

Honors students participate in summit on campus hunger

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Arkansas State University students explained A-State's efforts toward alleviating hunger during the first Arkansas College Hunger Summit, hosted by the Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance and Honors Arkansas at Heifer International in Little Rock. The purpose of the summit, sponsored by the Garcia Family Arkansas Fund, a component fund of the Arkansas Community Foundation, was to raise awareness in the fight against college hunger. Four Honors College students represented A-State on a panel and shared their poster about the Food Pantry and its services to students and faculty. Kaleb Webb of Cabot, Riley Swafford of Beebe, Elizabeth

Noel of Paragould, and MaryJayne Umeora of Jonesboro were joined by Rebecca Oliver, director of the Honors College, and Bekah Hickman, representing the Leadership Center and Volunteer A-State. "I knew a lot about food insecurity on the A-State campus. I had no idea, however, just how much of a statewide issue food insecurity really is, and all of the different components that can contribute to it," Swafford said. "It was inspiring to hear from so many college campuses that have a food pantry and are trying to help solve this issue, but there's only so much that us as students and advisers can do. "I knew if we could encourage state legislators to help solve hunger on college campuses, we could make a lot

of difference. If students have the resources they need, they can focus less on finding food, and more on their studies, which positively impacts not only Arkansas State University, but also the Northeast Arkansas area," she continued. "I'm proud of A-State for talking about food insecurity to raise awareness of the issue, and hopefully find solutions so that no student has to go hungry." Students and faculty from about 30 Arkansas colleges and universities met during the summit with state legislators and leaders from the nonprofit, private and public sectors to talk about hunger issues on campus. More details about the A-State Food Pantry and its services are available online.



PHOTO COURTESY OF ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY
Kaleb Webb of Cabot, Riley Swafford of Beebe, Elizabeth Noel of Paragould, and MaryJayne Umeora of Jonesboro at the Arkansas College Hunger Summit

Tom Bowen stepping down as vice chancellor for intercollegiate athletics

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Vice Chancellor for Intercollegiate Athletics Tom Bowen is stepping down effective immediately, Arkansas State University Chancellor Kelly Damphousse announced on April 21. "This morning I met with our coaches and senior

administrators to let them know that due to health issues that require my immediate attention, I needed to step away from my role as VC for Intercollegiate Athletics," Bowen said. "This decision wasn't easy, but one that is in the best interests for me personally and my family. I love A-State, the people here and the Jonesboro community. I still intend to call

Jonesboro home. My family and I are grateful to be a part of this wonderful community." "Tom Bowen arrived on campus in March of 2021, and quickly helped us navigate through the changing landscape of intercollegiate athletics - in particular, issues related to name, image and likeness, the transfer portal, and conference realignment," Damphousse

said. "I learned a lot from Tom, and will always be grateful to him for the time and energy he put into our athletics program. I wish him the best and thank him for his service to Arkansas State University." Bowen was named vice chancellor for intercollegiate athletics at A-State on March 10 last year. Damphousse also announced

that Amy Holt has agreed to serve as the acting VCIA. Holt is currently the Executive Senior Associate Athletics Director and Senior Woman Administrator. ASU System President Charles L. Welch will begin an immediate search for A-State's next VC for Intercollegiate Athletics.



