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Freshmen show full house

Nearly 2,000 new freshmen now walk APSU campus, contining steady increase in enrollment numbers



Nearly 2,000 freshmen attend convocation on Friday, Aug. 25 in the Dunn Center to jump start their college journey. STEPHEN SCHLEGEL | THE ALL STATE

MAHALIA SMITH
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

On Aug. 25, APSU welcomed nearly 2,000 students from the Class of 2021. Since 2014, APSU has seen a steady increase in freshmen class size. This was made apparent last year when on-campus housing was unable to accommodate the influx of students. While the final numbers have not been calculated, the incoming class is expected to meet or surpass the Class of 2020 in numbers.

Among the many freshmen that gathered in the Dunn Center on Friday was Austin Farley, a non-traditional student majoring in history. He is here from Knoxville, Tennessee, Farley was drawn to APSU because of the campus and class sizes. Farley said he is excited about going to class again.

“I am 21, I was in the military, so I have been out of school for about four years,” Farley said.

Haleigh Roby and Destiny Brookins are new nursing majors. Roby is from Fairview.

“My aunt works here, and it has a good nursing program,” Roby said. She is looking

forward to living on campus this semester.

Brookins came to APSU from Memphis and felt welcomed during freshman move-in.

“Moving in, there were so many people helping, that really shocked me. There were so many people willing to help,” Brookins said.

Anthony Dunlap, an engineering psychology major, and Nattapon Spencer, a chemistry major, are both from Clarksville. Both said they chose APSU for the location.

“I am excited overall for everything,” Dunlap said.

The guest speaker for the event was Lisa Howe, Chief Executive Officer of the Nashville LGBT Chamber of Commerce. Howe spoke of her experiences as a lesbian, and the importance of equality. She encouraged students not to be “colorblind” but to instead “acknowledge our differences.”

“Listen more, filter less,” Howe said.

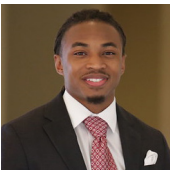
SGA President Frank Burns led the new students in the Govs Creed and Susannah White sang the alma mater. The crowd applauded as they were officially inducted into the APSU student body.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

SGA president addresses campus about upcoming year

FRANK BURNS
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

As Student Government Association President, I wish to develop many projects that will sustain, uplift and contribute to the image of APSU. I wish to implement projects that will be used by all students. I want to implement a bike rental system for APSU students. I hope that this project will be one that will be long-lasting on our campus as well as beneficial and fun to the students. This bike system will uplift the promotion of healthy living in our community, while providing a fun, safe experience. The bike system will be connected to your student account so you will be able to reserve the bikes with your student ID as well as rent them for longer periods of time. The first hour ride will be free of charge. Another initiative is the implementation of electronic boards. These devices will replace the current wooden cork board displays in our main facilities. This system will help improve the experience of student, organization and university advertising. It will also contribute to the development of the school by allowing us to grow aesthetically with other colleges and universities that also have this technology implemented on their respective campuses. I will be revisiting the development of one of my past legislations. This legislation was tested last year in the café. “Govs Give Back” was a wonderful idea that I believe can and will be a huge part of the APSU community. For those of you that do not know, this initiative is a voucher system put in place to help feed students and is supported by the donation of meal plan swipes sent to the SOS Food Pantry. We as SGA representatives will be more student-involved this year by personally visiting and reaching out to all student organizations so that we can hear any ideas or concerns. We hope this will create a closer relationship with our students. Our first priority in SGA is to serve as the voice of the students, but we also want to show we care. With your support we will do so. Thank you.



SGA President
Frank Burns

New organization ‘Purpose On Purpose’ brings support to women of color on campus

MAHALIA SMITH
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Starting in the fall, APSU will be welcoming a new social group to campus. Purpose on Purpose (P.O.P) is a mentoring group for women of color that has big plans for its inaugural semester.

Amia Butler, a graduate marketing student, saw the need for a group like this during her time at APSU.

“The organization started from a thought that I had, after seeing so many people not graduating, as far as women of color who came in with me,” Butler said. “[They were] leaving because of situations with academics and violence.”

In addition to academic struggles, Butler noticed social struggles as well.

“There was really a lack of empowerment form women of color to women of color,” Butler said. “You would hear [...] another girl talking down about another girl, when we are all on

the same playing field.”

Despite this trend, Butler said, there previously was no organization or program to combat this issue.

“People would talk about them, but nobody was helping,” Butler said. “Nobody was providing a solution, and there was nothing on campus specifically for women of color.”

The group will function as a mentor-mentee program, in which underclassmen are mentored by upperclassmen and graduate students. The primary focus of P.O.P is helping women achieve academic success.

