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Game, Set, Match.

Govs ,Lady Govs tennis pick up big OVC wins

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The APSU tennis teams prevailed this week over Ohio Valley Conference rivals Tennessee State on Friday, April 6, and Jacksonville State on Saturday, April 7.

The men's team won both matches convincingly, beating Tennessee State, 7-0, and Jacksonville State, 5-2, to push their overall record to 10-7. In OVC play, the men's tennis team is currently posting a perfect 5-0 record, outscoring conference opponents 32-3 so far on the season.

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Top: Junior Sean Bailey serves in his match against Tennessee State on Friday, April 6. He won the match 6-2, 6-2 playing as the men's No. 1 singles.
 Bottom: Freshman Ornella Di Salvo returns the ball with a backhand against Tennessee State, Friday, April 6. She went on to win the match 6-2, 6-4 playing as the No. 1 in singles for the Lady Govs. JOSH VAUGHN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

#HEALTHCARE

Health-care reform may reduce education spending

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As the constant debate surrounding President Obama's health-care reform law continues, many college students and young Americans are left wondering how the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act affects them. While advocates of the law suggest the law offers young adults many benefits and protections, some critics believe this law will cause economic stress on the general economy and college students.

The new health care law, known by conservatives as "Obamacare," allows most young adults to stay on their parents' health insurance plans up to age 26, even if they do not live with their parents, graduate from school or get married. The policy took effect for new insurance plans and plan renewals beginning on September 23, 2010, according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Data from the National Center for Health Statistics' National Health Interview Survey shows since this provision's enactment in September 2010, 2.5 million more young adults, age 19 to 25, are now covered by a private health insurance plan.

"Thanks to the Affordable Care Act, 2.5 million more young adults don't have to live with the fear and uncertainty of going without health insurance," stated Kathleen Sebelius, secretary of Health and Human Services, in a recent press release. "Moms and dads around the country can breathe a little easier knowing their children are covered."

Rep. Marsha Blackburn, R-Tenn., believes the new health-care reform law could actually cause greater economic stress for college students and young adults than it will benefit them, due to the purported negative effects the new law will have on the overall

federal and state economies.

Blackburn met with APSU President Tim Hall and the President's Circle of Advisers Monday, April 2, at APSU and raised her concerns about the health-care reform law's impact on higher education funding here in Tennessee.

"One of the lessons we learned from TennCare was that when you have a government centered health care plan, it gets funded first, and I worry the mandates this law puts on states might eat up state funds," Blackburn said.

Blackburn points out the fact states have to balance their budgets and the health-care reform law increases federal mandates on the states by expanding Medicaid.

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"States have to meet their mandates and balance their budgets at the same time and expanded mandates often force states to make cuts in discretionary spending programs like education and other programs we like to have," Blackburn said.

State Rep. Joe Pitts, D-Clarksville, member of the Tennessee House Education Committee, points out the actual fiscal impact of the law is uncertain and the legislature is receiving conflicting accounts about the law's fiscal impact on Tennessee in particular.

"The notion that the [Patient Protection and Affordable Care] act would unnecessarily drain resources from higher education could be said about any program that goes unchecked, be it government or private," Pitts said.

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#GRANTS

Grants for local businesses encourage growth, employment

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Governor Bill Haslam has approved grants to several companies, one of which is in Clarksville, intended to create and retain jobs throughout the state.

Hendrickson International's Montgomery County division recently received a \$17,024 job-creation grant. Hendrickson manufactures bumpers and suspensions for tractor-trailer trucks.

According to Jeff Hentschel, communications director of the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development, these grants will help create new jobs in their respective counties.

"The intent of the Incumbent Worker Program is to upgrade the skills of existing workers, to avoid layoffs and remain competitive," Hentschel said. "In the short term, it doesn't necessarily mean there are new jobs to apply for, but rather protects existing jobs."

He said the grants will also further assist growth of a company which has employees with up-to-date skills.

Another press release by the Tennessee government notes companies do have to meet certain criteria to receive the grants.

Employers must be in operation in Tennessee for at least one year prior to application, they must have at least five full-time employees, demonstrate financial viability and be current on all state tax obligations.

"The grant that Hendrickson received was an Incumbent Worker Training Grant funded by the Workforce Investment Act through the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development," said Marla Rye, president of Workforce Essentials Inc., a non-profit that contracts with the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development. "The primary purpose of the

grant is to make Tennessee employers more competitive through upgrading the skills of their existing employees."

According to Rye, WEI administers programs under a federal program known as the Workforce Investment Act.

Hendrickson was chosen through a decision made by the local workforce board's recommendation.

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— **Jeff Hentschel, communications director of the Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development**

"When a company applies locally, the board goes through a review process and scores the grant based on how long they've been in business, ability to match grant funds, layoff aversion potential, training plan and desired outcome including job creation and improving long or short term wages," Hentschel said.

Hendrickson is pleased with the results.

"We received the grant based on training our employees have attended and will attend this year that contributes to layoff aversion," said Lynsey Johnston of Hendrickson's human resources department. "At Hendrickson, we commit to serving the

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SLIDESHOW:
See photos from the Clothesline Project from Thursday, April 5, at TheAllState.org.

» **SLIDESHOW:**
See photos from the Govs and Lady Govs tennis victories at TheAllState.org.

