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The Financial Management Association (FAM) is selling pizza today in the lobby of Kimbrough. The pizza is \$1 a slice.

There will be an open house for all pre-nursing students on Feb. 24 from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the African American Culture Center. This will be an opportunity for students to get acquainted and ask questions.

The Austin Peay State University Counseling Center, in connection with the Harriet Cohn Center, holds a rape support group meeting every Wednesday night at 5:15 p.m. here on campus. The Survivors of Rape Trauma (SORT) is open to all females in the community, and APSU students, faculty and staff. The location of the meetings and the University's records concerning the meetings are kept confidential. For the location and more information, call Cindy Long at 648-6162.

The Wesley Foundation will hold the discussion "Safe Sex or Safer Sex: Condoms vs. Abstinence" on Monday, Feb. 6 at 6 p.m. The first Hot Potato Night of the semester will precede the discussion. Everyone is invited to attend. For more information, call 647-6412. The Wesley Foundation is located across the street from the McCord Building.

The University Programs Council is currently taking membership applications. Applications can be picked up at the UPC Office, UC Room 219.

A presentation, "A Night of Awareness 2: Living with HIV," will be held on Thursday, Feb. 16 from 7:30-9 p.m. in Clement Auditorium in commemoration of Condom Awareness Week. Three guest panelists from Nashville Cares First Person Program, who are all HIV positive, have been invited to share their experiences. Presently, the Office of Housing and Residence Life, LifeChoices, Students Trained to Educate Peers (STEP Team), and United Support for Lesbians, Gays, and Bi-sexuals are sponsoring the event. All student organizations and departments have an opportunity to join in supporting the event. For more information, call Sky Vanessa King at 572-1116 by Feb. 6.

A concert by the APSU Piano Ensemble on Monday, Feb. 6 in the Concert Theatre of the Music/Mass Communication Building has been canceled. The Piano Ensemble will perform on April 28 as originally scheduled. For more information, call the department of music at 648-7818.

The American Civil Liberties Union, which is trying to establish an organization on campus, has a booth set up today in the UC Lobby from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Student interested can stop by to pickup information.

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Annual dinner promotes racial harmony at APSU

By ALICIA MOOREHEAD
news editor

Austin Peay's annual Unity Dinner will be held tonight in the UC Ballroom with multicultural performances at the dinner serving as a prelude to a speech titled "Unity is for Everyone" by the Rev. and Dr. Ben Chavis.

The Unity Dinner is sponsored by the Office of MultiEthnic Services as well as Affirmative Action.

According to Tina DeLaine, director of MultiEthnic Services, entertainment at the dinner will be provided by the Voices of Triumph, two Austin Peay Spanish students and a Native American.

The Voices of Triumph is a gospel vocal performance group. Carmen Arbol and Ruben Rodriguez will be performing a

plene, which is a Spanish dance. Ginger Ott will also perform a Native American dance at the dinner.

The focus of the evening will be the speech by Chavis at 7 p.m. Chavis is the former director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. He held the position as director until last August. According to DeLaine, Chavis was the youngest director ever of the NAACP.

"The Unity Dinner started as a way of trying to unify the entire campus. It is a kind of way of promoting our racial harmony," DeLaine said.

According to DeLaine, former speakers at the Unity Dinner have included Wilma Rudolph, Alex Haley and Jesse Jackson Jr.

Invitations were sent to everyone's post office box, and all

of the campus community is invited to the event, although a ticket is needed for the dinner, and there are no tickets left. Nothing is needed for entrance into Chavis' speech.

"The Unity Dinner is a good opportunity for everyone to get together. We hear so much about how we can not get along, and this is our way of showing we can get along," DeLaine said.

Chavis' speech is funded by The Office of MultiEthnic Services and Affirmative Action.

The Office of MultiEthnic Services is also sponsoring a lecture by Speech on Feb. 4, at 8 p.m. in Clement Auditorium.

Speech is the songwriter and producer of Arrested Development, a winner of two Grammy Awards.

In addition to his work with

Arrested Development, Speech is the producer and creator of FUSION!, a multicultural performing arts celebration that is touring colleges and universities.

Speech's message is of Afrocentricity, environmentalism, activism, spirituality, cultural diversity and politics.

According to Rolling Stone magazine, Speech and Arrested Development send out a unique message. The article reads "Following a year of gangster rap decadence, AD are involved in the redemption of black minds, grass roots politics and of pop music itself."

According to a press release, Arrested Development's first album, "3 Years, 5 Months, and 2 Days in the Life Of..." has sold more than 4.5 million copies worldwide, while the second

album, "ZINGALAMADUNI," was one of the most critically acclaimed albums of 1994.

The lecture is free and open to the public. For more information, telephone DeLaine at 648-7004.



Rev. Ben Chavis

Sitting Bull's relative lectures about Indian heritage

By JODI PATRICK
assistant news editor

"Let us put our minds together and see what life we can make for our children."—Sitting Bull of the Lakota Sioux, 1877.

Ron McNeil, president of the American Indian College Fund and a member of the Hunkpapa Band of the Lakota Sioux nation, spoke to a room of about 120 people last Wednesday night about what it really means to be an Indian.

McNeil, who is the great-great-grandson of Sitting Bull, began his talk, "In Search of Sitting Bull...Lessons from Great American Leaders," by discussing the politically correct terminology for his people.

McNeil explained the word Indian comes from the Latin words "in" "dios" which mean "of God."

According to McNeil, Christopher Columbus called the indigenous people of this land Indias because he thought they were so pure and generous they must be "children of God." Later, the Europeans added the "n" and the word Indian was derived.

McNeil said he is proud to be called an Indian since there is such deep meaning in the name. "So if you're looking for the politically correct terminology of describing the indigenous people of this continent, for me Indian is correct, because I believe that I am a child of God."

According to McNeil, another value upheld among the Indians is humility. "You can never allow your pride to get in front of you," he said.

