



Landscape and grounds enters APSU trees in contest

Intends to increase awareness, benefits of trees in local area

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APSU will be entering 15 of the trees around campus into this year's Big Tree Contest held by the Clarksville Tree Board. There will be a winner declared for each species of tree entered, and first-place trees will be awarded a Certificate from the City Forester.

Assistant Director of Landscape and Grounds Wes Powell said he measured several species for the competition and plans to release a map of the locations of any winning trees. Entries will be judged based on the circumference, height and width each tree.

"To have 15 trees in the running for this contest is a testament to our past and ongoing stewardship for the environment and the Clarksville community," Powell said. "Five of the 15 nominated trees were

in the direct path of the 1999 tornado that devastated downtown Clarksville and APSU."

APSU's submissions include four oak trees and one each of the following species: holly, beech, ash, elm, tulip poplar, sweet gum, bald cypress, osage orange, pecan and southern magnolia. One douglas-fir tree entered into the competition has also nominated for State Champion

Powell said winning the competition would highlight APSU's ability to educate the Clarksville community by showing "the importance of air and water quality, species diversity, cost savings for utilities and the economic value of the landscape." He also said it would draw more attention to campus scenery.

The contest is intended to involve the public in developing Clarksville's tree inventory while raising awareness of the

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APSU history club explores historic Fort Defiance

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Fort Defiance is located on a bluff 200 feet above the point where the Red River and the Cumberland River meet. The fort once served a significant role in Clarksville's participation in the Civil War and was seen as an ideal site to defend Clarksville. In February 1862 Fort Defiance was captured by Union forces and remained under their control for the remainder of the war. Under Union control the fort and the surrounding area served as a beacon of freedom for runaway slaves. The slaves were able to find employment, education and safe passage in the fort.

Fort Defiance was abandoned and forgotten after the war. Recent efforts have led to the rediscovery of the fort and the construction of the Fort Defiance Interpretive Center. The center is located at the former site of the fort, and serves as a 1,500-square-foot memorial and education center.

Students from the APSU History Club spent the summer researching various aspects of the fort's history. The students were joined by area historians and were able to present their findings as part of a collaboration between APSU and Clarksville Parks and Recreation.

The topics covered by the students and area historians focused on the communities and individuals that made up Civil War-era Clarksville.

Kelly Jones, an assistant history professor at APSU, partook in the research efforts during the summer.

"Over the summer I met with History Club members and we hammered out some different research topics that they could work on. There weren't any grades, credit hours, or money involved in the work the students were doing over the summer—it was just people being nerds about history in their free time," Jones said.

APSU student Kate DiStefano and Aricia Broadway presented research they conducted on the forgotten Green Hill Cemetery in former New Providence.

This area is now a part of the city of Clarksville, but the cemetery has fallen into disrepair and many people buried there are unidentified by current records.

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ZONE 3 LITERARY READING



Students listen to creative writing professor Amy Wright speak at the Zone 3 editors reading on Thursday, Oct. 6, in the MUC. HUNTER ABRAMS | THE ALL STATE

Literary magazine hits 30 years

APSU professors, editors read collected works

CELESTE MALONE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

In a quiet room in the Morgan University Center, students, faculty and staff gathered to listen to carefully placed words in poems and fiction and non-fiction essays by three of "Zone 3's" award-winning editors: Amy Wright, Barry Kitterman and Andrea Spofford.

Founded in 1986 by APSU professors David Till and Malcolm Glass, it is a bi-annual printed publication through the Center for Excellence in Creative Arts at APSU. It was originally named for the agricultural area APSU was located in. Although the area has changed, the name remained the same.

"I think it's amazing. I admire the vision of the journal's founders, Malcolm Glass and David Till work and I appreciate our current direction. I also want to acknowledge the work of our amazing managing editor Susan Wallace." Associate Professor of Creative Writing poetry editor of "Zone 3" Andrea

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ANDREA SPOFFORD
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF
CREATIVE WRITING

Spofford said. "I love the reputation "Zone 3" has established and I'm proud of the writers we publish. There's a lot to be said about institutional knowledge and longevity and I think "Zone 3's" age is indicative of its literary caliber. The work we publish is lasting and important."

At "Zone 3's" start, it was only poetry and fiction until Amy Wright, Coordinator of Creative Writing at APSU, added a non-fiction section to expand the journal in 2007.

Wright, scheduled to publish four books this year, said her passion stems from her research. "My interest is in research. So a lot of times I am research driven, whether field research, interviews or through conferences," Wright said.

Wright opened with an excerpt from an essay called "This Is Our World," by Dorothy Allison, a selected Acuff Chair of Excellence writer, who will be speaking

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on campus Oct. 27. The passage Wright read, spoke on why Allison thinks art is so important in everyday life.

“I think that using art to provoke uncertainty is what great writing and inspired images do most brilliantly,” Wright read. “Art should provoke more questions than answers and most of all, make us think something we rarely want to think about at all.”

Creative Writing and Center of Excellence in Creative Arts Representative Barry Kitterman, read some of his works as well. One of his poems references the Clarksville community’s support of the restaurant staple, Johnny’s Big Burger.

“It’s Johnny himself, guards the grill. Nodding to his burgers as they sizzle in unison,” Kitterman read. “I order a double cheeseburger. Mayo, mustard, leave the pickles, grill the onions and fries with all their golden glory.”

“Zone 3” does not publish APSU students, but does offer student internships and opportunities for them to get involved in literary publishing. There is also an APSU student-run literary journal called “The Red Mud Review,” and applications will open the Spring 2017 semester until the end of Summer.

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ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CREATIVE WRITING

Creative writing is not just about thinking ‘outside of the box,’ it is the expression of emotion and feelings often in metaphorical and descriptive way. “Creative writing is important because it asks readers and writers to see the world in more nuanced ways.” Spofford said. “Reading teaches empathy and studying creative writing opens the world.”

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benefits of trees, according to a press release from the Clarksville Tree Board.

Submissions will close on Nov. 30, and the results will be announced once all entries have been measured. For more information on the contest and judging criteria, visit the Clarksville Tree Board’s Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/clarksvilletreeboard>.

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State Champion Nominee:

> One douglas-fir



Students listen to Creative Writing professors: Amy Wright, Andrea Spofford, Barry Kitterman speak at the Zone 3 editors reading on Oct. 6, in the MUC. HUNTER ABRAMS | THE ALL STATE



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Quality Enhancement Plan (Q.E.P.)

PATRICK ROACH
STAFF WRITER

You have probably seen the Q.E.P. acronym somewhere on campus during your time at APSU. Ask a few people what it means, though and most will say they have no idea. The reality is, for students, the Q.E.P. can assist with finding that dream job after graduation.

Q.E.P. stands for Quality Enhancement Plan, and it focuses on getting students involved in programs that will make their resume more desirable to potential employers. The Q.E.P. provides internships, studies abroad, undergraduate research programs and service-learning designated courses.

Those experiences are called high-impact practices (HIPs). They are intended to help students apply what they learn in the classroom to real world situations.

“By participating in these experiences students boost critical thinking skills, develop self-reflection skills and enhance their resumes and graduate school applications,” Learning Opportunities Coordinator Allie Michael said.

When your resume is sent to a company that receives hundreds or thousands of applications a day, it can be difficult to stand out. HIPs help your resume stand

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ALLIE MICHAEL
COORDINATOR OF LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

out with unique experiences and public service that can increase your likelihood of being hired.

The Learning Opportunities Center also helps with funding for HIPs through the HIP Crossover Projects. Students involved in at least two HIP areas can apply for funding from the HIP Crossover and the various departments on campus offer grants for HIPs as well. For example, students looking to study abroad can receive a \$500 scholarship from the Office of International Education.

APSU provides many different funding opportunities for HIPs because of the importance to the future of students.

Students can hear from other students themselves regarding these HIPs on the Q.E.P. YouTube channel, called APSU Q.E.P. APSU graduate Claudia Delgadillo talks about her experience in the Q.E.P. via a service learning opportunity that let her introduce a bill to the Tennessee General Assembly for tuition equality.

“I was able to not only impact my studies but also impact the students around here as well.” Delgadillo said.

The Learning Opportunities Center provides students with ways to get involved in the Q.E.P. and HIPs. They host a session during Govs Registration Orientation Welcomes (ROW), have tables at First Friday and AP Day and visit various organizations on campus, such as SGA.

“We have just recently started the Q.E.P Student Advisory Council, which is a group of students that will serve as liaisons between the student body and university administration and will host campus-wide events each semester,” Michael said.

More information on the Q.E.P. can be found at <http://www.apsu.edu/learning-opportunities-center>.

Opportunities for scholarships and grants can be found at <http://www.apsu.edu/learning-opportunities-center/qep-funding-opportunities>.

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“Green Hill Cemetery is a historically African American cemetery, and is now a site filled with unmarked graves and a lot of overgrowth. Documents suggest that the site was once one church’s property, then became another church’s property and no one is sure who is responsible for that plot of land,” Jones said. “This was a chance for Kate and Aricia to really do some detective work.”

DiStefano and Broadway spent their summer building a database of those buried at the cemetery. They used what little information that was visible on the remaining headstones, as well as historical records including birth and death records. The two students were able to build a spreadsheet that identified many interments that were previously unknown to historians.

