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APSU closed an \$8.8 million purchase of the Jenkins and Wynne property, adding 10 acres to the main campus in one of the university's largest expansions.

Jan 27

Jan 28

The World Health Organization announced an outbreak of the Zika virus in the Americas.

Football Head Coach Will Healy brought 26 players to APSU's program on National Signing Day for the No. 1 recruiting class in the OVC.

Feb 3

Feb 7

The Denver Broncos defeated the Carolina Panthers at Super Bowl 50.

April 21

Singer-songwriter, multi-instrumentalist and record producer Prince died at 57.

March 5

APSU won the OVC Men's Basketball Championship against UT Martin.



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Head coach Dave Loos coached his 800th game with APSU at the NCAA Men's Division I Basketball Championships as the Governors fell to the No. 1 seeded Kansas Jayhawks

March 17

May 28

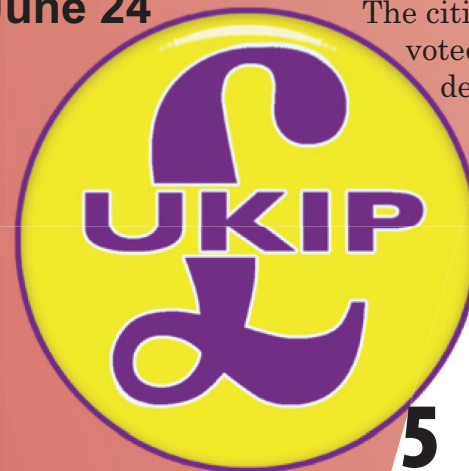
Harambe, a Western lowland gorilla, was shot and killed by Cincinnati Zoo officials after a child fell into his enclosure.

The SGA 2016 elections were ratified, with Ryan Honea elected President and Dylan Kellogg elected Vice President

April 1

June 24

The citizens of the United Kingdom voted to leave the European Union, defying predictions around the world.



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The annual freshman convocation started APSU's largest incoming class to date, with the university admitting over 1,900 members of the freshman class.

Aug 29



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Aug 5 - 21

The 2016 Summer Olympics were held in Rio de Janeiro, with the U.S. topping the medal charts and earning its 1,000th gold medal.

Nov 2

The Chicago Cubs defeated the Cleveland Indians to win the World Series, their first win in 108 years

Nov 8

Donald Trump was elected the 45th President of the United States



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Students organized a peaceful demonstration against police brutality and racism in the United States.



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Sept 28

Gov. Bill Haslam appointed eight members to APSU's newly created local governing board, which was created as part of the FOCUS Act

Oct 11

APSU honored over 700 graduates and set a Mannequin Challenge record during Fall Commencement 2016.

Dec 9


Dec 4

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers denied a permit for construction of a key part of the Dakota Access Pipeline, effectively halting work on the project following months of protests.

Dec 27

Actress Carrie Fisher, known for playing Leia Organa in the "Star Wars" series, died at 60.





SGA
LEGISLATION

ACT NO. 2
Send copies of all new legislations to SGA members and *The All State*.
PASSED

RESOLUTION NO. 5
Create signs posted to mark campus locations that still prohibit firearms.
PASSED

ACT NO. 3
Requires SGA's president to report on expenditures exceeding \$1,000 not voted on by the Senate.
PASSED

ACT NO. 4
Grants SGA Senate sole authority to approve allocations and expenditures over \$1,500 taken from student fees.
PASSED

ACT NO. 5
Allows SGA's vice president to vote on legislation they deem particularly important to SGA.
PASSED

RESOLUTION NO. 4
Provide Del Square Psi with funds to purchase eclipse viewing glasses.
PASSED

ACT NO. 6
Requires a short biography to be included on SGA ballots by each prospective senator's name.
PASSED

ACT NO. 9
Requires copies of new business to be sent to *The All State* by Monday afternoons.
PASSED

ACT NO. 11
Creation of an SGA Budget Committee to oversee expenditures and establish a budget relative to previous sessions of SGA.
PASSED

ACT NO. 12
Requires SGA to recognize APSU's annual blood drive as a major event and dedicate more resources to it.
PASSED

ACT NO. 13
Requires SGA to elect two representatives from each college and three from each classification.
PASSED

RESOLUTION NO. 12
Write a formal letter of recommendation to grant department chairs the ability to excuse university-approved absences.
PASSED

RESOLUTION NO. 14
Write a formal letter of recommendation to the city council asking for an extension to the school zone on College Street to the newly installed parking lots.
PASSED

Show me the money

Irresponsible spending of refund disbursement can cause issues with future investment, learning to manage is key

NOELLE OLEARTCHICK
STAFF WRITER

APSU students who are eligible will receive their refund check starting Tuesday, Jan. 17. The students who receive a refund have financial aid that is more than their tuition and receive the difference in the form of a check.

All students who have more financial aid than their tuition cost will receive a refund check, regardless if the financial aid comes from loans, scholarships or a combination of both.

