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# THE GEORGE-ANNE

## GSU 'logistically' offers first Ph.D.

Faith CARTER • guest writer

For many years, Georgia Southern has gained recognition through its graduates as well as its prestigious number of degrees and programs that benefit the state, the nation, and the world. Now, GSU is adding another triumph to its growing list as the university embraces its first Ph.D. program.

"It was a historic moment when it was voted to accept the Ph.D. proposal," said Jerry Wilson, chair and professor of logistics and marketing.

The Ph.D. program, starting this fall, is in the field of logistics/supply chain management. This Ph.D. is not only the first for GSU, but is also the first Ph.D. of its field in the state of Georgia.

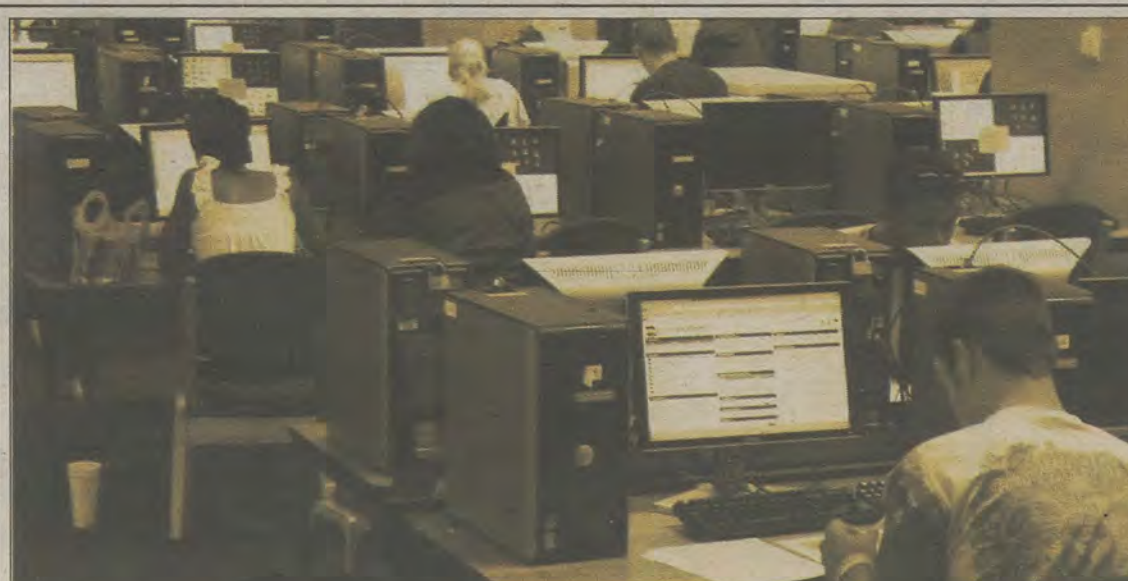
"Our Logistics program is ranked 15th in the nation," said Wilson.

"For many years, we were the only school in the state to offer the program," said Stephen Rutner, professor of logistics. "Now there are 80 schools in the country with the logistics degree."

The field of logistics is an area that, despite its exponential growth in the past decade, needs to expand further.

"Situations such as the BP's critical positioning of workers to clean oil away from the beaches off in the Gulf of Mexico require the use of Logistics."

This program is aimed at not only giving  
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Students decide:  
to study or go to the  
pool during finals

Some of Georgia Southern's students sit in the library, frantically typing up last-minute assignments to hand in on the last day of class. They study and prepare for the finals that lie ahead, and that marks the ending of Term A. Today's finals bring this short-term to a close.

However, the second half of GSU's student-body, enjoy a well-deserved, fun-in-the-sun day after an unrelenting and hot beginning of summer term. A term down, Long term half-way over, and only B term to go, and they are wading it out in the off-campus apartments' pool.

Due to the rise in temperatures, it has been getting tough to avoid Statesboro's sizzling heat, and therefore, many of the area's apartment complex have been attracting GSU's students trying to cool down by the pools - and simply "beat the heat."

