

SGA discusses SOC funding, eclipse viewing glasses

PATRICK ROACH STAFF WRITER

Lively debate concerning SGA's plans for the total solar eclipse occurring Aug. 21, 2017 took place at the meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 19.

Tribunal Justice Jacob Robertson expanded upon his resolution from the previous week to provide special solar protective eve-wear for the proper viewing of the eclipse to students. Robertson also expanded upon plans to make the event more memorable, such as having an astronaut as a guest speaker and having NASA live-stream the event. Robertson said glasses are being provided for CMCSS schools but not for APSU.

What followed was a heated debate between senators and Dean of Students Greg Singleton regarding precedent and proper funding. Singleton said directly sponsoring an individual student organization sets a bad precedent, as it is something the SGA has never done before, and has refused to do so in prior years. Singleton also said there were no plans to bring a speaker to the eclipse event, to which Robertson argued the opposite. Singleton said it would be better for the event to be funded through

"We can get the money from anywhere," Robertson said. "I can make a phone call and within 10 minutes have \$2,000, honestly. There is a symbolic element to this. So if you as an organization want to make the decision to recognize the importance, and just do a cool thing for the students."

President Ryan Honea said it is important for SGA to work with the astronomy department and show commitment to students.

The lengthy exchanges led to Resolution No. 4 being tabled until the following meeting for further discussion.

SGA then voted to pass Resolution No. 5 for signage showing areas of APSU that still prohibit firearms.

Sen. Thomas then put forward four resolutions, Nos. 3, 4, 5 and 6. Together, the Acts are called the "Murphy Finance Reform Acts." They will be used to amend bylaws of the SGA constitution to require proper reports of expenditures exceeding certain amounts to be more transparent, as well as hold SGA properly accountable regarding spending. Act No. 5 would see

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NAACP drives students to polls

Local chapter partners with the WNDAACC, churches to provide transportation for voters

ETHAN STEINQUEST MANAGING EDITOR

Students without reliable transportation who want to vote in the presidential election can still find their way to the polls, thanks to the APSU NAACP chapter's "Drive to the Polls" events.

The organization is partnering with community members to drive APSU students and citizens of Clarksville to polling stations on Nov. 3 and Nov.

To request a ride, students and citizens can call 931-221-7800. The phone lines will open at 8:30 a.m. Pick-up times will be at 9 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. on both days, according to a press release from APSU's NAACP.

Frank Burns, the president of APSU's NAACP, said he saw organizing "Drive to the Polls" as the chapter's responsibility because of the impact elections have on students and the community.

"It was a must that the collegiate chapter of the NAACP lead on this event," Burns said. "That's our duty as collegiate youth, to continue the

Students should be aware of their past while using their right to vote in the

present, to ensure they have the future they desire."

MARCELIUS BRAXTON

DIRECTOR OF THE WILBUR N. DANIEL AFRICAN-AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER

progression of the social, political and economic standards placed before us.

The Wilbur N. Daniel African-American Cultural Center (WNDAACC) is one of the partner organizations for the event. WNDAACC

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Tennessee Voter Turnout Ranking by Year

Data collected from Pew Research Center's analysis of all 50 states

Year ▼	Ranking
2008	43
2010	49
2012	46
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AP Apollo showcases student talent during homecoming week

NOELLE OLEARTCHICK

BYLINE CREDIT

Every year during APSU Homecoming, the Govs Programming Council, or GPC puts on the AP Apollo Talent Show. It is an opportunity for students of APSU to showcase their unique talents. The show is student run by members of the GPC, and in the end, it is the student body that decides the final three contestants.

Each performer or group of performers had to submit a video of their piece, and the GPC then decided the final 15 acts that performed on Tuesday, Oct. 18.

"I really want to see some dancing... maybe some hip-hop. I also want to see a group band," sophomore Ariel Beard

said. Ariel went last year to AP Apollo and really enjoyed the performance.

"I'm excited to see the variety of talent." sophomore Darby Del Duca said. This was the first time that Del Duca had been to AP Apollo.

Both Beard and Del Duca were able to see what they wanted out of the talent show. Acts ranged in talent from singers, spoken word groups and a hula-hoop performer. There was one breakdancer and the dance team performed as the final act.

A few acts that were a hit with the crowd were Dylan Watson, who performed a color guard routine; the Diamond Divas, who were a majorette group; and twins Justin and Jonathan McGregor, who

performed a duet.

After all the acts performed it was the judges who decided the final three acts. According to one of the judges, "There were more talented groups this year than before and deciding the final three was hard."

In the end, the final three acts were Dylan Watson, the Diamond Divas, and the McGregor twins. It was the student body's decision on who won AP Apollo. Using cell phones, they logged into a website provided by GPC and placed votes for one of the three acts, with

the results being tracked live on a big projection screen.

When voting ended, 75 percent of See APOLLO on page 2



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a slight changing of the language in Section 1 of the SGA constitution. No. 6 would clarify the fiscal relationship between the SGA and the student organization council or SOC.