The only difference is that students who receive a refund check from loans still have to pay back the loan money. The students who only have financial aid from scholarships do not owe money.

"I have a full ride to school and haven't taken out any loans. I generally use the refund check money to pay for school books and sorority dues," sophomore nursing major Corie Moore said. "By the time I'm done paying for all of those fees, I'm left with around \$200."

Moore is like many college students waiting for their refund check to come, because they use that money for school purposes.

Some students put the money they receive into a savings account for future purposes.

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DARBY DEL DUCA
SOPHOMORE MATH EDUCATION MAJOR

the money that I am receiving won't have to be paid back," sophomore math education major Darby Del Duca said.

While there are many students like Moore and Del Duca who save their refund check money or use it for school purposes, others may use the money too freely.

According to Forbes, a common mistake students make is treating the money like it is free.

Many students will take out more loan money than they need just to receive the refund check. They will then use the check to go on trips or splurge on items.

They do not realize refund money from a loan eventually has to be paid back.

Creating a budget will allow students who receive a refund check to properly allocate the money to certain needs, such as schoolbooks and resources.

The money left over from that can be used to pay for housing, transportation or student debt.

For more information, contact APSU bursar at (931) 221-6285.

TAS TIPS FOR BUDGETING AND SPENDING REFUNDS

- Create a reasonable budget
- Buy your textbooks
- Begin to pay off other loans
- Place it in a bank account you cannot touch
- Pay rent and bills in advance
- Establish an emergency fund
- Take out \$20 and set them aside for weeks to come

SGA passes 13 pieces of new legislation by the end of 2016

Honea 'proud of the success of hardworking senators,' looks toward creating positive change for 2017

PATRICK ROACH
STAFF WRITER

2016 was a landmark year for APSU's Student Government Association. Numerous pieces of legislation were passed addressing a wide array of issues, SGA itself was restructured, unprecedented moves were made and SGA-sponsored events garnered record turnouts.

"I'd say I'm most proud of the success of hardworking senators and hardworking executive council," SGA President Ryan Honea said.

The organization sponsored two of the biggest events on APSU, the annual Mud Bowl, as well as G.H.O.S.T. which invited the surrounding community to participate in safe trick-or-treating inside Fortera Stadium. Both events drew large crowds and required the contribution of all SGA members to be successful.

"Mud Bowl and G.H.O.S.T had absolutely huge turnouts and were run very efficiently. I guess I would say I'm just proud of the organization as

a whole and how much we've grown," Honea said.

The past year also saw SGA venture into uncharted territory with the direct funding of Del Square Psi for their upcoming solar eclipse event in August. SGA has never directly funded a student organization, as the Student Organization Council (SOC) typically handles funds for campus organizations. According to the legislation, it was intended to show SGA's commitment to APSU students.

Another big shift for SGA came in the form of the way the organization represents the student body. Dominic Critchlow's Act No. 13 was passed and changed the number of senators elected from each college and classification. The legislation was written in an attempt to give students better representation.

After it was reported that SGA exceeded their budget in the 2015-16 session, a committee dedicated to the assessment of SGA spending was formed with the hopes that funds will be properly handled and made more

transparent. Honea said transparency was a big focus for SGA in 2016.

"Our increase in transparency has gone very well. Students are able to be much more informed as to our actions and our finances which leads to better decision making on our part," Honea said.

Other pieces of legislation sought to address issues by installing more blue police boxes on campus, expanding the school zone on College Street and moving SGA's meeting time to 5 p.m. with the hopes of furthering student engagement.

Honea said he hopes to continue the trend of a hardworking and productive SGA in 2017.

"I would describe it [2016] as a semester of learning," Honea said. "We've had to learn how to work well with another. I think with the incoming semester, we are going to be able to make a lot of good change together."

The first SGA meeting of the spring semester will be held at 5 p.m., on Wednesday, Jan. 18 in MUC 303.



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“Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.”
— First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

Humanities classes teach you passion, art



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Humanities classes are more important than many people would like to admit. They are completely necessary and should be required courses.

Since technology started to rule the world, parents have been telling their children that computers are most important, that sciences and technology dominate the degree spectrum.

“ Humanities classes should be required courses because they teach us about ourselves.”

The two most popular degrees at APSU are behavioral health sciences and science and math over the last five years, according to enrollment data. Between 2002 and 2013, degrees in physical science and science technologies increased by around 49 percent, according to the National Center for Education Statistics.

Many of today’s students focus more on science and business, but is there not more to learn?

APSU’s general education courses currently require 21 of its 41 credits to be filed under humanities. The most popular majors at APSU are behavioral health sciences and science and math. This is strange, considering that more humanities courses were taken in general education than any other type of course.

Many people look at humanities classes as though they are seeing through a looking glass of logic. Taking courses in literature, language, history or religion just does not seem logical to many in the tech-based world we live in. It is considered smarter to be a teacher or an engineer, a doctor or a CEO. What some do not realize is that the world is shaped by creativity and the understanding of humans as complex people.

