

“Yell Like Hell” prepares students for homecoming game

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The Arkansas State Student Activities Board (SAB) held homecoming week’s ending event, “Yell Like Hell.”

The event featured assorted events, including performances from A-State’s own students and a hired DJ as well as a skit competition, in order to raise school spirits for the then-upcoming Homecoming game.

The following day, October 24th, the Arkansas State Red Wolves faced the Georgia State Panthers in the Homecoming game, and would ultimately win with a score of 38-32.

Director of Campus Traditions for SAB Deja Foster, a sophomore psychology major from North Little Rock, said SAB wanted “Yell Like Hell” to be a chance for everyone to come together and kick off the excitement for game day.

“SAB’s hope was for students to come out, see the spirit squad, and get pumped

up for tomorrow’s game while enjoying food and music with their friends, especially with organizations like SGA & University Housing participating in the Skit Competition,” Foster said.

Yell Like Hell kicked off with performances from the A-State band, color guard, dance and spirit squad, with the latter of which leading attendees in rousing Red Wolves spirit chants.

Following this was a few inspiring words delivered by Red Wolves’ head coach Butch Jones, which covered the team and their upcoming game. Afterwards, the activities of the night kicked off, with one DJ King Vick, a professional Arkansas DJ, stepping up and setting a lively, party-esque mood through music. Later into the night, a skit competition was held, which featured choreographed performances set to music. The results of this skit competition, as well as the banner competition, are listed as follows:

Best Banner: Equine Club
Skit Competition: University Housing & Student Government Association, Tie.

College of Liberal Arts & Communications Senator and Action Fund Commissioner Marlena Beard, who performed on behalf of the Student Government Association said she’s happy about the outcome.

“I was really nervous at first but working with my fellow senators for this was a fun process. I think both Student Government Association and Housing did an amazing job, so I’m happy both teams did their best and got recognition for their efforts,” Beard said.

On the other side of the tie, Sophia Redfeairn, a resident assistant in Kay’s Hall and performer for the University Housing’s team said that, in performing, her focus lied primarily on having fun with her group.

“It was so fun to dress up as a sunflower with my fellow RAs.

And I did not expect us to win anything, I was just there for kicks and giggles. All we really wanted to do was something authentic, without the use of AI- so that’s what we did.”

Both parties expressed appreciation for the event but disappointment in the seemingly lackluster turnout.

Redfeairn said, despite the Student Activities Board’s hard work, and against her own hopes for the event, there definitely were not enough people there to fill it. Beard said she just wished more students knew about the location change.

This is not the first year Yell Like Hell has been held. In fact, it’s a long-running tradition that spans back at least a decade, showing the event has now become an iconic staple in Homecoming week. The event serves as a way to warm up those who may attend the Homecoming game the following day so they can bring that energy into the stands with them.

Foster knew she wanted

to keep the yearly tradition going to celebrate school spirit.

“Continuing it each year keeps that tradition alive and gives new students the chance to be part of it. I wanted to

make sure it was a great event that students could enjoy while building excitement for Homecoming and creating memories together,” Foster said.



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The Student Government Association group for “Yell Like Hell” performs their skit for the Student Activities Board homecoming week finale.

Tri-Greek Halloween Bash hits all the right notes

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Halloween is here at Arkansas State and many organizations are celebrating. Last Friday, music students gathered at the Tri-Greek Halloween Bash to bond with their sisters and brothers.

The bash is called “Tri-Greek” because A-State’s three music-oriented Greek organizations host it: Sigma Alpha Iota (SAI), Phi Mu Alpha (PMA), and Tau Beta Sigma (TBS). These three groups support collegiate musicians and encourage camaraderie among members.

A-State’s SAI chapter, Epsilon Gamma, is part of the international music fraternity and is organized to empower its sisters in music.

The campus’ PMA chapter, Omicron Omega, is part of one

of the largest secret national music fraternities in the U.S.

The Gamma Xi chapter of TBS is a service sorority committed to supporting collegiate bands. Though people of all genders can be members, the sorority focuses on supporting women in music.

Ivan Martinez is a first-year music education major from Jonesboro. He plays baritone in the Sound of the Natural State Marching Band. Martinez explained why he was rushing the band service sorority, Tau Beta Sigma.

“I love music, and the environment of TBS,” Martinez said. “I also appreciate that they support women in music.”