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CRIME LOG

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- 11:24 a.m.; April 5; Marion and Robb Avenue; vandalism
- 3:41 p.m.; April 3; Burt lot; assault
- 8:07 p.m.; April 2; Hand Village; alcohol violations
- 12:02 p.m.; April 1; Main Street/ University Avenue lot; theft of property
- 4:13 p.m.; March 30; Sundquist Science Complex; theft of property
- 6:47 p.m.; March 29; Castle Heights hall; vandalism
- 11:55 a.m.; March 29; Sundquist Science Complex; theft of property

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Physics students **building ‘green’ racecar**

Congressman Phil Roe to speak at APSU Friday, April 13

2 APSU students earn prestigious **Goldwater Scholarships**

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Healthcare

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According to Pitts, the President’s health-care reform law sets in place a flexible framework of additional options for health coverage for all, which is sorely lacking in the current marketplace.

Pitts believes the Affordable Care Act’s provision to allow young adults, up to age 26, to stay on their parents’ health insurance plan is one of the best parts of the law. “Too often recent college students and graduates find they need a buffer between graduation and finding a job with actual benefits, so this law effectively addresses that concern,” Pitts said.

Brandon Puttbreese, communications director of the Tennessee Democratic Party, points out this law is already making a huge difference for thousands of college students here in Tennessee and millions around the nation.

“If this law was to be repealed or overturned, this would take away many benefits for young adults and college students,” said Puttbreese. “Because the Affordable Care Act affords direct benefits to those under 26, implements many patient protections and provides increased access to preventive care, young adults and college students have the most to gain from this law’s benefits.”

Blackburn did suggest she supports certain aspects of the new law, including the provisions for students and young adults to stay on their parents’ insurance plans and the elimination of insurance exclusions based on pre-existing conditions. However, she still wants the current law repealed or overturned.

“These provisions have had bi-partisan support in the past and continue to have support, but they have to be implemented with flexibility, not a mandate,” Blackburn said.

For more information on the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and its impact on young adults, visit: <http://www.healthcare.gov>. *TAS*

Grants

CONTINUED FROM **FRONT**

transportation industry with innovative products that help improve productivity and profitability.”

According to the Department of Labor’s website, the training grant is meant for non-profit health care organizations and for-profit businesses to utilize in skill attainment or improving their business processes.

Incumbent workers are defined as paid, full-time employees of the applicant’s business who are at least 18 years old and a citizen of the United States (or a non-

citizen whose status permits employment).

Lay-off aversion occurs when “one: a worker’s job is saved with an existing employer where, if training does not occur, may result in downsizing or closing; or two: a worker, at risk of dislocation, transitions to a different job with the same employer or a new job with a different employer, and then experiences no, or a minimal spell of unemployment,” according to the Department of Labor’s website.

R&F Communications Inc. in Dickson County received a \$13,915 grant and Bath Fitter in Robertson County received \$19,974 from the grant program. *TAS*

Motive for Tulsa shootings may lie in 2010 killing

» **ASSOCIATED PRESS**

TULSA, Okla. — The explanation for a shooting rampage that terrorized Tulsa’s black neighborhood and left three people dead may lie in a killing that took place more than two years ago.

Carl England, whose son is accused in the weekend shooting spree, was fatally shot in 2010 by a man who had threatened his daughter and tried to kick in the door of her home.

The man was black, and police said England’s son may have been seeking vengeance when he and his roommate shot five black people last week.

Police documents filed Monday in court say the two suspects have both confessed. According to an affidavit, 19-year-old Jake England admitted shooting three people and 32-year-old Alvin Watts confessed to shooting two.

Also Monday, the two suspects appeared in court to have their bond set at \$9.16 million apiece. Authorities have said they expect to charge the

pair with three counts of first-degree murder and other crimes.

Family and friends say Carl England’s death sent his son into a downward spiral.

On Thursday, April 5, Jake England apparently wrote a Facebook post marking the second anniversary of his father’s death and lamented that “it’s hard not to go off.”

Back in 2010, Carl England had responded to his daughter’s call for help and with her boyfriend tracked down the man who tried to break in. A fight broke out, and the man took out a gun and fired at England.

The man who pulled the trigger, Pernell Jefferson, was not charged with homicide because an investigation determined he acted in self-defense.

Jefferson was charged with attempted burglary and a weapons violation and had his probation revoked in an unrelated weapons case for which he is serving a six-year sentence.

He is scheduled to be tried in May on the burglary charge.

Watts’ brother, Gene, told the Tulsa World that Watts moved in with England soon after his father died to help him rebuild his life and deal with his anger, which seemed to be racially focused.

Alicia Houston, who lives near the roommates, told the newspaper she has known England since he was a child and “from the time his father died, that boy has been somebody else.”

She said England needed therapy “from the beginning” but didn’t receive it. He was taking medication for depression, she said.

The January suicide of England’s fiancée, only months after she gave birth to their son, made matters worse. Sheran Hart Wilde died from a self-inflicted gunshot to the head on Jan. 10, according to the state medical examiner’s office.

All of those killed in the spree were apparently random targets who were shot while walking around.

Dannaer Fields’ niece said her aunt never felt unsafe in her neighborhood.

“I can tell you she was a loving and giving person, and she had no fear of walking the streets,” Deatrah Fields said. “She knew pretty much everyone. She was two blocks from her house when she was shot.”