Much of the world sees through blueprints and schedules and complicated medical terms, but without those who see through words, ideas and emotion, the human race would be nowhere.

An important aspect of humanities classes is they teach lessons. They teach the heart as well as the brain. Business-related classes can teach someone how to work and manage, but the arts can teach someone how to see beauty and emotion in the world. Biology courses can show someone every detail of how an organism or ecosystem works, but creative writing can teach someone new and different ways to see the very same world.

Without language, there would be limited communication. Without history, no one would ever learn from their mistakes. Without literature and art, new ideas would have a much harder time being created and spread. Without law, there could be no order. Through literature and history, we learn how to feel. Through music and art, we feel passion.

Humanities classes should be required courses because they teach us about ourselves. They study humans as they live, learn and create. Knowing how the world works is useless without an understanding of the people who live on it and one cannot know the people without humanities.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Science classes provide skills, understanding



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As I enter my senior year as a physics major, confirming my spring schedule comes with a sense of relief. My semesters are finally full of science classes in my field of study, undiluted with the core requirements of subjects I have little interest in.

I expect that non-science majors feel similarly in regards to those six torturous hours of science core. Students often solicit advice from upperclassmen to determine which class is the easiest, which professor is the most lenient and how they can put forth the least effort possible.

Truthfully, I cannot blame these students. Even most science majors will agree high school science is taught poorly.

Students have had first impressions of science, and I share this experience as well. In fact, I was completely uninterested in science before college.

After taking a conceptual physics class to satisfy the core science requirement, I became obsessed and changed my major from communications to physics the same semester.

My previous understanding of science was wrong, and, for whatever reason, I never received this knowledge in high-school science classes.

Science is an effort to understand the natural world using observable evidence as the basis for understanding. Science is not memorizing parts of a cell or the order of the planets, but a process of discovery.

Contrary to your impressions from high school, science is a way of

thinking, not rote memorization of facts.

I will concede the requirement to understand and learn terminology. Sorry. Science can be technical and specific, and you will have to expand your vocabulary. A technical vocabulary is one necessary tool to use science as a process of understanding. This process of discovery has allowed us to understand some really cool things. Scientists can explain how stars are born and how they die, how particles behave on the quantum level and how life on Earth began and evolved.

In addition, science education provides unique critical-thinking and problem-solving skills that extend beyond any particular discipline. In particular, the problem-solving skills developed by studying physics are great in the job market. Not all physics majors go on to be practicing scientists, but work in finance, education, the military and in tech and computer science jobs. The fact that these students are prime candidates in these fields is a testament to the transferable skills of studying a hard science.

Furthermore, physics majors do well on the MCAT (Medical College Admissions Test) and the LSAT (Law School Admission Test).

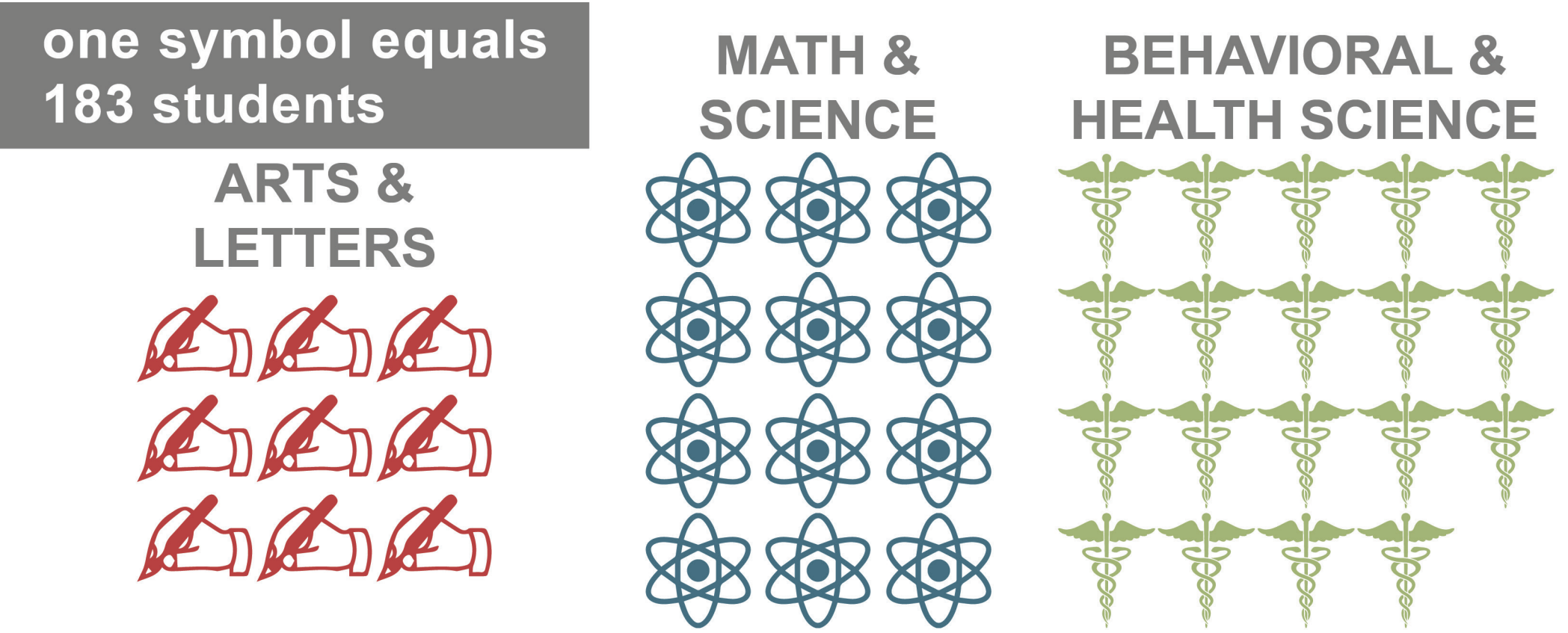
I encourage non-science majors to approach their core science classes with an open mind. Do not just copy the slide notes, but listen and comprehend the lectures. Participate and stay engaged in the labs, and take time to write a thorough lab report. Finally, I suggest taking additional science classes as free electives. While knowing the atomic mass of Calcium will not directly help on a Principles of Finance exam, the experience of “learning to learn” obtained from courses in the hard sciences will benefit one in any discipline.

