

## Former Gov. Mike Beebe visits A-State for Lecture

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Former Gov. Mike Beebe visited Arkansas State University campus as a guest speaker in the Corinne Sternheimer Greenfield lecture series. The annual Greenfield Distinguished Lecture entitled "From a Tar Paper Shack to the Governor's Mansion: The impact of higher education on the life of Governor Mike Beebe," was held Friday at 2 p.m. in the Fowler Center's Drama Theater. The event was open to the public with free admission. The Distinguished Lecture series was sponsored by the College of Liberal Arts and Communication. One of the points throughout the lecture was remembering where you came from and giving back to the places that made you. "I retired from political life as the 45th governor of Arkansas, the greatest honor of my life. Governor gets something really, really special which he can impart on what you can do for people, what you can do for institutions and how you can lead your people. It is the ultimate reward," Beebe said. Beebe was a key player in the completion of the Humanities and Social Sciences Building. Beebe presented an additional \$4 million in

General Improvement Funds funding toward the building. Before it was the HSS Building the steel beams stood for "quite a few years" nicknamed "Rust Hall." "If you don't remember where you come from and you can't give back to the place that helped make you and you can't remember whose shoulders you stood your not worth the powder it takes to blow you away," Beebe said. While in office one of Beebe's focuses was higher education. "The cornerstones of what I thought were so important in the governor's office were twin sides of the same coin, education and economic development," Beebe said. While attending Arkansas State University Beebe was a part of the ROTC program at A-State and was enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve from 1968-1974. Beebe was also a member of Greek life in the Sigma Pi fraternity. Beebe served five terms in the Arkansas Senate, was Attorney General of Arkansas from 2003-2007 before he was the 45th Governor of Arkansas where served 2007-2014. "I will always be the 45th governor of Arkansas. I didn't forget where I came from and I didn't forget the people who helped me get here and



Gov. Mike Beebe presenting A-State with an additional \$4 million in General Improvement Funds for the HSS Building.



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The left is what was nicknamed "rust hall" before the completion of the Humanities and Social Science Building pictured right.

I don't forget the shoulders that I stood on," Beebe said. The Arkansas State University Alumni Association named Beebe as a distinguished Alumnus in 1989. "If I leave you with one thing it is whatever way you can use time, talent, money whether it is thoughts or

just talking, don't forget this place. Don't forget what it can mean for life going forward and give back in whatever way you can," Beebe said.

## Sydney Stauffer and Colten Sedman named Homecoming 2022 King and Queen

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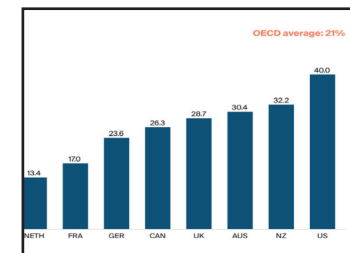
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Sydney Stauffer and Colten Sedman were named Homecoming King and Queen at Saturday night's game. Ten students were selected to serve on the 2022 Homecoming Court. The Students selected were announced last Monday during a lip sync competition, one of the events leading up to the big game. Sedman was nominated by the Kappa Sigma fraternity and is a senior marketing major from Jonesboro. When Sedman was announced as the Homecoming King of 2022 he said he felt "a rush of a bunch of different emotions." "I wasn't expecting to get King so it was overwhelming. There's so much excitement and joy but it's also nerve-racking," Sedman said. Stauffer was nominated by the Student Philanthropy Council as a senior marketing major from Belleville. Stauffer and Sedman share the same major and had a lot of classes together and decided

to coincidentally ride in the Homecoming parade together. "We were in class just talking about it and decided that we were just riding in the homecoming parade together. Because it was just easier to find one car now. It was kind of fun for us on the field to realize that we were both king and queen because earlier in that week we had already ridden in the car together," Sedman said. Sedman was escorted across the field by his parents. "My family has always been my number one supporter. And so anytime that anything ever happens, they're always you know, the most excited in the room and cheering me on the loudest and it was the same for them then as well. I mean, they were so excited. My mom started to tear up. It was sweet," Sedman said. Sedman's advice to other students at A-State is to get involved. "There are lots of ways to be involved on campus and I am truly so thankful for each of the things that I have chosen to get involved in because they have all so differently and positively impacted me."

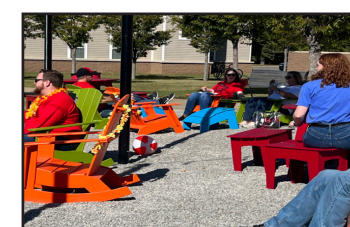
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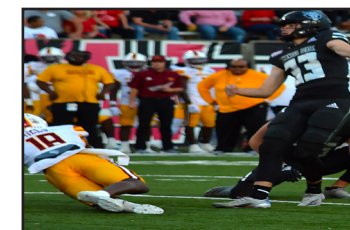
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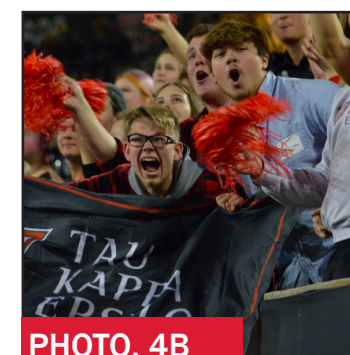
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