It's no wonder that students are abandoning their books to sit pool-side for a little summer fun and a lot of summer sun.

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## Finals or the Pool?



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## POLICE BEAT

### Monday, June 7, 2010

▲ Officers issued two citations and assisted one motorist.

▲ A bookbag was taken from the RAC.

### Tuesday, June 8, 2010

▲ Officers issued four traffic citations, one traffic warning and assisted one motorist.

### Wednesday, June 9, 2010

▲ Officers issued traffic warning, assisted one motorist and responded to one alarm.

### Thursday, June 10, 2010

▲ Officers issued one traffic citation, assisted one motorist and responded to one alarm.

### Friday, June 11, 2010

▲ Officers issued one traffic citation, one traffic warning and responded to one alarm.

### Saturday, June 12, 2010

▲ A window was broken on a door at the Ceramics Studio.

▲ Corey Diente Green, 18, Chandler Road, was charged with DUI and seat belt violation.

### Sunday, June 13, 2010

▲ Officers assisted one motorist and investigated one accident.

▲ Thomas Richard Cook Jr., 24, Tillman Road, was charged with DUI, driving with suspended license and stop sign violation.

▲ Samuel Paul Witherington, 21, Woods Lane, Jonesboro, was charged with obstruction of an officer and public indecency.

▲ Patricia Keelin Upton, 28, School Street, Clarksville, Pa., was charged with DUI.

### Monday, June 14, 2010

▲ Officers issued one traffic citation, issued three traffic warnings, assisted one motorist and investigated one accident.

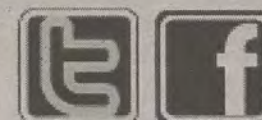
▲ Brandon Nathaniel Trugman, 21, Campus Club, was charged with wanted person.

### Tuesday, June 15, 2010

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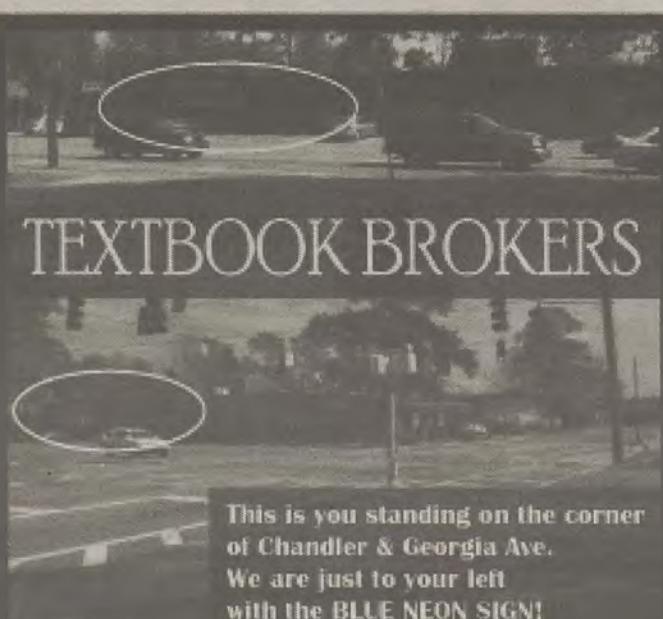
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## Bulloch County's unemployment reaches 9%

Barilla: 'For the students, that means larger class sizes'

Kelley NORMAN  
guest writer

In Bulloch County, the unemployment rate is 9 percent, according to Ben McKay, a research assistant in the Bureau of Business Economic Research.

The number is even higher for Georgia at 10.4 percent, and the national unemployment rate is just below at 9.7 percent, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Anthony Barilla, an associate professor of economics in the College of Business Administration, said the unemployment rate "takes the number of people who are unemployed and divides it by the number of people in the labor force."

The number is then multiplied by 100, which calculates the percentage.

Barilla cited seasonal jobs as an example of why the unemployment rate fluctuates throughout the year.

"There are a ton of seasonal jobs in the summer, and then they

disappear in the winter," said Barilla.