MAJORS WITHIN THE THREE TOP COLLEGES

- The College of Arts and Letters includes the majors art, communication arts, English, foreign languages, history, military history, music, philosophy and religion and theatre/dance.

- The College of Science and Mathematics includes the majors biology, chemical engineering technology, chemistry, computer science, engineering technology, general agriculture, geosciences, mathematics, medical laboratory science, physics and radiologic technology.

- The College of Behavioral and Health Sciences includes the majors counseling, criminal justice, family nurse practitioner, health and human performance, health, health care administration, industrial organizational psychology, leadership and organizational administration, management technology, nursing, political science, public management, social work and sociology



Number of students in the top three majors at APSU on average from the past five years according to enrollment data (from left to right): arts and letters (1,426), math and science (2,362) and behavioral and health science (3,648). LEWIS WEST | GRAPHIC DESIGNER | THE ALL STATE

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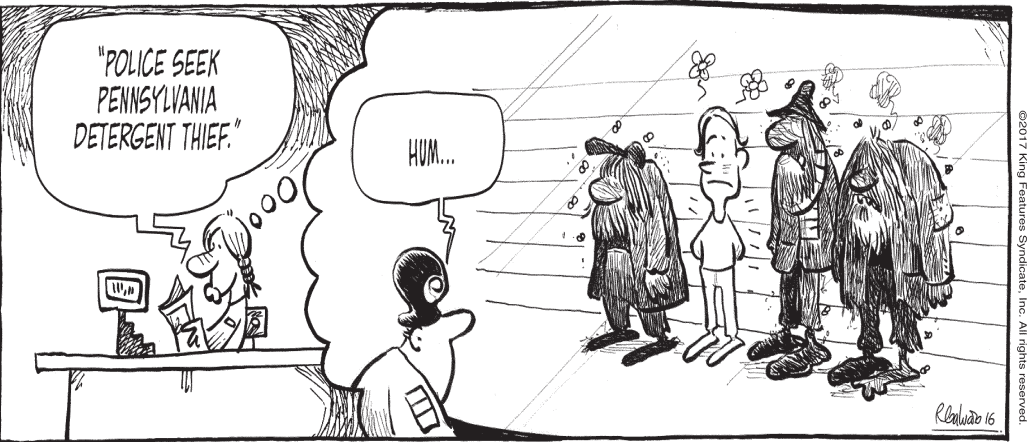
PHOTO OF THE WEEK

Clarksville's NAACP chapter holds its annual march for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The event is meant to promote King's legacy of nonviolent resistance to push for change. LUCAS CHAMBERS | THE ALL STATE

THE CASHIER



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Hispanic Cultural Center

SPRING 2017 EVENTS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19
BIENVENIDOS!
Hispanic Cultural Center | 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31
SPANISH GAME NIGHT
Hispanic Cultural Center | 3 - 4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1
NOT ALL ABOUT TACOS - SPAIN
Morgan University Center Room 305 | 12 - 1 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2
LATIN DANCE PARTY
TBA | 5 - 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9
NOT ALL ABOUT TACOS - ARGENTINA
Morgan University Center 305 | 12 - 1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15
NO ERES TU SOY YO
(SPANISH FILM SCREENING WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES)
Morgan University Center 312 | 5 - 7:30 p.m.
Lovelorn Javier (Eugenio Derbez) goes to extraordinary lengths to recover from his broken marriage to Maria (Alejandra Barros) in this romantic comedy from Mexico.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21
SPANISH GAME NIGHT
Hispanic Cultural Center | 3 - 4:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28
HCC DISCUSSION PANEL
Morgan University Center Room 308 | 3 - 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1
LA SOGA
(SPANISH FILM SCREENING WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES)
Morgan University Center 312 | 5 - 7:30 p.m.
A disgraced Dominican cop fights to clear his name and avenge his father's death in this gritty revenge thriller from director Joshua Cook.