TBS member Isaac Mirafuentes, a sophomore music education and music composition major from Jonesboro. As Tri-Greek



Photo by Kathryn Holmes | Staff Writer

Students gather around for the Tri-Greek Halloween Bash hosted by the three music-oriented Greek organizations, Sigma Alpha Iota, Phi Mu Alpha and Tau Beta Sigma. Band members dressed in costumes, watched “Hocus Pocus,” and hung out with each other.

officer and event organizer, Mirafuentes said the Halloween Bash matters to students. “It’s an annual tradition and

it helps with recruitment for Greek life,” Mirafuentes said.

Recruitment is an important part of these events as the 2026

class of potential new members (PNMs) become involved. Rushing a music sorority or fraternity can help students get connected in the A-State music department and feel at home.

The Halloween Bash was filled with members of the three Greek organizations, as well as PNMs like Martinez, who learned about the fun and friendships they bring.

This community and support is important for music students, especially with the long hours they spend practicing and preparing for performances. Thankfully, these accomplished musicians also know how to have fun.

Zoey McGilvray, a member of SAI and CLAC’s music department ambassador, DJ’d the event and led everyone in line dancing to “Flex” and the “Cupid Shuffle.”

The bash also featured a costume contest, with many contestants, including the Treble Makers and the Barden Bellas from “Pitch Perfect.”

Other notable costumes included the winner of the individual costume contest, Paddington Bear, and the winners of the group costume contest, Thelma and Louise, with Brad Pitt.

In addition to the music and costumes, there were snacks, photo-ops, and entertainment, with “Hocus Pocus” projected onto the side of the Fine Arts Center. Many students took advantage and posed with their sorority and fraternity families.

The Tri-Greek Halloween Bash is an annual tradition for a reason, and it is a great opportunity for music students to let loose and have fun in the spooky season.

CAMPUS CRIME



Red Wolves’ star wide receiver arrested ahead of homecoming game

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Hunter Summers, a redshirt junior wide receiver for the Arkansas State football team, had 84 receptions for a total of 1,043 yards and nine touchdowns in his 33 games for the Red Wolves.

On Wednesday, he was arrested on suspicion of third-degree domestic battering. On Thursday, he was released. On Saturday, the Red Wolves won the homecoming game without him with receptions being spread to the three wide receivers on the field.

The Report

On Wednesday, Officer Robert Kary was dispatched to North Park Quads Building 2 in reference to a domestic disturbance.

Upon arrival, Kary spoke to the victim who said she came back from an 11:00 a.m. class and got into bed with the arrestee Summers. The victim said that he saw that she reacted with a fire emoji to a post by one of Summers’ ex-football teammates.

The victim said Summers asked her if she thought that was “fucking funny.” The victim said that

Summers began to yell

at her and degrade her with slurs. This then progressed to Summers slamming the victim’s phone on the ground repeatedly causing it to crack.

The victim said that Summers grabbed her by her neck area and slammed her against the wall onto a picture frame causing red injury marks on her back. The victim said that Summers threatened to punch out her window and break her school laptop.

Summers also took the victim’s glasses off her face and began to bend them in an attempt to break them.

The victim received all resources under Laura’s Law, a

domestic violence and victim rights law in Arkansas, and said she was afraid of what Arrestee #1 would be capable of in the aftermath of his arrest.

After speaking with the victim, Kary then spoke to a witness who said that she was in her room with the door shut. The witness said she heard yelling and could hear the victim say “I’m sorry” before hearing something fall on the floor and hearing the victim tell Summers to get out.

Kary then traveled over to the Football Operations Center to speak with Summers. Upon arrival, Summers was read his Miranda rights prior

to questioning and agreed to answer further questions.

Summers said that he and the victim got into an argument and admitted to slamming the victim’s phone on the ground, but denied ever putting his hands on her.

Summers was placed under arrest for Domestic Battery 3rd Degree. His handcuffs were checked for proper fit before he was placed into the back of a patrol unit and placed in a seatbelt in for safety.

Summers was transported to the Craighead County Detention Center where he was turned over to jail staff.

Red Wolves’ Response

A-State released the following statement: “The Arkansas State Athletics Department is aware of a recent matter involving one of our student-athletes. The Athletics Department is following all Arkansas State University policies, guidelines, and procedures, including legal and Title IX processes. We are unable to provide any further information or comment at this time.”

During the press conference following the homecoming game against Georgia State, no mention was made of Summers or the situation.