Reactions from McNeil's lecture were positive. "I've read a lot on

Washington D.C.

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File reviews have been the

bigest disruption to the system. In June, July, and August, the office reviewed between 800 - 1,000 people.

"There are many instances where people haven't been responded to immediately and have not received money," Morrison said. "That's what has happened and what probably will continue to happen until we get everybody corrected."

This delay isn't happening at just Austin Peay. It's been happening all over the South, due to the sheer bulk of work that the VA has to process.

According to Morrison, Atlanta handles Channel 30 claims for 12 states. As more people are leaving the military "more of those same people are using VA benefits. All of that has to be processed by the processing office and that certainly has caused delays," he said.

Austin Peay's VA office has been making changes to help

Wakinyan, means "thunder horse," said his main struggle comes in balancing his Indian values in today's society. One example is trying to balance personal generosity and capitalism with being generous.

improve their situation. One new idea is meeting with department chairs to explain VA rules so that advisers are better able to assist veterans.

There is also a VA newsletter that comes out each month, though the office has run into difficulties because many people are changing their address with VA but not Austin Peay and mail is not getting to them.

"Any changes I need to make people aware of, or any information that I consider pertinent...I'll put in the newsletter," Morrison said.

Students should remember that employees in the Veterans Affairs office are Austin Peay employees and not employees of VA.

To talk to VA counselors, call 1-800-827-1000. These counselors have access to payment information, program eligibility, and general information about all VA programs, including education.

APSU's Veterans Affairs office still under review

By MELINDA BAYLESS
staff writer

Austin Peay's Veterans Affairs office is fielding angry students and battling threats of serious consequences since last summer's audit by the regional VA office.

The Fort Campbell Center was put under review to determine whether they should keep their Veterans Affairs benefits.

"The original letter and direction from the VA office in Nashville were aimed at the possible suspension of VA benefits at the Fort Campbell Center only," said Tom Morrison, assistant director of financial aid for Veterans Affairs.

On Sept. 9, 1994, the VA office gave a presentation to four members of the Committee of Educational Allowances for the VA benefits. The committee could not come to a unanimous decision and the question was sent to the central VA office in

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News

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On Jan. 25, a debate was held on the issue of national standards history versus traditional history.

The opening statements for the national standards were given by John Maher and Herman Diaz-Barriga. "There is not doubt today that one of the most critical issues in America is education and it's important," Maher said.

"We must at a minimum add to the national standards, add to what we now have as traditional history, those important cultural facts," Maher said, adding, "A society where people will determine from the past, and determine what to do in the future based on their education and this is what the goals 2000 program is all about."

"In 1992, a national council for history standards was formed to develop American and world history standards," Diaz-Barriga said. The council consulted with hundreds of teachers and developed 15 curriculums for developing history standards.

The criteria was based on the panel's belief on how Americans can best "achieve academic excellence in teaching and learning of history," Diaz-Barriga said. "These standards are not textbooks, they are guidelines which are designed to enhance the quality of history education in our schools," Diaz-Barriga said.

On rebuttal, David Stooksbury said that in looking at the United States as 13th in education, we have to look at this as a whole. "Other countries only educate the top scholars of the students," and continues to say "the U.S. educates all of their students."

You should not include history for inclusions sake. "The national standards are interesting but as yet are inadequately defined for refinement of traditional history," Stooksbury said.

On the traditional standards team,

Nick Tooley gave the opening statement. The traditional approach to history "emphasizes the pursuit of the objective outlook to gain insight to the past and thereby acquiring more knowledge of the tradition of history," Tooley said.

These national standards are a step forward; however, they are not acceptable in this form. "At times this generalization lacking specificity comes at the expense" of world history, Tooley said. Tooley went on to name important people and events that have been left out of the new national standards.

On rebuttal, Robert Perry said "What we are trying to do is get students to focus on cultures" of the world. For the national standards, an "actual text has not been written yet," only guidelines, said Perry.

"Education should not freeze us into race categories but free us from them," Perry said. According to Perry, you can't just look at the names left out. You have to look at the context of the book. The book is bringing students into the discussion and helping them think.

Dr. Ivan Joe Filippo, asked Maher, "You mentioned that the U.S. government provides us with dietary standards and fire standards. Are you suggesting that because the U.S. is engaged in standard making that we therefore need standards in this particular case."

"I think we're getting a bad image of standards here. My use of the example was to show how the government has done research and has come up with basic guidelines that they don't impose on anybody," Maher said.

Dr. Albert Bekus, one of the judges on the panel said, "I would like to see goals 2000 team to take the same kind of effort regarding basic mathematics, teaching science in high school, teaching students how to read and write. I think this is also part of the problem and perhaps the national standards team needs to focus on this issue as well."

Maher answered this statement by saying, "The goals 2000 program

does encompass science, math, reading and writing. History just happens to be the first commission to come out."

The audience got a chance to pose questions to the panels and one of the questions was pertaining to the much publicized liberal point of view of the goals. Both panels agreed that the national standards are neither conservative nor liberal, Democrat or Republican. They blame this public false impression on the limited media coverage.

Kiezha Smith gave the closing statements for the national standards. "According to the opposition, instituting a basic standard education, which is exactly what we're talking about tonight, is exclusive and inadequate. In other words giving our children the basic knowledge and skills necessary to be successful in a modern society is undesirable," Smith said.

"The opposition has also said that we're including culture for inclusions sake and that's condescending. Well I suggest that these standards are creating discipline," Smith said.

Jan Thompson gave the closing statements for the traditional standards. "The traditional approach believes the national standards are considerable achievement, and Nick has already stated that, we also agree this is not a cry for liberalism," Thompson said.

"We also believe that the way most of the material is organized and divided by area and grade level appears to chop up history" Thompson added.

