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SLIDESHOW:

See photos from the grand opening of the new Starbucks located in the Woodward Library at The All State.org.

'3 Joes' bring us Starbucks





Top: Rather than cut a ribbon, Provost Tristan Denley and Joe Lachina, senior director Dining Services, cut open the inaugural package of coffee at the grand opening of the new Starbucks location in Woodward Library, Monday, Feb. 27. Bottom Right: Employees prepare to open Starbucks for the first time. PHOTOS BRANDON CAUTHEN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Bottom Left: One of Starbucks' first customers on opening day. PHOTOS PHYLLISIA REED SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER

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In addition to Einstein Bros. and Seattle's Best, APSU has another place to go to get a "cup of Joe": Starbucks.

This is thanks to the hard work of three Joes: Joe Mills, director of Housing/Residence Life and Dining Services, Joe Lachina, senior Dining Services director, and Joe Weber, library director.

Last year, Chartwell's performed a student

voice survey asking whether or not putting another coffee place on campus would be embraced by students.

An overwhelming positive response for Starbucks led to the grand opening on Monday, Feb. 27.

Starbucks is located on the main floor of the campus library.

"I finally get to have some coffee. I have an hour break between classes, but I stay in the library to catch up on work. Now I don't have to leave," said sophomore Joseph Truax.

Truax said he would not normally venture off anywhere to get a coffee.

The convenient location and hours of the new Starbucks are the main reasons he would buy coffee there.

Starbucks will be open seven days a week. The weekday hours of operation are Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Friday 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. The weekend hours are Saturday noon to 4 p.m., and Sunday





See photos of the high school JROTC "Raider Blitz" competition held at APSU at The All State.org.

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#PRIMARIES

Tennessee voters choose their candidate on Super Tuesday

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Tennessee voters, along with voters from nine other states, will select their preferred candidate for the 2012 presidential elections on what is known as "Super Tuesday" on

While many APSU students will be focused on spring break, the nation will have its eyes on these 10 Super Tuesday primary and caucus states, which include Tennessee,



Alaska, Georgia, Idaho, Massachusetts, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Ohio, Vermont and Virginia.

Super Tuesday voters will choose which presidential candidate they want nominated at the Republican and Democratic National Conventions later this summer.

"This process allows the voters to give their input on who they want to vote for in November," said assistant Political Science professor Andrew Steinfeldt.

Since Tennessee holds an open primary, any registered voter can either vote in the Republican or Democratic primary, according to Vickie Koelman, Montgomery County's administrator of elections.

Those who will be voting for the Republican nominee can choose between Texas

congressman Ron Paul, former Pennsylvania congressman Rick Santorum, former House Speaker Newt Gingrich and former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney.

Michael Jenkins, junior Political Science major, believes it will be a close race between Santorum, Romney and Gingrich here in Tennessee.

"Every candidate has a possibility of winning at least one state on Super Tuesday,"

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#GSAPETITION

Gay-Straight Alliance petition students against Chick-fil-A

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Eating more chicken might be contributing money to causes you may not

The Gay-Straight Alliance, in conjunction with the Students for Secular Humanism, have drafted a petition urging students to commit themselves to not buy food at Chick-fil-A due to numerous allegations of discrimination and financial support given to organizations with discriminatory

'[Chick-fil-A has] the right to do what they want with that money, so do their owners, but we also have the right not to spend our money there," said Ryan Whipkey, junior Political Science major and president

The petition, posted on Change.org, has a list of grievances against the charitable arm of Chick-fil-A - the WinShape Foundation – and several groups WinShape donates money to, including the Eagle Forum, Exodus International and Focus on the Family.

"The ultimate goal of the petition is to get enough students to abstain from buying Chick-fil-A so that they will not renew their contract when it comes up for renewal," said Bryan Tidwell, freshman and secretary of the Students for Secular Humanism.

The petition has been revised from

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#JROTC

JROTC 'Raider Blitz' held at APSU for first time

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APSU hosted the "Raider Blitz," a yearly JROTC competition where teams from area high schools come to compete on Saturday,

"[This] will mark the first time APSU will host the Raider Blitz. APSU ROTC hosts the Raider Challenge JROTC competition each fall and now we will be hosting the Raider Blitz JROTC competition every spring," said Nicholas Shumpis, ROTC cadet.

