussing it. By having events like this, it makes

people think about the impact that domestic violence has in the community and helps them realize that it is a problem that affects many women."

Andy Bruce, GHC student, commented, "It was good to come out and support those who have been victims of domestic violence. It makes me feel good to know that there are people out there who want to stop people from hurting others."

Some of the male participants commented that wearing heels is really hard but they felt empowered by participating and taking a stand against domestic violence.

One in every four women is victim to domestic violence. Event coordinator, Shannon Williams, said that over 60 women in the Floyd County area lost their lives to domestic violence last year. This walk raises awareness and allows the



Photo by Chiara VanTubbergen

**(From left) Steve Early, Krista Green and Andy Bruce rest their feet before the long walk against domestic violence.**

community to help fight against it.

The event was hosted by the Hospitality House and the Domes-

tic Violence Task Force. This is the third year that the walk has been held.

## Being deaf doesn't hold Howell back

By Dana Hogan  
Staff Writer

Ryan Howell is a 23-year-old deaf student who has been attending Georgia Highlands College for the past four years. When Howell was born, his umbilical cord was wrapped around his neck. The pressure caused his eardrums to burst, which caused him to lose his hearing.

Howell is majoring in education and would like to teach middle school age deaf children. He says, "I feel that I should teach deaf kids because they need help and more male role models."

When Howell was three years old, he began learning to use sign language through his preschool. He uses a lot of sign language and also tries to read people's lips. He tries to always carry paper around with him so that he can write out what he wants to say to people.

Howell has an interpreter that goes to class with him and interprets the lectures. He said that the transition between high school and college was challenging for him, but he is determined to show the world what he can do.

Howell enjoys playing sports of any kind, but he particularly likes football. Someday he would like to



Photo by Kaitlyn Hyde

### Ryan Howell

join arena football and even coach a football team. He has many other hobbies such as fishing, hanging out with his friends and going to church. Howell also enjoys learning how to cook things on the grill, such as hot wings. He says that he has a very good sense of smell because he can smell food from far away.

There are many experiences that Howell hopes to have in the future. He would like to take a trip around the world and hike through the western United States, particularly Colorado. He would also like to learn a foreign language in sign language.

He says he wants to prove "I can do it even if I am deaf."

## All they need is love

By Judson Hartline  
Staff Writer

About 20 minutes away from the Floyd campus is the Floyd County Animal Control Shelter, where one can adopt cats and dogs looking for a good home. The shelter is directed by Jason Broome, owner of two dogs of his own, who has been in the animal control business for more than 10 years.

According to Broome, over a five day average the shelter has about 75 dogs and 60 cats go through its doors. That's around 3,900 dogs a year. Most of the time, the facility is full to capacity. Last year the shelter had to put down 62 percent of these animals. That's around 2,400 a year.

That number has dropped dramatically since the shelter has started using an online web-service called Petfinder, [www.petfinder.com](http://www.petfinder.com), to help the animals find owners from as far away as Germany. The shelter gives new pet owners a small goody bag that contains a small bit of food and many instructions for taking care of the new pet.

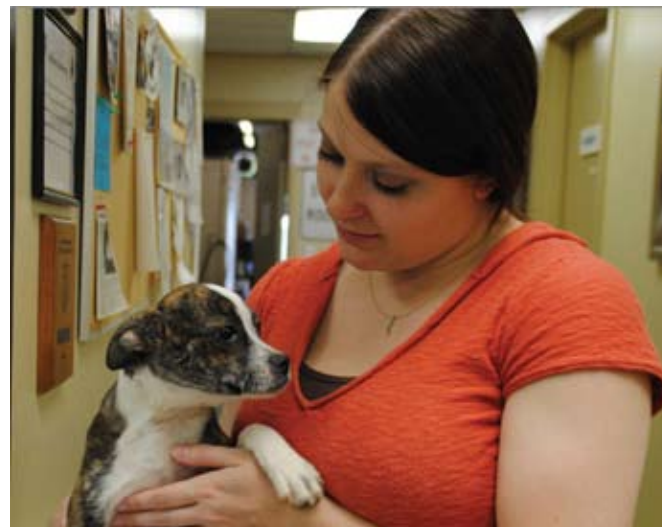


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### Karla Gutwein gives love and attention to a dog in need.

