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APSU to acquire Jenkins and Wynne lot

» **By DAVID HARRIS**
Staff Writer

APSU is prepared to purchase the Jenkins and Wynne Honda dealership property for further expansion of campus.

Roughly one year ago, Jenkins and Wynne approached the university with plans to relocate the dealership, asking if APSU would be interested in buying the property.

In October 2014, the proposed property acquisition was submitted to the Tennessee Board of Regents, then the State Building Commission approval was secured in December 2014.

While there are currently no specific plans for the property, APSU will discuss options with key stakeholders and develop a plan based on campus priorities.

“Our new Vice President for Advancement, Communication and Strategic Initiatives [Derek van der Merwe] will guide the campus community through a strategic planning process, and the resulting plan will serve as a guide to the property development,” said President Alisa White.

White said the priorities right now are to develop the Jenkins and Wynne property, then build a fine arts building that complements the Trahern

Building. She said if the state legislature approves Gov. Bill Haslam’s proposed budget, APSU will be able to begin construction on the fine arts project in the fall.

The process of purchasing the Jenkins and Wynne property will take time, said Vice President for Finance and Administration Mitch Robinson.

First, “a request is submitted to the TBR requesting approval to acquire property,” Robinson said. “TBR submits the request to the SBC for consideration and approval. A phase one environmental survey is performed, and, in some cases, such as this one, a phase two environmental survey is also performed. The State Department of General Services, Real Estate Division, secures an appraisal from a State Certified Real Estate Appraiser, an option to purchase the property is executed with the seller, a land survey is obtained, a closing date is determined, and the transaction to acquire the property is completed.”

Until the appraisal is completed and the option is signed, it is unknown what the property’s total cost will be.

“[This purchase] is the opportunity of a lifetime,” White said. *TAS*



CHRIS MALONE | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

THE BIG EVENT

More than 500 volunteers serve 20 sites in Clarksville area in one day

» **By AALIYAH MITCHELL**
Guest Writer

The Big Event was held from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Saturday, March 21, at more than 20 sites in Clarksville.

More than 500 student volunteers met at the Foy Center to check in and have breakfast in the morning, left to their assigned sites for their service and met up again in the afternoon for lunch.

“The event was a huge success,” said Student Government Association President Zac Gillman. “I believe the Big Event is a great event, but we must understand community service must not be done in one day out of the year. I hope this event will encourage more students to get involved with the Center for Service Learning and Community Engagement.”

Students donned red shirts and went to various locations across the city to help out, including Fort Defiance, the Dunbar Cave State Park, the Riverside Drive Cleanup, the Teacher’s Warehouse, the APSU Victory Garden and the SOS Food Pantry.

“Everyone’s got a good attitude,” said Garden Assistant Chris Upton. “Without volunteers like these guys, [the Victory Garden] wouldn’t happen.”

The first Big Event was started by students from Texas A&M University in 1982 for students to give back to residents in their community rather than exclusively helping those in need of economic assistance as many existing service projects did.

Zac Gillman brought the event to APSU for the first time this year.

“I found out [the Big Event] was a major volunteer effort for students ... showing people we can all work together; ... that was probably my biggest reason for coming out,” said senior biology major Jennifer Kuhn, who worked at the Food Pantry for the event. “I think it’s amazing to get this many college students together at one time and [send] them out to where our community needs them.”

Gillman said SGA “hopes this will become another signature event of APSU like our other events, G.H.O.S.T. and Mudbowl.” SGA is planning to host the Big Event again next year and aims for 750 students to sign up for the day of service. *TAS*

« More than **500** registered volunteers

« More than **20** sites in the Clarksville area

« More than **1,000** combined man hours

Multiple receive treatment on campus after shooting



EMS provide treatment to a shooting victim near the APSU intramural field while students in Eriksson Hall watch from windows. TAYLOR SLIFKO | ASSISTANT PHOTO EDITOR

» By KATELYN CLARK
Multimedia Editor

One to two blocks from campus, a shooting occurred around 8:57 p.m. Monday, March 23.

Two Life Flight helicopters landed on the intramural fields as critically-injured individuals were transported to Vanderbilt Medical Center, according to a news release by Natalie Hall, Clarksville PIO.

Emergency response vehicles barricaded the road in front of the Memorial Health Red Barn around 9:15 p.m. The shooting happened between Ninth Street and Carpenter Street, according to Hall, less than two blocks from the Child Learning Center on APSU’s campus.

There were five total injuries, and two victims were transported by Life Flight. Two others were taken to Gateway Medical Center by EMS, and there is no information on the fifth victim as of 12

a.m. Tuesday, March 24.

Prior to the helicopters landing, an intramural softball game was in play when Clarksville Police evacuated the field.

“They were just bringing the injured here,” said APSU sophomore Michael Taverna. “It’s kind of crazy. It’s all here on campus.”

Taverna said he was watching the intramural game when the evacuation happened. According to Hall, the suspect or suspects have not been located at this time.

CPD Detectives and the Crime Scene Team are currently investigating the incident. If you have any information, please contact Clarksville Police, the APSU Police Department at (931) 221-7786 or the CrimeStoppers TIPS Hotline at 931-645-TIPS (8477).

This is the extent of information available as of 12 a.m. Tuesday, March 24. Updates to this story will be posted to theallstate.org. *TAS*

SGA presents resolutions, acts prepares for elections

» By SARAH ESKILDSON
Staff Writer

Student Government elections will open Monday, March 30 until Wednesday, April 1.

During the Student Government Association meeting Wednesday, March 19, SGA discussed resolutions and acts, and a student voiced her concerns.

Student Mariah Grant spoke on an issue regarding handicap parking. “As a handicapped veteran, parking in the commuter parking lots is too far for me,” Grant said. “Every day, I am forced walk long distances because those who are not handicapped are taking the spots for the students who actually are.” The student requested more handicapped parking spaces on campus. In response, Sen. Austin McKain said, “Thank you for voicing your concern.”

SGA presented two resolutions. Resolution No. 19, sponsored by Sen. Chad Plummer, aims to create a better walking path for students entering the Sundquist Science Complex. The resolution will send a formal letter of recommendation to the Campus Safety and Roads Committee suggesting they pave a sidewalk exiting Sundquist onto Eighth Street.

Sen. Blaine Gunderson sponsored Resolution No. 20, which concerns the safety of students, faculty and staff walking across roads. The resolution will send a formal letter of recommendation to the Physical Plant asking to paint a crosswalk near Marion Street connecting Greek Village to Castle Heights Residence Hall.

In new business, two acts were discussed. Act No. 4, sponsored by Sen. Ryan Honea, adds proper subsections for equal representation of colleges throughout the senate. Current senators will not lose their positions due to this act, but will rather be “grandfathered” in. The reapportionment will take effect in the 2016 spring election.

Act No. 5 was introduced, which requires a biannual committee to research numbers for reapportionment to preserve equality in SGA. Pres. Zac Gillman explained the Scholarship Task Force. In his meeting with President Alisa White, a concern with the scholarship process was disclosed. According to Gillman, White said, “Developing the STF will hopefully lead to a more efficient scholarship system.”

Executive Secretary Brena Andring declared Sen. Zach Puckett Senator of the Month. *TAS*



Campus Crime Log			
Date	Time	Crime	Location
March 19	11:26 a.m.	Property Theft	Maynard Math & Science
March 18	5:05 p.m.	Property Theft	Emerald Hills & Two Rivers
March 17	4:38 p.m.	Simple Possession	Hand Village

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Photo-enforced speed limits not safe

» By **ALAINA DAVIS**
Staff Writer

Tennessee should get rid of photo-enforced speed limits, because instead of increasing safety on roadways, they cause more safety problems.

Photo-enforced speed limits have been around since 2001, but the name may be deceiving. Photo enforcers bring more revenue than they do safety. Instead of stopping reckless drivers, the camera takes pictures of the drivers’ license plates and makes them aware of the infringement after it has already passed.

“They are not as effective as they are meant to be,” said freshman interdisciplinary studies major Jenna Cottingham. “Just because your picture was taken and you get a ticket isn’t necessarily going to slow you down. I believe it’s more about the money than anything,”

According to Photo Enforced, a database of photo-enforced locations, small towns get some of their biggest revenue from these infractions.

So, what are photo enforcers really used for? Towns that have a main highway running through them are able to see hundreds and thousands of dollars come into their towns from people outside the county speeding through.

