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The Eagles will be led by in
Can qualify for a 'bowl' game.
remaining on the schedule,
ning as head coach and never
able. Summers never got go
on the field became unbear
reputable program, an 0-6 re
5-13 record as Head Coach.
have an 0-6 overall record,
Sunday. The Eagles currently
son Summers parted ways on
proaching and Armstrong has
often than usual, Halloween
radio stations playing Mi
ing up on your TV guide, or
stores putting up decorations
pumpkin spice ads appearing,

When you see all the
embraces everywhere is swiftly
approaching and Armstrong has
of events coming up
students to enjoy.
Housing and Residence
Life will be presenting its an
Haunted Trail on Oct. 27
from 8 to 10 p.m. This year it
will be at the Pirate Athletic
Center instead of the woods behind
Windward Commons, where

There is no entry fee.
Get in but Housing requests
that you bring a $1 donation
to go towards the Leukemia and
Lymphoma Society.
HOLA, CUB, and SGA
are joining together to host
HOL-Aween and Escape Room
Adventure on Oct. 26
from 6 to 10 p.m. They will
be having their annual cos

Following a 55-20 loss
Housing and Residence
We had over 300 people at
ed with more opportunities
to go towards the Leukemia and
Lymphoma Society.

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The Armstrong Youth
Arts Auditorium from 1 to 2
of Arts Drive, and the
installation of additional sig
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Bylaws.

of events happening all over
Halloween.
Students Celebrate Armstrong One Last Time

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Celebrate Armstrong. Armstrong's biggest celebration of the year took place on Thursday Oct. 19. Over 50 departments and student organizations set up booths to showcase what they have to offer for students here at Armstrong. Attractions were also on display to every person in attendance. Attendees could ride a mechanical bull, amount a rock wall, play at a dunk tank or with inflatables and small carnival games and of course also enjoy live music.

The booths set up by the student organizations were both informative and fun. Many booths also orchestrated some type of activity for the populace. Some booths held raffles, some held games and small carnival games and others held contests.

If you stopped by the Armstrong Police Booth, you could have entered in theiraffle for a faculty parking sticker (functional until July of next year)! A few booths had set it up where viewers could play ring toss or goldfish (the game that everyone loves). And still, some booths just gave out Armstrong merchandise; but either way, all the booths offered something fun to do and enjoy for everyone in attendance.

The rides were a great addition to Celebrate Armstrong this year. They gave everyone other fun things to do besides booth-visiting. The mechanical bull ride was very entertaining. As passengers "saddled up" one-by-one, everyone too would pull their phones out for the chance to put their friends, struggling to stay on, on Snapchat. The rock wall allowed people to flaunt their dexterity. Races to the top of the wall even started to create friendly competition. The dunk tank was also a fun attraction, and of course the person in the dunk tank talked trash. However, he ate his words more often than he probably expected. Although the inflatable crash course was put up to accommodate a niche preference, it too garnered a decent crowd. Races to get out of the course ensued.

Along with all the attractions, snow cones, cupcakes, hot dogs, BBQ and drinks were served throughout the party with live music from a DJ who played through the entire event.

A pirate ship was also set up in the parking lot along with the five-year tradition of the "car-and-dunkinghamer," which took a heavy beating from the college students who took advantage of the "much-needed" stress-reliever.

Chris Beckworth, who is a freshman majoring in psychology at Armstrong, gave his opinion on Georgia Southern continuing this Armstrong tradition: "We should definitely keep Celebrate Armstrong next year because of the sense of friendship and fun brought to our campus."

Olivia Fama, who is also a freshman at Armstrong and majoring in Radiology, agreed with Beckworth, saying, "We should have some type of celebration for Armstrong because in the end, we will be Armstrong, but we will be Georgia Southern's Armstrong campus, therefore I think we should continue the tradition."

This wasn't the first Celebrate Armstrong, and it probably won't be the last. Regardless if we are Georgia Southern or Armstrong State, it is important to continue to celebrate the community, thus having a good time.

The tradition."
There are many things about Halloween that I look forward to every year - haunted houses, scary movie marathons or endless amounts of chocolate, to name a few. Every year, however, and usually as Halloween approaches, I see, typically, too many instances of cultural appropriation, throughout social media.

