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BRB, going 2 jail

Texting, driving ban in effect

Samone PITTMAN • guest writer

Those who habitually text while driving may find themselves in trouble now that a statewide ban forces individuals to part with their cell phones in the driver's seat.

The law "bans text-based communications by drivers over 18 years of age with a Class C license. The ban prohibits writing, sending, or reading any text-based communication while driving."

The law also bans any driver under 18 from using a cellular device in any fashion.

Individuals who fail to abide by the ban will result in conviction, leading to a misdemeanor with one point added to their driver's license.

"It is for safe driving purposes," said Capt. Laura McCullough of the Office of Public Safety. "Testing has shown that texting while driving takes the driver's eyes and attention away from the road and traffic around them. This creates more accidents and has caused not only injury, but death in some accidents."

Some students, like theatre major Rem Farr, support the ban, but do not believe it will be enough because there are other habits, like eating while driving, that are just as dangerous.

"The biggest issue with texting is that it takes your focus off the road," he said. "In my four years of high school, eight students died in car accidents, so I find it safe to say that driving is an activity that needs full focus."

Texting fine

▲ Offenders will receive a \$150 fine and one point on their driver license.



Charles Minshew/STAFF
Straining milk, sugar and whipping cream into liquid nitrogen allowed seniors Koomi Orr (left), Kelsey Allmond and Michael Bergeron to create Dippin' Dots for students in the Russell Union yesterday evening. The three students are members of the Student Affiliates of the American Chemical Society, and they partnered with Eagle Entertainment to make vanilla and strawberry flavored treats.



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POLICE BEAT**Saturday, July 3, 2010**

▲ Darian Shemaiah Ward, 18, Southern Pines, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

▲ Kiara Cecelia Lewis, 18, Southern Pines, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

Sunday, July 4, 2010

▲ No reports filed.

Monday, July 5, 2010

▲ Officers assisted one motorist.

Tuesday, July 6, 2010

▲ Officers issued one traffic citation.

▲ Officers responded to an animal complaint at the College of Education. The animal was turned over to its owner.

▲ A report of theft by taking was made at the RAC.

▲ Officers responded to a report of suicide threat called in by a third party. Further investigation found the report to be unfounded.

Wednesday, July 7, 2010

▲ Officers issued one traffic citation, two traffic warnings, assisted one motorist and responded to two alarms.

▲ Bille Lance Richardson, 21, Magnolia Way, was charged with DUI (.091).

▲ Ryan Lidell Hunt, 18, Southern Pines, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

▲ Ellis Lawton Ford, 17, Blacktop Way, Atlanta, was charged with minor in possession/consumption of alcohol.

Thursday, July 8, 2010

▲ Officers issued four traffic citations, two traffic warnings, assisted five motorists, assisted one sick person, responded to two alarms and investigated one accident.

▲ A traffic cone was taken from the Centennial Place parking lot.

▲ A cell phone was taken from the Henderson Library.

▲ A wallet was taken from the Russell Union.

▲ Ashley Lynne Nickles, 21, Statesboro Place, was charged with DUI (.168), driving without license and failure to dim headlights.

Friday, July 9, 2010

▲ Officers issued four traffic citations, three traffic warnings, assisted one motorist, assisted one sick person, responded to one alarm and a vehicle fire.

