Students spend winter break building homes

PELP, CSLCE students travel abroad to work with various non-profits organizations

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While many students lounged at home binging on Netflix over the winter break, a few APSU students were completing service projects.

A group of students in the President's Emerging Leaders Program (PELP) went to Trinidad and Tobago as part of a winter leadership course taught by Matthew Kenney, director of the Honors Program and PELP.

Juniors Natalie Cooper and Waqas Ahmed were among the students on the trip.

Cooper, a healthcare management major, described arriving in the small airport.

"We walked outside and it was very hot and steamy, and very busy," Cooper said.

There was a problem in customs, when biology major Ahmed, a Pakistani citizen, had to go through some extra security.

"I had to answer a couple hundred questions," Ahmed said. "It took about two hours."

After the situation cleared up, the students stayed in the city of Tunapuna, in a church compound. There were open air markets nearby.

"It was kind of in a rough area," Cooper said. "We had to lock ourselves in at night."

The PELP students worked with Habitat for Humanity to build a house working closely with Damani, a local man who would soon live in the house. Through Habitat for Humanity, housing applicants receive the house for free; the controlled mortgage they pay serves as funding to build more homes.

"We did the framework and put the roof on, and on the last day we did some of the siding," Cooper said. It was a challenge for Cooper as she had no building experience beforehand.

"I have no muscle, so it was very difficult," Cooper said, "but I did my best."

The building was easier for Ahmed.

"We had a couple of really good teachers," Ahmed said.

It was not all work for the students, who got to spend a day in the tourist part of Tobago and meet some mischievous friends on the beach in Trinidad.

"There were [wild] pigs on the beach," Cooper said, "one of them tried to take Dr. Kenney's shoe." Another student kept the pigs at bay by throwing sand at them.

The students immersed themselves in the blended culture of Trinidad and Tobago. The food is influenced by Indian and Spanish flavors.

"There was a lot of spices, rice and beans, and chicken," Cooper said.

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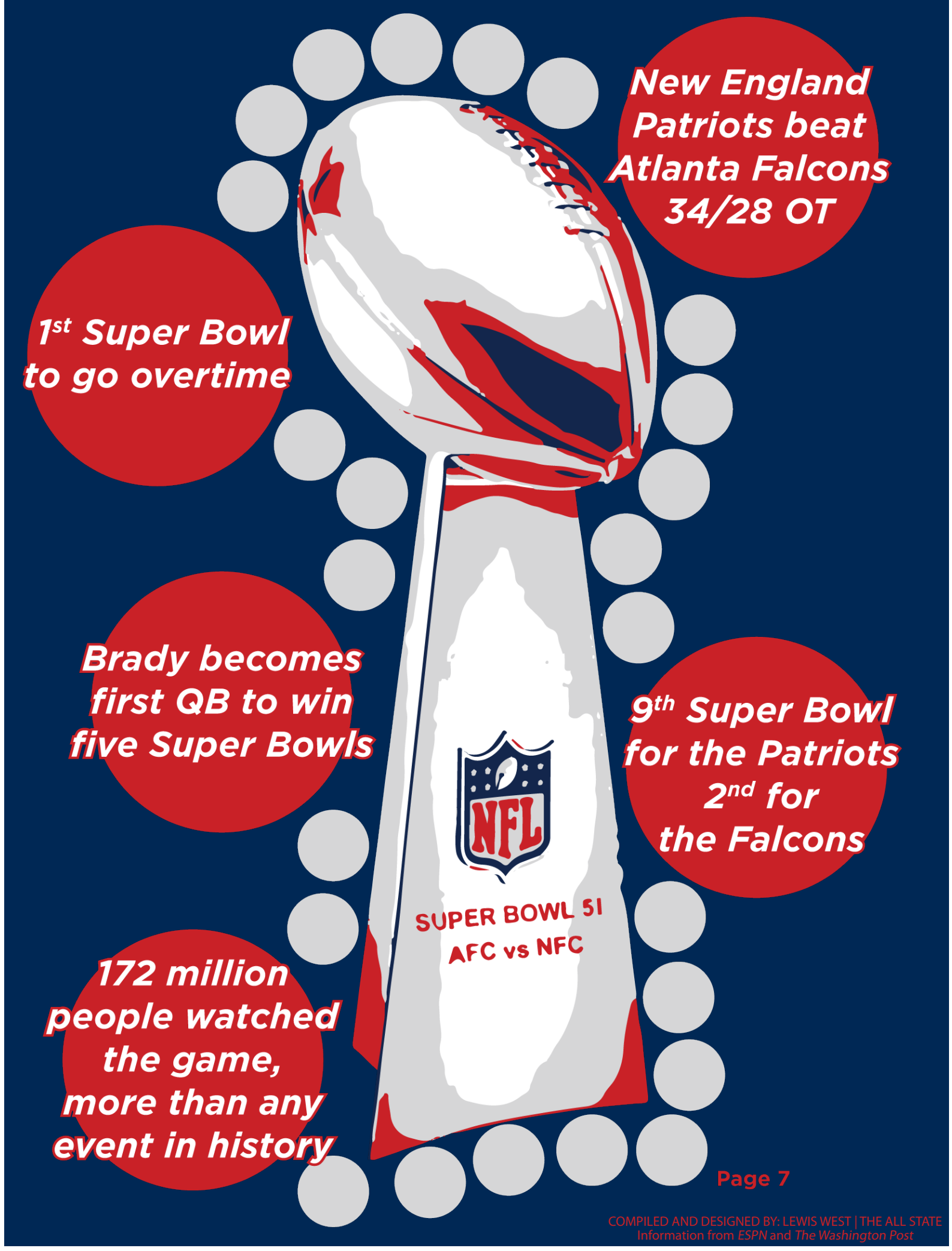

