

A stylized illustration of a clock tower. The tower has a square base with a large clock face on the front. Above the clock face is a smaller square section with a decorative border. The top of the tower is a dome with a spire. The illustration is in a simple, graphic style with bold lines.

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the announcement came Friday morning during the third investors meeting of Aspire 2000, Clarksville's four-year community marketing economic plan. It also was an opportunity to witness the unveiling of the Clarksville Community Services Internet Web site. The new Internet Web site, www.clarksville.tn.us, will be completely up and online on March 1, and will be a major clearing house of information

The 1998 goals for the EDC is to push for construction of a confer-

Rinella said that APSU has the potential to be involved with all of Aspire 2000's goals including participation in the projected 2000 new jobs that will be created by the program. "The needs of the community will be met by teams of students," Rinella said. The university is already involved with the city's beautification program and have targeted Exit 11, off I-24, by making the area more presentable and putting up new road signs to make navigation easier for visitors to APSU, Rinella said.

By TANGEE REYES
assistant news editor

"There were faculty that wanted to see an organized undergraduate research program in place at the university," said Linda Freed, Office of Grants and Sponsored Programs. Fifty thousand dollars per year was set aside to be awarded on a competitive basis.

Proposal guidelines are available in the Office of Grants and Sponsored programs in the Browning building, room 212, or call 648-7881.

By KRISTI WYATT
features editor

The goal of the project is to raise awareness of everyday pollution. The EPA wants education not regulation. Lyle hopes that extending this education into the high schools and community will increase the awareness of the harm of everyday pollution to our water.

ALICIA MOOREHEAD
pr-in-chief

Drew Simmons, director of intramurals and coordinator of Austin Peay's NYSF. A partially privately funded program, NYSF is designed to help children, between the ages of 10 and 16, of low-income families learn about sports and health. Drug and alcohol awareness education is also a portion of the program. Last summer, Austin Peay's program enrolled 339 children.

The program relies on community involvement. The Montgomery County School System provides transportation, and local merchants donate both money and supplies.

YVONNE JOHNSON
I writer

nited States Congressman Ed Bryant spoke on campus about current White House scandal over the crisis with Iraq. Dr. Ed Kanervo, professor of social science and sociology, and Bryant to speak before a Social Science and mass media studies class that he co-constructed.

Bryant said that he considered his wife, Dr. Ellen Kanervo, a model of speech, communication and theatre.

Bryant said headlines are the thing about the print media. "It's frightening because sometimes it doesn't match the entire picture," he said.

"I think it does believe, however, that Democratic leaders in the House and Senate will eventually ask President to resign for the good of the party. The 'Outlets' which is the focus of my research, right now, traditionally go right home, traditionally they don't stay at the next election, he said. I

he also feels The United States doesn't have the supporting alliance they need. Bryant also

other and it works together very well."



In the mood of winter someone chose to build a snowman outside the Browning building for everyone to enjoy. (Photo by Andy S.)

(Photo by Andy Segelke)

Peay Briefs

Winter celebration revival

On Sunday, Feb. 22, and Monday, Feb. 23, all students are invited to a worship service and revival at Clement Auditorium. In addition to music, testimonials, and dramatic presentations, there will be a special speaker each night. On Sunday night, ex-Pittsburg Steeler William Ewing will lead the service. Jeff Bergholtz, the 1997 Mr. Tennessee Body Builder, will speak on Monday night. Services will start at 7 p.m. A reception preceding worship will be held from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. in the Clement lobby, refreshments will be provided. Sponsored by the Baptist Student Union and the Wesley Foundation (United Methodist Student Center).

SLRP committee meets

The Strategic Long Range Planning Committee will meet Feb. 25 from 3:30-5 p.m. in the Cumberland Room of the U.C. Meeting times, dates and locations are subject to change. All meetings are open to the entire university community. Minutes will be published on the Austin Peay web page and will be available in the library approximately one week following the meeting.

Family Fun offered at Clarksville Museum

Families can enjoy some "fancy footwork" at the Clarksville-Montgomery County Museum from 4-5:30 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 28. This dance program will be in the auditorium. The program will feature dancers from the Red River Ramblers Square Dance Club and the Tennessee Clog Jammers.

