

AUNT FLOW, CONTINUED

Additionally, she said addressing such issues supports the ultimate goal of helping students graduate. "College students, as a rule, don't have tons of money. We don't want there to be any barriers to them graduating because they can't afford basic items," Jones-Branch said.

Genevieve Jaser, an accountant executive team manager for Aunt Flow, serves as the first point of contact for questions about the company. She said the collaboration between CLAC and Aunt Flow began December 2024. "When we are first starting to work with someone, it's really identifying the need. How can we support them in the process of implementing

a period program?" Jaser said. "Then, of course, make sure they have what they need and that they feel comfortable and confident advocating for this with their teams and speaking about this on campus."

Aunt Flow products are ADA-compliant, freely accessible and made from organic cotton. Jaser said these qualities represent significant strides toward menstrual equity.

But beyond providing products, Aunt Flow seeks to dismantle the stigma surrounding menstruation. Jaser said the simplest and most effective way to address it is by talking openly about menstruation. "I think for a long time, not talking about it has helped

keep menstruation as this dirty and scary thing that can't be discussed," Jaser said. "And that has led to gaps right in the bathroom experience, for women and people with periods, and generally speaking, in the greater society."

Additionally, Jaser said social inequities have perpetuated the lack of attention to menstrual health and access to free period products in public and institutional places. "If we zoom in a little bit, this becomes really an issue of women and men, and how, for so long, the bathroom experience was designed around non-menstruators. If you don't get your period, you have everything you need. If you do get your period, you don't have

what you need," Jaser said. "I think the thoughtfulness and the necessity of this has been neglected for a long time."

Jaser said she is currently working with the Dean of Students, Martha Spack, regarding campus-wide support. Hoping to have dispensers and resources available in different departments and colleges on campus. Other initiatives have been created on campus to address period poverty, including the A-State food pantry – providing free sanitary and hygienic products, including menstrual products.

Allison Webber, a sophomore nursing major from Highland, Arkansas, is the food recovery director for the

A-State Food Pantry. She said it's awesome to have period products available on campus. "I feel like period products specifically are so incredibly expensive," Webber said. "For people that don't even have access to a car, they'd have to wait for the bus to come and take them to a store to pay for menstrual products."

Webber said it can also be a lifesaver for women who are going to class and may not have any menstrual products with them. "One of my favorite things to do is when somebody asks me, 'Hey, do you have a tampon?' I'm like, 'Yeah, girl!' I love that, it just makes me feel so much better. So I think that's an awesome resource," Webber said.

By partnering with Aunt Flow, A-State not only meets the practical needs for students but champions a movement toward equity and inclusivity within higher education. "If one student feels there's a need for this, they are certainly not alone. And I guarantee you there are dozens more on campus that have thought the same thing," Jaser said. "Creating and being within a community where this is talked about and celebrated; don't be afraid if you think you're going to be the first person to start talking about your period and about menstrual equity."

JUDGE, CONTINUED

"He quite literally said 'my time is valuable, but so is yours,' which is why he kind of made that point of 'when you're in my court, you are on time,'" McIntyre said. "So that was something

that was really interesting." McIntyre said her preferred practice of law is divorce and child custody law. She said Fowler helped her put the emotional challenges

of this practice into perspective, especially the difficult circumstances that can arise in court involving children. "I want to go into that sector of law because of my

background and what I've gone through in my life – I know it's going to be difficult and I know it's going to be challenging," McIntyre said. "He centered the emotional challenges it comes

with but it's not something that's deterring me from going into it." The Pre-Law Club hosts school trips, panels, guest speakers, helps students with building their resumes,

interview techniques and provides free LSAT materials for every student.

CAMPUS CRIME, CONTINUED

Custodio took photos of the victim where she had been struck. The complainant was banned from returning to the fraternity house at their request.

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A victim received an email about a job she believed she applied for at Arkansas State University, telling her she received the job. A follow up text

conversation advised the victim to buy supplies and gift cards in preparation for the job, some supplies were unavailable from the list and the suspect advised her to buy \$600 in gift cards

and send them the redemption information, which she did. The suspect then sent the victim the pictured check which she deposited into her account as a "payment" and

no further communication with the suspect has followed. The victim was advised to notify her bank of the situation as it appears to be a fraudulent check, as of now the check has

not cleared into her account.

Jeffery Carroll presents 'Go Fast and Break Things' in next lecture-concert series event

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Arkansas State University is set to host the next presentation in the annual Lecture-Concert Series. This lecture will be free to the public at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb 6, in the third-floor auditorium of the Carl R. Reng Student Union.

Dr. Ryan Sullivan, chair of the Lecture-Concert series, explains this as an event that shows the public "leaders of diverse backgrounds."

The series serves audiences of many interests including philosophy, entrepreneurship, music, racial identity, health professions and theatre.

Philosopher Dr. Jeffrey Carroll, assistant professor in the John Chambers College of Business and Economics at West Virginia University, will present at the next Lecture-Concert event with his presentation "Go Fast and Break Things."

He holds a doctoral degree in philosophy from the University of Virginia, a master's in philosophy from Georgia State University, and a bachelor's in philosophy and political science from Ohio State University.

He has had multiple pieces published in respected publications such as the Journal of Philosophy and Economics, Research in Journal of Politics,



Jeffery Carroll, Ph.D.

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and Social Theory and Practice. Carroll plans to present a lecture titled "Go Fast and Break Things." This lecture will revolve around the ethical concerns surrounding artificial intelligence.

The phrase "move fast and break things," introduced in Silicon Valley, sparked his interest in the topic. It is often used by tech experts to share the idea that cutting-edge technology requires rapid progress to

stay ahead of the curve. Carroll will show how relevant academic research is to the real world and how AI might take over our jobs, but why that's not necessarily bad.

For more information, one may reach out to Sullivan at rsullivan@astate.edu or call 870-935-5133. One may also visit AState.edu/Lecture-Concert and follow the A-State Lecture-Concert Series on Facebook and Instagram.

This week's word search

Q O F C G U B O J E F M G Y J
 J O Q L M J A G U A R S X P U
 J S O U L F O O D T Z G Z Q D
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EXECUTIVE ORDER
 SEVERANCE
 SOUL FOOD
 FRAUDULENT
 THIRTY

PERIOD POVERTY
 OLIGARCHY
 NEW MOON
 LIPSCOMB
 OSCARS

BLACK HISTORY
 MANICURE
 ARTIST
 JAGUARS
 JUDGE