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## Peay Briefs

### Honor society

The next meeting of the Laurel Wreath Honor Society is Wednesday, Nov. 11 in the lobby of Harvill Hall at 3:30 p.m. Applications for membership are due Thursday, Oct. 29. Admission to the society may be obtained in one of three ways: G.P.A. of 3.25 overall, with 3.5 G.P.A. in major; completion of two honors or heritage classes; or a strong written recommendation from a faculty member. Applications are available from the Society's advisors, Dr. Warren, Dr. Phyllis Olsen, and professor Wes Jarrett. The induction ceremony has been changed to Sunday, Nov. 15 in the Harned Gallery at 4:30 p.m.

### G.H.O.S.T. story

The Austin Peay State University Student Government Association will be holding their Third Annual Great Halloween Options for Safe Trick or treating (G.H.O.S.T.) on Saturday, Oct. 31 from 6 p.m.-9 p.m. Students, faculty, administration, and surrounding area families are all invited to participate in this great event! There will be games, face painting, a haunted house, and lots, lots more, all free of charge. The event is largely supported by the donations of local area businesses and other contributors. If anyone wishes to make a donation, contact Brett A. Kealisher, SGA Student Relations Secretary, at 406-4154 or P.O. Box 8113.

### Art collection show

Chronic Insomnia, a senior exhibit by Heather Kerezsi, will be showing in the Trahern Gallery 108. The gallery will be open on Wednesday, Oct. 28 from 2 p.m.-5 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 29 from 4 p.m.-5 p.m., and Friday, Oct. 30 from 1 p.m.-4 p.m.

### Art intern wanted

The Clarksville-Montgomery County Museum is conducting a search for a student intern with painting experience for the Spring semester 1999. The internship experience would be focused on a mural painting project under the supervision of Sue Lewis at the Museum. For information, see Mr. Hochstetler or telephone Sue Lewis at 648-2790.

### STC speaker invited

The Austin Peay chapter of the Society for Technical Communication (STC) presents technical writer and Austin Peay graduate Chris White on Friday, Nov. 6 at 3:15 p.m. in the Gentry Auditorium of the Kimbrough Building. White is the sole technical writer for Technology Builders, Inc., where she creates manuals, help systems, demos and tutorials. Her topic, "Technical Writing: Beyond the Job Description" will cover the skills and attitudes needed to handle the different tasks and responsibilities that technical communicators face. Everyone is invited to this free event. There will be a reception after the presentation.

### Latin Dance

The American Legion will present a Latin Dance on Saturday, Oct. 31. There will be salsa and merengue dance contest with cash prizes. The dance will be held from 9 p.m.-1:30 a.m. The American Legion is located between Gate 6 and 7 on U.S. 41 A. Tickets cost \$5.

# Austin Peay takes back the night

By NATALIE KILGORE  
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On Oct. 24, voices were raised and hearts banded together in alliance as members of the Austin Peay community rallied in protest of the violence plaguing today's society.

Take Back The Night, an information forum and rally concerning violence, and The Clothesline Project were sponsored by the Women's Studies Program at Austin Peay. The evening included a number of speakers from Austin Peay and the Clarksville community, personal testimonies from those who have experienced violence, and a candlelight vigil to commemorate victims of violence.

T-shirts serving as a physical witness to the violence experienced by its victims were displayed all around the Joe Morgan University Center during the program. They relayed haunting messages of survival such as "You took my youth, but now I am blooming." One shirt contained a lone weeping flower with the simple phrase, "No words." Perhaps the saddest displays were the number of shirts that belonged to children so tiny that they were only able to express themselves through mere scribbles.

The program began with a moving skit entitled "Date Rape" which was performed by the APSU theater troupe Blah Blah Blah. The skit encompassed the anguish and guilt felt by the rape victim and helped to set the stage for the seriousness of the rest of the evening.

Josephine Biswell, education coordinator at Clarksville's Rape and Sexual Abuse Center, which regularly sees approximately 60 clients a month, was the first to address the small crowd.

"We need to get the word out," said Biswell. "Violence is a part of everyone's life and there are agencies set up to deal with and help the victims."

The Rape and Sexual Abuse Center was the first agency in middle Tennessee to be dedicated exclusively to serving victims of sexual assault. It offers services to victims, and their friends and family. Some of these services include a 24-hour crisis line, hospital accompaniment for the victim, crisis intervention, groups, therapy sessions and various follow-up services.

"It's important to keep in mind that one of the biggest problems is date rape," said Biswell.

Indeed, 80 percent of all rapes are committed by someone the victim knows. Only one in seven of these rapes are ever reported and only one in three end in a conviction. While the majority of rape victims are women, men are not immune to attack. In fact, 10 percent of all sexual assaults are committed against men.

Another issue addressed at Take Back The Night was the violence perpetrated against gay men and lesbians.

"We have to learn tolerance of those that are different," said APSU professor Glenn Carter, chairman of the department of Social Work.

Carter, who teaches a class on human sexuality, spoke about discrimination and violence throughout history against persons of homosexual orientation.

During World War II, homosexuals were placed in concentration camps and forced to wear a pink triangle on their shirts. In 1991, a gay man was mugged on a city street in Dallas, Texas by a mob carrying boards with nails sticking out of them.

Most recently, the slaying of the gay University of Wyoming student Matthew Shepard has received much attention. Shepard was robbed, beaten, and left to die. It is believed he was singled out because of his sexual orientation. At his funeral, anti-gay demonstrators showed up waving explicit and profane signs in plain sight of his grieving friends and family.

Carter argued that being gay or lesbian is not a choice and that every person is born with a sexual orientation. The professor also urged the crowd to write their congressmen and express their voices about passing laws concerning gay and lesbian rights such as the Hate Crimes Prevention Act which is being put through Congress now.

Austin Peay art professor Bruce Childs also spoke on the issue of gay and lesbian rights, sharing his own personal story with the crowd. He delivered the heart-felt message that just because a person is gay, it does not mean that they do not have feelings.

"I'm religious. I'm a person who loves and a person who cares," said Childs who is also the advisor for the APSU chapter of the United Support of Gays, Lesbians, and Bisexuals. "If you don't know anyone gay, come up here and I'll give you a hug."

Mid-way through the evening, the floor was opened for anyone in attendance at Take Back The Night to share their personal testimony of violence that had affected them someone they loved.

Samantha Townsel, a student at Austin Peay and the chairperson of the Concerned Citizens of Clarksville, spoke of how the Baskin Robbins murders of APSU student Angela Holmes and Northeast High School student Michelle Mace two years ago changed her life.

"I have never felt so close to being hurt physically," said Townsel. "I live around the corner, I am an Austin Peay Student, and I have three kids. It could have easily been my 16-year-old daughter."

Townsel became involved with the Concerned Citizens of Clarksville after the murders. The organization fosters a volunteer citizen's patrol which checks on people working late shifts and acts as an "ear for the police."

Townsel urged everyone in the room to get involved. "Crime has no boundaries. It

can come into your home or your school. It can happen to you."

John Jackson, of the Worldwide Human Rights campaign and a member of Amnesty International, spoke of the atrocities of violence taking place throughout the world. He challenged people to become involved in order to "help silence the cries of the victims."

Several members of the Women's Studies Program shared personal essays, poems, and stories they had written to help raise awareness about violence and abuse. Many members of the audience also came forward to tell their own true stories. As these brave souls came forward to share the stories of their lives, the crowd sitting in hushed silence was visibly moved. Some of the audience members could be seen wiping tears from their eyes.

Cindy Long, a therapist at Weems Academy and an APSU alumni, spoke about the alternative school for abused children. She emphasized the psychological affects abuse has on a child that often carries over into adulthood.

According to Long, many women are afraid to marry and have kids because they are afraid they might perpetuate the abuse they suffered as a child onto their family.

Similarly, many sex offenders are sexually abused as children. Long argued that it did not have to be that way and that the first step in the healing process is to have no secrets.

"These shirts make me smile," said Long as she gazed at the results of The Clothesline Project hanging all around her. "The reason is because they are very powerful. I've watched young adults work their way out of a hole that they thought was hopeless. It's wonderful to be able to see them make that step."

Linda Wall, executive director of Urban Ministries, which runs Safehouse, was the last speaker of the evening.

Safehouse, a domestic violence shelter for women and children, is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The shelter offers a children's program which helps kids let out their feelings through artistic expression. It also provides battered women with bus tickets to go home to their families if they choose and helps with expenses for women who are moving out on their own.

Last year, Safehouse received 800 crisis calls and served 1,600 clients.

Wall emphasized that domestic violence is about control. In fact, 75 percent of all murdered women are killed while attempting to leave an abusive relationship. Eight domestic violence deaths were reported in Clarksville last year.

Take Back The Night had an emotional impact on all in attendance.

"If you walked out of there without a tear in your eye for at least one of those people that spoke, you are not human," said Sharon Steiert, a sophomore business



photo by Kristi Curtis  
During the candlelight vigil, students remember those touched by violence.

management major.

The evening concluded with a candlelight vigil in the bowl to commemorate those, both living and deceased, whose lives have been touched by violence. As the small band of activists stood illuminated by the eerie glow of the candlelight flickering in the night, this reporter was given hope that perhaps someday the world will be a safer place.

The Women's Studies Program would like to extend their personal thanks to Delta Sigma Theta for all of their help and donations for Take Back The Night.

If you or someone you love is in need of assistance there are several numbers where help can be reached:

Domestic Violence Support Group  
552-6900/648-9100

Impact Crisis Line & Services  
572-0014

Mental Health Center  
648-8126

Rape and Sexual Abuse Center  
647-3632/800-879-1999

Safehouse Hotline  
552-6900

Safehouse Non-Emergency  
648-9100

Rescue Squad  
645-2646

APSU Student Development Center  
648-6162

# Students create 'links' to Austin Peay

By NATALIE KILGORE  
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In recent years Austin Peay has boasted one of the largest increases in enrollment of any state university in Tennessee. An organization that many on campus may not know about is one of the primary factors in this increase.

LINKS To Excellence is an organization composed of Austin Peay students who volunteer their time and energy to aid in the university's recruitment effort. The students, known as LINKS members, contact prospective students throughout the academic year to provide information, deadline reminders, answer questions, and give the prospects a "link" to Austin Peay.

"The Austin Peay students may seem more credible than the admissions counselors because they are actually living the experience," said Brooke Olson, graduate assistant for LINKS To Excellence. "Some of the contacts find them easier to talk to."

Founded in 1992 by Charles McCorkle, director of admissions, the program's mission is to provide

high school and community college students information about Austin Peay, to aid in the college transition, and to help the students make well-informed decisions.