Fields had worked as a caretaker but was on disability, her niece said. Another niece said previously that she didn’t have a car and was probably headed home.

Ralph Eady owns a men’s clothing store across the street from where one body was discovered. When he pulled up for work Friday morning, more than a dozen police cars and a crowd of onlookers were outside his business.

Eady, who has a concealed weapons permit, said he quickly armed himself with a 9 mm handgun and a snub-nosed .38.

“Before the suspect was caught, everybody was on pins and needles,” he said. “Everybody started getting locked and loaded, strapping on their guns and doing what they needed to do to defend themselves.” *TAS*

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— **First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution**

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Change hindered by radical protests



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later generations. The Yeats poem may have been written nearly 100 years ago to an event in history known as the Easter Rising, in which Ireland revolted against British rule.

It still resonates with readers today, especially regarding the concept of “excessive love.”

This does not refer to caring for a person or a thing, but something less concrete and less attainable. For as long as society has existed people have wanted change and reform.

Yeats wrote his poem in the aftermath

In my English class, we learned there is such a thing as “excessive love.” Examining William Yeats’s poem “Easter 1916,” we found once again the value of old literature truly lies in its ability to connect with

of watching close friends who had been political extremists be executed by the state for their revolutionary acts. The tone of “Easter 1916” is, at best, wishy-washy. Yeats never defended what his friends did, or stated he thought they were right.

Instead, he claimed not to have any extreme views of his own, and questioned if something so abstract was even worth consideration.

It got me thinking about parallels to the causes today which have spawned such energy in people.

The need to challenge and reform society is nothing new. Literature has warned us about what could happen without change.

In real life, President Barack Obama blazed his way to victory with a simple slogan: change. Movements for reform such as Occupy Wall Street have gained fervent supporters.

It’s no secret society is currently being swept by a wave of “excessive love,” just as Yeats saw in his time.

So it becomes obvious to me, then, that what appears to be a current fad might in fact just be a resurgence of something that’s always present in our society, either as an

undercurrent or as an overture.

Perhaps excessive love is an irrevocable part of the human condition.

But some of us, like Yeats, have the ability to remain ambivalent about hot-button issues.

In America, and especially here in Clarksville, which is so close to Fort Campbell, and so incredibly supportive of the military, we are raised with the notion fighting for a noble cause is the right thing to do, and dying for it makes us heroes.

“Excessive?” We might scoff. “There’s no such thing as too much love for my country/gay rights/women’s rights/civil rights.”

Are all those causes worthy of attention and support? Certainly. Is it sometimes necessary to fight for the right thing? Absolutely. But at a certain point, we need to step back and really think about how much violence or radical demonstrations will really accomplish.

There are civilized ways of bringing change. What Yeats was trying to accomplish in his poem, and what I’m trying in this article, is things like fighting and dying for what you believe in should

be a last resort, and by no means should it ever be glorified.

In the end, your life, the people you cherish and the contributions you make to the world comes first. That is what is meant by “excessive love.”

If you really want change, try writing to your representatives. Create petitions. Run for office.

Open lines of communication with people in power, and you can get amazing things accomplished.

Don’t anger the people who could potentially help you by rioting in the streets.

Or start with something small; a project in your community could easily blossom to encompass a larger scope than you ever originally imagined.

I know dying for a cause you believe in may sound noble, glorious and even romantic in theory, but the plain truth of the matter is, you’d leave a lot of people behind.

You can accomplish a lot more for a cause you excessively love by sticking around, and being active and constructive. *TAS*

Grasping procrastination: the first step in defeating it



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or just catching up on sleep instead of doing what was necessary.

Understanding procrastination is the first step to overcoming it. Everyone deals with procrastination in some way, and because of this; everyone handles it differently. There are ways to live life procrastination-free, if you simply take the time. First, we need to understand why we do this to ourselves.

Kyle Davis, an APSU student, said, “I think it’s pretty much because I’m lazy. I think to myself, the assignment isn’t due until Sunday night and it’s only Thursday. I could be watching ‘The Walking Dead.’”

Davis said he manages to complete the assignment before it’s due and always gets a good grade, so he never worries about procrastination. This may be the case, but is it worth the headache from all the stress that builds up? Maurice Testa, another APSU student, seems to think so.

Procrastination: It’s that dreadful word which seems to be first in nearly every college student’s vocabulary. We’ve all done it at least once; whether it’s watching the latest episode of “Jersey Shore,” hanging out with friends, texting your BFF

“I work best under pressure. I know I have two weeks to do the assignment, but I wait until a few days before it’s due because I have so many other things I need to be doing,” Testa said. For him, procrastination isn’t much of an excuse, but a way of prioritizing. This doesn’t work for everyone though.

As we reach the end of the semester, many students are burned out on classes. We hear the words constantly: “Oh, I’ll finish it later” or, “I do this all the time and get away with it.” Students claim they procrastinate because it’s simply habit to them.

There are extreme cases of Adult Attention-Deficit Disorder, of course. By no means am I concluding if you find “South Park” on TV to be more entertaining than your 1,500 word literature review you are suffering from AADD. Also, I’m not defending procrastination as a way to avoid doing an assignment. It’s human nature to procrastinate. On the bright side of things, there are ways to counter the will to procrastinate.