Karla Gutwein, a criminal justice major on the Floyd campus, volunteers at the shelter and has adopted two animals from the shelter herself. She thinks that adopting a pet isn't all that hard.

"Any illness of the pet can be fixed with food and love," Gutwein said. Each adopted pet must be spayed or neutered and vaccinated at the adopter's expense.

Broome said that if anyone would like to make a do-

nation to the shelter, there is always a need for cat litter and dog food.

Those interested in making a donation, volunteering at the shelter or in adopting a pet may contact the shelter at 706-236-4545 or 706-236-4537 or visit them online at [www.petfinder.com](http://www.petfinder.com). People are also encouraged to stop by the shelter located at 431 Mathis Road to see all the pets available. The pets are adopted out on a first come, first served basis.

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- PTK inductees list
- Sports updates



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# Future employer just disliked your profile

According to Facebook.com, people worldwide spend 700 billion minutes on Facebook a month.

In 2008 Facebook showed 27,811,560 users in the United States. Now, in 2010, Facebook shows 125,881,220 users. That's a 352.6 percent jump in just two years. Worldwide Facebook shows 500 million active users, each of which has an average of 130 friends.

This site began as a way for friends to connect, initially by invite only, and was limited to college students. Facebook has managed to do what Myspace and other sites of the same type have failed to do in the past—spread like wildfire in a dry open field. While Twitter is close on its heels, Facebook led the charge. It is no longer just for kids in college; everyone is using

it. People are even getting friend requests from Grandma.

Droid, iPhone and Blackberry apps allow users to use a mobile version of the site. Even the people without these smartphones are still able to receive updates via text message whenever something updates on the profile page. People can use Facebook anytime and anywhere.

If we spend this much time on Facebook, what are we missing out on? As kids use Facebook and get more “connected,” they are slowly becoming less connected to the physical world.

A top neuroscientist of Oxford University, Baroness Susan Greenfield, tells of the problems that long-term social networking use can cause. She says sites like Facebook “are infantilizing

the brain into the state of small children who are attracted by buzzing noises and bright lights, who have a short attention span and live for the moment.” Decreasing attention span in students is already a growing problem. By communicating through a computer screen, they do not pick up on the subtle undertones that go with human interaction such as sarcasm, body language and tone of voice.

Facebook and other social networking sites not only cause problems for kids, but also for students/graduates trying to find jobs. Someone may be perfect on paper, but Facebook pictures, posts and even statuses can blemish even the brightest of records. Whether it means not getting hired or in some cases fired, Facebook could be a per-

son's downfall.

A 2009 survey conducted by CareerBuilder.com showed that 45 percent of employers were using social networking sites, like Facebook, to get the dirt on the people applying for the job. Out of the 45 percent of employers searching social networking sites, 35 percent said that they did not hire a person because of what was posted on that person's profile. Employers were concerned if job applicants had posted content about drinking or drugs or inappropriate pictures or content or if a person talked bad about a previous/current employer or showed generally poor communication skills. While some employers choose not to hire a person due to his or her profile, others decided to hire a candidate because of the profile.

There is no need for GHC students to have a mass deletion of their Facebook and other social networking site profiles. But they should be aware of the dangers that come with using them. Everyone should remember not to post anything inappropriate, talk bad about employers/employees or anyone for that matter, or overuse text-messaging language and emoticons. When applying for schools or jobs, people should remember that if they have a profile out there, it will be found and it will be judged. The best advice is to clean it up beforehand; do remove bad pictures or posts, do leave groups that are inappropriate, do use good communication skills.

Employers and admissions officers are looking. What will happen when they see your profile?

## The American dream is quickly becoming the American nightmare

The American dream, the idea expressed by writer and historian James Adams in his book “The Epic of America,” that “life should be better and richer and fuller for everyone, with opportunity for each according to ability or achievement” seems to be long dead. We can struggle our entire lives only to become unemployed and homeless. Our economy is crashing in slow motion. Go to your television, and you will see news about foreclosures, news about the increasing unemployment rate and news about rising gas prices.