Most of the students contacted by LINKS have displayed an excellence in both the classroom and extracurricular activities at their prior institution. LINKS works to recruit these students in order to maintain the outstanding student body at Austin Peay.

Another function of LINKS members is assisting the university in working AP Day, an annual event that serves as an open house for any individual interested in Austin Peay.

LINKS To Excellence also hosts a yearly event known as LINKS Day for students in the program. The students are invited to bring their parents along for a day of personal tours, parent panels, and sessions that include information on housing, financial aid and scholarships.

LINKS Day is also a chance for students to meet and have lunch with their LINKS members. This interaction is just another way that LINKS helps to aid in the college

transition.

"If you're walking on campus and see a familiar face, it means the world," said Olson. "It makes you feel at home."

This year's LINKS Day is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 30.

LINKS To Excellence not only offers a service for prospects, but also for its members. Through various responsibilities associated with LINKS, members are able to enhance their leadership, communication and organization skills.

LINKS To Excellence has enjoyed an extremely high success rate over the last six years that have made it a valuable part of the recruitment effort. Of all students contacted by LINKS members last year, 85 percent enrolled in Austin Peay.

"I think LINKS To Excellence is the type of program that should exist at every university," said Olson. "It's an attractive element at Austin Peay. It shows that we really care about our incoming students. It shows what Austin Peay can offer."



photo by Chris West  
LINKS members gather for a meeting about AP Day.

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## Peay Briefs cont.

### Red Mud Review

The Red Mud Review wants submissions for the Spring 1999 issue. The Review needs five to 10 poems that should be sent to campus P.O. Box 9579, 7-9 page short stories and up to 25 pages of longer fiction to be sent to campus P.O. Box 7202, and up to 5 pictures for black and white photography should be hand delivered to Zone 3, Harned 304. The deadline for all submissions is Friday, Nov. 13 at 5 p.m.

### Pi Nu society hosts sale

Satisfy your sweet tooth and aid a worthy cause by supporting Austin Peay's Spanish honor society, Pi Nu, in its annual advent calendars sale.

The calendars are full of delicious chocolate and are only \$4. The proceeds of the sale will go to support orphans sponsored by Pi Nu in Mexico and to help students afford study-abroad programs in Mexico and Spain. Calendars can be purchased by contacting Dr. Ramon Magrans at 648-7847 or a member of Pi Nu.

### Student Government update

SA 009 is an act to assist a group of junior and senior nursing students of Austin Peay State University in attending the NSNA Convention in Kingsport, Tenn. from Nov. 6-8. The legislation passed with amendments allocating \$962.28.

### RA program

Jonathan Thomas will be hosting a haunted house on the first floor of Miller Hall. The haunted house will be Saturday, Oct. 31 at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

### Halloween party

The Ladies of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. are sponsoring a Halloween party for the children in the Clarksville community. The party will be held Friday, Oct. 30, in the Governor's Room of the Joe Morgan University Center from 5 p.m.-7 p.m. Parents bring your children out to have great times, fun, food and prizes. Be sure to wear your costumes.

### Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship

Austin Peay State University students interested in a career in mathematics, the natural sciences, or engineering are invited to apply to the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program. In April 1999, the Foundation will award scholarships to students who will be college juniors and seniors during the 1999-2000 academic year. In order to be considered for an award, students must be nominated by their institution. The deadline for receipt of all 1999 nominations is Jan. 15, 1999.

The scholarship award covers eligible expenses up to a maximum of \$7,500 per year. Junior scholarship recipients can expect to receive a maximum of two years support. Seniors are eligible for one year of support. To be eligible, a student must be a current full-time sophomore or junior and must be pursuing a baccalaureate degree, have a B average or equivalent, stand in the upper fourth of the class, and be U.S. citizen, resident alien, or U.S. national who will pursue a career in mathematics, the natural sciences, or engineering. Interested sophomores and juniors should contact Dr. John D. Foote in McCord 100 by Nov. 1.

### Book Talk

The Women's Studies Brown Bag Series presents Book Talk. All Austin Peay faculty, staff, and students are invited to bring a lunch, listen to a review, and participate in a discussion about a particular book. The Women's Studies program will discuss "The Way We Never Were: American Families and the Nostalgia Trap" by Stephanie Coontz. The discussion will be Vlatka Velic from the department of Languages and Literature. The discussion will be Wednesday, Nov. 18, from noon 12:50 p.m. in the library study rooms 5-6. For more information, contact the Women's Studies Program at 648-6314.

### Giving Campaign

There is an opportunity for Austin Peay students to give back to the community. On Wednesday, Nov. 4, all Austin Peay students, faculty, staff and administrators are invited to participate in a day of giving and caring to those in need. On Nov. 4, representatives from 18 charitable organizations will be in the University Center to solicit funds and to share information about their charities. These charities include agencies such as the United Way of Clarksville, Alzheimer's Association, and the Council of Community Services. This is an opportunity for you to help someone in need by your personal donations and to find ways you can volunteer your time and talents.

Join the university community as "Austin Peay Opens its Heart." Stop by the University Center between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. to make a personal donation and find out more about these charities. The goal is to combine the contributions of students, faculty, administrators and staff to raise \$25,000 to help these charities. Any donation will make a difference to someone in need.

### FOCUS meetings

FOCUS Young People Emerging is a program designed to aid in the positive self-awareness of African American students.

On Thursday, Oct. 29, Linda McClelland and Aida Batson will speak on Healthy Lifestyles, Part 1.

On Thursday, Nov. 5, Dr. Elizabeth Dixon and Blanche Wilson will speak on Healthy Lifestyles, Part 2, as well as Individual Assessment of Managing Stress. The meetings will be in the Executive

Dining Room from 5-7 p.m. For more information, contact the Office of MultiEthnic Services at 648-7004.

### Learning disability workshop

The Office of Disability Services is offering a workshop on learning disabilities for all students, staff and faculty. The workshop will take place today at 2 p.m. It will be held in Clement 233. For more information, call 648-6230.

### Java the Hutt news

The University Programs Council will host a jazz night for Austin Peay students and faculty. On Monday, Nov. 9, the doors of the Clement Auditorium will open at 7 p.m.

### Research Competition

The Presidential Research Scholars competition is open to undergraduate students in biology, chemistry, geology/geography, math/computer sciences, physics and psychology. Applicants must identify a faculty member who agrees to serve as mentor/collaborator for the proposed research project. Awards will be based on a competitive proposal prepared jointly by the applicant scholar and his/her faculty mentor. Students may apply for awards at \$3000 or \$1500 levels. Interested students should contact faculty mentors now to start planning research projects. Or, if you need help identifying a potential mentor, you may contact a member of the PRC Steering Committee. The members are as follows:

- Dr. Willodean Burton/Dr. Don Daily, biological sciences
- Dr. Rudy Gostowski, chemistry
- Dr. Maureen McCarthy/Dr. Nanci Woods, psychology
- Dr. James McClusky, geology/geography
- Dr. David Menser, math and computer sciences
- Dr. Pei Xiong-Skiba, physics

Proposal guidelines are available in the Office of Grants and Sponsored Programs. The deadline for submission of proposals is Nov. 9, and awards will be announced no later than Dec. 1. For additional information, telephone 648-7881.

### Demolition derby

The Cheatham County Fair Association is hosting a demolition derby on Friday, Oct. 30 at 8 p.m. at the Cheatham County Fairgrounds in Ashland City. They challenge all fraternities, sororities, clubs, and students to get a car and see who is the best driver. The entry fee is \$25; admission is \$5; and the purse is \$1,600. 1st through 5th place are paid finishes. A haunted house will also be on the grounds the same night. Present your derby ticket and receive a \$2 discount on admission to the house.

### Peppermint affair

The third annual Peppermint Affair is on the way. The semi-formal event will be Saturday, Nov. 21, from 9 p.m.-1 a.m. at the Holiday Inn on I-24. Beginning Nov. 10, members of the Delta Sigma Theta will have tickets available for sale. The prices are \$7 in advance and \$10 at the door.

### Favorite scary movie showing

On Friday, Oct. 30 the University Programs Council will present "Scream I and II" in the Clement Auditorium at 6 p.m. For Halloween fright and terror, don't forget to attend.

On Saturday, Oct. 31 the UPC will present "Hocus Pocus," the funny adventure movie about three witches, in the Clement Auditorium at 3 p.m.

### Halloween party

The Wesley Foundation will present a Halloween party on Thursday, Oct. 29 at 7 p.m. The party will be at the Methodist student center on College Street, across from the Austin Peay campus.

### Extended Ed courses

ACT Prep course will be offered on Wednesdays and Thursdays, Dec. 2, 3, 9, 10, from 5 p.m.-8 p.m.

Health Care, course K20, will be Saturday, Oct. 31 from 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. The course fee is \$32.

Computer hardware upgrading will be Mondays and Wednesdays, Nov. 2-18, from 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. The course fee is \$75. The textbook fee is \$50. The supply fee is \$5.

Advanced Watercolor will be Tuesdays, Oct. 27-Dec. 15, from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. The course fee is \$104.

Advanced Visual Basic will be Tuesdays and Thursdays, Oct. 29-Nov. 24, from 7 p.m.-9 p.m. The course fee is \$116. The supply fee is \$5.

Recertification, course K35, will be Saturday, Nov. 7, from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Newsletter Preparation-Desktop Publishing will be Saturdays, Oct. 31-Nov. 7, from 1 p.m.-4 p.m. The course fee is \$39.

Learn to Ride, a motorcycle education program, will be Oct. 23-25. The Friday class will be from 6 p.m.-10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday courses will be from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. The second weekend will be Oct. 30-Nov. 1. The times are the same for both weekend. The seminar includes 10 hours of classroom instruction and 10 hours of motorcycle riding instruction. Topics to be covered include operation of controls, basic maneuvers, street-riding strategies and handling emergencies. A basic skills test and written exam will be administered in order to receive a certificate from the Motorcycle Safety Foundation and the State of Tennessee.

Computer networking will be Mondays and Wednesdays, Nov. 2-18 in the Solution Center. Participants should be familiar with basic hardware and Windows terminology and concepts. Michael Rhoden will instruct the class. The course fee is \$131.

For more information about any course, call 648-7816, or visit the Business and Community Solution Center at 106 Public Square, City Hall.

# Dead visit in peace

By SHANA THORNTON  
news editor

In the Hispanic culture, particularly the Catholic Hispanic culture, it is not uncommon to view a scene of deathly celebration on Nov. 1 and 2 of each year. Instead of the dead resting in peace, they tend to visit in peace. During El Dias de los Muertos, or The Day of the Dead, families often create elaborate altars in honor of dead family members. The altars are decorated with various items that are thought to help the dead find their way back to the living for a spiritual reunion.