Audience members will get a chance to try some of this fancy footwork during the last thirty minutes of the program. Program fees are \$2 for museum members, \$2 for ages 18 and younger, and \$3 for adults.

Clarksville Museum offers brown bag lunch

Students can take their lunch to the Brown Bag Lunch program on Feb. 18. They can eat at the museum between noon and 1 p.m.

The guest speaker will be Martha Elliott, owner of Martha Elliott Interiors. She will present a program about antique furniture. Her special interest is antique European furniture. Program fees are \$1 for museum members and \$2 for non-members.

Care and restoration of antique dolls program

The Clarksville Museum will host a program on the Care and Restoration of Antique Dolls from 2-3 p.m. Feb. 24. The guest speaker is Calre Peck, a doll maker and doll doctor. Find out how to take care of your cherished antique dolls. Program fees are \$2 for museum members and \$4 for non-members.

T-Shirt design contest for WalkAmerica

Design a winning T-shirt for APSU and WalkAmerica and receive a free T-shirt.

The T-shirt must contain the words "APSU and WalkAmerica." WalkAmerica raises money for healthier babies. A sample of last

year's winning design can be seen in the case outside Trabers Hall. The deadline for submissions is March 2 and judging will take place on March 4. Turn in your artwork to Sherrie, Trabers Room 200. Contact Rose Austin, college of arts and sciences at 648-7333. Sherrie Wallace, art department at 648-7333.

Financial Aid applications for summer available

Summer applications for Federal Financial Aid are available at the Student Financial Aid Office. Students must have completed the Application for Federal Student Aid for 1997-98 if attending full or part time in 1998-99. If attending Summer II only, students have completed the 1998-99 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by April 15.

Priority deadline for Summer terms is April 15. Students who currently receive federal financial aid and who received a renewal application from the Department of Education did not receive one, or have never applied for financial aid, can apply for 1998-99 information to be received and completed is April 15.

Financial aid staff will be available at the following locations: times to assist students with completion of 1998-99 federal applications for Financial Aid. Please bring renewal applications if you have been received.

These are the times Financial Aid staff will be available: Feb. 10, 3 p.m.; March 16 at 2 p.m.; March 26 at 3 p.m.; and April 23 at 3 p.m. Each of these will take place in the University Center Room 232. The Financial Aid office is located in Ellington Room 232.

Distance learning changes students accessibility

Thanks to the Internet, college students can access library holdings, communicate with professors, research papers, and participate in group discussions, all without leaving their room. In fact, many now earn degrees without ever setting foot on a college campus.

Earning a degree from home has particular appeal for non-traditional students who do not want to leave jobs or support families in order to attend a particular school. It is also valuable for those who want to stay current in their field, but do not live near a university.

With advancements in technology, distance learning has left way beyond the old correspondence school days that strictly focused on snail mail methods to certify trades like plumbing and carpentry. Now there are video conferencing, television courses, and, of course, the "virtual classroom" where classes are held on the Web chatroom style.

But riding on the tails of this distance learning boom are the "diploma mills." Diploma mills are schools that sound legit, even prestigious, but they lack proper accreditation. Although most claim accreditation from some official-sounding agency, they neglect to mention that the agency is not recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. Often it is not until a student tries to enroll at another institution, or apply to graduate school, that he finds out his degree is non-transferable.

"The mistake most people make is they ask an online university 'Are you accredited?' They say, 'We are accredited by the World Association of Universities and Colleges.' Well there's no such accreditation," says Vicky Phillips, director of Lifelong Learning, an online counseling center for distance learners and co-author of a soon-to-be-released book, "Best Distance Learning Graduate Schools." [Although WAUC is an accrediting agency based in Las Vegas, it is not sanctioned by the U.S. Department of Education.]

"There are scores of unrecognized accreditation agencies. Often they (the diploma mills) create a fake accrediting agency, so when asked, they can say, 'Yes, we are accredited.' They can't be prosecuted because they are telling them the truth, they are accredited. Consumers get burned because they don't realize these accreditations mean nothing."