HealthGuidance.org suggests two things — moderate your work and reward yourself. By moderating your work, do a portion of it today and some of it tomorrow, little by little you’ll have the entire assignment done. Finally, reward your accomplishments. Tell yourself when you finish half the assignment, you’ll watch an hour of TV. Without a doubt, procrastination is a serious issue, but it doesn’t have to control your life if you just learn to understand it. *TAS*

Secular Humanist group attends Reason Rally in D.C.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

» **BRYAN TIDWELL**

Last week I was lucky enough to travel with a group of APSU students and several citizens from the local community to participate in the Reason Rally.

With official attendance estimates upwards of 10,000, the Reason Rally was easily the largest secular event in history. On Saturday, March 24, atheists, agnostics, secular humanists and other brands of nontheists converged upon the National Mall in Washington D.C. to see a group of speakers including the likes of Adam Savage and Richard Dawkins as well as a full set from punk rockers Bad Religion.

While technically not an official school event, the official APSU group Students for Secular Humanism especially president Kate Cervantes put forth an enormous effort to lower the cost of attendance for interested students, many who otherwise couldn’t afford to go. Although the Reason Rally was free event transportation to D.C. is expensive. With the aid of bus coupons and

funding from the Secular Student Alliance 13 students were able to get the entire bus fare paid.

In a country whose last president claimed that atheists cannot be patriots with a serious presidential candidate who claims to that separation of church and state makes him sick, a secular event of this magnitude is a sign-post for many nontheistic individuals many of whom feel alone and disenfranchised.

Many atheists like me are afraid to admit their lack of religious beliefs for fear of ruining relationships with family, friends and significant others. The Reason Rally sent the message that religious beliefs aren’t criteria for equal rights or a sound morality.

On Saturday, March 31, on the amidst the Washington Monument we gathered to advance that point that a lack of faith does not preclude a person from equal rights.

Atheists can be loving, patriotic, and moral individuals. The Reason Rally will hopefully serve as the first major strike at the unwarranted stigma surrounding non-theism in this nation and send the message that you can be good without God. *TAS*

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Clarksville band Almost Atlantic poses for a promotional shot on APSU’s campus. SUSAN LIBERTADORE | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Chasing fame

APSU students perform in Clarksville band Almost Atlantic

» By TIFFANY COMER
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Local band Almost Atlantic has big things ahead of them. The band is made up of five members: Adam Vandergrift and RJ Taylor are the vocalists, Robby LaBean and RJ are the lead and backup guitarists, Bo Hunter is the bass guitarist and Monte Lafferty is on the drums.

Most of the band members started playing music around their middle and high school years.

The band started with Monte and RJ working with various musicians in the Clarksville and Nashville areas before deciding they wanted to take things to the next level, which led to Almost Atlantic finding its family in the summer of 2011.

This family was completed by adding Adam, Robby and Bo, “who brought the dedication, energy and diversity Almost Atlantic had been looking for,” said APSU student and band member RJ.

The story on how the band picked its name began when RJ and Monte were on tour in 2009. In North Carolina during a break, they decided to find the Atlantic Ocean.

After putting it in their GPS and driving for hours,

they discovered the “Atlantic” they had driven to was more of a slime-filled swamp. Once they got home, they continuously told people they “almost found the Atlantic.” This eventually became the perfect name for their band.

Almost Atlantic was recently selected as a top 10 finalist for Rockettown Battle of the Bands.

“To be honest, it was an honor to be chosen as a top 10 finalist. We realize this is a really big event and we’re really excited to showcase our new music and put on a great show for all our fans,” said band member Bo.

They were selected out of 32 bands and will find out during their May battle if they make the cut to perform at the live show. The band is currently working with Mind2Mass Records on a full-length album.

“We hope to have it released sometime in June. It will be available on most online music stores like iTunes and Amazon,” said RJ.

The band will be performing at Rivers and Spires on Friday, April 20, at 8 p.m. on the Strawberry Alley stage. Also check them out June 21 at 8 p.m. in downtown Clarksville at the Warehouse, opening for nationally-renowned artist Red Jumpsuit Apparatus. **TAS**

Wednesday, April 11

- 6 p.m.; **Student Organization and Leader Awards;** MUC Ballroom

Thursday, April 12

- 7 p.m.; **Comedian Ross Matthews;** Clement Auditorium

Friday, April 13

- 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.; **Interviewing Skills Workshop;** MUC 103B
- 6:30 p.m.; **Film Screening “Pan’s Labyrinth”;** MUC Plaza

Monday, April 16

- 12:30 p.m.; **Non-traditional Student Luncheon;** MUC 312

Tuesday, April 17

- 7-9 p.m.; **Peay Soup: Spoken Word Competition;** Einstein Bros. Bagels

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#CONORSTRAVELS

Conor tries Clarksville’s best cupcakes



» By CONOR SCRUTON
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Since I got some exercise traveling to the Clarksville Greenway in last week’s column, I felt I should reward myself this week. So I decided to indulge in some sweets at The Sweetest Batch.

The Sweetest Batch Cupcakery is a highly rated cupcake shop located at 2237 Lowes Dr. If you’re afraid of getting lost — like I did — that’s just off Trenton Road. Driving away from Wilma Rudolph Boulevard, Lowes Drive is immediately on the right after crossing 101st Airborne Parkway bypass.

