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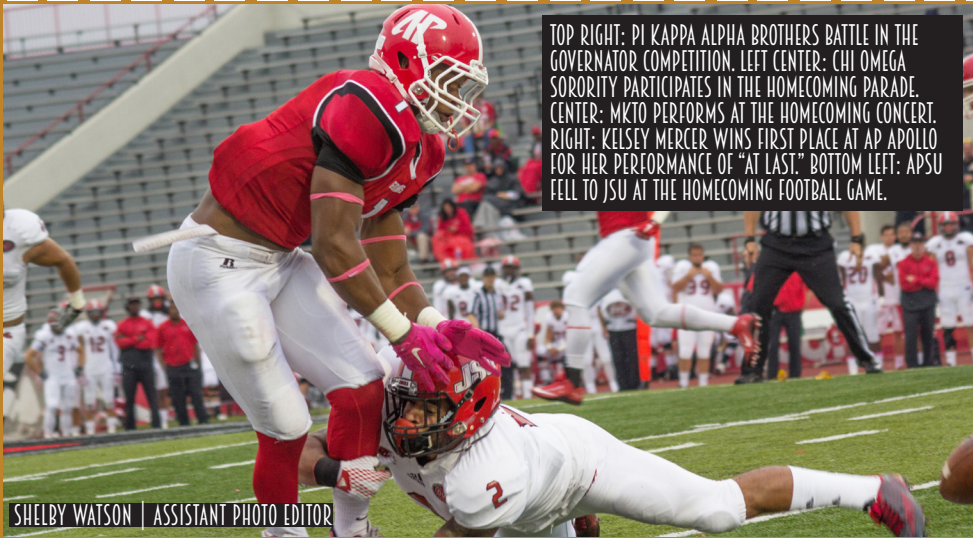
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TOP RIGHT: PI KAPPA ALPHA BROTHERS BATTLE IN THE GOVERNATOR COMPETITION. LEFT CENTER: CHI OMEGA SORORITY PARTICIPATES IN THE HOMECOMING PARADE. CENTER: MKTO PERFORMS AT THE HOMECOMING CONCERT. RIGHT: KELSEY MERCER WINS FIRST PLACE AT AP APOLLO FOR HER PERFORMANCE OF "AT LAST." BOTTOM LEFT: APSU FELL TO JSU AT THE HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME.



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THE SCOTTY CAUTHEN STORY

A look into a life Scotty Cauthen lived a normal life before APSU

» By **KATELYN CLARK**
Editor-in-Chief

You walk past people every day. On the street. On sidewalks. In buildings. You have class with different people. Every day. Every semester. Every year. People walk past your life sometimes without a single word. Each one has a story. Stories of love. Of loss. Of hope. Of struggle. Of victory. Everyone has a story, even you.

Scotty Cauthen's story is unlike most students at APSU. His story is an epic novel with an ending yet to be written: Student, veteran, father, husband and fighter.

Cauthen, 34, stands tall with an average build. With his cane and his dog Jackson by his side, Cauthen walks slow and steady, as if he thinks about every step he takes. Kind in nature and stoic in speech, Cauthen speaks with a calming voice and a kind-hearted soul. He comes across as your typical positive fellow, except for a small strain of pain that constantly remains on his face.

Before coming to APSU, Cauthen lived many lives.

After a two-year certification at an Arizona school for sports medicine, Cauthen became a licensed neuromuscular therapist in 2002. He worked on patients with neurological issues through manual massage therapy. Cauthen worked for the Diamondbacks, Arizona's MLB team, and for the Phoenix Suns, an NBA team. He also spent some time alongside chiropractors in different sports clinics across Arizona.

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APSU's College of Education receives anonymous \$50,000 gift for new scholarship

» By **DAVID HARRIS**
Senior Staff Writer

A new scholarship opportunity for students from Scott and Blount counties interested in becoming special education teachers is now available because of a recent anonymous gift of \$50,000 to APSU's College of Education.

This gift will be distributed over the next five years to 10 students working to become special education teachers with the Together Everyone Achieves More, or TEAM, scholarship initiative.

"The goal is to get students licensed so they can be special education teachers," said Erin Lynch-Alexander, assistant professor of education and grant director.

APSU currently has fewer than 30 students from Scott and Blount counties enrolled. Fourteen students applied for admission from these counties last spring.

According to Lynch-Alexander, APSU is enrolling fewer students from Scott and Blount because they have strong community colleges, and students are

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SGA to debate \$9,000 purchase, National Pan-Hellenic Council monuments

SGA will consider purchasing four new TVs for the MUC outside Einstein Bros. Bagels

LEGISLATIONS			
Name	Proposing Senator	Proposal	Vote
1. Resolution No. 8	1. Dominic Critchlow	1. Lift campus skateboard and rollerblade ban.	1. Passed
2. Resolution No. 9	2. Critchlow	2. Place bike racks outside of the bookstore.	2. Passed
3. Resolution No. 11	3. Frank Burns	3. Create plots designated for NPHC monuments.	3. N/A
4. Resolution No. 10	4. Burns	4. Turn unused Chartwells meals into vouchers for the needy.	4. N/A
5. Act No. 5	5. Colin Crist	5. Ban senatorial and Executive Council cellphone use during SGA meetings.	5. N/A
6. Act No. 6	6. Lydia Bullock	6. Put a one-week limit on the time passed legislation can go unsigned by its author.	6. N/A

» By **WILL FISHER**
Staff Writer

Director of University Center Facilities and Services Andy Kean made a special presentation on Wednesday, Oct. 21 at the SGA meeting to request they spend \$9000 on four 50-inch high-definition TVs to be placed outside of Einstein Bros. Bagels.

Kean said he wishes to buy the HDTVs in order to cut down on the number of fliers and A-frame billboards in the MUC, because they are fire hazards blocking entrances and exits.

The HDTVs would display announcements, news and advertisements relevant to students in a cycle all day.

Kean said the cost of the HDTVs would come from their commercial grade quality and the software used to run the advertisements and connect all four screens together.

All the HDTVs would be connected and arranged in a rectangle and have the ability to display information on one screen or any combination of screens, similar to other systems seen in restaurants and stores.

SGA tabled the discussion and vote on the request until their next meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 28.

Sen. Frank E. Burns Jr. introduced Resolution No. 11 during the meeting, looking to create plots for the National Pan-Hellenic Council Greek organizations on campus that give the organizations meeting places with information about the organization. The resolution references the cultural importance of the traditionally-African-American NPHC organizations and

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Tennessee officials launch ‘Operation Blackout,’ protect trick-or-treaters

» **By ASSOCIATED PRESS**

The Tennessee Department of Correction said it has launched Operation Blackout, an annual initiative to protect trick-or-treaters from registered sex offenders.

A TDOC statement said probation parole officers teamed up with local police to conduct random visits and compliance checks across the

state to make sure sex offenders are following strict guidelines for the Halloween season.

During the first night, officers checked on 300 sex offenders, which resulted in one arrest, one

citation and four violations.

TDOC said it plans to check on 3,500 sex offenders statewide through Saturday, Oct. 31. *TAS*

Scholarship

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opting to take advantage of Tennessee Promise by staying in their home counties and obtaining their associate degree.

This new scholarship will be distributed starting in the spring semester. It is exclusive to students from Scott and Blount counties, and all applicants must meet the admission requirements for APSU’s College of Education.

The TEAM initiative is working on providing scholarships for other students interested in becoming special education teachers from other counties, including Montgomery county.

Lynch-Alexander said the scholarship

aims to prepare students to be special educators and the scholarship program is important because it is student focused. The scholarship also serves as an attempt to meet the needs of students through the provision of financial support.

“It goes to support the recruitment and retention of students from an area of the state from which we have low enrollment numbers,” Lynch-Alexander said. “The scholarship provides recruitment opportunities to a licensure area that is experiencing a national shortage. So three factors make this special program important: it benefits students, our university and ultimately our K-12 special needs population in Tennessee by placing highly qualified and passionate teachers in classrooms.” *TAS*

SGA coverage

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says building the plots “would progress the image of diversity here at APSU.”

NPHC plots are areas on campus designated as meeting places of NPHC organizations’ values, culture and events.

Often the plots have information about each of the NPHC organizations on campus and feature benches or seats where students and alumni may sit and reflect.

Burns also introduced Resolution No. 10 requesting that Chartwells turn unused meals into meal vouchers to feed underserved students. This would be optional for students.

The vouchers would be donated to the Service Learning Center where students in need could go for meals.

