

CAMPUS CRIME, CONTINUED

Barnett assessed that the Arrestee was impaired and placed him under arrest for driving while intoxicated. Arrestee said he had food and punch at the football game. Barnett asked if he had taken any illicit or prescription drugs and he said he had for his back and nerves. He said one is an anti-inflammatory and the other is a steroid. The Arrestee was transported to Craighead county detention center where he was read the statement of rights and agreed to provide a blood alcohol content sample. He blew a .076 and was turned over to the custody of Craighead county detention center.

Oct. 4 | 2:10 a.m.

Officer Heidi Custodio assisted deputy Jared Walls on a traffic stop at the intersection of Belt street and North Patrick street on a moped, with two people on it, that had failed to use a turn signal. The driver, Arrestee One had a warrant and was placed under arrest by Walls. The passenger, Arrestee Two, was searched and had a pipe in his pocket and was put under arrest. Both were transported to Craighead Detention Center.

Oct. 3 | 10:13 a.m.

Officer Robert Kary responded to 2618 Pawnee St. in reference to a hit and run. Upon arrival the Victim said that he went to an appointment around 7:45 a.m. and came back around 9:00 a.m. to find his silver GMC Sierra damaged on the passenger right side bumper. Cameras were reviewed for the area but Kary said he could not find an angle that faces 2618 Pawnee St.

KELLY, CONTINUED

Todd Shields, A-State chancellor, said he welcomes Kelly and his wife Tressa to the A-State family on behalf of all Red Wolves.

“I look forward to working with Dr. Kelly as we continue developing innovative, student-centered programs to ensure our Red Wolves succeed in the classroom and are prepared for a modern workforce,” Shields said.

Kelly graduated from Eastern Michigan University (EMU) in Ypsilanti, Michigan with a degree in public relations. He also obtained a graduate degree in communication from EMU and a doctorate in political communication and rhetoric from Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan.

“I spent most of college traveling all over the country to other universities, competing in speech and debate competitions,” Kelly said. “When you get a chance to be so deeply involved in representing your university and competing with people who were at the top talent in the country, in your particular area, it makes for a really remarkable experience.”

Welch said Kelly’s greatest strength is his wife Tressa Kelly, Ph.D.

“They are a dynamic team that will immediately begin to make an impact on the ASU System campuses,” Welch said.

Kelly said he and Tressa met in college when she was his first-year orientation group leader. They have three children: Bree Lucky, Liam Kelly and Kieran Kelly, as well as a great dane named Georgia.

Kelly is from Detroit Michigan. He said he is a hockey fan by default and loves sports and competition.

In his free time he enjoys hiking, is an avid reader of The New York Times and listens to podcasts about politics and economics.

Kelly said he wanted to work at A-State because it’s different from other university systems as it focuses on blending education with real world jobs opportunities and it is not bogged down by complex rules and regulations.

“Here we don’t have a really dense bureaucracy, which gives us a chance to change the system in ways that are going to best serve students in the 21st century, rather than worrying about the administrative structures that we built in the 20th century having to be perpetuated,” Kelly said.

He said it’s important and enriching for him to be in places where the opportunity to work with and form relationships with people.

“That’s one of the things that we’ve discovered about Arkansas and everybody we’ve met so far, is it’s just this is a very relational place where people do business with people. My wife, Tressa and I, that’s how we like to do business too, is with other people,” Kelly said. “It’s almost less important what the work is and more important how you feel and interact with the people that you’re doing it with.”

FURRY 5K, CONTINUED

Rachel Davis, a first year graduate student from Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, and her long-haired goldendoodle, Willie Gene, won first place in the cutest-dog category.

“I love supporting the college,” Allyson Bise, a 2018 alumni animal science graduate from Jonesboro, said. “My dog and I ran through the football field and tailgate city. We saw most of campus, while she got to run and play with other dogs.”

Male Without Dog

- 1st place: Carson Lutz, 22:41
- 2nd place: Eli Whitmire, 23:10
- 3rd place: Chris Sanders, 28:55

Female Without Dog

- 1st place: Jasmin Reyes, 33:15
- 2nd place: Adri Lopez, 33:45
- 3rd place: Rebekah Bryant, 34:00

Male With Dog

- 1st place: Daniel Delgadillo with Klauz, Blue Heeler, 25:26
- 2nd place: Fletcher Pierson with Merle, Beagle puppy, 46:54
- 3rd place: Max Dacus with Archie, Standard Poodle, 52:50

Female With Dog

- 1st place: Allyson Bise with Delta, Heeler mix, 25:15
- 2nd place: Ella Wise with Callie, German Shepherd, 46:05
- 3rd place: Kristen Flachsbart with Millicent, Standard Poodle, 49:46

Cutest Dogs

- 1st place: Willie, Golden Doodle with owner Rachel Davis
- 2nd place: Quill, Labrador/Pitbull mix with owner Ethan Hafer
- 3rd place: Brinkley, Golden Retriever with owner Valerie Bowen Escue



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Rachel Davis, a first-year graduate student from Mammoth Springs, Arkansas, with her dog Willie Gene. Willie Gene won first place in the cutest-dog category.