“There ended up being a lot of genealogical value in the spreadsheet Kate and Aricia compiled, and we had people coming up to them after their presentation asking to get their hands on that information,” Jones said. “What was really great was their findings helped to stir up a small preservation society of the Green Hill Cemetery, that is starting to talk about getting together to preserve the property.”

Another student to present her research was Sara Alexander. Alexander is a senior history major and the current president of the History Club. She presented her general findings on New Providence. The presentation began the event and set the stage for the remainder of the speakers.

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KELLY JONES
ASSISTANT HISTORY PROFESSOR

“In terms of development, Sara’s research is still early, but it was a nice way to start off the event because it discussed the community of New Providence and talked about the historical process of that area.” Jones said.

Events like the one at Fort Defiance are important for students and historians. The event produces real work that benefits the understanding of historical sites like Fort Defiance, as well as giving students the chance to step outside of the classroom and gain an understanding of what happens in the professional world.

“I want students to get an understanding of what it’s like to interact with their professors, as well as historians, in a professional setting,” Jones said. “These students are all budding historians in their own way, and getting a chance to present their findings in a setting like this gives them a chance to interact with people as a colleague and not a student. That brings a difference in mindset, and I thought that our students did really well.”



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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

Hate speech is not free speech



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Hate speech is not free speech, and students should not be forced to tolerate it in an educational environment.

College encourages students to express themselves and to step out of their comfort zones. However, college is also meant to be a safe space, not a place for students to spew their hate-filled prejudices towards one another because it is “protected under the First Amendment.”

The First Amendment grants our right to speak freely, but this platform is abused regularly. We decide what we acknowledge as free speech, and casually debate whether or not people should be protected against hateful speech.

According to “An Introduction to Intercultural Communication” by Fred E. Jandt, hate speech is only recognized

as threats or verbal slurs directed against specific groups, or physical acts, such as burning crosses or spray painting swastikas on public or private property.

According to an article in *The Huffington Post*, in the last few years there have been several speech-related incidents taking place at U.S. colleges.

In 2015, the University of Maryland failed to suspend a student after investigating a racist, misogynistic email sent by the student to his fraternity brothers. The email told fellow fraternity brothers seeking sex with young women to “f--- consent.”

University of Maryland President Wallace Loh said the email expressed views “reprehensible to our campus community.” Loh said he was torn.

“Protecting speech, however, does not mean agreeing with it. And quite honestly, I am struggling with justifying this email as speech,” Loh said.

In the same year, Duke University said a student admitted to hanging

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a noose on a campus tree and was disciplined, but can return the following semester.

APSU recently experienced an issue regarding speech when a preacher who identified himself as “Saint John” talked about his faith and ministry on Sept. 7 in the University Center Plaza. He discussed subjects ranging from homosexuality to adultery and drug usage, enraging students on campus.

Colleges in the U.S. need to adopt policies to ban hate speech.

Why should means of protecting students from verbal abuse differ from protecting them from physical abuse,

especially when one often invokes the other?

When we are young, we are told if we have nothing nice to say, we should not say anything at all. When we get to college, we discover others can verbally assault us with no real consequences.

You basically have to look someone dead in the eye and tell them you will inflict physical harm by reason of their race, gender or sexual orientation for any type of punishment to take place.

What is more important, protecting a student’s right to verbally harass another, or ensuring a safe environment for all students?

Hate speech is not about political expression. It functions just as viciously as a physical act, and regulations are necessary to protect equality.

When universities allow students to speak hate toward one another, they are reinforcing these students’ beliefs and allowing them to think what they are saying is OK. We are prohibiting their growth and in exchange, accepting their ignorance.

Hate speech (noun).
Speech outside the law that attacks someone based on their ethnicity, race, sexual orientation, etc.

Hate speech can promote harmful stereotypes and unfair treatment of minority groups.

A scrub is a guy that thinks he’s fly, expects you to shave

Society expects women to shave while it is acceptable for men to be hairy



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Why is it acceptable by society for men to have hairy legs when women have to be smooth and hairless to be accepted? Men grow leg hair. Women also grow leg hair. It is natural and neither a secret nor a surprise. So why are only one of these groups told by society that they must buy products every day to rid of something their body is trying to grow?

The debate on whether or not women should shave leg hair is a controversial one. Women are told body hair is disgusting and unsightly and no man would want to be with a woman with hairy legs. Society is telling women to be unnatural and change their bodies and grooming to impress men, while men can save money and time and avoid pressure by staying natural. Why are women being shamed for choosing to leave their bodies in their natural state like most men do?

Senior human health and performance student Leah Keese said society is right to pressure women to be hairless and smooth. “We need classier women in society so it would be a good idea to teach them earlier mannerism and etiquette.”

What is it about leg hair that makes a woman less classy? Did classy women have hairy legs before razors were invented and aimed towards them? Probably. In 1915, advertisements for razors made specifically for females came out in magazines. The

advertisements made women feel shameful and embarrassed about having body hair. This method of body shaming has been around since the 20th century.

“I think they should shave their legs. It’s nasty when a girl has hairy legs,” junior business management and marketing major Alexander Felts said.

The expectations women face for grooming is ridiculous. Money spent on waxing and laser hair removal procedures can be expensive and add up quickly.

Waxing can cost anywhere from \$35 to \$80 for professional work. A pack of two to four razors, bought every couple months, costs anywhere from \$5 to \$20.

If there were not double standards on this matter, women may not feel the need to remove leg hair.

“I think it’s stupid. Why should hair on my legs determine if I’m a lady or not. Who decided that anyway? Probably a man,” junior marketing major Ashleigh Knoll said. “If I’m comfortable enough to walk around with hairy legs, society should be comfortable enough to let me.”

Many men shave their legs for wound healing, aerodynamics or just personal preference. Women should be able to say the same thing, with emphasis on personal preference, not society’s.

The double standard for leg hair needs to change along with media and marketing making women feel bad about their bodies. Whether someone is wanting to grow their leg hair out or shave, they should not feel ashamed or unaccepted. They should make their choice based on their own preference and not society’s.



EXTRAS



Elijah-Pharoah Carter sits on campus playing the violin for APSU students to enjoy. HENRY KILPATRICK | THE ALL STATE

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FEATURES



A STORY NEVER HEARD

Organization gives voice to voiceless

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Domestic violence occurs all over the U.S. and can happen to people of all races, genders and ages. Every year the Montgomery County Sheriff’s department hosts “Silent Witness” in October as part of Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

This year’s “Silent Witness” project was held on Thursday, Oct. 7. The community gathered to hear a short presentation about the presence of domestic abuse almost everywhere and learn about local victims. The event honored men, women and children from Clarksville who have lost their lives to domestic abuse. Each victim was represented by a wooden silhouette and a shield with their story on it.

Montgomery County has hosted the event for 15 years, and APSU’s Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance began partnering with the Sheriff’s Department on this project last year. This year, Deputies Peggy Macias and Dott Duncan put the event together.

Each time, the department uses a different method of presentation to make a lasting impression, so instead of putting the shields on the silhouettes like in the past, they lined them along the borders of the plants outside the courthouse. Each shield had an electric candle by it and when a victim’s name was read by the event speakers their candle was lit. The first time the county hosted this event, the silhouettes were presented with their covers still on.

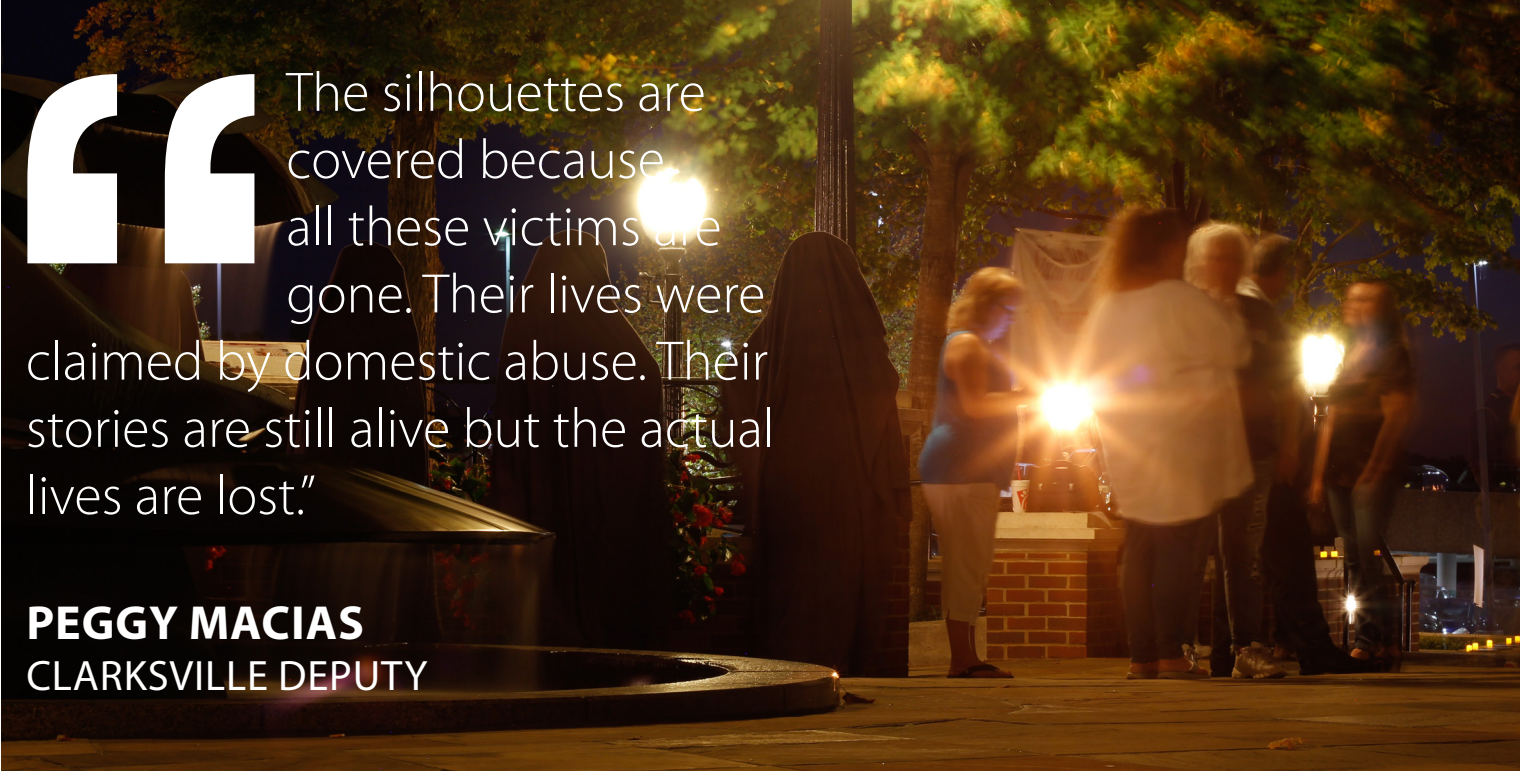
“The silhouettes are covered because all these victims are gone. Their lives