The Sweetest Batch has become a popular dessert spot and was voted best bakery and cupcake shop in Clarksville’s 2011 March of Dimes competition. The bakery has received a 75 percent rating from restaurant review site www.urbanspoon.com and a four-star rating on yellowpages.com. Having tasted their cupcakes, I completely agree with this praise.

Open Tuesday through Saturday, The Sweetest Batch specializes in “jumbo” cupcakes which can be pre-ordered or picked up on the spot. Cupcakes are initially \$3.75 each, but The Sweetest Batch offers military and student discounts to lower the price. I suggest going to their website www.thesweetestbatchcupcakery.com to check the menu schedule, as their selection changes from day to day. The website also provides pictures and information on each of The Sweetest Batch’s cupcake flavors, which number more than 60.



Conor tries to figure out the best way to eat his jumbo cupcake from The Sweetest Batch. BRITTNEY SPARN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

I tried a cupcake called Campfire Delight, which was chocolate mixed with a graham cracker and cinnamon. It was fantastic, but I should mention when the menu says “jumbo” cupcakes, it’s no joke. Two people could easily split one cupcake, which makes the price seem much more reasonable. As a matter of fact, I split mine with a friend and still had enough to give away after the two of us were full.

The Sweetest Batch is also incredibly easy to use for special events. You save money by buying at least a dozen, and the shop charges nothing extra to customize cupcakes for a birthday party or other occasion. The bakery also has a deal with Sango Village Florist to get flowers and cupcakes delivered together at a reduced price.

I’ll admit I’m not much of a dessert enthusiast. I prefer good food with a modest dessert afterward. Nonetheless, I would be more than willing to travel back to The Sweetest Batch at some point. The cupcakes are great, and while the bakery is more suited for to-go orders, there are a few tables and the atmosphere is as pleasant as you would expect a “cupcakery” to be.

For anyone with a sweet tooth, The Sweetest Batch is definitely a place to visit. **TAS**

#ROLLINGSTONES

Classic rock band to record new material

» ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK (AP) — Ronnie Wood said the Rolling Stones will meet in a recording studio later this month “to just throw some ideas around.”

The guitarist for the legendary rock group said Monday he and the band just want “to get the feel again.”

He also added the Rolling Stones 50th anniversary is like training for something big.

“It’s like working out for the Olympics or something,” Wood said. “You’ve got to go into training. So we’re going to go into training.”

Wood made the comments Monday in an interview following a press conference for his exhibition, “Faces, Time and Places,” which features his own paintings. It includes pieces of him and his band mates, as well as Muhammad Ali and Al Pacino.

Wood, who said he first started painting at age 3, enjoys doing it because it’s a reflection of his own ideas, unlike music, which he calls “a group effort.”

The exhibit launched Monday and will close June 30.

Wood’s week will get busier when he is inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame on Saturday as a member of The Faces, along with Rod Stewart. It will be the second induction for the 64-year-old Wood. The Rolling Stones were inducted in 1989.

He’ll also perform a solo show at the Golden Nugget in Atlantic City, N.J., on April 21. When asked what fans should expect, he said: “Lots of surprises because I’m going to surprise myself. I don’t know what the hell is coming next. The whole set list is going to be made up. I’m making it up every day now.”

Wood says he would love go on a solo tour “if I had enough time, but I have too many commitments.”

He also talked about possibly recording another solo album.

“Lots of people don’t know I’ve made seven, ‘cause most of my albums escape; they’re not released,” he said, laughing. “Keith (Richards) says they all skyrocket to oblivion.” **TAS**

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by Linda Thistle

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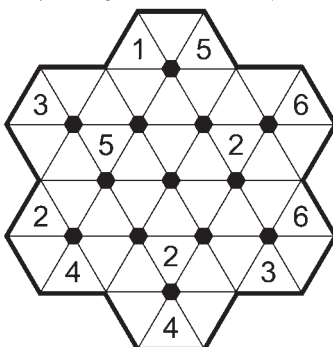
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★ Moderate ★★ Challenging

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There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



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Place a letter in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the letters listed above the diagram. When completed, the row indicated will spell out a word or words.