Sen. Dominic Critchlow’s Resolution No. 8 suggesting skateboards be allowed on campus passed, as well as Critchlow’s Resolution No. 9 requesting a bike

rack be installed outside the Ann Ross Bookstore.

Critchlow’s skateboarding resolution will be sent to the University Policy Committee for further review before being implemented or rejected.

Two acts were introduced to senate, the first by freshman Sen. Colin Crist and the second by Sen. Lydia Bullock.

Crist’s Act No. 5 looks to ban cellphone usage by senators and Executive Council members during SGA meetings.

The act states offenders will be warned once per semester and every subsequent offense will count as an absence.

Offending senators would lose voting rights for the meeting.

Bullock’s Act No. 6 seeks to put a one week limit on the time legislation can go unsigned by its author before becoming void.

Voided legislation would not be able to be reintroduced until the next iteration of SGA.

The next meeting of SGA will be Wednesday, Oct. 28 in MUC 307 at 4 p.m. *TAS*

SGA’s Campus Cleanup helps improve APSU

150 people beautified campus on Thursday, Oct. 22, cleaned at least nine parking lots

» **By SEAN MCCULLY**
News Editor

With the help of around 150 people from at least seven different student organizations, the Student Government Association helped remove litter with their Campus Cleanup event on Thursday, Oct. 22.

Students from multiple Greek organizations like Kappa Alpha Order, the recently re-chartered Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity and Alpha Kappa Psi fraternity, participated as well as staff and faculty senate. Members of *The All State* and additional students also participated.

In total, these organizations cleaned up around nine parking lots including the Foy Fitness and Recreation lot, Eighth Street lot, Burt lot and Music Mass Communications lot.

Participants checked in at tents located in the MUC plaza or the Quad in front of Eriksson Residence Hall and received a reflective safety vest, a garbage bag, a pair of disposable gloves and instructions on where to clean.

Participants were advised against picking up needles or broken glass for their safety.



SGA President Will Roberts said he was pleasantly surprised by attendance to the event and they plan on hosting Campus Cleanup again in the spring after The Big Event.

The Big Event was a public-service event started by 2014-15 SGA President Zac Gillman that attracted over 500 volunteers to more than 20 sites around Clarksville.

Gillman started The Big Event to inspire students to get involved with community service.

“I believe The Big Event is a great event, but we must understand community service must not be done in one day out of the year,” Gillman said. “I hope this event will encourage more students to get involved with the Center for Service Learning and Community Engagement.” *TAS*

Fine Arts building renovations delayed until November

Construction expected to be completed in time for the 2016-17 academic year

» **By SEAN MCCULLY AND CELESTE MALONE**
News Editor and Assistant News Editor

The \$16 million Art and Design building renovations have been delayed due to complications with the project and are expected to resume in November, according to Architect and Director of University Design Marc Brunner.

“Construction crews will begin moving equipment in and begin the construction’s groundwork during November and continue throughout the remainder of the academic year,” Brunner said in

a campus-wide email. This construction will continue through the rest of the academic year and is expected to be completed by the start of the 2016-17 academic year.

In September, APSU held the groundbreaking ceremony for the project originally set to start in the beginning of October.

Many students, faculty, staff and community members were in attendance. The new fine arts building will include many new features: eight

design studios, a teaching gallery, a two-story display gallery, an art education classroom, two general use classrooms, faculty offices, break-out spaces in the corridors for impromptu art critiques and pin-up space along the corridor.

Renovations to the Trahern will include repurposing spaces for Theater and Dance, heating ventilation and air conditioning upgrades, a black box theater and repairs to any damaged concrete. *TAS*

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THIS WEEK IN HISTORY



LeBlanc and Carr Team To Replace Lynyrd Skynyrd

By PAT PHILLIPS

Lynyrd Skynyrd, the group planned to appear on Thursday night, announced the band's final concert after a tragic plane crash Oct. 30.

LeBlanc and Carr, a duo which had released an album on the Big Ten records label "Midnight" will appear at Chartwells American Thursday night for the first time.

The 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. performances are free to

Tickets purchased for the Skynyrd concert can be returned at the University Center Information desk between 10 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. until Friday.

Ticket prices can also be refunded at "Paper and Thru" in Clarksville through Oct. 29 and at "Sound Security" in Nashville until Nov. 1.

The event will be sponsored by the University Social Activities Board (USAB).

LeBlanc and Carr have a long history of backing and fronting bands. LeBlanc worked with a band called "Bluegrass" supported by Dan and Greg Albright during the late 1970s. Carr is also an accomplished record producer.

LeBlanc released a solo album and a single called "Hound Dog Man" that reached "Billboard Magazine" top 100.

"Hound Dog Man" is a tribute to the late Elvis Presley.

"Midnight Light" LeBlanc and Carr's new album, features several original songs which were self-written, self-produced, and self-engineered.

The album has received great reviews in music-related magazines.

On Oct. 26, 1977, LeBlanc and Carr replaced Lynyrd Skynyrd for APSU's Homecoming concert after Lynyrd Skynyrd were involved in a plane crash killing and severely wounding several members of the band on Oct. 20, 1977.

Information contributed from the Woodward Library archives of *The All State*.

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A tale of two costumes

Are revealing costumes a trick or treat?

» **By LAUREN COTTLE**
Managing Editor

It’s that time of the year again: Halloween. This means you will be subjected to seeing men and women in revealing clothing. For some reason, societal attention has a laser focus on skimpy costumes even though people dress can dress equally as revealing throughout the rest of the year without a bat of the eye.

If a man or woman wants to dress in a revealing way for Halloween, their body shouldn’t be your business.

Many people criticize Halloween costumes because they are too “skimpy;” however, people should feel safe wearing whatever they would like to express themselves.

On Halloween, you get to choose who you want to be. Since everyone has different goals in life, different trends exist in Halloween costumes. Someone dressed completely covered should be regarded the same as someone dressed in little clothing.

Furthermore, body image is a growing concern on social media. The theory is that one must love their body, no matter what. If you have a flaw, embrace it. If you don’t love your body, you cannot have an ideal level of confidence and ability to express yourself.

“It is completely up to the individual as to whether [he or] she wants to buy these costumes,” said Shannon Zuber, writer for Valley Magazine.

This logic supports the startling idea that people are under their own sovereignty and can choose what they want to put on their body.

If people constantly criticize Halloween costumes for being too “sexy,” then people may feel as if the body itself is at fault. This isn’t the case. The flaw is in sexualizing men and women to a hateful extent. If one feels the need to show their body they shouldn’t have to feel hated or criticized by society.

“As long as you’re in control and doing it because you want to, have fun,” said Kathleen Furey of LivLuna on wearing revealing Halloween costumes.

Additionally, Halloween is fun. You aren’t supposed to be worrying if the person in the corner is judging you. By putting criticism on an entire genre of Halloween costume, society is creating unnecessary cynicism on a holiday.

All in all, everyone should be encouraged to be himself or herself. If that means one wants to show some skin, then so be it. Bodies belong to the person and shouldn’t be under the scrutiny of other people.

This Halloween, I encourage the popular meme found on social media: you do you. *TAS*



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» **By CELESTE MALONE**
Assistant News Editor

Halloween has gone to the dogs. October is such an amazing month for changes.

It is finally time to put away tanks and shorts and pull out fuzzy scarves and sweaters.

Maybe even grab a Pumpkin Spice Latte or 20 from Starbucks and participate in the most important part of the month, Halloween.

Since childhood, trying to find the perfect Halloween costume has been a concern for many and when you get older, the dilemma changes.

Costumes have begun to be less innocent and are flirting closely with inappropriate and weird.

The main issue facing many adults is the confusion between what is appropriate and what is not.

Cady Herron, played by Lindsay Lohan, a character in the popular movie “Mean Girls” said it best: “In girl world, Halloween is the one night a year when a girl can dress like a total slut, and no other girls can say anything about it. The hardcore girls just wear lingerie and some form of animal ears.”

Either way, I have five reasons why you should leave your “sexy kitten” costume at home.

1. Your mom has a Facebook now, and so do employers.

Why would you want her or your boss to see you in a photo of you wearing hot pants, go-go boots and a firemans’ jacket?

If you would not want your mom to see it, leave it at home.

2. Lets be honest here, it is October the cold season.

Why would you want to be outside freezing your butt off wearing little to nothing?

Nothing is cute about the Flu, strep throat or a sinus infection. Gross.

3. To the girl or guy who is sad he or she is not able to find a girlfriend or boyfriend, this costume might be why.

Guys would typically like to see a girl wearing a thought provokingly funny costume over a skimpy one.

If a girl appreciates your costume as a maybe a character from The Walking Dead, she might be a keeper.