After his experience, Mohammed decided to help other unsuspecting students. "From that point on saw the birth of my 'watchdog' status. I decided to create the 'Distance Ed. for Dummies' homepage (www.angelfire.com/mo/EmirMohammed/index.html)."

The site, which has logged nearly 17,000 hits, helps students con-

nect with legitimate distance learning institutions.

Phillips says it is important for students to know how to protect themselves. "If they want a degree, there are only two kinds of recognized accreditation and they are not equal. They need to ask if it [the school] is accredited and who it's accredited by, and they need to understand what that kind of accreditation means for them."

Phillips says the first type is regional accreditation. There are six regional associations: Middle States, New England, North Central, Northwest, Southern, and Western Association of Colleges and Schools.

"Regional accreditation is key," agrees Dr. Timothy Mott, Dean of the Undergraduate Center for Distance Learning at Union Institute in Cincinnati. "(Diploma mills) baffle you with names that imply accreditation and acceptability. They actually send state licensing certificates along in the mail, but being state licensed and being regionally accredited are two different things. Call that association, or call the state higher education board if you aren't sure. If you are interested in graduate school, call potential graduate institutions and make sure they will accept the degree."

The second nationally recognized accreditation is DETC (Distance Education and Training Council), but Phillips says DETC accreditation is still not recognized by regionally accredited institutions--which is important should you want to continue your studies elsewhere. "The agency started out to accredit correspondence programs and has historically been more vocational in nature," says Phillips. "In the last decade they've gotten more involved in the degree business."

Phillips says part of the problem of the system is that people don't know how to judge the information they see on the Internet. "They do a search ... and see a college listed there and they assume that they must be safe since they were listed

by Yahoo, but because information is not filtered, it sets people

In addition, Phillips says, diploma mills tend to be more into advertising to students. "Some of the virtual campuses are better than the real ones. Their catalogues look better ... they put seal on the cover, a photo of an ivy-covered building that doesn't exist. They think about the image that they are selling, where the university doesn't give it that much thought."

But none of this will stop the growth of legitimate distance learning.

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Gender equity not fair

By

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Opinion Editor

Sex discrimination. The very word "discrimination" evokes strong feelings in all of us. So one wants to be labeled a bigot or a chauvinist. And there are those who say that if girls and women are kept out of an organization or denied any "opportunity," then their civil rights are being violated.

Take the Boy Scouts for example. Last year, a 13-year-old girl challenged the Boy Scouts' boys-only rule. Apparently it didn't matter that the organization was called the Boy Scouts, and that there was a more than equivalent organization called the Girl Scouts that she could have joined. No, since the simple fact that there was a group that had the ability to tell her that she couldn't join was all she needed (or more probably all her mother needed) to file a lawsuit in federal court, claiming that she had been discriminated against.

In filing the lawsuit, the child's attorney claimed that "the Boy Scouts of America stands alone among scouting organizations in English-speaking countries in attempting to defend gender apartheid and gender segregation."

Oh brother. Gender apartheid? I know that lawyers have an affinity for exaggeration and hyperbole, but that seems a little much. Is an organization whose purpose is to help young boys grow and develop into young men discriminatory just because they do it in an environment that is free of sexual discrimination?

This should not really come as a big surprise to anyone. The movement towards political correctness and cultural "sensitivity" in our country has become a national obsession. We have become a nation where any single individual can wreak havoc on entire governments and multinational corporations simply by claiming that their sacred God-given rights are being trampled on. Finding a lawyer to assist them in twisting and mangling the law is as easy as picking up their local law pages.

While it is important to ensure that equal oppor-

tunities exist, equal opportunity does not mean that both sides have to be treated in exactly the same fashion. Parents treat their children fairly, but this does not mean that they treat each one the same. They know that each child has individual needs that should be addressed separately.

Boys and girls are not the same. Men and women are not the same. There are social and developmental differences that need to be respected. Single-sex classrooms and single-sex organizations serve a purpose. They provide an environment free of sexual pressures that are inherent in mixed-gender arrangements.