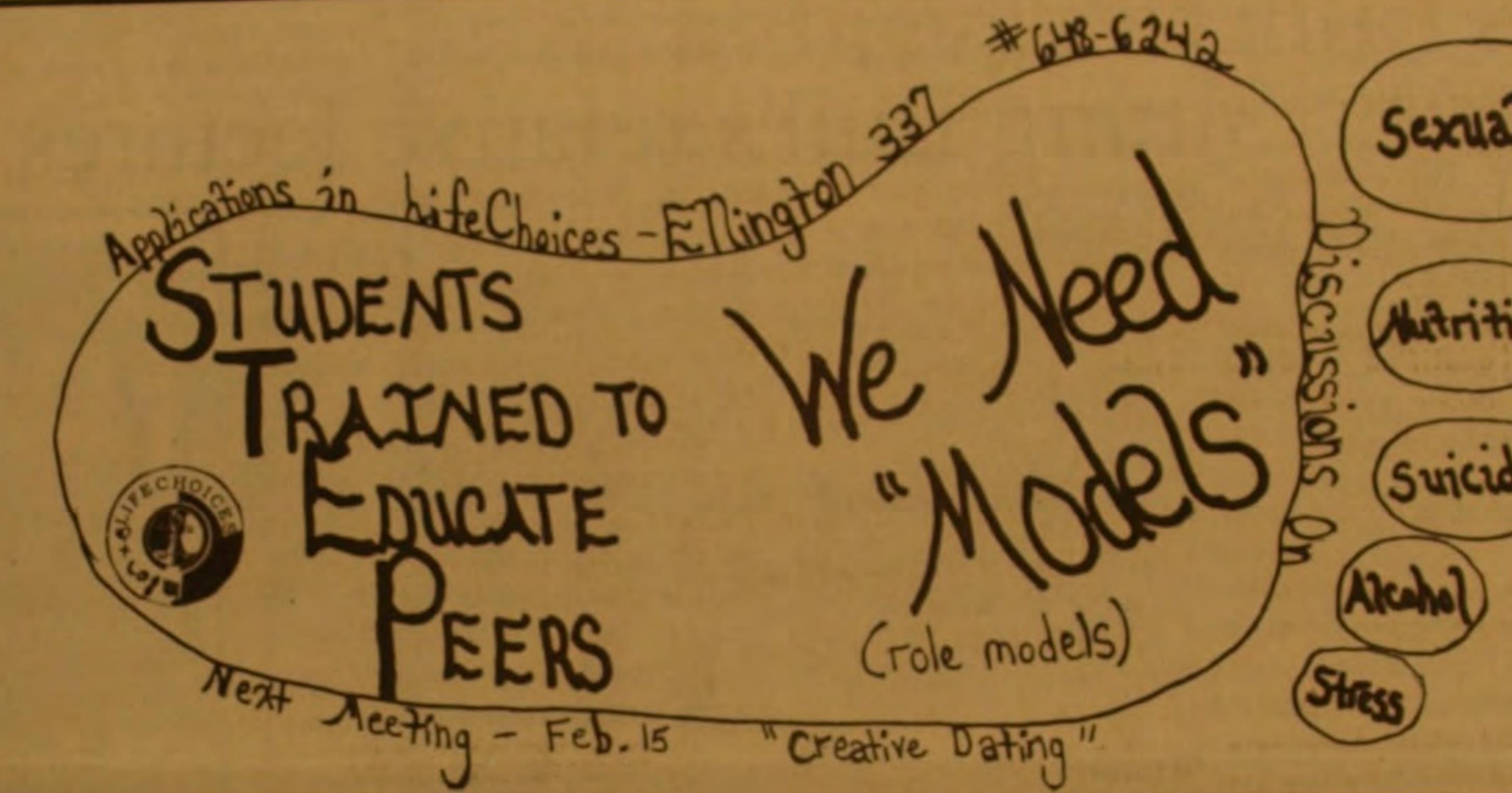
She continued on to say people can not put others in their own realm and own culture because this is not always how things were.

The judges then made their decision based on basic statement, rebuttal, closing

and delivery. According to the judges, audience was asked to vote and the traditional side won 5 to 4. The traditional side won there as well.

David Stooksbury, Nick Tooley and Jan Thompson debate for the traditional standards side. The debate which consisted of APSU students was held last week. (photo by J. Daniel Cloud)

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Simpson case points to oddities in our legal system

O.J. Simpson. Just saying his name is synonymous with professional football, several movies and the best known double-murder of the century. But Simpson represents more than just a troubled man facing the fight of his life. He is an astonishing reflection of what exactly the American criminal justice system is about.

Sadly, our judicial system seems to be much

lighter on those with big bucks and specifically on those who spend their big bucks on expensive lawyers. What would become of the man accused of killing Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman if the first two initials of his name were A.J.?

The All State feels that Simpson has gotten a very good deal of special treatment that would be denied without much thought to the majority of Americans. And his privileges are tarnishing the justice system.

The media has played a large role in immortalizing Simpson either for what he did or did not do. Judge Lance Ito is right to suggest the removal of television cameras from courtroom proceedings as a legitimate method for stopping the feeding frenzy. The Simpson trial is not only

the lead story for many media sources, but it is also encroaching on many college students' sacred ground of daytime viewing—the soap opera.

Did O.J. do it? Will he go to jail and for how long? The All State will do something very unusual and sit this one out. For a newspaper or a columnist to make these types of calls is ludicrous. The only calls that matter in Simpson's case are those made by the judge and the jury.