THURSDAY, MARCH 2
COMEDIAN: FRANCISCO RAMOS
Einstein's Coffee House Stage | 7 - 8 p.m.
Top 10 finalists from Last Comic Standing. Has appeared on @midnight at Comedy Central, appears on Ramon's Netflix "Lady Dynamite" and recently won the NBC Cozi TV Comedy Festival.

TUESDAY, MARCH 14
INNOCENT VOICES
(SPANISH FILM SCREENING WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES)
Morgan University Center 312 | 5 - 7:30 p.m.
The bloody civil war which tore apart El Salvador in the 1980s is seen through the eyes of a young boy in this drama from director Luis Mandoki.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22
NOT ALL ABOUT TACOS - PANAMA
Morgan University Center 305 | 12 - 1 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 30
HCC LUNCH & LEARN
Volunteering opportunities in the Hispanic Community.
Morgan University Center Room 306 | 12 - 1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5
EL CANTANTE
Pop icon Marc Anthony steps into the role of Salsa superstar Hector Lavoe in this biopic that follows the singer from his early career success as a Puerto Rican teen sensation to his later status as a New York Latin idol.
Morgan University Center 312 | 5 - 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12
NOT ALL ABOUT TACOS - COLUMBIA
Morgan University Center 305 | 12 - 1 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 20
HCC PANEL DISCUSSION
Morgan University Center 308 | 3 - 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25
SPANISH GAME NIGHT
Hispanic Cultural Center | 3 - 4:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3
COOL OFF FOR FINALS
UC Plaza | 12 - 2 p.m.

Signature food and door prizes at all events! Open to all students, just bring your Student ID.

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COMING HOME 2017

TAME THE TIGERS

www.apsu.edu/student-life/coming-home

Schedule of events

MONDAY, JAN. 30
» Spirit Banner Competition in MUC Lobby
Prize Money for Top 3 Student Organizations.
Banners due to MUC 211 by noon.

TUESDAY, JAN. 31
» Open Mic and Trivia Night
6-8 p.m. in MUC Lobby/Einstein Bros.
Prizes for Top 2 Trivia Winners (Individual and/or Group). Free Food for first 100 Students.
Sponsored by the Govs Programming Council

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 1
» Warm Clothes Drive
9 a.m.-4 p.m., in MUC Lobby
Accepting jackets/coats, scarfs, hats, mittens/gloves, etc.
Proceeds benefit Goodwill.
Donations accepted all week in MUC 211.

THURSDAY, FEB. 2
» Wild N Out Comedy Show ft. Chico Bean and Jacob Williams
7 p.m. in Clement Auditorium (APSU ID required)
Sponsored by the Govs Programming Council

FRIDAY, FEB. 3
» Coming Home Pep Rally
12 p.m. in MUC Lobby
Show your support for the women's and men's basketball teams.

» FREE Food and Giveaways
Sponsored by Student Life and Engagement & Athletics

SATURDAY, FEB. 4
» Women's Basketball vs. Tennessee State
4 p.m. in Dunn Center

» Men's Basketball vs. Tennessee State
6:30 p.m. in Dunn Center
Both games are Free for APSU students with ID.

» Coming Home Shopping Cart Parade
at halftime of men's game
Decoration begins at 3 p.m. and must be complete by end of women's game.

Registration for Student Organizations must be completed on PeayLink by Sunday, Jan. 29.

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United We March

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Martin Luther King Jr. would have been 88 years old on Monday, Jan. 16; however, in 1968 he was killed by an assassin. In response to this tragedy a holiday was established to celebrate King's birthday.

To celebrate the holiday, the Clarksville branch of the NAACP holds a commemorative march every year. The march represents the tactic of nonviolent resistance to push for societal change.

"We hold this march to honor the legacy of King and to show that the community is diverse," Willy Freeman said. "We want to show that we have kept the dream alive by having a diverse gathering that gets bigger every year."

The day of remembrance takes place on the third Monday of January and its purpose is to reflect on King's life and his accomplishments. The African-American

community also uses the holiday has an opportunity to teach young people what was accomplished by the civil rights movement.

"We go beyond just Monday to educate the community as we use the entire weekend to remember the struggle that so many undertook to help us have a better life today," David Davenport, APSU's Chief Diversity Officer said. "It is important to teach the children in particular so they know what life was like back then."

Before the march began, there was a community gathering at Burt Elementary School where the children were separated by age to give them lessons on the civil rights movement. Jimmie Garland, who is the president of the Clarksville branch of the NAACP, hosted the discussion for the adults in the gymnasium. Three community members were invited to speak about current issues facing the African-American community.