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The silhouettes are covered because all these victims are gone. Their lives were claimed by domestic abuse. Their stories are still alive but the actual lives are lost.”

PEGGY MACIAS
CLARKSVILLE DEPUTY



Each standee represented a victim of domestic abuse, their deaths marked by the cloth covering them. Montgomery County has hosted this event for 15 years, with the goal of giving voice to the silent victims of domestic abuse, both children and adults. HUNTER ABRAMS | THE ALL STATE

‘Violin Man’ spreads music Student musician plays across campus

HENRY KILPATRICK
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

With bright lights flooding the stage, sheet music in place, a violin in one hand and a bow in the other, he prepared to play in one of the most prestigious concert halls in the world.

Now, the memory of this past summer fades away as the violinist spends his occasional fall afternoon in front of the Morgan University Center, producing sweet melodies at his fingertips for all to enjoy.

Elijah-Pharaoh Carter, better known as “violin guy” at APSU, is admired by his peers.

“His laugh is extremely contagious, and he’s the kind of person to do something absolutely ridiculous just to make people around him laugh,” long-time friend Anna Holt said. She said he is also a humble young man with a talent he enjoys sharing with others.

Carter is a freshman from Memphis, Tennessee who came to APSU to study computer science and chase after his passion. His choice of major comes as a shock to some, especially given his talent with the violin. What comes as an even bigger shock is that he has chosen to study in computer science after playing at the prestigious Carnegie Hall in New York City last summer.

Carter is not one to boast about his achievements, no matter the size. While talking about his time in New York, his performance at Carnegie Hall almost seemed to pale in comparison to a story about how he made \$50 while playing in Times Square.

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ELIJAH-PHAROAH CARTER
FRESHMAN COMPUTER SCIENCE MAJOR

During the early hours of the morning before his performance, he wandered out to Times Square and began to play for anyone willing to listen. Although he understands the magnitude of performing at Carnegie Hall, he said he tends to appreciate the small details in life while still making note of the bigger events that take place.

“As a violinist, after a couple of years you get the idea of, maybe I could play in Carnegie Hall,” Carter said. “This is the dream that would never happen, and it actually happened.”

The Belleview Orchestra, Carter’s home church orchestra, was invited to accompany four-time Grammy-nominated Christian artist Natalie Grant at the 2,804 seat concert hall.

Ever since Carter could remember he had grown up in the church, specifically Belleview Baptist Church in Memphis, Tennessee. When Carter was 10, his parents told him it was time to learn an instrument. He chose the violin: the only instrument he was interested in besides the piano. Private and group lessons landed him in the Belleview Orchestra ensembles after only two or three years.

Fast forward to this past summer and Carter found himself making \$50 in tips at Times Square playing the instrument he had come to love through countless hours of practicing and performing. Carter would go on to perform that evening in the world-renowned Carnegie Hall.

He said he remembers in vivid detail the doors that were located on the sides of the stage that left him awestruck while touring the concert hall when he first arrived.

“Just walking through the doors to the sides of the stage were huge. You look up and it was this 15-20 foot door and it swung open to this amazing expanse of the stage,” Carter said.

It had taken Carter many years and countless hours of practicing and performing to get to this moment.

“He never does anything halfway. Everything he does he puts his best

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effort into,” Jesse Remington, a childhood friend of Carter, said.

Remington also said “his enthusiasm encourages the people around him to abandon themselves to whatever they do to the best of their abilities...”

All great musicians have someone or something that helped them achieve their dreams and for Carter, that would be his parents. Carter said he is abundantly appreciative for everything his parents have done to raise him to become the man he is today in both life and music.

He said he is incredibly close with both of his parents and loves them dearly.

“I’m a momma’s boy, and I’m proud about it.”

Carter did not leave out his feeling for his father.

“I love my dad. He’s taught me a lot about life,” Carter said. “To be a black man, and have my dad, he did amazing



Elijah-Pharoah Carter has been playing the violin since he was 10 years old, performing in Carnegie Hall when he was younger. Carter said his family was crucial to his success. HENRY KILPATRICK | THE ALL STATE

with that.”

Carter said this continued love and support from his parents got him to where he is today, and by 2020, when he walks across the stage, he will be the first person in his family to graduate college.

Despite being heavily involved in

playing the violin since he was a child, Carter chose to pursue a career in computers. He said halfway through high school, he began to think for one or two years “[violin] would be it,” but then one day he realized he got bored with playing it.

Child prodigy pursues academic degree at 13



Sebastian Motes attends APSU alongside students nearly ten years older than him. He has traveled to many countries around the world and is aiming for multiple degrees. HENRY KILPATRICK | THE ALL STATE

Motes enters college community at young age, aims for multiple degrees

ALAINA DAVIS
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

APSU students share their college experience with a 13-year-old boy-wonder. Judging from the unsuspecting cover of the book, it would appear that Sebastian Motes is just a typical 13-year-old boy. Underneath the cover, however, is a boy taking 17 credit hours at APSU.

Despite going to college when most kids his age are just being introduced to high school, Motes still makes time to play little league baseball, pool and air hockey with his friends.

What makes Motes so extraordinary lies deeper within the pages of his story. Motes’ parents knew early on in the teen’s development he had the potential to exceed the norm.

“Sebastian demonstrated an unusual level of creativity during preschool. He would spend hours each day creating long picture books with complex stories which he enjoyed ‘reading’ to us,” David Motes, Sebastian’s father, said.

When Motes was in third grade at Clarksville Christian School, he was placed into a third and fourth grade split class where only fourth grade information was being taught. At the end of the year, he was told he would have to repeat fourth grade since he was technically a third grader during this placement.

His parents disagreed with this resolution and took matters into their own hands. The family transferred Motes to Immaculate Conception School, where he started as a fifth grader.

Motes continued to excel in his academics. Upon finishing sixth grade at the age of 11, he was offered an opportunity to take part in the Cambridge Scholars’ Program in England, a program usually intended for high school students.

This was a turning point in Motes’ life. “[The Cambridge Scholars’ Program] sparked my interest in traveling and studying abroad. I hadn’t really thought about it before,” Motes said.

The teen has traveled to Scotland, England, Spain and France to study history and culture. He also went

“I can never stop playing violin because I’ve been playing for almost a decade,” Carter said. “I love it, but it’s not something I want to spend my life doing. I didn’t love it as much as computers.”

Carter said he ultimately made his decision to pursue computer science in college because during middle school, he noticed how high schoolers “did not have anything figured out.”

When discussing his thought process in middle school, Carter said he is not going to let anyone decide what he was going to do in college.

“My parents, they can say what they want me to do, but ultimately it’s going to be my decision. It wasn’t like I was rebelling against my parents. It was because if I didn’t do something that I wanted to do, I wasn’t going to be happy,” Carter said.

When it comes to life in correlation to work, Carter noticed something.

“If you don’t do something you love, it’s always going to be work. But if you do something you love, it isn’t work at all,” Carter said.

through rigorous programs in the U.S. like the APSU SOARing with Mathematics Summer STEM Academy. At the academy, the boy-wonder met Andy Wilson and Nick Kirby, overseers of the event and professors at APSU who pushed Motes to apply to the university.

“Although Sebastian was much younger than most of the participants, he performed at an equal or higher level. His passion and capability for learning were evident and will serve him well as a student at APSU,” Wilson said.

The teen also participates in physical activities such as To-Shin-Do (a form of self-defense) and baseball. He takes piano lessons weekly and participates in multiple programs at Immaculate Conception School in Clarksville as a singer and actor.

Motes is at the Adult and Nontraditional Student Center when he is not in classes or doing extracurricular activities. A lot of people at the center said they enjoy Motes’ company but also realize that he is a child.