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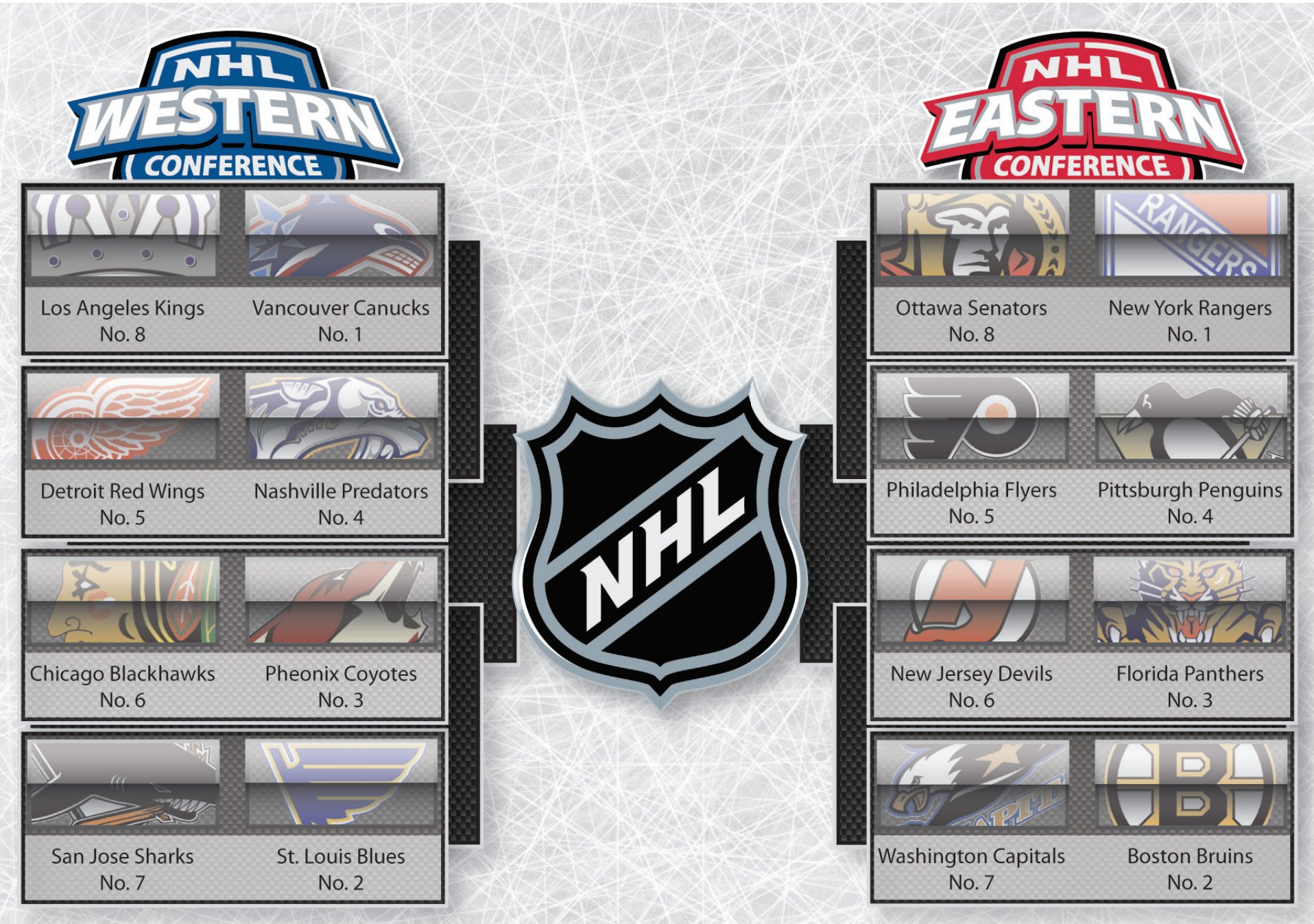
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Quest for the Stanley Cup

The Predators prepare for the Red Wings on a three-game winning streak



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The NHL regular season came to an end on Saturday, April 7, as each team in playoff contention attempted to improve or secure a playoff seed in this year’s quest for the Stanley Cup.

The Predators enter into their seventh playoff series in eight seasons with three consecutive April wins.

Throughout the three game series, Nashville outscored its opponents by a combined 10-2. The most impressive victory came in the regular season finale at Denver, where the Predators sent a message to the rest of the remaining playoff teams with a 6-1 victory over the Avalanche.

Nashville, who ended the season with the sixth-highest point total in the NHL (104), will now take on the Detroit Red Wings on Wednesday, April 11.

The two division rivals split this year’s head-to-head games, 3-3, and are very evenly matched teams.

There are several other teams entering the playoffs with late-season success, including the Phoenix Coyotes, whose five-game winning streak propelled them to their Pacific Division title since relocating from Winnipeg to Phoenix.

In the Eastern Conference, the New Jersey Devils secured the sixth seed in the playoffs with six straight wins, including a 4-2 victory over Ottawa in Saturday’s regular season finale.

The No. 1 seeds are represented by the Vancouver Canucks in the Western Conference and the New York Rangers in the Eastern Conference.

Although the regular season has come to an end, hockey fans anticipate a wild postseason. With this year’s intriguing first-round matchups, the battle for professional sports’ most sacred trophy should be rather entertaining.

Preds Prediction

If the regular season is any indication of what the playoffs might hold, the Predators should have a slight edge over the Red Wings in this year’s matchup.

The key for Nashville is consistency. With defenseman Shea Weber and Ryan Suter, along with Pekka Rinne, Nashville has the ability to shut down nearly every offense in the NHL.

The problem has been the team’s inability to remain consistent throughout the year.

Expect the Red Wings to play with a more aggressive approach in the playoffs. If the Predators can control the tempo and play dominant defense, expect them to win this series with ease.