While photo-enforced speed limits are not used in Clarksville, there are red light cameras all along Wilma Rudolph Boulevard. According to the Clarksville Police Department, Wilma Rudolph is the second worst roadway for collisions in Montgomery County. This leads county officials to look at stricter rules on speed limits. The county has decided to make police more present on Wilma Rudolph instead of implementing photo enforcers. In some surrounding counties like Dickson and Robertson, county officials have decided to install the speed cameras.

However, do cameras actually make people slow down?

When a police officer sees someone speeding down a highway, he or she can pull the person over, guarding against the danger of wrecks and accidents.

When a camera catches a person in the act of speeding, the action may continue for miles and miles, and the violator won’t become aware of it until a bill comes in the mail.

Many people say you can drive five mph over the speed limit without getting pulled over, but with photo enforcement, that is not always true.

According to Photo Enforced, each county has the privilege of setting its own speed trigger for the camera to go off. Most counties set their trigger speed as 10 over the limit; however, there are a few that are set at the exact speed limit.

Where someone could get away with five over the speed limit with a police officer, an automatic system is not so lenient.

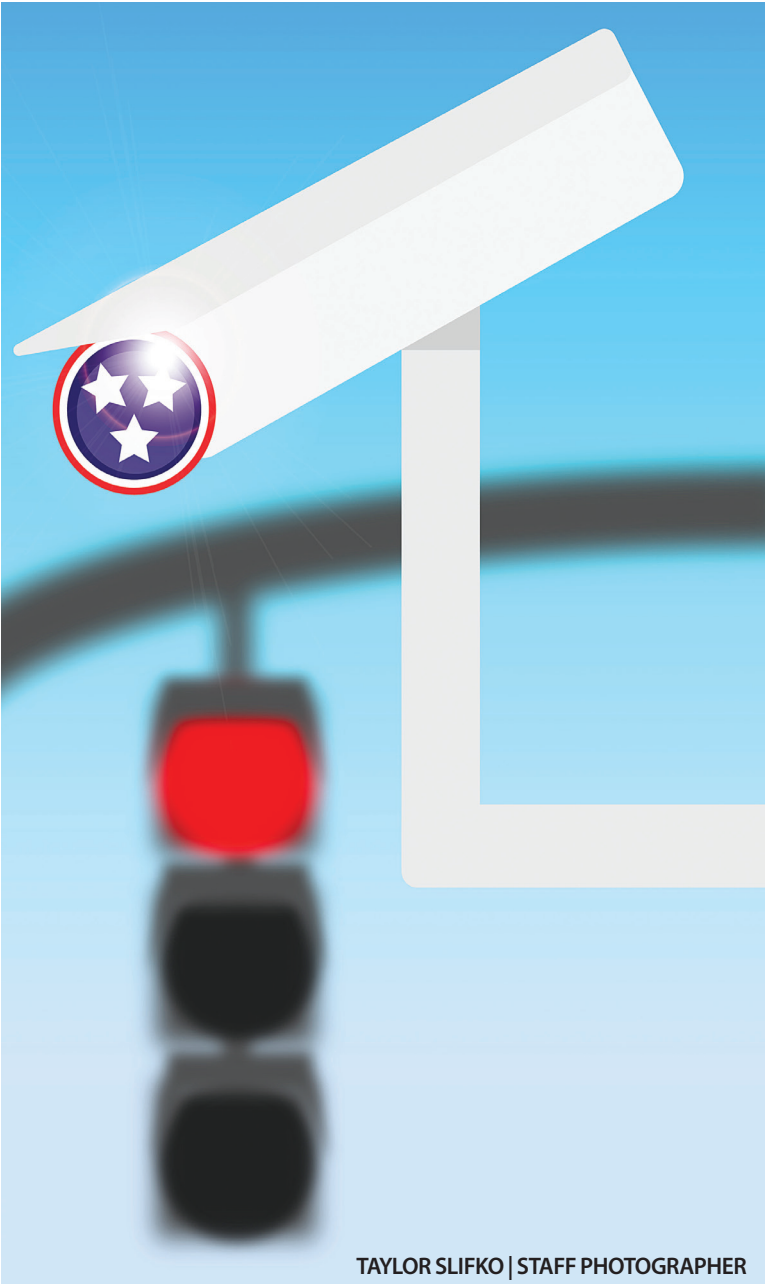
Some people believe cameras make others more aware of their speed.

“I think we should keep [photo enforcement] so people are more aware of what the speed limit is and maintain that through the photo-enforced area,” said junior nursing major Marie Bonham.

Although that may be true, the cameras can cause sudden changes in driving habits when drivers read the words “photo enforced” under the speed limit. This can cause just as many wrecks as speeding can.

It is true that people are more aware of the speed limit when it is photo-enforced, but it does not stop drivers from speeding up after they have passed the cameras. Many people manipulate the system in order to get by the cameras and not get fined.

Photo enforced speed limits should be banned not only from Tennessee, but also all other states. Police officers have been catching speeders for a century, and it has worked just fine when it comes to speed limits. *TAS*



TAYLOR SLIFKO | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Religion improves life, mental health

» By **DREW MARTIN**
Contributing Writer

While one can be good without God, is it possible that humanity is better with God? For the most part, there’s no point arguing whether someone can be good without God.

There are many examples of good people who have no belief in God. Mark Zuckerberg, Daniel Radcliffe, Billy Joel and Stephen Hawking are all good people who live without a belief in God.

However, the question is not how good a person is without God or how bad a person can be with God; instead, the question is if religion makes a person better.

C.S. Lewis, an Oxford and Cambridge professor, wrote about this issue in his book “Mere Christianity.” Lewis said the issue isn’t whether a random atheist can be a better person than a random Christian. Rather, the issue is how much better the atheist might be with God and how much worse the Christian would be without God.

Moments of evil in religion’s history and immoral people who believe in God are not examples of religion’s failings.

Religion isn’t about being perfect; it’s about recognizing that people will always be imperfect.

“Religion isn’t about being a better person; it’s about striving to be a better person,” said junior history major Zach Puckett.

This idea of religion as a vehicle for self-growth embodies the

widely-used metaphor of religion as a hospital meant to heal the sick, not the healthy.

Ironically, religion as a force of healing is not far from the truth. While religion might be intended to improve people morally, religion is also found to have a large effect on one’s health.

One study by Harvard professor David Williams, “Spirituality, Religion and Health: Evidence and Research Directions,” analyzes over 1,200 studies and examines how religion affects health. This study admits religion is not always good for one’s health, stating, “Certain types of religious coping may also adversely affect health,” which could lead to depression. Religion can also cause stress if one does not fit in well with the religious community.

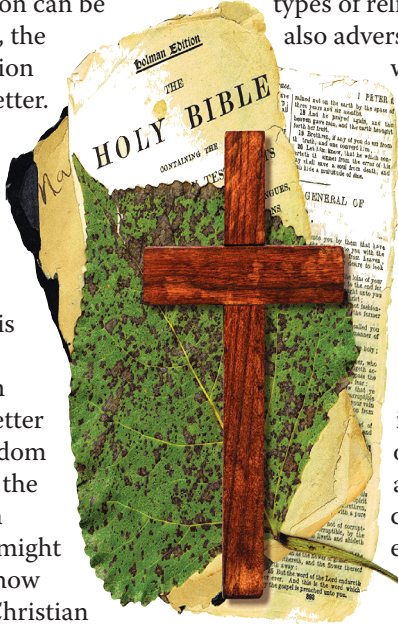
However, these bad effects are understandable, as mental health is often affected by one’s environment and how one copes with this environment.

If religious beliefs don’t allow a person to cope well with tragedy, then their mental health will be harmed.

However, religion usually provides people healthy coping mechanisms and strength in times of hardship.

These negative effects of religion, then, are the exception and not the norm.

Beyond these issues, though, religion is shown to positively affect health.



STOCK PHOTO

Morality can exist independent of religion

» By **MARINA HEAD**
Assistant Perspectives Editor

There are those who believe morality comes only from the divine or as a result of religious teachings, but this is not true.

The rules of behavior for each person come from what they have been raised to believe by their caregivers and their experiences in society. While some are raised to obey religious laws in this fashion, they show no real difference in morality to those people who were not raised religiously.

One example of this is how members of the same religion can have completely different self-governing rules.

There could be two Baptist churches on the same street that completely differ in some ways. One could preach forgiveness while the other emphasizes shaming sinners. That example doesn’t even take into account the differences between different sects in the same religion.