APSU ROTC, in collaboration with the Admissions Office, Campus Police, U.S Army Recruiting Command and the

Tennessee National Guard put on the event. "APSU ROTC conducts the Raider Blitz in order to provide training and military development through strenuous mental and physical challenges, while also fostering citizenship and strengthening the leadership development process in JROTC Raiders, Shumpis said.

There were a total of 15 teams competing for the fastest time over a three-mile course. There were seven stations along the course, where teams had to execute a militaryoriented mission in accordance to task, conditions and standards.

"There are no specific requirements to be a part of the competition other than a high school being able to field a 10 person JROTC team with alternates," Shumpus said.

Teams maneuvered with a guide who assisted in navigating the course safely

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Child Learning Center earns **Golden Sneaker Award** from Gov. Haslam. Poet, father to speak about **raising child with Down Syndrome** March 23

Orchid Ensemble to perform concert of ancient Chinese sounds and instruments

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

4:13 p.m.; Feb. 22; Hand Village; possession

hours.

- 3:48 p.m.; Feb. 22; Main Street/ University Avenue lot; indecent exposure
- 3:45 p.m.; Feb. 21; Meacham Apartments; carrying or possession of a weapon
- 11:17 a.m.; Feb. 14; Dunn Center; theft of property
- 4:11 p.m.; Feb. 13; Foy Fitness and Recreation Center; theft of property
- 9:57 a.m.; Feb. 13; Foy Fitness and Recreation Center; theft of property

Visit TheAllState.org to see an interactive of the campus crime log.

Starbucks

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p.m. to 11 p.m.

"At the end of the semester, Starbucks will review how everything went and make adjustments to the hours, if necessary. At this point I don't know what their plans are for hours during intersessions and summer sessions," Weber said.

One of Weber's concerns is the noise that comes with the coffee. Cappuccino machines, espresso machines, coffee blenders and coffee bean grinders all make a

In turn, the conversations among people at Starbucks will be louder than conversations in the library.

"It's usually pretty crowded and noisy on the main floor of the library anyway, so the majority of students might not even notice,"

Weber said.

Weber is not the only one concerned about the noise.

"My favorite thing about the Starbucks going into the library is that it is easy to access. A lot of students come to the library to study and get work done. Sometimes it takes a little bit of extra grind, and coffee will be great, but I do think it will be too noisy," said senior James Demoss.

Weber did mention the first and third floor of the library will continue to be quiet areas, so students will still have quiet places to study.

Another concern is the issue of spilled drinks. The library has many computers, printers and other expensive equipment. The library already had a

policy allowing students to have drinks as long as they are in spillproof containers.

Food is also allowed as long as the food is considered snack food and not full sit down meals. TAS

Jenkins said. "Every state counts and a win in Tennessee will be vital for any of the Republican candidates trying to gain support in the south."

Although incumbent President Barack Obama is uncontested in this year's Democratic primary, voters can still show their support for the president by voting for him on the Democrat Presidential Preference ballot, according to Koelman.

Koelman also pointed out voters can write-in a candidate of their choice, if they are unhappy with the available options offered by either party.

While the early voting period has already passed, the polls will be open on Super Tuesday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., March 6, according to the Montgomery County Election Commission.

Koelman said she hopes everyone in the community, especially students, will participate in the upcoming presidential primary election. She also hopes everyone will also participate in every upcoming election, regardless of what office is being

"If you don't vote, you don't have the right to complain about any of the candidates," Jenkins said.

Koelman said if students need help figuring out where to vote, to call the Montgomery County Election Commission's office or your county's election commission and they will direct you to your local precinct. TAS

Check your Voter Registration status and find your voting location at:

tnmap.state.tn.us/voterlookup/

Find your county's election commission at:

tnsos.org/elections/election_ commissions.php

JROTC

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and maintaining the team's time throughout the course.