The Red Wings will force this series into seven games, but I expect Nashville’s defensive leadership to guide the Predators to their second consecutive first-round victory. *TAS*



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OVC BASEBALL STANDINGS

Austin Peay	7-1 (19-12)
Eastern Ky.	6-3 (14-16)
Jacksonville St.	6-3 (12-18)
Morehead St.	5-4 (18-14)
Tennessee Tech	5-4 (13-17)
Eastern Illinois	4-4 (12-16)
Murray St.	3-6 (16-17)
SIUE	3-6 (14-17)
UT Martin	3-6 (9-22)
Southeast Mo.	2-7 (9-24)

OVC SOFTBALL STANDINGS

UT Martin	17-3 (28-13)
Jacksonville St.	14-6 (20-20)
Eastern Illinois	10-6 (20-15)
Murray St.	10-7 (15-13)
Eastern Ky.	8-7 (16-20)
Tennessee Tech	9-9 (15-21)
SIUE	8-8 (16-21)
Southeast Mo.	7-12 (14-24)
Austin Peay	6-11 (12-19)
Morehead St.	4-13 (10-22)
Tennessee St.	3-14 (10-26)

UPCOMING HOME SPORTS SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

Baseball - 6 p.m.
APSU vs. MTSU

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

Baseball - 6 p.m.
APSU vs. Murray State

SATURDAY, APRIL 14

Baseball - 2 p.m.
APSU vs. Murray State

Softball - 1 and 3 p.m.
APSU vs. Southeast Missouri

SUNDAY, APRIL 15

Baseball - 1 p.m.
APSU vs. Murray State

Softball - 1 p.m.
APSU vs. Southeast Missouri

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

Track and Field - All Day
Showdown on the Cumberland

Baseball - 6 p.m.
APSU vs. Jacksonville State

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

Baseball - 2 p.m.
APSU vs. Jacksonville State

Softball - 1 and 3 p.m.
APSU vs. Jacksonville State

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

Baseball - 1 p.m.
APSU vs. Jacksonville State

Softball - 1 p.m.
APSU vs. Jacksonville State

TUESDAY, MAY 8

Baseball - 6 p.m.
APSU vs. Lipscomb

FRIDAY, MAY 11

Baseball - 6 p.m.
APSU vs. Morehead St.

SATURDAY, MAY 12

Baseball - 2 p.m.
APSU vs. Morehead St.

SUNDAY, MAY 13

Baseball - 1 p.m.
APSU vs. Morehead St.



MASTERS LEADERBOARD

1.) Bubba Watson	-10
2.) Louis Oosthuizen	-10
3.) Peter Hanson	-8
3.) Lee Westwood	-8
3.) Matt Kuchar	-8
3.) Phil Mickelson	-8
7.) Ian Poulter	-5
8.) Justin Rose	-4
8.) Adam Scott	-4
8.) Padraig Harrington	-4

NOTABLES

12.) Sergio Garcia	-2
12.) Fred Couples	-2
19.) Brandt Snedeker	E
27.) Vijay Singh	+2
32.) Zach Johnson	+3
40.) Rory McIlroy	+5
40.) Tiger Woods	+5
57.) Y.E. Yang	+11

NHL PLAYOFF STANDINGS

EASTERN CONF.	PTS.
1.) N.Y. Rangers	109
2.) Boston	102
3.) Florida	94
4.) Pittsburgh	108
5.) Philadelphia	103
6.) New Jersey	102
7.) Washington	92
8.) Ottawa	92
9.) Buffalo	89
10.) Tampa Bay	84
11.) Winnipeg	84
12.) Carolina	82
13.) Toronto	80
14.) N.Y. Islanders	79
15.) Montreal	78

WESTERN CONF.	PTS.
1.) Vancouver	111
2.) St. Louis	109
3.) Phoenix	97
4.) Nashville	104
5.) Detroit	102
6.) Chicago	101
7.) San Jose	96
8.) Los Angeles	95

9.) Calgary	90
10.) Dallas	89
11.) Colorado	88
12.) Minnesota	81
13.) Anaheim	80
14.) Edmonton	74
15.) Columbus	65

NFL denies Saints bounty appeal

Predators face Red Wings in NHL playoffs

Bubba Watson wins Masters in sudden death playoff

SPORTS

#GOGOLFGOVS

'Cinderella story, outta nowhere'



From left to right: Sophomore Trey Tarpley, junior Dustin Korte, sophomore Marco Iten and sophomore Anthony Bradley are the only four Golf Govs to start every tournament this season. These four make up the solid core of APSU's men's gold team and provide a solid future for the school's golf program. **ALL GOLF PHOTOS COURTESY OF APSU SPORTS INFORMATION**

Behind well-balanced play, the men's golf team could bring home another OVC title to APSU

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Usually only highlighted when Tiger Woods is either winning majors, crashing cars or a Caddyhack re-run airs on AMC, golf is a sport equally oblivious to those who do not follow it and is cherished and embraced by those who do.

Whether one follows golf or not, it should be noted that the APSU men's golf team, currently the best option for APSU to bring home an Ohio Valley Conference title to Clarksville.

As of Monday, April 9, baseball is 7-1 in OVC play, men's tennis is 5-0 and women's tennis is 5-2.

These are all impressive records of teams dominating their sport in conference play but fall in comparison to the Golf Govs' 27-0 mark in OVC play as of April 3.

Not only is the team winning in OVC play, they are beating everyone.

Currently, they boast two tournament championships, two

second place finishes and one third place finish out of tournaments which have consisted of 11 to 22 teams.

In fact, only once this year have the Golf Govs failed to finish worse than middle of the pack.

Not only have they performed well in tournaments, they perform well in tournaments comprised of good competition, beating teams like Kentucky and Vanderbilt, who have been represented by alumni Russ Cochran and Brandt Snedeker on the PGA tour.

The key to this year's team has been balanced play from its top four players.

Sophomores Anthony Bradley, Marco Iten, Trey Tarpley and junior Dustin Korte have started all nine tournaments this year and have shot an average score between 73 and 75 strokes per round.

