

A look at **women's equality** and **women's health**, 3 & 4



Govs baseball team ranked first in the Ohio Valley Conference, 10



Walking for brain injury

Members of the APSU community walk, run to raise money for brain injury



Top Left: John Blanton, Dawn Blanton, Katherineine Blanton and John Wesley pose after participating in the Clarksville Walk for Brain Injury. Bottom Left: Runners and walkers line up and prepare for the start of the race. Left: John Wesley running in the Clarksville Walk for Brain Injury, just before he crossed the finish line. **BRITTANEY ABBOTT | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER**

» **By MYRANDA HARRISON**
Staff Writer

Many students and members of the APSU community raised money and awareness for brain injuries by walking or running in the Clarksville Walk for Brain Injury, on Saturday, March 23.

This was the first Walk for Brain Injury event in Clarksville and the second one in Tennessee. The event was sponsored by three organizations: The Pre-Professional Health Society, APSU's Alpha Gamma Delta sorority and the Student Nurses Association. The event helped raise \$6,800 to benefit the Brain Injury Association of Tennessee.

The participants were given the option of competing in one of two routes, one was a 5K run and the other was a 1.9 mile walk.

Samantha Monk, the executive coordinator for Walk for Brain Injury and president of the Pre-Professional Health Society, led the event. She pointed out that they wanted to do something that would make a difference, honoring her friend that she lost to a brain injury.

"This event was definitely a success," Monk said.

The cold weather did not keep people from wanting to raise awareness for brain injury and cross the finish line. The run and walk started at 9:30 a.m. and people on the runner's side were crossing the finish line before 10 a.m.

Jason Hodge, a Clarksville resident, came in first place. He ran the 5k route in 20 minutes and 55 seconds. Hodge ran to support

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GSA hosts 'Safe Zone' training for LGBTQI community

» **By CHASETON DONAHOE**
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The APSU Gay-Straight Alliance held their annual Safe Zone Training program in the African American Cultural Center. Thursday, March 21.

The intention of this program is to create a visible support network for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and intersex individuals and their allies, or people who support sexual diversity and help combat homophobia and heterosexism. This is done by providing ways through which members of the APSU community can show their support.

The network is made visible by putting the Safe Zone symbol on doors and windows to signify that the location in question is an area in which LGBTQI issues are accepted and can be discussed freely.

Key speaker Vincent Windrow, director of Intercultural and Diversity Affairs

at Middle Tennessee State University explained that a lot of what Safe Zone does is dealing with reminding people that they matter. People in the LGBTQI community deal with a lot of negativity, from both strangers and from people close to them.

"You may experience difficulties and hardships in your life," Windrow said, "You can hide in the shadows, but you have to be you so that the people around you can be themselves too. Whether you are gay or straight or whatever, you have to be you so I can be me, and we can be the best versions of ourselves."

Kelsey Brasfield, junior and vice president of the GSA, thought the training was really interesting and informative.

"It is a great opportunity for the students to come and see the faculty and staff get involved with the LGBTQI community on campus as well," Brasfield said.



Vincent Windrow, key speaker, discusses the importance of fostering a safe atmosphere for the LGBTQI community. **JANAY NEAL | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER**

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GSA Spring Drag Show raises money for Oasis Center's 'Just Us' group



Drag show participants perform their routines to collect tips that were donated to Nashville Oasis Center's Just Us program that serves LGBTQI youth. Top and Bottom Left: Aubry La'Shea Shannell. Top Right: Keri Luxuri. Bottom Right: Anna Freeze. **JESSICA GRAY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER**

» **By DANIELLE HUNTER**
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The Gay-Straight Alliance put on their bi-annual drag show on Friday, March 22, in the Music/Mass Communication Building's Mabry Concert Hall.

The event featured six performers and was hosted by Gretchen Cordy, host of Q108's Morning Show. Brad Fennel headlined the show and performed as Reba McEntire. All tips received during the performances were donated to a program called Just Us at the Nashville Oasis Center. The spring drag show raised over \$600 dollars for the Nashville organization.

"Oasis started Just Us because of the increase of LGBT youth that were coming to their homeless shelter and needing 'family,'" said GSA President Ryan Whipkey.

Just Us is a branch of the Nashville-based national organization the Oasis Center. According to the Oasis Center website, Just Us is "dedicated to serving young people, 13-21

years of age, who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or are questioning their sexual orientation and/or gender identity."

The program provides educational and social events for LGBT youth, as well as counseling and outreach programs to families and "community allies."

"In our community, there are a lot of lost gay, lesbian, transgender and bisexual people that don't have anybody to look up to. They're shunned by their family," Fennel said after the show, "I, myself, have a very supportive family, but this is a center for people like [the lost teenagers] who don't know where to go. [Just Us] really helps our youth, and we've got to look to our youth — they're the ones behind us. It's very important they have a place to go and a place to express themselves."

"It's sad to see that many kids lose family and friends before they are 18. They are able to come to Just Us meetings

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Student Vets Organization honors APSU for military focus



Michael Cleveland, president of the Student Veterans Organization, presents an award of excellence to APSU president Tim Hall. **BRITTANY HICKEY | STAFF WRITER**

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Staff Writer

The national Student Veterans Association presented APSU with an award of excellence on Monday, March 18, for the university's excellence in serving their military students. The award was presented by APSU's Student Veteran's Organization, the campus chapter of the Student Veterans Association.

As the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan wind down, thousands of soldiers will be taking advantage of their educational benefits in the coming years. Universities across America will have to prepare for the influx of student veterans with complicated financial aid from their GI Bills.

Keith Messer, a student veteran, thinks APSU has prepared him well, and APSU receiving this award confirmed his feelings.

Veterans at APSU have access to early registration for classes, staff to assist with financial aid, training seminars and assistance in

transitioning from military into civilian collegiate life and beyond. They are served by staff in the Military Student Center, the office of Veteran Affairs, the Student Veteran Organization and the Military Task Force.

President Tim Hall, faculty and staff from the Student Veterans Organization and the Military Student Center and student veterans attended the presentation of the award.

Messer was thrilled with APSU's performance in serving its veterans.

"I'm so happy with the university," Messer said. "They really stepped up." Messer was particularly appreciative of the way APSU has provided dedicated staff to assist with military education benefits, which he explained can be very different from traditional aid.

The president of the Student Veterans Organization, junior Michael Cleveland, presented the award to the university with a

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Student Vets Award

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brief speech. He congratulated the school on its excellence and its recognition that APSU has a part to play in serving the military. President Tim Hall emphasized that point further.

