Facility Services sees largest turnout for third Night Walk

EMILIE GROOVER
STAFF WRITER

Continuing to address safety issues concerning lighting around campus, the Office of Facility Services hosted their third campus night walk on the eve of April 7. For the first time, faculty and staff were invited to join the dorms and SOA on the walk.

The Night Walks began in Spring 2015, providing an avenue to discuss concerns around the campus nighttime safety. Originally focused only on lighting issues, night walks now focus on several safety concerns, including overgrown trails and trip hazards, as well as possible criminal activity on the campus.

Facility Services creates a list of resident concerns, ranking priorities into those easiest to complete.

The dark wooded area between Armstrong, University Hall, and the Student Union will soon become home to bike polo. Also, more lights will be added to the landscaped areas around the Student Union.

Thursday’s night walk proved productive with the largest turnout of students, faculty, and staff to date.

“Following every walk, a list of work orders is generated for those items we can easily repair. Those items that are a little larger are put in a project list and funding requests are made," said Katie Twining, the Director of the Office of Facility Services.

After the Fall 2015 night walk, facility services has most recently completed all of the conductive lights on campus to LED bulbs. The Science Center, Sports Center and Armstrong Center parking lots have all been converted so far.

The remaining lights will be converted when the final dispensation of LED bulbs arrive. Georgia Power will meet with the Office of Facility Services in the coming months to finalize funding for and finalize contracts for the remaining work.

“Every conference they have ever attended, every competition they have ever entered, every poem she has ever written…”

The fact that Armstrong provides students with opportunities of their student’s studies, that they can take care of their studies, and that they can take care of their families. What a great feature.

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“When you’re in college, you’re in the game of creating a better lit sidewalk to campus, creating a better lit sidewalks to classes is new to Armstrong, which is a good idea,” McGuire said.

“I could see myself staying here, but I don’t want to do it. I feel like you have to start new chapters in your life and it’s a little bigger. Armstrong is a good idea,” said McGuire.

To continue her education, she will be applying to four English Master programs in England: The University of Kent, Simmons University, the Royal Holloway University of London and the University of Surrey, but her heart is set on the University of Kent.

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The most results of the Armstrong Climate Survey were not sitting still since their unveiling in November. In November, a December child could research new ideas, create unique projects, or have one representative from each of the student's colleges.

Dr. John Holte, a department head in the College of Education, is the task force chairperson. He recalls the idea of creating something new more times over the years and hopes to refine the idea.

LAURASHLEY
STAFF WRITER

Last Friday, Armstrong small tribes created a childcare interest survey, which seeks to gain detailed information about the market for Armstrong-provided childcare services before its April 21 deadline.

LAUREN ASHLEY
STAFF WRITER

English major to pursue Master's degree in England

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NEWS EDITOR

After completing at Armstrong in September 2013, the Georgia Rho Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon finally secured their charter last week, marking them officially part of the national fraternity of the same name.

Chapter President Marshall Bulay was one of 34 freshmen who were inscribed on the charter at the installation banquet.

"The process for chartering was a life changing experience," said. "Some of the biggest setbacks for Georgia Rho included us being one of the smaller groups on campus, but over time we grew and proved our worth."
Softball splits with Pembroke, sweeps Francis Marion

SAMAR OLSEN STAFF WRITER

The Armstrong State Pirates’ softball team capped off another successful weekend as they took three of their four games against Peach Belt Conference opponents UNC Pembroke and Francis Marion.

The Pirates split a doubleheader with host UNC Pembroke on Friday, April 9, coming up just short in the first game and dominating in the second.

In game one, the Pirates took the lead in the third inning on a RBI single by Abby Walters, but Pirates’ junior Ashley Greenhalgh brought home a run to tie the game in the fourth. The Pirates took the tie in the fifth inning with a pair of back-to-back RBI triples by Jessie Johnson and Whitney Jackson, bringing the final score to 3-1.

Kate Saunders took the win for the Pirates, walking four, striking out one and hitting the Pirates to one run in her seven innings of work. Junior Tori Batt took the loss for the Panthers, allowing nine hits, three runs and striking out four in her six innings.

Game two was scoreless until the fifth inning when junior Michelle Breen took a bases-loaded walk to give the Pirates the lead 2-0. In the next inning, senior Fenton Roth delivered an RBI single, followed by Breen’s grand slam that extended the lead to 12-0.

Junior Janie Trzaska took the win, limiting the Pirates to three hits and no runs. Taylor Pittsfield took the loss for UNC Pembroke, giving up eight hits and two runs in four innings.

On Sunday, April 10, the Pirates picked up a 1-0 doubleheader sweep against Francis Marion, defeating the Patriots 5-2 in game one, and 4-0 in game two.

The Pirates took the lead in the 2-0 in the second inning, but the Pirates quickly regained the lead at 2-0 in the second inning. The Panthers took the lead in the sixth on an RBI single by pinch hitter Artemas, then drove the Panthers to one run in their seventh inning off of an RBI sacrifice fly capped the game at 4-0.

Trzaska pitched a no-hitter, striking out seven batters and holding an RBI groundout by senior Sterra Newman.

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\[ \text{Baseball's woes continue in sweep to Flagler} \]

ETHAN PRINCE STAFF WRITER

Armstrong was swept through the weekend over the weekend by Peach Belt Conference rival Flagler College. The Pirates fell to the Saints on Friday, April 9, 12-10, demonstrating once again to the Pirates, one team tough to beat.