"This holiday is so important so our history does not become a mystery," Minister Rita Ewing said. "We want to use King's legacy to inform the people so we can overcome ignorance has a society."

The march began at noon at Burt Elementary School and went down Eighth street. The first destination was outside city hall. There a prayer was held and Mayor Kim McMillan addressed the crowd with a brief speech.

From there the march continued through downtown until they reached the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office. There was another brief speech before the march continued back to the Burt Elementary School.

"I believe the lesson younger people should learn from King's legacy is to not see skin color, and treat everyone with respect," junior health and human performance major Chloe Woods said.

Junior graphic design Arnika Carter added to Woods' comment and said, "Another lesson of King's we should utilize is peaceful resistance, because if your oppressors see you flinch, they have won."



The Clarksville chapter of the NAACP organized volunteer marchers on the morning of Monday, Jan. 16, gathering first at Burt Elementary School to learn about the Civil Rights movement and why they were marching. The NAACP hosts this march every year to honor the legacy of Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., and to teach the value of nonviolent protests to spread civil rights. LUCAS CHAMBERS | THE ALL STATE

"Fantastic Beasts" enchants, renews passion for Harry Potter franchise



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When I heard a movie was in the works based on "Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them," I was annoyed. An entire plotline somehow taken from one of Harry's textbooks? It did not make sense to me. A couple weeks passed, the crowds dwindled and I finally sat down and watched it. I tried to keep my mind open.

I am glad I did. For the first time in a long time, new Harry Potter content enchanted me. I felt like a child watching the Sorcerer's Stone and the Chamber of Secrets again.

The film follows the author of Harry's future textbook, Newt Scamander, played by Eddie Redmayne, attempting to rescue a few of his beasts by keeping them in his enchanted suitcase. He arrives in New York in the hopes of returning one of them to their natural habitat, but quickly stumbles across a non-wizard named Jacob Kowalski, played by Dan Folger, former auror Tina Goldstein, played by Katherine Waterston and her beautiful mind-reading sister Queenie, played by

Alison Sudol. While the four of them fight over law and morality, the Magical Congress of the United States of America, or MACUSA, tries to find the source of mysterious murders all across New York, led by their President Seraphina Piquery, played by Carmen Ejogo.

Newt's genuine love of his creatures, scientific curiosity and difficulty fitting into the world around him make him an easy protagonist to grow attached to and support. Jacob is an incredible balance between the average Joe consistently shocked by the magic around him, and the adaptable, good-hearted friend that Newt needs. The character's traits balance off one another and breathes life and believability into the new world.

In a movie about magical creatures, special effects are a huge deal. If your characters are not believable, a huge element people expect is lost. "Fantastic Beasts" does more than delivers.

Almost every creature looked realistic enough I believed I could carry one out of the theater with me. The ones that didn't quite reach that level still had a level of fantasy in them that made me feel fully immersed in a world of witches and wizards and magic. They are the kind of magic that makes me



The movie's central characters, set 65 years before the events of the first Harry Potter movies. PHOTO CREDIT | <http://www.warnerbros.com>

want to go back and buy the textbook Newt created, with all its details on how to care for and raise such creatures.

The newest and most frightening magical creature, the obscurus, is one of my favorite additions to the Harry Potter universe. Whenever a witch or wizard child is severely abused for showing magical abilities to the point

that they actively learn to repress magic instead of learning to control it, a parasitic creature called an obscurus forms out of the child's magic. No obscurus host has been known to live past the age of 10, and usually the obscurus dies along with it. One of these is causing the murders in New

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“Hidden Figures” reveals hidden story behind NASA

“Hidden Figures” brought to light a powerful story about three women crucial to NASA’s efforts in bringing the first American into space. PHOTO CREDIT | <http://www.foxmovies.com/movies/hidden-figures>



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“Every time we get a chance to get ahead – they move the finish line.” African-American history is a topic that we all know and have learned about. During the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s, we had leaders and people trying to combat the Jim Crow Laws, like Martin Luther King Jr. and Malcolm X. However, there are many people that made an impact on society just as much and the cleverly named “Hidden Figures” shed light into a fight that was not on the public scale. This monumental untold story of three African-American mathematicians that impacted work for NASA as human calculators paved the way for women working in science and mathematics. Katherine G. Johnson, Dorothy Vaughn and Mary Jackson were separated into different areas of the space program. While there, they each had to face various social issues that plagued the time like racism and sexism.