4. Looking like your favorite artist is fun and has the potential to be a great costume, but if your outfit is the fleshed toned body suit from the Britney Spears’ “Toxic” video, it might be best to leave that at home.

5. I do not see the point in ruining childhoods by wearing a “Sexy Big Bird,” or a “Slutty Loonette the Clown” (For all my Big Comfy Couch watchers out there).

I am not trying to “slut” shame anyone, but I just want you to think about what you wear before you wear it. *TAS*

APSU professors walk with undead

Antonio and Amy Thompson talk about the inspiration for their book

» **By ANDREA ALLEN**
Staff Writer

Before the first essay of, “But If A Zombie Apocalypse Did Occur...” was even written it had a contract with McFarland, an academic book publishing company.

The authors of the real-life zombie apocalypse book are APSU alumni and professors, Antonio S. Thompson, who teaches history and philosophy, and his wife Amy L. Thompson, who teaches biology.

“Of all the books I’ve written and contributed to, this one was by far the most popular,” Antonio said.

Since the book’s release, the authors were invited twice to speak at Wizard World Comic Con and were recently the keynote speakers at APSU’s Laurel Wreath Honor Society.

As a whole, the authors agree that the interest and support from APSU students was the most encouraging form of feedback. “When possible we do include students in our projects, we try to bring them into as much of our work as we can,” Antonio said.

Zombies are popular among the student body and AMC’s “The Walking Dead” has played a role in that.

Antonio states his interest in zombies started in his childhood, before “The Walking Dead”.

“I was raised in a family that enjoyed horror movies,” Thompson said, “Film director George Romero’s zombie work is what really got me interested in them.”

The authors wanted to mix that portion of popular culture with the academic world.



Antonio and Amy Thompson, authors of “But If A Zombie Apocalypse Did Occur...” pose for a picture with APSU students in front of Harned Hall to promote their new book. **CONTRIBUTING PHOTO**

Their goal was for those interested in zombies to pick up the book and be able to read about something they love as well as be enlightened by the nonfiction aspect.

After the idea was born, the authors scouted contributors.

“This was a crucial part of the writing process because we needed people who were experts in their field but also a similar interest in zombies,” Amy said.

Of the 18 contributors, five worked at APSU. Each contributor submitted an essay

on a real world aspect of an apocalypse-like phenomena.

The authors went line by line on each essay, including their own, and gave feedback and suggestions for revision.

They admitted the process was time consuming and usually took place at their kitchen table.

The Thompsons have three children together as well as full time jobs.

“It was really a labor of love, and not in a bad way, we love what we do but we gave up summers, weekends and a good majority of our free time for our book,” Amy Thompson said.

Both want the book to present more than what is written on the pages.

“I really would like for students to see that learning does not always mean boring, it can be fun,” Amy said. “Mixing academics with pop culture will hopefully reveal that education goes beyond the classroom setting.”

As educators, they also want to show that it is okay to use different approaches to learning, the inclusion of pop culture being only one of many.

The authors hope their book helps their students see they are relatable, approachable and human, just like them.

As for APSU students, they want them to have an open mind.

Their book is not all about zombies, it is meant to be encouraging as well as academic.

“Most of all we want our readers see that if we can go out-of-the-box, so can they,” Amy said. “Interests and academics do not have to be independent of each other.” **TAS**

Scotty Cauthen

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SCOTTY CAUTHEN | CONTRIBUTING PHOTO

Cauthen moved to Montana to work at Yellowstone National Park only to return to Arizona in 2006 to marry his wife, Traci, 41.

“My wife, bless her heart, she’s a strong woman, very strong woman,” Cauthen said. “A lot of communication between us. She’s a good advocate for me.”

Two stepsons came with the marriage, Jonathan, 17, and Andrew, 20.

With a new family came new struggles.

There was no insurance for the boys or for the family, Cauthen had to make a decision for his family’s sake.

He joined the Army in 2007, moved to Fort Campbell on the Kentucky and Tennessee line and was deployed to Afghanistan soon after.

While in Afghanistan, his life forever changed.

“I got a hold of something,” Cauthen said. “They don’t know what it was but after, I was doing some PT down range and then I was doing some pushups and my shoulder popped out of socket. From then on, I couldn’t talk. I couldn’t do anything.”

Cauthen was “medevac-ed” from Afghanistan where he was deemed medically retired shortly after. That didn’t stop him.

Once medically retired, Cauthen became a full-time student at APSU in 2009. He majored in biology at first, but quickly changed his major to public relations.

“When I started to do my education classes to be a high school teacher, I found out that as a teacher, especially in the science field, you don’t have control of your classroom,” Cauthen said. “It’s all about having to be this far in the curriculum and then next week you got to be somewhere else and I’m a big believer if kids don’t understand it, we’re going to keep going until they get it. I found out that wasn’t my cup of tea, so I switched degrees.”

Now, two more months stand in his way of his degree. **TAS**

Zombies take over Clarksville

Clarksville Zombie Hunt donates money to local organizations

» **By KATELYN CLARK**
Editor-In-Chief

The paintballs are in. Your gun is locked and loaded. You’re officially ready to hunt zombies.

As you travel along the wooded trail surrounded by your fellow zombie hunters, anticipations begins to build. Adrenaline consumes you. Your eyes peer out into the dark searching for your first victim.

Out from behind an abandoned car, a zombie appears.

Your team fires their weapon as bright yellow-green paintballs pierce the air before they hit their target.

Covered in paint splatter, the zombie doesn’t go down until the face is plastered with paintball bullets. One zombie down,

many to go.

Clarksville Zombie Hunters (CZH) began their zombie-filled experience at the end of September to kick off the Halloween season.

Through the entire month of October, every Friday and Saturday from 6 p.m. to midnight is dedicated to the eradication of the zombie population.

Located 10 minutes south of Downtown Clarksville, CZH offers five different attractions to fulfill even the smallest zombie-crazed craving: the Zombie Paintball Hayride Experience, the Zombie Mission, the Shooting Gallery, Escape Game “The Dark Room” and Movies at the Hunt.

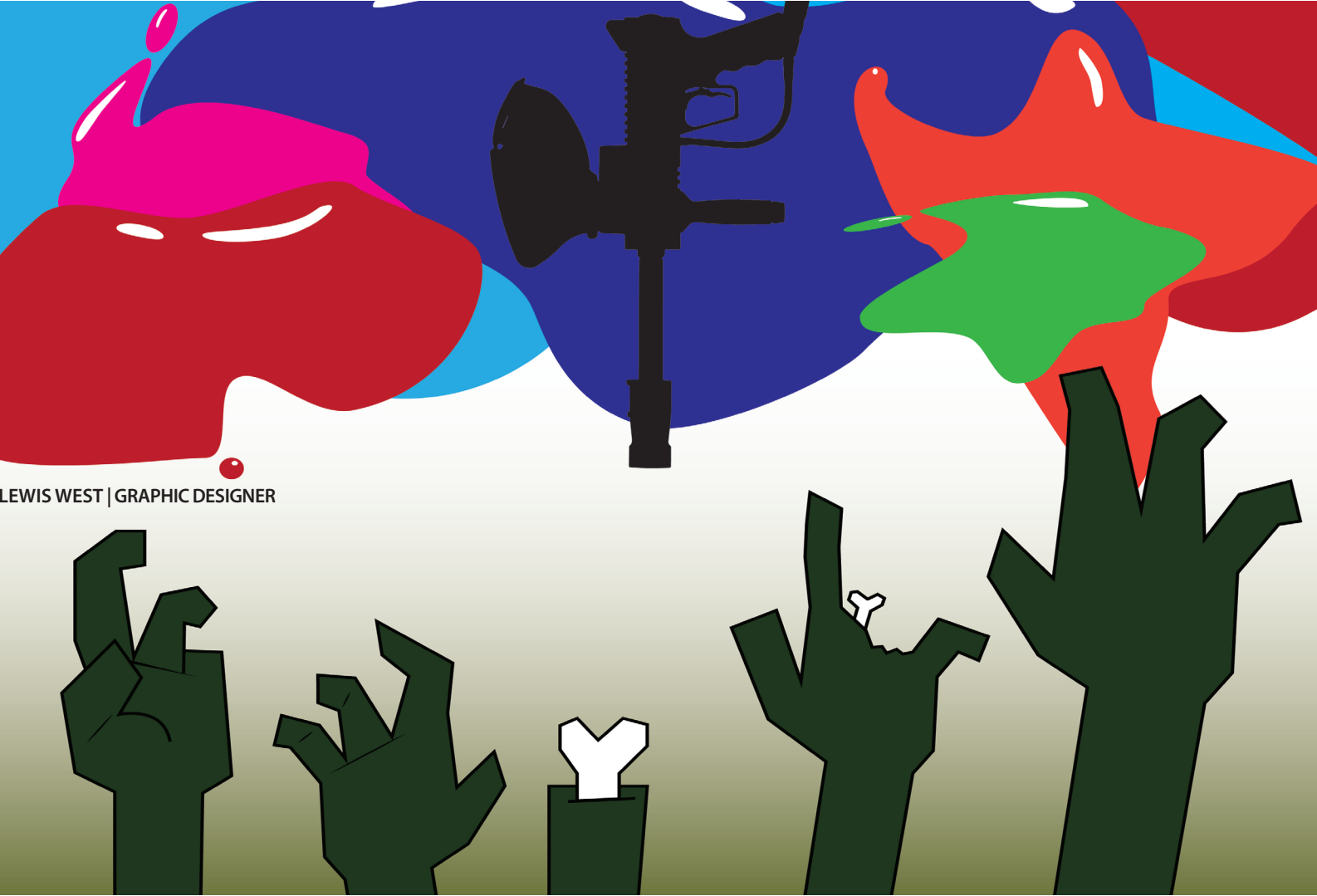
Owned and operated by two families, each year CZH partners with various charities to help raise money for different causes.