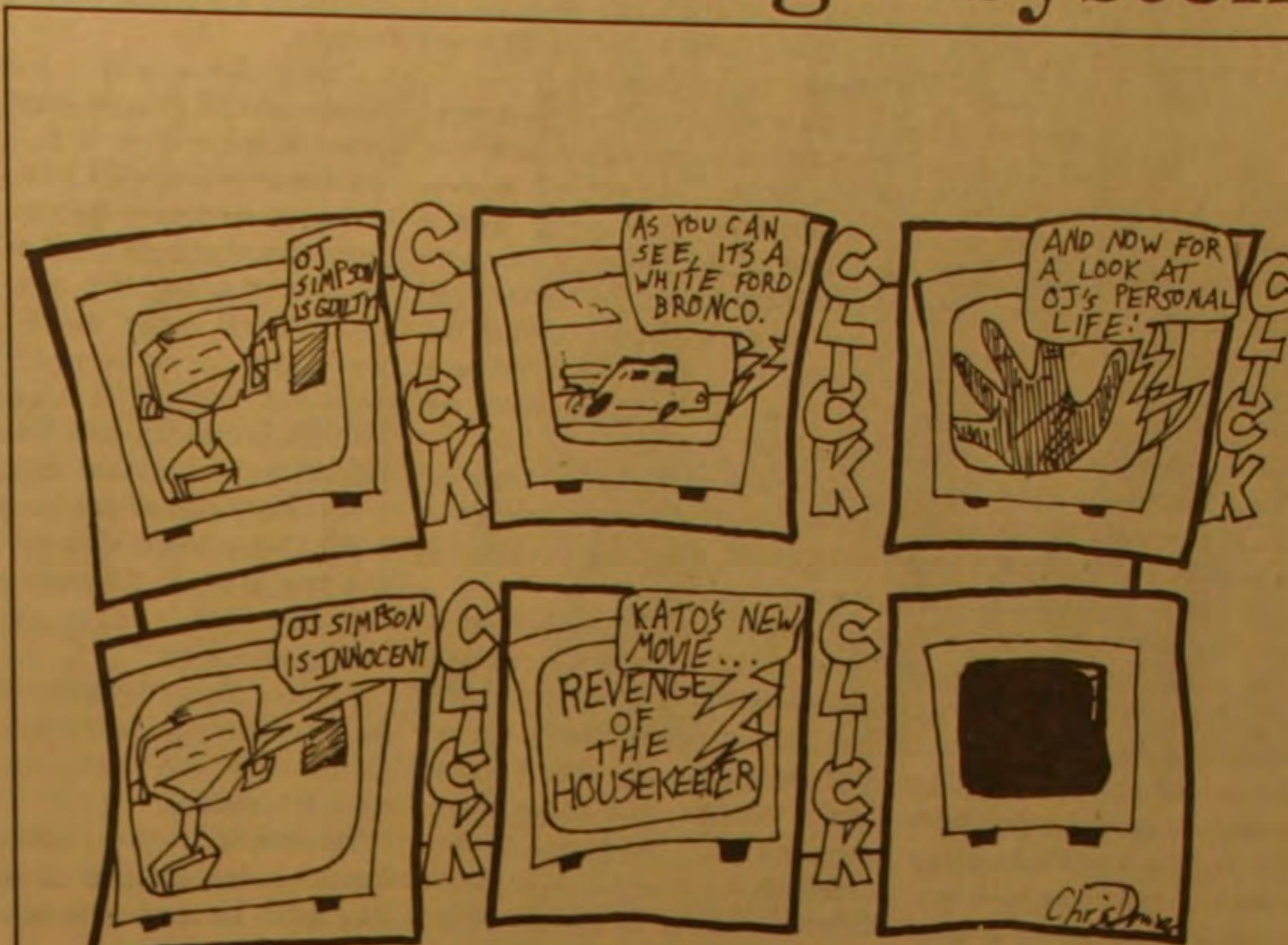
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Justice is what The All State wants to come out of this ordeal. If Simpson did it, send him up the river. If he is innocent, then set him free. But we are well aware that the final judgment will not be that simple.

There will be many intangibles that will come into play: the defense's use of the media, Simpson's celebrity status and the use of race by the defense to sway minority jurors. All of these will

prove to make the final judgment and possible sentencing very difficult.

The All State is hoping for fairness to be sought out in the Simpson verdict, knowing that perfection is always an impossibility when dealing with people.



Press fails to reveal both sides of leadership conference

Let's talk about the leadership conference.

Unlike the belief of most Americans, Affirmative Action is not some racist policy in which some more qualified white person is denied a job to a less skilled minority.

Emphatically no.

Affirmative Action allows a minority of equal or greater skill than someone of the majority to get a job without being discriminated against on the basis of his or her color. Most minorities would not have jobs in this country if it were not for Affirmative Action. Most of the African-American and other minority students would not be at Austin Peay and other universities if it were not for the same policy.

The purpose of Affirmative Action is to

have the work force represent the society in which we live equally. And to this date, the minorities in this country are still grossly under represented.

America has proven itself to still be a racist, discriminatory society that, if there was not a law governing hiring practices, African-Americans and other minorities would be without the few jobs they have now.

Blacks and other minorities pay taxes like the rest of the country, therefore, they have the right to be represented at least in the proportion they spend.

Well here comes the argument that some white student was denied a scholarship or grant because of a minority stipulation.

If it was not for the discriminatory standardized tests, which have been proven to be biased on racial, cultural and gender bases and the poor distribution of funds to minorities, there would be less of

a need for those types of scholarships.

I guess those opponents of affirmative action think that the only thing black people are qualified for is leading police on high speed chases in white Ford Broncos, down interstates at astronomical speeds.

Do not be fooled by the Republicans and their reforms. They do not have the best interest of minorities at heart. The big bureaucrats and Republican leadership have continued to show their racist intents for minorities in this country.

Let's talk about the African-American Leadership Conference.

The multitude of bad press it has received has been tumultuous. But there is more than one side to a story.

Jeffries, Cokely and Stovall are looking out for the best interest of black people...

Dr. Leonard Jeffries, Steve Cokely and Dr. A.J. Stovall are looking out for the best interest of black people like the tobacco lobby looks out for the best interest of the cigarette manufacturers.

The language used at the conference may have been offensive to many white people, and understandably so.