"People in the United States generally think it is gory, but if you can live with death, you don't have a problem fearing it," said Dr. Ramon Magrans, professor of Spanish at Austin Peay State University. "It has always been in our culture to recognize and honor death."

Magrans will have a film showing in the Media Center of the Woodward Library that could help students become familiar with the Hispanic custom. Magrans explained that Nov. 1 and 2 are days when the Hispanic people remember departed ancestors and children. The children are believed to return on Nov. 1, so families prepare the home to welcome the spiritual visitors. On the second day, the dead adults do the same. Gravesights, where the families have picnics, are also decorated.

The offerings on the altars,

which adorn homes and sometimes gravesights, are made of flower arrangements of "cempazuchitl," the Nabuafi word for candles and marigolds. Other elaborate offerings include the favorite foods and beverages of the deceased, flowers, justice candles, fruits, pan de muerto (rounded loaves of bread), Marzipan skulls, pictures of the deceased, incense and music. In this manner, the dead are remembered and invited to share in the continuum of life with their family members.

"Death is a wonderful companion to life," said Magrans.

"We as Christians want to be with the Lord and serve him, but there are face-lifts and all sorts of things to prevent death, because there is a fear associated with it. We must remember it is a passage from one state of existence to another more permanent existence. But it is not that we go out looking for death," he said.

Contrary to morbid belief, The Day of the Dead, which is actually two days, coincides with the Catholic observance of All Saints Day and All Souls Day, respectively. Even though the observance has such religious ties, it has been commercialized in the past years. Even before it became a popular holiday, the Hispanic people held elaborate celebrations, where participants gave out candies in the shape of skulls and sold ghoulish trinkets reflecting death in a playful manner.

Magrans said. The people wear ornate, colorful mache skulls and death masks.

"We dress up and go out," said Magrans. Not only is El Dias de los Muertos a day of remembrance and respect, but it is also a day of festivity and the traditional celebration of life.

"We live in a world of uncertainty, and The Day of the Dead breaks down doubt. It allows us to be a lot more in control of life and sort things out," Magrans said. "So you have a family inner peace that allows you to concentrate on other important things. Besides, one of the requirements of dying is that you have to be alive."

Magrans will provide a film showing at the Woodward Library at 6 p.m. There will also be memorabilia and decorations for sale at the presentation.

Students feeling somewhat hesitant about the celebration might think of Shakespeare's words in Julius Caesar: "The dead die many times before their deaths. The valiant never taste of death but once. Of all the wars I yet have heard, it seems the most strange that men should fear, being that death, a mere end, will come when it comes..."



Dr. Ramon Magrans has a collection of Mexican and Mayan masks. The Mayan masks (above) are examples of traditional masks worn during The Day of the Dead celebration.

# Professor pens hope for peace

By SHANA THORNTON  
news editor

As the Middle East peace agreement has reached a long-awaited acclamation, it is not hard to wonder how long the agreement will last. Jews, Christians, and Muslims have debated since the foundation of religion. Austin Peay State University professor of religion and philosophy, Dr. Burt Randall, has researched and written about such religious disharmony in his book "Theologies of War and Peace Among Jews, Christians, and Muslims."

"The reason that I focus on these three (religions) is that each claims to have a relationship with the patriarch Abraham. Muslims are related through Ishmael, Jews through Isaac, and Paul claims in Romans that Christians are spiritual descendants of Abraham," said Randall.

"I hope that in some small way it (the book) will contribute to a better understanding among Christians, Jews, and Muslims."

According to Randall, the religions are three of the four most influential monotheisms in the West. Therefore, they are historically and theologically intertwined. In his book, Randall concentrates on the history of the conflict that is going on in the Middle East today, and the influence that religion has on that conflict.

"Needless to say, Abraham's children have been quarreling for centuries. They use scripture to justify themselves in these quarrels," said Randall.

The book, however, centers on what the scriptures of Judaism,

Islam, and Christianity say about war and peace. In the last chapter, Randall gives a theological and ethical argument for peace among them that is based on their own scriptures.

It is difficult to understand why there are so many quarrels when the foundation of all three religions is one of peace and love. However, Socrates offered advice when he said wisdom begins in the awareness of one's ignorance and the desire to learn and correct such ignorance. Randall confirms that the people of Christian, Islamic, and Jewish belief continue to be ignorant of one another.

"The more we understand about one another, the greater the possibility of lessening conflict," Randall said. "Most of the conflict between Israel and the Arab world is a 20th Century product of the mess the French and British made during their attempt at conversion."

Not only does Randall explain conflict, but he also explains the historical base of such conflict. Monotheisms have been the least tolerant in terms of religious diversity. Christianity with 1.6 billion members and Islam with 1.2 billion have the largest missionary efforts. This means that two out of every five people in the world is either Muslim or Christian.

"The world doesn't need any Christians and Muslims," Randall said, "but more thinking Christians and Muslims who attempt to live by the values in their holy books. The world would be a better place."

At their spiritual depth, the

three monotheisms share a common ending line of honest attribution. Therefore, while they have different beliefs, they share a common set of values, according to Randall.

"If we concentrate on the values, that could lead to conversion and growth rather than conflict," Randall said.

The first chapter discusses common characteristics that the three religions share. Randall explains how the common characteristics influence the relationships between Judaism, Islam, and Christianity. Randall uses his own experiences, as well as historical basis, to explain the characteristics of war and peace among the religions.

"I've been able to integrate things I have been studying with my experience travelling in the Middle East for 25 years," said Randall.

In fact, during December 1994 and January of 1995, Randall completed much of his research at the American Center for Oriental Research in Amman, Jordan. He also spent Christmas in Bethlehem one year after the Oslo Accords, which were signed between Ravin and Arafat.

Bruce Childs, Austin Peay professor of art, designed the book cover, which was also researched and includes religious symbols in vibrant defining color, and Arabic, Hebrew and Greek scriptures.

Randall's book, which is due at the end of the year, can be purchased for \$109.95 from The Edwin Mellen Press or for \$39.95 from the Austin Peay Book and Store.



# Imitation is sincerest form of flattery

By NATALIE KILGORE  
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Today, the Lantern Club will be hosting "Dress Like A Professor Day" which will give students the opportunity to transform themselves into the mirror image of a university professor.

Students may choose to dress up like one of their own professors or a professor in general to compete for prizes that will be given to the best imitations.

"This is a great chance to parody your professor," said Jill Franks, assistant professor of Languages and Literature, who is also a co-advvisor of the Lantern Club.

On the flip side, professors are also being asked to dress up like a student or a particular student that he or she has in class.

Any student majoring in English is automatically a member of the Lantern Club. The organization, which has been generally a formal one in the past, underwent a transition after professors Jill Franks and Michael Schnell became the advisors. The professors' main goal is to make the Lantern Club a fun activity while sponsoring useful events at

the same time.

"The Lantern Club is loosely structured," said Schnell, associate professor of Languages and Literature. "It's main purpose is to remind English majors that it's fun to be an English major."

The organization also includes four student officers who serve as a board for the club. These officers are actively involved in helping to run the club, creating new ideas, and working to increase active membership.

"It has been a lot of fun working with the Lantern Club and trying to drum up new members," said Jennifer Beckelhymer, who serves as one of the officers. "It was once a dead society, but now we are trying to revive a dead horse."

The Lantern Club tries to sponsor at least one fun event and one career-oriented event a year for its members and the university community. Last year the club sponsored a "Bad Poetry Contest" which awarded a prize to the student who wrote the worst poem and recited it at Brunie's, the popular Clarksville hangout known for its open-mic nights.

The Lantern Club will also sponsor a Career Day program for

English majors later in the semester. The program will consist of a variety of Austin Peay graduates who majored in English and are now members of the work force. The speakers which will include technical writers, editors, and teachers will offer English majors insight and advice concerning the job market based on their own experiences.

The advisors and officers are also contemplating sponsoring more events throughout the year including a day where students can dress up like their favorite literary figure. An information forum for English majors to voice their concerns and opinions concerning the English department and curriculum has also been discussed.

The Lantern Club is anticipating a large turn-out for "Dress Like A Professor Day."

"It's not only a way of teasing each other," said Schnell. "It's a way of showing affection and respect for each other."

Participants will gather outside of Harned 231 before and after 9 p.m. classes in order to be photographed in their costumes. The pictures will then be placed on a bulletin board hanging in the hallway where students may vote on the best costume. Winners will be announced outside Room 231 at 2 p.m.

# Students speak out about Shepard murder

By JEROME PARCHMAN  
Staff writer

On Oct. 7, Matthew Shepard, a 22 year-old University of Wyoming student, was beaten, strung up on a ranch fence, and was left there to die. A passing bicyclist, who thought Shepard was a scarecrow, summoned help.

Shepard was in a coma for five days. His assailants smashed his skull so badly that doctors could not operate. Shepard died on Oct. 12, from the injuries he had suffered.

The police have said the motives for the crime were robbery and because Shepard was gay.

The two men who are charged with the crime, Russell Henderson and Aaron McKinney, met Shepard at a local tavern. According to witnesses, the two men convinced Shepard that they were gay. The police said the two men then lured Shepard out of the bar and into a pickup truck.

As they drove to a remote area east of town, the two men began to pistol-whip Shepard. Henderson and McKinney then, according to authorities, tied Shepard spread eagle to a wooden fence, stole his wallet and

shoes, tortured him, and bashed his skull with the butt of a handgun.

Tara Eckert, a sophomore social work major at APSU, said she was appalled by what happened to Shepard. "There is still an amazing amount of homophobia and lack of education when it comes to gays and lesbians."

Many gay rights activists plan to use Shepard's death as a catalyst, to urge the passing of hate crime legislation around the country. President Clinton has called on Congress to pass the Hate Crimes Prevention Act. This bill would broaden the definition of a hate crime, and would include those who are targeted because of sexual orientation, gender, or disability.

"Legislation to protect gays is not needed," said Charlie Tuttle, sophomore Spanish and German major at APSU. "Gays need to be respected by the government and treated equally. Once the government shows the respect for gays that all human beings deserve, I feel that much of the violence will decrease. People will know that the government does not allow people to be hurt who have rights, because the government protects people they consider worthy of having rights. This whole issue is stupid, I sit around and I think 'all men are created equal,' shouldn't that answer all?" Tuttle said.

The Intertribal Pow-Wow last weekend was an invitation for Native Americans to visit the AP campus and show students an alternative culture.

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## Happy Halloween

Q: Where does Dracula keep his valuables? A: In a blood bank  
Q: Where do mummies go for a swim? A: The Dead Sea  
Q: What do evil chickens produce? A: Deviled eggs  
Q: Why do cemeteries have fences around them? A: Because people are dying to get in  
Q: Why do demons and ghouls hang out together? A: Because demons are a ghouls' best friend  
HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!