“Definitely, we are focusing on education,” Butler said. “We want to see a lot of our members on executive boards of organizations.”

While getting women to graduation is important, Butler says that P.O.P will also focus on physical, spiritual and mental health.

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Members of Purpose on Purpose volunteering for the Freshman Welcome Wagon on Thursday, Aug. 24 at APSU. | CONTRIBUTED PHOTO



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Total Eclipse of a Lifetime

According to NASA, Clarksville became the perfect viewing spot for historic event

STORM BROOKS
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

For the first time in 38 years a total solar eclipse could be seen in the U.S. The eclipse was visible in only 14 of the 50 states, which were: Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa, Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia, North Carolina and South Carolina. People traveled to these states from all across the country just to watch the eclipse, which lasted just over two minutes, but why?

A total solar eclipse is a big deal because they happen so rarely. A total solar eclipse happens a little less than once a year and only occurs in the right conditions. For a total eclipse to happen, there are 4 conditions that must be met. There has to be a new moon, the moon must be passing in front of the sun, the moon must also be close to Earth in orbit and the Earth, the moon and the sun must be aligned in a straight line. These things hardly ever occur at the exact same time, making a total solar eclipse rare.

A total solar eclipse has five phases:

1. The partial eclipse begins: During this stage, the moon starts to become visible over the sun.
2. The total eclipse begins: During the second stage, the entire sun is covered by the moon.
3. Totality and maximum eclipse: At this stage, the moon completely covers the sun, and only the sun's corona, (the faint rays of light that silhouette the moon,) is visible. This is considered the most dramatic stage of the total solar eclipse. During this time, the sky goes completely dark, the temperature may fall and animals usually go quiet.
4. The total eclipse ends: At this point the moon begins to moving away and the sun reappears.
5. The partial eclipse ends: In the last phase of the eclipse, the moon stops overlapping the sun, and the eclipse comes to an end.

The most recent total solar eclipse viewed from the U.S. was on Feb. 26, 1979, and was visible in only five states and four Canadian provinces.

For some older generations, this was their second eclipse experience. This was the case for Jonathan Hart, who was in high school during the 1979 eclipse. Hart traveled to Clarksville from Beckley, West Virginia to view this year's eclipse. When asked why he chose to come to Clarksville, Hart said "it seemed like the perfect place to come watch the eclipse because it's so close to the center line for totality." Hart also chose Clarksville because his niece works at APSU.

Angie Judish, who works in the Human Resources department on campus, was also out enjoying the eclipse. While Judish found it really strange to watch it get dark at 1:30, she said it was "really pretty to look at, especially at totality."

Those who missed the eclipse this year will have to wait seven years for another opportunity. The next total solar eclipse that will be visible from the U.S. will be seen from Texas to Maine on April 8, 2024. The next annular, or partial, eclipse that will be seen from

the U.S. will be on Oct. 15, 2023 and will be visible from Northern California to Florida.

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JONATHAN HART
ECLIPSE CHASER



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BURGLARY
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Castle Heights
Aug. 21, 9:56 p.m.
Report

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"Also, we are really focusing on mental health, because there is a myth in the black community that if you are facing a mental health struggle, that 'it will be okay' and to just downplay it," Butler said.

Butler works as a graduate student in the Office of Student Life and Engagement and has plans to grow the group in the fall.

"We will be doing First Fridays and the Involvement fair, and also APEX weekend for the freshmen," Butler said. The main event, however, will be the Women's Conference in October. The conference will focus on empowering women of color, and will serve as an opportunity to recruit mentors and mentees for P.O.P.

"Each day for the Women's Conference will be geared towards something

"Nobody was providing a solution, and there was nothing on campus specifically for women of color."

AMIA BUTLER
P.O.P FOUNDER

women of color go through all the time," Butler said. "It is going to be a really good time, lots of great giveaways, a good time to connect with other people [and] a great time for freshmen to be able to get involved."

The conference will be an opportunity for women to talk freely.

"[The conference is] really just a safe place for us to start a conversation about things they might not feel comfortable with talking about with someone else in the classroom," Butler said.

Women who want to join P.O.P either as a mentor or a mentee can sign up at the Involvement Fair on and the Women's Conference in the fall.

"All you have to do is reach out," Butler said, "and we will definitely respond to you as soon as possible and get you involved."

For more information about Purpose On Purpose please contact Founder Amia Butler at abutler17@my.apsu.edu



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PERSPECTIVES

“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

Did Trump tilt white nationalism versus is he a helpful coincidence



Yes

President Trump’s U.S. creates safety for racism, gave white nationalism the setting they need



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The recent, vocal outbreak of white nationalists’ boldness and hatred is directly related to the vulgar, inexcusable behavior of the President of the United States, Donald Trump, due to his lack of respect for the minority community and his unapologetic attitude towards violence.