The competing teams consisted of 10 competitors with a minimum requirement of at least one female on each team. The event began with the first team negotiating the course at 6:30 a.m. and the last team finishing by 12:30 p.m. An awards ceremony followed at 1:00 p.m.

Rossview High School placed first in the competition, Northwest High School placed second and West Creek High School came in third.

Shumpus' role was to market the event and to get support from campus and local media. During the event, he assisted the Recruiting Operations Officer, Capt. Amy Buck,

at a recruiting table.

The table was manned during the entire event and offered parents and students information to teach them about the ROTC program and how to apply to APSU.

Lt. Col. Robert Gordon, professor of Military of Science and in charge of ROTC at APSU, said the event was run entirely by students.

Nine students were recognized for being contracted into the Army. The cadets were told to raise their right hands and took the oath of office. The crowd cheered and applauded for their friends and loved ones.

A special award was given to Campus Police Officer, Sgt. Georganna Genthner, thanking her for overseeing the safety of the cadets while performing their maneuvers.

"It was a very successful day. [The obstacles] were mentally and physically challenging for them. They



High School ROTC teams compete in "Raider Blitz" at APSU Saturday, Feb. 25. A group of Cadets are sworn in by taking the oath of office. JOSH VAUGHN | GUEST

all did very well and it gave them a chance to demonstrate teamwork and leadership. It was a really successful

with the results," said Cadet Patricia Peterson, a sophomore at APSU. TAS

day overall and we are all really happy

Chick-fil-A

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its original version. Instead of requesting Chartwells terminate their contract with Chick-fil-A, the petition now requests a personal commitment to boycott Chick-fil-A and not contribute any money or meal plan funds to the restaurant.

Regarding the termination of Chick-fil-A on campus, Joe Mills, spoke on behalf of Chartwells and APSU Dining. "We would not make a decision of this magnitude without first getting input from the entire campus community. Chick-fil-A continues to rank first in popularity among all MUC Food Court dining options," Mills said.

According to Whipkey, the alleged

discriminatory practices are in conflict with the APSU Affirmative Action Statement, which states, in part, "The University is committed to a nondiscriminatory philosophy that extends to all constituents. In its educational activities, all are treated equally without regard to race, color, religion, ethnic or national origin, sex, sexual orientation or gender identity, disability, age or status as a covered veteran."

The grievances listed in the petition against the Eagle Forum include opposition to "women in the military, AIDS education, marriage equality and the teaching of diversity and multiculturalism."

According to Exodus International's website, they seek to convert homosexuals from "acting on one's same-sex attractions," through "reparative therapy," a counseling approach which attempts to eliminate homosexual attractions based on "the premise that men and women dealing with same-sex attraction are attempting to restore broken familial relationships in an insufficient,

Focus on the Family opposes sex-education programs that teach the use of condoms or other forms of birth control as well as opposing what they call the "revisionist gay theology" which describes any interpretation of biblical texts which suggests anything but explicit opposition to homosexuality, according to their website.

"The Students for Secular Humanism supports equal rights for all people including those individuals who happen to be LGBT as well as an aggressive separation of church and state," Tidwell said. "Although SSH did

not create the petition, we support it because Chick-fil-A has donated large sums of money to groups that actively oppose marriage equality."

Chick-fil-A has been on campus for 10 years.

The biggest reason Chartwells keeps bringing them back to campus is because it's high revenue," Whipkey said. "If the students would stop using the food there, then they wouldn't make the money."

Whipkey said they are looking to get as many signatures as possible but 500 or more would be "a good number of students."

Fliers with QR codes that will redirect users to the petition will be posted throughout campus and additional information can be found on GSA's Facebook page or Change.org. **TAS**

A brief history of Chick-fil-L charitable donations

2004

\$2,850 to Campus Crusade for Christ

\$172,500 to National Christian Foundation

\$2,500 to Alliance Defense Fund \$5,000 to Christian Camp and Conference

\$187,500 to National Christian Foundation

Association

\$271,600 to National Christian Foundation \$240,000 to Fellowship of Christian Athletes \$15,000 to Serving Marriages Inc.