Last Tuesday, the Hypnotist Extraordinaire, Jim Wand took advantage of several Austin Peay students by making them believe their shoes were binoculars. The students believed they were watching a horse race.

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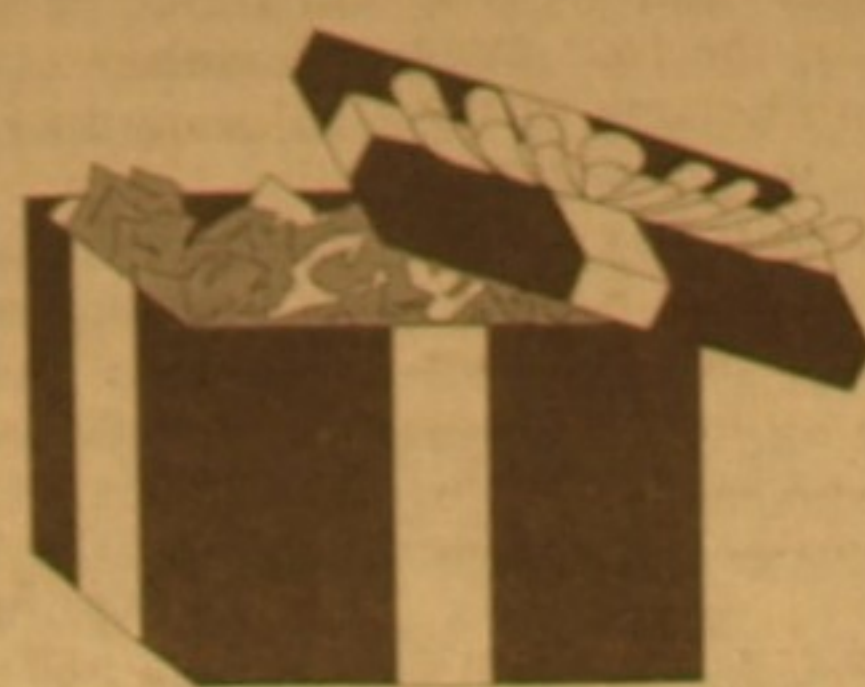
## "HELP AN ELF" PROGRAM

The annual "Help An Elf" Christmas Program is now underway. Help An Elf is designed to assist eligible APSU families provide gifts for their children. Gifts for the children in the program are provided by APSU groups and organizations.

Recipients of the holiday gifts will be income eligible children of full-time APSU students and income eligible APSU support staff. Applications are available in Student Affairs, 202 Ellington.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Reader finds Rudder very offensive

Dear Editor,

I was visiting some friends on campus recently and came across an All State, which I was struck by the bitterness and anger in a Letter to the Editor from Kristen Rudder, who was directing her fury at two other people.

I truly hope Ms. Rudder isn't this bitter and angry all the time. Life is very short, and I'm sure she deserves, as most people do, to be happy and content. But I would like to take issue with a few statements in her letter.

Ms. Rudder stated that "only a white male could write about the world from such a sexist, racist point of view." Clearly, she needs to get out more. One look at an issue of "The Final Call," one reading of anything by Louis Farrakhan, one conversation with anyone who monitors hate groups, and she would see that sexism and racism come in both genders and all races. In fact, I challenge Ms. Rudder to explain how her statement is not both sexist and racist in itself. Surely she can see the unfortunate parallel between her statement and one such as, for example, "only black women are on welfare."

I also take issue with her statement, "As a feminist, I am infuriated by your kind—how dare you lecture women on what the women's movement has become." I'm afraid to ask what she means by the words "your kind," but I know such words can only polarize people into "them" and "us" and lead to no meaningful or helpful dialogue. Nor do I see what gives Ms. Rudder more right to lecture on the

women's movement than Jeff Dean. So, he's a guy. He still gets to have an opinion, even on feminism. Ms. Rudder doesn't have to like it, but he does get to have it and publicize it, and it is up to her to refute it intelligently rather than to censor it.

Finally, although she was willing to slam Mike Warren as a "religious zealot," I didn't see very much in her vitriolic verbal assault on him that might suggest open dialogue, compromise or understanding.

One of the best ways to have truly intelligent conversations is to allow everyone, even the lunatics, a voice. That means that white people discuss minority issues, minorities discuss white issues (if anyone will admit to having one), heterosexual people discuss heterosexuals discuss homosexual issues, women discuss men's issues, etc. This helps prevent all of us from becoming fanatics.

I'm sure Ms. Rudder means well. She has strong beliefs, and it's a good and powerful thing to be willing to stand up for them, even passionately. But, as I have learned, angry attacks only allow one to vent; they don't often solve problems, and frequently, they result in deeper misunderstandings.

I hope Ms. Rudder calms down, and then writes again.

Laurie Rogers  
Fort Campbell, Ky.

### The Executive Branch speaks out

Dear Editor,

In regards to Mike Warren's article in The All State on Oct. 14, the Executive Committee of the Social Work Club would like to respond to his comments. We feel you lack some information regarding your statements.

The Officers of the Social Work Club very much respect his views, opinions and values regarding an issue that he feels important to him. It is not our intent to downplay individuals freedoms and the roles they play in our society.

Since when is being a homosexual a lifestyle? And is not heterosexuality based on more than just sex? We would hope that our society can base a relationship on more than just sex and can recognize that all individuals have self-worth and self-value, and that everyone has something to offer our society. When are we going to stop ranking individuals on Mike Warren's ladder and consider everyone equal?

We would agree with Mike Warren that not all areas of our society will be accepted by everyone. All people have the right to "self-determination." This means that all must make choices, weigh the consequences and base a decision that is correct for them. We all know that not every decision we make will be accepted by everyone. So be it. However, if someone wants to celebrate "National Door Knob Day," that is their right.

If one chooses not to participate, then one has the opportunity to avoid situations by taking a different route and staying away. The National Coming Out Day was not an activity that occurred on APSU. One can avoid areas that they deem inappropriate for their liking.

It did not appear that anyone was asking the general public to look at the individuals that chose to participate and say "notice me, I'm different." The one thing that they appeared to be looking for was respect just as every other group in our society seeks and demands.

Attitudes such as Mike Warren's only help to promote homophobia. As we are all aware, homophobia is the fear and lack of knowledge and understanding homosexuality. Many fears and phobias can be overcome by allowing ourselves to

become knowledgeable in all areas of life. If you choose to not become knowledgeable, then that is your right to "self-determination."

Also remember that Judeo Christian ethics don't apply to everyone in our society. Let's hope that your attitudes and beliefs are not like those of the individuals in Texas who chose to tie an African-American man to the back of a truck and then dragged him throughout the land of Texas. This was done out of spite because he was different.

Life is, as in Social Work, about the right to self-determination. This is one of the reasons that the founding fathers of this land allowed us the freedoms that we have today. Without those, our country could be in total chaos.

Would it not be a fact that if everyone within this great nation of ours were alike, our country would be a very boring place to live? Remember, this country was founded on diversity and will continue until the end of time. Can't we just accept one another for who they are and not what we think they are?

In Social Work it is our goal to eliminate and fight oppression of every group of individuals who must fight on a daily basis to survive the racism, sexism, and other phobias they face. This does not mean that every Social Worker promotes or condemns activities of individuals; only to strive to have better understandings of things that are important to them.

The Social Work Committee does not speak for the entire club nor for any of the professors in the Social Work program: they are entitled to their views and opinions and their right to "self determination." Being aware of other cultures and and being sensitive can go a very long way in our society.

The Executive Branch-Social Work Club  
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If you would like to respond to anything you see in this paper, or if you wish to have your opinion published, please write it and send it to The All State at P.O. Box 8334.

Next week's topic is **DIRTY POLITICS**. So write in so your voice can be heard!

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### Everyone was created equally

Dear Editor,

I was appalled by what happened to Matthew Shepard of Wyoming. I think the U.S. has come very far in its acceptance of minority groups. There is still an amazing amount of homophobia, and lack of education when it comes to gays and lesbians. I think that this country is not coming up with laws quickly enough to protect this group of people. I think gays should have the same rights as other people. Why shouldn't two people, regardless of race or gender be allowed to marry? Why should a gay person be fired from a job because he or she is gay? It's simply not right! We, as a country, are so acceptive of everything,

teenage pregnancy, our President being an abuser, and etc. Why is it taking so long for us to accept gay orientation? It is true, that some of you know or love is probably gay. Would you to see someone you care about, be discriminated against because he or she is gay? Many religious people disagree with homosexuality, because they say it is a sin against God. Who are we to judge others? We were not put on this earth to judge, but to treat everyone the same because we are all created equal.

Tara Egan  
APSU student

### A Christian agrees with Mike's letter

Dear Editor,

First, I want to say that I agree 100 percent with what Mike Warren wrote in the Oct. 14 edition of The All State. Second, I ask that I not be labeled a homophobe because I happen to stand on the unpopular side of Jesus Christ. Just because I do not agree with homosexuality does not mean that I hate the homosexual. If you believe what the Bible says, homosexuality is wrong. I am sorry if you do not agree with this fact. If you know the Bible, however, you will realize it is not the most important message of the Bible. The message and purpose of the Bible is to make known what Jesus did for us. I would like to plead with those of you who do not believe. I wish there was something I could say to convince you to try to see what I see. Christians are always called close-minded people because we do not jump on the same bandwagon that you do. Could it be that you, in fact, are the close-minded one? You are so quick to say Christians are close-minded, "ignorant of the facts" and "religious zealots" but maybe you are ignorant of the facts included in my beliefs. After all the things you say, who sounds like the close-minded, ignorant one?

I wish you would open your mind and try to

see the love of Jesus Christ. Do not let this peer pressure and your desire to fit in be the driving force to you rejecting Jesus Christ. Get to know the facts of Jesus. The more we know, the more we grow.

Now I want to address my fellow Christians. Do not single out homosexuality to be the most of all sins. A homosexual's biggest problem is not that he/she is homosexual; his/her biggest problem is that he/she does not know the truth about Jesus Christ. (I am not saying that homosexuals cannot be Christians, but I think it is very rare.) Do you Christians remember the riches of His kindness, tolerance, and patience? Don't you realize that His kindness, not His wrath, leads people to know Him? Don't you remember that He gave us a spirit of love (2 Tim 1:7), not of judgement? If you neglect to show this power of love to homosexuals, then what use and good are you to the kingdom of God? (Matt 5:43-48)

If anyone has any questions or wants to know more about Jesus Christ, there are many Christian organizations on campus, or you can email me at TAM0382.