Today there are more people going back to school than ever. They are unable to find jobs and must return

to school in order to keep from paying their student loan debt. There are people losing their jobs daily due to their employers going out of business.

Right now there is an elderly couple worrying about the home they planned to leave for their children being worthless. They were under the false impression that American home prices would forever rise and that by putting more money into their home they could provide their children with an easier life.

Right now there is a family squatting in their already foreclosed home, sleepless. They worry the sheriff will kick down their door and force them into a life on the

streets any second now.

Where are we to put the blame? Who killed the American dream?

Well, simply put, it was the US Government. What Lew Rockwell Jr. calls the “leviathan state” has been sucking the money right out of American wallets.

The government consists of bureaucracies that stifle new ideas, that keep innovation only in the hands of the wealthy and the people who are able to get around the barriers put forth by the state. The government supports a trillion dollar a year military industrial complex to place American soldiers in every corner of the world. The state fails at its attempts to provide wel-



### Editor's Box

**Jesse Beard**  
Assistant Editor

fare and medical aid to the elderly, who instead of paying disgustingly high taxes, could have instead kept a savings account.

We must realize that the United States of America was not founded to become an empire. Our founding fathers had no dreams of placing soldiers in the Middle East under the guise of so-called protection.

The United States was created to stand against the very thing it has become, a Big Brother government with its fingers in every pocket.

If you are reading this, chances are you are able to vote. Chances are that you are capable enough to research candidates, to find those brave enough to fight for smaller government and to support them with your vote. We have a very intelligent Libertarian running for governor of Georgia. His name is John Monds. Look him up.

It will take a lot of work, a lot of talking and maybe even a lot of fighting to get ourselves out of this. But we can do it; our founding fathers did.



## Exercise your right to vote Nov. 2

### Georgia gubernatorial candidates



**Nathan Deal**  
Republican

- A graduate of Mercer University.
- Wants to develop a program to encourage math and science students to pursue a career in education.



**Roy Barnes**  
Democrat

- Law degree from UGA, served as a prosecutor for Cobb County district attorney.
- Fought to expand HOPE and provide more opportunities for Georgians to receive an education in Georgia.



**John Monds**  
Libertarian

- Wants to do away with mandatory minimum laws for non-violent drug offenders.
- Will fight against unfunded federal mandates like the No Child Left Behind program.

\*All information taken from the candidates' websites.



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## Make time this month to prioritize your life

Fall is my favorite time of year. There are cooler temperatures and beautiful colors wherever you look. I went paddling on my beloved Etowah River this past week and for the first time this year I was not too hot and the trees had begun to change.

When the seasons change, it seems that we change too. It doesn't matter how many days there are in a week, there never seems to be enough time to do the things we need to do or the things we want to do.

There is so much going on at GHC that one hardly knows what to partake in or what to study first. By this time of the semester, we should all know how to schedule for study and play time. Then life throws a curve and we find ourselves at square one and trying to schedule all over again.

This weekend, for example, I needed to study



### Living Life

**Christie H. Boyd**  
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for an exam, attend three events held by my political party where I am an active volunteer, attend church, write my column, do the laundry and do the grocery shopping. Some of these very important things did not get done, but it wasn't because of lack of trying. I just had more to do than I could schedule.

We have to be diligent in our endeavors but school work must come first and some other things just have to be left undone. It's up to us to prioritize what is most important.

I pledge that the month of October is going to be the month that I do a better job

of scheduling the things I need to do for school and put that at the top of my priority list.

The second thing I will prioritize is my family life. This includes making sure that I meet my husband's needs as well as my own. It seems impossible but everyone who ever has been to college knows that this is a necessity!

I hope you will join me in trying to get your schedule for studying and your family life prioritized and in the meantime you will sometimes find me struggling to juggle all the balls I hold in my hands in the air and ...Living Life!

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# A review of Fall 2010 Shows

## It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia

Thursdays at 10 p.m. on FX

By Ryan Edelson  
Staff Writer

"It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia," a show created and developed by three friends, Glenn Howerton, Rob McElhenney, and Charlie Day, on a budget that equals the yearly allowance of the average middle schooler, gives the middle finger to social norms and the dictated progression of the usual prime-time sitcom and in the process leaves us all crying on the floor and begging for more.

