

Kresge Parliament – 04/04/19

Start: 6:30pm Quorum: 12 Ice Breaker: One skill set to improve or your spring break?

Budget Requests for next week: Beautiful Black Queers & African American Resource Ctr. Requesting \$300. for conference expenses to be held April 19 & 20 in the Humanities Bldg. \$9,620. total budget, expecting 200+ attendees. Requesting from all colleges, SUA , AARIC and Sustainability Council. Ian motions to invite, Bradley 2^{nds}, 10 Hoots, 2 Abstain = Approved

Parliament Updates:

-Porter Senate has not responded yet to our collaboration outreach

-Spring Community Service Project – ideas:

Beach cleanup, Homeless Garden, Bay View Elementary School cleanup are examples.

Franklin hosting Kresge Community Service Day April 13th @ Bay View & JMJ House.

Volunteers welcome 9:30 a.m.-1:3p.m. Also available in May, power washing St. Francis Soup Kitchen. Franklin says that power washing is fun? Other ideas include helping Franklin host a Blue Jazz Night, as a fundraiser. He would DJ the event in Town Hall. Homeless Garden work day (Franklin informed us this is not longer an issue as they are moving to Pogonip location)

Parliament discussed options and tentatively agreed to power washing on May 18th.

- Parliament Year End Dinner – we need to pick a date and location – May 2nd or May 16th are best dates during our regular meeting time. May 16th is chosen – location TBD. List of places on vendor system reviewed next meeting. Dress theme? Theater-prom, Halloween, formal dress????

Outreach – Ideas for outreach include Town Hall Art Mural, bookmarks, bounce house, popsicles with Parliament. Survey will probably be resent. Michelle will email Mike Y.G. about using the Town Hall wall for a themed art project, breaking it into strips where each person gets a spot = what Kresge means to them or Power and Representation. We will need monitors or people to paint over inappropriate submissions. Back-up could also be election outreach. Also root-beer floats: *Float4Vote*. SCOC outreach event might be a bounce house? Food pantry/basic needs event also an idea. We could collaborate with Food Co-op (complicated as they are officially an off-campus vendor/no campus budget account to transfer funds)

Note: Mixing activism and Parliament outreach might not be good for recruitment/retention: Could play on the redevelopment angle - they're tearing down our community, how do we stay together?

Next year - Owl costume for outreach to CORE plenary, tabling, a couple short events could also work. Porter-Kresge dining hall table tents are also an option. Scatter random info flyers about Parliament.

Outreach list in order:

Wall, Basic Needs, Tabling, Bounce House, Bookmarks, Board games, Culture Day

Approval of minutes: 3.14.19 - Ian motions to approve the minutes, Anna 2^{nds} 8 Hoots, 1 Screech, 3 Abstain = Approved

Report Backs:

- SUA: Leighton, Anna / no Owen - Cool Campus Challenge happening now (online thing), Food pantry is open, Strike activity called for Wed. April 10th. Chief of Staff is working on an Environment & Public Health Council. SUA received funding from UCOP to be used next year for free legal services for student tenant issues. Engaging Education got an endorsement. SUA Constitutional amendments approved for ballot, Referendum

endorsement vote next week: TAPS fee, Student Services Hub, Student Government Fee Amendment & Career Ctr. Anti-hazing resolution approved. Out of programming money, so only 2 SOFA meeting left for this year.

- SCOC: Karlee – N/A
- SFAC: Ian – Approved endorsements of 3 referendum, Career Center inconclusive,
- SUGB: Danny – N/A
- AS/SAS: Nick - New chair, new direction. Reviewing SAS constitution, Professors and one-time access codes = not good
- Current Affairs: Jose – see attached.

Announcements:

Sat. 4/6 – Campus Clean Up Day – 10 a.m. S & E Library

Wed. 4/10 – Strike Activity – AFSCME Union and supporters – not contract, wages, lack of retirement funding, outsourcing

Sat. 4/13 – Activism training 10am-3pm @ Resource Ctr. for Nonviolence for Latinx / Undocumented people

Spring Elections delayed till May 15 - 22. All resolutions got approved for ballot

Fri. 4/5 - Open Mic 7-9pm Town Hall. Food!