“There are times when Sebastian is so serious you would never believe he is 13, and other times, his kid side comes out and you know he is just a 13-year-old boy,” staff member at the Adult and Nontraditional Student Center Briera Lockett said.

In 10 years, Motes said he sees himself with multiple degrees ranging from mathematics, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering and possibly a space-related degree.

After college, Motes desires to open his own business as an entrepreneur or work for a large corporation like Google or NASA.

Ultimately, the teen aspires to follow in his father’s footsteps.

“My dad has passed on his experience by instructing me on what I must do in order to be the most competitive and in the long-term, live the most successful life. I try my best because I know that if I continue to do well, that will benefit me in the future by opening up various opportunities,” Motes said.

WITNESS

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were claimed by domestic abuse. Their stories are still alive but the actual lives are lost,” Macias said.

After the presentation, the attendees could walk around and read about the victims and learn about the event’s partners. The county also partners with establishments around Clarksville. This year they partnered with Daymar College and Clarksville’s Safe House, which sends yearly representatives.

“We do this to bring awareness and support to the families. Some of these victims have been to our shelter. We also come because we want to help bring awareness to the community,” Safe House representative Deidra Ware said.

According to the speakers, domestic violence is a bigger issue than it seems because it is sometimes sudden and secretive. Other times, people do not know what domestic violence is when they see it.

“These people were shot, beaten, raped, set on fire and ultimately killed. It is so important to bring awareness to this issue. If we would watch out for

“ These people were shot, beaten, raped, set on fire and ultimately killed. It is so important to bring awareness to this issue. If we would watch out for each other, [...] Children wouldn’t have to go without parents and parents wouldn’t have to live without their children.”

LAURIE STEWART
LOCAL RESIDENT

each other we wouldn’t have to do this. Children wouldn’t have to go without parents and parents wouldn’t have to live without their children,” local resident Laurie Stewart said.

In addition to awareness, “Silent Witness” provided information on when and what to report and how to report it. The goal of the project is to have the Clarksville community stand up and work together to put an end to the sometimes silent murderer that is domestic violence.

“People should learn to speak up from this event,” local resident Chance Macias said. “I knew one of these victims, and I do not want this to happen to anyone else.”



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JARED SAVAGE

Sophomore Jared Savage came to the forefront of the Govs' basketball team during the Ohio Valley Conference tournament.

The 6-foot-5 forward is going to be a key player if the Govs hope to return to the OVC tournament.

As a freshman, Savage finished the season with 203 points and knocked down 44 3-pointers.

Savage was awarded the honor of being on the All-OVC Tournament team.

In the OVC tournament game against TSU, Savage sunk 3/4 of the team's 3-pointers.

It was not until the OVC championship game until Savage showed off his real potential with a career-high 24 points on eight 3-pointers.



JOSH ROBINSON

Junior Josh Robinson was a key player on the Govs' roster last season.

In the NCAA game against Kansas, Robinson outscored all players on both teams.

Last season, Robinson earned All-OVC second team and All-OVC tournament team.

His points career-high is 39 points against Southern Illinois University at Evansville, which came on Head Coach Dave Loos' 400th win at APSU.

Last year against Southeast Missouri, Robinson dropped seven 3-pointers and helped give APSU the 86-80 lead over SEMO.

Robinson started all 34 games last year and will be a key player in leading APSU to victory this upcoming season.



KENNY JONES

Senior Kenny Jones, was a predominant player in the Govs season last year.

The 6-foot-6 junior college transfer started 33 of the 34 games in his first season as a Gov and ended the season with 275 points.

Jones shot 117 for 220 last year in field goals and made four out of 11 attempted 3-pointers.

With 185 rebounds, Jones could be a pivotal players in helping APSU with their rebounding game.

Jones is one of three seniors this year, including former junior college teammate John Murry and Assane Diop.

Jones went 61.1 percent in the OVC tournament making 11 out of 18 shots.

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1 DEC. 31 BELMONT

Earlier in the 2015 season, APSU lost to Belmont 76-58. In the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament, APSU beat the Bruins 97-96 in overtime. Jared Savage put up 21 points on five 3-pointers, while Josh Robinson contributed 25 points. While the Gavs are missing Chris Horton, who scored 30 points in the Belmont game, this will still be a big game for the Gavs.



2 JAN. 19 MOREHEAD

While APSU only played Morehead State once last season and lost, the Eagles went 23-14 overall and 11-5 in the conference. They knocked Murray State out of the OVC tournament, but lost to UT Martin 83-70 in their second game of the tournament.

3 JAN. 21 MURRAY

No matter how good either team was last year or will be this year, this is a game you never want to miss. Out of all of the sports, the APSU-Murray basketball game is the biggest rivalry in the entire conference. You might want to get there early, because the seats sell out fast.



MUST ATTEND HOME GAMES

4 JAN. 26 UT MARTIN

The last time the Gavs played UT Martin, they were crowned champions in the OVC with an 83-73 win. A UTM basketball player even punched an APSU assistant coach. This has not been a big rivalry in the past, but this will be a good game when the Skyhawks visit the Gavs and look to redeem themselves.

5 FEB. 4 TENNESSEE STATE

In the second game of the OVC tournament, the Gavs topped the TSU Tigers 74-72, after being down by 11 at the half. Robinson led the Gavs with 17 points, and Savage fell behind him and Horton with 13 points. This game falls late in the season and could be a make or break game for the Gavs making the OVC tournament for the second year in a row.



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From left to right, candidates who dropped out first to last: Rick Perry, Scott Walker, Bobby Jindal, Lindsey Graham, George Pataki, Mike Huckabee, Rick Santorum, Rand Paul, Carly Fiorina, Chris Christie, Jim Gilmore, Jeb Bush, Ben Carson, Marco Rubio, Ted Cruz and John Kasich.



TIMELINE OF CANDIDATES



5 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES

From left to right, Democratic candidates who dropped out first to last: Jim Webb, Lincoln Chafee, Lawrence Lessig, Martin O'Malley and Bernie Sanders.

FINALISTS

Current candidates on the presidential ballot: Hillary Clinton (D), Donald Trump (R), Gary Johnson (Libertarian) and Jill Stein (Green Party).



On The Issues: Comparing Candidates

Clinton said she supports a fair tax code, where large corporations and the wealthy do not pay lower rates than the working class. She plans to use the proceeds to create jobs and strengthen the economy, according to her campaign website. Clinton's website also says she wants to "close tax loopholes that let Wall Street money managers pay lower rates" and lower taxes on small businesses to help them grow.

Clinton said she wants to strengthen the military, eliminate radical terrorist groups and promote stability. According to her campaign website, she plans to work with the U.S.'s allies to fight against ISIS and dismantle their network. She also wants law enforcement to build trust with Muslim communities in the U.S. Clinton's website says she plans to be "firm but wise" with Russia and China, standing against them on issues like human rights and territorial disputes and finding common ground when possible.

Clinton said she believes systemic racism in the justice system should be addressed. According to her campaign website, she plans on strengthening trust between communities and the police through funding comprehensive law enforcement training and reform programs, supporting legislation to end racial profiling and promoting accountability through record keeping and reporting. She considers stop-and-frisk an ineffective policy and advocated against it during the first presidential debate.

Clinton said she advocates for universal, quality and affordable health care. She plans to expand the Affordable Care Act and reduce the costs of copays, deductibles and prescription drugs, according to her campaign website. She is also pro-choice and wants women to have access to safe and legal abortions.

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Trump's tax plan involves cutting taxes for all Americans. According to his campaign website, he wants to cut the current seven tax brackets down to three, with tax rates for joint filers ranging from 12 to 33 percent. Trump also plans to "make our business tax rate more competitive to keep jobs in America." Through his tax plan and an "America-First trade policy," he aims to increase the GDP's growth rate to 3.5 percent per year and create 25 million jobs over the next decade, according to his website.

Trump, like Clinton wants to strengthen the military, eliminate radical terrorist groups and promote stability. According to his campaign website, he wants to aggressively combat ISIS alongside allies in the Middle East, temporarily suspend immigration from regions with a history of terrorism and establish new screening procedures for immigration as a whole. He disagrees with entering international conflicts in order to remove foreign leaders from power.

Trump said he supports a strong police force to promote law and order in cities and acknowledges the racial tension in the country. He said there is “turmoil in our country on both sides” and that “police have to regain control of this tremendous crime wave that’s hitting the U.S.” during an interview on “Meet the Press.” He considers stop-and-frisk an effective policy and advocated for it during the first presidential debate.

Trump said he wants to repeal the Affordable Care Act and replace it with health savings accounts. According to his campaign website, he wants to allow people to purchase insurance across state lines to “create a dynamic market.” He is pro-life, but supports exceptions for rape, incest or risk to the life of the mother, according to *Bloomberg News*.

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CLINTON vs. TRUMP



On The Issues: Comparing Candidates

Stein said she supports a \$15-per-hour minimum wage and the development of small businesses. According to her campaign website, she wants to break up “too-big-to-fail” banks and democratize the Federal Reserve. She also supports a tax code that prevents wealthy people and corporations from paying lower rates, and wants to make living-wage jobs a right for every American that needs work.

Stein said she advocates a foreign policy based on diplomacy, international law and human rights. According to her campaign website, she wants to reduce military spending by at least 50 percent and close over 700 foreign military bases, such as Guantanamo Bay. She also wants to end U.S. involvement in wars, drone attacks and the sale of arms to “human rights abusers.”