Do not get it confused. Trump is clearly not the creator of racism, systemic racism was alive before his existence, but he is a clear motivator to his fans’ desire to see white supremacy excel.

“We are going to fulfill the promises of Donald Trump...because he said he’s going to take our country back and that’s what we got to do,” a self-identified white nationalist David Duke said, in response to the recent event in Charlottesville, Virginia.

There is no better example of Trump’s want for an ethnically uniform society than his efforts at banning an entire brown-skinned race from entering the United States with the Muslim ban. He built a large portion of his campaign around the promise of creating a wall to not allow another brown-complexioned

A GOV WEIGHS IN

“I think it’s always been there. I think because Trump always says what’s on his mind because he doesn’t care, it gave those people who always felt like they needed to quiet a reason to talk all they wanted to. I think he sparked it, but I don’t think he was the reason why it all of a sudden happened because the hate has always been there,” senior computer science major Kenneth Albright said.

race, Mexicans, into this country based off inaccurate assumptions. He said during his 2016 presidential bid, when he declared himself a Republican candidate, that the individuals who cross the border are “rapists” and “criminals”.

The platform to use force and violence when a situation is personally not appealing has been perfectly set up by Trump. His physically aggressive

A GOV WEIGHS IN

“I think that president Trump has exacerbated the situation. He used the same rhetoric in his campaign that was used in fascist rallies in pre-World War II Europe, so it made it much easier for the fascists to come out,” sophomore computer science major Robert Vaughn said.

demands for his fan base is nothing less than deplorable and disgusting.

When supporters at a Trump rally brought protesters to his attention, he said, “If you see somebody with a tomato, knock the crap out of them.” He quickly followed up with the promise of paying court fees for any of his supporters who completed his request.

A president is elected with an expectation to be an example and a constant reminder of what we are striving to be. This president has used his honorable position to promote the environment he wants for this country and that is hatred and bigotry. The bar is set and the people who placed him in office are living up to standards by taking continuous actions to nourish the white supremacy outlook.

The person responsible for leading this country continuously supports and defends racism and domestic terrorism. His behavior has offered a comfort that has not been present in our society for decades. This has directly led to backlash from the once silenced group; white nationalists.

No

Racism has been around longer than our current president, he did not create this he enabled it



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Violent acts taken on by the white nationalist movement have begun to reflect poorly on President Donald Trump after an event that recently occurred in Charlottesville, Virginia leaving one dead and over a dozen wounded.

Americans have taken to the idea that Trump is the cause of hate crimes breaking out all over the nation throughout these recent months. The public accused Trump inaccurately of being the reason our country stands facing domestic terrorism. In the past our country has encountered hate crimes acted out by Caucasian Americans, this just happens to be the year that this group was given a name. Correlation does not imply causation, so the racism of one man, however influential, is not the cause of a widespread racist movement just because he is also racist.

A GOV WEIGHS IN

“Saying that Trump is the only reason is nonsense however he is a figurehead of a rising racial tension that has become much worse nowadays, and with him being revered in how hateful he is, having him as a figurehead has made [the situation] worse,” freshman art major Grace Armontrout said.

These hate crimes are being made on home soil and not overseas, which is fueling fear that Americans are feeling. Denial of the problem at hand is no longer an option for many as these acts are being normalized in the media.

The attack that occurred in Charlottesville, Virginia brought

A GOV WEIGHS IN

“I do not think he was the cause, but he’s the motivator. He did not really do anything in that he does not really condemn them and plays both sides. I think that made everything worse because he is not really a strong leader,” sophomore English major Kuniko Kincaid said.

dozens of opinions to the surface, with groups debating the origin and trying to pinpoint who is to blame for the white nationalist acts that have been occurring widespread over the country.

Trump’s past communication with the public allows him to stand as an easy target to the those who are just looking for the cause of the recent threats being made. Some believe Trump encouraged the ‘white nationalist’ movement by the comments he made in the beginning of his election. He started his presidency making sexist and racist comments to those who he was above as well as to the nation he was entrusted to lead.

ABC News quoted Trump saying that the issues occurring have “been going on for a long time in the country.”

This may seem as though he is looking for an out for himself and the organization that works with him. Trump is not to blame for the hate crimes acted out in the past months, he just suffers from the association since this is the time that the group was given a name. The group being now classified as one unit is what makes them easily publicized.

The Huffington Post’s website states that after Trump talked on the issue of the attack he had conflicting sides on his speech with 79 percent of democrats and 52 percent of independents believing he could have stepped up his speech and added stronger points through out it. While many disagree with the strength of this speech, 59 percent of republicans thought it was well spoken and hit the important points.