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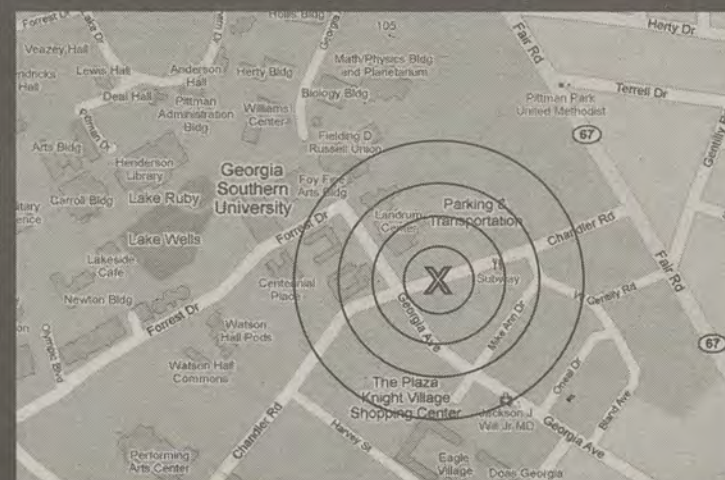
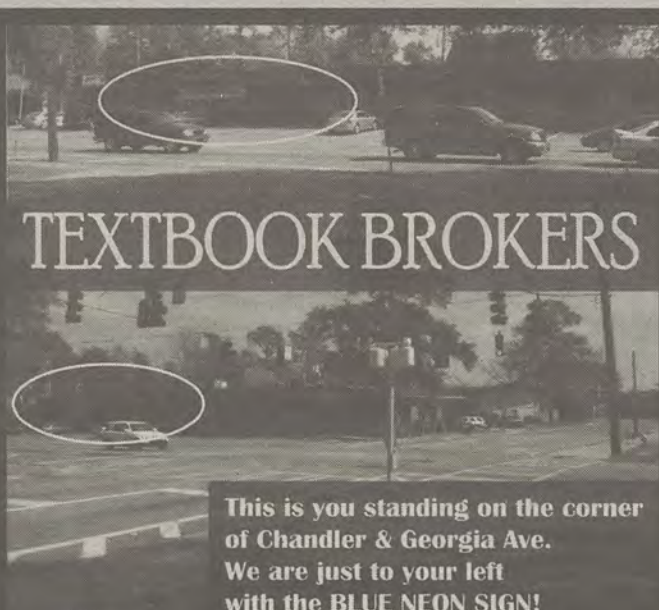
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HEOA Act: Students can receive 5 years jail time for pirating music

Brock VICKERS
guest writer

On campus, students of Georgia Southern will now find it harder — and more dangerous — to access pirated Internet files via the GSU network.

Effective July 1, the Higher Education Opportunity Act requires web security — such as firewalls and web deterrents — and disciplinary action — such as fines — to be put in place on campuses across the nation in order to prevent peer-to-peer file sharing.

"We have had mechanisms in place for some time now and have been compliant with the outlines of the HEOA for some years, and we will remain compliant," said Steve Burrell, vice president of information and technology services.

He said, "The Act required institutions to put in place certain deterrents to prevent access to illegal files online. Some institutions were not meeting requirements, and the Act simply forced them to take measures and put something in place."

Although patent and copyright laws have been in place for centuries, the HEOA narrows its regulations to focus on college campuses by putting in place official guidelines that schools must obey.

While the Act does not pertain only to peer-to-peer file sharing,

the amendments to the Act were made in order to decrease piracy on college campuses.

"[GSU's] policy is introduced to students at SOAR," said Burrell, "and further information can be found on our homepage."

While the Act does give suggestions, ultimately, any and all actions to be taken are left up to the school.

Copyright infringement penalties can be considered civil or criminal charges, and the HEOA sets in place a minimum fine of \$750 that is not allowed to exceed \$30,000 per work infringed.

However, if willful infringement can be proven, when one knowingly, and illegally, downloads music, the court may issue up to five years in prison and \$250,000 in fines.

"The fact that there would be stiff fines instituted in a special penalty tailored for those that are hard at work attending college perplexes me," graduate Eric Stetson said.

However, Stetson said that the Copyright Act itself leaves room for educational purposes and that college is the best place for educational use.

"Bands like the Grateful Dead even owe a certain degree of their fame to pirated recordings of their concerts," said Stetson adding that "piracy" hurts the record companies, not the artist.

Offenses under HEOA

- ▲ Burning CDs with copyrighted material and distributing them
- ▲ Sharing copyrighted files via mp3 or iPod
- ▲ Downloading any text or software that is copyrighted
- ▲ Joining a file-sharing network that allows access to unauthorized copies of music, movies or protected files

Not all are in agreement, as some students see this as the end of a long standing problem.