“They deserve the utmost of our service,” Hall said and praised the student veterans who model discipline for their fellow students. He also discussed the university’s Military Task Force, created to bring university resources to enhance veterans’ educational experience.

The national Student Veterans Association took notice of press releases in Tennessee and beyond regarding APSU’s work with veterans and told the APSU chapter of the association to give APSU recognition on their behalf.

Cleveland, the SVO president, sees APSU as a leader in veteran assistance in higher education



Members of the Student Veterans Organization, Veterans Services and APSU faculty pose behind the award of excellence awarded to APSU by the Student Veterans Organization. **BRITTANY HICKEY | STAFF WRITER**

and one key to the success of the school is their adoption of military customs. According to Cleveland, the student veterans are excited about the coin ceremony where they receive a military coin for graduation, paying homage to military tradition. **TAS**

Spring Drag Show

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and events and feel welcome. This is the only organization like this for Nashville and Clarksville,” Whipkey said.

The drag show itself welcomed back familiar faces in their performance lineup, including Drag Idol hosts Anna Freeze and Precious Summers Hall. The first, second, and third place Drag Idol winners were also featured on the lineup—Lakota Lux, Keri Luxuri and ChiChi Rodriguez respectively.

Queens Freeze, Summers Hall and Rodriquez all shared their appreciation for the GSA and the drag shows hosted by the organization.

“I love doing the shows for APSU,” said Freeze, who has performed in all the past APSU GSA drag shows.

Two students of APSU, Amanda Taylor and Derrick Eubanks, expressed their love for the GSA drag shows. “They’re fun, the drag queens have awesome personalities and [their personalities] come out when they’re dancing,” Taylor said. Eubanks shared that the 2013 spring show was third drag show he has attended, and he looked forward to seeing the new performers.

During the show’s intermission, students were chosen to participate in a competition host Cordy called “Vogue-ing.”

Two rounds were held with two students competing against each other. The students were given instructions by the drag queens on what



Drag show performers look to the audience after their performances in GSA's Spring Drag Show. **JESSICA GRAY | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER**

to do, and then they were told to dance to the song provided.

The winner of the first round, Judcia Williams, surprised the audience with dance moves different members of the audience called “almost Drag Queen professional.” All participants received a coupon for a free pizza from Papa Murphy’s.

Co-chairperson of the GSA drag committee, Audrey Belton, commented on the show’s success afterwards. “The performers were all exceptional as always. They really love what they do and they put a lot of time into making these shows as successful as they are. I watched the audience from the side, and I never saw a dull moment. I think everyone from workers to the audience and performers had an awesome time. I know I personally can’t wait to do it again.” **TAS**

Brain injury walk

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his wife’s nursing program. His wife Karla Hodge is a senior nursing student at APSU and is also the vice president of SNA.

She said, “It was a blast,” and she would definitely do it again.

France Kyle, a military specialist at Fort Campbell, came in second place on the runner’s side, crossing the finish line in 22 minutes and 34 seconds.

Not far behind Kyle was Gene May, another Clarksville resident who ran pass the finish line in 22 minutes and 35 seconds. It was not long before the rest of the participants began to cross the finish line as well.

Sonia Kessler, junior nursing student at APSU came in first place for the walker’s course. She did

not cross the finish line by herself, but with her baby daughter with her as she pushed her in her stroller.

Lisa Olds, senior nursing student and race participant, wasn’t just walking to help support SNA, but also in honor of a 10-year-old boy named Kenneth Cathlaw who just so happens to have a brain injury himself. This was a “good cause,” Olds said.

Payton Baggett, a junior communications major at APSU and the president of Alpha Gamma Delta was one of the walkers who helped to sponsor and raise money.

“I believe this cause is important to the community because of the amount of military it affects. Alpha Gamma Delta hopes to continue to sponsor this event in the future,” Baggett said.

All the winners from each route received a certificate, but in all, everyone was a winner with a total of \$6,800 raised for the cause. **TAS**

Safe Zone

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Audrey Belton, freshman and secretary of the GSA, whom is going to be a teacher, said, “I’m already interested, but this is invaluable for me because it will be a resource for dealing with students in my future.”

R.C. Lund, junior APSU student, believes the Safe Zone program is a great opportunity to for APSU to grow as a campus and a community.

Tamara Torres, APSU senior, said, “It is very important to embrace diversity. This program encourages diversity and helps all of us have a better campus.”

The Safe Zone program extends the safe area for LGBTQI faculty, staff, students and their allies throughout the campus. It creates educational experiences by encouraging everyone to explore cultural identities, values, and stereotypes and thereby understand how these issues affect the community.

“The success of our universities depends upon the success of our students,” Windrow said. “Therefore, there must be a concerted effort to include and engage our students. ... To me and many others, ‘our students’ include gay students as well”

Any APSU faculty, staff or students wishing to become a member of the Safe Zone should attend an orientation for Safe Zone. **TAS**

CRIME LOG

The campus crime log includes arrests and dispatch call-ins. As mandated by Tennessee law, the crime log is updated within two business days of an incident and new information to an incident available for public inspection any time during normal business hours.

- 1:58 p.m.; Mar. 21; Hand Village; simple possession/casual exchange
- 1:58 p.m.; Mar. 21; Hand Village; unlawful drug paraphernalia

- 9:46 a.m.; Mar. 20; Sundquist; theft of property
- 5:18 p.m.; Mar. 19; Meacham Apartments; unlawful drug paraphernalia
- 4:18 p.m.; Mar. 19; Music/Mass Communications; theft of property
- 1:51 p.m.; Mar. 19; Sevier; alcohol violation
- 4:02 a.m.; Mar. 17; Castle Heights; underage possession/consumption
- 7:54 p.m.; Mar. 1; Sundquist; theft of property

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Women still have a long way to go for rights

Working women encourage more women to work harder



»RONNIESIA REED

Assistant Perspectives Editor

The battle for fair treatment in the workplace has been a long one for women. When it comes to jobs, women

The truth is, even in 2013, we still have a long way to go.

When thinking of the ratio of high-powered men to high-powered women, there is a significant difference.

According to the *New York Times*, “A survey of corporate gender gaps published last year by the World Economic Forum found that, among 600 large companies, managers most often cited a masculine or patriarchal corporate culture and lack of role models as among the biggest obstacles for would-be female leaders.”

Women need to see more people like themselves in high positions for encouragement. Confidence is key when it comes to getting higher positions for women.