Black people must realize that they cannot use such offensive language toward another group.

whether true or untrue. The people at the conference would have been highly offended if a white supremacist group made unpleasant remarks about the black race, whether true or untrue.

A lot of what was said could have been done with more tact. I do agree with those

insulted by the speeches on that point.

However, the facts presented is another case. Many of the people are disputing the facts on second-hand information. Most of what has been written is hearsay.

All of the speakers opened up for questions following their lectures. If there were any debatable ideas, why did not any of those offend raise questions.

From my view point, the speakers gave a pretty good account of history and the current situations facing the world today. That does not mean everything said was accepted.

Also, no one bothered to ask the participants of the conference their views. Most, if not all, enjoyed the conference and many took new solutions back to their respected communities. Many ideas were shared and the entire atmosphere was positive.

Squealing majority mislabels Orwellian pigs

"All too often members of an out-group cry foul, only to have the in-group hear wolf. This is the conclusion I came to after hearing the two sides of student opinions for Affirmative Action as reported

in The All-State last week.

The side that says Affirmative Action and political correctness is destroying our country calls for an intellectual revolution, yet they base their entire argument on opinion. And then, in attempt to give credibility to their story, they have the audacity to bring up "Animal Farm."

Who do you think the pigs are in George

Student responds to guest writer

Dear Editor,

The ignorance of some people at Austin Peay is shocking, particularly last week's opinion article by Laurie Rogers. Her lack of knowledge about African-Americans in general and the student leadership conference in particular is obvious so I feel obligated to respond.

The African-American Student Leadership Conference was organized and worked by

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STUDENTS. Your attempt to isolate two people who work in the interest of their constituency (Mock and Stovall) is ludicrous. Furthermore, it is an attempt to create an atmosphere wherein they can be attacked and eventually removed from Austin Peay. Doctors Mock and Stovall are like fathers to many and in attacking them you attack their children as well.

The "Animal Farm" analogy did have one relevant parallel. There was an attempt to stop debate—ironically the parallel applied to you. It baffles me that professors and other so-called

Kwame Cash

"intellectuals" would suggest that debate be stopped and even call for a "serious intellectual and administrative revolution." Does your call imply the removal of Dr. Rinella or Dr. Butler, people who apparently understand the importance of intellectual freedom?

Ms. Rogers, in the future it

would be very helpful if you would base your opinion on fact (actually attending the conference would have been a great start). Instead of airing your emotional laundry in public.

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Joyce, an African-American, is dean of the library. Sound unusual? It is for most universities, but APSU is not like most universities. Our administration had to have at least one black on the Dean's List as to keep the minority in line.

Rely on something like Minority Scholarships designed to rape the white man of equality. By the way, there were 78 Minority Scholarships granted in 1993-94 that came to a total of \$99,026. But before reverse discrimination is yelled, let me also say that there was a total of 5,012 unduplicated recipients of financial aid in 1993-94 who received a total of 15,555,332.

Details, details, details.

One way to get around them is to say the best qualified person should get the job first, regardless of his or her color. Being a liberal, I'm open-minded enough to consider the possibility that the people in charge of hiring practices are indeed fair in their actions.

So to the ends of my intellectual pursuits I have asked the politically incorrect the simple question, "If, as you say, all people are equal, regardless of color or ethnicity, why is the APSU faculty so heavily favored to one particular group?"

Their reply is that some people are just more

qualified than others. If forced to draw a parallel, the "more equal than others" theme found in "Animal Farm" comes to mind.

It may be their education, their socio-economic status or their culture, but there is just something that makes minorities less qualified for job employment in higher education than whites. At least according to people who say color doesn't count.

Their response not only lacks intelligence and common sense, it contradicts their own argument.

Thankfully, my opinions are very well received by those who are tired of the real discrimination. I think many people have been wanting to say something about the situation, but it's not easy when you don't have a voice.

However, Affirmative Action is not without flaws. Based on the statistics alone, it is obvious that it is ineffective. Worse, those who would have minorities even more oppressed use Affirmative Action as a crutch to cry reverse discrimination.

"So prove me wrong." Dr. Stovall brings up a very valid point, and I have yet to hear anyone do it. But this is not just a Black or Hispanic issue, it is an issue for all those who are being held in check by the squealing majority.

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Govs eye homestand after disappointing weekend split

By BYRON SHIVE
sports editor

After salvaging a split in a treacherous four-game road trip, the Austin Peay State University Governors eye an important homestand in their race for the Ohio Valley Conference men's regular season basketball crown.

After a potentially-disastrous last-second loss at conference-leading Murray State Saturday night, the Governors rebounded with an impressive showing at Southeast Missouri State, as Austin Peay notched its first-ever win at the Show-Me Center with a 79-63 victory over the host Indians.

"I've got to tip my hat to our guys," said Head Coach Dave Loos. "It's one thing to go into the Show-Me Center and win, but to win by that margin is another thing. With this win and the way it connects to Saturday's disappointment, it was important for our team to bounce

back with this kind of showing and I have to give a lot of credit to our team."

Both squads entered the contest on opposite ends of the emotional spectrum. SEMO had beaten Tennessee State, last year's conference champion, in Cape Girardeau Saturday, while the Peay had blown a 13-point lead in the final 2:21 to lose what could have been the team's biggest win of the season.

Instead, Coach Loos was worried about his squad from an emotional standpoint entering Monday's contest.

"We came into tonight's ballgame (at SEMO) focused and determined to win," he said. "We had that Saturday at Murray, but we just didn't close the deal. I was a little worried, but these guys surprised me. They played totally unselfish and together as a team. Everyone feels good because of it.

Overall, we really played well tonight."

The Governors lost a controversial contest at Murray State Saturday night in front of a hostile crowd of 5,303 at Racer Arena. After squandering a 13-point lead, Austin Peay still led 77-70 with 50 seconds left to play in regulation. However, Bubba Wells was called for an over-and-back violation, though freshman Joe Sibbitt's pass to him sent him eight feet beyond the midcourt stripe.