Opponents of (ex) single-sex state-funded schools like the Citadel and the Virginia Military Institute argue that men were getting an unfair advantage in life by getting to go to these prestigious institutions. While I would agree that the old-boy network is alive and well, I don't believe that women were losing out on any opportunities by being denied the "privilege" of going to the Citadel. Any job discrimination or bias that had existed before women went there is still there.

The only difference, of course, is that someone got mad because they were told that they couldn't do something and so a valued tradition came to an end. This same insanity has made its way into other organizations. Many schools and organizations walk on eggshells, not wanting to be the target of gender-equity lawsuits. Ultra left-wing "libbers" claim that Title IX, the law mandating federally-funded schools educate boys and girls "equally," means that any segregated activity is wrong and discriminatory.

What really gets me is that the same people who argue that girls have a right to be involved in boys' activities and organizations are the same ones who defend girls' rights to "girls-only" activities so that they may reach their potential. You don't think for an instant that they would dream of giving up their "Take Our Daughters to Work Day," do you?

Now, not every person needs or wants to be involved in activities that are segregated by gender, but there are many who do. By denying a child the chance to explore his or her limits and capabilities, you are creating artificial barriers that may prevent them from reaching their full potential.

The message sent to our youth should not be that one gender is any more "special" than the other, and therefore worthy of special treatment. The message we should be sending is that our gender is just one ingredient that makes us special unique creatures, and we should celebrate the differences between the sexes, not fear it.



Abortion rights a moral wrong

By

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opinion writer

I would like to discuss one additional aspect of abortion in this space using logic and as little propaganda as possible. The issue on stage here is our scientific knowledge and how we use it.

If there is one problem with abortion that everyone should be able to agree on, it is the concept of absolute power that comes with the license to have an abortion. What do I mean by absolute power? This refers to the fact that nearly any pregnant woman can have an abortion for any reason.

There is a saying that goes "Power corrupts, but absolute power corrupts absolutely." Since there is little or no criteria or prerequisites for abortion, most women seem to be able to have one almost anywhere for any reason. Allow me to illustrate.

Children are aborted for a number of outrageous reasons in America. According to the Centers for Disease Control, birth of children with Down's Syndrome, a genetic disorder in which "victims" are usually fully capable of independent living, has been reduced by 70% in the Atlanta metropolitan area because of abortion. Columnist George Will has frequently written, in observation of his son Jonathan, that children with Down Syndrome appear to be some of the happiest people on the planet.

Planned Parenthood conducted a study that broke down the reasons given by women who have abortions. 21% were not ready for the responsibility, another 21% said they couldn't afford the kid; 16% were concerned about how a child would affect their lives; 12% had a relationship problem; 8% had all the children they wanted. That's three quarters of all abortions.

A recent study stated in National Review determined that more than one in ten mothers would abort a child susceptible to obesity. But it's not limited to America either.

Many of you are aware that children in India and

China are aborted for the defect of being female. Particularly in India upwards of 95% of all aborted individuals are female because boys have a certain potential spiritual significance. Since females lack such importance there, their birth is merely an extra cost to the family that—if avoidable—need not be incurred.

Do you see how fickle this becomes? For years many of us have been convincing ourselves that anything unborn is simply part of it's mother—and that she has the legal LICENSE to have it terminated. Rejecting the notion of life in the womb is merely an attempt to exonerate the parents from guilt. However, this "right" still stands.

Parents, specifically women, are still legally able to end their pregnancies upon presentation of \$300 to the right doctor.

From this develops a natural tendency in most of us to view the fetus as minimal and insignificant, an embryo that may only survive if we so allow it. Today we are not only able to terminate the existence of the embryo, but we can even alter it at the genetic level. How does this reflect our outlook on nature, and our ability and competence in manipulating it?

The answer: there are approximately 1.5 million abortions yearly. Perhaps we can agree that some of the grounds for most abortions are petty and disappointing. If certain individuals don't want children, then there are vast and plentiful resources available to help those who wish to prevent pregnancy.