If we do not believe in ourselves, no one else will either.

Instead of focusing on the negative side of being a woman, we should focus on the positive.

There are working women in high powered positions for the world to see.

First Lady Michelle Obama was a working mom herself when she was vice president for external affairs at the University of Chicago Medical Center.

Lily Ledbetter has been a huge inspiration to women's rights in the

workplace. The Fair Pay Act of 2009 was a 10-year gender pay discrimination case that won her \$3 million. She is now a huge advocate for fair pay.

The more women become managers, CEO's and bosses of a business or organization, the more hope there is for other females.

Not all things are bad for women in the workplace. As the years go by, the numbers are going up.

The Fortune 500, a ranking based off of the 500 largest corporations in the United States, showed the number of companies with female CEOs went from seven in 2003 up to 18 in 2012.

“There are women sitting just below the CEO position at these Fortune 500 companies and many of them are poised to lead Fortune 500 companies when there are openings and movement,” Stephanie Mehta, Fortune executive editor told *The Huffington Post*.

Eighteen out of 500 is still a very low number. Having a career and being a mother is very commendable, and it is becoming more and more popular as it is often necessary in these times.

Women should continue increasing the number of females in higher-level positions and demand fair treatment in the workplace. *TAS*



Women get equal positions as men but not equal income



»PHILLIP SWANSON

Staff Writer

The U.S. Census from 1900 shows that women made up around 20 percent of the workforce and earned around 30 percent of what males earned. In a study done by

the National Committee of Pay Equity in 2011, statistics show that women make up around 46 percent of the workforce and earn about 77 cents for every dollar males bring in.

So, in the past 113 years, there has been a marked rise in pay equality. There still isn't equal pay though, and that bothers me. If a woman can perform and is doing a job that a man can do, why should she be paid any less? If she has no marked differences from a man as far as the ability to do the job, then why is she not making as much money?

Pam Villareal, of the National Center for Policy Analysis, said “you might have a woman that works 35 hours, you might have a man doing the same job that works 50 hours, or he travels more in that job.”Working those extra hours shows a huge increase in pay. If you get paid time-and-a-half for any hours over 40 a week, up to 50 in this case, that means a 50 percent average increase in pay.

The only reason this explains that information is that women may end up taking that decrease in hours in order to be with their children.

The thing that bothers me is that they have to take a decrease in money. I know there would be a lot of people who might take advantage of it, but shouldn't there be some sort of stipend given to women who are single and forced to work to take care of their children? This might actually raise the standard of living and income for women suffering in this regard.

There is also a decrease in pay for women that are forced to go on maternity leave.

According to Kay Hymowitz of the Manhattan Institute, “there's no question that there is what some scholars call a ‘motherhood penalty.’” The “motherhood penalty” is described as having to take a decrease in pay for the time spent out of work

during pregnancy or post pregnancy. Is that not wrong? Women are the only ones who can bear children, and by furthering our population they are forced to take a pay decrease.

So what is the real issue here? I have a feeling it's a sense of intimidation. Since the dawn of the United States, men have virtually ruled the working class and upper echelons of society.

It was a given that a man would go to work, and bring home money from the day's job. A woman was seen as a caretaker of the home and of the children. That was her job.

These days, that gap between men and women in the workforce has closed exponentially.

As a society, we are slowly coming to terms with equal rights.

However, some are seeing this as an invasion of tradition and rightful space and are holding on to the idea of keeping a distinction between men and women.

I believe, if given the opportunity to earn the same pay, there might actually be more income and cash flow throughout the economy. If the gap is closed completely, the United States might actually bring itself out of recession and even a useless habit. *TAS*



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Mothers should educate their daughters about gender equality

»FAITH JOHNSON

Guest Writer

Empowering a child can be a tricky thing. As a mom we want our children to be strong and assured of who they are, but we do not

want them to make mistakes or to face problems that we may have had to deal with when we were growing up.

While raising three daughters, my husband and I have walked a tightrope, per se, to teach our girls to be strong and persistent without being bullheaded and careless. Our priority is that our daughters are strong as individuals.

Part of making sure that our daughters are strong is making sure they know who they are in God. Our faith is very much a part of who we are and a large part in how we have taught our daughters that we are all equal. Each and every one of us, black, white, yellow, red, brown, male, female, what have you, is equal. Part of being equal means that they should not ever allow anybody to disrespect them.

Our girls hold on to stories of Jesus talking to Mary and Martha freely along with the other disciples, as well as Queen Esther, who saved the Jewish people by having the courage to speak up.

Being honest and upfront with our girls allows us to use everyday examples with them as they grow and mature. As life events occur we teach them how to handle it so they know what they should expect and how they, as young women, should be treated.

One television show our daughters enjoy watching that puts women on an equal footing with men and allows them to share the spotlight

with the main character is “Doctor Who”. The show is on BBC and shows equality better than any others I have seen, whether it is Donna Noble giving the tenth doctor the what for, River Song confusing everybody, or Sarah Jane, who went on to be in her own show. All three women are good examples of strong, independent women that oftentimes upstage the men in the story line.

“Doctor Who” is not the first television show to have a positive girl-power message for my daughters. When they were younger, they loved to watch “Sailor Moon,” which features female action heroes. There were five main characters with five very different personalities and different interests that became friends simply because they were teamed up to fight evil.

In using the show when they were younger, we were able to point out the traits that were

good in the characters. My oldest daughter loved Sailor Venus, who was all about performing, and who also happened to be the top crime fighter in London. The middle daughter loved Sailor Mercury, who was shy, timid and a genius. Then the youngest was obsessed with Sailor MiniMoon/ ChibiUsa, who was simply determined to do what she set her mind to do.

Each of the characters that the girls related to had a characteristic that they themselves had while also showing independence.

It helps to have examples that kids can relate to while they come up and are molded into their best. There are women that my girls have learned about who show them they can be anything they want to be, regardless of whether that job is a stay-at-home mom, a career woman or even president of the United States. *TAS*

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March 27

- 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; **Chili Fundraiser;** Clement Lobby
- 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m.; **Non-traditional Student Luncheon: Career Building Workshop;** MUC 312
- 6 p.m.; **GPC Dinner and a Movie: The Hobbit;** MUC 303/305

Thursday,
March 28

- 12:30 p.m.; **ANTS: Study Abroad Seminar;** MUC 305
- 3 p.m.-4:30 p.m.; **Provost Lecture Series;** MUC 303

Monday,
April 1

- 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; **Disability Awareness Month Kickoff;** MUC 303/305
- 4 p.m.; **John S. Zeigler Leadership Series: SGA Presidential Debate;** MUC 308
- 7:30 p.m.; **Symphonic Band;** MMC Concert Hall

Tuesday,
April 2

- 12 p.m.; **Wellness Class: Fitness Trends;** Foy Center
- 5 p.m.; **Malcolm Glass Reading;** Clarksville Public Library

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We Can Do It!