The Protestant revolution itself was formed because its leader, Martin Luther, did not approve of the reigning Roman Catholic Church, which he saw as sinful and decadent.

To have such a wide rift in morality within a single religion makes it difficult to say that morality was gifted rather than developed over time.

Even so, there are certain moral laws that spread across nearly every culture. For example, if someone were to walk up to an atheist and ask how he or she feels about murder, the response would likely be the same as a Christian’s: It’s wrong. Atheists are no more prone to murder than religious people, no matter the culture.

Children are taught things are right and wrong through trial and error. By the time they can actually understand religion, they already have a grasp on the concept of what is right.

The reason many religious people think godless morality is impossible is an old Christian ideal that humans are inherently bad creatures. The fear is they will revert to that evil when left unguided by religion. While it is true that there are terrible people in the

world who murder and rape without remorse, they are the exception rather than the norm.

In fact, there is a reason for that. In a study by Adrian Raine, University of Pennsylvania professor of criminology, psychology and psychiatry, it was found that people who repeatedly committed violent crimes showed less activity in areas of the brain thought to be associated with self-awareness and sensitivity to

violence. He also found underdevelopment in areas associated with decision-making and learning from mistakes.

“The findings suggest many people currently being punished for their crimes cannot actually control their behaviour and should be seen as suffering from a disorder that needs treatment,” Raine told *International Business Times*.

These people, as it turns out, aren’t inherently evil either; they do bad things but can’t seem to control themselves. These disorders do not seem to have any correlation with religion or lack thereof.

Religious extremists can also be considered criminals, possibly with similar brain processing. They believe they are doing the right thing by killing nonbelievers or people they believe are enemies of their god or gods, but many people of the same religion denounce their actions as unacceptable.

These people are as religious as they come, but they are considered the bad guys. The morality that they hold to is quite different from what would be considered appropriate.

The argument could also be raised that religious extremists actually have to toss aside their own personal beliefs about morality and take up the new one supplied to them by teachers of “the true religion.”

It is possible they are not operating by their own moral codes at all.

Speculation aside, there are so many splinters and offshoots in the idea of morality that it is hard to attribute it to just one cause.

In the U.S., there are hundreds of religions, but they all manage to live together more or less peacefully. This only adds to the idea that there is a base level of morality inherent to human beings.

Whether people are raised religiously or not, they know what’s right or wrong. *TAS*



GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

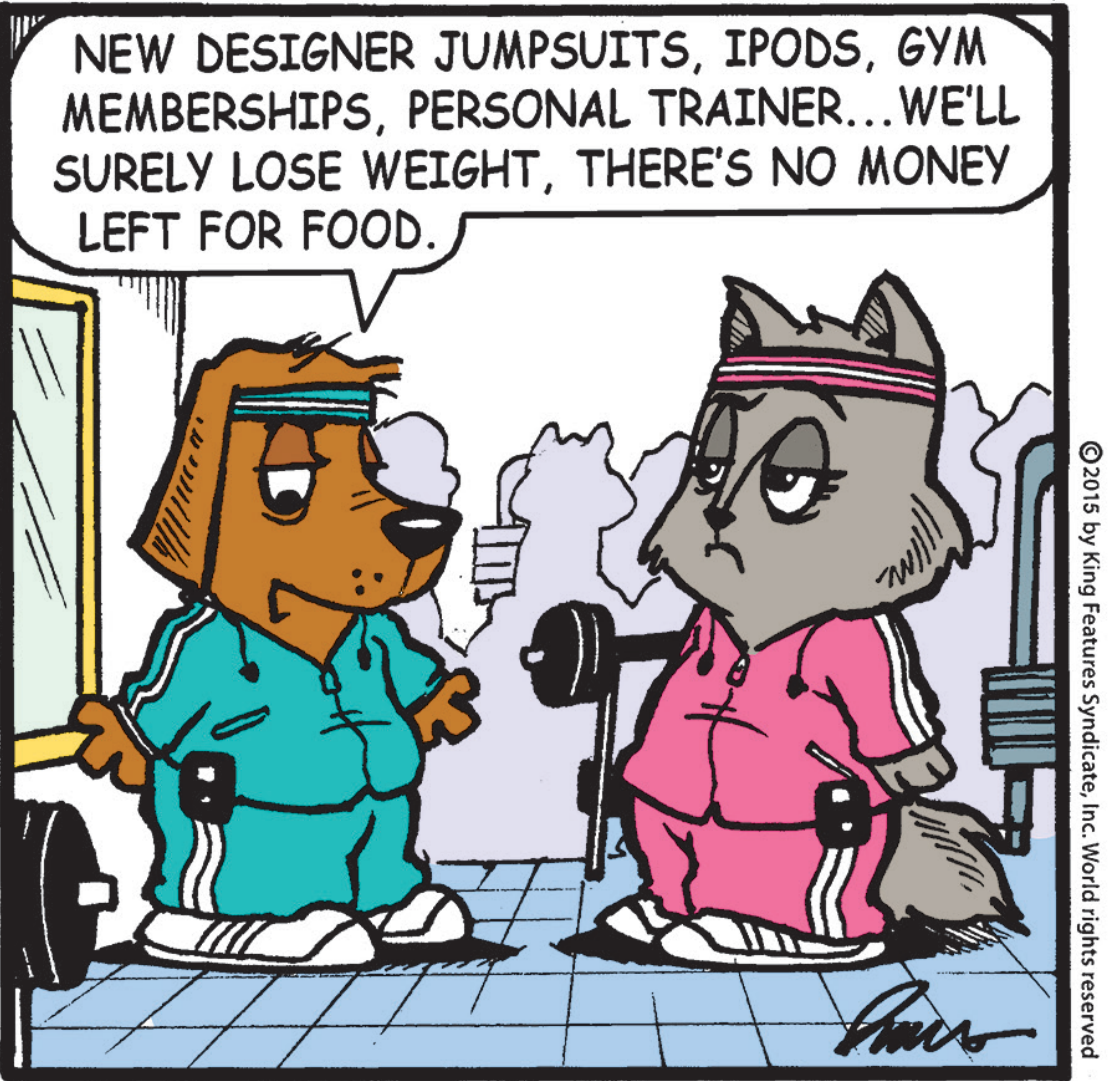
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Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



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Most Important Living Musicians

1. Tony Allen
2. Charles Aznavour
3. Harry Belafonte
4. Tony Bennett
5. Chuck Berry
6. Beyonce
7. Jay-Z
8. Bono
9. David Bowie
10. Garth Brooks

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ACROSS

1 Wound cover

5 Block of bread

9 Once around the track

12 Malaria symptom

13 Jason's ship

14 Savings plan acronym

15 Almost 6 trillion miles

17 Wildebeest

18 Approximately

19 Mrs. Fred Mertz

21 Abdomen

24 Leave out

25 Surrounded by

26 Fall month

30 Big truck

31 Pie nut

32 Actress Hagen

33 Intangible

35 Czech or Bulgarian

36 Prepared to drive

37 Aristocratic

38 Vaults

40 Fermi's bit

42 Past

43 Bar order

48 Ultramodern

49 Beige

50 "Cogito, — sum"

51 Superlative ending

52 Favorable votes

53 Carry on

DOWN

1 Bando of baseball lore

2 Hollywood trickery (Abbr.)

3 Calendar abbr.

4 "Lo!"

5 Deposits

6 Dunkable treat

7 — Khan

8 Construction bosses

9 Symbol for an idea

10 "Rule, Britannia" composer

11 One of the Beatles

16 Attempt

20 Allen or Burton

21 Naked

22 Send forth

23 "Sundown" singer

24 Elliptical

26 Require

27 Goose (Sp.)

28 And others

(Abbr.)

29 Four-star review

31 "The King"

34 Shoe width

35 Dark and gloomy

37 "To be or — ..."

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39 Many, many years

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EVENTS

Friday,
March 27

Intramural
Texas Hold
'Em,
4 p.m.,
Foy Center

Saturday,
March 28

Intramural
4-on-4 Flag
Football
Tournament,
Intramural
Field

Monday,
March 30

Student
Government
Association
election
voting begins

Zeta Phi Beta
Week

Veteran's
Affairs,
Financial Aid
and Registrar
Workshop,
11 a.m. to
1 p.m.,
MUC 120

Tuesday,
March 31

Nashville Area
Career Fair,
10 a.m. to
3 p.m.,
Williamson
County Ag
Expo Park

ANTSC
CoffeeBRAKE,
9 to 11 a.m.,
MUC 112

WNDAACC
Hot Topic:
Town Hall,
4:30 to 6 p.m.,
Clement 120

Wednesday,
April 1

April Fool's
Day

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campus events for
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Johnny's is located at 428 College St. TAYLOR SLIFKO | ASSISTANT PHOTO EDITOR

Freshness is burger joint Johnny's advantage over competitors

» By **ANDREW WADOVICK**
Staff Writer

On the south side of College Street is a small restaurant called Johnny's. Though it's not as large as other fast food restaurants, Johnny's has a long history with APSU students and the rest of Clarksville.