A Racer 3-pointer cut the gap to four (77-73) before Colby Pierce was knocked out of bounds while receiving a pass, sending the ball back to the Racers.

Another Racer 3-pointer sliced the once-thought unsurmountable Austin Peay lead to one with 31 seconds remaining.

The free throw line, where the Governors had struggled all season long down the stretch, once again

rared its ugly head, as the team made only two-of-four charity shots in the final half-minute of play.

Greg Anderson tipped in Marcus Brown's missed jumper at the buzzer, in a shot that some feel was after the final gun had sounded. The tip-in set off pandemonium in Racer Arena and once again broke the Governors' hearts.

"Damn, it hurts," said Wells, the Governors' sensational sophomore standout. "We did a great job coming back, but we should have won. I saw that shot go up and I saw nine or 10 hands up there. It really hurts."

The Govs rebounded from an early 19-4 hole to trail by only one at the halftime break.

"I really feel for the kids," said Coach Loos. "We did so many good things, yet we didn't win. It's disappointing. So are the other six or seven games we lost by five points or less."

Wells led the Governors once again in scoring, racking up 26 to go with his 12 rebounds. Sibbitt was joined by Marcus Moore and fellow newcomer Reggie Crenshaw with 12 points, while Jermaine Savage hit for 10.

It was a tale of two different teams from the free throw line in Monday's dismantling of SEMO, as the Governors turned in a 75 percent performance from the line in one of their best performances to date.

Austin Peay turned a 33-33 tie at halftime into a sprint to the finish in the final stanza, shooting a blistering 61 percent from the field in outscoring the Indians 46-30.

The team hit 33-of-44 from the free throw line, including 23-of-29 in the second half as SEMO tried desperately to climb back into the game.

Wells, the Governors' workhorse, led the team in scoring

with 28 points and pulled down nine rebounds in 35 minutes of play. He was 12-of-13 from the line.

"He is without a doubt the best at his position in this league (OVC)," said Coach Loos.

John Jenkins was perfect from the line (8-of-8) in scoring 18 points.

Savage chipped in with 14 points, while Pierce added 11. Crenshaw, who has stepped up his game of late, scored seven points and grabbed five rebounds, but more importantly, his two blocked shots took the Show-Me Center crowd out of the game.

The Governors will play host to UT-Martin Saturday night when the Pacers visit Clarksville for a 7:45 p.m. contest.

Tennessee State, which defeated the Govs in a close ballgame in Nashville earlier, will be in town for a Monday night match-up.

before SEMO went on a tear, out-scoring Austin Peay 20-1.

Georgie Vaughn scored 13 points, while Thompson pitched in with 12.

Wilburn came off the bench to score 10 points.

Lady Cagers suffer overtime setback to Southeast Missouri State

By CHAKA FERGUSON

assistant sports editor

Despite coming back from 13 points down, Austin Peay State University's Lady Governors' basketball team fell to Southeast Missouri State 88-86 in overtime Monday night in an Ohio Valley Conference basketball game.

Paced by Amanda Behrenbrinker's 25 points, the Lady Govs (8-8, 3-4 in OVC) chopped SEMO's (10-7, 3-5) lead to 78-75 with 18 seconds left.

Then, it was left up to Carrie Thompson, who nailed a 3-pointer with one second left to go in the game, sending it into overtime.

In the extra session, APSU lost most of its size when Behrenbrinker and Kerri Wilburn both fouled out. Sophomore center Colleen Polzin fouled out in regulation.

The Lady Govs, up by four when

Behrenbrinker fouled out, saw the game go down the drain when SEMO's Gray C. Harris sank two free throws with 38 seconds remaining to nail the coffin shut.

"We made a big comeback, played well, but didn't win," said

Head Coach LaDonna Wilson. "We did a good job of executing down the lane. But there were a couple of times we didn't box out and that hurt us. But we are a young team and we are going to make mistakes."

Austin Peay never trailed and commanded the game from the Lady Racers.

"We came out and thought we played hard the first half," said Head Coach LaDonna Wilson, "but we weren't very intense. The second half, we were much better."

The Lady Govs took a 37-27 lead at the half thanks to some long-range bombs.

Vaughn led the team with 15 points, while Colleen Polzin and Sonia White each scored 12 points.

Behrenbrinker, the leading candidate to win Freshman of the Year in the conference, said the team worked hard to get her the ball.

"They worked hard to get me open," she said. "We made a lot of

little mistakes early, but we stopped rushing our shots and we were able to comeback."

SEMO did well from the field, sinking over 52 percent of its shots.

The Lady Governors were only down four at the half at 34-30,

Lady Govs defeat Murray

from press releases

Austin Peay's outside game turned Murray State inside out as the Lady Governors coasted to a 79-59 victory Saturday afternoon in an Ohio Valley Conference women's basketball game.

It was that outside game that denied the Lady Racers a chance to double team APSU's potent inside game. With Georgie Vaughn and Stephanie Shelton bombing the threes, it left Carrie Thompson to shoot, fast break or penetrate.

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Veteran varsity cheerleader, Gus Rosa, flies the Austin Peay colors during the pre-game of the Governors' first conference home game Jan. 7. Both the Lady Governors and Govs will return to Dave Aaron Arena for a four-game conference homestand against UT-Martin Saturday night. (photo courtesy Sports Information)

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AP sororities and fraternities donate time and money to community projects

By TABITHA VIRES

Guest writer

With Interfraternity Council rush over, and National Panhellenic Council rush just getting started, many people are asking the question, "Why should I go Greek?"

Some may think that a fraternity or sorority is just a way of "buying" friends, while others are under the assumption that it is just an excuse to party. The members of these organizations would tell you a much different story.

Last year, members of Alpha Delta Pi, Kappa Delta and Chi Omega gave both time and money back to the community. With their annual Dream Week to benefit the Ronald McDonald House, Alpha Delta Pi was able to donate thousands of dollars to the organization. Members of Kappa Delta worked hard all semester to supply household goods for Urban Ministries.