The current drop in the unemployment rate is due to workers hired for the 2010 census, according to William Levernier, an associate professor of economics.

"Once those people are done doing their job, it'll probably take them a while to find a job," said Levernier.

As a result, "it's probably going to go back up," he said.

Levernier said the unemployment rate recovery varies from state-to-state.

"Not every state is going to move in sync with the national economy; some are going to be lagging behind the national economy, some are going to be moving ahead of the national economy," he said.

"Georgia, right now, seems to be moving behind the national economy," he said.

The biggest contributing factor to the unemployment rate is the number of layoffs that take place

every month.

"The number of people coming into and out of the labor force really isn't going to affect it that much," said Levernier. "It's more people actually losing their jobs."

Levernier said the types of jobs affected during a recession vary.

For Georgia Southern, it is the faculty positions -- open positions are not being filled right now -- according to Levernier.

"Probably a year down the road, or maybe two years down the road, I think those positions, for the most part, will come back," he said.

Barilla said, "Right now, hiring has been frozen."

He also said that unemployment could be more certain for professors who are not tenure-tracked.

"There are some temps who are not having their contract renewed," Barilla said.

"For the students, that means larger class sizes," he said. Students are "ultimately the casualty."

## PH.D.

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logistics students a chance to further their education, but also to create greater awareness and a greater reputation for the university.

"In many ways, the Ph.D. program will help advertise Georgia

Southern," said Rutner. "We produce about 100 undergraduates a year, placing the vast majority in jobs right away."

The advantages of this Ph.D. program are not only for GSU, but also for the entire field of logistics, as well as the economy. "This Ph.D. will need to be successful to have the college considered for other

Ph.D. programs," Shiffler said. "But the ground has been broken for other programs. The hard part was getting the first Ph.D. Now that we have it, it will be easier to bring in others. When the program begins to produce graduates and they attain jobs, we will have proven that we are a university that can propose and execute a Ph.D. program."

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## Our View

## May the future have hire hopes

**R**ecession is obviously a word that has been recently thrown around. It can be heard while listening to talk radio, or watching CNN or Fox News, or even by talking amongst peers. Economic terms such as gross domestic product, monetary or fiscal policies, and aggregate demand are used often to describe the conditions of America's economy today.

One term we, as college students, have become very familiar with is unemployment. With the nation's unemployment rate being one of the highest in history, it is hard to imagine that there is any hope for college students achieving their end goal during job searches.

Statesboro is no exception. Local employers just are not hiring and to be frank, it just plain sucks. Some students at Georgia Southern have been searching for jobs to assist them through their time at school for years, and have still remained unsuccessful. Students have put applications into the same workplaces up to 20 times within the same academic year,

with not so much as a call back for an interview.

Many students have even begun to get creative when applying for jobs, and have started applying to work at horse farms, shipping companies, and even to become semi drivers. When the supply in jobs decreases, the students' demand for those jobs increases, and we become desperate.

It doesn't help either when students apply to jobs and they finally get a call back and show up for their interview, only to get told they're not right for the job five-minutes later because 310 Facebook friends is not enough. Or when a store turns them down because they just don't want to hire college kids right now.

What's wrong here? We are the ones fueling Statesboro's economy; we supply them with their monetary needs, and yet they find difficulty in hiring college students.

Economics is all about supply and demand. We, the students of GSU, demand jobs, now it is up to Statesboro to supply them.



## Basic University Services or "BUS" for short

The quickest way for me to go from having a good morning to an entirely terrible day, is to have one of the many frequently bad experiences that only the GSU bus system can provide.

It is truly a wonderful experience to wake up an hour and a half before your 9 a.m. class with a strict professor, only to miss the first bus by seconds and not see the next one for 10 minutes.