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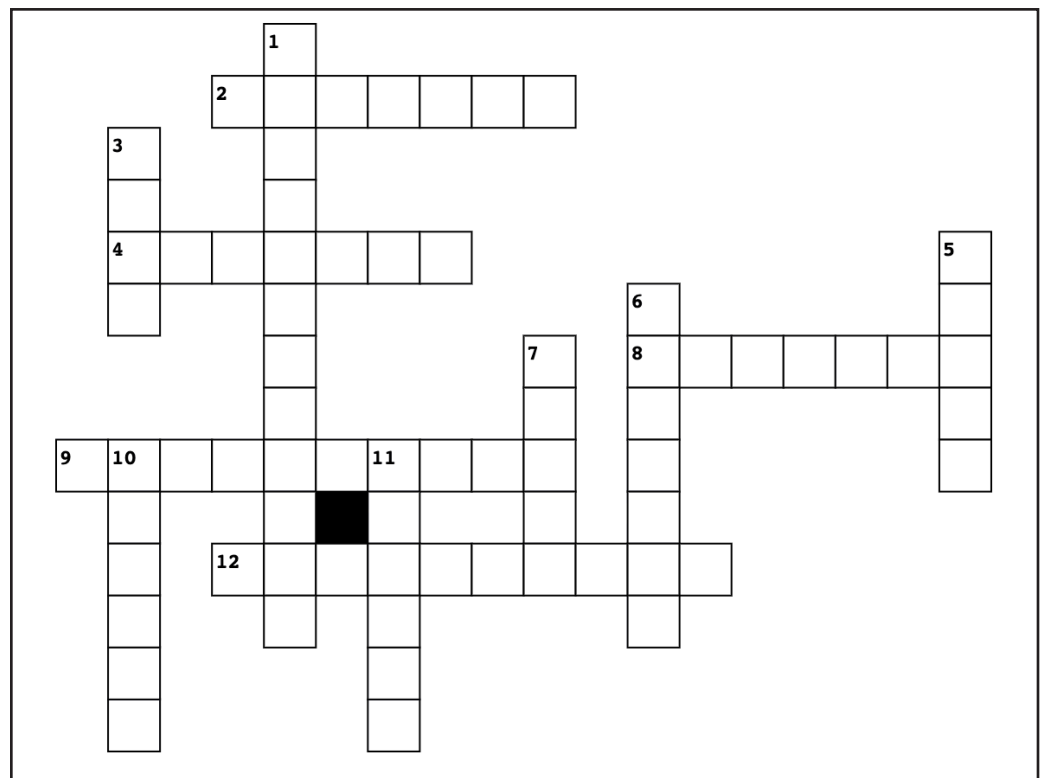
INDUCTION, CONTINUED

This year's initiation of members in the Arkansas State University chapter of Kappa Tau Alpha, the national mass communications honor society, included students from across the institution's student body with on-campus, online and Campus Queretaro represented in the 2022 class. "It is remarkable that these students came from all walks of life and every part of our media and strategic communication programs," Dr. Holly Hall said. "It is exciting to see undergraduate and graduate students from here in Jonesboro, as a part of our online cohort and this year for the first time from our campus in Mexico to come together as one group. The future of the media and communications professions is greatly enhanced by these

students' future prospects." Only the top 10 percent of any graduating class is allowed to be considered for KTA membership. "What's really remarkable are the current careers of some of our master's students," Hall said. "Many of them already have full-time positions at well-known universities across America or state government agencies, and we are so proud that they chose A-State for their advanced degree." The undergraduate inductees were Payton Hooton, Jonesboro; James Lowery Jr., Jonesboro; Emma Minden, Little Rock; Jana Morgan, Trumann; and Thi Ngoc Nhu Nguyen, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. This year's inductees also include graduate members Syeda S. Batool, Houston;

Typhani Bartholomew, Lewisville, Texas; Heather Bianca, Inverness, Fla.; Peyton Woodson Cooper, Houston; Katherine G. Downing, College Station, Texas; April Fatula, Searcy; Valerie Fielder, Jonesboro; Clint Lewellyn, Mount Holly, N.C.; Zachary Alexander Ott, Henrietta, N.Y.; Michael Sheffield, Nashville, Tenn.; and Elizabeth Michelle Tullos, Nashville, Tenn. From Campus Queretaro inductees are Luis Enrique Obregon Arroyave, Hidalgo; Valeria Fernandez de Lara Gonzalez, Tampico; and Jose Maricio Benziger Manzano, Mexico City. Minden and Cooper were selected as the top undergraduate and graduate scholars for the Class of 2022.

4/27 Herald Crossword



Across

- 2. A cord used to connect music playing devices to speakers
- 4. A form of cancer that affects the ovaries
- 8. Delta Sigma ____, the club in this week's Club Spotlight
- 9. What happens to students who finish their degree
- 12. One of the Campus Crime victims was suffering from this

Down

- 1. A show starring Misha Collins
- 3. A dance held in the spring
- 5. A blue hedgehog featured in this week's Pop Pick
- 6. A sport played with a heavy ball
- 7. The material jeans are made from
- 10. "Spring Semester In ____" is the title of this week's photo page
- 11. A thing students do during the summer break



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