Women's and gender studies department celebrating diversity since 1970s

» By LINDA SAPP
Staff Writer

The APSU women's and gender studies department helps prepare students for the negotiation of conflicts which may arise in either their personal lives or workplaces. According to Jill Eichhorn, associate professor of English and coordinator of women's and gender studies, "The power

dynamics between women and their role in the world never go away." This program was created as a response to the development of women's courses and curriculum at other universities across the nation. APSU first offered a history course which focused on women in U.S. history in the 1970s. Professor Betty Jo Wallace taught this first course without pay.

Soon to follow were six more courses listed for the women's studies minor. In 1993, Susan Calvovini became the coordinator of the Women's Studies Program.

By 1994, 11 students registered when the first introductory course was offered. Jill Eichhorn became the interim coordinator in 1997 and was full-time by 2000.

The program has since grown into an 18-hour minor which offers an introductory course for students who have a social science requirement as a part of their general education requirements.

Women and gender studies "addresses gender, race, class, sexual orientation, abilities and disabilities," Eichhorn said. The program takes a look at human history, literature, politics, economics and the creative arts.

Professor of women's studies Barbara Gray, who will offer the first LGBT introductory course this fall, said students learn "through studies of social and political histories." Gray said the course is not what students usually expect.

"The students learn to get out of gender roles in order to change society for the future," Gray said.

Eichhorn emphasized the importance of "navigating personal and professional lines" while resolving prejudice and bias.

Through utilization of co-curricular media, the department is able to offer service learning hours to students.

Some of these students recently travelled to Washington, D.C., where they interacted with legislators and met other students from similar programs across the nation.

"It's an interesting course," said student Ashanti Farmer, who is enrolled in Critical Studies in Women's Literature. "I've learned that things haven't changed much. Some of what these women in history were going through is still going on today."

The women and gender studies department has also helped to bring other organizations to campus.

Two such groups are the Gay-Straight Alliance and the Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance. The organizations hold various events throughout the year, including the GSA drag

shows and the FMLA Clothesline Project and Vagina Monologues. More information on APSU women's and gender studies can be found at apsu.edu/womens-gender-studies. *TAS*



Nursing professors tell importance of checkups

» By SABRINA HAMILTON
Staff Writer

professionals beg to differ.

"I think it's extremely important for your health to get regular exams and routine care, not just for your current health status, but for things you may want to do in the future," said Kim French, nurse practitioner at APSU.

It is found that most young women are not taking regular tests in order to keep records of their health, and these tests can be the deciding factor when it comes to prevention of disorders such as chlamydia, diabetes and HPV.

"Recent statistics from the Center of Disease Control show that 25 percent of women under the age of 25 may have been infected with chlamydia and show no symptoms," French said. A simple test or administered vaccine could be the difference between an STD and a healthy lifestyle.

Despite these statistics, in an informal poll, three out of five females on campus did not find regular tests and doctor visits necessary. Patty Orr, director and associate professor of the school of nursing, said this belief is false.

Orr said women should receive a wellness exam "at least once a year." For a younger person without chronic disease, the visit is most about upkeep of health and age-appropriate testing, especially after becoming sexually active, Orr said.

Orr said that, along with diet and exercise, getting tests run and regular pap smears are an absolute must.

Tests range from getting an HPV vaccine, having lipid levels and blood pressure checked and checking for any chronic disease that can be hereditary.

Additionally, Orr suggests for college-age females to regulate their sleep patterns and ban electronics from the bedroom. Good sleep boosts immune system strength and allows the body to heal from viruses, which is necessary for good health.

The best advice they can give to us all is to "don't smoke, get at least 30 minutes of exercise five times a week — that's the minimum — and then eating at least five to eight fruits and vegetables a day."

The common goal is awareness, because when one does good for one's body, it does good back. *TAS*

Girl, 9, walks to get help after rollover car crash kills father

» ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — Braving the cold and howling of coyotes, nine-year-old Celia Renteria was certain her father was still alive when she crawled out of a steep Southern California canyon and walked in the desert darkness to summon for help after a rollover crash.

With temperatures dipping into the 40s, she hiked through rugged terrain to a nearby home. No one answered. Then she hiked up the rocky embankment and along the remote highway to a commuter rail station where she flagged down a passing motorist early Sunday, March 24.

When officers responded, they found Celia's father, Alejandro Renteria, 35, dead. He was pinned in the driver's seat.

In all, she trekked 1 1/2 to 2 miles.

"She was very courageous, being able to walk through the dark, through bushes and very rough terrain to get help for her dad," said California Highway Patrol Officer Gil Hernandez.

The Renterias' 2010 Ford Escape was launched about 200 feet down into the canyon along an isolated stretch of the Sierra Highway in the high desert of northern Los Angeles County at about 1 a.m. Sunday, March 24, the CHP said. The vehicle flipped several times.

Authorities said Celia managed to free herself from the mangled wreck to find

help. She finally found a passing motorist near Acton, a small town tucked in the mountains between Los Angeles and the Mojave Desert.

Law enforcement officials praised Celia's bravery and tenacity.

"She walked quite a distance in a very, very threatening environment," CHP Sgt. Tom Lackey told KABC-TV.

A helicopter airlifted the girl to Children's Hospital Los Angeles. She was treated for minor injuries including bumps and bruises and a cut on her face.

"She's in good condition," Lyndsay Hutchison, a hospital spokeswoman, said Monday, March 25.

The girl's caregiver Consuelo Amador said the child didn't panic, and turned off the car's engine after she smelled gasoline.

"They were really close, and that's what hurts me the most," the girl's sister Amber Mejia told KCBS. "He was actually the only father that stuck around my sister"

A coroner's spokesman said Monday, March 25, that Alejandro Renteria was a resident of the North Hollywood section of Los Angeles.

Television footage showed crews using a long tow cable to remove the severely damaged black SUV from the canyon.

The CHP was investigating whether alcohol played a role in the crash. Toxicology tests are pending from the coroner. *TAS*

Female techie fired for tweeting

» ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN JOSE, Calif. — A female developer was fired after tweeting about a group of men she said were making sexual comments at a computer programming conference, fueling an already vigorous debate about gender equality and culture in Silicon Valley.