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APSU getting two new Greek organizations

Panhellenic council deciding between three candidates: Sigma Kappa, Zeta Tau Alpha, Phi Mu; Interfraternity council adding Kappa Sigma

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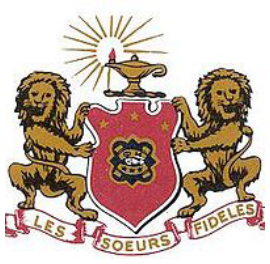

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The APSU Greek community is undergoing changes for Fall 2017. The Panhellenic community will be gaining two new organizations as Kappa Sigma Fraternity will return and a new sorority will begin in Fall 2017.

The decision to initiate a new sorority and fraternity was based on the community growth at APSU, and the current trends in Panhellenic enrollment.

The potential sororities submitted packets to the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs and the governing council reviewed each packet, made recommendations and took an official vote.

The final three sororities to present themselves to the APSU community are Sigma Kappa, Zeta Tau Alpha and Phi Mu.

The Panhellenic community has a say in who the newest sorority will be.

Panhellenic Council President, Glenna Beaty said she is excited about the addition.

"I am very excited for APSU's Panhellenic Council to be extending invitations to three great organizations," Beaty said.

The current Greek organizations will have the opportunity to meet with the potential sororities on Feb. 22, Feb. 27 and March 1 at the club level of the football field.

"We invite the community to the campus presentations and hope to provide feedback for the Panhellenic Extension committee to review before they make their recommendation to be voted on by the Panhellenic delegates in March," the Coordinator for Fraternity and Sorority Affairs, Stephen Dominy said.

While the newest sorority will be decided on by the committee and delegates, Kappa Sigma already has an agreement with the university to return after their chapter was removed in 2013.

The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs will hold the two new organizations to the same standards that they do for current Greek organizations.

"They must meet the minimum expectations set forth by the Office of Student Life and Engagement," Dominy said.

Beaty said this addition aligns with Panhellenic's values.

"We believe that by adding another chapter to our Greek community will add to the Panhellenic focus of enhancing women's empowerment, women's leadership, and women's confidence at APSU," Beaty said.

Dominy and the office will be a major resource to the organizations and look forward to offering their support to all the chapters.

"Our record of accomplishment at APSU does not lie—if you come to our campus, you will be successful. Our community is excited and looking forward to the new groups that will be coming this fall," Dominy said.

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Would put an orientation period in place for potential senators two weeks before SGA elections.
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ABROAD

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"I was hoping for ethnic Indian food, because that's what Dr. Kenney told us," Ahmed said. "[But] it was very different […] It was a shock, but I liked it."

Cooper and Ahmed said they were surprised by some of the things they saw there.

"What was really surprising is that the house that were considered very high class and very nice would be like what people in poverty in America would live in," Cooper said.

Ahmed saw similarities between Trinidad and Tobago and Pakistan.

"The streets were the same," Ahmed said, "[and] the driving was chaotic." Citizens drive on the opposite side of the street from America.

Both Ahmed and Cooper said they enjoyed bonding with their classmates during the trip, and the relaxed, "very Caribbean" attitudes of the locals.

"Through the PELP program we take a class together every semester of college," Cooper said, "Seeing how close we got was really cool […] and it took us getting out of the country to do that."

"I recommend it to everyone." Ahmed said.

That was not the only service trip that happened during winter break.

The APSU Center for Service-Learning & Community Engagement sponsored a trip to New Orleans as a part of the Alternative Break Trip program. In New Orleans, students worked with the Audubon Nature Institute, the New Orleans Rescue Mission and the Villalobos Rescue Center for dogs.

"They were volunteer superstars," said Jamie Pack, director of the Alternative Break program.

Freshman Cassie Meadows, a social work major, went on the trip. The group cleaned out dirt and debris from the Mississippi River at the Aquarium of the Americas, and painted fences at the Audubon Zoo.