Sen. Erika Adams put forth Resolution No. 8 to reconsider the lack of tax-exemption when it comes to GAA, a certain type of graduate assistant that does not receive the same tax benefits as other types.

Resolution No. 7 introduced by Sen. Lillian Long, would require professors to upload grades to D2L for students to see in a timely manner.

SGA's next meeting will be at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 26, in MUC room



RESOLUTION NO. 4

Give Del Square Psi funds to purchase special glasses for students to wear during the eclipse in August 2017. **Tabled**

RESOLUTION NO. 5

Create signs posted to mark campus locations that still prohibit firearms.

Passed

RESOLUTION NO. 6

Have short biography describing candidates as they appear on SGA ballots.

APSU's Department of Music will

hold the 32nd annual Halloween

Percussion Concert on Friday, Oct. 28.

This year's concert will be hosted and

conducted by APSU's David Steinquest,

professor of percussion. There will be

two performances, one at 6 p.m. and one

at 8 p.m. in the Mabry Concert Hall in

the Music and Mass Communication

For 32 years, Steinquest has hosted the concert. He said it gets easier, but still

"Maybe it's easier because I know how

to put the concert together since I've done

it for so long, maybe it's harder because

I have to keep finding new music to

Those in attendance can expect to see

a mix of music including the theme

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SYDNEE DUKE

ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

has difficult moments.

program." Steinquest said.

NAACP

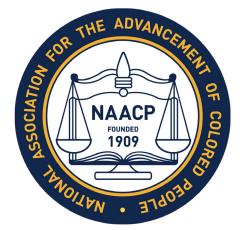
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Director Marcelius Braxton said he wants students to recognize the importance and impact of voting.

Tennessee as a whole has consistently been one of the states with the lowest voter turnout, according to the Pew Research Center. Out of all 50 states, Tennessee has ranked 43rd, 49th, 46th and 50th in terms of voter turnout in 2008, 2010, 2012 and 2014, respectively.

According to the Montgomery County Election Summary Report, voter turnout was at approximately 63 percent in both the 2012 and 2008 elections.

"Our ancestors fought extremely hard for the right to vote, and this is an



opportunity for people to let their voices be heard," Braxton said. "Students should be aware of their past while using their right to vote in the present, to ensure they have the future they

Organizations come together to build floats for Homecoming parade

PATRICK ROACH STAFF WRITER

is no different with at least 14 different organizations constructing floats for homecoming. However, representation is just a small part of the float building

Amber M. Bartle, vice president of the HHP Club and HHP Ambassador for the Pre-Professional Health Society, sees the float-building process as another

"It is important for students to be involved with sponsored events because it helps students grow in their communication, leadership and teamwork skills. It will also help bring unity to the club as a whole as well as

Bartle also hopes that the construction

process will bring the two organizations together and become better informed of each other.

"I feel that there needs to be more of an emphasis to merge these two clubs with this event so that HHP majors can know about PPHS in Sunguist while the students within the Sunquist can be informed about HHP in the Dunn center." Bartle said.

Professor Donna Dey, adviser for the HHP Club, shared the sentiment of representation as a reason for the HHP Club to collaborate with the Pre-Professional Health Society. "It's an opportunity to get the HHP name on campus," Dey said. She cited how a float in one of APSU's biggest events of the year can help with that.

Other organizations also constructed floats to participate in the homecoming festivities such as Sigma Chi, Alpha Delta Pi and Pi Kappa Alpha.

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the votes went to Justin and Jonathan McGregor winning first place and \$500 cash prize.

Dylan Watson came in second place with his color guard routine and winning a \$200 cash prize. The Diamond Divas came in third, winning a \$50 cash prize.



VANDALISM

Browning Drive Oct. 20, 4:11 a.m.

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BURGLARY

Emerald Hills Apartments Oct. 19, 5:40 p.m.

Report

VANDALISM

Kimbrough, 600 Marion St. Oct. 19, 6:47 a.m.

Report

BURGLARY

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CRIMINAL TRESPASS

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One of the most important home coming traditions at APSU is the parade. Dozens of different organizations all over campus build unique floats to represent their club, sorority or fraternity. 2016

process.

opportunity for students to grow.

the individual" Bartle said.

32nd annual Halloween Percussion

Collected can food for entrance will be donated to local charity

to John Carpenter's 1978 horror film,

"Halloween," and Czech composer Julius

Fučík's "Thunder and Blazes."
"It's a quirky, fun concert," Steinquest

said. "We all are in costume, the hall is

decorated, there is special lighting and

there's live video feed on the back wall.

This year's guests include the marching

band, choir and a few of the music

Steinguest said he was inspired to start

the annual concert after attending the

"The Orchestra put on a Halloween

concert, it was so much fun for the

performers and the audience," Steinguest

said. "I thought it would be a good

idea to try doing it with the Percussion

The Percussion Ensemble will be

accompanied by The Governor's Own

Marching Band (GOMB), choir and

chamber singers. The concert will also

department faculty. It's a party."

University of Michigan.

Ensemble."

Ensemble set for Friday, Oct 28.