EXTRAS

APEX WEEKEND



1. Freshman stand for the annual APSU photo after Convocation on Friday, Aug. 25 at Fortera Stadium. STEPHEN SCHLEGEL | THE ALL STATE

2. Freshman and families attending a farewell barbeque after moving in on Thursday, Aug. 24 in the Red Barn. TAYLOR HARRELL | THE ALL STATE

3 & 4. Freshman Convocation inducted new students into the Gobs family on Friday, Aug. in the Dunn Center STEPHEN SCHLEGEL and HALEY PALMERI | THE ALL STATE

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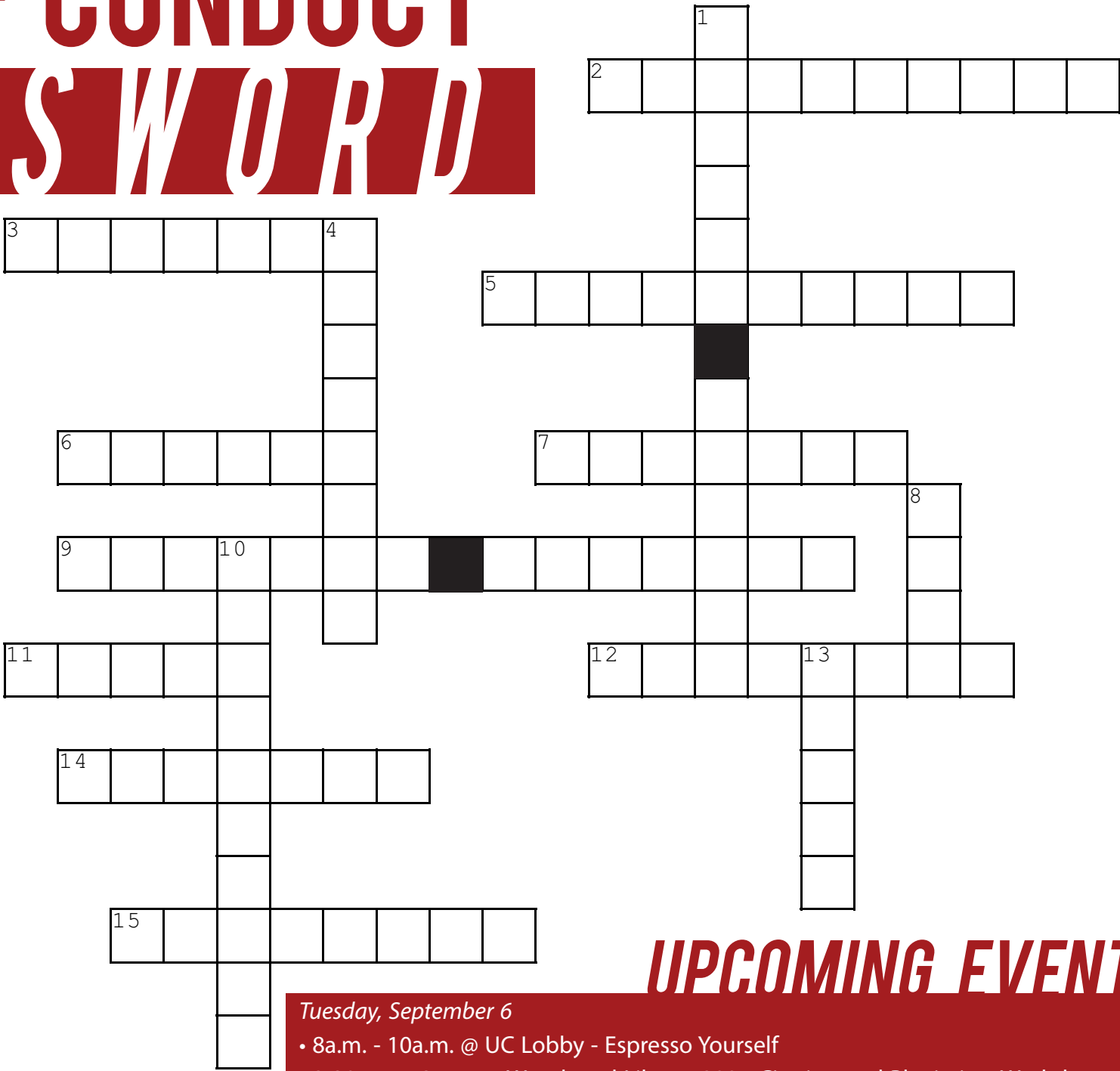
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- 2. Literary Theft
- 3. This can be done in a designated areas only
- 5. Go here when you need an ear
- 6. You can do this if you believe you were not given due process
- 7. Possession or ingestion of this will lead to a letter home before 21
- 9. This is where you will find the Dean of Students and the Director of Student Conduct (2 words)
- 11. Use of possession of these will get you terminated from Housing
- 12. Using or attempting to use unauthorized materials or aids in an academic setting
- 14. If you violate a rule you are entitled to one of these
- 15. These are dangerous and prohibited on campus