Meadows enjoyed working at the Villalobos Rescue Center and walking two dogs, Adah and Molasses.

"I probably had the most sober dog both nights," Meadows said. Adah had a straightforward attitude.

"She wouldn't look at me," Meadows said. "She sniffed me once and was like 'OK, you can walk me.'"

The group also served dinner at the Rescue Mission to around 200 people.

"Some of the people serving alongside us had been homeless," Meadows said. "I found that really cool."

Senior psychology major Ann Madden, the trip leader, found the mission "shocking and a little humbling."

"It's sad that we live in one of the richest countries, and people are still suffering like that." Madden said. She saw lingering destruction from the devastation of Hurricane Katrina, even though it has been 12 years since the event.

On Friday, the group took a break and explored the city. They took a ferry ride and went through the French quarter, visiting the famous Café du Monde, St. Louis Cathedral and St. Louis Cemetery No. 1.

"I miss how artsy all the buildings were," Meadows said, recalling the unique architecture of the city.

The group got a special surprise that day.

"We were on site while they were filming a scene for 'NCIS New Orleans,' Madden said.

The CSLCE has upcoming spring break trips to Nashville, Louisiana and Oklahoma to help with construction. In the summer, there is a trip to Antigua, Guatemala. A fundraiser for this trip will be held on Feb. 8 at CiCi's Pizza. Applications for trips are seasonal, and any interested students can visit their website, http://www.apsu.edu/volunteer.

Due to high demand, there have been 10 trips planned for the 2016-2017 school year.

"Spring is a really great opportunity to jump on a trip," Pack said. In the spring, students who have been on previous trips can apply to become student leaders, and get to choose where they want to serve.

Madden said she recommends Alternative Break trips to all students.

"You get an opportunity to experience something new and to help people," Madden said.

Presidential Emerging Leaders Program (PELP) students work on the frame of a home for Habitat for Humanity during study abroad to Trindad and Tobago.
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SGA appoints six new senators

Appointments lead to full senate; Sen. Rebecca Jacks presents three new pieces of legislation to the floor

PATRICK ROACH STAFF WRITER

Six new senators were confirmed without opposition during the Student Government Association's meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 1. Senators and their departments are as follows:

Gracie Richardson - College of Arts and Letters

Amber James - College of Behavioral and Health Sciences

Courtney Covington - College of Education

Colin Crist - College of Science and Mathematics

Justis Hand - College of Science and Mathematics

Kaitlyn Reagan - Sophomore position

The appointments generated no discussion among current senators and allow SGA to operate with zero vacancies.

President Ryan Honea said it is important for SGA senators to speak with the deans of their colleges in order to properly address the needs of the student body.

"As senators you are tasked with being the voice of the students to the administration and working to develop trust among students by listening to them and figuring out what the problems are and trying to fix them," Honea said.

Honea also reiterated that one piece of legislation is required per semester from each member of the senate.

Executive Secretary Blaine Gundersen said APSU is officially an institutional member of the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education. AASHE is a nonprofit organization based in Philadelphia that provides workshops and conferences to assist schools around the world with sustainability.

Sen. Rebecca Jacks introduced three pieces of legislation pertaining to election gifts, acid-free paper and orientation for new senators.

Act. No. 14 would prevent gifts from being given or accepted by SGA candidates in exchange for votes. The act pushes for "word-of-mouth" campaigning instead.

Res. No. 23 calls for the library to switch to acid-free paper. The legislation says the paper currently used by the library and other departments around campus uses a certain type of acid that makes the paper harder to recycle.

Res. No. 24 would put an orientation period in place for potential senators two weeks before SGA elections to better prepare them for their role in the senate.

The SGA Blood Drive will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 8, and Thursday, Feb. 9 in MUC Ballroom A&B.

SGA meets at 5 p.m. every Wednesday in MUC 307.

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Tattoos show personality, not work ethic

"My tattoo is a symbol. My grandmother had non-hodgkin lymphoma and has been in remission for five years. It matches with my mom. It means hope. I have not looked for a job since I got it."

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Tattoos should not dictate whether a hiring manager says "yes" or "no."

Someone might get a tattoo for a number of reasons. Sometimes it is a split-second decision, an image chosen based off something the person saw and liked. Perhaps the person wants to get a tattoo to commemorate an important person in their life. For many, a tattoo is a symbol of who they are they can proudly wear on their skin.

When it comes to being hired for a job, many people are looking for a position that involves being seen rather than being hidden away. People in fast food take orders in front of people and receptionists sit at front lobby desks all day. In many jobs people are "the face of a company" where they are seen by customers or clientele.

Most businesses and companies have tattoo policies for their employees. Many of these policies require people with visible tattoos to cover them, or may even decide not to hire someone who has visible tattoos.