"Since it's an easy and cost efficient problem to fix, I'm glad the school is devoting time and man power to this issue," said Dustin Vaught a senior sociology major.

HEOA intends to decrease availability of access to file-sharing networks in order to prevent students from accessing such files

The Act sets in place requirements of its member colleges to prevent and educate first, and then, if necessary, punish offenders.

Burrell said, "Southern has been compliant for years now, so there will be no unexpected changes for students, nothing extra will be added, but we will follow our policies and those established by the HEOA."

For further information regarding the HEOA and GSU's policies, visit www.services.georgiasouthern.edu/aux/resnet.

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Our View

Text with common sense, please

It's always fun to play devil's advocate, so that means there's no better time to put up a defense on behalf of texting while driving.

Banning texting while driving is simply an example of a few ruining it for the majority.

Texting while driving does not have to be dangerous if it's done in a careful, cautious manner. Like many other things in life — alcohol, guns, fast food — texting has been ruined by the people who just lack common sense.

No one should ever think it is acceptable to text while driving 80 mph — because you all know you speed — down the highway, in the middle of stop-and-go traffic or in an area full of pedestrians. That is clearly asking for problems.

However, when stopped at a traffic light, there is significantly less risk as long as the driver remembers to keep his foot firmly on the brake.

But if he gets wrapped up in texting and forgets to go when the light turns green, drivers behind the offending vehicle will assuredly let him know to get moving. While annoying, there's

not really any danger.

It's also not really society's job to dictate what an individual does when there are no other vehicles around. It's perfectly understandable to have laws when a person's actions affect the safety of others, but really, if someone wants to make the decision to text in the middle of nowhere and runs off the road, well, the risks were obvious.

There's a great deal of personal responsibility required when it comes to many aspects of life that have legislation attached to it.

Citizens should recognize that if something seems dangerous, they shouldn't do it. If the government doesn't hold society to a higher standard, then there's really no reason for individuals to use their common sense.

But it's not the legislators' jobs, to hold everyone's hand with the law. Really, they should just prevent individuals from infringing upon the rights of others, which is why legislation to prevent texting while driving around others is perfectly acceptable. Alone, though, it should be at one's own risk.

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There are three full months between today and the elections. In that time period, Congress will be in session for four weeks, and then it will go into a monthlong recess.

By the time the recess is over, there will only be weeks before elections take place, so congressmen will naturally be focusing on campaigning to keep their jobs instead of working on legislation. And in the month before the recess, it's unlikely that anything of real, national importance will be accomplished, as Congress members are probably already thinking about the effect their votes will have on their reelection.

Now, why does this matter?



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that will change the status quo, and this schedule reads like months of wasted time.

The second one is, admittedly, less of an issue. Everyone needs a break of course, but it seems like a recess just before elections is awkwardly placed. Congress should be working until the very end to pass legislation that citizens and politicians alike have been

Because there are two major problems with situation: Congressmen are concerned more with campaigning based on their inaction and playing it safe than passing legislation

squabbling about all year. Take action now; if it's unpopular action, well, someone will be looking at an extended recess. But at least a decision would have been made, and things that have been started would be finished.

That leads into the other problem. As election time draws near, congressmen are less likely to make decisions on controversial subjects because they fear more for their positions than they care about standing up for something. But a congressman's job is to make legislation to run the country in the best way possible; that's why voters have elected that individual.

Congress needs to continue passing legislation on hot-button issues like the oil spill, immigration, the war(s) and other reforms and let voters make their decisions based on that, because at least that way something would get done.

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Inexpensive dates for your darling



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Guys, are you looking to impress that special girl that's caught your eye, but can't quite find the cash to do so?

Let's be honest, that \$30 dinner that she's only going to eat a third of and that cheesy movie with \$20 worth of popcorn is probably going to break the bank.

So, how do you impress that pretty young thing without going broke? Well, here are a few inexpensive suggestions right here on campus!

The easiest date you could take her on is a nice picnic at Sweetheart Circle — it's a great way to show off your culinary skills.