DAVID STEINQUEST

APSU PROFESSOR OF PERCUSSION

"Maybe it's easier because I know

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feature special guest performances by members of APSU's music faculty: Jeffrey Williams, Gail Robinson-Oturu, Spencer Prewitt and Robert Waugh. The show will be opened by Carl Orff's "Carmina Burana.'

Admission into the concert is \$5 or a donation of two canned food items. The canned food will be donated to a local charity called Loaves and Fishes, who serve food to those in need. The money earned will be used towards repairing and purchasing percussion instruments.

CORRECTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS

In our political edition that ran on Oct. 12, there was an APSU class that was not credited properly for contributing information on page 10. It stated, "The following information has been collected by a political reporting class at APSU." The class is actually called, Special Topics: Political Reporting. The two names of the contributing writers for the infographic on page 10 were, Samuel Lechner and David Hoffman, members of the class. We also would like to correct 🛚 the name of the justice in the SGA story that ran on Oct. 19. The article read, "Resolution No. 4 was introduced by Sen. Jacob Robertson." Robertson is actually a tribunal justice and only wrote the legislation.



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PERSPECTIVES

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— First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

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Suicide in men: 'silent epidemic'

Social expectations of men contribute to repressed feelings, not asking for help



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Women have struggled against society's expectations for years, but they are not the only ones. Men face a similar battle, and the consequences are more dangerous than you might think.

According to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, men commit suicide three-and-a-half times more often than women.

Suicide is the tenth leading cause of death in the U.S. Currently, 42,773 Americans die each year by suicide. For every suicide, there are 25 attempts, and on average there are 117 suicides per day.

According to the *BC Medical Journal*, suicide in men has been described as a "silent epidemic." Suicide is often referred to as an epidemic because of its high incidence and contribution to men's mortality.

Boys are taught at a young age to bottle their feelings up. Crying or showing vulnerability is considered unmanly and unacceptable.

According to the Women and Gender Advocacy Center, as boys get older this stigma worsens. Boys and men are often ridiculed in a particularly gendered manner. They insult one another, calling each other homosexual and feminine slurs, and this is unacceptable.

In addition to their peers, boys and men learn these conventional gender roles from family. In most homes, boys are told, "boys don't cry" and to "man up."

These stereotypes enforce these ridiculous expectations of what is acceptable behavior for boys and men, and it is one explanation as to why men are afraid to seek help when they need

Suicide in men is also considered "silent," because of the lack of public awareness.

According to the Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network, there were 945 suicides in the state of Tennessee in 2014.

The best way to overcome this

issue is to encourage the men in our lives to come forward when they are experiencing suicidal thoughts. Men should not feel ashamed when seeking boly.

Earlier this month, rapper Kid Cudi checked himself into rehab citing "depression and suicidal urges."

According to an article on *Buzzfeed* News, Kid Cudi said in a Facebook post he felt ashamed about what he needed to share, to "be a leader and hero to so many while admitting I've been living a lie."

One day after Kid Cudi announced he had checked himself into rehab, multiple black men came forward about their experiences with suicidal thoughts and depression on social media using the hashtag #YouGoodMan.

Dayna Lynn Nuckolls, an artist and musician who lives in Chicago, told *BuzzFeed News* that Kid Cudi's statement resonated with her.

"When I saw that someone with so much to gain, but also so much to lose in sharing something personal like that came forward, it made me happy because it opened the door and gave others permission to do the same," Nuckolls said.

Representation is important and effective. Men often feel afraid to seek help when they are experiencing suicidal thoughts or depression, but they are not aware of the positive influence they might have on someone else struggling to come forward.

We need to break the silence. We are all human beings. Everyone deserves to be heard and everyone should receive the help they need, regardless of gender or society's expectations.

For APSU students who may be seeking help, APSU's Student Counseling Services offer a variety of direct care services to students, including individual counseling, couples counseling and group support. All counseling sessions are confidential and free of charge. For more information, call 931-221-6162.

If you or someone you know is experiencing suicidal thoughts or needs someone to talk to, please call the Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255.

Early screenings vital to prevent breast cancer



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Breast cancer is no laughing matter and every woman should do what she can to help prevent and detect it early

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and everyone should be more aware of what this disease is and what measures can be taken to detect it early on or prevent late stage cancer. About 12 percent of women in the U.S. will develop invasive breast cancer over their lifetime, according to breastcancer.org.

Breast cancer is caused by mutated genes in breast cells. Tumors can form, often in milk-producing glands, and

are at risk of metastasizing. Cancerous cells grow uncontrollably and can travel through healthy breast tissue and can reach lymph nodes, which makes the cancer more likely to spread to other areas. Breast cancer is the second most deadly cancer that affects women in the U.S. today and the second most commonly diagnosed.

Women are not the only ones affected with breast cancer, although it is highly more likely for a woman to develop breast cancer than a man. According to cancer.org, the estimates for breast cancer in men for 2016 are 2,600 new cases of invasive breast cancer and an estimated 440 deaths in men.

Women everywhere should do whatever they can to help prevent breast cancer or detect it in its early stages when it is easier to treat. Ways to help prevent breast cancer include things like a healthy diet exercising regularly, not smoking and limiting alcohol consumption.