Troy Miller  
APSU student

### Student discusses the term 'normal'

Dear Editor,

Oh where should I begin? I would like to take this opportunity to discuss the article written in a recent issue of The All State by Mike Warren.

In his article, he had made many accusations that he himself needs to attempt to understand. My intentions for this article are not to insult anyone's intelligence or to create an argument, but to attempt to set aside the stereotypes and negative self images and focus on the positive aspect of living an alternative lifestyle.

In Warren's opening statement, I would like to thank him for recognizing and honoring national coming out day. Contrary to his positive statement, he provides in saying, "...provide a day in which all those who 'chose' another lifestyle..." Choose? This brings up an issue of nature versus nurture. In other words, is a person born with homosexual tendencies (nature) or does a person learn to become gay (nurture)? Many scientists are actively debating this issue. Warren, in his infinite wisdom, has made the decision for us all. He says that it is a choice that people make. Choices in life include skipping a class or going to it, studying or not studying, eating or not eating, or maybe even abstinence versus promiscuity. These are all choices a person makes in his or her lifetime. As a gay man, I knew I was gay in kindergarten. I knew that I was NOT attracted to women or girls. Does that mean at such an early age that I learned to be gay? At the age of five years old did I wake up and say, "Oh, I think I will be gay today?" Nope, it does not happen that way. I feel that it is a natural phenomenon that happens to people. Whether or not a person decides to act upon it or not, is totally that person's decision.

Warren proceeds in classifying the homosexual population as being "abnormal." What is normal? What is abnormal? I do agree that Warren is not alone in his notion of thinking. Society dictates that a man shall marry a woman or a woman shall marry a man and anything that deviates from this is considered abnormal. Contrary to this enormously popular belief, we are all still humans, we have the same passions and emotions for love and fear that all people possess.

The term normal, seems to me, to be a term that is tremendously over used! Sigmund Freud coined the term "normal." The information that is known about Freud is somewhat disconcerting, especially to the fact that we still tend to use his terminology and base many of our ideas and theory's upon some of his techniques.

As many people know, Freud was considered somewhat of a sexual pervert. Many of his theory's are solely based upon sex, the libido, as being the primary driving force. What some people fail to realize is the extent to which some of his perversions extended. The man was sexually attracted to and fantasized about his mother and daughter. When coining the word normal, he was only studying white, middle to upper class women. These women he studied, according to Freud were suffering from hysteria.

Also, Freud found a new drug that he had thought would cure any and everything that was out there. This new drug alleviated pain, made him feel euphoria and in general was thought to be his new wonder drug. The drug was cocaine.

So, Freud was sexually attracted to both his mother and daughter, was a drug user and only studied women. Yet, we still use his term for normal? Can any one person accurately define what normal is? Some people would argue that normal is having an average IQ of above 100. Well, there are people out there that do score way above 100

on an IQ test, does that mean that they are abnormal or a genius? In defining what normality please keep in mind that we all have our deviations from the standard, does that mean that we are all abnormal?

Warren proceeds to ask about the Creator and why the Creator would make people of the same sex fall in love with each other. I would like to argue that the "Creator" as Warren so eloquently and politically stated it, did not create one person to be better than any other person. He did not create man to be better than woman, one culture to be better than another, one viewpoint to be better than any other viewpoint. What makes us human is our ability to generalize and reason with each other, our compassion to love, make decisions, live and grow. I do not feel that the Creator made homosexuals better than heterosexuals vice versa. I do believe that He made EVERYONE EQUAL!

Not too long ago African-Americans were struggling for their freedom and rights. Afterwards, women began to realize that they also were a driving force in society and began fighting for their rights and privileges of voting. Now, time has come for the homosexual population to stand up and proudly pronounce what we believe in and fight for our rights and privileges as well. One being fought for includes same sex marriage health and insurance policies in the work force.

I do not want heterosexuals to consider changing their viewpoints and to try to accept anything they do not want to do or believe in. What I want and/or am attempting to do is try and educate some people so that their fears of homosexuality will be decreased. Once these fears are decreased and people really know and understand an alternative lifestyle, maybe the psycho social factors associated with an alternative lifestyle will be decreased. The reduction in stress will allow for people to be along better, become happier and ultimately, better will make the world a better place to live.

The last topic of discussion concerns stereotypes. A stereotype, is an image, thought or opinion that we all possess about a particular person or group of people. Well buddy, stereotypes are BUNK! Most people believe that if a man is gay, he will be extremely feminine, wear make up, and perform in drag shows. This is not the case nor am I putting down on anyone who chooses to do these things. History shows that there were some great men who were gay and very influential. Some of the positions held by these people have been as a ruler (Julius Caesar), in the Presidential cabinets, one President (John F. Kennedy), one of his cabinet members, actors, scientists, etc...

Another stereotype is that if a guy is gay, he is feminine or dresses a little different than he should be. Well, again, this is a stereotype. I have a good friend who is married with two children, he can decorate an apartment better than any man I know, has a great sense of fashion, a great desire for music, loves poetry, ...yet is a happily married heterosexual man. Just because a person is gay does not mean that he is feminine, and just because a person is feminine does not mean he is gay.

In conclusion, I would like to thank Warren for his views. At the same time I am hoping that you have explained some things and opened up some hearts and minds. Remember, the only dumb questions are those not asked.

Lee Brown  
APSU student



# Lady Govs suffer on the road

by JOHNNY SPARKS  
sports editor

The Lady Govs lost three consecutive road matches in the Ohio Valley Conference after their home win against the Belmont Bruins on Oct. 8. The road opponents included Tennessee-Martin, Eastern Illinois and Southeast Missouri. The team returned home and won against Tennessee Tech, before losing another road match to Middle Tennessee.

The Lady Govs beat the Tennessee-Martin Skyhawks 3-0 at home on Sept. 15. Entering the Oct. 13 match with the Skyhawks, Lady Govs' head coach Cheryl Holt said, "We have got to take this match seriously. They are much improved from when we saw them earlier in the season. We've got to forget the fact that we beat them 3-0 earlier. They are better than that."

The Lady Govs entered the match against the Skyhawks in second place in the OVC with a 6-6 record overall and an impressive 6-1 mark in the conference, while Tennessee-Martin is in fifth place with a losing record of 9-19 overall and a record of 2-5 in the conference. The Lady Govs encountered a much improved Skyhawk squad and fell on the road.

The Lady Govs traveled next to Charleston, Ill., for a match with conference bully Eastern Illinois. The Lady Panthers entered the match in first place in

the OVC with a perfect record of 10-0.

"Eastern is the leader of the conference rightfully. They have great balance with a quick defense, and they make very few mistakes. The combination of those three factors has enabled them to play as well as they do. We have got our work cut out for us. We've just got to go in there and play hard," Holt said prior to the match.

The Lady Govs and Lady Panthers tangled on the afternoon of Oct. 17. The Lady Panthers swept past Austin Peay in three straight games (15-3, 15-4, 15-5).

The Lady Govs road woes continued at Cape Girardeau, Mo. The squad played the Southeastern Missouri Otahkians on Oct. 20. They lost in another three-game sweep to the Otahkians (15-4, 15-8, 15-11).

The OVC road trip took its toll on the Lady Govs dropping the team from second to fourth place in the conference standings.

The Lady Govs returned home on Oct. 22 against Tennessee Tech. The Lady Govs suffered their first conference loss to the Golden Eaglettes on Sept. 25 at Cookeville.

The Golden Eaglettes entered the match in third place in the conference standings two games ahead of the Lady Govs.

The Lady Govs were riding a six game home winning streak and a three game losing streak entering the contest with Tech. To

say that the Lady Govs were hungry for a win is an understatement.

"We're excited to be back home. We've been a little road weary. But we've had a good week in practice. I think we have a good shot at beating Tech," Holt said before the match.

The home crowd at the Dunn Center was enthusiastic. Unfortunately, the fans were openly hostile with the visiting Eaglettes at times during the five game match.

The Lady Govs took the first game from the Golden Eaglettes in hard fought 15-8 decision. The Lady Govs made it look easy in the second game taking an early commanding lead and going on to win 15-6.

In the third game, the Golden Eaglettes battled for their lives. The intensity of the competition and the Golden Eaglettes determination were reflected in a 17-15 final in favor of Tech. The loss accounted for the Lady Govs' first 15-point game home loss of the season.

The Lady Govs entered the unfamiliar territory of a game four at home appearing a bit shell shocked. The Golden Eaglettes appeared to be gaining momentum after their awakening in game three, and the Lady Govs continued to struggle in game four losing 15-12.

The Lady Govs determination and strength prevailed in game five. The home crowd came to life again after a very quiet two game sequence. Everything seemed to go the Golden Eaglettes way in games three and four, but in game five the Lady Govs refused to be denied.

The Lady Govs won the fifth game 15-8 sealing their seventh straight home victory.

"There was a great team effort tonight. Our kids played well. They wanted this match," Holt

said.

The Lady Govs were led by sophomore Becky Sowinski. She had 19 kills with a .286 hitting percentage, along with 21 digs, a block solo and a block assist. Defensively, freshman Danielle Waldrep recorded a team-high 27 digs, with two service aces and 13 kills while hitting .375. Sophomore Annie Gieber tallied seven kills with a team-high .412 hitting percentage and 26 digs.

Also standing out for Austin Peay were juniors Jenny Wenning and Kim Smith. Wenning had 17 digs, a service ace and 14 kills while hitting .222. Kim Smith, who was expected to miss the match due to a viral infection, had 14 kills while hitting .303.

The Lady Govs hit the road again following the home win. They played in Murfreesboro on Sunday against the Lady Raiders of MTSU. The road continued to be unfriendly for the Govs as they lost in another five game match.

The Lady Govs are 13-10 overall, 7-5 in the OVC. They are 1-5 on the road in the OVC. The Lady Govs are tied for fourth place in the conference with Murray State. They travel to Morehead State and Eastern Kentucky for OVC matches this week.

The Lady Govs play Morehead State on Friday night at 7 p.m. They play against Eastern Kentucky at 1 p.m. on Saturday.

The good news for the Lady Govs is that this is their last road trip in OVC action. After the Eastern Kentucky match, the Lady Govs close out the season with four straight home matches against OVC opponents.