Now, please, don't warm up some old ramen and put it in a thermos. If you're really looking to impress, there are plenty of easy foods that you can pack for your romantic picnic.

Start with lemonade or iced tea — simple and easy. Make potato salad; potatoes are pretty cheap, and all you need are boiled eggs, mayonnaise and pickle relish. You could make BLT sandwiches or buy a \$5 rotisserie chicken to serve cold during the picnic. Pack some fruit, a few veggies and ranch dip, and you have a quick spread that will please her and save you some cash.

If she likes the outdoors or just wants to

take a quiet walk alone, why not take her to the Botanical Gardens for a romantic, late-afternoon stroll through the flowers? After your picnic, visit the Gardens and show her your softer side.

Make sure to wipe your hands on your pants so your palms aren't sweaty when you go to hold her hand, you sly devil, you. Don't embarrass yourself.

What to do after a that peaceful walk through the Gardens? Take her to a free outdoor movie. Eagle Entertainment sponsors a number of outdoor movies in Sweetheart Circle. The next outdoor movie will be July 23: "How to Train your Dragon." Enjoyable, funny and Toothless is too cute! You'll get brownie points for this one, I promise. Give her a quick kiss when you drop her off, and you'll have her hooked.

For a second date, take her to a movie at Eagle Cinemas in the Russell Union. Concessions are only a dollar each, and the movie is completely free. Movies are new, pre-home released and shown weekly on Fridays. Show times are at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m., unless stated otherwise.

But before you take her to the movie, save up two dining plans and treat her at Talons Grille in the Russell Union. Their summer hours are 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Talons is a full-service, sit-down, order-off-the-menu restaurant where your girl

will enjoy a real meal served to her at the table. Way to go, chief. You're getting better at this.

Maybe she's into the arts-y type of literature? Every Tuesday from 7-8:30 p.m., Eagle Entertainment hosts the Unplugged Coffee House series at the Starbucks in Russell Union.

The series showcases a variety of different artists each week, and the first 30 attendees receive free coffee. She'll enjoy the open-mic performances and coffee in Starbucks' cozy, cafe setting.

If you (somehow) managed to catch a sporty girl who enjoys the great outdoors, the pool at the RAC is fun place to relax and beat the heat. Outdoor pool hours are 12-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 12-8 p.m. Fridays, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays and 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Sundays.

There are also several intramural games going on to take her to this summer. Get a couple of healthy fruit smoothies at the Oasis at the RAC and enjoy the sporting adventure.

So boys, now you have no excuse not to treat your loving, beautiful girlfriend anymore. With a little creativity and a bit of sensitivity, you can easily save some cash and have a lot of fun with your date. These dates may be a bit old-fashioned, but a girl deserves to be pampered every so often. She'll appreciate the effort you put in, as well.

The Buzz List

News from outside the Boro

▲ Lil' Wayne plans to virally release a new album called 'I'm Not a Human Being' this coming September on the rapper's birthday. Finally, we can get some good music out there, right?

▲ Haley Joel Osment, child star from 'The Sixth Sense' and 'Secondhand Lions,' is now teaching sexual education on a upcoming MPCA comedy called 'Sex Ed.' I see failure. Epic failure.

▲ 'Rizzoli & Isles' makes record-breaking numbers, drawing 7.1 million viewers and becoming the no. 1 ad-supported series launch ever. Hopefully we'll get a good show by mixing the 'NCIS' and 'Law and Order.' I miss you, Kate!

▲ 'Predators' gets only 63% on rottentomatoes.com. Of course, I won't bother to see it. Only Arnold is worthy and muscle-y enough to defeat the Predator.

▲ 'Robot Chicken' plans to air another 'Star Wars' spoof, which will include the voice talents of Zac Efron and Anthony Daniels. Of course I want more 'High School Musical' with my bad comedy.

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Upcoming Reminders from CRI

▲ All Group Fitness Classes will end for the summer on Thursday, July 22. Fitness Classes will resume Monday, Aug. 16 (first day of fall semester classes).

▲ RAC Summer Break Hours will begin on Saturday, July 24, and continue through Friday, Aug. 13.