According to CZH’s website, their goal for 2015 is to donate more than \$13,750 to the

following local groups: Troop 454, Kenwood Wrestling, Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office Explorer Post 600, Palmyra Volunteer Fire Department, Troop 454 (Scouts), Sycamore High School Wrestling, Skyline Youth Bowling League, Northwest High School Wrestling (NWHs), Westcreek High School Soccer, NWHs Band, Camp Marc, Clarksville First Church of the Nazarene, Rossview JROTC and APSU Pre-Vet Club.

Each group volunteers their time on a certain weekend to dress up like zombies and perform various other jobs, so a portion of every ticket sold each weekend goes to their mission.

Although the CZH experience may not fully prepare you for a zombie apocalypse, practice makes perfect and nailing the undead right in the face is like icing on the cake. **TAS**



LEWIS WEST | GRAPHIC DESIGNER



GHOST outlasts the weather

SGA hosts annual event to ensure safety for children trick-or-treaters

» By **ANDREW WADOVICK**
Assistant Features Editor

Halloween is a holiday full of scares. For parents who are nervous about their child's safety during this time, GHOST is there to keep the children happy, and their parents' fears eased. Despite the day-long drizzle, a multitude of organizations from APSU set up tables in a circle in the Governor's Stadium on Sunday Oct. 25, giving out candy and providing games and other activities for the eager children. Christian Ploeckelman, an education major and graduate student, enjoyed seeing all the children enjoying themselves. "Yeah, we had a lot of fun planning and getting ready together," Ploeckelman said. "We enjoyed seeing the kids in their costumes." The event was hosted by SGA in an attempt to provide a safe alternative to trick-or-treating.

"GHOST went very well in its second year held at Governors Stadium," SGA's President Will Roberts said. "Due to the weather attendance was around 3,500 which is lower than last year but still larger than what we saw when GHOST was held in the area between the MUC and the Library." There were also a few changes to the event that Roberts elaborated on, "We also did things a little differently than last year, by opening all four entrances to the stadium and making the bathrooms were more clearly labeled," Roberts said. During the event, children from the Clarksville community came to APSU with costumes ranging from Darth Vader to Elsa, providing a sense of enjoyment for those who might be nervous about going out to collect candy the traditional way. An attendee for the event, Brittany Lopez,

said it was her first time participating in something like this. "This is actually our first year," Lopez said. "We love it. It's a very safe place for kids to come and get candy for Halloween." Organizations with tables at the event included SGA itself, as well as several fraternities and sororities. Teachers of APSU 1000 classes also encouraged their students to participate in GHOST, funding and organizing a table for the event. "Honestly, it's for a great cause," Freshman pre-vet major Adina Harrigan said. "Kids can get candy in a safe place." Even with the bad weather it was hard to deny the enthusiastic expressions on the children's faces and though the event itself only lasted from 4 to 7 p.m., many children will likely remember the kindness of the volunteers who took time out of their Sunday to provide a safe environment for them to just be children. **TAS**

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 28

11:30-noon. Govs Trail to Success. MUC Plaza.

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Lady Govs Soccer @ Murray State.

FRIDAY, OCT. 30

Lady Govs Volleyball @ Tennessee Tech.

SATURDAY, OCT. 31

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Lady Govs Volleyball @ Jacksonville.

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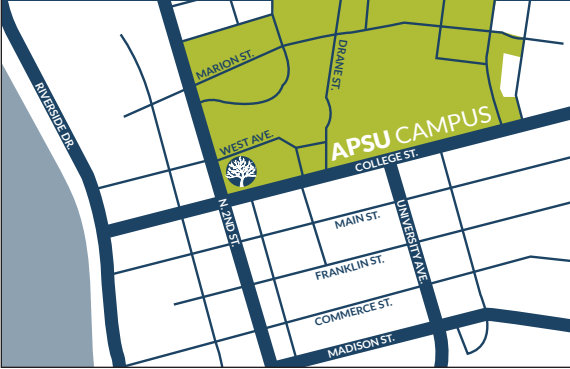
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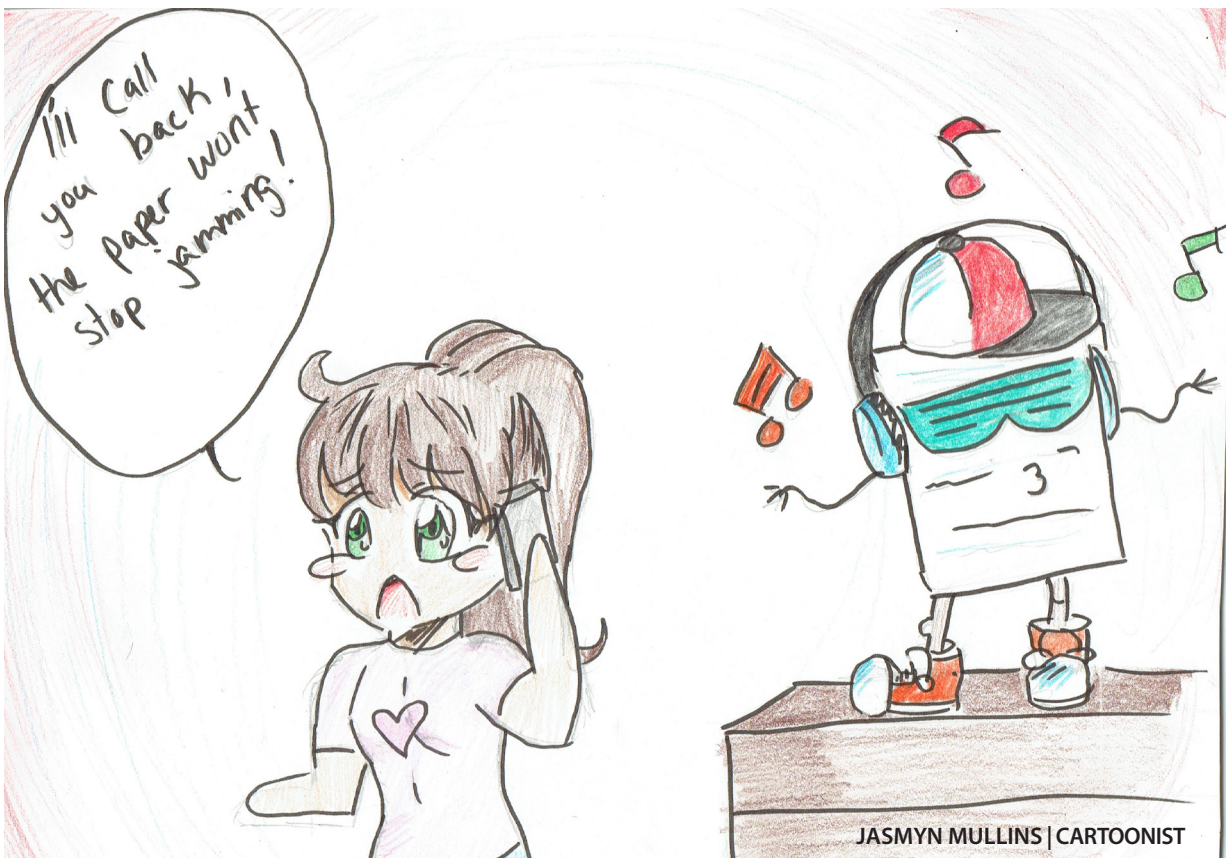
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by Linda Thistle