Stein said she wants to reform the criminal justice system and end police brutality. She wants to create a “Truth and Reconciliation Commission” to help Americans “understand and eliminate the legacy of slavery that lives on as pervasive racism,” according to her campaign website. She also wants to establish police review boards and employ full-time investigators to research any cases of death in police custody.

Stein said she plans to establish a “Medicare For All” single-payer public health care system, according to her campaign website. She supports the inclusion of abortion in all health insurance policies and believes state governments should be able to offer free abortion services to women below the poverty line, according to the Green Party Platform.



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ECONOMY

Johnson said he wants to replace income and payroll taxes with a consumption tax based on what people spend instead of what they buy, according to his campaign website. He also plans to eliminate special interest tax loopholes. To create jobs, he wants to scale back regulations on the economy, which he believes “syphon the resources businesses use to create the jobs we need.”

FOREIGN POLICY

Johnson said he plans to strengthen relationships with the U.S.’s allies and cut back military involvement in international affairs. According to his campaign website, “we should not use our military strength to try to solve the world’s problems. Doing so creates new enemies and perpetual war.” He said he wants any military intervention to be “clearly authorized by Congress after meaningful, transparent deliberation and debate.”

DIVERSITY ISSUES

Johnson said he favors criminal justice reform based on ending the War on Drugs. According to his campaign website, he plans to legalize marijuana and remove other “unnecessary laws” to cut back on “[criminalization] of far too many aspects of people’s personal lives.” He also thinks the “shoot first” mentality has roots in the War on Drugs, and expressed support for the Black Lives Matter movement during the CNN Libertarian Town Hall in June.

HEALTH CARE

Johnson said believes health care should be the responsibility of the states, not the federal government. In an interview with *The Washington Post*, he said “with 50 laboratories of innovation ... we will actually have some best practice that will get emulated, we’ll also have some horrible failure that will get avoided.” Johnson is personally pro-life, but believes the decision to have an abortion should be left to the woman, not the government, according to his campaign website.



STEIN vs. JOHNSON

So you are registered to vote - now what?

Students take the first step, but unsure what to do next

AALIYAH MITCHELL ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

For many students at APSU, the 2016 election is the first one when they will be of age to vote. Though the stakes of this election are laying pressure on young people to vote, some students avoid it because the process sounds intimidating. People can register to vote in person or by mail.

To be eligible to vote this year in Tennessee, a student must be both a U.S. citizen and Tennessee resident and 18 years old or older on the upcoming Nov. 8 election date.

First, Tennessee residents can complete the mail-in application for voter registration, Form SS-3010, which can be used to both register in-person and by-mail. This application can be found online at <http://sos.tn.gov/elections>.

This form can be submitted in person to a variety of places: a

resident's local county clerk's office, public libraries, their Department of Safety and their Department of Veteran's Affairs are just a few of the most convenient.

Voters can also mail their applications into their local county election commissions. Permanent residents of Montgomery County can mail theirs to 350 Pageant Lane, Montgomery Veterans Plaza Suite 404, Clarksville, 37040-3813.

If your permanent residence is elsewhere, you can look up their county election commission online at http://tnsos.org/elections/election_commissions.php. Mail-in applications must be postmarked by the deadline to register.

If a person registers to vote by mail in Tennessee, they must vote in person in the first Tennessee election in which they vote. If they register in person, they may

vote by requesting and mailing in an absentee ballot by Nov. 1. To request a by-mail ballot, students can send a document to their local county election commission office with their name, address, social security number, birthday, the address outside of their county they want the ballot mailed to, the election in which the voter wants to participate, the reason they need to vote by mail and their signature.

Another option is early voting, which for the 2016 election can be done between Oct. 19 and Nov. 3. This option works well for both absentee voters and for those who will have difficulty taking time off work to vote on election day.

For more information on voting, go to <https://www.vote.org/absentee-voting-rules/> and <http://www.dmv.org/tn-tennessee/voter-registration.php>.

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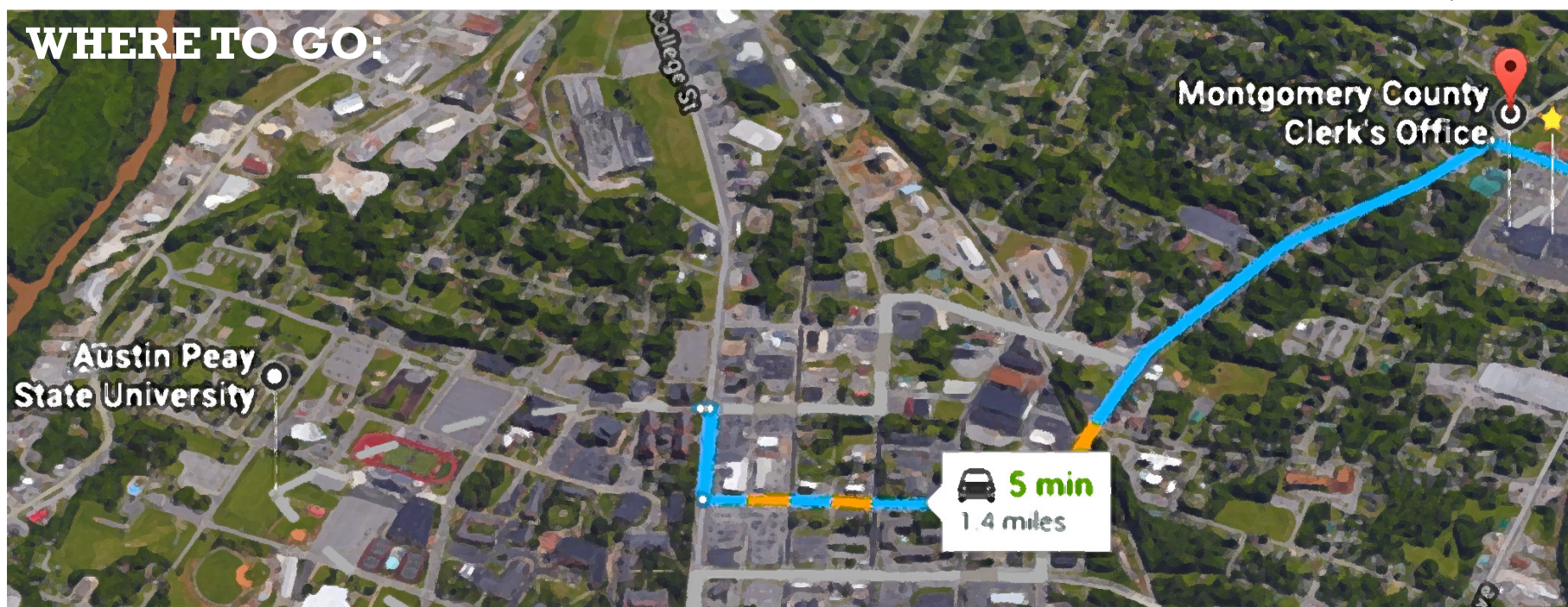
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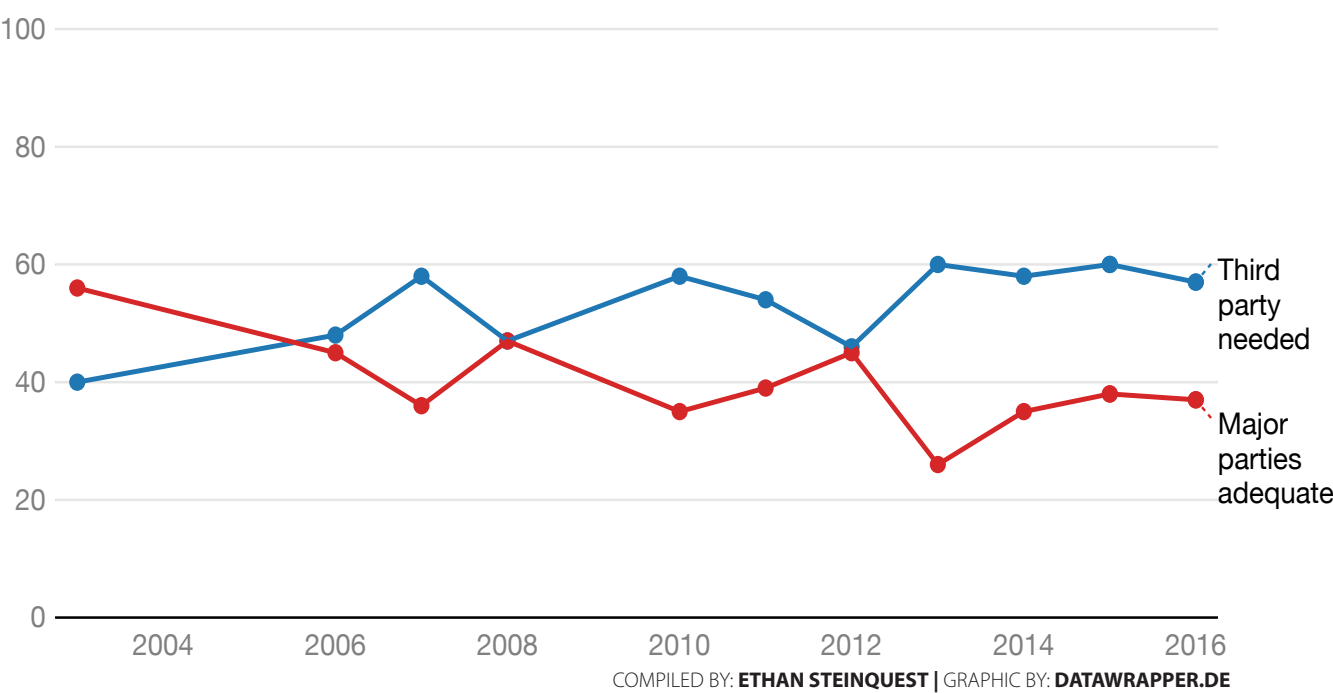
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Percentage of Americans who want a third major party

Data taken from Gallup polling between 2003 and 2016



Do not be afraid of third parties



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Voters should not be intimidated into choosing the “lesser of two evils” at the expense of their values and moral compass. People need to be willing to actually vote for third-party candidates in elections.