All three, while lacking adherence to formal acting structure, make the show all the more fun for their devoted fans. This lack of predictability leaves the show more open to improvisation, which is fostered by the crew's "anything goes" attitude.

Going into its sixth season, the show manages to maintain a fresh appearance. Each season premiere is truly like seeing the show for the first time because it is hardly a show for most.

Anyone who has seen the show before is well aware of its gritty, real-life feel. Let's face it. Who doesn't know a group of vain, selfish people who act only according to their own moral standards, or lack thereof.

The plot of the show is easy to follow because there isn't one. Each episode is just a brilliant, realistic slice of everyday life laden with all the expletives and innuendos that are to be expected from a real person. Have you ever met anyone who really talked like Wally Cleaver? The answer is no.

As the show continues, these slices of life keep us sane and grounded in a world that seems to be quite the antithesis and constantly have us going back for seconds.

## Desperate Housewives

Sundays at 9 p.m. on ABC

By Hanna Yu  
Staff Writer

The television series "Desperate Housewives" is often misperceived as a degrading show about scandalous women with loose morals; however, it is actu-

ally a dark-comedy revolving around the lives of four women living in suburbia. Their ability to hide the many complex scandals that lie behind the façade of their picture-perfect suburban neighborhood, Wisteria Lane, add to the intrigue and mystery.

The series features Teri Hatcher, Felicity Huffman, Marcia Cross, and Eva Longoria Parker as the key women of the show. From tawdry affairs with the gardener, to the murder of a blackmailer, the show has always gone deep down the rabbit hole of scandals.

Now, in its seventh season, the housewives have become intertwined with each other's darkly twisted affairs, blackmail, revenge and even murder.

Every technical aspect of this contemporary TV show is complementary to the plot. The theme song was composed by the famous Danny Elfman and successfully recreates the mysterious feeling reserved for Wisteria Lane.

Perhaps the appeal of the show is to depict familiar life in suburbia and yet hint

at possibilities of scandals and outrageous behavior in the house right next door.

## Vampire Diaries

Thursdays at 8 p.m. on CW

By Lorraine Rebuelta  
Staff Writer

Beginning with their first season last year, Vampire Diaries has become a huge hit with vampire lovers. It follows the books written by L. J. Smith. The TV show has received awards such as People's Choice Award and Teen Choice Awards.

The show is about the life of Elena Gilbert (Nina Dobrev), who falls in love with vampire Stefan Salvatore (Paul Wesley), and soon finds herself caught in a love triangle between Stefan and his older brother, Damon (Ian Somerhalder); while the brothers are also being haunted by the past they've had with Katherine Pierce (also played by Nina Dobrev). The series also focuses on the lives of Elena's friends and other residents of the fictional town of Mystic Falls, Va.

The new addition of werewolves in the second season has left us biting our fingernails for the episodes to come. In the show werewolves have the ability to kill vampires with just one bite. Even though Damon, Stefan and the newest vampire, Caroline, want to protect themselves, there is no telling what is going to happen next.

## Bones

Thursdays at 7 p.m. on TNT

By Michael Davis  
Editor

The lovable FBI agent--Agent Seeley Booth (David Boreanaz)--and that quirky, socially awkward forensic anthropologist--Dr. Temperance "Bones" Brennan (Emily Deschanel)--are back after last season's less than happy ending. There is just one problem. While every-

one was away, Booth found another woman.

Another obstacle has come in the way of the Bones/Booth relationship every fan has been waiting for. While on duty in Afghanistan, Booth saved a field reporter--Hannah (Katheryn Winnick)--and thus the relationship blossomed to what Booth calls "serious as a heart attack" in episode one. It seems for now that the two parts of a whole, Brennan and Booth, will be temporarily divided.

In the season premier, fans saw the show trim away the bugs, dead flesh, and other particulates to get back to the so-called "Bones" of the show. Meaning the show brought the original cast back to the surface. Angela Montenegro (Michaela Conlin) and Dr. Jack Hodgins (T.J. Thyne) are back from Paris, not to mention Angela is pregnant. Dr. Camille Saroyan (Tamara Taylor), returned to the Jeffersonian, leaving her job as the Federal Medical Examiner. Also, Dr. Lance Sweets (John Francis Daley) has returned to the job after taking a sabbatical after his fiancé, Daisy Wick (Carla Gallo), left him to work on a dig in Indonesia with Dr. Brennan.