There are also ways to help detect breast cancer early on. This includes breast self-exams (BSEs), mammograms and biopsies. It is extremely important for women to go through screenings and know the symptoms of breast cancer.

Around 40,450 women in the U.S. are predicted to die from breast cancer in 2016, according to breastcancer. org. That number seems a little high, doesn't it? If more women live healthier lifestyles and go through regular screenings, perhaps this number can go down. Early detection is so important when it comes to treating cancer.

For instructions on doing a breast exam at home, go to nationalbreastcancer.org/breast-selfexam. Yearly mammograms are one of the best tools doctors have to screen for breast cancer. A mammogram is an X-ray of the breast. Doctors can use mammograms to look for abnormalities such as thickened skin or areas that seem denser than usual. Mammograms can often be the first step toward finding and treating breast cancer.

Although there are no definitive ways to prevent breast cancer, there are plenty of steps to take in order to help prevent late stage breast cancer and detect it early on. Doing BSEs and having yearly mammograms can help let doctors find out if a woman has breast cancer before it becomes difficult to treat or deadly.

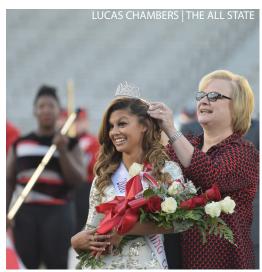
Every woman should be aware of the precautions and screenings that they can go through in order to reduce their risk and to, possibly, save their life.

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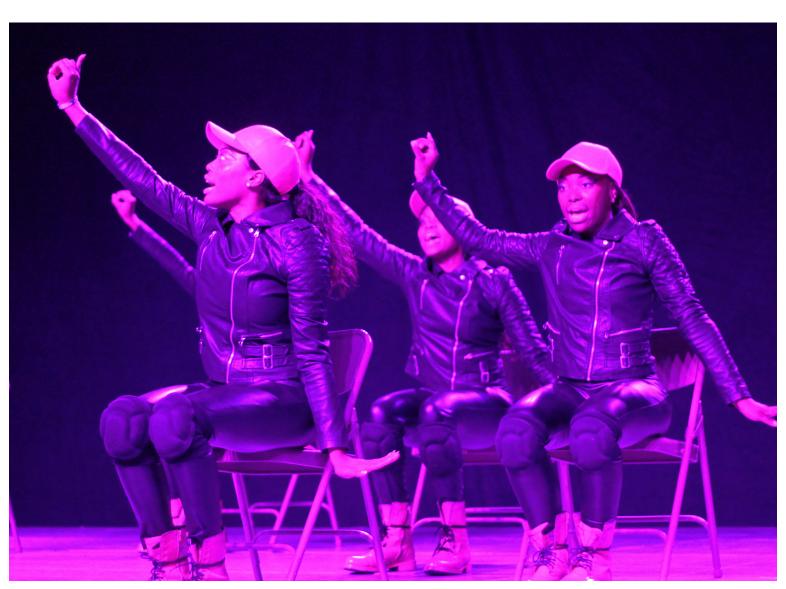
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FEATURES

NPHC brings their best in Step Show







Various NPHC organizations gathered to participate in this year's Step Show competition. Each organization performed choreographed dance routines before a panel of judges. Many of the performances touched on real life issues like racism or lighter topics like sci-fi. CHANEICE JACKSON | THE ALL STATE

NPHC brings Greek organizations together in dance competition

AALIYAH MITCHELL ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

As a part of Homecoming weekend, over 1,600 people filtered into the Foy Fitness Center to see "Welcome to Our House," the 2016 Step Show hosted by the National Pan-Hellenic Council at APSU.

The night started out with the Kappa Rho chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha. After them, Eta Gamma Fraternity performed. Next was the Gamma Nu chapter of Zeta

After the brief break, the Rho Kappa chapter of Omega Psi Phi brought everyone back into the party. The next group was the Kappa Zeta Lambda chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha. The last turn went to the Alpha Rho chapter of Phi Beta Sigma.

Many creative themes and ideas were explored in the acts created. For example, Kappa Alpha Psi used imagery from the N.W.A. to express themes related to racism in America today, from police killings to black-on-black crime.

Zeta Phi Beta displayed the title Welcome to Zetaland" and dressed as young alien women for their sci-fi themed performance.

Alpha Phi Alpha used costumes covered with colored lights and utilized a darker environment than the others, and Phi Beta Sigma told a story of a 'purge' with participants dressed as purge attackers and political figures.

Rossview High School's step team went before the intermission, dressing

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Ballard comes to center stage

GPC hosts annual concert Thursday

JOSHUA CLEMENTS

One of the biggest events in the 2016 Homecoming line-up was the Homecoming Concert. This year, APSU invited up-and-coming country artist Frankie Ballard to perform. It was a surprisingly chilly evening before the doors to the Foy Center were opened to the public, and many were caught unaware by the sudden climate change.

The concert has always been a highly anticipated event as the school has brought acts like Three 6 Mafia's Juicy J.