DOWN

- 1. Law Enforcement (2 words)
- 4. Wagering
- 8. Unversity Leader
- 10. Out of control
- 13. Misappropriation or unauthorized sale



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Tuesday, September 6**
- 8a.m. - 10a.m. @ UC Lobby - Espresso Yourself
 - 2:30p.m. - 3p.m. @ Woodward Library 209 - Citation and Plagiarism Workshop
- Wednesday, September 7**
- 10a.m. - 10:30a.m. @ Woodward Library 209 - Citation and Plagiarism Workshop
- Thursday, September 8th**
- Noon - 1p.m. @ UC 310 - Got Integrity
 - 12:30p.m. - 2p.m. @ Woodward Library - Writing Center Open House

FEATURES



'BEE'CLIPSED BY THE MOON

APSU Farm studies non-human reactions to August eclipse

ASHLEY THOMPSON
FEATURES WRITER

Want to know the “bee’s knees?” APSU first had a small, stray cow escape onto campus and explore, and on August 21, APSU studied a herd of cows, along with beehives. These animals and insects were the focus of studies during the full solar eclipse at the Farm and Enviromental Education Center. This study was to see how animals and insects respond to an event like the eclipse. The question: would the animals and insects react to the eclipse, and in what ways?

“We are looking for any kind of difference in behavior since it is our first time watching them during an eclipse. For example, we are watching how the bees’ forage changes, and they have been a lot more active since we started at 11 a.m.,” Adjunct Instructor Bob Moore said.

Moore and farm intern Emily Rendleman observed the bees and cows each hour to see any changes or reactions. Both of them said they were very interested in how they would respond in each phase, especially during totality.

Rendleman, a sophomore Agriculture major, said she has been interested

“A few minutes before totality, the bees just got really active and then started pouring into the hive. It was like someone dropped a box of bees on the ground. They acted like it was nighttime and they were going to bed.”

EMILY RENDLEMAN
SOPHOMORE AGRICULTURE MAJOR

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Family, friends celebrate new school year

Freshmen share hopes for school year in Memorial Health building Thursday

ASHLEY THOMPSON
FEATURES WRITER

Farewells are best said surrounded by food. New freshmen and their families were able to attend a family barbecue in the Red Barn from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The dinner was one more chance for freshmen and their families to spend time together before the semester begins.

Freshmen had different perspectives on what excitements were to come from becoming a Gov. There were answers from being away from home to one intriguing class brewing freshmen curiosity.

“I am mostly excited to be away from home and out on my own. I think that is the best part,” freshman Spanish major Branton Wallace said. “For organizations, I am kind of interested in looking into a fraternity and excited for the gatherings.”

There are many new experiences tied to being a freshman, and gathering at events like the barbecue can be one of those experiences. Organizations set up to recruit while attendees waited on food. The Foy Fitness Center had a table along with Student Affairs, and people would walk the line of booths before or after eating.

With all these organizations around, freshmen have a lot to think as they find hobbies or an anticipate a class.

“I am definitely excited for my physics class. It is my passion and I am hoping to get to know my roommate some more. Maybe we will be able to go to these kinds of events together,” freshman physics major Jasper Wronko said. Wronko also



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After a day of unpacking parents’ cars and setting up their dorms, the freshman class of 2021 gathered in the Memorial Health building to eat barbecue and make friends. TAYLOR HARRELL | THE ALL STATE

BEES

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in bees for most of her life and looked forward to these estimated research results.

“I have been beekeeping since I was six and want to make a career out of it and research them. I hope to research them in ways similar to this in the future as well,” Rendleman said. “My grandfather has been beekeeping since the early ‘70s and I grew up with it. I have loved it since then and am excited to see how the eclipse affects the bees.”

While the study focused on both bees and cows, Rendleman said she expected a stronger change in behavior from the bees than she did the cows.

“I am secretly not as interested in the cow’s reactions, and not just because I love bees. I like to joke cows are constantly confused. My guess during the eclipse is they will be even more confused than I think they are naturally,” she said.

The cows and bees remained pretty normal for the first parts of the eclipse and then slowly showed changes in behaviors. As Rendleman took observations, the bees showed more of a reaction than the cows.