\$2,500 to Alliance Defense Fund

2005

\$2,000 to Georgia Family Council

Since 2003, WinShape has donated more than \$2.8 million

\$240,000 to Fellowship of Christian Athletes \$2,500 to Alliance Defense Fund

to charities LGBT groups have identified as anti-gay because of their positions on issues such as marriage equality, LGBT rights, women's rights and opposition to the causes of diversity and multiculturalism.

2007

2009

\$994,199 to Marriage and Legacy Fund \$480,000 to Fellowship of Christian Athletes \$240,000 to National Christian Foundation \$12,500 to Focus on the Family

\$5,000 to Eagle Forum

\$1,000 to Exodus International

\$1,000 to Family Research Council

source: WinShape IRS Form 990, 2003-09 Graphic by: David Hoernlen

Bill to evict Occupy Nashville headed to governor

» ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE — A proposal to evict Occupy Nashville protesters is headed to the governor for his consideration, despite concerns that it could adversely affect the homeless.

The "Equal Access to Public Property Act of 2012" passed the House 68-21 on Monday, Feb. 27, evening after lawmakers agreed to changes by the Senate, which approved the bill 20-10 last week.

The measure makes it a crime to camp on any state-owned land that is not specifically

designated for camping — not just the War Memorial Plaza near the Capitol where Occupy Nashville protesters have set up tents.

The definition of camping in the bill is very broad. It includes "storing personal belongings, making any fire, doing any digging or earth breaking or carrying on cooking activities."

Those violating the proposed law could have their belongings seized and be charged with a Class A misdemeanor — the most serious type of misdemeanor, punishable by nearly a year in jail or a fine of up to \$2,500

Opponents criticized the penalty.

"The real issue is the severity of the penalty," said Democratic Rep. Gary Odom of Nashville, who also questioned the bill's constitutionality. "I think we need more time to see how we can better police public property."

One of the amendments added a severability clause that states if any part of the legislation is found to be invalid, then "such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications" of the proposal.

Bob Tuke, an advocate for homeless veterans with the charity Operation Stand Down Nashville and a former chairman of

the Tennessee Democratic Party, said earlier Monday that the legislation "will adversely affect the homeless, because it is too broad."

"Any veteran who happens to be on stateowned property and is arrested because of this, I can't tell you how deeply that idea offends me as a veteran," he said.

The bill comes at the same time Gov. Bill Haslam's administration is seeking to break up the Occupy Nashville encampment by establishing rules for the use of the War Memorial Plaza. A draft of those rules was released on Friday and a public hearing is scheduled for April 16. TAS

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of **religion**, or prohibiting the free exercise there of, or abridging the freedom of **speech**, or of the **press**; or the right of the people peaceably to **assemble**, and to **petition** the Government for a redress of grievances."

First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution

PERSPECTIVES

Tattoos, body piercings may limit job opportunities

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When I was 16, I got my first tattoo. Luckily, my parents were getting a divorce, so nobody seemed to notice. I eventually got more,

each tattoo drawn by myself or my sister.

Each piece was a symbol of an era I felt was important to remember. During the Iraq War, I tattooed my name, Social Security number and blood type to my chest so my remains could be identified in the event I was blown up or

executed by potential captors.

I acquired more tattoos: memorials of fallen brothers, battles fought and awards earned. But like any career in life, my military service came to an end. The uniform came off; the skin did not.

The very next week and 20 tattoos later, I made my way to the Kentucky State Police headquarters.

I had acquired an impressive service record in the past few years and had accumulated a large number of hiring points that set me apart from other candidates.

A few hours later, I stormed out, having not only been rejected, but replaced in line by two less-qualified individuals who were out of shape and who had even openly bragged to the rest of the candidates about cheating on the entry exam.

It wasn't so much they had something Í didn't; it was I had something they didn't — tattoos below the elbow.

I marked it down as a loss for the KSP and carried on looking for more ink-friendly departments. It wasn't the end of the world, but it still resonates with me to this day.