As seen from the complex relationships of the show's basic anatomical structure, the cast, the show becomes more than a televised, episodic mystery novel. It is a romantic dramedy, complete with star-crossed lovers and tragic downfalls.

So in this season, expect to see tension between Booth and Bones. Bones will be jealous of Booth's relationship with Hannah but will try her best to keep it internalized. Hodgins and Montenegro are staying in town. Sweets and Daisy are going to work on their relationship. As for Dr. Saroyan, she will continue to hold them all together long enough to solve the next case.

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## The Extra Point

By Casey Bass  
Staff Writer

## Forget the Richt way; I want my own Spurrier

Mark Richt has won 90 plus games and two SEC Championships in nine years at the University of Georgia, but after losing four games in a row, blood is in the water.

The arrest of 10 UGA players this year, paired with a four game losing streak, has given the Athletic Department ample reason to move on to a new head coach.

Georgia fans want a top five program, and Richt has not delivered.

In nine years he has led the Bulldogs to three BCS games, but never the big one, and now it seems he can't control his players. Georgia fans demand better.

The list of candidates for replacing Richt is broad, and most assume Alabama Defensive Coordinator Kirby Smart is at the top, but Smart is not the answer; Jim Harbaugh is.

Harbaugh is the Anti-Richt. He doesn't care if

other coaches, the media, or really anyone in general likes him. He cares about winning. Jim Harbaugh has taken an institution known for its academics (Stanford) and turned them into a powerhouse, averaging over 50 points a game (including 55 points on Pete Carroll's USC Trojans last season) and making Stanford a top 10 program.

The knock on Harbaugh is he is too rough, too mean, too cocky, too...Spurrier like. And any comparison to Steve Spurrier is seen as a death knell to a Georgia coaching candidate's chances. Why?

I am tired of the gentleman coach. Isn't it time Georgia fans got a coach who everyone in the world hates because no one in the world can beat him? Aren't we due for a polarizing head coach who snaps at reporters and wins by eight touchdowns? I am tired of nice guys.

I WANT MY OWN SPURRIER!

## Chargers to go intercollegiate?

By Lesley Mathis  
Staff Writer

Georgia Highlands may have a Division I intercollegiate sports program as soon as next fall in response to a poll asking students how they felt about the idea.

Last year, a survey was sent to students asking their opinion on adding intercollegiate sports to the school. Randy Pierce, President of GHC, said that the answers received were "pretty overwhelming yes."

Pierce also said, "Over 1000 students answered, and 80 percent of them were in favor. Sixty percent said that they were willing to pay a \$50 fee each semester."

Before students can expect the sports program to be added, the fee has to be approved. The Student Engagement Council will vote

to approve or disapprove it in October. After that, the Board of Regents also has to approve the fee. If both groups agree, then the college will start collecting the athletic fee fall of next year.

Pierce said that GHC plans on using the money from the fee for a variety of things. This would include hiring new coaches and renovating the locker rooms and fields.

If everything is approved, it will still take time to bring varsity sports to GHC. Pierce said, "Next year we would just plan on having club sports. With these teams, we would simply travel around and play local schools."

In Fall 2012, though, we would introduce the first intercollegiate sport. It would probably be basketball since we already have a gym. We

would add a men's and women's division. From there, we would continue to add two divisions of a sport a year."

Pierce also said that GHC may start looking into what different sports could be held at different campuses.

Most students agree with the decision to add this program. Andy Bruce, a chemistry major from Rome, said, "It would show some school camaraderie. Students would have a real reason to come together and support something."

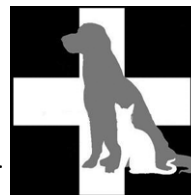
However, not everyone sees the benefits. Heather Meuter, an education major from Rome, said, "I think it could be a good idea, but it will just end up being a waste of money. Ticket sales wouldn't bring in enough money for paying coaches and redoing the fields."