Justin Meeks, current owner of the restaurant, inherited the establishment from his uncle, Johnny Meeks.

"This year, we will be celebrating our 50th anniversary," Meeks said.

The restaurant recently made Thirllist.com's top 10 burger locations in the state of Tennessee, and Meeks attributes this recognition to his team's hard work.

"Our meat is freshly delivered every day," Meeks said. "We only serve what's fresh."

A number of APSU students often go to the restaurant as part of the college life. Freshman communication major Julia Summers went to Johnny's for the first time last summer.

Summers said her favorite menu item is the bun and cream, a baked honey bun

with ice cream.

Meeks emphasized Johnny's role as a local mainstay. "I see a lot of dads and moms with

“We serve completely fresh and cooked food every day, not stuff you can freeze months in advance and then microwave when the customers ask for it.”

— Justin Meeks, owner of Johnny's

their children, and then those children will bring their children," Meeks said. "It's a tradition that just keeps on going."

On top of this, Johnny's continues to embrace new methods of advertising, from website promotion to ads at local sporting events.

"These are things my uncle just didn't have back when he started," Meeks said.

When asked about his plans for the restaurant, Meeks said, "Not to sound over-zealous, but I'd really like to one-up the big guys." He pointed to larger corporate companies that "pay the company first in California or New York, while we at Johnny's pay the employees, which ends up supporting the community as a whole."

Meeks said one advantage Johnny's has over larger companies is their method of cooking food.

"We serve completely fresh and cooked food every day, not stuff you can freeze months in advance and then microwave when the customers ask for it," Meeks said. "That's where, I think, we stand out, and I want to continue that."

For those interested in checking out this restaurant for themselves, it is located just across College Street, opposite the Browning Building. Johnny's is open Monday through Saturday from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. **TAS**



This piece is part of the "Thin Skin" installation created by Karla Tucker. MEGAN ENDSLEY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

» By **LYRIC MAXWELL**
Staff Writer

Senior art major Karla Tucker exhibited her work in a senior project showcase "Thin Skin" from Monday, March 16, to Thursday, March 19, at the Trahern Gallery 108.

The series implemented a collection of wax-encased photographs. The closing reception was held at 5 p.m. on Thursday, March 19, and was free to the public.

Amy Duncan, senior studio art major and friend of Tucker's, said she appreciates how personal, yet

relatable Tucker's work is to anyone who has ever experienced self-doubt. "It inspires and sees beauty in things society might not value as beautiful," Duncan said.

Tucker said she intends for her work to allow viewers to see into private moments and thoughts of the everyday struggle of self-esteem.

"A photograph is a two-dimensional image of the three-dimensional world," Tucker said. "It's framed from inside the camera, leaving the viewers to only see what the artist intended for them to see. As human beings, we frame ourselves and our lives in a similar way."

Tucker is an artist living and working in Clarksville. Her photographs have won local awards, grants and scholarships. After graduating, she has plans to move so she can continue her studies in art and pursue a master of fine arts degree.

Tucker also has a love for art history that inspired the message behind the "Thin Skin" art exhibit.

Tucker said "Thin Skin" is about self-image, being yourself and the many different feelings people have. Out of the many pieces in the exhibit, Karla's favorite was the digital, handwork, en-caustic piece "Burn Themselves Up." **TAS**

Students snooze school away

» By ELENA SPRADLIN
Staff Writer

Some students have trouble staying awake during classes.

This phenomenon may be caused by a variety of factors. Students may find more difficulties in large lecture-based classes.

Sleeping in class may be caused by the student's lack of restorative sleep the night before or the content of the lecture itself, or it could be the sign of a larger issue at hand regarding the student's health. The consequences are the same no matter the reason, however: The professor has to deal with one or several students in his or her classroom who are missing information, and the student has spent money on a class he or she sleeps through.

For senior communication major Andre Parker, the cause of his falling asleep during class is his lack of sleep the night before.

"While it hasn't been as much of an issue for me, I do find that sometimes when classes drone on or I've had a particularly hard time sleeping the night before, or I stayed up too late playing games, it has happened," Parker said.

Parker hasn't experienced any negative side effects of sleeping during class with regard to his grade but said his geology lecture class was a "killer" for him. In addition, Parker said he sometimes had trouble staying awake during his theatre and introduction to mass communications classes.

Freshman theater major Drew Breitenbach would fall asleep last semester during his calculus II class.

"It was mostly because I knew all the topics already, [having] taken the class in high school, but also because the professor had an extremely relaxing voice," Breitenbach said. "I also don't have a very good sleep schedule, so I tend to be rather tired during my early-morning classes."

A three-credit hour course costs \$1,185 for in-state students. Both Parker and

Breitenbach spent \$28.21 on an hour-long nap every week for 14 weeks, adding up to a total of \$394.94 for the entire semester.

Professor Christopher Bailey experiences students falling asleep during his introduction to theatre and voice for the actor classes. He said these classes were typically made up of 30 or more students and always met on Tuesdays and Thursdays and began at 9:35 a.m. and 12:35 p.m. Bailey said he knows, for some students, sleeping in class occurs because they have to be awake at 3:30 a.m. to work the opening shift of a restaurant.

That has nothing to do with their academic life, but Bailey also said, "In other cases, I believe students simply cannot find the focus required for a college career, and I sometimes believe those students ought to consider whether college is an appropriate choice for them. In all cases, I find it distracting and disrespectful to me and our purpose."

Sleeping in class or at otherwise inappropriate times can indicate a larger issue. Professor Till Roenneberg of the Institute of Medical Psychology theorizes "social jet lag" may be this bigger-picture problem. Social jet lag occurs when a people's bodies tell them it is one time but their clocks tell them it is a different time. For example, a man's clock reads 1:32 a.m., but he is in a country that is 12 hours ahead of his home. His watch, and therefore his cerebral mind, says, "It's time for bed." His body answers, "It's too early for bed."

This battle between the body and the obligations (social or otherwise) tears apart the brain's ability to cognate, meaning that when a student falls asleep during class, there's a good chance the student is also not performing well in the class.

Sleep is strongly correlated to all of the body's functions, though, so if students are skipping sleep, they also run the risk of developing heart problems, memory loss and weight gain. The National Sleep



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Govs baseball loses road trip

» By **MANNY BELL**
Staff Writer

Last week, APSU’s men’s baseball team was on the road for five straight games, posting a record of 1-4. This road trip included three straight games against Murray State University, along with a game in Knoxville and a game against Jacksonville State University. The team has a 11-9 overall record and has had a strong start to this new season.

The game against Jacksonville State took place on Monday, March 16. APSU lost 12-5. The Govs could not contain Jacksonville State’s high-powered offense, with four home runs hit against APSU’s pitching staff.

The tipping point in the game was in the sixth inning. The score was already 6-1, but Jacksonville State’s Paschal Petrongolo hit a three-run home run, which blew the game wide open, and from there, it was almost impossible to make a comeback.

APSU could not get their bats going on this day, which was the main reason for the loss.

The Govs’ next game was in Knoxville , Tenn., where they took on the University of Tennessee on Tuesday, March 17. APSU lost in a close game 3-0. Through four innings, neither team could get anything going offensively, and it went into the fifth inning still tied 0-0.

The first run scored was from a solo

home run by UT’s Jeff Moberg, with the team scoring again in the sixth inning with an RBI single.

Once again, APSU could not get their offense to produce much. APSU had five hits in the game, but they were spread out and the team was unable to string together significant at-bats.

APSU started their three-game stint against Murray State on Friday, March 20. APSU lost the first game 4-3.

MSU scored three of its four runs in the second inning. With an error by APSU, three runs scored, which opened up the game.

APSU returned the favor in the fourth inning, scoring two runs off a home run. The scoring stopped after the fifth inning, with both pitching staffs holding their own.