Certain jobs do not require people to cover their tattoos. Bartenders, for example, are not always required to cover their tattoos, while a high school teacher may have to cover them. This, in a sense, suggests tattoos are negative, and people in a leadership or teaching position would be a bad example if they had visible tattoos.

Is a math teacher less effective if they have full sleeves of tattoos? Is a CEO any less hardworking with an orange leukemia ribbon on their forearm? Is the manager of KFC any less professional with a "Game of Thrones" dragon egg tattooed on their upper arm?

The answer is no. Tattoos mean something to the people who have them and being forced to cover them can feel like a form of oppression.

The clothes someone wears say a lot about them. Everyone has their own sense of style. Many jobs allow accessories and personal style while others have strict dress codes.

A person can change their clothes but when they have a tattoo they cannot change their skin. Jobs that keeps someone from expressing themselves through their clothes and tattoos strip people of what makes them unique. Not being hired because of tattoos is offensive. It is discriminating against someone with ink on their skin.

People get tattoos for a number of reasons. Maybe they just really liked Tinkerbell one Wednesday. Maybe "Doctor Who" changed their perspective of the world. Maybe their mother was their best friend. A tattoo is a way that a person can say "This is who I am" with their skin. Making someone cover it up is taking a piece of them away. Telling them they cannot be hired is like telling them who they are is not good enough.

A tattoo is not distracting. A tattoo is not trashy. A tattoo does not give a bad impression. Seeing a teacher with tattoos does not make them unintelligent. A manager with tattoos is not less professional.

If a tattoo is offensive then perhaps it should be hidden to help the company's image and clientele who see it. But no one should be kept from getting a job just because they really loved their zodiac sign or a line from a Robert Frost poem.

Tattoos symbolize the person who has them, not the quality of their work or the quality of their character. No one should be kept from a job because of the images on their skin.

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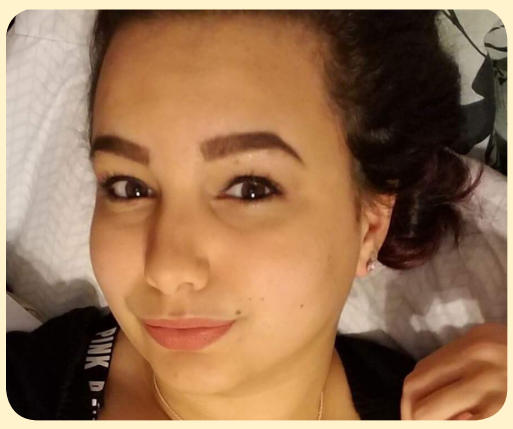
Govs on the street

Why get tattoos? What do they mean to you? Have you had any problems getting a job because of them?



"I got them all spontaneously; two Star Wars, an Edgar Alen Poe quote ... they are things I enjoy. I have never had a job where they stopped me from being hired, but they have had to be covered."

KAITLYN THIBEAU
FRESHMAN CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR

"My tattoo is a symbol. My grandmother had non-hodgkin lymphoma and has been in remission for five years. It matches with my mom. It means hope. I have not looked for a job since I got it."

REBECCA JARED
FRESHMAN NURSING MAJOR

"Tattoos are stories you can put on your body. I have a space shuttle. Me and my dad have always been into space. When I interview, I do not show any tattoos but I ask them about their tattoo policy."

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EXTRAS

PHOTO OF THE WEEK

Students brave the cold and jump into the Foy Fitness Center's pool for APSU's annual Polar Plunge on Thursday, Feb. 2. The event is held to benefit the SOS Food Pantry. STEPHEN SCHLEGEL | THE ALL STATE

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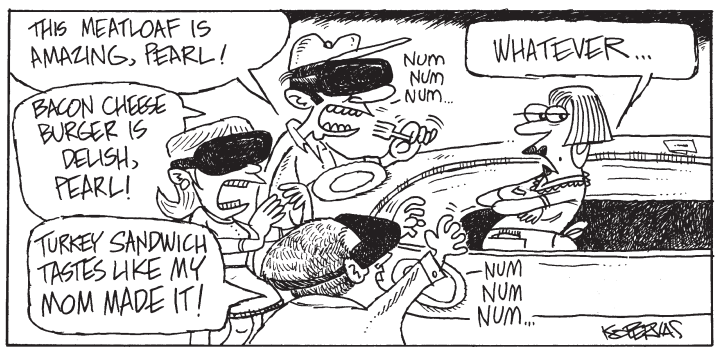

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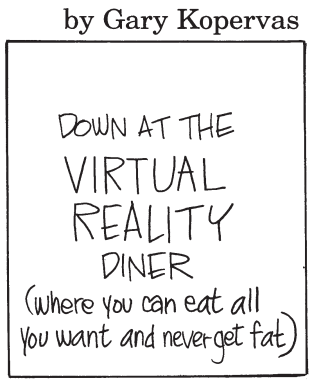