Adria Richards wrote on her blog that she was seated in a ballroom at the Santa Clara conference when the men behind her started talking about “big dongles.”

A dongle is a device that plugs into a computer, but Richards tweeted that the men made the comment in a sexual way.

After hearing their remarks, Richards turned around, took a photo of two men and posted it on Twitter with their alleged comments.

Conference organizers said they were concerned by the tweet and quickly met with Richards and the men, who immediately apologized.

“We pulled all the individuals aside. We got all

sides of the story. They said she was right, and they were very apologetic,” said Jesse Noller, who chaired the conference, PyCon 2013, for people working on Python programming language.

Richards worked for SendGrid, a technology company with offices in Orange County and Colorado.

CEO Jim Franklin wrote on the company’s website that SendGrid agreed with Richards’ right to report the incident to Pycon staff, but not the way she reported it.

“Her decision to tweet the comments and photographs of the people who made the comments crossed the line,” Franklin wrote in a blog post on the site.

Franklin said Richards put the company’s business in danger, divided the developer community and could no longer be effective at the company.

One of the men in the photo Richards posted has also been let go from his job at San Francisco-based mobile game company PlayHaven.

“PlayHaven had an employee who was identified as making inappropriate comments at PyCon, and as a company that is dedicated to gender equality and values honorable behavior, we conducted a thorough investigation. The result of this investigation led to the unfortunate outcome of having to let this employee go,” PlayHaven CEO Andy Yang said in a blog posting.

“We believe in the importance of discussing sensitive topics such as gender and conduct, and we hope to move forward with a civil dialogue based on the facts,” Yang said.

Gender gaps are the hot topic in Silicon Valley, in large part because of the bestselling book “Lean In” by Sheryl Sandberg, chief operating officer at Facebook Inc.

Telle Whitney, who heads the Anita Borg Institute, a Palo Alto-based nonprofit working to advance women in computer science and engineering roles, said Friday “that racist or sexist comments have no place in today’s work environment and are counterproductive to

fostering a diverse, productive and innovative workforce.”

“Events such as these make it more difficult for our industry to attract, recruit and retain women in technology, which is extremely important given the growing global demand for technology workers,” she said.

Richards, reached Friday by The Associated Press, said she couldn’t comment. But she confirmed her blog and tweets, along with the report that she was fired.

Richards said she also had confronted a man earlier after he told her what she thought was a sexist joke at the conference.

“There is something about crushing a little kid’s dream that gets me really angry,” Richards wrote.

“Women in technology need consistent messaging from birth through retirement they are welcome, competent and valued in the industry.”

SendGrid was founded in 2009 and has developed a cloud-based email system, according to its website. **TAS**

Teenage Pakistani shooting victim returns to school

» ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — Malala Yousafzai, the Pakistani teenager shot in the head by the Taliban, has returned to school for the first time since she was targeted.

The 15-year-old joined other girls at Edgbaston High School for Girls in Birmingham for her first day back at school on Tuesday, said Edelman, the public relations agency handling her media relations.

Malala was airlifted to Britain for treatment after Taliban gunman shot her on Oct. 9, while on her way home from school in northwestern Pakistan.

The militant group said it targeted her because she promoted “Western thinking” and criticized the group’s behavior when it took over the scenic Swat Valley where she lived.

The shooting sparked outrage in Pakistan and

many other countries, and her story has captured global attention for the struggle for women’s rights in her homeland.

Malala was released in February from the hospital that was treating her for her injuries.

Doctors said she was recovering well after receiving skull reconstruction and cochlear implant surgeries.

In a statement, Malala said she was excited to return to school and that she wanted “all girls in the world to have this basic opportunity.”

“I miss my classmates from Pakistan very much, but I am looking forward to meeting my teachers and making new friends here in Birmingham,” she added.

The teenager is expected to remain in the U.K. for some time as her father, Ziauddin, has secured a post with the Pakistani Consulate in the English city of Birmingham. **TAS**

Former Titan Eddie George performs at Roxy Theatre

» STAFF REPORT

Eddie George, former running back for Nashville’s Tennessee Titans, travelled to the Roxy Theatre in downtown Clarksville on Friday, March 22, to do a reading of a play in the process of being written.

George, after the reading, signed autographs and took photos with attendees, also giving out advice for football hopefuls. When asked about his motivation and why this project was so important to him, George insisted that he found work on the stage as part of a spiritual journey, allowing him to have fun and

tell stories.


“It’s sheer passion ... a calling,” George said.

George’s work on the stage has spanned seven to eight years, at one time playing the title role in the Nashville Shakespeare Festival’s production of *Julius Caesar*. George also said he was unsure what to expect from the future, since he has retired from professional football.

“Entertainment is where I live, it allows healing through expression,” George said.

George said he was delighted to be a part of a production in progress, even more so to be one in Clarksville’s historic Roxy Theatre. **TAS**