Friday improvements to a 7.6-4 overall and 1.01 in the Peach Belt with the wins, while Armstrong State falls to 15-22 overall and 0-0 in the league with the losses.

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CALEB BAILEY

Masters 2016: Spieth’s collapse, Willett’s triumph

SPIETH TRIUMPH

Winning the Masters is the dream of every golfer, but for Jordan Spieth and Danny Willett, the dream became reality on Sunday, April 10, 2016.

Spieth, who was in pursuit of a second green jacket, took the lead in the final round with a birdie on the 16th hole and held on to win his second Masters title.

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CAMPUS VOICES: What was your favorite part of Spring Fling?

I didn't know what was going on. I'm really involved and knew nothing about it.

Jonathan Agramone
Freshman IT major

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Olivia Wright
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Letter to the Editor

April 12, 2016
Emily Smith
Editor, The Inkwell
Armstrong State University

dear Emily,

After reviewing multiple articles and hearing some discussion, I feel that there was reasonable concern for the Kinder Morgan Palmetto Pipeline project that was going to be taking place throughout much of eastern Georgia, including Effingham County, and which has been recently suspended.

The first concern is obviously for the environment and the potential negative consequences it could have on the climate. After reviewing an article published by High Country News pertaining to the dangers of natural gas leaks and how they can exacerbate damage to the climate, I could understand how there was alarm for how our local area of Savannah could potentially be affected by adverse effects this pipeline project could have on our environment. According to the federal Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, 12.8 billion cubic feet of natural gas has been released since 2010 in nearly 700 “incidents” that were reported. Additionally, I read an article posted on Indian Country Today Media Network which reported protests in British Columbia against Kinder Morgan with activist calls for climate justice. Opponents of the Kinder Morgan Pipeline there expressed concern and outrage for the natural environment and the impact that this company’s projects could have on indigenous people, animals, fish, and water. It is reasonable to think that people would have similar concern and outrage here.

An additional issue for the local community was that there was a lack of transparency and disclosure by Kinder Morgan regarding the specific properties that would have been impacted. Maps were released but details were vague. According to Valdosta Today, the company wanted government permission to condemn land for its proposed Palmetto Pipeline but did not want to release aerial charts or other detailed information to the public about the properties that would have been impacted. I believe that the local community has the right of full transparency regarding how a company using natural gas and energy may affect the climate and environment around them.

Sincerely,
Hannah Bryan

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**Flannery O’Connor Parade and Street Fair fills Lafayette Square**

MELANIE GIBSON, STAFF WRITER

Flannery O’Connor’s birthday is held as a public event each year in an attempt to draw more visitors to the Flannery O’Connor Childhood Home on Charlton Street, while exposing the public to nearby artists and authors.

They look interesting,” said Annette Laing, British-born American/British historian, author of the Snipesville Chronicles, and tenured professor (Georgia Southern University), “Everyone is so unique, aren’t they?”

Laing was just one of various local authors featured at the celebration, many of whom had stands featuring their work such as the Southern Poetry Review, Don Celino, Tina Whitle and several others.

Each author was not limited to one genre or type of writing: there were poets and novelists, informative writers and fiction writers.

Patrons enjoyed coffee from the Sentient Bean, free snacks, an art sale by Panhandle Slim, and the chance to browse Kleo’s handmade soaps.

Children were able to participate in activities such as face painting, record spin art and chicken bingo (whereby the chicken defecates on a large bingo board could mean a prize) were available.

Several local bands combined at the parade to form the Sweet Thunder Strolling Band such as Culture Vulture members James Webber, Nick Gilbert and Matthew Pelton, as well as singer Anza Chandler and banjo player Bill Smith, among others.

Following the sale, a miniature parade around Lafayette Square was led by Sweet Thunder. Anyone who attended the event was invited to create a sign to march with, typically composed of quotes, puns and art.

**CLASS BREAK: SUDOKU!**

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Hidden talent comes out at Open Mic

KIARA MORRIS & ELIJAH CLARKE STAFF WRITERS

Open mic night brought out various forms of entertainment this past Monday, held in the Student Union Ballroom. During the event, attendees were encouraged to show off their hidden talents.

After a performance, DJ Crispy CMC took the stage, and quickly vacated the stage as the first set of performers rose to begin. Two sophomore students, Damon and Charlotte, performed a touching ballad as Damon played the piano and Charlotte sang while Charlotte accompanied with words.

After their performance, an audience member for the stage to play a game, dividing themselves into two groups of eight. They had to arrange themselves into a line from younger to oldest, but the catch was they had to do it without talking. After a minute of silliness, in which fingers flying, everyone called out a number on a phone. Both teams did poorly.

Once the game was over, Damon returned to perform a female duet led by Jamése Porter and Dominique Miller. "No one" by Alicia Keys echoed through the Student Union Ballroom.

Damon then invited two audience members on stage to play "I Am the Celebrity." The audience had to identify themselves from a small crowd in costume, like eyes or a hand, and the person who sang an original song. At the end of the game, they were awarded with a certificate of achievement.

The audience "responded well to the idea of a new song," said Damon. "It was the best one we've seen. Some of the participants were really talented."
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"A dance uncampus," she said, "would merit excess for students with no limits for kids' events!"