Abortions are carried out with great casualness and apathy in the United States today. This is unhealthy, it discourages responsibility to self and others. It erodes away at our world by normalizing the termination of fetal life, like casting a broken bone.

Perhaps we should take a look at our values and ponder why we believe what we do. The nonchalantness at which we brush aside things that are inconvenient to us is startling. We can't do anything about other nations, but we can influence our own.

Variety is the spice of life

By

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guest writer

It is time for the seasons to change once again and the winds of change bring new faces to Clarksville. I felt that cold stiff wind hit me square in the jaw when I arrived here a little over two years ago.

Graduation from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point had seemed like an eternity ago. All of my buddies had been scattered to the four corners of the Earth, and once again, I would have to meet new people and learn new places. Luckily, I had been able to move to Fort Campbell, just an hour and a half from my hometown of Murfreesboro. Even so, I knew only one soul in Clarksville—and she was an APSU student. A friend of a friend, I guess, wasn't exactly someone whom I knew very well. But she helped make the transition and showed me the different shades of this cowtown.

Clarksville is a very unique city with an extremely varied society. There are mostly military personnel or people who have some type of military affiliation (died in retired, etc.). We also have a "college town," which extends out from around APSU's campus. Lastly, there is your typical civilian mix of blue-collar Americans. Now don't get me wrong! I can't say that I like living here—only that it is unique. I haven't lived in too many places—my parents were never "well-to-do"—but they traveled whenever they could. Luckily, I have been able to visit twenty-five states and two countries. Not a lot, but enough to know that this place is strange.

Thanks to my mom and dad for giving me life. Thanks to God and to the ghosts of the long gray line, for they have allowed me to experience all of the trials, tribulations, and joys which come from proudly serving the greatest nation on earth (short

of war). And thanks to my friends for showing me that there is a hint of life in this miserable morass which we call home!

Enough is enough! I know, you're sick of hearing all of this crap about me in my verbose and flowery spouting style. Now that you're all up to speed, I can tell you what I really think. Of course, I can only expound on my own perspective, which is based upon good experiences. Unfortunately, there are no bad ones.

GO GOVS! Man, do I love Austin Peay basketball. Even when they play like dribbling toddlers, it's still a great time! I attend home games whenever I can. The crowd is always excited and truly gets into supporting their team. I've been to home games at MTSU, UT, and Vanderbilt, but they just don't compare. The only home basketball game that I have been to with a more supportive crowd was an Atlanta Hawks game at the Coliseum! I'm a Knicks fan, by the way.

I've been to a few parties in my day—any day will do—but the kickers that I've had thrown have been a lot of fun. I can't write a book in this arena, partly because I don't remember much. Party on!

I think that APSU is a great school with good people. There was only one time that I ever ran into someone who didn't extend me the friendliness that I was used to—it was some crazy drunken R.A. who was yelling at me for parking in a reserved spot. So I have a little George Costanza in me—I was only going to be parked for a second! Anyway, I usually meet very polite folks.

I'm not an expert by any stretch of the imagination, but I've been through college and I've been around a little bit. During your life, you've probably heard someone tell you "it's what you make it, so make the best of it." That is sound advice—take, heed it, and live it. This place around you—this campus, this college—it can be a good thing. Fugetta bout it.

Seeking a color-blind society

By

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PATTEN**

opinion writer

My views on affirmative action are rooted in the belief that in spite of our shortcomings, we are all equal. It shouldn't matter what someone's race or gender is; we should be judged on who we are, not what we are.

Yet there are still some of (mainly the federal government) who want to judge people based on race and gender. They believe that the only way to accommodate women and minorities is through affirmative action. The theory defines it as "an active effort to improve employment or educational opportunities of minorities and women." That sounds nice, an effort to improve opportunities for some people. SOME people, that is, not everybody.

The problem is that there is still discriminating going on. If the government's goal is to be truly for blind then how can they justify this? Whether or not to admit it or not, this is racism (or sexism, even if it is against the majority).