Dorothy, played by Oscar winner Octavia Spencer, had to deal with the barriers of trying to keep her position in the division intact while pushing toward a managerial position. Mary, played by recording artist Janelle Monáe, struggled with trying to become an engineer when none of the nearby colleges accepted African-Americans into their program. Katherine, played by Golden Globe winner Taraji P. Henson, was a part of the task force to send John Glenn into orbit. Although the three were separated dealing with issues, they all were trying to accomplish one goal: getting the United States back into the space race. “Hidden Figures” exemplified the importance of truly knowing African-American history. The information it provided was something I could not believe was true. I did not know they even let black people, let alone black women, work for NASA. Not only did they just work for them, they assisted with one of the most time changing events in American history: sending someone into orbit. It is sad to think of how many similar events have occurred that we would

never know about because they are unfortunately missing from history books. I also feel this film showed racism in a way that was not as intense as “Selma,” and the main characters did not get where they were because of a white person like in “The Help.” These women did it on their own, with determination and without fear. The subtle and blatant hints you see them endure all called attention to the racism, but it was not in an unbearable way. It was just enough to where you completely understood the unreal pain and situations they had to deal with, in and outside the workplace. Al Harrison, played brilliantly by Kevin Costner, was the leader of the task force to send Glenn into space. He recognized Katherine was brilliant, but lamented the way she was being pushed back by preconceived notions from his staff that she was not competent enough to do the job at hand. “Hidden Figures” displayed a level of optimism in a time where many would give up. These three women fought for the right to be a driving force in history, and their story being told will open doors for African-Americans and women

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everywhere. Even with hard scenes to watch and the obstacles they had to face, their hope and determination propelled further than the stars.

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BEASTS

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York, but they’ve become so rare the magical congress assumes it must be one or many of Newt’s creatures run amok. This was the only thing that pulled me out of the film for a solid ten minutes and made me genuinely upset. The member of the Magical Congress named Graves turns out to be Gellert Grindelwald, played by none other than Johnny Depp. Grindelwald is the second darkest wizard ever known to wizardkind, right beneath Lord Voldemort. Grindelwald is not only revealed to be the main antagonist pulling the strings, but he is also supposed to be the main antagonist in the upcoming sequel. I was not a fan of Johnny Depp being cast, but that is personal preference. The big issue was Grindelwald himself hitting the screen. Grindelwald is terrifying. Grindelwald owned the Elder Wand. Grindelwald is Dumbledore’s old friend and rival. I was fine with the obscurial as the main terror in the film, and I was plenty invested in the heroes already because of their personalities and individual motivations. J.K. Rowling did not have to put Newt Scamander head to head with Gellert

Grindelwald to get my attention for the upcoming sequels. I am worried that despite Grindelwald’s powers, making him the antagonist limits what can happen in the upcoming films. Unless we fast-forward a few years at a time, invite Albus Dumbledore to the party, and make the final film about the duel of 1945, Grindelwald cannot be completely and finally defeated in “Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them.” Most possible major resolutions of his character arc have been covered. We know when he is really beaten, and who his remembered arch enemy was. If the next four movies include him and do not turn out to be a dip into that story in more detail, I will not agree with making Grindelwald the antagonist. If they are, I will not agree with dubbing the series based on Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them, teasing us with a handful of characters and the hints of exploration of American wizarding life, only to focus on more of Dumbledore’s backstory. The final twist aside, “Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them” was a wonderful movie that revived the Harry Potter franchise for me. I look forward to the four upcoming sequels, and hope Rowling handles both her new angle on the wizarding world and Grindelwald in a way that is satisfying enough to prove me wrong.

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Robinson named OVC Player of the Week

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ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR


Josh Robinson led the way for APSU Men’s Basketball by scoring a combined 62 points in the Govs two game road trip to Illinois on Thursday, Jan. 12 and Saturday, Jan. 14. Robinson’s leadership and efforts on the trip did not go unnoticed as he was named Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Week.

Robinson’s 26-point performance against Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville pushed the Govs to their first OVC win of the season in overtime. With 28 seconds remaining, a 2-point jumper from the No. 4 put the Govs ahead by 5 points.

Two days later, the junior guard scored a season high 36 points in Charleston, Illinois, against the Eastern Illinois Panthers, including five 3-pointers. Robinson also featured with seven turnovers in his 37-minute performance. Robinson averaged 31 points, 6.5 rebounds and 2.5 assists. The guard hit 43.8 percent of 3-pointers, and 83.8 percent from the free-throw line.

Following the week, the St. Louis native inched up the all-time APSU scoring sheet to 16th, one spot behind Maurice Hampton, and up to 21st in field goals.

Robinson and the rest of the Govs will be in action at the Dunn Center on Thursday, Jan. 19, against Morehead State (7-11, 3-2 OVC) at 7 p.m.

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	WOMEN’S BASKETBALL	MEN’S BASKETBALL
1 ST	BELMONT	^{1ST} BELMONT
2 ND	MURRAY STATE	^{2ND} JACKSONVILLE STATE
3 RD	EASTERN KENTUCKY	^{3RD} TENNESSEE STATE
4 TH	MOREHEAD STATE	^{4TH} MOREHEAD STATE
5 TH	TENNESSEE TECH	^{5TH} TENNESSEE TECH
6 TH	APSU	^{6TH} EASTERN KENTUCKY
7 TH	TENNESSEE STATE	^{1ST} MURRAY STATE
8 TH	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	^{2ND} APSU
9 TH	JACKSONVILLE STATE	^{3RD} UT MARTIN
10 TH	SIUE	^{4TH} SOUTHEAST MISSOURI
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12 TH	EASTERN ILLINOIS	^{6TH} SIUE
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APSU hosts OVC rival Murray State

For the first time this season, APSU plays Murray State in the Battle of the Border.