However, this is not the worst part. The bus, after arrival and after filled to full capacity, remains at the stop for another 10 minutes, only to move at a record setting 15 mph. This occurs between every single bus stop, and by the time that the student makes it to their destination, they are approximately five minutes late. It just seems that the driver has to make every red light possible, to take every turn so slowly, and if a pedestrian is thinking about crossing the street tomorrow, the bus driver is required by the laws of physics to wait for them to cross.

It is a joy to receive that little

mark that the teacher smears next to your name to let him/her know that you were thoughtful enough to interrupt his/her class. Sarcasm just cannot sufficiently show my lack

of satisfaction with the GSU bus.

Now, in order to not seem inconsiderate, I would like to now state that I am appreciative of the fact that we even have a bus system. However, it is ridiculous that there are so many unhappy students who pay for the bus service, yet nothing is done.

The people of the First Transit Company provide our bus services at GSU. Who are they first in comparison to, because they clearly are not first class in any way? I would like to ask the student body: How



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many bad experiences have you had, whether just with the bus or with the driver? Personally, the drivers are probably nice people, but when they are driving, they are everything that is evil with public transportation.

Now, fellow students, it is the time to riot, march, sit or whatever, I don't care. I, like you, are so tired of having the disappointment of getting on the bus and thinking that I had a better chance of getting there quicker by foot. We have more students and rapidly growing, therefore we will need to implement a more efficient bus system, which can get students where they have to go quicker.

Some easy suggestions would be to provide a backwards route. We understand that you can't have a stop across every bus stop, instead maybe just at the big locations. Another easy alteration that could be made, is when the bus is full or no more riders are in the area, let us close those double doors and get to moving.

To my fellow students, good luck. To First Transit, the students have spoken.

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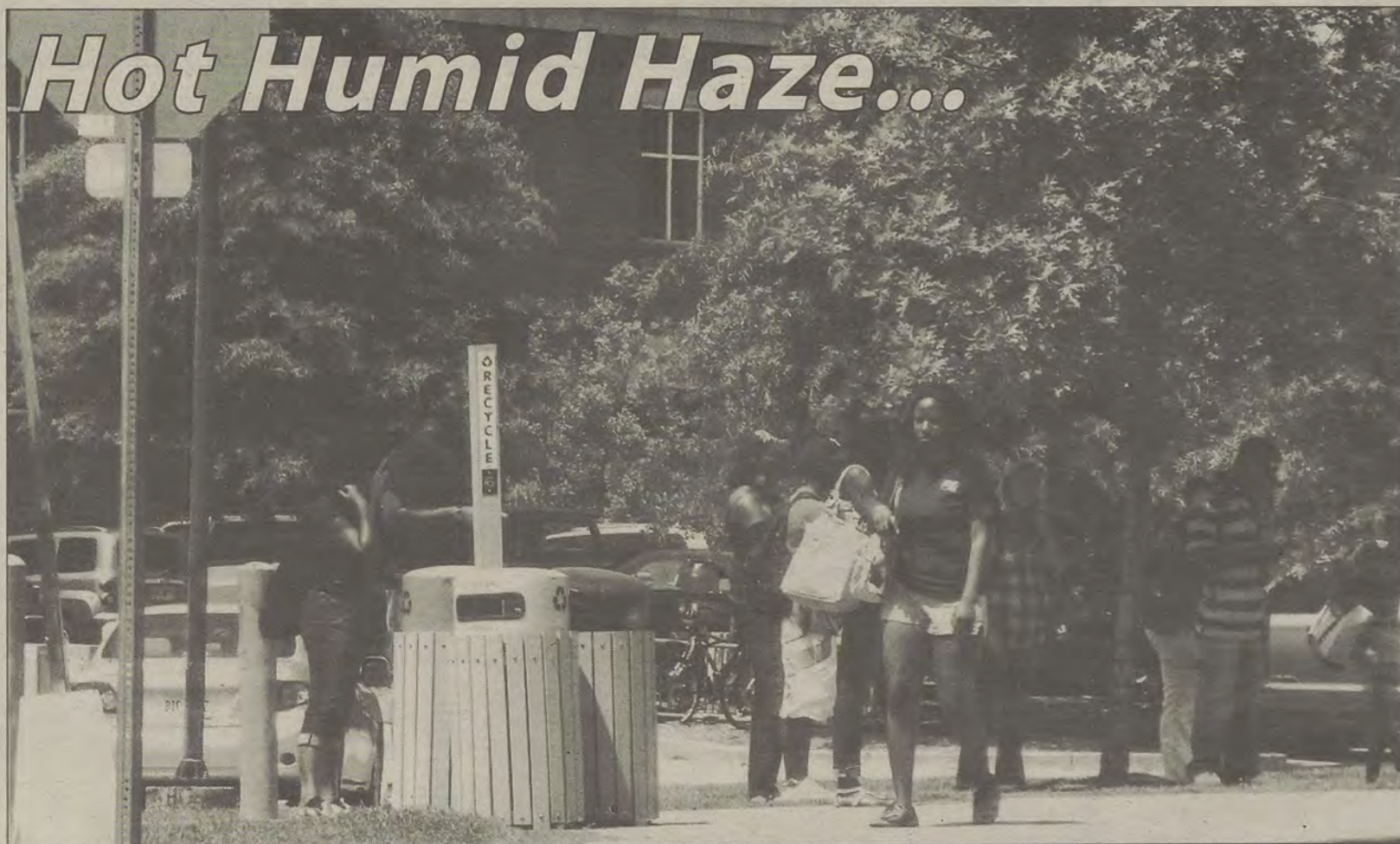
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# Hot Humid Haze...