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Chris Horton, Tiasha Gray named to pre-season All-OVC team for 2015-16 season

Games played	Minutes per game	Points per game	Rebounds per game	Blocks per game	Free throw percentage	Field goal percentage
30	34.5	13.1	11.1	2.3	.692	.458



Senior Chris Horton (top stats) was named to the pre-season All-OVC team for the second year in a row. The APSU star enters the season second in Ohio Valley Conference and first in APSU history for blocked shots with 262. Last season, Horton averaged a double-double with 13.1 points per game and 11.1 rebounds per game. The six-foot-eight center led the OVC in rebounds and was ranked eighth nationally. *All statistics contributed by letsgopeay.com

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Senior Tiasha Gray (bottom stats) was named to the pre-season All-OVC team for the 2015-16 season. Last season, Gray was the first-ever Defensive Player of the Year honor with a school-record 110 steals ranking her second in the nation. Gray also ranked 15th nationally in scoring with 21.2 ppg and 23rd in assists with 5.7 apg. She opened the season with a career-high 37 points against Wright State. She reached double digits in 28 of 30 contests, including 20 points 11 times and 30 points eight times. *All statistics contributed by letsgopeay.com

BRITTNEY SPARN | SPORTS INFORMATION

Games played	Minutes per game	Points per game	Rebounds per game	Steals per game	Free throw percentage	Field goal percentage
30	37.3	21.2	6.1	3.7	.766	.433

TODAY IN HISTORY



On Oct. 28, 1989, APSU football lost a heartbreaker 23-22 against Morehead State for APSU's homecoming game.

*information collected from past
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OVC MEN'S BASKETBALL PRESEASON STANDINGS

WEST	EAST
1. Belmont- 132 points	1. Murray State- 125 points
2. Morehead State- 105 points	2. UT Martin- 115 points
3. Eastern Kentucky- 88 points	3. Eastern Illinois- 88 points
4. Tennessee Tech- 67 points	4. Southeast Missouri- 72 points
5. Jacksonville State- 52 points	5. APSU- 57 points
6. Tennessee State- 48 points	6. SIU Edwardsville- 35 points

NAME: TREY TAYLOR
BIRTHDAY: FEB. 6, 1993
YEAR: SENIOR
SPORT: FOOTBALL

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"A PICTURE OF MY CAMO APSU JERSEY, A FOOTBALL AND AN APSU HELMET"

WHAT'S YOUR PERFECT PIZZA?
"SAUSAGE AND GREEN PEPPER"



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SPORT: VOLLEYBALL

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»KATELYN CLARK
Editor-in-Chief

First and foremost, I would like to personally thank all students, faculty, staff and alumni that participated in the various homecoming events throughout the week and who helped put on another great homecoming.

The All State wanted to do something different this year in regards to our coverage for homecoming by creating this edition.

It contains everything to fulfill your homecoming needs and seals off the week with a memorable edition to use as a keepsake.

In this year, *The All State* has reached a historical and monumental occasion: the 85th anniversary of our publication. As one of the longest standing traditions on APSU’s campuses, *The*

All State strives to be the voice of our students and campus community.

Although we have adapted over the years to accomodate societal changes, our mission remains the same: to provide APSU with a public forum so that students, faculty and staff may engage in accurate, interesting and timely information disseminated by *The All State*.

I encourage each of you to engage yourself in the campus community and allow us to be your voice for APSU. *The All State* can be found on many different platforms whether through Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, Tumblr, our website theallstate.org or through our weekly print editions.

Thank you for allowing us to serve as your voice for the past 85 years. *TAS*

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The mission of *The All State* is to empower and engage the campus community and to provide a public forum of knowledge, information and discourse in an accurate, interesting and timely manner.

THANK YOU.

LOOKING BACK: GOVS WHO MADE IT



» By **CELESTE MALONE**
Assistant News Editor

Over 4,000 alumni and community members flocked to APSU's campus to take part in the numerous events hosted by student organizations and the Office of Alumni Relations.

Rylan Kean, Special Events Coordinator for the Office of Alumni Relations, was one of the many people in charge of making these events happen for APSU's alumni.

"Our office is responsible for many different events during Homecoming, which range from reunions to community engagement," Kean said. "It is our opportunity to bring back the great alumni of APSU and connect them to the university."

An important part of the

weekend was the 2015 Alumni Awards Lunch.

APSU invited back some of their top alumni to receive awards based on what they have accomplished after graduation.

The awards included; two Outstanding Service Awards, two Outstanding Young Alumnus/ Alumna Awards and two Outstanding Alumnus/ Alumna Awards.

Maggie Kulback ('77), an Outstanding Service Award recipient, served as SGA President and was elected First Lady of APSU.

Kulback and her husband, whom she met at APSU, also gave a donation to the 2010 Legacy Capital Campaign and in turn, the atrium in the Maynard

Mathematics and Computer Science Building was named after them.

Kulback quoted a past Dean of Women at APSU named Mildred Deason.

"When I think of APSU, I think of all the great people and the wonderful memories I had," Deason said previously. "That is what I wish for everybody that ever comes to this university. When they leave, I wish that they'll flow with memories and great people and wonderful events that happen to them."

Michael Wall ('00), an Outstanding Young Alumnus Award recipient, served as SGA President while at APSU and graduated Magna Cum Laude with a bachelor of science degree in political science.

Wall is the reason APSU has

banners on all of the light posts surrounding the school.

"APSU is such a wonderful place," Wall said. "It's full of love and success and it's also full of opportunities. When you go to a big campus you can become a number and here you are not that. Here you are a person."

Among the other winners were Mike O'Malley, Chad Kimmel ('02), Fred Landiss ('69) and Joe Green ('70).

"Taking one weekend to specially honor and invite back our thousands of alumni across the world to return to campus is a revered tradition," Kean said. "Each person's story about why APSU is 'home' is something that can never be measured and is the ultimate reason why homecoming is important." **TAS**



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GET SWOLE



» By **DEVON RODRIGUEZ**

Staff Writer

The annual Governors Competition brought out a big crowd to the intramural field on Wednesday, Oct. 22 during APSU's homecoming week with the ROTC team walking away with first place.

The weather was perfect and spirits were high with APSU student organizations, fraternities and sororities gathering for a friendly competition in events such as the Strongman, Frisbee Toss, Relay Race and Tug-of-War.

The overall winners of the competition were divided into three divisions: men's, women's and co-ed. For the men's division, Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity won overall. For the women's division, the women of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority took home the trophy.

For the co-ed division, APSU ROTC won overall. The first competition was the Strongman, which involved pushups, weight run and a weight hold. For the men's category, Phi Gamma Delta fraternity came out with the win. Chi Omega sorority won in the women's category and ROTC won in the co-ed division.

The Frisbee Toss required some skillful aiming with three attempts to land a frisbee inside of a circled target. The pressure grew as the crowd closed in and the wind began to pick up. AOPi showed their skills and placed first in the women's category. ROTC won the co-ed and Pike picked up the win for the men's category.

Next up was the Relay Races.

The races involved sprints and then leap frog as a team down and

back the course to finish.

All three divisions provided some intense races that went down to the wire.

The Baptist Collegiate Ministries, or BCM, organization was able to squeeze by ROTC to win the co-ed division.

Chi Omega had the most dominant performance in the women's division as they showed they could really cover some ground and flew by the competition.

The men's competition was neck and neck at the finish line, but it was Pike that rallied from behind to walk away with the win.

Next it was time for the main event, Tug-of-War.

The co-ed division started it off with BCM pulling their way to victory over ROTC.

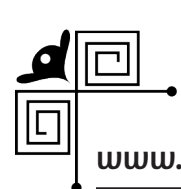
For the women's division, it was a final showdown between the Women to Women team and Alpha Delta Pi sorority. After a minor standstill, Women to Women overpowered ADPi and pulled away for the victory.

The men's competition provided many close battles. Alpha Tau Omega fraternity fought hard to eliminate Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity and advance to the championship.

Pike had just about finished Fiji, but just before the rope crossed the line, Fiji mustered up a dramatic comeback and pulled away for the win.

ATO then took on Fiji for the final, and it was a championship-worthy battle.

ATO proved to have more in the tank as they walked away as Tug-of-War champs. **TAS**



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MKTO STAYS CLASSIC

“It was nerve wracking waiting outside. You knew [MKTO] were inside and the anticipation was crazy... MKTO is such an amazing duo. The energy they have on stage just blows my mind. Not to mention how dedicated they are to their fans.”