Affirmative action usually is justified as a way of fixing up for past wrongdoings. Granted, there is widespread discrimination in the old days. I don't justify it. However, if I get passed over for a job because of race-based preferences, I'm punished for something that I had nothing to do with. Also, a beneficiary of the preference is getting the job unnecessarily based on his merits. This is discrimination because race was a factor.

Last year California voters passed Proposition 53, which eliminated affirmative action in state college acceptance and the awarding of government contracts. Of course there was a huge backlash from liberals. They said it wasn't fair, and that there should be a return of the old Jim Crow laws. Oh yes, the Rhondas!

I'm sorry to admit it, but life isn't fair, and it's

not the government's place to try to make it so. You just can't please everybody, and you certainly can't make up for things that happened many years ago. We can't change history. We're here. We should worry about now, not then.

Another point is that this is unnecessary help. Affirmative action should be insulting to all women and minorities because the government is basically telling them that they can't make it on their own, that they're not good enough, and they need all the help they can get. Why bother having any incentive? The government will be there to hold your hand. I don't know about you but I feel better when I accomplish something on my own. There's more of a sense of personal satisfaction.

In a town hall meeting on race relations a few months ago, President Clinton asked if the affirmative action program in the military should be abolished. One woman said yes, and Clinton angrily stated that Colin Powell was helped by it. If the program was not in place, I'm pretty sure that Powell still would have become the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Someone like Colin Powell, with his credentials, doesn't need affirmative action. Neither did Clarence Thomas. He's an associate justice of the Supreme Court because he worked hard to get where he is. He didn't need a hand-out.

People can achieve on their own. Affirmative action only fosters government dependence. If it is abolished it won't mark the return of Jim Crow laws. That's ridiculous. Getting rid of affirmative action will be a way of encouraging women and minorities to do their best, to work hard toward their goals.

Since there will not be a helping hand, when they reach their goals it will be all the more rewarding. The government cannot continue to support this program of discrimination and unnecessary help. Judge people on character and ability, not on gender and skin color.

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Sports Briefs

The Lady Govs' basketball home games now can be heard on Austin Peay's Magic 91.7 FM, with play-by-play man Chad Setera and color commentary by Matt Cressman.

Texasco Xpress is sponsoring a \$1,000 cash giveaway at the Feb. 14 Austin Peay-Tennessee Tech basketball game. There will be a table in the Dunn Center for students to enter their names. This contest is open only to Austin Peay students, and they must be present to win.

Govs Spirit Nights will be held Feb. 14 during the APSU-Tennessee Tech basketball game. The winning group must attend both men's and women's games. First-prize winners receive \$100 cash and second-prize winners receive \$50 cash. Every group must be registered prior to the start of the game and the contest is open only to students. Groups also must sit together in order to be easily distinguished. Contact Jeannette for more information and additional contest guidelines at 648-7127.

Austin Peay "buddy tickets" are available throughout the basketball season. Any APSU student with a valid ID may purchase up to four extra tickets in the general admission seating section of the Dunn Center for \$3 each. These tickets may not be purchased in advance, but only at the door on game day. Students who purchase these tickets will be able to sit in the general admission area with their guests.

Austin Peay sports this week

Men's basketball Tomorrow—Middle Tennessee State, 7 p.m. (broadcast on TV-43) Saturday—Tennessee Tech, 7:45 p.m. (broadcast on WNAB)

Women's basketball Saturday—Tennessee Tech, 5:45 p.m. (broadcast on WNAB) 2/16—Middle Tennessee State, 7 p.m.

Baseball Saturday—at Jacksonville State, Jacksonville, Ala., 12 p.m. Sunday—David Lipscomb, 2 p.m. 2/17—at Ole Miss, Oxford, Miss., 3 p.m.

Rifle NCAA Sectionals—Murray, Ky.

Govs sweep 'Death Valley' tri

Sibbitt gains OVC 3-point mark

By SCOTT HOSKINS
sports editor

The Governors' 70-66 triumph over Morehead State Saturday was especially momentous for senior guard Joe Sibbitt. Peay's 5-10 guard broke the Ohio Valley Conference's career 3-point mark in sweeping the annual Death Valley road trip. The "Long Ranger" now has 303 career treys, breaking the mark of former Tennessee-Martin star Dewayne Powell. Sibbitt finished the game with 10 points, a game where the Govs (13-9, 8-6 OVC) had to come from 10 points down at the half for the win. Morehead State built a 37-27 lead at intermission, using an 18-0



Sibbitt

run midway through the half to widen the gap.