**Left: Students wait** in the hot humid weather for the bus. The temperature reached 94 degrees, but when added with the humidity, it felt like 103 yesterday. Although it is cooler then it was Monday and Tuesday, it is only going to get hotter.



**Right: Residents** wade in the water at Campus Crossing. Drinks, food, singing and tons of people in one place having fun in the sun. People were taking a break from finals or work. The weather may be hot, but the water in the pool is nice and cool.



# ...Sultry Summer Days

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# If you can find them... in theaters

## The Buzz List

News from outside the Boro

▲ World Cup viewer rating has doubled in the U.S. since the 2006 tournament. It's about time America got interested in a real sport.

▲ "The Karate Kid" earns a 70% on rottentomatoes.com. But can a remake be as good as the original? Maybe it was Jackie Chan and his amazing Kung Fu.

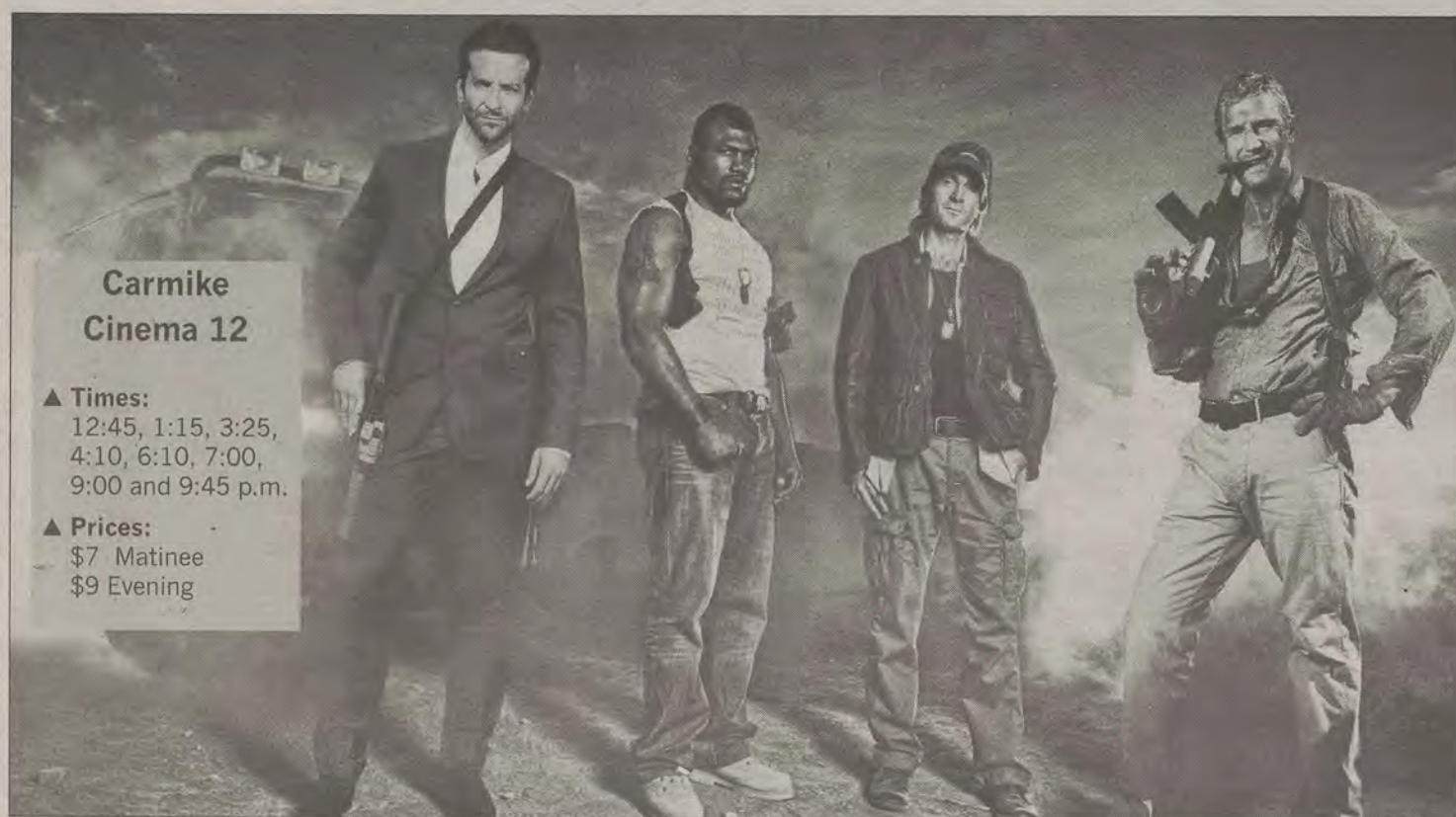
▲ Neon Trees turns Justin Bieber's song 'Baby' into actual music after performing a doo wop spin off of the hit single. Kudos to you, Neon Trees.

▲ Peirs Morgan is rumored to replace Larry King at CNN in four years. Big shoes for a "smarmy" British TV judge to fill.

▲ Jimmy Dean, country singer and TV show host, dies at 81 at his home in Richmond, Virginia. Country music has lost a great singer and a great man. You will be missed, Big Bad John.

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Special Photo

Smith HOLLOWAY  
guest writer

"The A-Team" was one of the cornerstones of my childhood television experience. I have many fond memories of sitting with my uncle, watching another of Hannibal's plans, the strategic equivalent of a Rube Goldberg machine, unfold onscreen.

Those experiences made me nervous at first when I heard the rumblings of an A-Team movie gearing up for production two years ago. After all, how could they recapture the cartoonish violence and slapstick humor that I remembered as a kid? Today's action movies all overly violent and sexualized affairs, focusing on death and mayhem.

I'm here to report that while "The A-Team" film may not be completely faithful to the action standards of the original, it goes out of its way to remain true to its comedic roots.

For those of you who don't know, both the film and the 1980's series center around an elite group of military operatives who undertake a covert mission, and find their superior officer murdered, and with no evidence that they were

acting on official orders. The film serves as a prequel to the events of the series, showing their attempt to clear their names, and their evolution into soldiers of fortune.

The casting in this film is spot-on, with Liam Neeson playing Colonel John "Hannibal" Smith, the tactical genius of the team. Neeson turns in a great performance here, mixing his dramatic stage presence with a humorous streak that I had not seen before.