MOLD, CONTINUED

“We filed a maintenance order to see if they would do something about it and all they did was change the tiles,” Nahomi Rodriguez said.

She said after a week or two an orange wet stain formed on the ceiling tile they replaced but in a different spot and it soon began to grow mold.

“That’s when we started looking around our room with stuff we just have laying out and on top of our fridge. We had a picture frame thing and when we turned it around that’s when we found all that green mold on it,” Nahomi Rodriguez said.

They then contacted housing and on Oct. 8 there was still mold growing in their dorm.

Nayumi Rodriguez,

sophomore biology major, said they are discussing a room change with housing.

Trevor Bateman, resident education coordinator, said he knows mold is growing in some of the dorms and when it is reported by a resident he goes to check it out, takes pictures to document and sends information to facilities maintenance.

He said maintenance then comes by and removes the mold, fixing maintenance related issues if they are causing mold growth.

“If it’s a lot or the resident is worried about their health, we also have emergency rooms on standby to relocate them, because their health is very important,” Bateman said. “If we can find out about it early

enough, we can shut it down and there’s never a severe health risk.”

According to the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the effects of living in an environment with mold or mold spores may cause allergic reactions with individuals that are sensitive to it. Mold exposure can cause symptoms such as eye irritation, sneezing, runny nose and dermatitis in both allergic and non-allergic people.

Mathes said she has asthma and both of her parents have mold allergies so she assumes she also does.

She said before the mold was removed from her dorm she would cough uncontrollably all night and not get much sleep.

“I tested negative for covid. I tested negative for everything. They couldn’t figure out what it was,” Mathes said. “I visited the on campus thing (clinic) and I explained what was going on at this time. I didn’t know it was mold in the dorm, but I said that I felt like I was having an allergic reaction to something and they gave me acid reflux pills so I wasn’t taken very seriously.”

Nahomi Rodriguez and Nayumi Rodriguez said they did not experience any adverse health effects.

Bateman said the mold growth is due to a combination of the building’s aging, cold water pipes producing air conditioning water to cool the building down and humid

Arkansas weather. He said many of the cases of mold growth in the LLCs are secluded to a ceiling tile from a water drip and are not an airborne risk.

The education coordinator said a good way to prevent mold growth in your dorm or living space is to keep your windows sealed on humid days.

your room can be a trigger or spawning ground form mold in various forms. I know the most common one that people see will be the spot on the ceiling from previous water damage, but there are some instances where it just gets in the room,” Bateman said.

He said to also make sure to take out food out from open containers as well as expired food in refrigerators or cabinets.

For the fastest response, students who find mold in their dorm can either call the resident advisor on duty or email their resident education coordinator who will then put in a work order with maintenance.

Students experiencing mold issues living in the Living Learning Community can contact Bateman at 870-972-3521. Students can also request a maintenance work order on the A-State website or by calling the facilities management maintenance work order center at 870-972-2067.

CVM, CONTINUED

The college wants to ensure students are well equipped to handle both companion animal practices and large-scale agricultural industries like cattle and poultry.

The college will feature a distributed clinical model, meaning there will be no on-campus teaching hospital and will be conducted off-site in private clinical practices, animal shelters or diagnostic labs. Facilities will include flexible classrooms, clinical skills labs and surgical skills spaces, providing students with

a diverse learning environment.

“Our goal is the breadth of coverage of species, so students really have maximal opportunities to support the animal health industry wherever they go in Arkansas,” Banse said.

Emma Lovell, a junior animal science major with an emphasis in pre-veterinary and equine management from Paragould, said she is excited to finally have a veterinary college close to home. The close proximity will allow her to get her education locally and to stay connected with her community easier.

She said she hopes the new college will give back to the community and provide a wider range of care for animal health and sciences.

“Many people have told me that when I become a veterinarian then I need to specialize in exotic or large animals since we only have a limited amount in our surrounding area,” Lovell said. “So, I believe it will promote more diverse veterinary practices.”

She said there are limited options here at A-State for internships offering more

hands-on experiences with animals and many students enrolled in pre-veterinary studies have to travel out of state for those opportunities.

Additionally, Lovell said the opportunities currently offered now at A-State are good but aren’t enough or well-known.

“It is difficult to get more experience with companion animals such as dogs and cats, while there are a lot for large animals such as cows and horses,” Lovell said. “I think there will be a change with the new college especially with companion

animal opportunities.”

Burnett said an opening opportunity for the students and faculty in the future is the upcoming improvement of the farms, as well as their technology and equipment.

“It’s going to help us do more hands-on learning with our undergraduates before they actually get to the CVM,” Burnett said. “With that extra help and application, they’re going to succeed. That’s what separates us from other degrees or programs for the pre-professional aspect of going

into veterinary medicine.”

Burnett said he hopes A-State becomes the top choice for students who are looking for a profession. Our goal is to bring a vet school for students to live here and practice,” Burnett said. “We want to ensure that students are well-prepared to succeed, no matter where they go after graduation.”

The CVM is currently located at the Ellis House, 2204 E. Nettleton and is projected to be built by the Arkansas Bioscience Institute, occupying a parking lot space.