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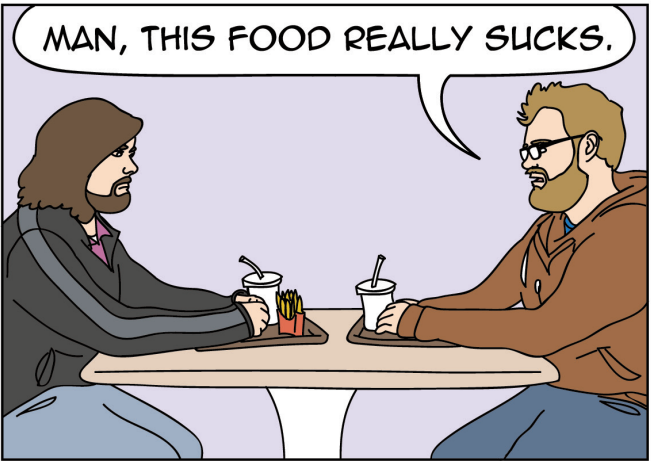
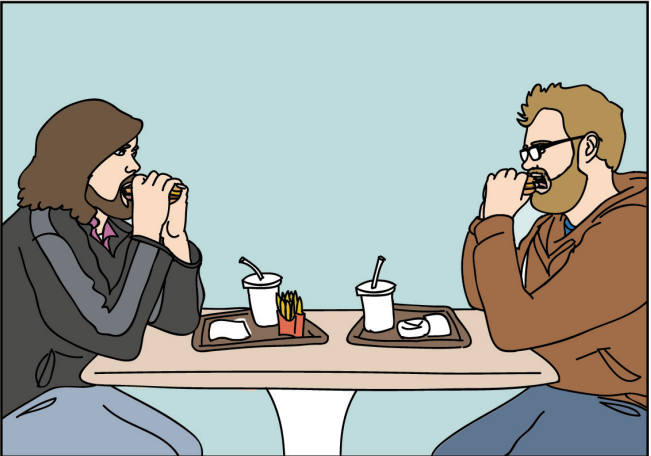
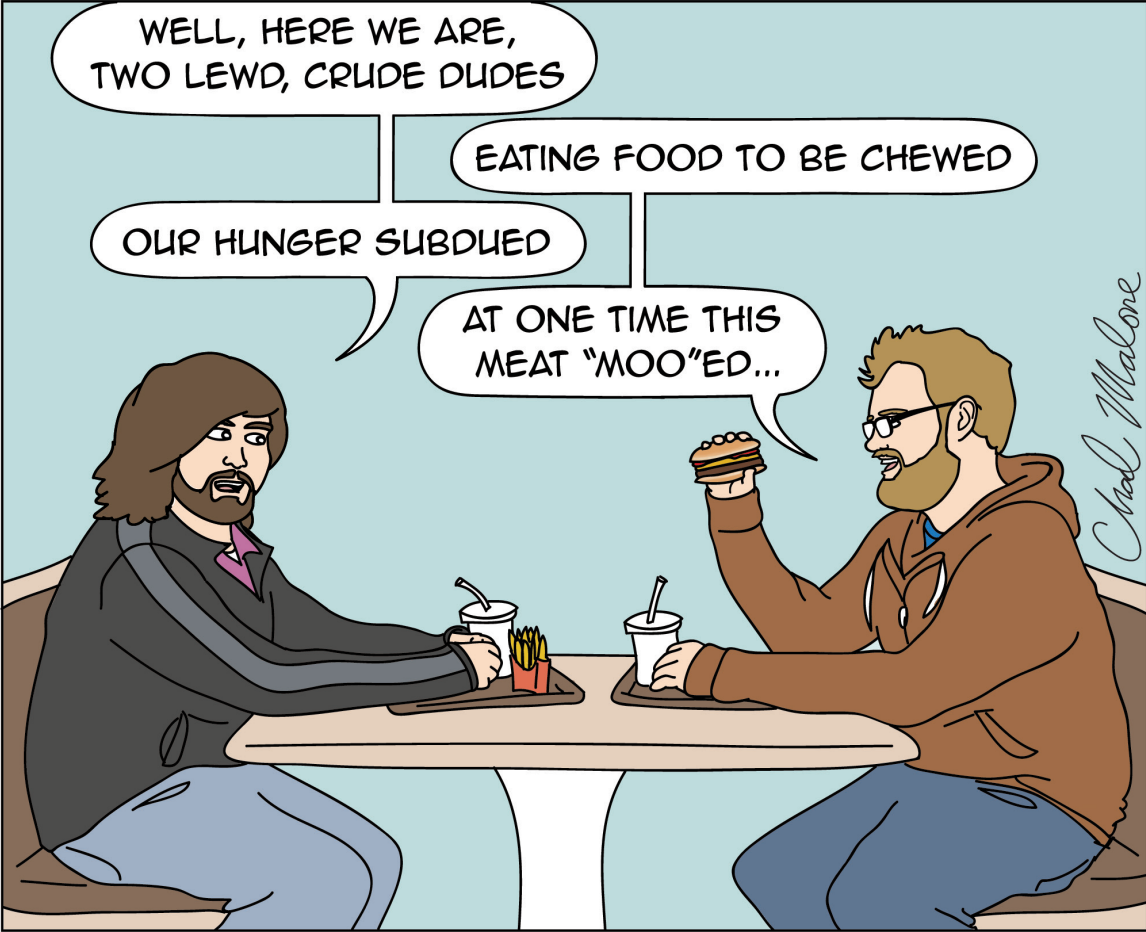
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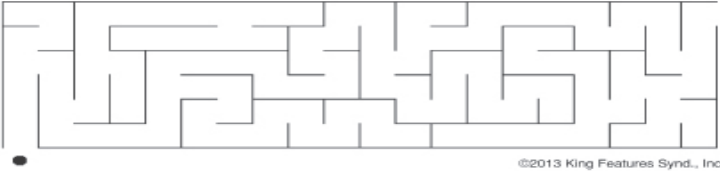
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by Linda Thistle

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FGCU becomes first 15 seed to reach Sweet 16



FGCU's Chase Fieler dunks over a San Diego State guard on Sunday, March 24. ASSOCIATED PRESS

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PHILADELPHIA - Florida Gulf Coast can only hope its second weekend in the NCAA tournament is as much fun as its first.

The little-known Eagles made NCAA tournament history Sunday night, March 24, becoming the first 15 seed to reach the Sweet 16 — and they did it in style with a convincing 81-71 win over No. 7 San Diego State that had the Wells Fargo Center partying.

A couple of hours later, Duke joined them with a 66-50 win over Creighton — and a decidedly more subdued postgame celebration. Both will have a tough time next weekend.

Second-seeded Duke gets No. 3 Michigan State in the Midwest Regional semifinals, while FGCU — the upstart state school — plays the system's flagship university, third-seeded Florida, in the South Regional semifinals at Dallas.

“We got a lot of exposure this weekend and now I’m sure it’ll be increased,” FGCU coach Andy Enfield said in one of the understatement of the tournament. “If you watched us play and know the personalities, it won’t be a problem. They enjoy themselves. I think it’s important for them to take this in. I want all our players to take a couple deep breaths and say, ‘Wow, we’re in the Sweet 16, we’ve accomplished a lot.”

The players — and their new fans from Philadelphia — had a blast in their first two NCAA tournament games: the 78-68 victory over second-seeded Georgetown that brought the Eagles (26-10) to the nation's attention and the impressive win over the seventh-seeded Aztecs.

“Words can’t describe this feeling as being a 15 seed, the first 15 seed to ever do this,” FGCU point guard Brett Comer said. “I don’t think it’s really sunk in to any of us yet. I feel like maybe it will tomorrow, but right now we’re on such an emotional high it’s hard to come down from.”

The Eagles continued their high-flying act that resulted in some highlight-reel dunks, many on assists from Coomer, who finished with 10 points and 14 assists.