In the second game against MSU, APSU won 2-1 in a tightly contested battle. APSU scored in the third inning, and then no one scored again until the ninth. In the last inning,

APSU scored on an RBI single. MSU had nothing going on offense, with their only run scored by an error.

The final game of the series was a 6-4 loss by APSU. APSU was leading 3-0 going into the seventh inning, but Murray responded, scoring three runs in the seventh and eighth innings to take the lead going into the ninth.

APSU couldn’t get anything going in that final inning and took the loss. *TAS*



The Govs baseball team huddles after a game. ANDREW THOMPSON | SPORTS EDITOR

Lady Govs softball drops OVC contests

» By **GLAVINE DAY**
Staff Writer

Over this weekend, the Lady Govs softball team (3-17 overall, 2-5 OVC) took on four games in Nashville, Tenn. against the Ohio Valley Conference teams Tennessee State University Lady Tigers and Belmont University Lady Bruins.

They were able to pull out one win against TSU 14-13, dropping the rest in close games.

APSU rallied in the last few innings to take the win against TSU in the first game. TSU scored five runs in the second and six runs in the fourth inning, while also scoring one run in the second and third innings.

APSU ate away, scoring three runs in the third, five in the fourth, one in the fifth, two in the sixth and three final runs in the seventh inning. The winning pitcher for this game was junior Natalie Ayala (2-6), who pitched 3.1 innings.

Game two against the Lady Tigers did not go in the Lady Govs’ favor. They lost this game 8-7, and the losing pitcher was sophomore Sidney Hooper (0-4), who gave

up 15 hits in six and one-third innings pitched.

The Lady Govs took the lead against TSU 6-2 in the fourth inning, but in the last three innings, the Lady Tigers rallied back to steal the win.

The next game against Belmont never seemed to be in favor of the Lady Govs, who lost 8-4. The losing pitcher was sophomore Allie Blackwood (1-3). Blackwood gave up 13 hits in six innings pitched. She had five errors, two walks and two strikeouts.

In game four of the weekend, a rematch against Belmont, APSU fell short by just one run, losing 3-2. The losing pitcher was Hooper.

APSU got on the board early with two runs in the second inning, but Belmont came back and scored three runs in the fourth inning, the last time either team scored.

Hooper gave up five hits in six innings, with three errors, three walks and two strikeouts.

The Lady Govs have two home games Wednesday, March 28, against Samford University at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. *TAS*

van der Merwe

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logo and the well-known “Governor Peay.” This rebranding has been met with a fantastic response from students, alumni, student athletes and the general APSU community.

The effects of the rebranding of Athletics will continue to be felt in the coming years.

The biggest thing that has stuck out to me about van der Merwe is his dedication to education and the community.

When you think about an Athletics director, you think the position is judged on the successes and failures of the athletic teams in their different fields of competition. In a way, that is true,

especially at larger schools.

The part less known or perhaps overlooked is the academic side: the reason these athletes are at the university in the first place.

Any time you spoke with van der Merwe about the Athletics Department, he would speak about how success in the classroom and the community is just as important as success on the field and say athletes have the opportunity to be leaders in more than just their sport.

That will be the legacy left in the APSU Athletics Department by van der Merwe: the high standard all future APSU athletes will have to hold themselves to on the field, in the classroom and in the community.

Despite the short time van der Merwe held the position, the next Athletics director has big shoes to fill. *TAS*

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APSU’s women’s soccer team hosted their “under the lights” bubble soccer challenge for APSU students, faculty and staff on Wednesday, March 18, at Morgan Brothers Soccer Field.

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Van der Merwe’s impact as Athletics director

» By **JOSHUA STEPHENSON**
 Staff Writer

EDITORIAL

First impressions can tell you a lot about an individual. I remember meeting Derek van der Merwe soon after he was named the 12th Athletics director in APSU history. It wasn’t a long conversation, and it might not have dealt with sports, but I could tell from that conversation how driven and focused he was in his plan for the Athletics Department.

If anyone needs proof of just how driven and focused he is, all they have to do is see the impact he has made.

In the year and a half he has served as Athletics director, the department has

seen more change and advancement than it has in the last decade. Not only was van der Merwe — who will move from the Athletics Department to the position of vice president of Advancement, Communication and Strategic Initiatives — able to identify areas of growth, but he was also able to address those areas.

On the outside, the biggest noticeable achievement was the construction of the \$20-million Governors Football Stadium that will help the football program continue to grow while modernizing facilities. This gives the campus a feeling of pride and excitement on football gameday that has been missing for a long time.

Van der Merwe also led the way in a complete rebranding of the Athletics Department that has seen changes to the

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Fall 2015 Govs football schedule released

» By **PRESTON BOSTAIN**
 Staff Writer

APSU’s football schedule has been released, and the Govs can look forward to whom they will be facing in 2015 coming off from a 1-11 overall record and 1-7 record in the Ohio Valley Conference last year.

Many fans want to see how new transfers and freshmen from this past recruiting class will perform.

The Governors will open the season at home against the Mercer Bears, who beat APSU last year at Mercer 49-21. APSU will be looking for revenge, as the Bears will be in Gov territory.

The next three games will be away against The University of Southern Mississippi, Vanderbilt University and Eastern Kentucky University. EKV will be APSU’s first game in the OVC this season.

The Govs’ first OVC opponent at home is Eastern Illinois University, followed by a road matchup against Murray State University. The Governors’ only win last year came against Murray State, a 20-13 victory that ended a 0-18 streak for the Govs.

The Govs’ next two games will be against the University of Tennessee at Martin and Jacksonville State University. JSU will be APSU’s homecoming game on Oct. 24. APSU will travel down to Nashville, Tenn., to face Tennessee State University.

The last home game of the year will be against Southeast Missouri State University. The final game of the 2015 season will be in Cookeville, Tenn., as the Govs take on Tennessee Tech University.

The Governors will be looking for fans to support them on the road and at home as they play their second season in the new Governors Stadium. **TAS**

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The university was given national coverage during his tenure when President George H.W. Bush delivered a speech at the Dunn Center.

Enrollment increased substantially during Page's tenure, and diversity on campus grew, as well. The Child Learning Center was established in 1988 to provide nontraditional students a day care for their children, and the Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center was opened in 1991.

Page is also notable for having helped preserve Harned Hall, which had been slated for demolition during Riggs's presidency. With the help of many supporters, most notably former instructor and Dean of



Page

Women Mabel Meacham, Page was able to halt the state's demolition of Harned and have it renovated in 1994 as a technologically relevant liberal arts building.

Sal D. Rinella (1994-2000)

Rinella, then serving as vice president for Administration at California State University, was selected as the president over a month after Page's resignation. Richard Rhoda served as an interim

president during the selection process and Rinella's move. The administration that followed is perhaps the most divisive in the history of APSU, sometimes referred to as the "Rinella Wars."

According to the book, Rinella had a tendency to distance himself from the faculty, involving them in the governance of the university as little as possible. This became apparent when



Rinella

he directly appointed Joe White as vice president for Student Affairs rather than using the traditional search process, and petitioned the Ohio Valley Conference to allow APSU to drop football scholarships without talking to the coaches or the Athletics director. According to Gildrie and Winn, he typically followed this pattern when making choices to avoid delay and confrontation.

This style of governance resulted in rising tensions between the faculty and administration. On Oct. 23, 1997, the Faculty Senate held a vote of no confidence in Rinella, with 27 members in favor and 14 opposed. As a result, TBR was asked to remove Rinella from his position. Instead, TBR provided a committee to aid coordination between Rinella, faculty, staff and students, which met often over the course of a year and was able to form a compromise on shared governance.

Despite criticism for his methods, Rinella made his share of positive contributions to APSU. On Jan. 22, 1999, a devastating tornado struck campus, which damaged several buildings, including Harned, Browning and other hallowed structures. Rinella initiated

a plan called "Operation Restoration," which allowed students to return and classes to begin within a week, and saw all structures fully repaired within a year. He also approved plans to build the Morgan University Center.

Sherry L. Hoppe (2000-07)

Hoppe was originally chosen as an interim president due to her experience as the president of Roane State Community College. Her job performance led TBR's chancellor to recommend her as APSU's next president, and she was appointed on Jan. 30, 2001. She holds the distinction of being the first woman to head a four-year university in Tennessee, according to APSU's official magazine.



Hoppe

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Welcome, President White, from all of the Deans, Chairs, and Faculty in the College of Arts and Letters.