At the same time, APSU managed to hit only 31 percent in the first half, including just 2-of-14 3-point attempts.

It was Sibbitt's 3's to open the second half that may have turned the game around for the Govs. Sibbitt made consecutive 3-pointers to quickly close the gap to six points. His bomb with 12:30 left gave him the OVC record.

James Stewart's layup with 12 minutes to play in the game knotted the score at 51, and Jake Powers' dunk with 10 seconds left gave the Govs an insurmountable 69-63 lead.

Reggie Crenshaw and Stewart led the Govs in scoring with 17 points each. Crenshaw also went 8-for-8 from the charity stripe, a marked improvement from previous games. Jerome Jackson scored in double figures also, with 12 points and nine rebounds.

The first leg of Death Valley saw Peay

defeating Eastern Kentucky 88-79 in a game not as close as the final score indicates.

Although the score was knotted at 35 at halftime, APSU went on an 18-0 run to open the second half and jump ahead 53-35. The Govs shot a blistering 75 percent in the second half and 57.1 percent for the game.

"I really felt like we played together as a team tonight," APSU head coach Dave Loos said.

Sibbitt and Jackson led the squad in scoring with 19 points each. Sibbitt knocked down four 3-pointers and Jackson went 8-of-9 from the floor.

The Govs return home to face Middle Tennessee State and Tennessee Tech for their final home games of the 1997-98 season.

If APSU secures one of the top four spots in the OVC, then the Govs will host a first-round game in the OVC tournament on Feb. 24.

Men's OVC Basketball Standings (through Monday's games)

Murray State	
E. Illinois	
Middle Tennessee	
AUSTIN PEAY	
SE Missouri	
Tenn State	
Tenn. Martin	
Eastern Ky.	
Tennessee Tech	
Morehead State	

Lady Govs remain in hunt for tournament

By SCOTT HOSKINS
sports editor

The Lady Govs' basketball squad won its fourth straight game Saturday with a 66-61 win over Morehead State.

The win gives the Lady Govs a season sweep over the Lady Eagles. APSU won 86-59 earlier this season in Clarksville.

With the win, APSU opened up a half game lead over Southeast Missouri State for the seventh spot in the Ohio Valley Conference tournament.

APSU won despite shooting 32.4 percent from the field. Morehead wasn't much better, though, shooting just 37.5 percent.

Austin Peay jumped on the Lady Eagles 9-0 to open the game, but the hosts managed to stay in the game, mainly on the strength of Morehead's Hilary Swisher. She went 3-of-4 from 3-point range to finish with 21 points.

Peay (10-11, 5-8 OVC) built a 10-point lead with less than seven minutes left in the game, but

Morehead State outscored the Lady Govs 12-3 down the stretch to cut the lead to 57-56 with 1:55 left.

The Lady Govs were able to hit their free throws to preserve the victory. The squad converted 17-of-20 from the free throw line.

Amanda Behrenbrinker led the Lady Govs in scoring with 24 points. She also tacked on 10 rebounds in the winning effort.

Kai Jones chipped in 14 points, while Angelica Suffren had 10 points. Rhonda Neely added seven rebounds.

The Lady Govs return to action Saturday night, facing Tennessee Tech at 5:45 p.m. in the Dunn Center.

They wrap up the home portion of the 1997-98 season next Monday when they host Middle Tennessee State.

In all likelihood the Lady Govs will be on the road for the first round of the OVC tournament Feb. 24.

Note: The Lady Govs' game at Eastern Kentucky was still in process at press time.

OVC Women's Standings (through Saturday's games)

E. Kentucky	11-2
UT-Martin	10-3
Tenn. Tech	10-3
Middle Tenn.	8-5
E. Illinois	7-7
Tenn. State	6-7
APSU	5-8
SE Missouri	5-9
Murray St.	3-11
Morehead St.	2-12

Lady Vol coach Summitt to help induct honorees

University of Tennessee Lady Vols' basketball coach Pat Summitt will be on hand Saturday to participate in APSU's Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony.