"I have been coming to the homecoming concerts even before I was enrolled at APSU and it was always a really fun time," sophomore English major Kasandra Stone said. "Country is my favorite genre so I was excited when Frankie Ballard was announced as this year's guest."

Stone was not the only one who was excited for Thursday night's concert. As soon the doors were opened to the public a group of young women rushed in like an organized stampede towards the security barrier, nearly trampling a photographer who was setting up potential shots.

"Every crowd is different but younger crowds do tend get wild with a lot dancing and whooping and hollering," Ballard said. "No matter who is in the audience, we want to bring old-fashioned entertainment to everyone one we perform for.

The concert started at 7 p.m. with the opening act of Jason Mizelle, who was tasked with warming up the crowd. The opening set lasted for about 30 minutes

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Govs sync up to fight songs

Students fight for trophy in lip-sync battle

ASHLEY THOMPSON

FEATURES WRITER

Picture a lip-sync battle to a combination of the Governor's fight songs and the latest pop hits, and the lip sync battle at the Foy is created. Greeks and APSU cheerleaders battled in the art of lip-syncing at 7 p.m on Friday, Oct. 21, in the Foy Center. The sororities and fraternities worked together and APSU cheerleaders joined in a cheer off.

The Foy Center and the Student Organization Council hosted the lipsync. Each team competed for a trophy by combining dance moves, lip syncing, and APSU cheers into their performances.

"I thought it was a lot of fun. It was cool to see what each team came up with," sophomore pre-nursing major and AOII member Libby Opatich said. Students and Greek members attended the event, witnessing all the different combinations of each performance.

A "Let's Go Peay" song was the opening act of the battle, and got the crowd immersed. The APSU cheerleaders combined cheerleading moves into their performance to "Hey Mickey." There were also groups like Alpha Delta Pi that combined APSU cheers into songs such as "Sweet Caroline" and "Welcome to Mv House." Creativity was shown in every group's performances and each one was relatable for the crowd, using the APSU cheers mixed in with pop-culture jams.

"I really enjoyed the event, I think it had a lot of cool stuff mixed in, even though I think the judging was a little off," junior broadcasting major and ATO member Brandon Armstrong said.

There were five teams in total and some Greek members joined together to try and take the winning trophy. However, the victor of the Smash! Bang! Lip Sync Battle was Alpha Delta Pi.

"I thought the lip-sync went very well. I thought all five teams did very well. They incorporated the homecoming theme for APSU, and I thought it was overall great. I was on the Kappa Alpha

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Tug-of-War rages in front of Eriksson

Gov Tug invites Greek life to test strength, teamwork

ASHLEY THOMPSON

FEATURES WRITER

With homecoming festivities on a high this week the Greeks took it upon themselves to have a game of tug-of-war on Wednesday, Oct. 19, at 4 p.m. This was one of the first events to kick off the Greek Life's homecoming festivities.

The Gov Tug was a competitive game of tug-of-war between many of the Greek organizations at APSU and was held on a warm sunny day to participate as well.

Each organization, such as Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Sigma Chi, Kappa Alpha Order and Alpha Sigma Alpha, formed a team of some of their fraternity or sorority brothers and sisters and gathered to compete. Some of the teams even wore their distinguishing shirts to represent their Greek home.

Each game was divided up into brackets: a men's and a women's bracket. Phi Gamma Delta (Fiji) and ATO were the first competitors. Fiji won the first round for the men's bracket. Although it was every Greek organization for themselves, there was a lot of loud cheers and support for every group competing.

"I know with my organization we have a really close bond, and we always try to make sure to get to know each other and make sure everyone is comfortable with each other, so that we have a nice balance in the group," senior pre-med major and Alpha Sigma Alpha member Myah Sinclair said.

There were a lot of close calls in this tug-of-war challenge, but there could only be one winner for each gender's side. The winning team got to receive trophies for their victories and support from all their friends. It was about a 30-minute event and ended in two victors.

We're definitely excited on this win because

we're trying to bring in that Homecoming win on all the Greek events."

DAMION HOOVER

JUNIOR COMMUNICATIONS MAJOR

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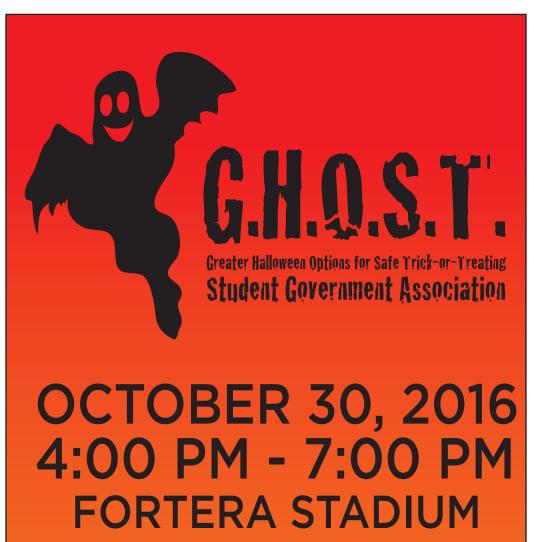
"We're definitely excited on this win because we're trying to bring in that homecoming win on all the Greek events," junior communications major and Kappa Alpha Order member Damion Hoover said.