“You would not think bees have behaviors, but it is the opposite. Looking at them, when bees get fearful they put their butts in the air and motion their wings. That is their alarm gland, and if they buzz more then it could be responses

to the eclipse,” Rendleman said. During the eclipse the bees would buzz a lot more and hid in their hives.

The reactions of the bees were a greater focus than the cows because Rendleman specialized in them, but also because the bees rely on the sun for navigation. Rendleman said the sun is their compass for traveling. With the sun going dark for a few minutes, the observers wanted to see possible reactions. Rendleman questioned if the bees would even make it back to the hive.

Once the eclipse occurred, there were obvious changes shown in behaviors. It was something Rendleman and Moore said they had never seen. The bees showed more of these behavior changes than the cows. The observers took notes and stats of how reactions and numbers changed.

“A few minutes before totality, the bees just got really active and then started pouring into the hive,” Rendleman said. “It was like someone dropped a box of bees on the ground. They acted like it was nighttime and they were going to bed.”

Rendleman said the biggest thing she noticed was how the bees started to buzz, as if they were anxious or upset, and it was a huge difference to the common humming from before. The bees were still flying into their hive as the eclipse passed, and they continued to hide until it was over.

Rendleman said bees will buzz when they are anxious or having strong emotions. Before the eclipse, the bees

were only lightly humming. It was an easy to pick out change of behavior.

“I have never seen anything like it before. Of course, I have never been here during an eclipse, but I have not seen anything close to it,” Moore said.

The cows were not as active as the calf that ran into campus last year, but they did do some standing up and sitting down. Compared to the bees, there was much less activity.

“This eclipse, it rocked the bees’ world. They will most likely stay in the hives the rest of the day,” Rendleman said.



Bees use the sun to navigate and tell time. When it goes dark during an eclipse, the bees think it is time for bed. ANDREW WADOVICK | THE ALL STATE

There were all sorts of events going on around the farm for the eclipse viewing. There were people from all over the country watching balloon launches, a livestream of the eclipse, testing shadow boxes or observing how animals react to a rare, unusual event in the sky.

Along with the animal research, a livestream of the eclipse was shown, space camp students created shadow boxes and NASA had many events produced around the area.

“The space camp groups are setting up boxes to try and catch shadow bands, also known as shadow snakes, that appear on the ground just before the moon blocks out and after. They make unique little shapes on the ground,” NASA Public Affairs Officer Kimberly Newton said.

Taylor Haney, a home-schooled sophomore with the Advanced Space Academy space camp said they were “going to record the thermal shadows that are created on our boxes and see what we can get.”

Other viewers had more personal reasons to view and study the eclipse.

“My mother saw an eclipse. I cannot remember exactly when she said she did, but she was telling me how awesome it was. I cannot wait to see it and livestreaming it for APSU is what I have been tasked with, and I am excited,” junior physics major Jamin Welch said.

APSU was wondering if the eclipse would change the behaviors of certain animals, and the farm’s studies showed some of those effects.

BBQ

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said she is hoping to get involved with theater and get out of the awkwardness of first meeting a roommate.

With free shirts, pens and food available at the family barbecue, crowds of families, friends and individual freshmen gathered. The Red Barn was full of guests, new Govs, sororities and fraternities helping to give out food, along with dining service staff members. Chips and barbecue sandwiches were the main dish, and cookies were available for dessert.

“The dance program is something I am looking forward to. There are not any organizations I have picked yet, but I

do plan to attend more events like this in the future,” freshman health major Clinton Asamoah Collin said.

The freshmen had a chance to see what is available on campus at APSU while at the barbecue. There were also multiple other freshmen around for socializing with. The barbecue gives reasons for meet ups and introductions.

“I am not sure if joining a sorority is for me but, looking at the booth, I am interested in checking out the paper,” freshman undecided major Lauren Bullington said. “I love writing short stories and writing in general, so I am so glad my parents pointed me over to The All State’s booth. I am definitely thinking of checking it out.”

Bullington said she was looking forward to the opportunities on campus

to get involved.

“There are a lot of events to attend, and I am hoping to make friends at them. I am really excited to see all the stuff Greek life does this week, even if I do not join the Greeks myself,” Bullington said.

New students also discussed living away from their parents’ lifestyles. Some parents were saying goodbye to their children possibly until Fall Break after this gathering.

“The new place and meeting new friends is the most fun. I am hoping to make new friends, meet and get to know my roommate and enjoy the year,” freshman finance major Morgan Madon said. She also said she was not excited for any particular class but she was for all the new settings.

At the Family Barbecue new freshmen

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LAUREN BULLINGTON
UNDECIDED FRESHMAN

got a taste of good food and available sources and organizations at APSU. There was time to enjoy a dinner with those whose family were with them or even a sit-down with friends. Freshmen mentioned being excited for all sorts of things in the coming year as classes and organizations get ready to meet them.

