

SGA presents awards at last meeting under McGowen-Wham ticket

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The Student Government Association (SGA) held their last meeting under the McGowen-Wham ticket. SGA held the “SGA Awards” Tuesday where they announced awards the senators voted on. Award categories included M.V.P., Best Resolution, Most Stylish and others. Olivia Wham, a junior finance and global supply chain management double major from Nashville, Arkansas, is the vice president of SGA.

She won the M.V.P. award. “I feel very appreciated and it’s been a really wonderful time serving my term as vice president,” Wham said. Emma Martin, a junior nursing major from Mountain Home, Arkansas, won one of the Most Stylish awards. “I am super excited to have this opportunity to win this award,” Martin said. “I just think it’s super fun to come together on Tuesday and show off our pride for A-State.” Martin also won Resolution of the Year with Ian Butler and Jonathan Schaufler for their resolution to

provide lactation stations for breastfeeding mothers. Schaufler, a junior nursing major from Salem, Arkansas also received the Parli-Pro award. Parli-Pro is given to someone who has demonstrated extensive knowledge of the parliamentary procedures. “I love SGA with all my heart,” Schaufler said. “I think we’ve made some real progress this year and I’m just really excited about next year.” The 14 award recipients are as follows: **Academic Excellence:** Ethan Cain, Kalayna King and Braden Ross

- **Emerging Leader:** Louis Gonzalez
- **Most Stylish:** Emma Martin and Karoline Yeakley
- **M.V.P.:** Olivia Wham
- **Parli-Pro:** Jonathan Schaufler
- **Resolution of the Year:** Ian Butler, Emma Martin and Jonathan Schaufler
- **Rookie of the Year:** Ian Butler
- **Student Life:** Lindsey Medina
- **Senator of the Year:** Jackson Galloway



Photo by Anna Cox | Sports Editor
(From Left) Ian Butler, Jonathan Schaufler and Emma Martin presenting their Resolution of the Year awards.

Eighth annual Women’s Leadership Conference planned for April 4

A-STATE NEWS

PRESS RELEASE

A day filled with networking, learning and engagement awaits attendees of the eighth annual Women’s Leadership Conference on Thursday, April 4. The event, hosted by the Women’s Leadership Collaborative and Women’s Business Leadership Center at Arkansas State University, will begin at 9:30 a.m. Check-in for the conference will begin at 8:30 a.m. outside of Centennial Hall at Reng Student Union. The event will feature a

keynote speaker, breakout sessions, networking, lunch, and the opportunity to learn and gain inspiration. Attendees can choose from a wide range of informative sessions and workshops about career success and leadership. “It is important for employers to encourage their female employees to attend this empowering event,” said Dr. Patricia Quinn Robertson Johnston, executive director of the Women’s Business Leadership Center. “Studies show that promoting and including women in the boardroom

improves decision-making in organizations. Attendees will have the opportunity to celebrate and connect with a diverse group of leaders.” Special guests include Dr. Calvin White Jr., provost and executive vice chancellor; Dr. Jim Washam, dean of the Neil Griffin College of Business; and keynote speaker Patricia Riddlebarger, vice president of corporate social responsibility at Entergy Corporation. “This event motivates girls and women to seek new opportunities, gives them the courage to embark on exciting

adventures, and inspires perseverance to accomplish lofty goals. In addition, we hope to inspire attendees to increase their network of mentorship and support for women and girls,” said Johnston. Breakout sessions will be held at two times with the first one beginning at 11 a.m. Lunch will be provided at noon followed by the second breakout sessions that will begin at 12:30 p.m. Attendees will get to choose which breakout sessions they would like to attend upon registration.



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Attendees at the 2023 Women’s Leadership Conference listen to one of the speakers.