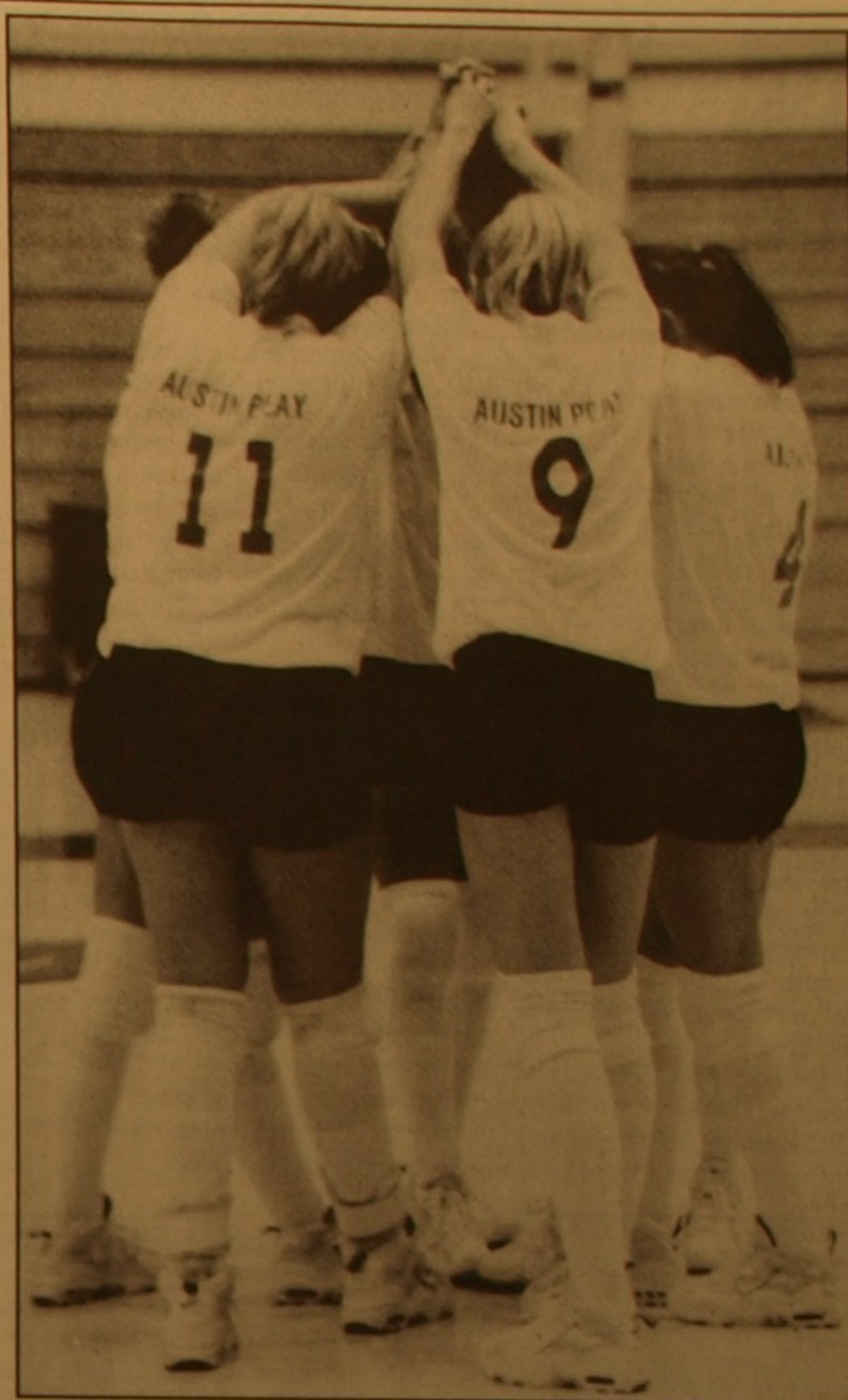


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The Lady Governors come home and regroup after a tough week on the road in the Ohio Valley Conference. They defeated Tennessee Tech at the Dunn Center on Thursday night 3-2. The Lady Govs remain unbeaten at home with a perfect record of 7-0.

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# A new queen takes the throne

By TANGEE REYES  
features editor

Austin Peay's Homecoming queen Stephani Farrah Boyd is more than just a pretty face.

A senior mathematics major with a 3.6 GPA, Boyd feels that she's good representative of the student body.

"I've been very active in my four years here, I have good moral character, and I think that I have all of the attributes for representing Austin Peay as Homecoming queen."

Boyd, who was crowned as Homecoming queen the weekend before last, says she is honored to have been chosen and brings new ideas to what the role of the Homecoming queen should possess.

"I think that she should have some kind of role in recruiting, because she should be knowledgeable of the resources that the university has to offer," Boyd said. "I think she should use that in helping other students to come here."

Besides being the Homecoming queen, Boyd's hobbies include listening to music and reading, particularly books by

her favorite author, Toni Morrison.

"She's not the easiest author to read, but I do enjoy once I read it," Boyd said. "Because of the way she writes it's a challenge to understand exactly what she's saying; it's very in depth and profound."

More important to Boyd than reading, however, is researching African-American mathematicians and their contributions to mathematics.

"I'm really intrested in anything dealing with my field, because I do plan to take my education further," she said. Boyd plans to graduate in May and has applied to several graduate schools, including Vanderbilt and Howard.

Boyd thinks it is important that students make the best use of their time in college.

"I think that students should know that these four years or however long they're here are very important to the rest of their lives and they need to take advantage of everything that the university has to offer," she said. "That means getting involved, being active and focused and also being well rounded."



photo by Tangee Reyes

Stephani Boyd, the newly elected Homecoming queen, brings more to her reign than her beautiful smile.

## Listen



to the Music  
Reviews by  
Shaon Dove

—Music Director at 91.7 WAPX-FM

Ready for something different? I hope so, because this week's reviews are the latest from Elliott Smith, "XO," on Dreamworks Records and Robbie Fulks' "Let's Kill Saturday Night," on Geffen Records.

I've told you about Europe and Australia's new label of Alternative-Country (Cowboy Junkies, R.E.M., Replacements, etc.) Elliott Smith could be the Nirvana of Alterno-country, but both of these artists fit into this category. Let's call it Americana.

Elliott Smith was on Saturday Night Live the other night and kicked much butt (that's a technical term.) "Waltz #2 (XO)" is abso-

lutely incredible.

It has a straight beat, fluid-like acoustic guitar, beautiful harmony, and a wonderful string arrangement that the live presentation on SNL did not have.

You may not know him, but you're "gonna love [him] anyhow." He's a great songwriter. "Sweet Adeline" is reminiscent of Paul Simon and 50's/60's folk, as are many of the wonderful harmonies on this CD.

This is a very passive, tranquil CD. "Pitseleh" is indicative of the calming nature of this CD. "Independence Day" is another of the seemingly familiar songs on "XO." Go buy this one, no thanks are nec-

essary.

"Let's Kill Saturday Night," the title-cut, is a catchy tune, but it is not as good as "Caroline," a slightly different, harder-edged song. It reminded me of Son Volt, but Fulk's voice is not as distinctive, or strong as that. "Pretty Little Poison," is good for the simple reason that Lucinda Williams sings back-up vocals on it. This CD does not stand out like the previous selection, but it might be worth a listen. If I had to choose a favorite cut it would be "Bethelridge" because of the violin and the bluegrass feel of the harmony.

Until next week, don't just hear the music, listen!

## Entertainment Spotlight

By NATALIE KILGORE  
assistant news editor

•Michael Walsh, author and former music critic for Time magazine, has written a sequel to the 1942 Warner Brothers classic movie "Casablanca." The book, which retails for \$25, continues the saga of characters Rick Blaine and Ilsa Lund who were played by Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman in the immortal film. The title of the book, "As Time Goes By," was taken from a song in the movies sung by Dooley Wilson in the infamous movie.

•Oprah Winfrey is the most powerful person in showbusiness, according to the Oct. 30 issue of Entertainment Weekly. The magazine published a list of its top 101 picks. Winfrey edged out Steven Spielberg, Rupert Murdoch, George Lucas, and Gerald Levin and Ted Turner (tied) in the top five.

•Gloria Estefan will make her feature film debut in the movie "Fifty Violins." Directed by Wes Craven, the movie is about a Harlem inner-city music teacher. Madonna, who was also slated to appear in the film, backed out production over creative differences with Craven.

•Rumors floating around in cyberspace that Bob Dylan and Joni Mitchell will possibly perform at the Nashville Arena on Nov. 9 have proven false. Dylan and Mitchell

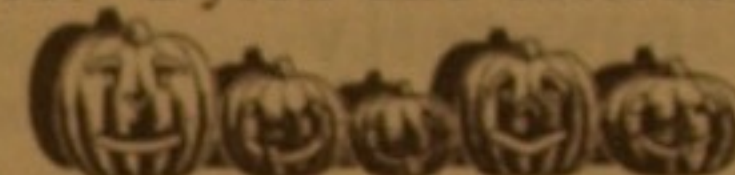
will be playing at the Georgia Tech University Alexander Memorial Coliseum Atlanta on Nov. 7.

•The Tennesseean published results of its reader's poll concerning the renaming of the Tennessee Oilers. The five choices were: 1) Titans, 2) Copperheads, 3) Titans, 4) Pioneers, 5) Nighthawks.

•Supermodel Naomi Campbell is being sued by her former personal secretary, a woman, who only worked with Campbell for nine days, has filed an \$8 million lawsuit, claiming the model hit her over the head twice with a phone.

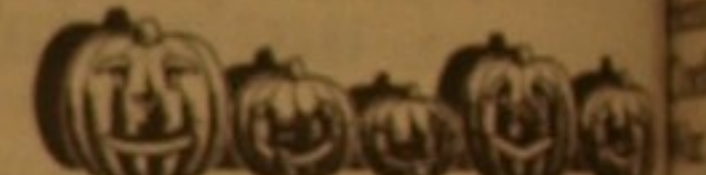
•Actor Christopher Reeve tells Life magazine that he is now able to sneeze. While the act may seem insignificant, some, it is actually a major accomplishment since the actor involves a contraction of the diaphragm. Reeve, who was paralyzed in a horse riding accident three years ago, does a workout to exercise his diaphragm 30 minutes every day.

•The movie "Pleasantville" starring William H. Macy and Reese Witherspoon opened No. 1 at the box office this weekend, bringing in more than \$9 million. "Practical Magic" captured the No. 2 slot, generating \$8.8 million. "Antz" remained steady No. 3, while "Bride of Chucky" fell to No. 4. Kevin Russell's new action film "Soldier" opened up at No. 5.



Q: What was the witch's favorite subject in school?

A: Spelling



Q: Why do vampires drink blood?

A: Because coffee keeps them up all day

Q: How do you mend a broken Jack-o-lantern?