Deep resentment towards our political system has marked the 2016 presidential election cycle. Donald Trump rode a wave of populism and anti-establishment feelings to the Republican nomination, and Hillary Clinton’s victory over Bernie Sanders’ grassroots campaign was hard fought.

In the end, we have been left with two of the modern era’s most unpopular presidential nominees.

RealClearPolitics averages Clinton’s favorability rating at 42.9 percent and Trump’s at 37.9 percent, as of Tuesday, Oct. 4.

Gallup’s annual Governance poll found 57 percent of Americans think a third major party is necessary, the first time a majority have responded with this opinion during an election year.

According to a Sept. 15 NBC News poll, 44 percent of millennials plan to support third-party candidates at the polls (29 percent for the Libertarian Party’s Gary Johnson and 15 percent for the Green Party’s Jill Stein).

With popular opinion trending toward the idea of a third party and a pair of widely disliked major-party candidates on the ballot, Johnson, Stein and even other alternative candidates could theoretically be competitive in November.

Despite this, the fear of a Trump

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Candidates on the issue: education

Each stance could affect future college years

PATRICK ROACH
STAFF WRITER

Education is always a key issue for presidential candidates, but that is especially true in 2016 as a result of the fact that student debt has now eclipsed total credit card debt in the U.S.

GARY JOHNSON

Johnson calls for the complete elimination of the federal Department of Education and Common Core. Similar to Trump, Johnson’s plan calls for education to be handled by the state and local governments, not the federal government.

His libertarian plan would take a free-market approach to education. He said he believes a free market approach would create competition between state schools, better

voucher programs for families living in poverty and drive the cost of education down.

DR. JILL STEIN

Stein’s platform concerning education takes a simple approach: “Education as a Right.” Stein’s plan calls for a complete “guarantee of tuition-free education from pre-school through university,” which is a system more closely resembling European school systems.

Her education plan partially stems from her “Green Jobs Initiation Plan” to raise the minimum wage and bring families out of poverty to provide a better environment.

DONALD TRUMP

Trump’s plan for education focuses mainly on K-12 education, charter schools and abolishing

Common Core.

Trump’s education plan calls for the federal government to raise its investment in school choice by \$20 billion, starting immediately. His website cites “re-prioritizing existing federal dollars” as the means for applying his plan.

HILLARY CLINTON

Clinton has seemingly taken a page from Bernie Sanders’ platform and called for families making less than \$125,000 a year to have access to in-state four-year public colleges and universities without paying tuition. According to Clinton’s website, this plan would be put in place by 2021, given her election.

Her website also states that her tuition-free plan will be put in place immediately for every student coming from a family making \$85,000 a year or less.

GETTING INVOLVED

This election is getting interesting;
how can you help your candidate?

JOSHUA CLEMENTS STAFF WRITER

There are many different ways for students to get involved with the election not just on campus, but in the greater Montgomery County community. In Clarksville, the Republican Party, the Democratic Party and the Election Commission are all looking for volunteers.

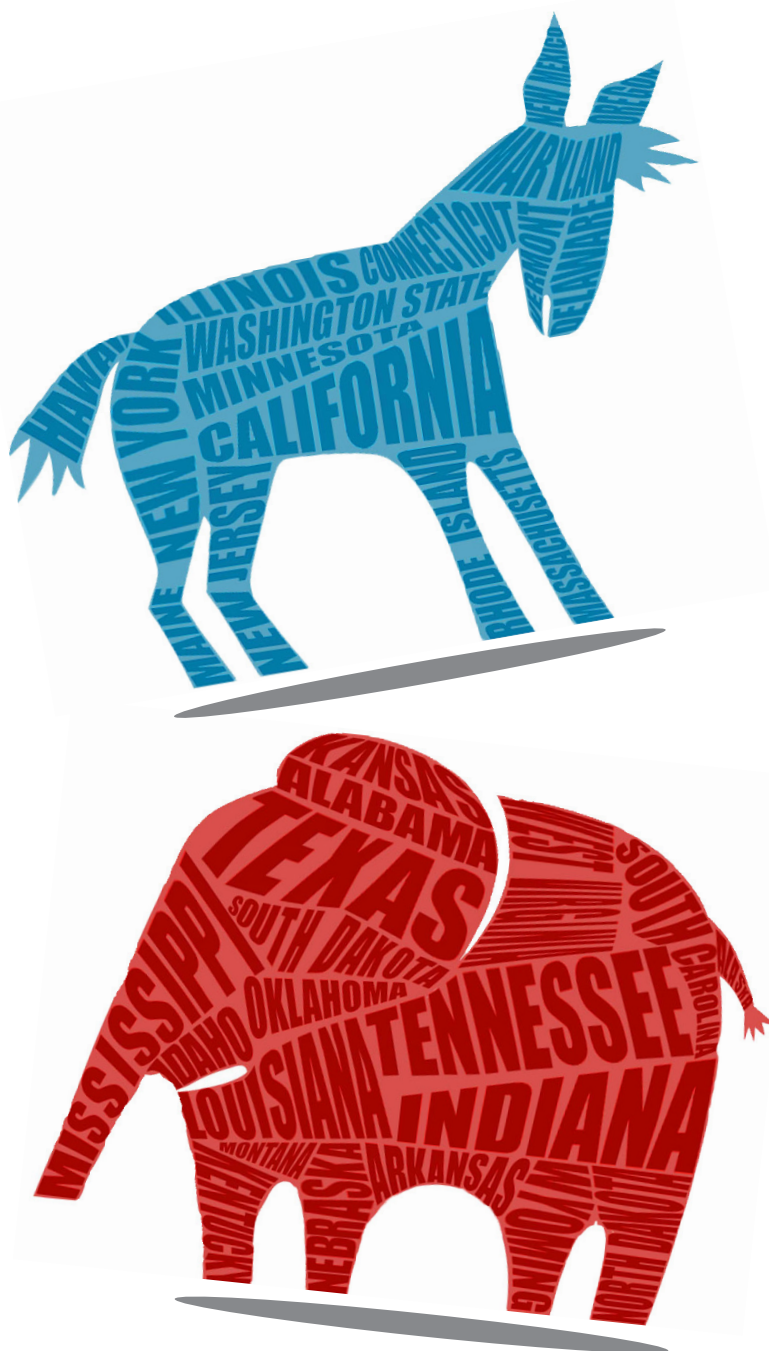
"If any student would be interested in seeing how the election process works from a neutral perspective, give our office a call to work on election day," Montgomery County Administrator of Elections Vickie Koelman said.

If a student wants to work for a specific party or a specific campaign, there are options to do so. The first step is visiting the offices of both the Republican and Democratic parties. Offices have need for volunteer workers and they have the connections to any campaign that will benefit volunteers.

"Any person who would like to get involved in the election process may come to our headquarters and complete a volunteer form," Chair of MCRP Sharon Massey Grimes said. "If an individual would like to work on a particular campaign, we will contact the campaign chairman or the organization."

There is a diverse amount of work a student volunteer could be asked to do, such as door to door campaigning, passing out informational flyers and working at a phone bank. There are a few expectations regarding decorum when working on the campaign trail.

"We ask students to dress nicely



when they go out into the community on behalf of a candidate and above all else they must be polite to everyone they come across," chair of the Montgomery County Democrats Robert Lewis said.

Former student Cody Stewart is one young person who provided his services on the national level when he volunteered for the Bernie Sanders campaign. While volunteering, he traveled around the country following the Sanders camp.

"I got in contact with a group called 'The Revolution Starts With Us' traveling to Iowa from Chattanooga before the Iowa Caucuses to volunteer," Stewart said. "There were bus-loads of volunteers from all over that joined us in Iowa."

The work Stewart did for Sanders is very similar to what the local political parties are asking of their own volunteer workers.

"We did a lot of canvassing, so we knew where to pass out flyers and we did a lot of work with phone and textbanks," Stewart said. He also said, the volunteers he worked with were willing to do whatever was necessary to help the campaign.

"Doing the work was very rewarding because I got to meet such awesome people who all came together for a cause greater than themselves," Stewart said.

The Montgomery County Republican Office is located at, 1817A Madison St. Suite 1 and the contact for the Montgomery County Democrats, is Terry McMoore, 931-378-1999.

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HEALTH CARE

- > If you think Obamacare should be replaced, vote Trump.
- > If you support the individual mandate, vote Clinton.
- > If you support the expansion of Medicaid, vote Clinton.