Hoover competed alongside his friend, freshman physics major and Kappa Alpha Order member Joseph Spear. Spear said the level of participation has improved compared to previous years.

"We definitely got a lot more participation this year and that is our goal to have a least some participation in each event. There is one every day during homecoming week, and we want to try and win a lot of them too," freshmen physics major and Kappa Alpha Order member Joseph Spear said. "Obviously we prepared. I mean, we got here at 3:50 and then we competed, so lots of prep went into this. It was a lot of fun."

Alpha Sigma Alpha won the women's

"It's amazing that we won. It took teamwork and support and I'm happy we won." Sinclair said. The groups that won Kappa Alpha Order took the victory for received trophies for their achievements.



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Housing connects with student body with games

Field Day brings Hall Council, RHA together to compete in competition

ANDREA ALLEN FEATURES WRITER

APSU students who live on campus had the opportunity to build relationships with their Housing staff as part of the homecoming festivities, during APSU's Field Day.

APSU Housing Residence Life and Dining Services hosted Field Day in the intersection of Governors Terrace North and South on Wednesday, Oct. 20. This event was also the kickoff for Hall Council and the Residence Hall Association (RHA) for all dorms on campus.

The housing office provided free pizza and drinks, then set out their cotton candy, popcorn machines and speakers for students to enjoy. Residents had the opportunity to meet their hall officers and housing staff.

"This is a great way to get involved with something small but important to campus life," Sevier Hall president and freshman nursing major Ella Coley

Students could choose from a variety

of activities while enjoying free food. Activities included face painting, corn hole, capture the flag and relay races. There were also a variety of prizes for winners to choose from, including housing water bottles, t-shirts and charging docks.

Students could put down their books and come celebrate the beginning of the school year with their Hall Council and RHA. Since officers and RHA members are residents too, the events allow them to get to know their residents. Students were able to build relationships with Housing staff and other residents while enjoying the free entertainment.

"The games are really fun. Its a nice study break," junior nursing major Danielle Hall said.

Each year hall officers and RHA members are tasked with putting on programs for residents to have fun and get to know other residents.

"Housing events are great. I always have a good time. They also always have free food which is cool," junior communications major Kelsey Hawkins



Musician Frankie Ballard performed at APSU's Homecoming Concert Thursday, Oct. 20. Ballard recently returned from a tour in Europe prior to the concert. HUNTER ABRAMS | THE ALL STATE

to allow time for Ballard's crew to set up for the main show to start at 8 p.m.

Ballard was then introduced to the crowd by saying he had just come back from a European tour and all the way to APSU for homecoming week.

"The European tour was awesome. It was surprising to see so many country fans over there," Ballard said. "That is part of the reason we went to Western Europe in the first place, to get more international fans into country music."

A Google search for Frankie Ballard tour dates shows that he certainly is a well-traveled individual. Even after getting back from international travel, he performed to the APSU concert only to then head to Billings, Montana the

'I like to keep busy so I tend to do about 200 shows a year, and I have done that over the past 12 years," Ballard said.

Many of the young women who rushed the barricade were singing along with every one of his songs.

A visit to Frankie Ballard's Facebook page shows he has a close relationship with fans, as he posts crowd shots that are taken mid concert with him amongst the fans. The Homecoming Concert was no different, as he jumped on top of the barricade to get a picture taken.

"When I write songs I think of myself has a storyteller, especially ones that many can relate to," Ballard said. "I tell not just my own stories but that of my loved ones too. If you keep your eyes open, you can find inspiration in unexpected places."

STEP

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in leopard patterns and giving a junglethemed routine.

"It was pretty good," junior liberal arts major Mari Lane said. "I liked seeing all of the fraternities and sororities all in one place interacting."

In between acts, the crowd sang and danced along to music, participated in games and learned the results of raffles.

Though many of those who showed up were associated with the Greek organizations participating, some came as individuals to enjoy the performances. It was a chance for many students to see some Greek organizations at APSU and consider whether participation looked right for them.

"It shows school support [to come to homecoming events]," Lane said. "I can't join a sorority right now, but I most definitely want to join one when I can."

The winners were announced at the end of the night. The Sorority first place winners were the ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha; their runners-up were Zeta Phi Beta. Among the fraternities, Omega Psi Phi took first place and Phi Beta Sigma took second.

LIP-SYNC

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team, we didn't place but that's okay," sophomore radiology major and Kappa Alpha Order member Josh Brown said.

The lip sync battle didn't stop there. There was a surprise closing performance for the audience. The

winners of AP Apollo Talent Show, the McGregor brothers, gave a performance of the song "Nothing Ever Hurt Like You."

The Student Organization Council waited until the end of the show to close out with the brothers' performance and ended by rewarding the winners of the lip sync their trophy.