— Haleigh Smith, freshman communication major

MKTO brought their “American Dream” to APSU’s Homecoming Week on Thursday, Oct. 22. Malcolm Kelley and Tony Oller, a hip hop and pop focused musical duo, performed at the Foy Fitness Center with country singers, the Muddy Magnolias as the opening act. There was a line forming outside the Foy up to five hours before the doors opened. Muddy Magnolias were the first to hit the stage. Made up of Kallie North and Jessy Wilson, this duo mixes pop and modern rock to create a unique country sound. MKTO followed the Muddy Magnolias’ set by arriving on stage with a loud “Let’s go Peay!” Originating from Los Angeles, California, the duo topped the charts in the U.S. 14 times and in the United Kingdom 24 times in 2013 for their hit single “Classic,” which was nominated for “Catchiest New Song” in the Radio Disney Music Awards for 2014. Their songs have also topped the charts in Australia and New Zealand.



JONATHAN BUNTON | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



The Govs Programming Council has held the Homecoming AP Apollo Talent Show annually for several years, but according to GPC President Ashley Hayes, this year was different from the rest. Each performer or group of performers created and submitted a video of their piece, and the GPC used these videos to fill the 15 slots of the roster for the evening of Tuesday, Oct. 20. After all the performances were complete, the judges decided on the three finalists, who would then be voted on by the audience. In the end, the judges decided on the Hayden McClain and Susannah White duo, Kelsey Mercer and a group known as Spoken Peayce, an organization with a love of poetry and inspiring speeches. Once the judges had decided on the three finalists, the audience logged into a dedicated web server from their phones, and placed a vote for one of the three contestants. Mercer came out on top and received the \$500 cash prize.



BAILEY JONES | SENIOR STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



“I was a little nervous at first after seeing everyone perform, but then, when I got the crowd’s reaction, I thought I may have a good shot at winning.”

— Kelsey Mercer, senior sociology major and AP Apollo Talent Show winner



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FEED THE NEED

» By **MEGAN OLIVER**
Staff Writer

APSU's sociology department raised "truckloads" of food with the Campus Cares food drive for the Saving Our Students food pantry on Tuesday, Oct. 20.

According to Alexandra Wills, the food pantry director since its conception, the carnival themed food drive was a huge success.

When asked how many cans were collected during the food drive, she was at first unable to give a numerical answer.

"I don't think it was counted, it was that many . . . If I had to estimate off the top of my head I'd probably say we had around 5,000 things of food donated."

The carnival collected so

many cans that a truck was required to transport them from the Morgan University Center to the food pantry house.

All food donations are used to feed APSU students and their families.

There are approximately 15 families equaling as many as 50 people who are able to take advantage of the service provided by the SOS Food Pantry each month.

Both this year and last year, freshmen sociology students planned, advertised and executed the food drive as a part of the coursework for the sociology department.

In addition to the thousands of nonperishable food items, the sociology department also raised \$763.

Each year, the food pantry gives away around 20 Thanksgiving boxes.

Wills said the baskets contain vegetables, cornbread mix, cranberry sauce, stuffing and turkey.

The \$763 raised will be used to fund the turkeys for this year's Thanksgiving boxes.

The SOS food pantry started as a small endeavor in a supply closet with two graduate students and Mills. Their mission was to make sure that the students of APSU had

access to food when needed without having to travel to food banks outside of campus and or even the city.

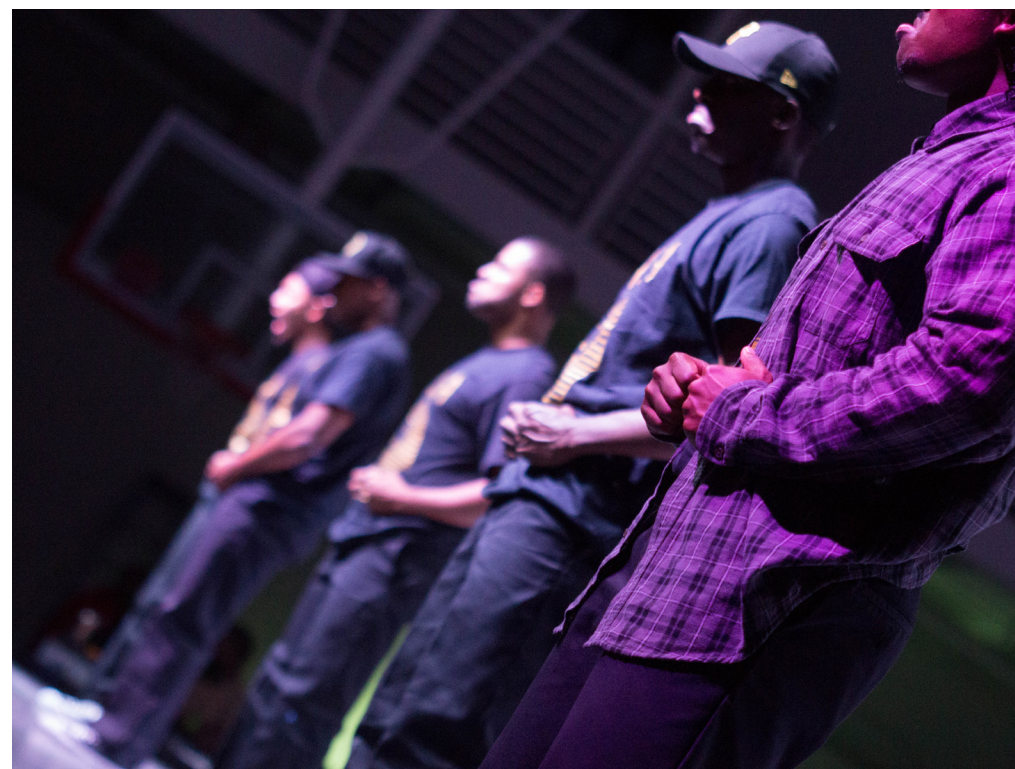
Today, the SOS food pantry has found their "forever home," according to Mills, a small house on Home Avenue.

The SOS Food Pantry is a service available to all APSU students to use as frequently as they may need.

Anyone in need can visit their website at www.apsu.edu/volunteer/food-pantry-and-green-room.

Donations and volunteers are accepted. Visit the website or the food pantry for more information. **TAS**

DIVINE JIVE



Saturday, Oct. 24 was APSU's annual National Pan-Hellenic Council step show, hosted by Zach Boog, a DJ from radio station 101.1 The Beat Jamz. NPHC organizations came from schools ranging from Martin, Tennessee to Huntsville, Alabama. The "Divine 9" makes up the NPHC, which was founded in 1930. It includes organizations such as Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity in Indiana University, the Zeta Phi Beta sorority in Howard University and the Iota Phi Theta fraternity in Morgan State University. Each group who took the stage that night had 10 minutes to perform their piece, each one consisting mostly of a rhythm of sounds created by their own bodies and the stage, though they sometimes included other props such as canes for added sound. The first place winners were the Tau Phi chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., and the Gamma Nu chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc., both of which are located at APSU. This is the Zeta's 30th anniversary of chartering at APSU. The second place winners were the Lambda Iota chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga and the Kappa Gamma chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc., chapter from the University of Tennessee at Martin. **ALYSA BOUGARD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER**

“The step show celebrates the history and legacy of stepping that has been a common thread of the NPHC member organizations. . . This is a time to bring together talent, entertainment and community in one space to honor the culture and tradition of those organizations.”

— Stephen Dominy, APSU coordinator of fraternity and sorority affairs

“I think the step show went great. It was a lot of fun. There were a lot of different teams and a lot of different variety.”

— Cara Estes, member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc.

“This is the best one I've seen thus far. Every group was intense and well rehearsed. I'm really proud of every organization.”

— Zach Boog, DJ from radio station 101.1 The Beat Jamz



“They did an amazing job. The brothers put in a lot of hard work and improved tremendously from last year's show. I'm so proud to be an alum of the Tau Phi chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.”

— Drew Montgomery, former APA president



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» By **CELESTE MALONE**
Assistant News Editor

APSU kicked off Homecoming week with their annual Fight Song Competition with wins from APSU's chapters of Alpha Delta Pi sorority, Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and Chi Omega sorority on Monday, Oct. 19 at the Foy Fitness Center.

The competition was fierce as seven of APSU's student organizations sang and danced it out on stage for first place, prize money and bragging rights for the year.

Among those organizations were Phi Gamma Delta fraternity,

Alpha Omicron Pi sorority, Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity, ADPi, a recently re-chartered Pike, Chi Omega, Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority and Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. Students were required to sing APSU's fight song and add their own individuality to it.