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1: City Councilman and Clarksville Mayor Pro Tem Joel Wallace delivers remarks during the inauguration ceremony. Wallace made a joke about two great things coming together in Alisa White and APSU by using a Reese's Peanut Butter Cup as an analogy. **Photo by Bailey Jones**
2: Interim Provost Jaime Taylor delivers the charge as part of the formal installation of Alisa White as APSU's President. **Photo by Bailey Jones**
3: Tennessee Board of Regents Chancellor John Morgan, an APSU alumnus, places the president's medallion around the neck of Alisa White, after the investiture portion of the inauguration ceremony. **Photo by Bailey Jones**
4: Student Government Association President Zac Gillman speaks during the inauguration ceremony on behalf of the student body. **Photo by Jonathan Bunton**
5: University of Texas at Tyler President Rodney Mabry speaks as part of the inauguration ceremony for his friend and colleague, APSU President Alisa White. **Photo by Jonathan Bunton**
6: Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam speaks to Alisa White during the inauguration ceremony. **Photo by Jonathan Bunton**
7: APSU President Alisa White hugs TBR Chancellor John Morgan after being presented with the presidents medallion following her oath of office. **Photo by Bailey Jones**



Above photo by Jonathan Youngblood

ABOVE: President Alisa White helps kick off The Big Event, a city-wide community service effort, Saturday, March 21, 2015 in the Foy Fitness & Recreation Center.

Right photo by Taylor Slifko

RIGHT: Athletics Director Derek van der Merwe leads President Alisa White on a tour of the Dunn Center in August 2014. White promoted van der Merwe to Vice President of Advancement, Communications and Strategic Initiatives in March 2015.

Below photo by Meaghan Malone

BELOW: Victor Felts, right, director of Student Life & Engagement, helps President Alisa White kick off the 2014 Dance Marathon in the Red Barn.



“President White listens thoughtfully and speaks candidly.

- Mercy Cannon, Faculty Senate president



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ABOVE: President Alisa White laughs with Ernie DeWald during first APSU Bull Auction & Ribbon Cutting of the DeWald Livestock Pavilion in September 2014.

Left photo by Bailey Jones

LEFT: Alisa White delivers her remarks during her inauguration ceremony March 23, 2015 in the Mabry Concert Hall.

Below photos courtesy APSU Public Relations

BELOW LEFT: President Alisa White chats with Evans Harvill, son of former APSU President Halbert Harvill at the annual Tower Dinner in August 2014.

BELOW RIGHT: President Alisa White congratulates a graduate student at Summer Commencement on Aug. 8, 2014. It was White's first commencement ceremony as president.



“White’s enthusiasm for higher education is infectious.

- Zac Gillman, SGA president

“People who are afraid to move never go anywhere.

- Alisa White, APSU president

White's early impact already strongly felt



Photo by Megan Endsley

APSU President Alisa White delivers remarks at the Fall 2014 commencement ceremony in the Dunn Center. White was the keynote speaker for the commencement ceremonies, her first as APSU president.

APSU continues efforts to expand, welcomes new faces in first several months of tenure

By Ethan Steinquest

The All State

Although President Alisa White has spent less than a year at APSU, she has already made significant progress on behalf of the university. The results of her efforts so far will be felt across campus moving forward.

Most recently, White contributed to the selection of Rex Gandy as the provost and vice president of Academic Affairs.

The provost holds one of the most important positions at the university, as the officer chiefly responsible for all academic programs. In the absence of the president, the provost is in charge of the

university, as well.

White put together a committee that created a shortlist of candidates for the position after a national search process. "I met with each [candidate] twice," White said, "and I asked the committee to give me a list of acceptable and unacceptable candidates." She made the decision to offer Gandy the position based on a survey and her interaction with the candidates.

White praised the efforts of the committee, led by interim Dean Alex King. "They did a wonderful job putting

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APSU became the fastest growing university in Tennessee during Hoppe's tenure, with enrollment increasing by nearly 30 percent between 2000 and 2007. She also assisted in making the school's first online classes available. This curriculum grew to support 12 fully online degree programs and lead the state in online enrollment by February 2007.

Hoppe presided over the construction of the Foy Fitness Center and the Sundquist Science Complex and was responsible for the renovation of Archwood and the move of the president's residence back to campus.

Timothy L. Hall (2007-14)

Hall served as a law professor and the associate vice chancellor at the University

of Mississippi before being chosen to head APSU. The institution maintained its status as the fastest growing university during his tenure, with enrollment increasing by 16

percent over five years. Hall led efforts to construct new buildings to accommodate this growth, including Governor's Terrace North, Governor's Terrace South, the Maynard Math and Computer Science Building and Eriksson Hall.

APSU experienced strong financial growth during this time, as well. According to a press release from the university, Hall led a campaign which raised nearly \$40 million in gifts and pledges, including a single donation of more than \$13 million from Lars



Hall

Eriksson, husband to APSU alumnae Martha Dickerson Eriksson.

The university also received national attention for course redesigns and the Degree Compass, a course suggestion tool developed by former Provost Tristan Denley under Hall's leadership. In addition to coverage in publications such as The New York Times and The Economist, APSU's innovations were recognized in speeches by Bill Gates and President Barack Obama.

Alisa White (2014-Present)

White, like her predecessors, holds an impressive résumé. She previously served as the provost and senior vice president for Academic Affairs at the University of Texas at Tyler. During her tenure, she established the Patriots Applying Technology for Success and Savings (PATSS) program. PATSS is a course redesign initiative involving both the core curriculum and 10 academic majors, with an emphasis

on project-based education.

Earlier in her career, she worked at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, Texas as provost and vice president for Academic Affairs. While there, she improved the efficiency of academic units reporting to her and saved the university roughly \$100,000 per year. She also helped create a plan to fund the institution's Nursing Simulation Center.

Each of the previous presidents has left behind an important legacy, and the university has an impressive record of overcoming adversity. Only time will reveal the changes White's presidency will bring and the challenges her administration may face, but if history is any indication, APSU will continue to succeed. **TAS**



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The Office of Disability Services would like to wish President White great fortune and success in her presidency at APSU.

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together a good pool," she said. "We had a good group of finalists come in, and we were able to attract someone with a lot of experience. That speaks to APSU's reputation."

Construction, expansion continues

APSU has also gained the support of Tennessee Board of Regents and Gov. Bill Haslam to move forward with the construction of a new fine arts building, assuming it is included in the state's budget this year.

White described the project as "a

significant investment in the education of art students." Plans for the building also include a large classroom to be used by the music and communication departments. Construction is expected to begin in fall 2015.

White's administration has received permission from TBR and the state to negotiate the purchase of the Jenkins and Wynne car dealership lot, as well. Don Jenkins, the president of the Jenkins and Wynne company, has publicly stated APSU will always have the first right of refusal to acquire the property.

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APSU President Alisa White and her husband, Elliott Herzlich, left, lead the Homecoming 2014 parade through campus.

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White's vision: Global campus, identity

White wants to take APSU worldwide, expand 'niche'

By Ethan Steinquest

The All State

APSU President Alisa White has a clear vision for the university.

White wants to raise the profile of APSU, strengthen its identity and enrich the student experience through her vision and goals as APSU's 10th president.

"One of my biggest priorities is to really market and brand the university," White said. "Those of us who are here understand how special it is and how unique it is, but there are a lot of people out there who don't know us."

To better publicize APSU, White aims to promote and expand the university's



APSU President Alisa White speaks to APSU freshmen at the 2014 Peay Read. White addressed the Class of 2018 as part of the annual event and common reading program.

Photo By Megan Endsley

niche. "We have a niche that we haven't advertised broadly, and part of that is because it's a fairly new niche," she said. "We have this professional science master's degree, and we have some

programs that are very specific to the professions."

The degree offers a concentration in predictive analytics and has a focus on decision science.

White also wants to broaden APSU's student population and recruit students

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SGA President Zac Gillman, right, poses with APSU President Alisa White with one of several motivational posters that were used in a campus-wide effort to support the 2014 Peay Read events and common reading program.

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from beyond Tennessee's borders.

"We don't have a tremendously high number of out-of-state students, but if you have a niche program, people will come and learn from you," White said. "I would love to be able to look at something like a center for executive education to bring in people from all around the country to take classes, to help them move to that next level."

White hopes to see a rise in the enrollment of international students, as well.

"Some of that is because of my own interest in a global society," she said. "My sister-in-law is Thai. She came here to study and has been part of our family for some time, and I have been so enriched by that relationship."