Her brother, state representative Tommy Head, will be among three former Governor standouts to be inducted into the APSU Hall of Fame.

Also being inducted are the Lady Govs' all-time leading scorer, Shandra Maxwell, and three-time All-Ohio Valley Conference selection Kevin Sipe.

The three will be inducted during a 9:30 a.m. brunch in the

University Center ballroom, bringing to 63 the number of athletes in Austin Peay's Hall of Fame.

Maxwell will be inducted by former Lady Govs' coach Jim Phillips, and Sipe will be introduced by former Govs' baseball teammate Mike Hendricks.

The inductees will be introduced at halftime of the Austin Peay-Tennessee Tech basketball game on Feb. 14.

The cost of the brunch is \$10. Tickets are available in the APSU athletic ticket office and are on sale through today.

Sports Jam

By MATT CRESSMAN
staff writer

Marijuana, role models, noise and brain damage are among the topics I deem worthy enough to discuss this week.

First of all—what is going on in the NBA? Why are you setting a double standard? You have all your teams active in the community to maintain a good public image. However, you say "be a fool, drugs are cool."

Players like Chris Webber and Mookie Blaylock, who have been caught in possession of marijuana, don't have to worry about repercussions coming from the NBA.

Marijuana is not on the banned substance list in the NBA? What kind of example is this? Word is that the players association may

boycott next season if it is banned by the NBA.

Hello, basketball stars of America! You have a responsibility to the youth of this nation as role models.

Though players such as Charles Barkley claim they are not role models, the fact of the matter is that they are. The second they put on that jersey, they gave up their right to privacy. They became a public figure.

Therefore, they must be careful about what they do. There are heroes and pattern their lives after sports stars.

Next on the list is something else that is wrong with sports—decibel levels.

Why is it okay to have 20,000 fans screaming while one tries to hit a ball hurled at nearly 100

miles per hour, or okay 60,000 fans screaming 300 pound men are charged ensure a pass is not men and not okay to cheer someone swings a club large head at a stationary was just curious.

Finally, Stan Humphries have been hit in the head many times. He has been posing as a caddy for Scotty on the PGA Tour. I say, Simpson won the caddy.

Oh, yeah, here's some thought. Name the only besides Michael Jordan named the NBA regular All Star game and Finals and win the championship same season?

Answer next week.

Governor tennis, rifle teams perform well

Tennis

Austin Peay's men's tennis team defeated Western Kentucky 6-1 Saturday to gain its first victory of 1998.

The Governors won all three doubles matches over the Hilltoppers and five out of six singles matches.

Complete results:

Singles
Damian Bromfield (AP) def. Besu Sparks 6-2, 6-4;
Michael Lindskog (WK) def. Pavel Levitanov 6-3, 6-4;
Robert Powell (AP) def. Christian Kaumanns 6-1, 6-3;
Jason Rodich (AP) def. Tim Sallenger 6-4, 6-3
Nathan Rodich (AP) def. Dan McElheney 6-4, 6-2.

Dominic Hall (AP) def. Heath Majors 6-4, 6-2
Doubles
Bromfield/Powell (AP) def. Sparks/Lindskog 8-6, 6-3
Rodich/Rodich (AP) def. Sallenger/McElheney 8-6, 6-3
Hall/Levitanov (AP) def. Kaumanns/Majors 8-6, 6-3

Rifle

Austin Peay's rifle squad finished second in an angular match at Memphis Saturday.

Host Memphis won the event with a 1,453. APSU shot a season-high 1,345 for 1st place. Alabama Birmingham placed third with 1,318.

Scores (out of 400 possible points):
Brandy Butler 369, Jenny Beals 343, Tammy Wynn 318, Kate Blaise 315.

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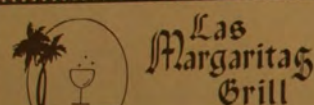
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