QUIZ:

WHO THE HECK DO I VOTE FOR?

ECONOMY

- > If you support the minimum wage being raised, vote Clinton.
- > If you support taxes being raised on the wealthiest Americans, vote Clinton.
- > If you support the U.S. tax corporate profits being stashed overseas, vote either Clinton or Trump.



LGBT RIGHTS

- > If you support transgender people being allowed to use the bathroom of the gender they identify with, vote either Clinton or Trump.
- > If you support same sex marriage, vote Clinton.

FOREIGN POLICY

- > If you support increased military spending, vote Trump.
- > If you support working with Russian President Vladimir Putin to combat terrorism, vote either Clinton or Trump.
- > If you support domestic surveillance to identify possible terrorists, vote Trump.
- > If you support measures to take down Syrian President Bashar al-Assad, vote Clinton.
- > If you support decreased military presence in Syria, vote Clinton.



**Donald Trump
vs.
Hillary Clinton:
policy issues**



JUSTICE SYSTEM

- > If you support the death penalty without limitations, vote Trump.
- > If you support police body cameras being mandatory, vote Clinton.
- > If you support the mandatory minimum sentences for drug offenders being changed, vote Clinton.
- > If you support prisons being privatized, vote Trump.
- > If you support ex-felons being allowed to vote, vote Clinton.

GUN CONTROL

- > If you support increased gun control, vote Clinton.
- > If you support increased background checks for people buying guns, vote Clinton.
- > If you support an assault weapons ban, vote Clinton.
- > If you support expanding concealed carry, vote Trump.



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EDUCATION

- > If you support charter schools, vote either Clinton or Trump.
- > If you support common core, vote Clinton.



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Montgomery County elections

For first time voters, there is more than the Presidential position on the table.

CELESTE MALONE
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

There are many governing bodies in America, broken down into different levels depending on how large or small an area is. The largest is the federal government, followed by the state governments and an even smaller portion being county and city governments. All these components play a major role in serving the American people. However, state and local governments are the most diverse.

The 10th Amendment reserves powers not delegated to federal government to state governments. The federal government may be the election we follow closely, but the candidates that directly affect life at APSU and the greater Montgomery County area need to be researched more. The following information has been collected by a political reporting class at APSU and photos have all been contributed from candidates' websites.

Know Your Candidates: Tennessee State Senate

MARK GREEN- REPUBLICAN



BELIEVES JOB CREATION AND THE ECONOMY ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUES FACING THE AREA.

SAID EDUCATION IS THE SECOND MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE TO HIS CONSTITUENTS. THERE ARE TOO MANY REQUIREMENTS PLACED UPON TEACHERS AND NOT ENOUGH TIME FOR THEM TO PLAN.

THE THIRD ISSUE SEN. GREEN SEES FACING THE AREA IS INFRASTRUCTURE. THE STATE HAS "ALMOST A \$1 BILLION SURPLUS THIS YEAR," ACCORDING TO SEN. GREEN, SO THERE IS NOT A REASON TO RAISE TAXES TO ADDRESS INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS. HE SAID INVESTING IN ROADS IS SIMILAR TO BUYING EQUIPMENT FOR A BUSINESS; THERE IS A LARGE INITIAL COST WITH THE BENEFITS COMING ON THE BACK END.

DAVID CUTTING- DEMOCRAT



WANTS TO ENCOURAGE AMUSEMENT PARKS AND TECHNOLOGY, MANUFACTURING AND HEALTHCARE CORPORATIONS TO LOCATE WITHIN OUR DISTRICT.

BELIEVES THE STATE NEEDS TO RAISE SALARIES FOR STATE TEACHERS TO "GET THEM UP TO PAR WITH OTHER STATES," AND GIVE TEACHERS ANNUAL RAISES.

THE MODERNIZATION OF INFRASTRUCTURE, IMPROVEMENTS TO THE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM AND ACCELERATED CONSTRUCTION OF A HIGH SPEED RAIL SERVICE ARE HIGH PRIORITIES TO THE CAMPAIGN. HE SAID HE HAS THE EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE FROM HIS TIME AS AN ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEER TO MAKE THESE PRIORITIES HAPPEN.

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Know Your Candidates: U.S. House of Representatives



REP. MARSH BLACKBURN (R)
> **Incumbent Candidate: U.S. House of Representatives – District 7**
> Marsha Blackburn is 64 years old and has been married to her husband Chuck for more than 30 years. They have two children and two grandchildren. She was born in Laurel, Mississippi, but her home city is Brentwood, Tennessee.



LEONARD "LENNY" D. LADNER (IND)
> **Qualified for: U.S. House of Representatives – District 7**
> Lenny Ladner was born in 1954 in New York and his home city is Hohenwald, Tennessee. He is married to his wife, Diane. He has been self-employed as a trucker since 1994 and has been running for the House of Representatives since 2012.



WILLIAM "THARON" CHANDLER (D)
> **Qualified For: U.S. House of Representatives – District 7**
> William Tharon Chandler is 49 years old and is not married. He attended the University of North Alabama, but graduated from Memphis State University in 1994 with a Bachelor of Arts in German and Economics.

Know Your Candidates: Tennessee State House of Representatives



REP. JOE PITTS (D)
> **Incumbent Candidate: TN State House of Representatives, 67th District**
Rep. Joe Pitts was born on Aug. 15, 1958 in Clarksville, Tennessee. He graduated from APSU in 1980 with a Bachelor's of Science. He has been representative of District 67 since 2006.



MIKE WARNER (C)
> **Qualified for: TN State House of Representatives, 67th District**
Mike Warner is not only a citizen and volunteer in Clarksville, Montgomery County, but also a retired veteran. Since 1992, Warner has taken on the opportunity of becoming a citizen and getting to know Clarksville and the people who make it.



ANDY PORCH (D)
> **Qualified for: TN State House of Representatives, 74th District**
> Andy Porch is a sixth generation Porch out of Waverly, Tennessee. He obtained his degree from the University of Tennessee Knoxville and worked as an insurance agent for three years.



JAY REEDY (R)
> **Incumbent Candidate TN State House of Representatives, 74th District**
> Jay Reedy is the current representative for the 74th district of Tennessee. He has served for the past two years and is campaigning for another term. He lives in the Houston County area and is a school teacher.



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Know Your Candidates: City Council Positions

CITY COUNCILMEN FOR: WARD 3

- > Ernest Brockman
- > Ron Erb
- > James R. Lewis

CITY COUNCILMEN FOR: WARD 4

- > Tim Chandler

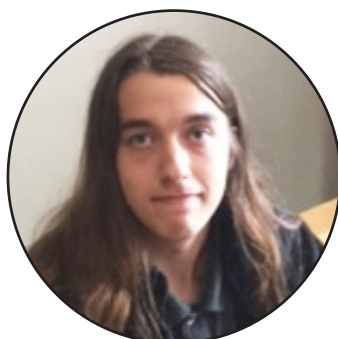
CITY COUNCILMEN FOR: WARD 5

- > Joey Dasinger
- > Summer Holloway
- > Valerie Guzman

CITY COUNCILMEN FOR: WARD 9

- > Bruce Livesay
- > Mike Gluff

Govs on the street >>>>



AUSTIN PACK
Freshman Computer
Science Major

"I personally agree with the Republican party's standpoints with a major focus in gun control issues, more standard regulation. I think they should lay off taxing the higher ups to create more jobs to even out the market."

WHAT DO
YOU
HAVE TO
SAY ABOUT
THE ELECTION?

What is your ideal candidate and what would they stand for



BEN GOODMAN
Junior Media Technologies
Communications Major

"Someone who really stands for the people, like actually listens to the opinions that citizens actually give because candidates can have their radical ideas on what they want their country to be but then they forget about the people who actually get affected by it."



NEELY ROBINSON
Freshman Psychology
Major

"Trustworthy is the most important thing. Also someone who has a genuine care for the American population."



TREY ECKLE
Junior Computer
Science Major

"Fairly liberal on social issues [and] more conservative on tax breaks."



MARIEKA ADAMS
Senior Communications
Major

"Somebody who's for the people, who cares about our needs and wants to make the country a better place for us."



HANNAH DAVIS
Sophomore History
Major

"Someone who's for the people themselves. We're considered the melting pot for a reason. I think that we need to accept more people."



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COLLEGE DEMOCRATS, REPUBLICANS WEIGH IN

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I'm a veteran, a female and a millennial, and my vote this November will go to a third-party candidate. Voting is, after all, a voice. A voice that, when expressed, tells the country, and possibly the rest of the world, the visualization the voter has for our society and our government.

This election has become a battle between two, distasteful for different reasons, candidates. When people exchange opinions, "I am voting for the lesser of two evils," is constantly heard. Well, the lesser of these two evils is still evil.

If I were to vote for one of the major-party candidates, I would be abandoning my personal beliefs and projecting a false image of support. If everyone continues to vote for the major parties, the candidates will think that what they are doing and the ridiculousness they are proposing accurately reflects what the American people want.

Third-party candidates serve with platforms full of new ideas that vastly differ from the traditional left and right perspectives. When third-party candidates gain support and votes, they also gain media attention and other outlets available to the public. The other candidates are forced to adapt in order to more clearly represent what the American people want.