Cultural appropriation is when a privileged demographic misuses aspects of a marginalized demographic’s culture. Cultural appropriation is a subtle misconduct that can be incited from dubious circumstances; it can in some cases be mistaken for “fun” or incited from misguided acts; it can be in costume - the Caucasian demographic in America sometime use blackface or traditional Native American headdress as provisional costumes or fashion statements, which in turn upsets the disadvantaged black and Native American communities.

As Kyli Rodriguez-Cayro, a writer from Bustle, puts it, “Ask yourself these questions before dressing up: Is my costume representative of a community’s pain and suffering? Does my costume belong to a culture that is not part of my heritage? If the answer is yes to one or both those questions, ditch the costume.”

Don’t be that person who says, “It’s just a costume, I’m not offending anyone!” You can’t parade around using aspects of someone’s culture without understanding the history and struggles of said culture.

To me, it truly is not that difficult to wrap my head around one simple concept: a culture is not a costume. USA Today also does an amazing job explaining the difference between cultural appropriation and ‘cultural appreciation’.

“Cultural appropriation [can be considered as] good borrowing, making a Moroccan soup for dinner and talking with your family about it. Cultural appropriation can be offensive, turning a hijab into a costume can mock the person who wears it every day as part of their religion.”

“Cultural appropriation can also be offensive when the person doing the borrowing is privileged, while the person who is being borrowed from is marginalized. For instance, a white person wearing dreadlocks on Halloween when a black man wearing dreadlocks on a regular Monday gets told ‘you can’t work here,’” USA Today also explains.

You might wear a sombrero around for one day out of the year and scream “build that wall” the next, but there are people who must struggle every day of their lives because of their race, religion or culture.

If you’re unsure if your costume is cultural appropriation, it probably is. Just ditch that costume and be a cat or something that won’t offend anybody.
Will New Consent Standard Aide In Providing More Protection Against Sexual Assault?

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Armstrong’s very own Jack Simmons, who has served as a professor in philosophy for 13 years, spoke to students and faculty about the “New Consent Standards,” on Friday, Oct. 13 at noon in the Ogeechee Theatre. Simmons not only shared his opinions concerning the “New Consent Standard,” but also shared the opinions of other professors and authors. His approach to addressing this topic was refreshingly unbiased but did give us all new things to think about and to consider regarding these new standards.

According to the National Sexual Violence Resource Center website, one-in-five women and one-in-six men are sexually assaulted while in college. This same site informs us that 63 percent of sexual assaults are not reported to police. Simmons passed the ball onto the beginning of this event, and it included a short presentation and violations of policy at Armstrong.

Politics such as Armoug’s Sexual Offense Prevention Policy, which is revised each year and is in their Student Handbooks, and the “New Consent Standard” ensure all students, and individuals are aware about their rights, and what is acceptable and not acceptable regarding being sexually active with another person.

Professor Simmons mainly focused on the “New Consent Standard” that says, “At all times when consent is withdrawn or not explicitly agreed to, the sexual activity must stop immediately.”

During his speech, which included a scene from the movie La La Land, the actor just walked up on the actress and gave her a kiss without asking, he pointed out that this would not be acceptable with this new standard, even if you are in a relationship or married.

In the new standards it also states that, “Consent is required regardless of the parties’ relationship, prior sexual history, or current activity.”

When I interviewed Prof. Jack Simmons, and asked what were his personal thoughts on the new standards, he said, “I am a wait and see kind of person. This change has the potential of being good, and it also has the potential to be bad.”

I also interviewed a student, Layton, who is a freshman at Armstrong, and when I asked her the same question she said, “Ask for consent, but on the other hand these are strict rules, and could kind of hinder sex. It’s kind of like awkward to say, hey you want to have sex,” “do you want to keep having sex,” and like say this every two minutes.

Governor Jerry Brown, who is the governor of California, signed nation’s first affirmative consent standard in 2014. College campuses, like campuses in California, and Governor Brown support and accept this “New Consent Standard” and call it “Yes Means Yes.” This gives more protection to victims and protects a person if their incapacitated from alcohol or sleeping. A writer of The Washington Post, Jaclyn Friedman, and editor of Yes Means Yes: Visions of Female Sexual Power and A World Without Rape, wrote in a column that students are strictly making a bowl appearance impossible, many in the program have no idea what the direction of the game is. GSU looks for win number one again on Oct 28 @ Troy. Two home games remain on the schedule, with Georgia State on Nov. 4 and South Alabama on Nov. 18.

Support GSU Athletics on all your social media or take the trip to Statesboro for free admission to any GSU athletic event with a valid Pirate Card.