In a new, nationally-sponsored program, Chi

"Higher Learning"

If you think the racial tension is a problem at APSU, imagine "Higher Learning's" fictional Columbus University. Supposedly a melting pot for over 20 racial and ethnic groups, it is instead a pressure cooker of hate and fear. Directed by John Singleton, director of "Boyz N the Hood," it is an intense look at an issue that hits close to home.

The viewer follows the first semester of three Columbus freshmen: Malik, an African American track star upset with the prejudiced college scene; Kristen, who is raped during her first weeks at Columbus; and Remy, abused as a youth, who joins a Neo-Nazi group after finding that he doesn't fit anywhere else.

Each of these stories is well

Omega spent two afternoons a week reading to elementary school children. These NPC organizations also work together at the Girl's Home of Clarksville one afternoon a month to act as positive peers for the residents.

When asked how being involved in Greek life had added to her college experience, Ashley Hageman, Alpha Delta Pi, responded, "If I were not a part of a Greek organization, I would not have met such varied people and experienced the different facets of their lives. Through being Greek, I have given to philanthropies, but I have also received through my sisters' unyielding friendships."

The IFC fraternities, Alpha Gamma Rho, Kappa Sigma and Sigma Chi also take part in service to the community. When floods hit the Midwest last year, Alpha Gamma Rho sponsored a family to help them recover what they had lost.

They also contributed 600-800 hours to both 4-H and Future Farmers of America through

livestock shows. Alpha Gamma Rho is starting a new program this year, Agriculture in the Classroom, to provide education for the elementary school teachers and interaction with animals for students.

Kappa Sigma is active with the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program. They show their support through service projects during the Halloween and Christmas holidays. This year at Christmas, they sponsored eight children through APSU Help-An-Elf. Matt Dhority, Kappa Sigma, said, "The amount of time we give the community is far more important than any monetary value."

Sigma Chi sponsors Derby Week each year to raise money for the Children's Miracle Network. In response to his experience as a Greek, Chris Sandlin said, "Without Sigma Chi, I could not have experienced the excitement of helping so much."

Movie Reviews....By Chris Campbell

developed, and blended together on film with a wonderful fluidity. For instance, when the protagonists move into their dorms, the soundtrack jumps from rap music to alternative to heavy metal without missing a beat.

Singleton's direction also provides subtle ironies, such as a vicious fight scene that takes place beneath portraits of Thomas Jefferson and George Washington.

Another virtue of "Higher Learning," despite its tragic climax, is a message of hope. Singleton doesn't simply throw up his hands and say, "That's just the way it is." He emphasizes the possibility of change and that everyone has a responsibility to bring it about.

Despite such sensitive subject matter, there are few problems with this movie. The only truly disappointing aspect of "Higher

Learning" is that everyone not white or black is merely scenery. There is no Hispanic, Asian, or Native American point of view. They simply pass by in the background, as if separated from the racial tensions of the film.

Though limited, the characters and problems that Singleton does represent in this film are done to near perfection, and, for most viewers, this will make up for any omission committed.

"Higher Learning" may be too didactic for some, but it is an important film, one that many of us need to see and learn from.

"Demon Knight"

Although "Tales from the Crypt" has become a popular series on HBO and FOX, it is not likely to carry its popularity over to the big

screen. Its first effort, "Demon Knight" is comparable to some of the worst episodes.

The idiotic plot of this movie involves head demon Billy Zane (of "Sniper") terrorizing a run down hotel in search of a key. No, it's not the key to his hotel room, but it might as well be.

This key contains the blood of Christ and, if it fell into the hands of the demons, would somehow cause the collapse of the universe. Of course, the mystical key is defended by a group of misfits, who bicker and backstab but manage to win in the end.

Sound familiar? It should.

"Demon Knight" is little more than a hybrid of "Aliens" and "Night of the Living Dead." It takes what were original, genuine and scary moments of these two films and reduces them to clichés. It even

goes so far as to duplicate a scene from "Aliens" where two members of the group blow themselves up (and a large number of demons) with grenades in order to save the others.

The only truly entertaining and semi-original aspect of "Demon Knight" is Billy Zane. His shaven head and evil smile lend a charm to his character lacking in any of the current horror movie villains.

In this respect, "Demon Knight's" creators deserve credit for realizing that there is a hell of a lot more evil in a handsome face than there is in a hockey mask.

There is no doubt that Zane

makes this movie. His evil commentary and the apparent pleasure he takes as an agent of Satan are what keeps the viewers in their seats until the closing credits.

But Zane's evil portrayal is not enough to overcome the flaws of this film. "Demon Knight" is a movie loaded with predictability and devoid of any scares or sustained entertainment.

If you are a fan of Billy Zane, you will no doubt enjoy this movie, but if you are simply looking for a good movie, don't waste your time on "Demon Knight."