Playing the smooth-talking Lieutenant Templeton "Faceman" Peck is Bradley Cooper, who portrays Face as the ultimate easygoing officer, and providing plenty of banter that's sure to have you grinning.

The iconic role of Corporal Bosco Albert "Bad Attitude" Baracus is provided by Quinton Jackson, MMA-fighter-turned-actor. Of all the casting decisions, I was most concerned with Jackson, but he does Mr. T proud here, bringing a likability and heart to the character of B.A.

Rounding out the team is Sharlto Copley in the standout performance of the movie. His version of Captain "Howling Mad" Murdock is an incredible rendition of insanity, and his

onscreen antics are nothing short of comedy gold. Even if you don't like "The A-Team," you'll be hard-pressed to not at least enjoy Copley's ever-changing accent and jabs at B.A.

Fans of action movies are in luck, as this film spends most of its time shuttling us from intense shootouts to insane escapes. All the while, however, it never loses touch with the character-based humor that drove the original series, and each actor displays his comedic talent in the constant back-and-forth banter that the team engages in.

The effects work here is nothing special, but I never found them so lacking that it was distracting or detracted from the experience. Fast cuts and Michael Bay-style slinging cameras makes some of the hand-to-hand fight scenes a bit hard to follow, but this is nothing new to viewers of recent action films.

I give "The A-Team" four out of five unnecessary explosions, and recommend it to anyone who likes summer blockbusters. If all the movies out right now bore you, and nothing else will do, and if you can find your wallet, maybe you can see... "The A-Team."







## Quick Hits

▲ GSU football All-American quarterback Tracy Ham was announced as an inductee in the Canadian Football Hall of Fame.

▲ GSU baseball had its former pitcher, Dexter Bobo sign a free agent contract with the Milwaukee Brewers.

▲ GSU softball's Coach Maggie Johnson will be assisting the Chicago Bandits, part of the National Professional Fastpitch League for the last 48 summer games and postseason.

## World Cup Update

Rick SPURGEON  
sports editor

The World Cup 2010 opened with Group A teams, South Africa against Mexico in a 1-1 draw. The group continued with a scoreless match between a strong European force, France against Uruguay.

Group B was a shocker, where the lower-ranked South Korean team defeated Greece in a 2-0 match. Argentina, a world favorite to win the cup, played Nigeria in a disappointing match where the Argentinian squad barely won with one goal.

Group C, probably one of the more competitive groups, began with a high-tension match between the U.S. and England, which resulted in only one goal for either side. The U.S. was barely able to clasp an equalizer from the lucky shot of Clint Dempsey on

a goalkeeper who made a drastic error in defending his goal. Slovenia won the next Group C match against Algeria.

Group D began play with a pair of great games, the first being a Ghana victory over Serbia. Next, a wonderfully played match of soccer between strong the German team and a young Australian team, with the Germans showing much soccer prowess with a 4-0 win over the Oceania team.

Group E held another favorite, Netherlands, who advanced victoriously to the next round in a 2-0 match over Denmark. The astonishing match between Japan and Cameroon, resulted in a Japanese goal that held off the Cameroonian for the remainder of the match, giving Japan the win.

Group F hosted the former 2006 World Cup holders, Italy, against Paraguay, scoring one goal each. New Zealand and Slovakia

followed suit with another 1-1 tie to finish the first round of play in Group F.

Group G, one of the groups with the more famous names in the soccer world, began with a draw between Portugal and the Ivory Coast. Portugal, having a fantastic squad with one of the best international players, Christiano Ronaldo, and the Ivory Coast's Didier Drogba. Also in the group, Brazil, a constant favorite in soccer, and a threat to many teams, won over Korea in a 2-1 victory.

Group H finished the first round of play yesterday with a one to nothing win for Chile over their fellow Latin American country, Honduras. Followed by the biggest upset in the cup thus far with a Swiss victory over Spain, the predicted winner of the entire tournament.

Yesterday also hosted the next round game with a 3-0 South African loss to Uruguay.

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