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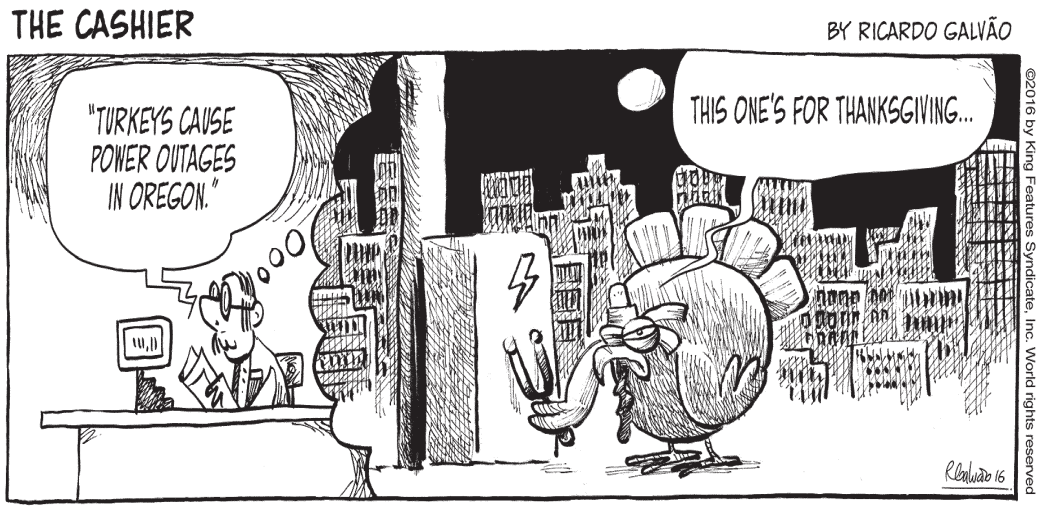

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by Linda Thistle

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Making icy waves

Students dived into the cold water on makeshift rafts Thursday, Feb. 2. There were three teams during the event, and each team set out to make a raft capable of holding one person's weight, as the rest of the team pulled the raft across the width of the pool. The teams could only use plastic wrap, thin rope and pool noodles, and the teams had a set time limit to design their rafts. STEPHEN SCHLEGEL | THE ALL STATE

Students submerge into frigid water in spirit of teamwork during Coming Home

ANDREW WADOVICK
FEATURES EDITOR

The air was 37 degrees, the slight breeze cutting through their coats as they stood outside the Foy. With the clouds rolling in, the various photographers huddling underneath a tent blasting heat from external heaters and the air this cold, it was the perfect opportunity to jump in the pool.

As part of the Coming Home festivities at APSU, students gathered at the Foy Fitness Center pool for the annual Polar Plunge. Before the actual plunge itself, several groups of students, about 20 or 25 total, teamed up to build miniature rafts out of pool noodles, rope and plastic wrap. The goal of these team challenges was to have a team member sit on the raft and the rest of the team pull them down the length of the pool and back.

Gustav Norström, a business major and exchange student from Sweden, said he heard about the Plunge from the Office of International Education.

"We had a tactical meeting the night before [the Polar Plunge]," Norström said. He said they led a Mudbowl team last year, and they were excited to participate in this year's Plunge.

He also said Sweden doesn't have events like this.

"There is no warm water in Sweden," Norström said. "We just dig a hole in the ice and jump in."

The event started at around 3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 2, and ended at around 4:15 p.m. with all the participants collectively diving into the 50-degree pool. Many of the contestants were still wearing blazers and fancy dresses from

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> **GUSTAV NORSTRÖM**
> BUSINESS MAJOR

Shattering glass, social norms in America

President Alisa White gives her presentation to students on Thursday, Feb. 2. Her presentation included her own, personal experiences as both a woman and a leader. CHANEICE JACKSON | THE ALL STATE

President White discusses combating gender stereotypes in the work place

JOSHUA CLEMENTS
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The APSU Women's Club hosted a seminar where they invited President Alisa White to speak on how female professionals can break through the glass ceiling. The meeting took place Thursday at noon in the Morgan University Center.

The Merriam-Webster dictionary defines a "glass ceiling" as an intangible barrier within a hierarchy that prevents women or minorities from upper-level positions.

The Women's Club had White speak on this subject as someone who has reached high level positions in her field.

"We might all be women, but we are not all the same," White said. "That is why I am nervous about speaking about issues such as this on a universal level as different strategies work differently for everyone."

One of the first topics discussed was why there may pay discrepancies between men and women of similar positions.

"There is a perception that women will choose their family over a career so the feeling is that women will not take a position as seriously as a man would," White said. "However, I think this is a fallacy, and may be an outdated line of thinking. I have seen just as many men choose their family over advancement as I have women."