A: With a pumpkin patch



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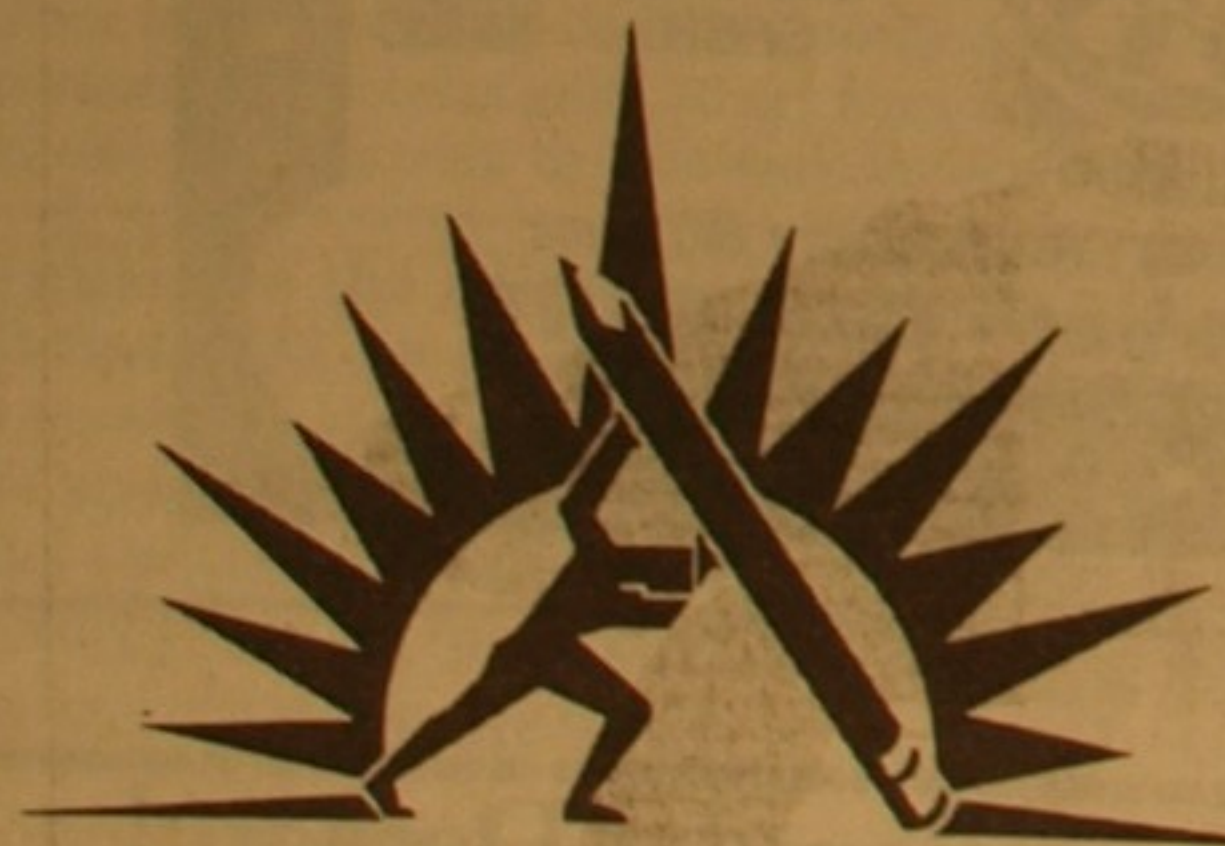
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# Book shows that people 'worship God with One heart'

By BERT RANDALL  
Guest writer

This is an epilogue to the book by Randall highlighted on page two.

One day in late May 1993, just as the sun was setting, I stepped onto a small outdoor balcony attached to a room on the eleventh floor of the El Ferradis Hotel in Damascus, Syria.

As the last rays of the sun began to fade, the evening air was filled with the antiphonal music of dozens of mosques calling Muslims to the sunset prayer.

From all four corners of the city it seemed like the four corners of the world, the emotional and powerful call to prayer filled the sky as faint stars became visible: "God is most great. . . There is no God but God. . . Muhammad is His prophet. . . Come to prayer. . . Come to fulfillment. . . There is no God but God. . . God is most great. . ."

Even without knowing the Arabic, the music of the words and the powerful, simple assertion of the Oneness and majesty of God in the call to prayer provided one of those moments essential to religious consciousness: the awareness of the ineffable, that is, the awareness and experience of a Truth and a Reality beyond the tiny world of self and the empirical world.

Arabic or English, "We worship God with different voices but One heart."

Three days later, in the remote and ancient Christian village of Maloula, Syria — the only place left in the Middle East where the Aramaic that Jesus used is still spoken — I visited the oldest convent in Christendom.

The Convent of Tekla was founded by Tekla, a disciple of the Apostle Paul, who was driven into northern Syria by persecution.

As the Mother Superior of the Convent told the story of Tekla (she spoke in Arabic which was

translated by a friend) and the miracle of the mountain splitting in half and a fresh spring flowing from its rupture, her eyes literally filled with tears and joy and wonder.

The skeptical questions that her story might raise in many minds were irrelevant and meaningless to her. As she told the story, it was a narrative which revealed the wonderful power and grace of God. Although we may have different understandings of events, "We worship God in One spirit."

One day later I visited the Shrine of Zeynab (Muhammad's granddaughter through Fatima and Ali), which is a thirty minute drive from Damascus. It is mostly a woman's shrine although many men were present.

The shrine and its minaret are layered in a bright blue mosaic. Inside the shrine, the rays of the sun, gleaming through the immense windows, reflecting off the blue mosaic, and passing

through a large chandelier, created a natural laser effect.

Zeynab's tomb remains one of the most beautiful and stunning shrines I have ever visited. However, far beyond its physical beauty was a religious beauty in a conjunction of immense significance.

As women engaged in their religious devotionals at Zeynab's tomb, their children ran, played and laughed: worship and laughter — what a joyous spiritual experience to share together. "We worship God in different ways, but with One heart."

On the Sunday before Christmas 1994 feeling lonely for my wife and daughters, I wandered into a Greek Orthodox Church in Amman, Jordan.

It is located across the street from the stunning Al-Abdullah Mosque where King Hussein attends Friday prayer and one block from a Coptic Christian Church.

Sunday worship was just begin-

ning and I was welcomed to participate. Even though the entire service was conducted in Arabic, which I do not know, the musical quality of the liturgy and congregational responses and the visual beauty of the sanctuary and rituals made the service a moving spiritual time of worship.

During the first part of the liturgy as the cross and the New Testament were walked through the congregation, many worshippers touched or kissed each as well as lit candles and kissed several icons around the sanctuary.

The period of worship lasted over two hours, most of the time spent standing; however, this was much less than the three hour Coptic service I attended the next Sunday where most people stood for over two and one-half hours.

The Coptic liturgy concluded with a sharing of the bread and the cup. Both services were experiences of spiritual beauty, for whether in Arabic or English,

Egyptian Coptic or Latin, "We worship God with different voices but with One heart."

On the day before Christmas eve 1994, I stood in reverent awe before the massive Wailing Wall, listening to the Hebrew devotions of dozens of devout Jews.

It was a moment of ineffable silence as hundreds of years of tradition, suffering, expectation and hope merged in their prayers.

Less than 36 hours later, I attended the Mass of the Nativity in Saint Catherine's Church adjoining the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem.

The mass began at midnight and concluded nearly forty hours later. Various parts of this ancient, rich, and visually beautiful liturgy were conducted in Arabic, Latin, French, German and English. Whether in Hebrew, Arabic, Latin, French, German, English or any other language, "THOSE WHO PRAY TO GOD PRAY WITH ONE HEART!"

## APSU's haunted Hill

By Jonathan Vaden  
Guest writer

There's a Vincent Price movie from 1959 called "The House on Haunted Hill" with a real wizard plot—dinner guests must spend the night in a haunted house for a handsome reward—but it also has some kind of troglodytic effects (the talking skeletons are weak).

Austin Peay has a similar house—minus cauldron of killer acid—on the hill on North Second Street. It's called Emerald Hill, the Austin Peay Office of Alumni Relations. It was once, and still may be the home of Gustavus Henry, famed Tennessee orator and Confederate Senator during the Civil War.

In a past life, the old house had many to cook, clean, tend the grounds and generally assist a later owner,

Mrs. Cross, the hostess. They worked out a secret call system of buttons under tables and behind doors to buzz the kitchen to signal for the next course or for dirty dish clean up.

Today, someone still buzzes for assistance as if someone is still entertaining guests. This will be important later.

I have been a student worker at Emerald Hill for four years and I've seen some fry-your-wig-type stuff. Dis the old decorations and the annual Christmas tree takes a dive. I have seen a car's doors pop open. I've turned my back and had Famous Amos cookies appear where they weren't before. No shaft, cookies are too common to make up. If I were joshin' I'd say something important, like money, the most important of all things.

In the oldest part of the house, the chairs move on their own and the

rocking chairs rock with no one in them. I have seen the motion detector track something moving all through the upstairs rooms when no one was up there. Altogether ooky. This is the stuff Ray Parker, Jr. used to sing about.

The Henrys were known far and wide for being perfect entertainers. The house was often filled with guests. Not for TV parties though, sorry Black Flag fans; they played parlor games, played Marion's piano and told stories.

And old habits die hard. One morning, the alumni relations staff came in Emerald Hill to find chairs around the piano, the big candlesticks across the room and the wax dripped all over the chairs, floor and across every piano key. Nobody knows how.

Did I scare your frocks off? Happy Halloween.

## Art Scene

For the week of Oct. 28-Nov. 4

### Art Exhibit, Trahern Gallery

"(x)-change", works by visiting Swiss artists Markus Haberlin and Simone Kurz will have an opening reception Monday night from 7-8:30 p.m. The show will run through Nov. 6. Gallery hours are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and Sunday, 1-4 p.m. For more information, call 648-7333.

### Art Exhibit, Larson Gallery

Selections from the APSU

permanent art collection featuring works by APSU alumni, will be on show through Dec. 11. Gallery

hours are from 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday. This is free and open to the public. For more information, call 648-7333.

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Black Mountain Male Chorus of Wales performs at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 29. Admission is free for Concert Artist series members, \$20 for all others.

