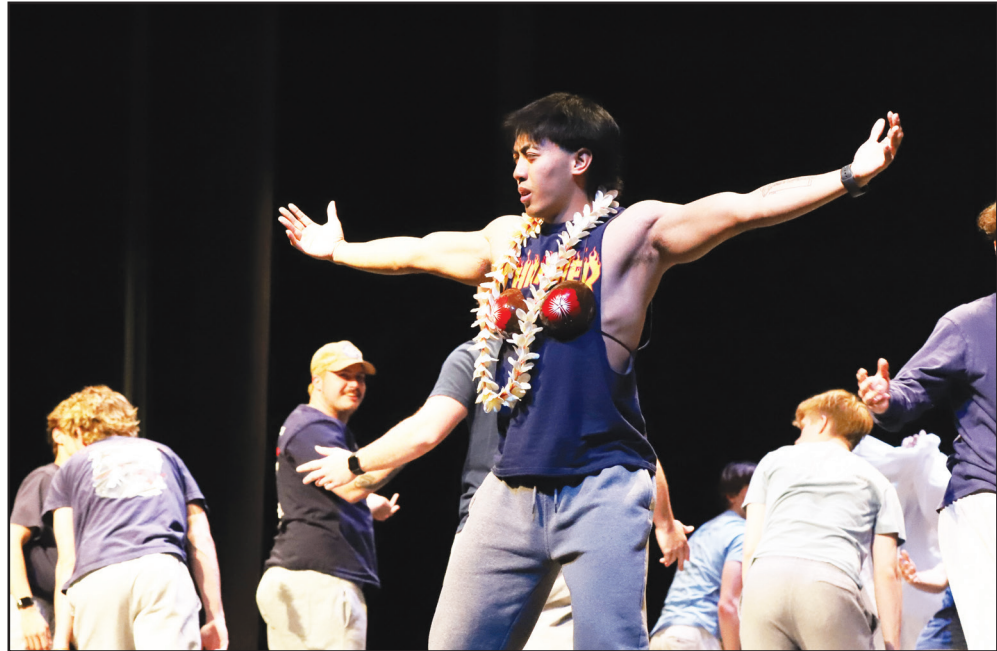




Ship Life



SU Greek Week ends in annual lip sync



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Groups at the Greek Sing lip sync event performed in Memorial Auditorium. Students danced to a mix of pop and rock-and-roll songs to impress the crowd.

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Shippensburg University hosted its annual Greek Lip Sync at Memorial Auditorium in celebration of the end of Greek Week. Throughout the week, each Greek organization competed in various games against one another. The games included volleyball, Greek trivia, kickball, basketball and more. When a team won an event, they earned points on a leaderboard.

The week also kickstarted the Greeks' annual Cash War, which began on April 7 and ended on April 10. During this

time, Greek organizations collected donations in hopes of raising money for the "It's On Us" foundation.

During Thursday night's Greek Sing, the seats were packed with excited friends and family. Each group was called on stage by the hosts and gave a lip-syncing and dancing performance. Groups typically danced to a medley of their favorite pop and rock-and-roll songs. Some used props like sheets to represent wind or real umbrellas while dancing to Rihanna's hit song.

Each group's performance was unique, with everyone showcasing their own creativity. Excitement filled the room from start to finish as the crowd stayed engaged and cheered throughout each act.

After a fierce competition, Kappa Sigma and Phi Sigma were the winners of the Greek Sing event.

During the show, the total money raised during Greek Week was announced, along with the top sororities and fraternities that contributed. The sorority rankings were as follows: in third place Kappa Beta Gamma, in second place Alpha Phi and first place Delta Zeta.

For the fraternities, in third place Kappa Sigma, in second place Theta Xi and first place Phi Sigma Kappa.

In total, the Greeks raised a whopping \$8,851 for the "It's On Us" foundation.

To learn more about Greek life at Ship, visit @ship_greeks.

PAGE Center participates in LGBTQ Day of Silence

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The Pride and Gender Equity (PAGE) Center participated in the LGBTQ Day of Silence in the Ceddia Union Building's (CUB) PAGE Center and Ampitheatre on April 11.

The goal of the event was to encourage students to recognize the power they have to combat LGBTQ discrimination, and how they can use their voices for those who have unfortunately been silenced in the past.

The LGBTQ Day of Silence is an annual event

celebrated by many people around the world, and it was founded after a vow of silence queer students at the University of Virginia took in 1996 in response to the silencing and discrimination they experienced. In the following years, the event gained support and became a national movement with the support of the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network (GLSEN).

Shippensburg University students continue the legacy of this important event by participating on campus. Emmett O'Bell, peer-educator at the PAGE Center and organizer of the

event, noted the power queer individuals have.

"We have a voice," O'Bell said. "Whether it is stepped upon and silenced, we can use it. We can be loud together, and we shouldn't be ashamed of it."

Another aspect the PAGE Center recognized is the importance of LGBTQ allies using their voices as well to help combat discrimination with their queer friends and family.

"As much as queer people need our own voices and our own community, we also need allies," O'Bell said. "It's OK to rise up. It's OK to take action."

The Day of Silence concluded with students breaking their silence outside the CUB, recognizing all those who have been silenced and lost their lives due to LGBTQ discrimination, and the power students currently have to combat this today and live their lives proudly without shame.

The PAGE Center is open to everyone offering a wide variety of resources for all those who need them, including a safe and welcoming community looking to support students throughout their journey in college.



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The PAGE Center participated in the LGBTQ Day of Silence on April 11 to advocate for LGBTQ rights.

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