White then discussed the problems facing women who do reach leadership positions, and what qualities make a good leader.

"Another fallacy that women face is that we are too soft to be taken seriously has leaders, but at the same time if they come across as too strong people will start applying negative words to them," White said. "In my opinion, never worry about if you have crossed a line and let others tell you if a line as been crossed; has that helps with the perception of a strong leader."

White then talked about what various mentors have done for her over her career, and what advice they gave that worked for her.

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The trivial pursuit of generational facts

Students participate in intellectual battles over trivia, open mic contest

ANDREA ALLEN
FEATURES WRITER

As students got ready for the big basketball games during Coming Home week, they come together for some competition and fun to form a strong community to support their fellow Govs.

The Govs Programming Council (GPC) hosted Open Mic and Trivia Night in the MUC on Tuesday, January 31. Students filled the tables in Einstein's and supported their friends singing on the stage. Some students had a friend accompany them with an instrument while others braved acapella as they showed off their talents.

"I came to see my friends," sophomore accounting major Katie Palmer said. "I've really enjoyed it so far. It's cool to see the courage that everyone who performs has."

While the event was not a competition, participants still had the opportunity to represent their organization and members were encouraged to come support one another. Students could sing as much or as little as they wanted of any song they wanted.

In the midst of the other Coming Home competitions, open mic allowed the organizations to come together and enjoy each other's company.

"I am wanting these events [open mic and trivia] to help bring community. It is a way for organizations to socialize with each other more," GPC coordinator and junior chemistry major Austin Sun said.

At the same time, organizations had a chance to compete against each other during trivia. The topics ranged from popular internet memes to celebrities. Each organization raced against the others to be the first to submit their answer to the judges.

"They're asking a good variety of questions about stuff our generation would know. It's really fun," freshmen political science major Taylar Scott said.

In addition to the competition, trivia allowed the organization to work together and strengthen their bonds with one another. Open Mic night had the same results.

Students came to support their friends regardless of their organization affiliation and come together as a student body. Out of Coming Home excitement, students involved in all areas of the APSU community unified to support and represent the basketball teams.

One of the teams debates its answer to a trivia question during the event Tuesday, Jan. 31. The teams were not competing for prizes, but rather the honor of winning. HENRY KILPATRICK | THE ALL STATE

Governors get "Wild 'N Out" in Clement Thursday

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MTV comedy group brings laughter to campus, while discussing issues of race, gender in American society

AALIYAH MITCHELL
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

Stars from Nick Cannon's "Wild 'N Out" came at 7 p.m on Thursday, Feb. 2 to APSU's Clement Auditorium for a comedy show. The Govs Programming Council (GPC) hosted the show, and it consisted of two "Wild 'N Out" comedians, Chico Bean and Jacob Williams, taking half an hour on the stage apiece for individual stand up routines.

Jokes covered the topics of the 2016 presidential election, multiracial friendships and people of all demographics banding together for community and acceptance. Chico Bean addressed the African-American girls in the crowd, telling them to value themselves first.

"To my black women, you guys are very, very important, and this is a very important time in your lives. You are in college, these are the formative years," Bean said. "These are the years where you develop your confidence about yourself. Learn to love yourself first, beautiful black women… stop waiting on men to validate who and what you are. Learn to love yourself first."

Bean's advice reached many audience members, surprising and encouraging many.

"When he said that black ladies need to learn to love ourselves, I feel like that was something a lot of us needed to hear," junior human health and performance major Teanna Hayes said.

Bean also reached out to young men in the audience, extending advice to them as well.

"I know you're young. Let me tell you one of the most important things you can start doing in your life right now. Tell the truth, all right? Learn how to stop lying," Bean said.

He continued to explain how he believed men at the college age had still spent most of their lives in an environment that punished them for telling the truth so it was difficult for them to understand when the lying was no longer necessary.

"I think the show was no less than amazing," junior human health and performance major Sheneka Wicks said.

Bean and Williams ended the night on stage together, inviting students to tune in for the new season of "Wild 'N Out" coming out in April 2017, airing on MTV and MTV2.

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a competition right before the Polar Plunge.

John Huang, an education major and one of Norström's teammates from Taiwan, was among those cheering on his teammates and other participants. He said he participated in events like this and Mudbowl in order to experience American culture first-hand.

During their group photo, he had the group yell "We are not from China!" In fact, this was a kind of rallying cry for their team, who were all international students from various different countries.

"Huang said this was because of the "controversial political situation" surrounding Taiwan's status as a country.

"People often think Taiwan is part of China," he said. "I often get questions like, am I from China. I am not from China. I am from Taiwan."

Huang further said China has "brainwashed" the world into believing Taiwan is part of China, and he said he wants to raise awareness about the truth surrounding his country.