▲ Summer Break Hours are:

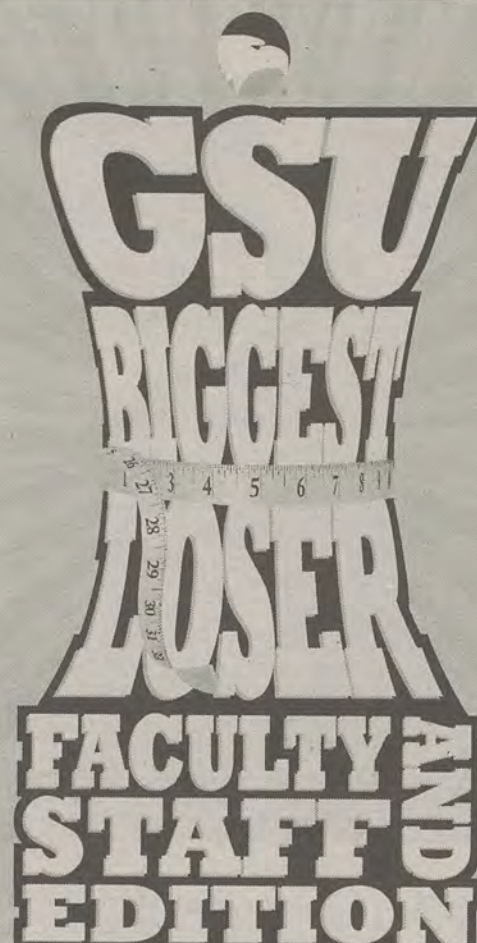
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Student Media editor experiences Spain's historic moment firsthand



Victoria Evans/STAFF

Above: Fans crowd the streets of Madrid to watch the final match.

Left: Members of the World Cup champion team return home to Spain by bus.

Nation wins its first World Cup, 1-0

Kelsey DECKER
editor-in-chief

Georgia Southern students currently participating in the summer study abroad program in Spain had the good fortune of being in the right place at the right time.

Although soccer may not be America's sport, by now, everyone should be aware that Spain defeated the Netherlands in Sunday's World Cup final.

"Being in Spain during the World Cup is a dream come true," said Student Media Executive Editor Victoria Evans, who is currently in Spain. "I never thought that I would get this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to see the World Cup events in Europe, especially in the champion's hometown."

While there was always some support for the U.S. national team, in Europe, the passion and fervor from the fans for their team and the sport was readily apparent.

"It is a much bigger deal [than in the U.S.]," Evans said. "People will be painted and wearing their team colors all during game day, even though they will not physically be there to watch the game."

The World Cup games were also more of

a social event for the Spaniards. TVs were readily available in public locations.

"Bars and restaurants would bring TVs outside for people to enjoy. During the semi-finals and final game, big screens were set up in Madrid for the city to watch the game," she said.

"I have never seen so many people in my life. The people stay standing and cheer for their team the whole time in a crowded and hot atmosphere," Evans said. "After each win, there was a huge celebration in Madrid. Streets [were] filled the whole night with cheering people."

According to Evans, the only comparison to make for Americans is that it was like the Super Bowl, except "the whole world is involved."

Because they were in Spain for the final and the days following the tournament's conclusion, the GSU students were also able to see the team's return to Spain.

Evans said, "I will never forget this experience."

Final Match Facts:

- ▲ Spain won after Andres Iniesta scored in the 26th minute of extra time, which is 30 minutes.
- ▲ The referee handed out 14 yellow cards.

Quick Hits

▲ The Athletics Ticket Office is now selling season tickets for Eagle football. There will be five home games; the first is Sept. 4 at 6 p.m. against Savannah State.

▲ Three GSU golfers, Spence Fulford, Matt Deal and Logan Blondell, were named to the Cleveland/Srixon All-America Scholars list. GSU tied with six other schools for the most players represented by a Division I collegiate golf program.

▲ The swimming & diving team has been named a College Swimming Coaches Association of America Scholar All-American Team for the sixth straight semester with a team GPA average of 3.32.

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