APSU football players kneel in respect for an injured player, Malik Boynton during the homecoming game against Mercer on Saturday, Oct. 22. HUNTER ABRAMS | THE ALL STATE

Govs lose homecoming game to Mercer

ALLY WILLIAMS

The APSU Govs football team played their homecoming game on Saturday, Oct. 22. Clear skies and 65-degree weather

welcomed many APSU fans before kick-off. APSU won the coin toss and deferred to receive the ball in the second half. APSU's Nick Gauna started the game with the kick-off to Mercer, and the Bears were taken down at the 14-yard line.

Mercer's quarterback John Russ and wide receiver Marquise Irvin led the Bears into APSU territory, and they eventually scored with a 33-yard pass from Russ to Irvin.

The Govs began their first drive of the game with a 21-yard return by Kyran Moore. APSU changed quarterbacks frequently, and this strategy seemed to be going well until Timarious Mitchell was sacked by Mercer's Tosin Aguebor. Because of the sack, Mitchell fumbled the ball,

which the Bears recovered.

APSU's defense went to work and prevented Mercer from gaining a first down.

However, multiple penalties called on APSU put Mercer back in control of the ball. Mercer then scored with a pass from Russ to wide receiver Chandler Curtis.

The extra point gave the Bears a 0-14 lead at the end of the first quarter.

APSU finally reached the end zone in the second quarter after Kentel Williams ran for 26 yards.

The Govs eventually got the ball back, only to lose it after Mitchell was sacked again by the Bears' Isaiah Buehler.

The Bears' next drive ended without a touchdown. They were in field goal range, which led to Cole Fisher kicking a 24-yard field goal to add 3 points to Mercer's score. Mercer scored again shortly after with a

6-yard run from CJ Kleckley.

This gave the Bears a 6-24 advantage. With only six seconds left in the half,

APSU intercepted the ball, but there was not enough time left to score.

APSU went scoreless in the third quarter, and Mercer only added 3 more points to their lead with another field goal from Fisher.

The Govs began to fight back during the fourth quarter and scored three touchdowns.

Redshirt sophomore Michael Hoover scored APSU's first touchdown of the half after a 12-yard pass from Mitchell.

The extra point kicked by Guana was good, and the Govs lessened Mercer's lead

Mercer scored again after a 50-yard run by Kyle Trammell and they increased their lead to 13-34.

Williams scored the next two touchdowns for the Govs with a 4-yard run and a 1-yard run.

This narrowed the Bears' lead to 27-34 with a little over a minute left in the game.

Mercer scored for the last time with a 45-yard kick-off return, and the Govs scored again with a 4-yard run from Marvin Franklin.

The score was 34-41 with 42 seconds left, and neither team had time to score again.

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Despite the loss, APSU's offense totaled over 500 yards. This has not happened since 2006.

"Yardage doesn't matter to me if we lose a football game," Head Coach Will Healy said. "I'm proud of our guys. I'm proud of the fight they showed, but to me I just want a W on the scoreboard."

Healy also said his team needs to work on the little things to improve.

"We can't turn the ball over. I think that's what we're shooting ourselves in the foot a little bit on the offense." Healy said. "We had way too many penalties. Those are things I think are hindering ourselves from winning games right now."

Stop bashing, start supporting



LaRon Golden celebrates with another player during the homecoming game on Saturday, Oct. 22. HUNTER ABRAMS | THE ALL STATE



How many football games have you won in college? No, not intramural flag football. I am asking how many Division I football games you have won in the Ohio Valley Conference. The answer is zero.

Those college football players you talk about not winning are the same people who wake up at 5 or 6 a.m. every day for workouts, almost year-round. They are the people who do not skip class, ever. They do not sleep in, start their day with 11 a.m. classes and take a nap afterwards.

Every Saturday morning they wake up having a losing streak on their shoulder in hopes to upset the team they are playing. They wake up as the underdog, still sore from being tackled over and over again last Saturday but forced to suck it up and play through it for a crowd of fans who were only at the game to see who was crowned homecoming king and queen. This was made apparent when after halftime, Govs "fans" left the stands all at once.

The 28 fourth quarter points meant nothing to the fans, because homecoming was already over for them and they disappeared before the quarter even started.

There are two home games left. One of those is against Eastern Kentucky, which only has two wins. One of them was against an National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics school. This is a game that could break the streak. This game could end the drought APSU football has suffered.

I challenge you, Governors. Make a red out. Fill both sides of the stadium. Tailgate your hearts out before the game. Bring all of your friends and family. Make the record for the biggest crowd Fortera Stadium has ever seen. Make a poster for the player in your class. Bring your red and white pom-pom. It takes encouraging, supporting fans to stand behind a team full of student-athletes.

If you can give up one Saturday to the Govs who give up every Saturday for you, the Govs might just surprise you and give you exactly what you asked for.

SPORTS

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Junior Kirstin Robertson raised her goal tally on the season to 11 as APSU took down Jacksonville State 1-0 on Sunday, Oct. 23. The win lifts the Lady Govs soccer team to fourth place in the Ohio Valley Conference, in which they would host an opening round match barring any changes in their standings.