Judges awarded points to the organizations for items during the performance like clarity, creativity and overall school spirit.

One performance was very different from the others.

Senior public relations major Zac Moore, a member of Fiji,

went on stage first by himself to support his organization and show his school spirit.

"It was very nerve racking," Moore said. "Then when I heard the music I just played it off as much as I could to make the crowd feel the energy I wanted them to feel."

Next to the stage was AOPi.

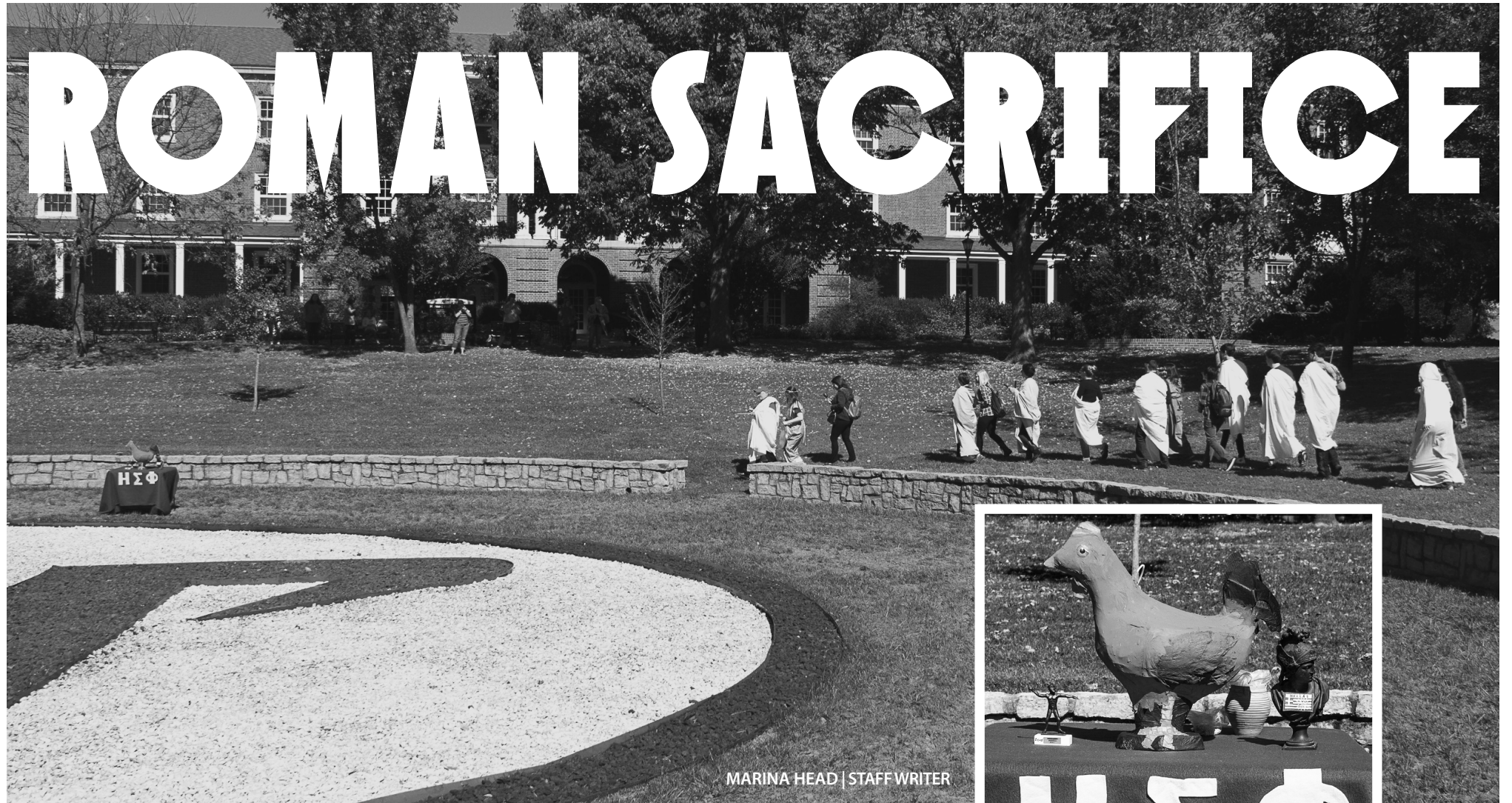
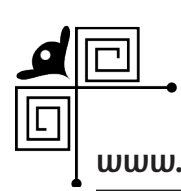
The sorority did a rock-and-roll theme, but did not place.

Abbey Kepley, a sophomore public relations major and member of AOPi, said, "Being involved on campus during homecoming week is one of the

most important things. I love being involved and if you're not, you aren't going to get the true college experience most students want in school."

The energy was high even when the event was over and people made their way to the Dunn Bowl for the announcement of the Fight Song winners and 2015 Homecoming Court nominees.

ADPi danced their way into first, winning \$750. Pike came in second, earning \$250 with a Pitch Perfect cover. Chi Omega followed in third with a mix of Justin Timberlake songs. **TAS**



MARINA HEAD | STAFF WRITER

» **By MARINA HEAD**
Staff Writer



The Classics Department at APSU staged a Roman sacrifice of a gamecock piñata to Jove, king of the gods, for his help in winning the Homecoming game against Jacksonville State.

At least 20 faculty and students gathered in togas made of sheets in front of Harned Hall for the sacrifice at noon on Monday, Oct. 19.

Drumsticks, gongs and other noise-making instruments were handed out to help awaken the gods as Steve Kershner, assistant professor of classics and high priest of the ceremony, led the loud procession once around the

quad.

The group proceeded to an altar, which had been set up with a bust of Athena, a small statue of Poseidon, the gamecock piñata and a sacrificial dagger.

"I guess you could call this little circular path our own sacred way," Kershner said. "We followed our sacred way to the altar here, and we begin our ceremony with a prayer."

Kershner read a traditional Latin preface to call the group to order, which is the Roman equivalent of asking everyone to silence their cell phones.

He then read what is called a dedicatio in Latin, which

dedicated the ceremony to Jove.

"In this case, this prayer beseeches Jove, as the governor of the Governors," Kershner said.

Kershner went on to beseech the gods for aid in the game against the JSU Gamecocks in the Homecoming football game.

"We beg your favor [Jove] and beseech you that you bestow your will and advance the success of the Govs of APSU and afflict the adversaries of your people, the Gamecocks of JSU, with terror and the inability to throw a catchable pass or defend a run," Kershner said.

Kershner used the sacrificial dagger to open the gamecock

piñata, which symbolized the mascot of APSU's rival team for homecoming playoffs, and pulled out a small bag of the piñata's innards, which was spaghetti dyed with fake blood.

Roman priests read the entrails of animals to understand the will of the gods, and Kershner did the same with the innards of the piñata.

"These omens look pretty good," Kershner said. "In the past, I've predicted a victory. I'm going to predict less of a loss this year."

The rest of the piñata would go on to burn in the bonfire held later that night for the homecoming celebration. **TAS**



“The parade is so much fun. There’s nothing better than being able to cheer on your school with your sisters and friends.”

— Laura Picataggio, sophomore political science major and Chi Omega member



MARCH ON APSU



APSU’s Red Tie Event Homecoming was capped off by APSU’s chapters of Sigma Chi fraternity and Alpha Gamma Delta sorority winning the annual homecoming parade on Saturday, Oct. 25. The homecoming parade had 53 participating groups, but the winning float made by Sigma Chi and Alpha Gamma Delta featured live chickens with the caption, “Dancing on the cocks.” Each of the floats was judged by school spirit, incorporation of the homecoming theme, creativity and execution. It is common for Greek organizations on campus to partner together during homecoming week to compete in events like the float building contest. Phi Gamma Delta fraternity partnered with Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority. APSU’s homecoming parade has been a tradition since the 1950’s and has grown over recent years. Last year’s parade was especially large, with more than 200 participants when APSU partnered with the Veteran’s Day Parade.

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“The float building itself wasn’t physically demanding or difficult. It was a really fun teambuilding exercise. It was a rewarding experience overall.”

— Josh Fernandez, Fiji President



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FINISHING CHANCE

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On a rainy Saturday afternoon on Oct. 24, APSU football took on Jacksonville State, the number one team in the Ohio Valley Conference, for the annual Governors Homecoming game.

The Governors were not able to pull off the upset against the Gamecocks, losing 27-7.

Despite the loss, APSU's defense showed much improvement.