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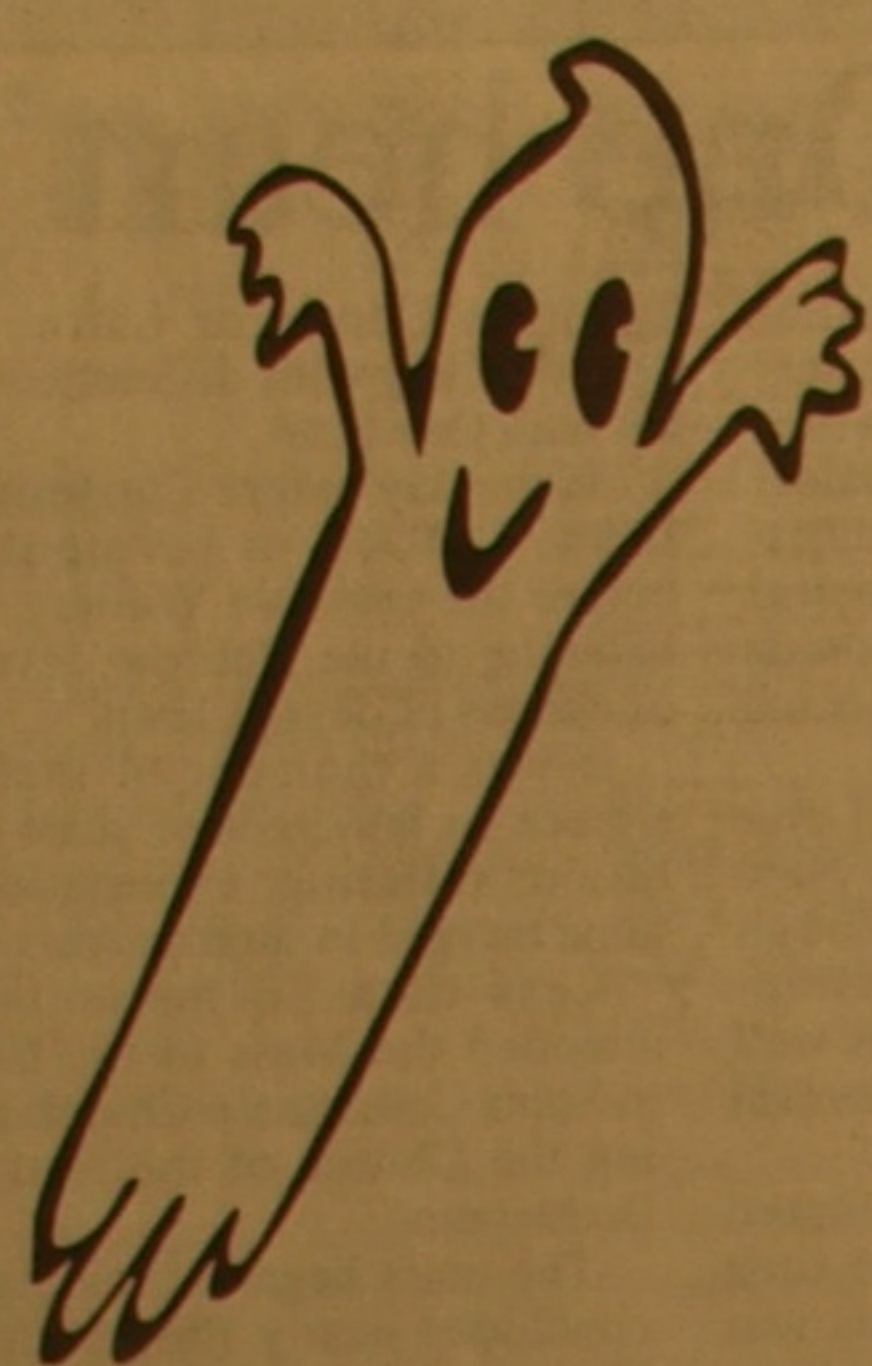
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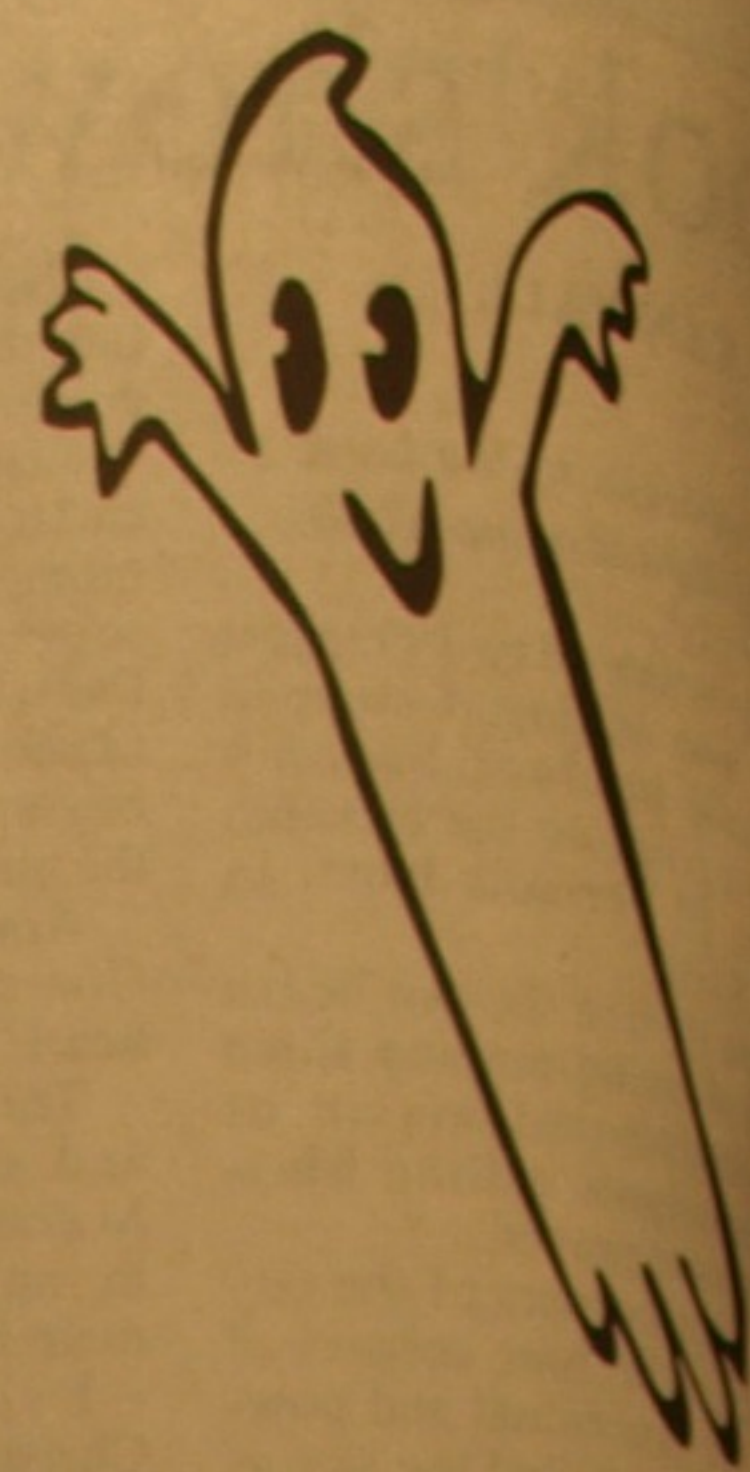
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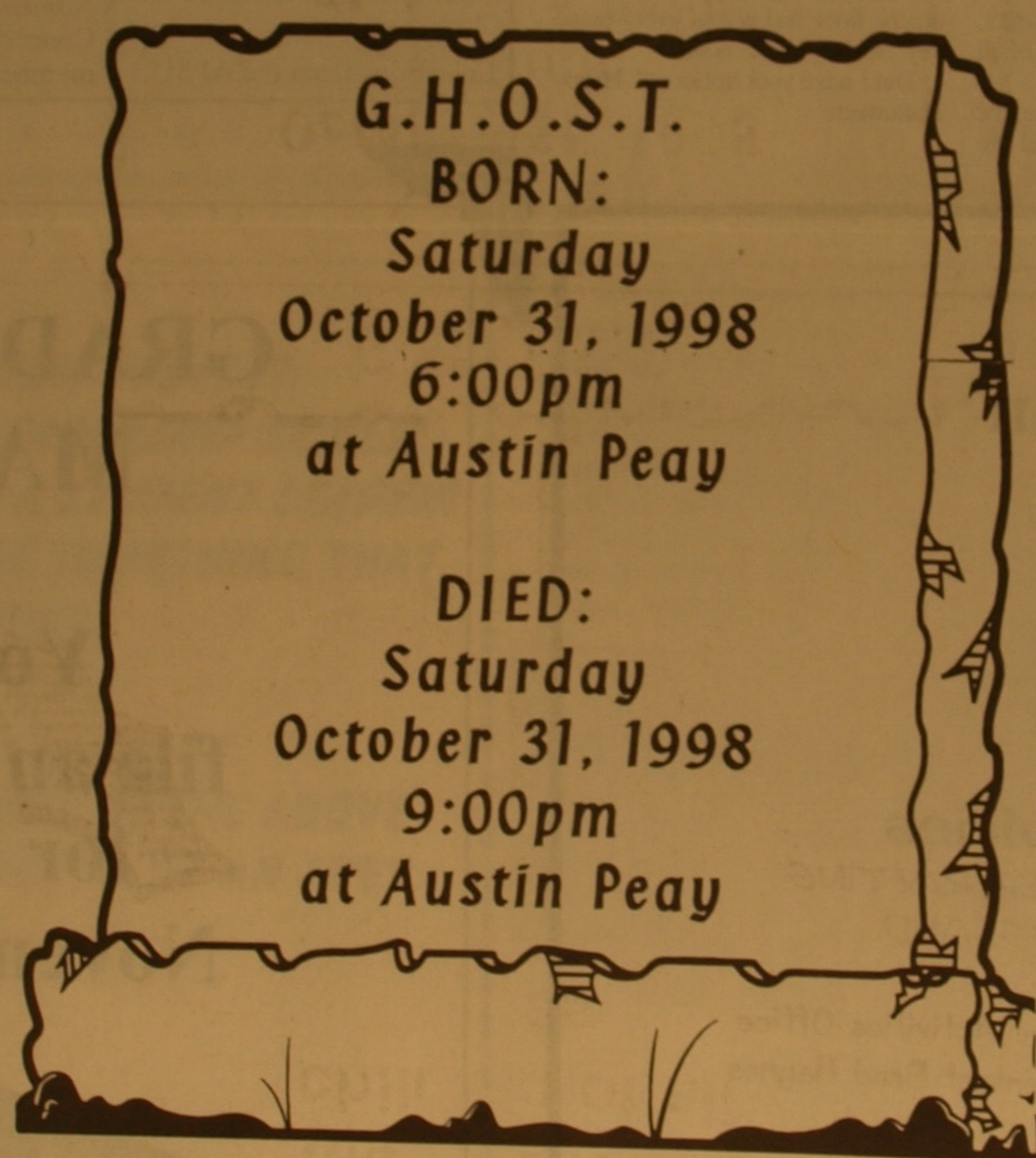


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