APSU (10-6-2, 5-2-2 OVC) held the Gamecocks to one shot in the first half, and three overall on the day, with one being on target. The Lady Govs were able to keep that number low by outpossessing JSU and firing away with 14 shots, seven on frame.

Robertson, now with 11 goals on the season, put the home team ahead in the 51st minute. The junior took control of a deflected cross and buried it in the low corner. Robertson has now reached 27 points on the season, a feat that ties her with Tatiana Ariza for fourth-highest single-season point total.

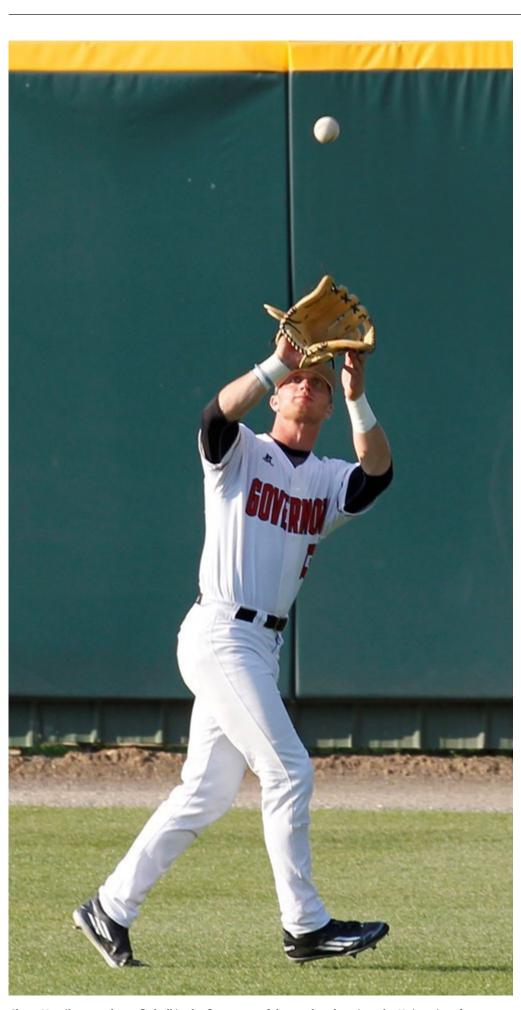
"Kirstin is a player who has a lot of attention on her," Head Coach Kelley Guth said. "Teams aren't going to give her an inch and she has to work extremely hard to make things happen. I was very happy to see her put one in the back of the net today, because goals are hard to come by. It was a clutch goal and she's done that for us all season."

In-net junior Lindsey Todd was not called upon as she improves her season's record to 8-2-2. The defense for the Lady Govs earned its second consecutive shutout, having allowed two goals in the last six games.

The Lady Govs close out the regular season against rival and conference leader Murray State at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 27, at Morgan Brothers Soccer Field.



The team celebrates after defeating Belmont for an Ohio Valley Conference tournament berth. Gina Fabbro scored her 28th career goal, putting her two goals behind Ashley Beck for second place in program history. Redshirt Morgan Jackson scored her first career goal. REBEKAH LANGLEY | THE ALL STATE



Chase Hamilton catches a fly ball in the first game of the weekend against the University of Tennessee at Martin. APSU SPORTS INFORMATION

Baseball releases 2017 schedule

GLAVINE DAY

The Governors baseball team released their 2017 baseball season schedule on etsgopeay.com on Wednesday, Oct. 19.

Head coach Travis Janssen is heading into his second year, but the Govs will be without their longtime Assistant Coach Derrick Dunbar.

"This is a great program with great tradition," Janssen said. "We want to build on that tradition and strive to do things right in every way. We want to give our players a great environment to compete in. When our guys move on from the program, we want them to think back fondly on their experience at APSU."

The season opens up with the Riverview Inn Governors Challenge at Raymond C. Hand Park. APSU will face Youngstown State on Feb. 17, at 3:30 p.m., Illinois State on Feb. 18, and 11:30 a.m. and Indiana State on Feb. 19, at 3:30 p.m.

This year, the Govs will travel to face top known schools such as North Carolina State, the University of Tennessee at Knoxville and Notre Dame.

"These games will be a good measuring stick for us as far as where we stack up," Janssen said. "Any time you can play quality opponents that are post-season type of teams, I believe it makes you better."

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In the Ohio Valley Conference, APSU will play Jacksonville State, Tennessee Tech, Belmont, Morehead State and Southern Illinois University at Evansville at home.

Away games include Murray State, Southeast Missouri, Eastern Kentucky, the University of Tennessee at Martin and Eastern Illinois.

Despite losing four key players in the MLB draft, the Govs have returning players such as Alex Robles, Dre Gleason, Cayce Bredlau, Chase Hamilton and Zach Neff, who could potentially carry the Govs back to the Ohio Valley Conference

tournament. "It has been a very productive fall," Janssen said. "While we lost some key contributors from last year's team, we return a ton of experience, especially on the mound. Our new guys are in the process of getting comfortable within the program and their new teammates. There is competition for nearly every spot on the field, so guys have really been giving good effort in practice."

All schedule times and dates are on letsgopeay.com.