Armstrong Campus Celebrates Black History Month with Variety of Events

By Laura Weyman

President Gerald Ford was the first president to recognize Black History Month and suggested to his nation, “seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of Black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history.” Since this moment in 1976, the month of February was designated as Black History Month.

In The New York Times article, “Black History Month: Pressing Forward on the Heels of Progress,” actress Denise Hinson said, “My ultimate dream is that these things — women’s history, black history — are so included in the core-curriculum now that we no longer need a separate time to celebrate it. I always say, when the day comes that I get to play Marie Antoinette as quickly as Eddie Redmayne gets to play the woman in “The Danish Girl,” then I will be far more flexible. But I think we have a long way to go. This month of at least gives people a time when you bring up race, everyone doesn’t get nervous. In our country, people get very stressed out when you start talking about these things.”

In honor of this occasion, the Department of Multicultural Affairs (OMA) has come together with students, alumni, and staff members to create an annual event called Black Heritage Celebration Month. This month-long event is made up of a wide variety of activities, sponsored by a diversity of campus organizations such as MOVE, NAACP, the African American Student, and the Multicultural Greek Council. They have worked together to bring to the community events ranging from film showings and workshops, to dinner gatherings and lectures. These events are meant to be educational and empowering to those attending, such as the “Countering Racism Workshop” or the “Brown Bag Series: Mental Health in the Black Community.”

Interim Director of the OMA Lucero Aradillas said that the events planned this year will, “give students an opportunity to engage with their peers in collegial conversations. At the same time, we come together to celebrate this year’s selected faculty, staff, students, alumni and student organizations to receive awards at our culminating event—the MLK dinner, February 22 at 7:00pm in the Ballroom.”

This year’s Black Heritage Celebration Month is the longest so far at the Armstrong Campus. Last year, the Black Heritage Celebration Month consisted of 27 programs, which was the longest line up at the time. February 2018 is surpassing last year’s month-long celebration by extending it to a month-and-half-long celebration that consists of 34 different events, which started in mid-January with the MLK Day Parade. All events are free and open to the public.

Martin Luther King said, “In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends.” These words highlight the importance of continuing this yearly event’s tradition, since it encourages the imperative narrative about America’s struggle with racial inequality to go on in a positive, empowering and educational way.

GPB’s Political Rewind to tape in Savannah

By Dan Hayes

On Thursday, February 1 at 7 p.m., the League of Women Voters Women Voters Coastal Georgi­a will host an evening with Bill Nigut at the Jewish Edu­cational Alliance, 5111 Aber­con, in Savannah. The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan political organization, encourages the informed and active partici­pation of citizens in government, works to increase under­standing of major public policy issues and works to in­fluence public policy through education and advocacy.

Mr. Nigut, host of GPB’s “Political Rewind” will lead a panel featuring “Political Rewind” contrib­u­tor and Atlanta Journal Con­stitution political reporter Jim Galloway, along with other state and local officials rep­resenting the Savannah area. The panel will focus on local and state legislation and issues, as well as the area and give an overview of what’s ahead in this year’s Georgia Legislative session.

Students are encouraged to send in questions regarding issues that are of concern to them. Tom Faust, producer of the radio program, said, “there will be a Q&A component and we would love questions from the students.”

If any students have questions they would like the panel to address, we encour­age them to send them the likewell and we will pass them on to Faust. As Faust said, they will “certainly incorporate these policies these questions into the discussion”.

The current legislative session is active, and lawmakers are hard at work creating legislation that will positively impact the lives of Georgians. This is an election year, so it will be interesting to see what debates lawmakers are will­ing to take.

The event is free to the public.

State Laws to keep an eye on

Mimosa Mandate

Senate Lpector, R-Brunswick, introduced a bill that would require the board of regents to provide the establishment of free speech policies on university campuses. This bill was in response to the sometimes contentious relationship in all-right speakers.

Medical Marijuana

Senator Ligon, R-Brunswick, introduced a bill to legalize marijuana and suggest to his nation, “seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of Black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history.” Since this moment in 1976, the month of February was designated as Black History Month.

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A Ban on “Upskirting”

It is currently not against Georgia law to videotape a woman up her skirt without her approval. Two bills, HB 9 and HB 35, are attempts to change that.