Tues. 4/9 Commencement Meeting 12 – 1 p.m. Student Lounge

Wed. 4/10 Elotes on Upper St. 6:30-8pm, grilled corn with toppings

Tues. 4/30 College Night – Art of Mexico 5-7 p.m. P/K Dining Hall - Comp. tickets available 23rd.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:45pm

Current Affairs: Jos

Nation: More condoms, fewer cigarettes found in annual New Jersey beach cleanup

SANDY HOOK, N.J. — Volunteers cleaning up New Jersey beaches last year found everything but the kitchen sink. Oh wait, they found one of those, too. Unsurprisingly, nearly 82% of the trash removed during Clean Ocean Action's beach sweeps last spring and fall was plastic, including beverage bottles, shopping bags, straws and stirrers, and foam pieces. Interestingly, the number of cigarette butts picked up — 22,000 — was down by nearly a quarter from a year earlier. More than 10,000 volunteers plucked 454,365 pieces of debris from the ocean coast, bay shores and the banks of rivers, lakes and streams as part of the annual survey by the coastal environmental group that tallies the garbage left behind on the state's beaches. "The Beach Sweeps provides proof we humans can be a wasteful, sloppy, and pretty gross bunch," said Cindy Zipf, the group's executive director. "Who leaves diapers on the beach? It's bad enough that litter makes our beaches look terrible, but it also kills and maims marine life. The good news is that the beach sweeps also proves we have great capacity to respond to environmental harm." Balloons reached an all-time high: 5,470 of them were found. They are particularly hazardous to marine life, including sea turtles that mistake them for jellyfish and eat them, often strangling their intestines. Shorebirds can get entangled in balloon strings, as can fish. Several Jersey shore towns have banned balloon releases for these reasons.

State: Man accused of slaughtering 400-pound pet pig named Princess that wandered into yard

UMBOLDT COUNTY, Calif. — A pet pig named Princess wandered away from her California home last month and met an ugly demise. "It's just a really bizarre case," said Arcata police Lt. Todd Dockweiler. Advertisement

The fact that she wandered away wasn't out of the ordinary at all. "Believe it or not, that's not a super uncommon call for us. We have a lot of loose livestock calls," said Dockweiler. "It is very common to have loose cows, loose horses, loose goats. [In this part of Arcata,] it's still a neighborhood environment, but a lot of folks have a few acres."

An officer responded and found Princess hanging out in someone's yard. The officer asked the property owner if he wouldn't mind keeping the pig in his yard until they could track down its owner, a practice Dockweiler says is common for these kinds of loose livestock issues. The neighbor happily obliged, and the officer went off to track down Princess's owner. Her owner was already looking for her, too, so she was easy to identify. But when the officer went back to retrieve Princess from the yard about an hour later, he stumbled upon something shocking: a butchering in progress.

"Obviously that was a bit of a shock to everyone involved. ... Given the stage of the butchering process he was in, he must have slaughtered the pig very shortly after the officer left," Dockweiler said. The man police say is responsible wasn't the homeowner but "a man who was known to them" who was on the property with the owner's permission. Thankfully, Princess's owner, identified as Carrie Hogan by the Lost Coast Outpost, wasn't there to see the gruesome scene for herself. But when she heard the news, she was devastated. Hogan told the local news site she bottle-fed Princess since she was a piglet and considered the pet a part of her family.

According to Arcata police, slaughtering a pig that doesn't belong to you is a crime. Officers are expecting to forward a criminal charge to the district attorney's office after their investigation is complete.

"It's just not clear what the thought process was. He obviously knew the pig didn't belong to him and he didn't have the right to slaughter it. "While Hogan considered Princess a family member, under the law, she's still considered livestock, so Dockweiler expects the suspect to be charged with "theft of livestock. "Hogan told the Lost Coast Outpost she thinks the man responsible still has her pet's meat. She wants to get it back to keep him — or anyone else — from eating it.

"I think that the hardest part of this is knowing that there's somebody out there that's this kind of a savage," Hogan said.

Bizarre: Cats Recognize Their Own Name, Study Suggests YOUR PET CAT WHISKERS probably recognizes his name when you call him – even if it feels like he's ignoring you. A new study out Thursday in the journal Scientific Reports suggests that domestic cats are able to distinguish between their name and other words, even when an unfamiliar person is the one saying their name.

RELATED CONTENT USDA Nixes 'Kitten Slaughterhouse' Study. Researchers in Japan conducted experiments with cats from both households and multi-cat "cat cafes." Each cat heard a recording of its owner's voice or another person's voice reciting four nouns or other cat names and then the cat's own name. The researchers found that though the cats initially perked up when the list of words began, they gradually lost interest – until, that is, their own name was played. The cats were on average more responsive to their own names than the last non-name word recited.

The cats mostly reacted to their names with "orienting behavior" like moving their ears or heads; Less than 10% of the animals responded with "communicative behavior" by vocalizing, moving their tail, or moving locations. The research also suggests that household cats in multi-cat homes can tell the difference between their names and the names of other cats. Cats living in a cat cafe, however, may not, the study suggests. Cats' abilities to recognize their names probably does not mean they've attached a meaning to their name. Rather, the study's authors postulate, cats probably associate their names with rewards, such as food, petting or play, or stressors, like a visit to the vet.