The raft challenge was not a competition in terms of first place, second or third, and no team received prizes beyond the chance to join all the other contestants in diving into the pool at the end of the event. Participants instead focused on teamwork and cooperation.

Some participants stayed to swim laps or play around in the water, while others immediately hopped out of the water and sprinted to the designated heating area, covered in a tent with two large heaters blowing hot air directly into the tent, able to finally escape the cold.

Participants climb out of the pool after the group dive at the end of the event, around 4:15. The water was around 50 degrees, according to the supervising lifeguards STEPHEN SCHLEGEL | THE ALL STATE

Attendees to President White's presentation listen to White's experiences and advice on Thursday. White spoke encouragement to women seeking advancement. CHANEICE JACKSON | THE ALL STATE

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"I may not like it, but for women wardrobe choice is something that we need to be concerned about in the professional world," White said. "When you are in a situation where you may be giving a presentation you will want the clothes to fade away, and the only thing that is focused on is your content."

White told of how she progressed to get where she is today, and gave advice on how to progress in your own field.

"Do not be afraid to ask if there is a way to progress in your position, and if that is not possible then find where you need to be to progress," White said. "When progressing in the professional world it is not always a straight line up. If you watch someone climb a cliff they will find lateral footholds to progress upwards."

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Banks shines in Coming Home win

Senior Center Tearra Banks finished the night with 28 points, landing her a spot in the top 10 all-time scoring at APSU. CHANEICE JACKSON | THE ALL STATE

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APSU Women's Basketball made history as they blew past Tennessee State in Ohio Valley Conference action on Saturday, Feb. 3. The Govs (12-12, 6-5 OVC) walked away earning their fourth-straight home win 79-63 over the visiting Tigers (9-12, 4-7 OVC) in the 2017 edition of Coming Home.

It was a historic night that saw senior Tearra Banks earned an accolade only matched once in program history, shooting 100 percent from the floor. The Louisville, KY native went 11-for-11 on the night matching Gerlonda Hardin's 11-for-11 night in 2002.

Banks led the court at the end of the game with 28 points, an accomplishment that also moves her higher in the APSU record books. Now sitting at 1,319, Banks is 6 points away from passing Paige Smith for ninth all-time scorer

In addition to Banks' historic night, senior forward Beth Rates reached 122 career blocks, putting her three shy of second-most in school history.

"Tearra gets double and triple teamed and still produces. The team did a great job finding her – we had 19 assists – and she made some great catches and moves in traffic without fouling. She had an outstanding game offensively." APSU Head Coach David Midlick said to letsgopeay.com

The Govs never found themselves behind as a 35-17 lead at halftime powered them to a 16 point win.

Rates finished second for the Govs with 10 points. Behind her was Keisha Gregory with 8 points and Bri Williams with 7 points. Olivia Jones and I'mani Davis combined for 33 of the Tigers points. Turnovers were a big part of the contest as both teams combined for 48 points off of turnovers, 28 for APSU and 20 for TSU.

APSU returns to action in a double-header at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 11 against Murray State at Murray in the Heritage Bank "Battle of the Border."

Men's basketball mauled by Tigers

GOVS 66 TSU 70

GLAVINE DAY SPORTS EDITOR

In the annual Coming Home basketball game, the APSU men's team fell to Tennessee State University 70-66 in a late run.

"We had some defensive breakdowns, a couple of fouls, and they got some momentum going" Head Coach Dave Loos said to letsgopeay.com. "When that team gets momentum, they're hard to stop. The period before that, we had probably played some of our best basketball of the year—we were moving the ball, sharing it, got good looks and were clicking pretty good. This game's funny, it can turn in a heartbeat and it did against us."

Senior John Murry led the Govs with 20 points.

This was Murry's third game in a row as the leading scorer for the Govs.

Senior Kenny Jones was right behind Murry with 17 points, and junior Josh Robinson was in third with 13 points.

Right before the end of the first half, the Govs went on an 11-2 run, led by Robinson. To start the second half, the Govs went up by 11, but TSU tied it with less than seven minutes to go after a 13-2 run.

From 11:53 to 2:39 in the second half, APSU was only able to score 2 points.

This was a major key in TSU running away with the game.

Next up for the Govs is West Division leaders and long-time rival, Murray State at Murray on Saturday, Feb. 11. Murray will be plotting their revenge in the Heritage Bank "Battle of the Border."

Junior Point Guard Josh Robinson went 4-6 from the line against the TSU Tigers and finished the night with 13 points. HUNTER ABRAMS | THE ALL STATE

Brady has greatest Super Bowl comeback

The New England Patriots rallied from a 25 point defecit and forced the first overtime in Super Bowl history to beat the Atlanta Falcons 34-28

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Tom Brady, Bill Belichick and the rest of the New England Patriots have long been reluctant to rank their victories.