The Gamecocks entered the contest with the 13th best offense in the nation, and they lead the OVC with a 38.8 points per game average. APSU's defense managed to hold JSU to only 27 points, the lowest they have scored all season.

The Gamecocks were only able to score in the first half, snapping their 13 consecutive scoring quarters. JSU owned the first half, scoring all 27 points. It took less than five minutes and nine plays for JSU to bring the ball down the field 64 yards for their first touchdown.

Senior runningback Troymaine Pope ran it in 10 yards to give JSU the lead 7-0 after the extra point.

With 4:37 left in the first quarter, JSU struck again, adding another three points. After 11 plays and 54 yards, JSU's redshirt sophomore kicker Connor Rouleau hit a 30-yard field goal extending the Gamecocks' lead to 10-0 ending the first quarter.

Three minutes into the second quarter, JSU senior runningback Miles Jones pushed through a 1-yard-run touchdown to give the Gamecocks more than a two-touchdown lead at 17-0 after the extra point. Six minutes later, the pattern continued when APSU held JSU to a field goal.

Rouleau made the 28-yard kick to extend JSU's lead 20-0.

For the fifth game this season, the APSU defense gave up a touchdown with less than a minute to go in the first half.

With 33 seconds left in the

half, APSU gave up their final touchdown of the game when redshirt junior quarterback Eli Jenkins made a 1-yard run, leaving the Governors with a 27 point deficit at the end of the half.

The third quarter went by fast, with only one Governors touchdown.

To start the possession, Jenkins threw a pass from around the 50-yard-line right into the hands of APSU sophomore Roderick Owens for his second interception of the year.

After a few more plays, the Govs found themselves in Gamecock territory for the first time all game.

After crossing the 50, APSU senior quarterback Trey Taylor threw a 25-yard pass to sophomore wide receiver Jared Beard putting the Govs in the red zone.

Attempting a touchdown pass on first and goal, Taylor tried throwing to Beard, but was

unsuccessful.

There was a flag thrown on the play for defensive pass interference, but a Gamecock deflected it at the line of scrimmage, resulting in no flag and a second and goal.

After the snap, Taylor looked for Beard in the end zone and found him for a 5-yard touchdown pass.

The final score was 27-7 after freshman kicker Logan Birchfield kicked the extra point. Neither team scored in the fourth quarter, but on the Govs final possession, Taylor threw a 68-yard pass to sophomore wide receiver Wesley Thomas.

However, Thomas was whistled for illegal touching resulting in no touchdown.

The Govs will continue to seek their first win of the season when they head to Nashville, Tennessee to play OVC opponent Tennessee State University on Saturday, Oct. 31 at 2 p.m. **TAS**

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GOVERNORS

Staying true to tradition, the homecoming court anxiously awaited the announcement of who would be crowned homecoming king and queen during halftime at APSU's annual homecoming football game on Saturday, Oct. 24.

The look on both Wes Beagle and Jordan Scott's faces as they were announced king and queen was nothing more than sheer surprise and joy.

"When it was announced I was in disbelief and had a huge sense of accomplishment run through me," said Beagle, a senior accounting major.

Being a member of Sigma Chi fraternity and an ambassador of Omicron Delta Kappa, or ODK, Beagle was proud to represent both his fraternity and APSU.

"I ran for homecoming king because I wanted to make my

mom proud," Beagle said. "Her mom was Queen at APSU in the '50s so I wanted to win to keep it in the family."

Tradition is a very important part of APSU's homecoming.

Each court contestant is sponsored by an organization they belong to on campus. Beagle's fraternity Sigma Chi sponsored him for the chance to uphold these traditions and support APSU.

"Being a student at APSU means being more than a number," Beagle said. "The faculty here really care about students, and it means a lot to be able to represent them and my school."

After graduation in May, Beagle plans to move to Knoxville to work at LBMC as a staff auditor.

"I couldn't have accomplished these goals without the help of my friends and family and for that I'm

very grateful," Beagle said.

Homecoming Queen and senior public relations major Jordan Scott said she was shocked after she heard the announcement.

"When they called my name all that was going through my mind was... There must be another Jordan Scott on court, there's no way," Scott said. "I couldn't have been more surprised and honored to be able to represent APSU and my organization in this way."

Scott is a member of Chi Omega sorority as well as the president of ODK, a national honors society who sponsored her for the homecoming court.

"When I was voted as the female representative for ODK I was in shock, but also ready to represent them during homecoming week," Scott said.

Scott is involved in several organizations on campus and

she gives her appreciation to her family and APSU.

"I want to share my victory with friends and family because without them I wouldn't have made it this far in my college career, so I owe it all to them and my college," Scott said. "I take pride in calling myself a Governor. I love everything about our campus and how there are countless opportunities for students to utilize."

Scott also graduates in May and would like to work as an admissions counselor at APSU. As the event ended, both Beagle and Scott awaited family and friends who cheered them on and smothered them with hugs and congratulations. Both winners celebrated the night by spending it with their organizations, family and friends. **TAS**



SGA SWAG

SGA kicked off homecoming week on Monday, Oct. 19 by giving out 1,500 homecoming shirts. The demand for shirts was so high it caused SGA to hand out shirts again later on in the week. Students picked up a shirt before AP Apollo on Tuesday, Oct. 20 and before the MKTO concert on Thursday, Oct. 22. According to SGA President Will Roberts, SGA has been in charge of shirts since he's been at APSU and before Dean Singleton became the SGA adviser.

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“We always have been [giving out shirts]. I'm not exactly sure why.”

— Will Roberts, SGA President



FIND A SEAT

Four rows of chairs sat empty while the crowd waited in anticipation for the homecoming mystery event in the Morgan University Center plaza on Thursday, Oct. 22. The game of musical chairs was far from peaceful, since the students were not taking the game lightly. Two participants were cast out at the same time for getting too physical in an altercation that involved a chair being thrown. The final round raised the most anticipation as the last two participants representing Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity circled the last chair. When the music finally stopped, Brock Dilday was the first to the chair, giving Pike the victory. JONATHAN YOUNGBLOOD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

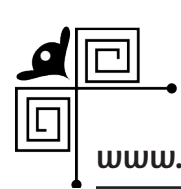
“This was a fun event. It wasn't what I expected to happen, but we won. Hopefully we can win homecoming too.”

— Brock Dilday, Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity member

“I'm a very competitive person and I took it seriously, even though it is a simple game. I was very nervous, but I'm glad I got to represent Chi Omega.”

— Della Bown, Chi Omega sorority member





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POMP LIFE

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Sororities and fraternities on campus work together to create floats for the homecoming parade and to develop connections between groups on campus that normally wouldn't interact.

Making floats for the homecoming parade can require more than \$1,000 worth of materials and hours of labor by the groups involved in the preparation, and teamwork makes it easier not only to build the floats but to raise the money necessary as well.

"It's definitely a team effort," said Brian Allison, vice president of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. "It's not a one-person job."

SigEp worked with Alpha Omicron Pi sorority to build their float and create bonds between

their groups.

Chi Omega sorority worked with Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and Alpha Delta Pi sorority.

According to KarLee Wyatt, Homecoming chair for Chi Omega, it's unusual for two sororities to work together.

"The reason we wanted to do it with another sorority—because it's not really heard of—is we kind of wanted to get rid of the stigma that sororities don't like each other," Wyatt said. "As a Greek community, we all have to stick together because if you hear of one sorority person doing something bad, you don't think of their organization. You just think, 'hey, a sorority member did something bad.'"

According to Wyatt, their float incorporates APSU spirit

and the opposing team, the JSU Gamecocks, into the design.

It depicts the Gov driving a hummer over a Jacksonville State University Gamecock.

"It's really time-consuming and tiring, but at the end of the day, the Greek community on campus is very impactful to not only the campus but the community as well," Wyatt said. "The parade kind of relies on Greek life to step it up. We try to make the parade the best we can."

Money for the float comes from the dues that students pay to join fraternities and sororities, donations from alumni and from the pockets of those in the organization.

"It's really expensive," Allison said. "You'll probably spend somewhere between \$1,000

and \$1,500. The best way to go about beginning on the float is to contact someone who just got done building a house and has a lot of wood left over."

Wyatt said she spent at least five hours every day of homecoming week on the float, which is about 30 hours of work. They work until 2 or 3 a.m. at their float site, Hilldale Florist.

According to Allison, it's best to start the project two weeks in advance because of how much time it takes.

His group worked on the project out on a farm.

"It's been—100 percent—a positive experience," Wyatt said. "It's given me the opportunity to get close to everyone in the Greek community. It's been tiring but a lot of fun, absolutely worth it." **TAS**