Bradbury Art Museum hosting three art exhibitions



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BRIEF BY RACHEL RUDD

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The Bradbury Art Museum is hosting three exhibitions until May 29. The first, titled “Panoply: 26 Painted Lives” runs until May 29. Created by portrait artist Ray Allen Parker, the exhibition features portraits of literary figures who shaped Parker’s journey through the novels that shaped his

views on literary themes. The next one, “Sugar & Venom” by Kristen Franyutti runs through April 3. The exhibition features seven works of wearable art, with them representing the concept of otherworldly biological systems. Finally, “Sportsball” by Jessica Lambert runs through April 3. The artwork uses video performance and sculpture to represent ideas of competition, endurance and discipline.

“I am fascinated by athletic bodies that perform incredible acts and the sounds of competition,” Lambert said in an A-State press release. “As an artistic athlete or an athletic artist, sports objects become material and the studio becomes my arena.” The BAM is in the Fowler Center and is open from noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

CAMPUS CRIME

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March 20 | 3:59 a.m.

While stationary at the intersection of Alumni Boulevard and Red Wolf Boulevard, Officer Daniel Bradway observed a vehicle passing him on Red Wolf Boulevard without illuminated tail lights. Bradway proceeded to pull out and catch up to the vehicle in question and initiated a traffic stop. The vehicle came to a stop at the intersection of Red Wolf Boulevard and East Johnson Avenue. Upon approaching the driver’s side, Bradway introduced himself and explained the reason for the stop. Bradway was immediately struck by a strong smell of marijuana emanating from the vehicle’s interior. The driver swiftly turned on the headlight switch and apologized for the lack of illumination. Bradway then requested for the driver’s license and proof of insurance, to which he responded that he did not have a driver’s license but held a permit. While he was searching for his insurance documents, he revealed he was carrying a firearm and began to reach for it. He handed Bradway the weapon by the handle, which was upside down, with two fingers. Bradway secured the weapon on the roof of the vehicle and then inquired about the presence of marijuana. The driver provided Bradway with

his personal information and handed the officer a blunt and said it was all he had. After Bradway had the driver step out of the vehicle, he waited for a secondary officer to arrive on the scene. Once the second officer arrived, they conducted a search of the vehicle for any additional contraband, but nothing of significance was found. As Bradway conducted his investigation, he noticed the license plate on the vehicle in question did not match the car it was displayed on. Instead, it belonged to a Nissan passenger car. Bradway removed the tag from the car and placed it in his vehicle. Following this, Bradway ran the vehicle identification number of the vehicle and it came back to Victim One. The driver was then issued a citation number for the charges that were listed. In the meantime, the driver handed Bradway his blunt, which he then asked him to destroy. He was then allowed to contact his girlfriend, who arrived shortly after to pick him up. Bradway carried out a quick background check and confirmed the driver did not have any prior felony convictions. As a result, Bradway placed the gun in the trunk of the driver’s girlfriend’s car without the magazine and with the slide locked open. **March 20 | 2:31 p.m.** Sgt. Takeem Bowman was dispatched to 2302 Johnson Ave., about a

domestic disturbance that occurred at 2509 Aggie Road. Victim One said Suspect One broke into her room due to being mad she was breaking up with him. Victim One said she told Suspect One she didn’t feel safe and requested for Suspect One to leave. Victim One said Suspect One began threatening to beat her up. Victim One said that Suspect One threw gasoline on her and threatened to set her on fire and shoot her. She also said that Suspect One punched her in the ear and threatened to punch out her windshield and place oil on her vehicle. Bowman smelled a strong and distinct odor of gasoline coming from Victim One as he was speaking with her. He also observed redness at the top of Victim One’s right ear. Victim One denied medical attention. Suspect One was handcuffed. Suspect One was provided an opportunity to contact a friend to retrieve his vehicle. Upon searching Suspect One, Bowman located two cigarette lighters in Suspect One’s pocket. Suspect One was secured in the rear seat of Bowman’s marked patrol unit. Suspect One was then escorted to the Craighead County Detention Center. Suspect One was charged with third-degree domestic battery, first-degree terroristic threatening, and aggravated assault on a family or household member.