White wants students to have the

opportunity to experience that same kind of enrichment on campus, especially those unable to take part in study abroad

programs. Concerned students can rest assured that other types of programs will not be negatively impacted.

"I don't want to lose our areas of excellence," White said. "I'm a former dean of a College of Arts and Sciences. I believe the humanities, the fine arts, the liberal arts, the core sciences ... those are critical to have an educated society, so I'm not talking at all about moving from one area

or one brand promise to another.

"I'm also interested in, of course, fundraising," White said. "My job is to tell APSU's story and get people excited about

We have some scholars on campus who do a great job in advancing their disciplines.

- Alisa White

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what we're doing, to help support us. That's a big part of my responsibility and it's something I'm proud to do."

She is confident the number of people and organizations supporting APSU will grow as the university continues to do new and interesting things.

Another of White's goals is to increase the size of the graduate school. "It would be typical for graduate enrollment to be 20-25 percent of a student population," she said. "Ours is less than 10 percent."

White also intends for APSU to expand its research profile. "We have some scholars on campus who do a great job in advancing their disciplines," she said, "and we have a fairly young sponsored research office. I think our new provost could do a lot in

that area."

Regardless of her plans for administration, White seeks to preserve one standard.

"What I don't want to lose as we grow and as we expand is APSU's culture," she said. "We have the best culture of any institution I've

ever had the privilege to join, and I say that coming from an institution I loved."

"I want to retain that regardless of what we do."

White hopes for her time at APSU to be remembered fondly.

"I want it to be remembered as a time I helped people realize their dreams and goals," she said.

"I want it to be remembered as a time I empowered

people to do great things, and that I recognized them for it and celebrated those things with them." **TAS**

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- Alisa White

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TENURE: Students welcome White

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"There are several things we can do with the property that would be good for the university," said White. "We'd like to discuss moving some high traffic offices where they're easily accessible by people from town." The administration has also considered moving the graduate school there, and intends to explore options for retail and service businesses. "I really believe [this] will be the next transformative event for APSU."

White immersed in student, campus life

White has also made sure to devote time to engaging with the student body.

"Our students are very approachable, and they also approach me," she said. "Students will come up to me, they will hug me, they will ask me for a selfie. I love that. I think that's fun."

The president has joined students for special events, including the APSU

Homecoming parade through downtown Clarksville. She also took part in the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge.

White has also taken time to show support to student organizations. "I'm a big band nerd, I love the band," White said. "This is how tacky I was. When I first got here and I listened to the band ... I took a recording of it and sent it to a former president of mine, who's a great friend who wanted a band but couldn't get it."

"One of the other things I love is the Ag farm," White said. "They named a cow after me." She was given the cow's tag, "Alisa's Dream," as a keepsake.

"I told Elliot, my husband, and he said, 'Great, does this mean we have to send her to college?'"

"I said, 'She's already in college.'"

Support from Clarksville community is 'clear'

The support shown to APSU by the



APSU President Alisa White celebrates with the Gobs football team Oct. 18, 2014 after they defeated archival Murray State, 20-13, at Governors Stadium.

Photo by Christopher Malone

community has also impressed White.

"I think it's really clear that people are invested in APSU, that there's an ownership," White said. "If I'm at the store, at the dentist, at a restaurant; it's rare that I'm anywhere that somebody doesn't come up to me and say 'Are you from APSU?' Then they tell me a story. It's because they feel ownership." That person can be anyone from the relative of a student to a citizen of Clarksville, but each shares a love for APSU.

The community's investment in APSU was shown to White before she even took

her position. "People were very interested in the process of selecting a president," she said. "They were also very concerned because they didn't want to lose what they had."

White has been thoroughly satisfied with her time at APSU so far. She summarized her experience as "interesting, phenomenal, exciting ... everything I thought it would be and more."

"I feel really fortunate to be here," White said. "All of the things I thought were possible...the things I was told by the Austin Peay community were possible, they're all true." **TAS**

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Students thrive on White's presence in classroom

President's leadership course popular, intimidating for APSU's students

By Andrew Wadovick
The All State

APSU President Alisa White takes time out of her Tuesday mornings to teach a section of Leadership Development to students in the President's Emerging Leader's Program.

Being part of the President's Emerging Leader's Program is a prestigious accomplishment for many students. This is made more evident since White is a professor for freshman PELP students.

Every semester, PELP students are required to enroll in a class for the program. For second-semester freshmen, this means taking LDEV 3001, or Leadership Issues I with White. It is a course designed to give an understanding of how leadership works, as well as the

STUDENT COMMENTARY



APSU President Alisa White talks with a student at the Ice Cream Social during The Austin Peay Experience (APEX) in August 2014.

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effectiveness of different styles.

White has followed in lieu of former APSU President Timothy Hall, who taught a section of APSU 1000 to

freshman PELP students.

White worked as an associate professor after she earned her Ph.D. in mass communication at the University of

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Tennessee at Knoxville. She then went on to become department chair, a graduate adviser, dean and provost at various universities.

"I think it's a great experience," said freshman computer science major Jordan Reedy. "At how many other places would you be able to have the actual president of the university teaching you?"

White tends to be laid back in her teaching style, preferring to initiate class-wide conversation over lecturing.

"It's a little intimidating, because we know she expects so much more out of us than most teachers, so it takes a while to get adjusted to her class," said freshman

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physics major Christy Lizura.

The class takes place on Tuesdays, at 8 a.m. White often comes in with her coffee cup, making sure everyone has enough energy to make it through the morning.

White tries to keep the classroom alive with discussion, finding group projects and other ways to keep us awake and focused. I find it touching that she finds the time in her packed schedule to teach us about leadership.

"It's obvious from the way she teaches the class that she truly loves APSU and has great plans for it," said freshman biology major Waqas Ahmed.

Reedy said being taught by White makes him feel he's experiencing something truly unique.

"It's no easy task to become a university president, so she must have quite a bit of experience in the world and we have a chance to learn directly from that," Reedy said. **TAS**

SOCIAL SHOUTS

Social media was a buzz during the inauguration of President White. Here are a few tweets from supporters giving White encouragement as she was inaugurated.



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serenading President
White!

@Joel_Wallace

Up early this morning for
@APSUPresWhite
Inauguration Day! We gotta
love our president! 👍

@GoodMan21

Alright, peayple. We officially have
our president. Welcome
@APSUPresWhite to the APSU family.

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Congratulations to
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wonderful day! We are so
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@AustinPeay. Today is a
great day for APSU!

@JWillRoberts

Congratulations to
@APSUPresWhite on her exceptional
inauguration today! We look forward
to your presidency and all you will do.

@APSUPike

Congratulations to my
teacher (and university
president) on her
inauguration today!

@APSUPresWhite
@austinpeay

@JordanReedy16



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APSU President Alisa White delivers remarks at the Fall 2014 Faculty/Staff Convocation in the Mabry Concert Hall.
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A wish of hope, prosperity for President White

We are paying witness to an occasion that is seen perhaps a handful of times in the career of any faculty or staff member at APSU, and certainly less than that for the average APSU student.

The significance of this historical landmark in APSU's treasured lineage is not lost on us, or the university community and city.

We understand the greatness of welcoming a new president into the APSU family and can only hope to grasp a fraction of the responsibility and burdens charged to President Alisa White and her team of administrators.

She has a great burden, but also a great support system. The APSU campus community is one that

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is special for a number of reasons, if only for its documented ability to support its own.

You will read in this edition that at the end of her tenure

as APSU's president, White hopes that she will have inspired others to become better, and connected them with new information and a greater understanding of the

world around them.

It is a simple but profound legacy to build.

Her goal brings forward the words of John Quincy Adams, who said, "If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader."

By that definition alone, White has already become the leader APSU needs.

She will lead the university through a period of change, growth and development, and we are confident she will bring life to Adams' words and fulfill her self-proclaimed legacy.

Collectively, we would like to wish President White the very best in her tenure as APSU president and genuinely hope she fulfills her legacy.

The Department of Biology would like to congratulate President White on becoming APSU's 10th President!



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APSU President Alisa White addresses the crowd in Mabry Concert Hall on March 23, 2015 after being officially installed as the 10th president of APSU. Guests from across the university, state and country attended the inauguration.

Alisa White

becomes 10th president of APSU

By Chelsea Leonard and Sean McCully

The All State

APSU inaugurated its 10th president, Alisa White on Monday, March 23, in a heap of praise and well wishes from those inside the Mabry Concert Hall.