“We got on a run, and when we push the ball we get the crowd behind us and we get a dunk, and then we go to the other end and get a stop and another dunk, it’s hard to try to turn the momentum back like that,” Comer said.

The Eagles broke the game open against Georgetown with a 21-2 run in the second half. Against San Diego State it was a 17-0 run and when it was over the Eagles led 71-52 with 4:19 to play and the only decisions left were how the players and fans were going to celebrate.

“We’re all about having fun and also playing really hard and that’s something we like to do, we like to get the crowd involved,” said Sherwood Brown, the A-Sun’s player of the year, who had 17 points despite being saddled with foul trouble. “The whole crowd got behind us even if they are not from Fort Myers, or as I like to say, Dunk City,” Bernard Thompson had 23 points for the 16-year-old school from Fort Myers.

Jamal Franklin had 20 points and 11 rebounds for the Aztecs (23-11), who were trying to reach the regional semifinals for the second time in three years. Franklin spoke with Brown after the game.

“I just told him just keep being the leader that he is, make sure the ball is in his hands, make sure he does what he has to do to keep his team rolling,” Franklin said.

The Eagles shot 55.9 percent (33 of 59), including going 7 of 18 from 3-point range. The Aztecs finished at 44.3 percent (27 of 61) and were 8 of 23 from beyond the arc.

“They play with a swagger, and they have a right to do that,” said San Diego State coach Steve Fisher, who knows about players with that attitude having led the Fab Five to consecutive national championship games at Michigan. “You can have that look and feel, but you have to compete and play to earn your spurs, and they’ve done that.”

Freshman Rasheed Sulaimon scored 21 points and Seth Curry added 17 as Duke advanced to the round of 16 for the fourth time in five years.

A year after they lost their NCAA tournament opener, the Blue Devils (29-5) are in the regional semifinal for the 23rd time after holding Creighton to 30.2 percent shooting (16 of 53), including 2 of 19 from 3-point range.

Mason Plumlee, Josh Hairston and Ryan Kelly battled foul trouble all game long that could have doomed the Blue Devils but seventh-seeded Creighton (28-8) never made a serious run in the second half.

Doug McDermott scored 21 points on 4-for-16 shooting and grabbed nine rebounds for the Bluejays, who were knocked out in the third round by an Atlantic Coast Conference team for the second straight season. Creighton lost to North Carolina last year. *TAS*

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Softball - 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.
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THURSDAY, MARCH 28

Tennis (M) - 2:30 p.m.
at Murray State

Baseball - 3:00 p.m.
at Murray State

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

Tennis (W) - 11:00 a.m.
versus Southeast Missouri

Softball - 1:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.
at UT Martin

Baseball - 3:00 p.m.
versus Murray State

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

Track and Field
versus APSU Invitational

Softball - 1:00 p.m.
at UT Martin

Tennis (W) - 1:00 p.m.
versus UT Martin

Baseball - 1:00 p.m.
at Murrat State

MONDAY, APRIL 1

Golf (M)
at ASU Red Wolf Intercollegiate

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

Tennis (W) - 11 a.m.
at Murray State

Baseball - 6:00 p.m.
versus Lipscomb

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

Baseball - 6:00 p.m.
at Western Kentucky

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

Golf (W)
at Colonel Classic

Baseball - 6:00 p.m.
versus Tennessee Tech

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

Softball - 12:00 p.m. and 2:00p.m.
versus Morehead State

Tennis (M) - 1:00 p.m.
versus Tennessee State

Tennis (W) - 1:00 p.m.
versus Tennessee State

Baseball - 2:00 p.m.
versus Tennessee Tech

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Tennis (W) - 10:00 a.m.
versus Belmont

Softball - 12:00p.m. and 2:00 p.m.
versus Eastern Kentucky

Baseball - 1:00 p.m.
versus Tennessee Tech

Tennis (M) - 2:00 p.m.
versus Belmont

MONDAY, APRIL 8

Golf (M)
at C.O.G. Mizzou Intercollegiate

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

Baseball - 5:30 p.m.
at Kentucky

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

Baseball - 3:00 p.m.
at Southern Illinois

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

Track and Field
at Sea Ray Relays

Baseball - 5:00 p.m.
at Southeast Missouri

SATURDAY, APRIL 13

Softball - 12:00 p.m. and 2:00p.m.
at SIU Edwardsville

Tennis (M) - 1:00 p.m.
versus Tennessee Tech

Baseball - 2:00 p.m.
at Southeast Missouri

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

Tennis (W) - 10:00 a.m.
versus Jacksonville State

Softball - 12:00 p.m.
versus SIU Edwardsville

Baseball - 1:00 p.m.
at Southeast Missouri

Tennis (M) - 2:00 p.m.
versus Jacksonville State

TUESDAY, APRIL 16

Baseball - 6:00 p.m.
at Evansville

» By SEAN ATKINS

Sports Editor

APSU’s search for a new head football coach ended this past Monday, March 18, when they announced the hiring of Kirby Cannon to lead the program.

Cannon accepted the job after previously working as a secondary coach for Central Michigan University for the past three seasons.

Before taking the position with Central Michigan, Cannon was the head coach at Missouri University of Science and Technology, an NCAA Division II program, from 1999-2009.

Cannon rebuilt the football program at Missouri S&T, compiling winning seasons in three of his last five seasons as their head coach.

He led the Miners of Missouri S&T to their first conference title since 1983 after compiling a 7-4 record in 2008 and was named Coach of the Year in the Great Lakes Football Conference.

A native of Alexandria, Missouri, Cannon graduated from Missouri State in 1981 with a

bachelor’s degree in physical education.

He started his coaching career two years after graduating and served as a graduate assistant at Iowa State University from 1983-1984.

Cannon arrives at APSU with, above all other things, a defensive background.

He was a defensive coordinator at three different schools—North Central University, Truman State University and Northern Michigan University—before accepting his first head coaching position with Missouri S&T.

Cannon was introduced to the university and media on Tuesday, March 19, and got right to work, as spring practice begins this week for the Governors.

Becoming the 18th head football coach in APSU history, Cannon replaces Rick Christophel, who left the Govs to accept the tight end coaching position with the Arizona Cardinals of the National Football League.

Christophel went 20-46 in six seasons as the head coach for the Governors, including a 14-34 record in Ohio Valley Conference play. *TAS*

Golf teams continue to improve

» By KIMBERLY WALLACE

Guest Writer

The APSU men’s golf team struggled early on and settled for a second-place tie in the Carter Plantation Intercollegiate tournament in Springfield, La., on Monday, March 18.