Taxes on Wire Transfers

Jeff Jones, R-Brunswick, introduced a bill that would allow restaurants to serve alcohol starting at 10:30 am Sunday mornings. Currently all estab­lishments must wait until 12:30 to serve alcohol.

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Jeff Jones, R-Brunswick, introduced a bill that would impose a new tax on out of state wire transfers. The bill targets immigrants and refugees who are sending money out of state. The fee charged can range from a dol­lar for dollar tax credits.

The Inkwell
Bakari Sellers Addresses GSU, Speaks of Dreams Deferred

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In his speech Sellers said, “That is a question that even stamped King. In sharp contrast to the Armstrong

Faculty Lecture Series Presents: Dr. Bridget Conn

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CAMPUS VOICES: Are you watching the Super Bowl, the Puppy Bowl, or Super Bowl commercials? And why?

“‘I’m watching the Super Bowl! Go Eagles!’”
Alejandro Arango
Freshman, Undeclared

“My friends are going out, so either I watch it or I’m alone.”
Ben Ashgar
Freshman, Biology

“Super Bowl. It’s my birthday and I have nothing better to do.”
Alec Rodgers
Freshman, Computer Science

“I’m watching the Puppy Bowl since the Steelers aren’t playing in the Super Bowl.”
Ethan Smith
Freshman, Engineering

“I’m an Eagles fan, so I’ll watch the Super Bowl.”
Alejandro Arango
Freshman, Undeclared

Let’s get serious. The group that is continually overlooked when new legislation or laws are enacted—whether on a local, state or federal level—is young people. That means us, college students. The reason for that is simple; we just don’t pay attention. Everyone likes to complain about the new parking rules downtown. I’m sure there has been plenty of outrage and debate across social media about the new parking changes. But where was that concern when the ordinance was making its way through the City Council? Despite what you may think laws are made in the open. Is there a possibility for back-room deals? Absolutely! It probably happens. Yes. But there are laws on the books that prohibit this. Georgia is among many states that have an open meetings and open records law. The City Council legally cannot meet without first announcing it to its citizens. Every City Council meeting is taped and broadcasted online for free. The public is given a chance to participate in the legislative process. If you want something to change you need to be involved. No lawmaker will ever get to listen to a concern that is not voiced. I am asking you to take stock in the laws that affect your life. Call your representatives. Find out how the sausage is made. The process may seem overwhelming and hard to navigate. However, the information is there for those who want to find it. To that effect, I, your News Editor, will compile a list of laws and ordinances that are making their way through the state legislature and city council. Laws that I think will be important or impactful to Armstrong students will be highlighted. If I miss anything or there is something you want to know more about, let me know. We can investigate. We can bring light upon legislation that matters to us.
Men and Women Go 1-1 vs. Texas State and UTA

Larry Nassar

Larry Nassar looks on as he is sentenced. via CNN

Larry Nassar Sentenced 40-175 Years for Sexual Allegations

Larry Nassar already faced 50 years in prison after being convicted of sexual assault of two women who accused him of sexually abusing them for years in the 1990s and 2000s. He had said nothing publicly before sitting down in a courtroom last year for his hearing over allegations that he may have harmed as many as 337 girls and women, a number that has grown to more than 150 women since he was charged.

In 1997, an MSU student was given 60 days to decide if she was going to file a sexual assault case against Larry Nassar, the man who had been her doctor. They have left intense physical and emotional harm, and they may have left permanent scars.

Larry Nassar's Texas State Women's Basketball Career

Larry Nassar's time at Texas State was marked by various accomplishments and challenges. His career was marked by a strong offensive game and a solid defense, as he was able to lead his team to several wins and a place in the NCAA tournament. He was also known for his ability to lead his team to victory when the pressure was on.

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Larry Nassar's Personal Life

Larry Nassar was a married man with three children. He was a dedicated father and a loving husband. He was also a committed athlete and a hardworking professional. He was a man of principle and integrity, who lived his life with honor and respect.

Larry Nassar's Legacy

Larry Nassar's legacy will be remembered for his dedication to excellence, his commitment to the sport, and his determination to make a positive impact on those around him. He will be missed by many, but his influence will continue to be felt for years to come.

Larry Nassar's Impact on Society

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