NOAH HOUCK
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Governors will face the Murray State Racers at the Dunn Center for the season’s first edition of the Battle of the Border on Saturday Jan. 21, a 6:30 p.m. The two teams have combined 20 Ohio Valley Conference Championships, with the most recent being APSU’s 2016 Championship. Eight of those 20 Championships have been this millennium, and Murray State, whether in regular season, conference or division, has been an OVC Champion since the 2010 season.

APSU’s last win over Murray State came on Feb. 6, 2016, when the Govs made the 66 mile drive to the Racer Arena and topped the hosts 76-73. Returning players Josh Robinson and Zach Glotta combined for 32 points.

Murray State has won nine of the last 10 clashes, and have not lost in Clarksville since Feb. 7, 2009, when the Govs slipped by 83-80 when Drake Reed and Wes Channels combined for 54 points.

The Govs sit at 2-3 in conference while the Racers are off to a 3-1 conference start in the new campaign. At the moment APSU finds themselves on a two game conference winning streak as they prepare to host their biggest rival.



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SPORTS

Loos takes leave of absence

After Dave Loos’ health has taken a recent turn, the 27-year veteran and the winningest men’s basketball coach in the OVC has decided to focus on his health.

NOAH HOUCK
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

APSU’s Athletics Department has announced that head men’s basketball coach and all-time Ohio Valley Conference wins leader Dave Loos, 69, will be taking an indefinite leave of absence to focus on health.

The leave will begin with the away game against Tennessee Tech on Jan. 5.

Loos has been in a battle with cancer since the summer, and has been working to balance that fight with coaching.

Loos has persevered through the fight, even returning to his coaching duties 18 days following the removal of a malignant tumor attached to the outside of his colon.

Assistant Head Coach Jay Bowen will fill Loos’s position throughout the leave, according to letsgopeay.com.

Bowen served as an assistant coach for APSU in the 2001-02 season and returned to the role for the 2015-16 season.

“Our primary concern right now is the health of Coach Loos,” Athletic Director Ryan Ivey said. “Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with him and his family and we wish him a speedy recovery.”

Loos was hired as head coach for APSU Men’s Basketball in 1991, and has led the program to 409 wins since then, including four NCAA Tournament appearances and two NAIA Tournament appearances.

In his time at APSU, Loos coached Govs basketball to 22 seasons that featured a fifth place or higher finish in conference, including five first place finishes in the regular season of the OVC.

Before stepping into the APSU coaching role, the 27 year veteran of APSU had two stints as an assistant coach at his alma mater, Memphis, and four years at Christian Brothers University in Memphis, Tennessee.

In 2002, Loos, who was a dual-sport athlete in basketball and baseball, was inducted into the University of Memphis Athletics Hall of Fame.

In 2014, Loos was inducted into the Christian Brothers University hall of fame after serving as the head baseball coach and assistant basketball coach for CBU.

On the diamond, Loos led CBU baseball to 81 wins in four years, including the Buccaneers’ only VSAC Baseball Championship.

Amongst all these accomplishments, the most recent was Loos’ improbable and historic run through the 2016 OVC Tournament.

APSU had to play their way into the postseason by beating SIU-Edwardsville and Southeast Missouri.

The next week featured APSU basketball scoring four upsets in four nights to become the first No. 8 seed to win the conference tournament.

Taking center role for the team that week was not Loos’s coaching, Chris Horton’s drive or Jared Savage’s sharpshooting, but the story of a little



Top left: Dave Loos shouts out plays against No. 1 ranked Kansas during the first round of the 2016 NCAA tournament. Top right: Despite a 105-79 loss against the No. 1 ranked Jayhawks, Dave Loos was pleased with his team’s performance in making the NCAA tournament. Bottom: With a smile on his face, Dave Loos answered questions during a post-game interview after the Governors defeated UT Martin to pull off a tournament Cinderella Story. LEANN ENDSLEY, TAYLO | THE ALL STATE

girl in a New York Hospital. “Rally4Rhyan” is a movement that started at the University of Missouri to support assistant coach Brad Loos’s daughter, Rhyan Loos, in her battle against stage 4 neuroblastoma cancer. Rhyan is Dave Loos’s granddaughter. The story of Rhyan took place at

the same time as Dave Loos coached APSU into the national tournament, and APSU players wore warm-ups with “Rally4Rhyan” on them. As Rhyan rallied in New York, the Govs rallied in Nashville, coming from 19 points down against Tennessee State and delivering the final blow

to OVC regular season champions Belmont in overtime. The Govs went on to take the crown by knocking off UT-Martin 83-73, a team that quieted the Govs with a buzzer beater 3-pointer a month before. There is no timeline for Loos to return to his role of head coach.

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