Of the nine tournaments played this year, the golfing Govs have seen five different leaders for the team with Bradley, Iten, Korte and Tarpley all leading the team in two

tournaments, while freshman Tucker Wallace has lead the team once.

On the year, APSU has posted 18 players finishing in the top 10, one individual tournament winner as Marco Iten took first place at the F & M Bank APSU Intercollegiate Tournament in a playoff and a low round on the year of 67 shot by Trey Tarpley.

One can anticipate the same success in the future. APSU will bring the top-five performers on the team back next year and will have four of the top-five performers for at least two more years, hopefully making APSU men's golf a spectacle for the next several years.

The team will finish the regular season at the OVC Tournament on Wednesday, April 25, through Sunday, April 29, at the Greystone Golf Course in Dickson, Tenn.

Should they continue their success, one can certainly expect to see them playing in the regional finals in May and APSU hoisting another OVC championship banner next year. **TAS**

REMAINING GOLF SCHEDULE

MEN'S

Monday, April 16 - Tuesday, April 17
Earl Yestingsmeier Invitational
Muncie, Ind.
All Day

Wednesday, April 25 - Sunday, April 29
OVC Championships
Dickson, Tenn.
All Day

WOMEN'S

Sunday, April 22 - Tuesday, April 24
OVC Championships
Dickson, Tenn.
All Day

#APSUTRACKANDFIELD



APSU's Track and Field team hosted the APSU Invitational on Saturday, April 7. The team recorded 15 personal bests in the meet, as the Govs hosted Tennessee Tech in Governors Stadium. **SUSIE LIBERATORE | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER**

#GOBATGOVS

Bat Govs break records over the weekend

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The Bat Govs had one of the longest weekends of their life. The game that saw its start at 3:06 p.m. on Friday, April 6, ended around 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 7.

It took 17 innings and five hours, 40 minutes of game time to complete the game, both APSU records, and gave head coach Gary McClure his 300th Ohio Valley Conference win, the first coach to ever do so in the conference. The game had to be suspended shortly after 7 p.m. on Friday due to darkness on the field.

The Bat Govs fell into a quick deficit in the game due to Eastern Illinois' quick offensive start.

The Panthers scored three runs in the second inning and two runs in the third off home runs and, before the end of the seventh, had tacked on two more runs, one more home run and caused sophomore starter Ryan Quick to be taken out of the game.

That is the last success the Panthers had all game.

Playing from behind the entire game, the Govs were able to tie the game at seven by a clutch double in the ninth inning with two outs to bring home two runs.

That was all the support needed for another seven innings from the Bat Govs, because the Panthers were held in check by the Bat Govs bullpen.

After Quick exited the game, the bullpen managed to pitch 10.1 innings of shutout baseball, allowing only five hits from the eighth to the 17th inning.

In the 17th inning, the Bat Govs plated a run on a RBI single from junior Cody Hudson.

The Govs lost their second game in a heartbreaker, 2-1, ending their seven game OVC winning streak, another school record. Junior Casey

Delgado continued the success he had against UT Martin in his previous start, allowing only one run through the first eight innings.

Unfortunately, the Panthers were able to push the winning run across the plate in the bottom of the ninth after Delgado was pulled after issuing a two-out double that would eventually be the winning run.

Delgado finished the games pitching 8.2 innings, allowing two runs on six hits.

The Bat Govs will look to start a new winning streak when they host MTSU on Wednesday, April 11, at Raymond C. Hand Park. **TAS**

Tennis

CONTINUED FROM FRONT

In Friday's, April 6, game against Tennessee State, the visiting Tigers were able to win only 11 sets in the entire match while the Govs won 66.

Junior Sean Bailey has helped the Tennis Govs' success by being unbeaten in 15 of his last 16 matches.

The Lady Govs had similar success against Tennessee State, winning 6-1 after forfeiting a singles match to give the Tigers their only point.

The Lady Govs won every singles match set they competed in and demolished the Tigers in doubles play with a combined 24-1 score over three matches.

The Lady Govs had a harder time with Jacksonville State on Saturday, but were able to squeeze out the victory, 4-3, helping to improve their overall record to 8-12 and stay atop the OVC with a 5-2 record in conference play.

The Lady Govs and Gamecocks split singles play with each team winning three matches, but the Lady Govs won the match by winning doubles play, thanks to wins from the No. 2 team of sophomore Andra

Cornea and freshman Ornella Di Salvo and the No. 3 team of freshmen Vanessa Tavarez and Jovana Karac.

In singles play, the Lady Govs got a big boost from their top players, with wins in the No. 1, No. 3 and No. 4 positions.

Senior Vanja Tomic came up big once again for the Lady Govs, winning her 17th-straight match, 6-4, 6-1, at the No. 1 position and tying her personal best win streak set in 2010, when she was named OVC player of the year.

The men's team will look to stay perfect with three conference games remaining while the women's team has two left.

The men will play Tennessee Tech in Cookeville on Tuesday, April 10, and both teams will play Eastern Kentucky in Richmond, Ky. on Saturday, April 14, and Morehead State on Sunday, April 15, in Morehead, Ky. **TAS**

OVC TOURNAMENTS

Men's: Friday, April 20 - Sunday, April 22
Women's: Friday, April 20