We are usually first judged by our appearances. I look pretty "intimidating" until you actually talk to me. Some people wear piercings and get tattoos to stand out, and some get them to remind them of points in their life. Some tattoos are hand-drawn by the ink-bearer, others are unoriginal designs from a wall.

In a politically-correct society where some people are hired or not hired because of ethnicity, is it so wrong to consider the inkwork needled into the skin of potential candidates, employees or suspects?

While common sense may dictate yes, the resounding answer has and, for quite some time, will continue to be no. When you got that tattoo or piercing, you accepted the responsibility and potential judgment may befall you as a result of it. Is it fair? Probably not. But life isn't fair, folks. That's just the way it is.

I wasn't some kid who just wanted a tattoo. I bore the names and symbols of a time in my life where I can proudly say I stood tall with some of the finest men our country has ever borne and I have no regrets. I'm not the only one.

In previous wars, people wrote about soldiers and "the things they carried." This generation's war might as well be called "the skins they

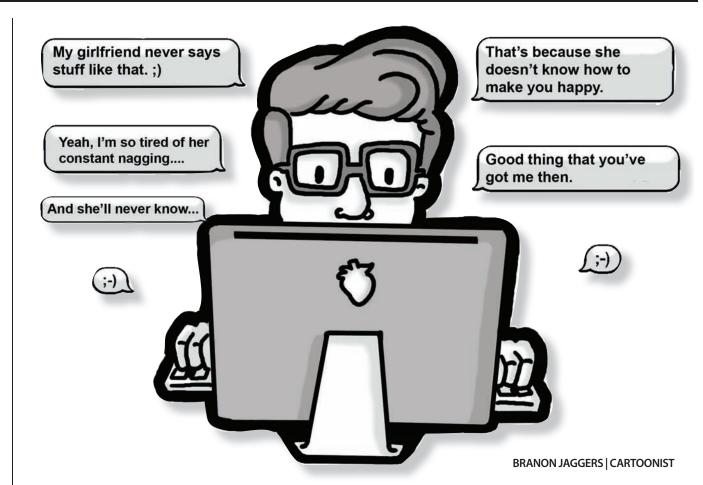
I accept the potential judgment of a pinup girl bearing my old unit insignia and a sniper rifle. I proudly bear the Latin phrase "Memento Mori" (remember you will die) on my forearm, a reminder of the abuse I suffered as a kid and how only what I do in the present will echo when I am nothing but dust.

When I wake up in the morning and stand in front of the mirror, I see a Combat Infantry Badge — proof I engaged the enemy in close combat — and a tattered American flag to remind me this country is not the same as it used to be.

I know this market makes it even harder to get work. People with real world experience often take a backseat to being hired due to kids with a fresh four-year degree.

The same goes for tattooed and non-tattooed people. Frankly, I know people will be quick to judge me the moment my dress shirt sleeves ride up a little or I have to wear a T-shirt for a physical

Someday, someone will take me and be glad they did. After all, my scars prove my worth. 745



Infidelity redefined by technology



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By the time young adults begin college, many have already been in relationships and experienced the nasty phenomenon of a breakup. Breakups can occur for a number of reasons, but one of the most devastating reasons for a breakup — one that crushes self-estem

and destroys trust — is infidelity.

Traditionally, cheating involves something like having two girlfriends at the same time or having sex with one man even

though you are engaged to another.

But in the age of technology, some profess cheating can happen while someone is sitting down in a chair, tapping keystrokes and looking at a screen.

"Sexting and Internet photos and the kinds of things we've been hearing about on the news are definitely infidelity," reported family therapist Dr. Lindle Mintle to CBN News. "Whenever you betray the covenant of marriage by going outside the marriage to fulfill a sexual need without your partner, that's infidelity."

Specialists in this touchy gray area have established one very simple guideline with which to monitor behavior online. If you would feel guilty sending it with your significant other beside you, or you feel like you need to keep your Internet activity secret from him or her because you think they would feel betrayed, then it's cheating, plain and simple.

The majority of Americans consider emotional betrayal to be equivalent and no less despicable than the physical act of cheating. A poll conducted by ABC News reported 64 percent of adults believe if a person in a serious relationship participates in suggestive conversations on the Internet, they are being unfaithful.