Georgia Highlands is hosting the Small Colleges Intramural Flag Football Invitational (SCIFFI) on Nov.6 at the Floyd Campus. Games begin at 10 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

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## Plan B comes out on top in championship game

By Ryan Welchel  
Staff Writer

Plan B won the flag football championship, defeating the Jarheads 45-20 on Oct. 7.

The Jarheads' first possession resulted in a touchdown pass and a missed extra point. Plan B answered with a score and an extra point, giving them an early one point lead. The Jarheads then scored to take the lead 12-7.

Plan B took the ball all the way down the field on a single run and made the extra point to take the lead 14-12. The Jarheads' next possession ended up in an interception return for a touchdown and an extra point, making the score at halftime 21-12.

It was not looking good for the

Jarheads when they came out at the half and turned the ball over on downs. Plan B took advantage of this and scored but missed the extra point, extending their lead to 27-12.

The Jarheads' next possession ended when they threw the second interception of the game into Plan B's end zone for a touchback.

Plan B took the ball from their own one-yard line and scored another touchdown, making the score 33-12. The next drive by the Jarheads ended with the third interception of the game and a score by Plan B, making the score 39-12.

Late in the game the Jarheads scored their third touchdown to make it 39-20. Plan B successfully threw a Hail Mary, making the final score 45-20.



Photo by Austin Biddy

**Preston Causby is deflagged by Zach Owens during the championship game.**

## Play on!



Photo by Andrew Calvert

**Jose Ajanel pushes the ball forward while playing for the GHC soccer team. The GHC team plays as part of the Rome YMCA club soccer league, which hosts games at Grizzard Park, located on the Rome bypass. The club soccer season continues through Nov. 2.**

## Intramural basketball regular season ends; championship game scheduled for Nov. 3

By Michael Davis  
Editor

On Oct. 6, the last regular season intramural basketball games were played.

Faculty/Staff played against Plan B and won 52-34. The Oreos overtook the Fighting Chickens with a final score of 56-48.

After the season came to a close, The Oreos came out on top with six wins and zero losses. Faculty/Staff came next with three wins and three losses. The Fighting Chickens ended the season with two wins and four losses, and Plan B ended with one win and five losses.

On Oct. 27, a 3-on-3 intramural basketball tournament will begin. The Faculty/Staff will take on The Fighting Chickens in the first game of the tournament. Then the Oreos will play Plan B.

The semi-finals and the championship games will take place on Nov. 3.

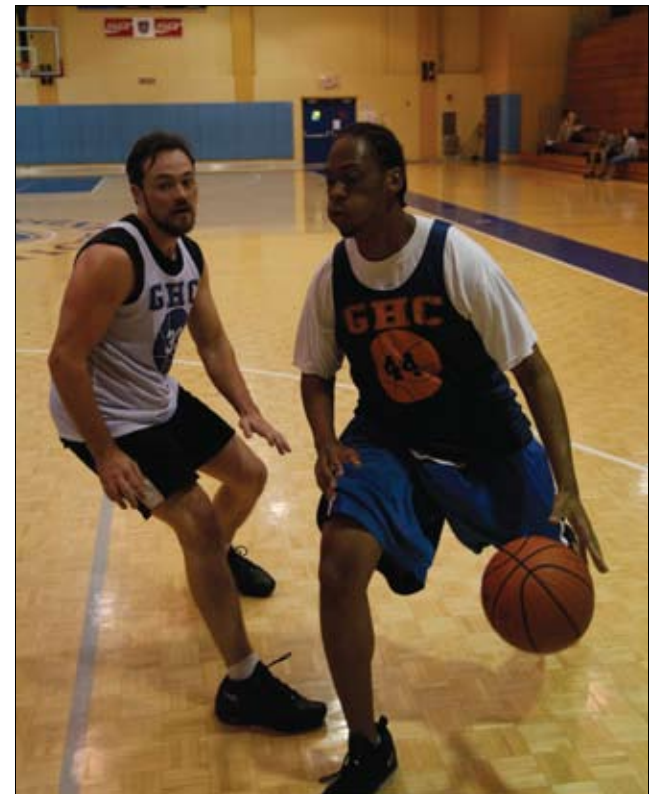


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**Seth Ingram (left) of the Faculty/Staff team guards Judge Watkins of the Oreos.**