SGA ELECTIONS

SEPT. 5-7

Ratification: Sept. 8 at 4 p.m.

3 Freshman and 3 Graduate Senate Seats
Senators are able to sponsor legislation and bring change to campus
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Mudbowl will be held in the Dunn Bowl on OCT. 1.

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SPORTS

Snapping the losses

Looking at football’s top five chances of breaking a 27-game losing streak

MOREHEAD STATE (SEPT. 16)

Last Meeting: 2006, APSU 23 MSU 21

Morehead State travels to Fortera Stadium to open up APSU’s home football schedule in the first meeting between the two teams in 11 years. The Eagles enter 2017 having to find a replacement for the QB who took 458 snaps in the 2016 season. MSU will bring a new QB to line up against a core of returning secondary.

AT MURRAY STATE (SEPT. 23)

Last Meeting: 2016, APSU 17 MSU 45

This is a rivalry game, and as we have seen in the past anything can happen. The last time APSU won a game was against MSU in 2014. MSU lost starting QB KD Humphries, meaning that there is no true established QB for the 2017 season. Jesse Blackburn, second in receiving on the team, is also gone.

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI (OCT. 21)

Last Meeting: 2016, SEMO 41 APSU 21

SEMO returns starting quarterback, Jesse Hosket, but loses their two leading rushers in Will Young and Tremane McCullough. SEMO gave up an average of 24 points of game. Along with that, three of the top five tacklers on the team are gone. APSU’s offense is revamped and looks to take advantage of the team’s departures, and last season’s numbers.

AT EASTERN KENTUCKY (NOV. 11)

Last Meeting: 2016, EKU 67 APSU 30

Eastern Kentucky loses their top two passers. The team only averaged around 26 points per game, with both of their leading scorers out of the program now. The offense does not seem like it will be lighting up the score board. The defense gave up over 30 points per game as well, APSU has a chance, due to uncertainty in the quarterback position and the problems on defense.

AT EASTERN ILLINOIS (NOV. 18)

Last Meeting: 2016, EIU 67 APSU 30

The top three rushers are gone, the returning rushers do not have a lot of experience and the numbers show that. The team came away with only 17 passing touchdowns last season but gave away 13 interceptions. The top two receivers are also gone, leaving big holes in every skill position, except for quarterback.



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Kentel Williams makes a run to the outside in the 2016 Season. THE ALL STATE

Previewing volleyball in 2017

Taking a look into volleyball for the Fall 2017 season, ranked second in OVC

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The APSU Lady Gobs 2017 season will begin with their first match of the Culvers Governors Challenge against the

UMKC Roos on Friday, August 25. The upcoming season looks bright for APSU. The Lady Gobs were picked to finish second in the OVC Preseason Poll. APSU received six first-place votes, which puts them behind Belmont, who

received 10 first place votes. APSU’s head coach Taylor Mott told letsgopeay.com, “[Being picked second] is a double-edged sword. It’s nice to have the attention of your peers, but it also means you have their attention.”

The Lady Gobs had an overall record of 24-11 last season, and the their OVC record was 12-4.

APSU has a strong roster for the 2017 season, and Ashley Slay, who is now a senior, will continue to be a weapon for the Lady Gobs. Slay lead the Lady Gobs in both kills and d points last season. She racked up 397 kills and 487 points throughout the 2016 season. The 2017 season looks just as bright for the senior.

While Slay is bound to lead APSU’s offense, Sophomore Ginny Gerig is a

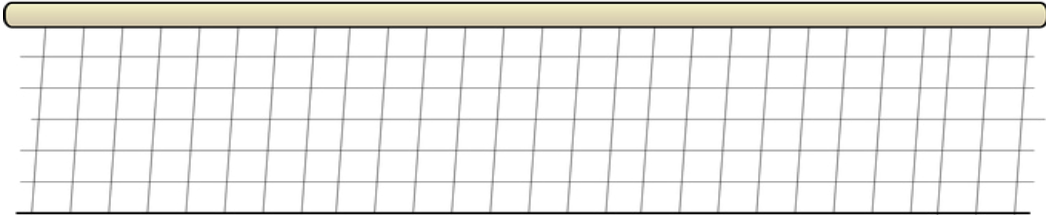
standout on the APSU defense. Last season, Gerig had a total of 498 digs as a Freshman.

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TAYLOR MOTT
APSU VOLLEYBALL HEAD COACH



Sammie Ebright and the Gobs celebrate a 2016 win over Morehead State. THE ALL STATE



Finding positives in APSU Football



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The Ohio Valley Conference released their preseason polls, in which the APSU team was ranked dead last. The last place ranking for the Govs seems fair, as the team has only won once since 2013. That being said, this is a team with the potential to be more competitive than they have been in many years, winning at least three games and competing with Southeast Missouri for eighth place in the OVC standings.