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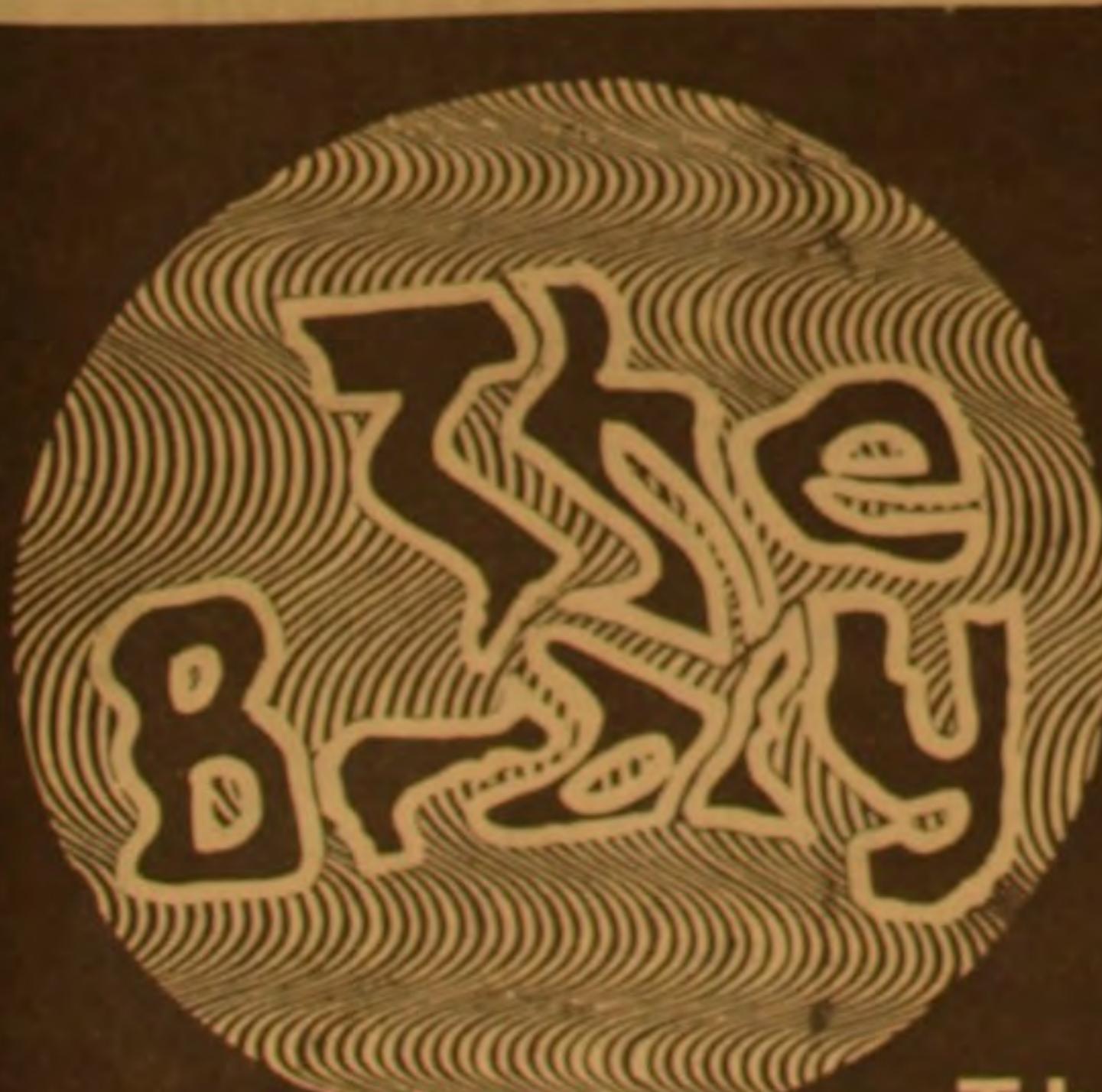
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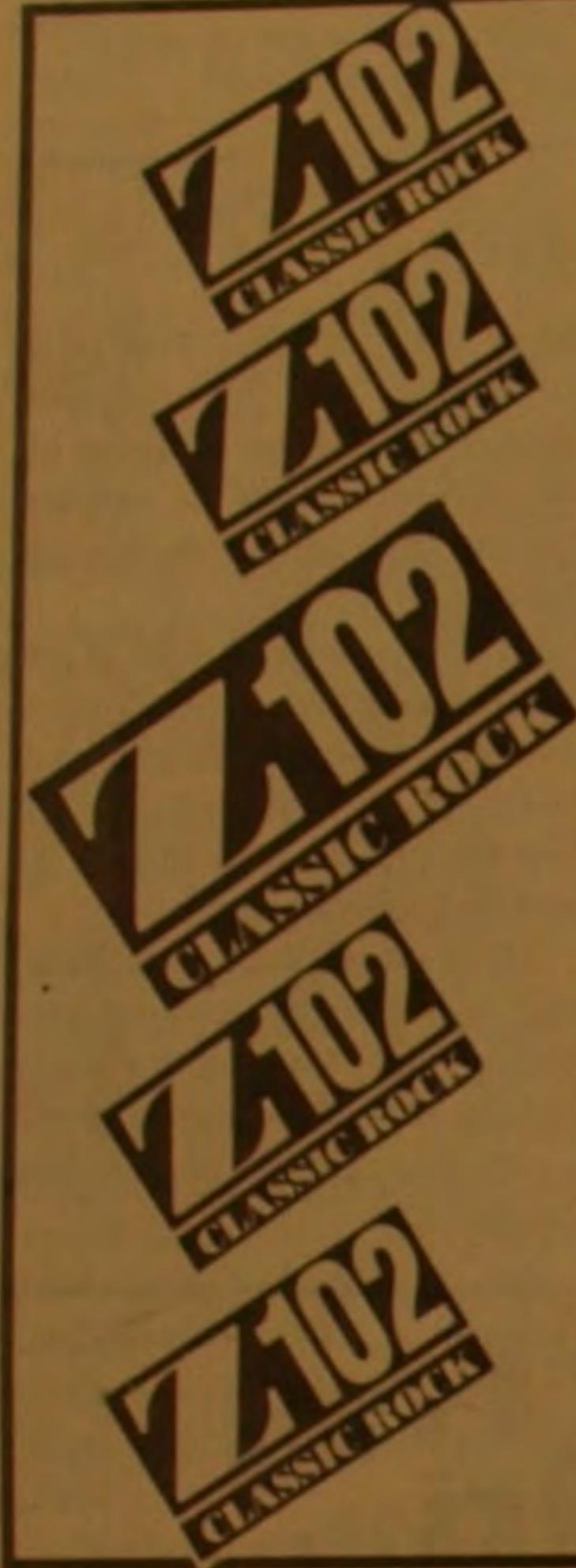


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