Every time a third-party candidate is disregarded because people "don't want to waste the vote," a precedent is set. A precedent where one day, the voice different from those of the Democrats or Republicans, will be completely silenced.



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so there is no
way I should

#standwithher.

I am a feminist, so there
is no way I can support
#makeamericagreatagain.
I am a millennial, so there
is no way I can make an
educated decision without
#studentloanforgiveness."

Regardless of my vote,
Americans are still left with the
dilemma that Donald Trump or
Hillary Clinton will become our
next president. Self-proclaimed
labels are attached with a stigma
of which candidate I should
support:

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#studentloanforgiveness.

I do not want all veterans
thinking they cannot support a
candidate who promises in things
they believe in and is willing to
fight for things that are important
to them. I do not want feminists
to believe they have to vote for
the candidate who is supported
by other feminists. I do not want
millennials to feel that they are
not educated enough to vote at all.

I predict the candidate who

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**ANTHONY
CROSS**CONTRIBUTING WRITER
COLLEGE REPUBLICAN VICE PRESIDENT

This election seems to be one of the oddest, most contentious in recent memory. Clinton cannot seem to go a week without some scandal about her past popping up, and Trump cannot go two minutes without saying something completely false or outrageous. The other candidates (yes, there are other candidates) have as much a chance at winning as you do of knowing the first names of the vice-presidential candidates without looking it up or asking a friend (extra points if you can name the vice presidential candidates for Johnson and Stein). With such an awful cast of characters this election, how are you supposed to completely support anyone for president? My advice is to simply vote your conscience. No vote is a wasted vote so long as you vote for who you agree with most. Do not feel pressured to vote for someone just so the other does not become president. That is called strategic voting, and it is half of the reason we are in this mess.

A common saying in elections is that you should vote for "the lesser of two evils." This election, however, does not make it clear who is the lesser of two evils. In my opinion, Clinton is by far the lesser of two evils, but that does not make me want to vote for her any more than I did a year ago. Gov. Gary Johnson was once the knight in shining armor I thought would allow me to vote my conscience, but his recent interview gaffes have forced me to shake my head in disapproval. This does not necessarily mean he would be a bad president, but it does not help convince many

Americans he is worth voting for. Dr. Jill Stein is not much better, and she is not even on the ballot in all 50 states. She has a better chance of becoming the president of APSU than she does becoming the president of the U.S.

Honestly, this election will prove to be the most dissatisfying in the last 50 years, if not longer. If you would have asked me in early 2015 who would be the next president, I would have said Hillary Clinton bar a miracle, and not by a large margin. After Super Tuesday when Trump racked up nearly all the states voting that day (Tennessee included, so thanks for that) and thousands of primary voters, I still knew it would likely be Clinton, but I think the margin will be much larger than my previous estimate. Trump has this knack for coming off like a complete moron (partially because he has little to no idea what he is talking about, and if you think he does, I have some unpleasant news for you), and the recent debates do not seem to be helping. As of Sunday, Oct. 9, that is two clear "wins" for Clinton. Trump's only saving grace is Mike Pence, his vice-



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Forget Trump and Hillary: We want Mulan and The Joker



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Election season is upon us, and while many students identify as Trump supporters or Clinton supporters, several of them are still feeling torn.

Students might feel obligated to vote for one opponent just to prevent the other from being elected. If only we were able to vote for individuals we know are qualified, because we have seen them in action, on the big screen or the television screen. Some of our favorite fictional characters have proved they have what it takes to be president.

Several Disney princesses come to mind when considering potential candidates, but one that sticks out more than others is Mulan. Her character embodies traits necessary for any presidential candidate, including bravery and heroism.

Mulan sacrificed herself for her



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father and stopped the Mongol invasion, so she should be able to handle being in control of the U.S. If she were to run into any trouble, Mushu would be right by her side as her vice-president.

Another character that could handle running the U.S. is Woody from "Toy Story." At times

Woody has let his jealousy get the best of him, but he has a good heart.

When Woody found his friends were in trouble in "Toy Story 3," his loyalty to them surpassed his own desire to be with Andy, and he fought for them against Lots-o'-Huggin' Bear, risking his own life to save them.

One character that would not struggle being the president of the U.S. is Lisa Simpson. Even at 8 years old, Lisa Simpson's character exhibits persistence and determination, and she has never

let her gender interfere with her interests and goals.

Even as Springfield's Junior Miss Beauty Queen, Lisa used her title as a platform to improve the city, speaking out against the evils in society from dog-napping to cigarettes. Lisa Simpson serves as a role model for women of all ages. The next character capable of running the U.S. is the Joker as portrayed by Heath Ledger, in "The Dark Knight."

OK, he is a bit terrifying. There was the whole bank heist thing, and that time he blew up Gotham General Hospital disguised as a nurse and took a bus-load full of hostages, but why not give him a chance?

The Joker may represent anarchy and chaos, but no supervillain could possibly be worse than Republican Party candidate Donald Trump,



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and look how far he has come.

Clearly, if we have learned anything through this presidential election it is that anything is possible.

On a more serious note, Leslie Knope from "Parks and Recreation" would be an ideal first female president. Knope is one of the most ambitious, optimistic and hardworking fictional characters to ever exist in the world of television.

Although the people of fictional Pawnee, Indiana, do not always recognize or appreciate Knope for her work as a small town public servant, she constantly goes above and beyond for the citizens in her hometown.

Knope always stands up for what she believes in.

Although these characters are fictional, they have displayed time and again they have what it takes to be president of the U.S., and we should thank them. Some characters help remind us what good leadership is, and why we should expect the best when it comes to running this country.

THIRD-PARTY

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or Clinton presidency is keeping many voters from supporting third-party candidates. The campaigns of effective third-party candidates like Ralph Nader and Ross Perot rise from their graves every four years to haunt the public, threatening to swing that one crucial state toward your preferred bogeyman.



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The problem with using this as an argument against alternative candidates is that it assumes

everyone owes their votes to the Democratic or Republican parties. As voters continue to avoid third-party options in favor of a "lesser evil" approach, they verify that outlook for Washington while silencing their own voices.

Now, think about all the times you owed someone anything. How many times did those people concede anything to you unless they had to? If they did, how many of them were your friends?

Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump are not your friends. They and their parties have no reason to put in more than the minimum effort when Americans send a message every election that the minimum is good enough.

Legitimizing third-party candidacies would show Democrats



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and Republicans they need to actually work to maintain their base while discrediting any arguments typically used to keep voters in check. Obviously, this will never happen in one election cycle. Voters need to be willing to invest in the future if they truly care about this issue, and it has to start somewhere.

As far as timing, there will always be an issue used to draw voters back into the two-party system, with the issue of the Supreme Court's open seat being the latest flavor. Again, if people voted the way surveys suggest they want to, these arguments used to

scare people would lose relevance. Every time people switch their vote based on them, it becomes easier to fall into the habit.

Fortunately, there is a short-term goal to incentivize third-party voters who want to get things moving. If an alternative candidate earns at least 5 percent of the popular vote in the general election, their party qualifies for public funding in the next election cycle. Johnson and Stein have RealClearPolitics averages at 7.4 and 2.6 percent respectively, as of Tuesday, Oct. 4, so the benchmark is not out of reach.

If voters really want another option, they need to be willing to think long-term, fight for it now and stop waiting for the "right moment" that may never come.



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presidential candidate, and that does not count for much at the end of the day.

Both of them lie. Both of them can be aggressive. Neither is wholly good nor wholly evil. At the end of the day, all I can advise is

that you vote your conscience; vote for who you truly agree with. Do actual research. Do not just listen to your mom, your one friend who thinks they know everything about politics, or even the news. Look at their platforms. What have the candidates said themselves? How does that relate to what they've done? We have let Thing 1 and Thing 2 out of the box. Now we have to deal with them.

DEMOCRAT

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listens to the voice of the voters, the one who adapts their policies and platforms to more accurately represent a wider variety of Americans, and the one who does this the quickest and most efficiently, will be the next president.

I have explored the issues, I have researched candidate's platforms inside and out and have acknowledged my responsibility as a citizen to vote. My voice, along with many others, will be accurately represented by the third-party candidate I side with. If we all select a candidate who best embodies us, in unison we can impact our community, our state and even change the course of our government.

GOVS VOTE CLINTON VICTORIOUS

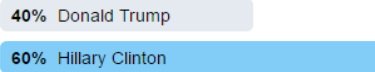
After Twitter polls, APSU deems Clinton the winner of two presidential debates

TAS The All State @TheAllState · Sep 26
Who do you think won the first presidential debate? #Peaylection16 #TheAllState #apsu



82 votes • Final results

TAS The All State @TheAllState · Oct 9
Who won the second presidential debate? #TheAllState #APSU #Peaylection16



104 votes • Final results



Donald J. Trump @realDonaldTrump
Did Crooked Hillary help disgusting (check out sex tape and past) Alicia M become a U.S. citizen so she could use her in the debate?

Hillary Clinton @HillaryClinton
Trump obsessively bullies Rosie O'Donnell—an accomplished actor. He insulted Kim Kardashian for her weight—when she was pregnant. Pathetic.

Donald J. Trump @realDonaldTrump
Happy #CincoDeMayo! The best taco bowls are made in Trump Tower Grill. I love Hispanics!

Hillary Clinton @HillaryClinton
It's so much more fun to watch FOX when it's someone else being blitzed & sacked!
#SuperBowl



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