The argument against the Govs is strong, but this is a youthful team still growing under second year Head Coach Will Healy. The Govs have a lot to be excited about as they signed the number one recruiting class in the OVC for the second year in a row, while also securing the number one recruiting class in the Football Championship Series for 2017.

The school brought in 27 fresh faces, with a few of those athletes poised to make a splash for the Govs in their first season. The two players that will have

the chance to make the biggest impact on their respective sides of the field are wide receiver DJ Montgomery and former Oregon defensive tackle, Austin Maloata.

Montgomery, a community college transfer, had 36 catches in his most previous season, and recorded 991 receiving yards. That is roughly 27 yards per catch, which is incredible at any level of football. He is a player with the potential to help APSU stretch the field and become a true star on an offense that has lacked one for quite some time.

On the defensive side of the ball there is Maloata. A talented individual, but due to off-the-field issues in Oregon, he has had to come to APSU to continue playing. The 300-lb, senior defensive tackle looks the part, but only time will tell if he can be a wrecking ball in the trenches.

While this team certainly will not be outstanding anytime soon, they have the potential to head in the right direction. This is a young team, but it is a team that is hungry to win. It is a team that is ready to turn APSU's losing culture around sooner rather than later.



Govs show support to the team from the sideline in a home game of the 2016 season. THE ALL STATE

Titans hope preseason is good sign for the year

In the first game of the preseason, Titans win against Carolina Panthers

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Marcus Mariota thinks the Tennessee Titans gave a glimpse of just how they can play this season in their second preseason game.

Run hard, throw the ball efficiently and take the ball away from the opponent as much as possible.

The Titans did all three, with some big plays on special teams thrown in Saturday, as they beat the Carolina Panthers 34-27 on a steamy day , and Mariota said that absolutely set the path for Tennessee.

“I think that was the blueprint for how we can be successful this year,” said Mariota, who was 6 of 8 for 61 yards and a touchdown. “All three phases played really well. We just got to kind of follow that course and continue forward.”

The Titans (1-1) managed only a field goal to open the preseason with a 7-3 loss to the Jets on Aug. 12 . Against the Panthers, they scored 17 within the first quarter and never trailed, taking advantage of the first of three turnovers forced. Tennessee also held the ball for more than 34 minutes.

Carolina played without quarterback Cam Newton, the 2015 NFL MVP, tight end Greg Olsen and center Ryan Kalil.

The Titans sat Pro Bowl running back DeMarco Murray as a precaution as he recovers from a hamstring injury that occurred the first week of training camp along with wide receivers Eric Decker (ankle) and rookie Corey Davis, the fifth pick overall in April. Wide receiver Rishard Matthews was not at the game for personal reasons.

Pro Bowl linebacker Brian Orakpo called it a confidence-boosting win.

“To know that we can compete with the high-level teams, go out there and make plays and do the best we can, and like I said, compete in the league,” Orakpo said. “There’s a lot of great teams out here, and we want to be one

of them.”

Coach Mike Mularkey still has plenty to target in practice. The Titans were flagged 11 times for 93 yards but converted all three fourth downs, including a fourth-and-2 in the first quarter where Derrick Henry picked up 4 yards. Mariota capped the drive with a pass to a wide-open Delanie Walker for the touchdown and a 10-0 lead.

Mularkey said he didn’t want to kick a field goal at that point.

“I trust our guys to make it happen,” Mularkey said.

The Panthers tied it up at 27 with 3:51 left and outgained the Titans 386-360 in total offense. Aaron Wallace forced the final turnover with a sack and strip of the ball that Jimmy Staten recovered. That set up the winning touchdown.

“As long as they keep on doing that and building on their own, we can be looking to a bright future, hopefully,” Pro Bowl defensive lineman Jurrell Casey said of the Titans’ backups.

Several younger Titans gave proof of what they can offer to earn roster spots.

David Fluellen, fighting for the No. 3 running back spot, made a key special teams tackle and broke off a run for 53 yards. Rookie tight end Jonnu Smith had a team-high five catches for 47 yards. Adoree Jackson, the 18th pick overall, returned a punt for a would-be touchdown only to have it wiped out by two penalties to make himself the leading candidate for punt returner.

“I know we had penalties on the play, but we haven’t had a punt return for a touchdown with penalties since I’ve been here,” Mularkey said. “That was good to see. I saw that we had the ability to be explosive in that area.”

With training camp over, the Titans will have a regular game week before hosting Chicago on Aug. 27 and wrapping up the preseason Aug. 31 at Kansas City.

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