They've refused to label any given season, or title, sweeter than another. It's time to put that to rest. This Super Bowl was lost.

New England trailed by 25 points and Brady had a case of happy feet and a wobbly arm that made him look every bit his 39 years.

Before Lady Gaga had even dropped from the sky for Sunday's halftime show, the pregame anointment of Brady as the greatest to ever play was being rightfully ripped on social media that, along with the scoreboard, had all but handed Atlanta this game.Then came the best comeback ever.

No team had ever made up more than a 10-point deficit to win a Super Bowl.

Brady led the Patriots on five straight scoring drives that equaled 31 straight points.

The last touchdown wrapped up a 34-28 victory, yet felt inevitable and anticlimactic despite coming in the first-ever overtime in the Super Bowl's 51-year history.

"Tom has had a lot of great ones. Tonight was one of them," Belichick said, underselling the obvious.

Though New England still trailed by eight, this game felt more-or-less over when receiver Julian Edelman somehow wrapped up a pass that was first deflected by Atlanta cornerback Robert Alford, then bounced off Alford's knee and his shin. Edelman trapped the ball against Alford's foot, then got bo th hands underneath the pigskin.

The catch was upheld on review. It was good for 23 yards and a first down at the Atlanta 41 with 2:03 left.

It matched, or exceeded, what David Tyree of the Giants did nine years previously, when his football-on-the-helmet catch led to the end of New England's quest for an undefeated season in the Super Bowl.

"I knew I caught it," Edelman said.

The catch highlighted New England's 91-yard, game-tying drive and extinguished whatever fight was left in an Atlanta defense that looked unbeatable for 2 1/2 quarters — never more than when Alford intercepted Brady and took it 82 yards for a score that made it 21-0 late in the second quarter.

"Why didn't he Highstep that Thang," tweeted the former Falcon, Deion Sanders. Indeed, it felt like prime time for a celebration in Atlanta, a city with a long history of sports mediocrity and collapses, but nothing quite like this.

"No panic," Patriots special teams captain Matthew Slater explained. "We practiced in pads on Super Bowl week. We are squatting 80 percent of our maxes on Super Bowl week. We worked for this. Our bodies and minds were ready, and we just kept believing in one another."

And believing in Brady.

After the game, the NFL distributed a list of new Super Bowl records that took up nearly three-quarters of a page. There were 24 in all, the majority related in one way or another to the quarterback: Yards passing (446), pass attempts (62), completions (43), MVP awards (4), career wins (5, tied with Charles Haley, but now ahead of quarterbacks Terry Bradshaw and Joe Montana).

"He's laser-focused, and the entire time, there wasn't a time where we looked at Tom like he knew this thing was over," Patriots receiver Chris Hogan said. "There wasn't a doubt in my mind. We have one of the best quarterbacks that ever played the game."

Another record belonged to running back James White — New England's latest go-to guy on its long list of interchangeable parts. White's three touchdowns and one 2-point conversion equaled 20 points. That knocked Denver's Terrell Davis and about half of the San Francisco 49ers from the '80s and '90s out of the record books.

Those Niners made a habit of putting on clinics in pinpoint perfection that made opposing defenses look invisible in a series of pick-your-score blowouts.

In capturing title No. 5, the Patriots were perfect by necessity.

"When you fall behind by a lot in a game like this, you have to make a lot of great plays and have a lot of things go right," offensive coordinator Josh McDaniels said.

Not everything went right for New England: Stephen Gostkowski clanked an extra point off the upright after New England's first touchdown made it 28-9.

Then, after the Patriots had pulled within eight, Matt Ryan hit Julio Jones for a tip-toe catch on the sideline that gave Atlanta the ball on the Patriots 22 with 4:40 left.

A field goal would have sealed it. Instead, the next four snaps resulted in a minus-23 yards, including Trey Flowers' sack and a holding call that forced a punt.

Brady got the ball at the 9 with 3:30 left. Ten plays later, including Edelman's catch, White plowed in from a yard, then Brady threw a bubble screen to Danny Amendola for New England's second straight 2-point conversion.

It was tied at 28, and the only drama left was whether the Patriots would win the coin toss to start overtime.

They called heads and it was. Less than 15 minutes later, in real time, confetti was flying.

"That's for you guys to decide," was Belichick's pat answer when asked if this was the sweetest of them all. His boss wasn't playing that game.

Patriots owner Robert Kraft stood on the podium, smiling away while Commissioner Roger Goodell shouted into the microphone so he could be heard above the raucous boos raining down on him during the trophy presentation.

Goodell is Public Enemy No. 1 in New England because of "Deflategate" and the four-game suspension he handed Brady to start this season.

"A lot has transpired over the last two years, and I don't think that needs any explanation," Kraft said. "But I want to say to our fans, our brilliant coaching staff, our amazing players, who are so spectacular: This is unequivocally the sweetest."

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