Faculty Senate President Mercy Cannon

served as the master of ceremonies, which included Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam, university presidents from across the Tennessee Board of Regents and friends and colleagues of White's.

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PRESIDENT: Colleagues, friends welcome new leader with praise, hope

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Student Government Association President Zac Gillman began greetings from campus and community leaders by recounting his initial impression of White at the beginning of his term as SGA president.

Gillman said he quickly learned White's enthusiasm for education was contagious, and feels she is a great fit for APSU.

"I know this university is on the verge of something great. ... Dr. White, you are that something," Gillman said, whose remarks served as a prelude of what became high praise during the inauguration remarks.

Among the many speakers who welcomed White, one common theme arose: White's commitment to community at APSU.

Brandon Harrison, president of the National Alumni Association, said White has a "passion for fostering community at APSU."

Joel Wallace, Clarksville Mayor Pro Tem, lightened the formal tone of the proceedings by comparing APSU's relationship with the community to a Reese's peanut butter cup. "Peanut butter is good. Chocolate is good. Put the two of them together, it's really good. Here's to a bright future with two great tastes that taste great together," Wallace said.

APSU is unique in its proximity to Fort Campbell and White has worked alongside Garrison Commander Col. David Dellinger to continue to facilitate the relationship between the post and APSU.

"She's not once been afraid to climb in the foxhole with us," Dellinger said of White.

Not only did White receive accolades for commitment, but also for diligence. Previous colleague and mentor Rodney Mabry, president of University of Texas at Tyler who nominated White for the presidency at APSU, said, "White is not afraid of hard work."

Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam attended the event to welcome and encourage White's new position. He had a positive opinion on the current standard APSU sets for colleges in Tennessee.

"We can't think of a more important time to be involved in higher education or a more important university," Haslam said.

White addressed the crowd after receiving the presidential medallion, expressing gratitude.

"To whom much is given, much is required. I have been given much. I am



Photos by Bailey Jones

ABOVE: John Morgan, chancellor of the Tennessee Board of Regents and APSU alumnus, congratulates Alisa White after administering the oath of office March 23, 2015, officially installing White as the 10th president of APSU. **BELOW:** Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam shakes hands with APSU President Alisa White after delivering remarks, congratulating her on her inauguration.

honored," White said.

Interim Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Jaime Taylor spoke favorably of the future of APSU in White's term as president for the years to follow. Taylor also issued the formal charge to White, which was "to continue to nurture the culture that has helped APSU become a national leader.

"Use your vast knowledge of and experience in higher education to help APSU leverage the positive, cooperative environment we have. Help us leverage the can-do attitude and the willingness to take risks is at our core," Taylor said.

Taylor was confident and optimistic as White took his charge.

"With Alisa White as our president, there is no doubt the best is yet to come," Taylor said.

Methodist Campus Minister the Rev. Jodi McCullah delivered the invocation.

APSU Wind Ensemble gave a musical prelude and performed "The Great Elector's Cavalry" by Count Cuno con Moltke, conducted by Professor Gregory Wolyne, director of Band and Orchestral Studies for the processional.



APSU Choral Union performed "Fèt Chanpèt" by Sydney Guillaume, and APSU Chamber Singers performed "O Lux Beatissima" by Howard Helvey, both conducted by Professor Korre Foster, director of Choral Activities.

Andrea Dismukes, professor of voice at Lee University, personal friend of White and APSU alumna performed "Mon cœur s'ouvre à ta voix" by Camille Saint-Saëns, accompanied by APSU staff accompanist Anne Marie Padelford. **TAS**



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APSU's Presidency: A Retrospective

White's term adds fresh chapter to lineage of university's leaders

By Ethan Steinquest

The All State

Students, faculty and staff are focused on President Alisa White following her inauguration, but it is also important to recognize those who came before her. The previous presidents have all helped to shape the university's history, identity and mission.

APSU began as Austin Peay Normal School (APNS), a two-year college with the mission of preparing educators to teach in rural public schools. Legislation permitting the creation of the institution was passed April 26, 1927, thanks to the

support of Tennessee Gov. Austin Peay and state Commissioner of Education Perry Harned.

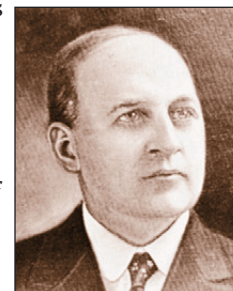
Their success in gaining the approval from both parties ensured the bill's passage through the House of Representatives, according to "A History of Austin Peay State University: 1927-2002," co-authored by retired history professors Richard Gildrie and Thomas Winn.

APNS inherited its campus from Southwestern Presbyterian University, which had relocated to Memphis a few years prior. The Normal School officially opened Oct. 23, 1929.

John S. Ziegler (1929-30)

Ziegler was selected as the first president due to his strong background in education as the former head of the Chattanooga School System and former president of the state Teachers Association. According to Gildrie and Winn, he saw 425 students enroll for the 1929-1930 academic year, 158 of whom attended the first day of registration.

Ziegler's presidency was not a long-lasting one. On May 8, 1930, he suffered a stroke while giving a speech and died the next day.

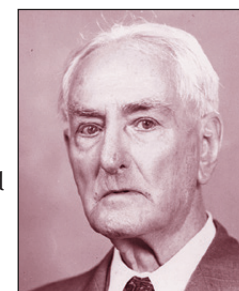


Ziegler

Philander Claxton (1930-46)

Claxton, the former U.S. Commissioner of Education under President Woodrow Wilson, was chosen as the second president. His tenure was marked by a period of significant growth for the university and his success at guiding the institution through the Great Depression with low funding.

The construction of Harned Hall, the first building the campus had not inherited from SPU, was overseen by Claxton. The building originally served as



Claxton

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F&M Bank Welcomes Dr. Alisa White

Let's Go Peay!

Dr. Alisa White, Sammy Stuard, President of F&M Bank, and Carlos Andino, 2014 APSU graduate and F&M Business Banker, are pictured prior to Welcome Reception hosted by F&M Bank honoring Dr. White.



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a women's dormitory.

In Feb. 1939, AP Normal became a three-year institution, with plans to add a fourth in 1941. The school was given the designation of a college in February 1943, and expanded to include 11 departments. At this point, the university was renamed Austin Peay State College (APSC).

Halbert Harvill (1946-62)

Harvill was a history professor who had served on the original faculty of the Normal School and as the former State Commissioner of Education. APSC was accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools under his tenure, which meant degrees granted by the college were recognized and honored by other member institutions. Enrollment substantially increased following the accreditation.

Harvill also funded a major building

program, which transformed the campus. A veteran himself, he helped open the Memorial Health building, known as the Red Barn, in 1952, dedicating it to those who fought in World War II. Other buildings erected during his presidency include the McCord, Browning, Clement and Ellington buildings, along with the Trahern Art Gallery.

Earl E. Sexton acted as president during a transition period between Harvill and his successor.

Joe Morgan (1963-76)

Morgan was serving as Tennessee's Commissioner of Education just before being selected as president. During his tenure, APSC became Austin Peay State University (APSU) on Sept. 1, 1967. He also oversaw a period of impressive growth for the campus. The state

legislature granted enough land to the institution to more than double its size.

Morgan created a committee to oversee development of new structures, resulting in the construction of the Claxton building, four residence halls, a new library and the campus's first University Center.

He also ended required weekly student assemblies and oversaw the creation of the school's first formal student government, called the Associated Student Body.

Robert O. Riggs (1976-87)

Riggs built upon the visions of his predecessors, working to strengthen APSU as an institution with a broad range of programs and degrees. His presidency marked the first time all four of the university's colleges (Arts and Sciences,

Education and Human Development, Business and Professional Programs, and the Graduate School) had deans since their formation in 1967. He also helped open APSU's Fort Campbell Center in 1978.

Oscar Page (1988-94)

Page had a different focus than previous presidents, noting during both his interview and appointment that he wanted to establish APSU as the state's "designated liberal arts institution." To help accomplish this, he convinced the Tennessee Board of Regents to establish a sabbatical program for faculty, wanting to give them opportunities to better themselves through research and publication.

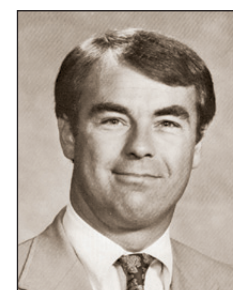
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