The Governors’ 577 total found them entering Tuesday’s final round just three strokes off the pace behind host Southeastern Louisiana.

After shooting a 6-over 294 in the Monday, March 22, round, the Govs rebounded with a tourney low 5-under 283, in the afternoon.

Marco Iten, after an opening-round 76, bounced back with a 68, tying for the round’s low score.

Anthony Bradley, who also had a first-round 76, came back with a 2-under 70, while the team’s lone senior, Dustin Korte, followed his morning round of 78 with a 1-under 71.

“We have a group of guys who really want to be in that starting five,” said men’s golf coach Kirk Kayden. “Everyone wants to play and everyone is motivated.

That is going to help this team in the long run. It is going to make this team a lot better.”

The Lady Govs golf team could not overcome their struggles in the early rounds and finished eighth at the Bobby Nichols Intercollegiate tournament at the Sevier Golf Club in Sevierville, Tenn., on Monday and Tuesday, March 18 and 19.

After finishing up the weather-delayed first round with a 333 early Tuesday, the Lady Govs rebounded to shave off 16 strokes with a 317 second-round score. As a result, the Lady Govs were able to move up three spots from 11th in the 13-team tournament.

“We proved we could play with people in the second round,” said women’s golf coach Sara Robson.

For the second straight tourney, Jessica Cathey (158) finished just outside the top 10 in a 12th-place tie. Lauren Bond was APSU’s second-best finisher with a two-round total of 159 (80-79), tying her for 20th. Tabitha Beard and Tala Mumford tied for 36th at 163. *TAS*

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Bat Govs win series against Gamecocks



» By **COREY ADAMS**
Staff Writer

After sweeping Eastern Illinois in a two game Ohio Valley Conference series last weekend, March 15 and 16, and dropping a mid-week contest at Indiana State, the APSU baseball team returned home to Raymond C. Hand on March 22-23 to host OVC rival Jacksonville State.

The weekend series was shifted to a doubleheader on Friday, March 22 and the third game was played on Saturday, March 23.

APSU won the opening two games 5-4 and 10-1 respectively, but fell in the series finale 19-9.

In game one of the doubleheader Friday, March 22, Lee Ridenhour earned the win for the Govs by pitching seven innings, allowing all four Jacksonville State runs, and sat down six Gamecock batters with strikeouts. Kacy Kemmer came on in relief to pitch the eighth inning and didn't allow any runners to reach base.

Senior closer Tyler Rogers picked up his ninth save of the season and 21st of his career, passing Daniel Tenholder for the most in school history.

"It sounds pretty cool," Rogers said after breaking the record. "But I think it's more about the type of team we've had the last two years to get that many save opportunities."

Designated hitter Brett Carlson and catcher P.J. Torres led the way on offense with two RBIs apiece, while Jordan Hankins drove home the fifth run of the game.

Game two featured senior starting pitcher Casey Delgado taking the mound for APSU

and he set a career high in strikeouts with nine. Delgado also allowed only one run and improved his record to 4-1 on the season.

"I had all my pitches working today and our defense was great," Delgado said. "I just really wanted to fill up the zone and it worked out well for me."

The offense for the Govs was on a roll Friday, March 22, giving Delgado eight runs of support. Reed Harper, three for five, and Craig Massoni, four for five, led the way with a combined four RBIs. Hankins contributed with a couple more RBIs with a two-run home run in the eighth inning.

But all great things must come to an end as APSU's 4-0 OVC record ended on Saturday, March 23.

Jacksonville State scored four runs in the first inning, and the hits didn't stop there. The Gamecocks tallied 23 hits, which led to 19 runs for the game, the most APSU has surrendered since 2011.

The last time the Govs allowed more than 19 runs in a conference game was in 2009 against Jacksonville State.

APSU came back to tie the game 8-8 after the fifth inning, but the Gamecocks sealed the deal, scoring nine runs in the next two innings.

"We hit with guys in scoring position and never quit," head coach Gary McClure said following the loss. "I like the way our guys came back and played good defense, but we just didn't pitch well today."

The Govs (19-4, 4-1) head out on a four-game road stretch starting Tuesday, March 26, against nationally ranked Mississippi State then travel to Murray State next weekend March 28-30, for a three-game OVC series **TAS**



Top: Hankins tips helmets with two other players after hitting a home run. Bottom left: Hankins connects with a pitch. Bottom right: Ryan Quick throws a pitch. All photos were taken on the Friday, March 22 contest against the Gamecocks **DREW KIRK | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER**

Tennis star Carre brings 'French Revolution' to APSU



Alison Carre currently holds a 9-7 singles record. **DARRELL SHEFFIELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER**

» By **JOSHUA STEPHENSON**
Guest Writer

Many times, players go from being the top player at their high school to being a small fish in a very big pond at the collegiate level.

Sometimes players can't adjust and they burnout while others thrive with the competition and rise to the top. APSU No. 1 Women's Tennis player, Alison Carre is thriving, but she also had a handicap.

"When I got here I couldn't speak English," Carre, a native of France, said. "I couldn't say two words." Carre laughs thinking back to that first month on campus. "At the beginning it was very hard, and to be honest, I cried many times."

The language barrier caused a little tension with her teammates at the first part of her freshman season.

"My teammates told me that in the beginning they wondered why I wasn't speaking," the Pre-season First team All-Ohio

Valley Conference player said. "They thought it was because I was big headed or wanted to be left alone, but it was because I couldn't speak English."

After the first month with her teammates her communication with them improved.



"I told them that in France, French people are very bad at English," Carre said with a laugh, "and after that they helped me a lot." That help has really assisted Carre flourish on the tennis court.

After the rough start to her freshman season, due to the language barrier, Carre picked up her play and finished the season strong.

At the start of her sophomore

campaign she was looked upon as one of the best players in the OVC and she hasn't disappointed with a 9-7 singles record (team best) and an 8-5 doubles record (tied for second on team).

Carre, who is 6-4 in her last 10 singles matches and 8-2 in doubles, said she really has no preference between singles or doubles.

"I like to play both," Carre, who is majoring in HHP with plans to be a physical therapist, said.

"I like playing doubles with my teammates but also like singles because if I mess up I know it's my fault."

Carre has high hopes for herself and the tennis team while she is at APSU.

"I really want to win the OVC conference championship as a team and also win OVC player of the year."

Carre is a rising star in the OVC women's tennis ranks and has one main goal for her career while she is a Lady Gov.

"I want to win as many matches as possible while I'm here." **TAS**