It's easy to accidentally cross this blurry line when typing away on the Internet. Generally, the Internet promotes a feeling of anonymity, which leads to feeling your actions on the Internet are harmless. But innocuous flirting with some stranger on the Internet can easily escalate into full-blown infidelity, as the flirter begins to speak more and more often with the digital object of his or her desires and perhaps forms an emotional connection, or even begins to fantasize about being with this other person.

Easily-accessed websites, opportunities to privately browse or clear history and a lack of understanding there is any wrongdoing being done contributes to this slippery slope that is unfortunately all too easy to fall prey to.

It's important to remember with the click of a mouse, you can lose a relationship you've been building for years, and with a few offhand keystrokes, you can break the heart of the person who means the world to you.

However, relationships can sometimes be strengthened after adversity if the two parties can come clean with each other, acknowledge their mistakes and learn from them.

Internet cheating is the same as any other kind of cheating, and requires the same careful avoidance or, if the deed has already been done, the same counseling and healing. **TAS**

Spring break options offer chances for growth

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Spring break is the most anticipated week for college students. This is a week when a college student mentally pictures beaches and sun, having a good time and simply being away from anything related to school work. It's the idea of "getting away from it all."

I view spring break a little bit differently. Yes, I too am glad to be out of classes for a week, but I don't consider beaches and partying as my spring break of choice.

In fact, a beach trip might be fun and relaxing, but I consider such a trip to be unproductive. I don't gain any knowledge — nothing to really get out of a trip to the beach, other than a bad sunburn. Instead, I suggest an alternative to the typical beach trip — something that can be more productive to you

There are two alternative spring breaks a college student can choose that are productive to the student. The first option would be simply stay away from beaches. Instead, localize a trip to

a state park or enjoy the surrounding areas where you live. By doing this, you greatly decrease the amount of money you would be spending.

As transportation needs increase, so will the price of fuel required to travel. Several hours in a vehicle isn't the best way to spend the day either, while a local state park would be a couple hours of travel time. Flying isn't any better financially.

Avoid all of this unnecessary hassle and spend a week in the mountains or a state park. I guarantee the results to be far more rewarding, and believe it or not, you might learn something new.

The other option is slowly becoming more popular in this day in age. This option would be to volunteer time to an organization, gaining experience, knowledge and the rewarding feeling of accomplishment.

You might be asking, "why would I want to ever consider volunteering during spring break? That's blasphemy." Volunteering is sought by graduate programs, so if you have an interest in grad school, you would already be one step ahead of someone who has never volunteered. More importantly, however, you would be doing

something meaningful for someone or

something around the world.

There are several programs you can apply for as an alternative spring break. In fact, many universities design programs as alternative spring breaks for students.

APSU has offered alternative spring break trips since 2009. These trips are opportunities for students to visit new places, meet and work with new people and help individuals in need. This year, APSU is going to Outer Banks, N.C. to volunteer at the Hatteras National Seashore and Jockeys Ridge State Park, while learning history of the area, all at a mere \$65.

I view it this way; I can spend several hundred dollars to travel to Florida, sit on the beach with thousands of other college students, finding the worst hotel available due to space and financial restraints and not getting anything productive out of it.

Conversely, I can spend a minimal amount of money to travel, volunteer in a state park which will help with grad school, enjoy the outdoors, learn something new and make a difference in the world. I'm no genius, but this seems a bit self-explanatory.

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Cop suspended, charged after raiding refrigerator **EVENT CALENDAR**

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Wednesday, Feb. 29

11 a.m.-3 p.m.; 12th **Annual** Wellness **Expo**; Foy Center

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8 p.m.; Govs **Basketball** First Round vs. Jacksonville State; Municipal **Auditorium**

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2:30 p.m.; **Orchid Ensemble** Concert; MMC Concert Hall

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12 p.m.; **Ovation** Awards; Concert Hall

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To submit on- or offcampus events for future Community Calendars, email allstatefeatures@apsu.edu.

#ROLLERDERBY

Clarksville's Red River Sirens run drills during their preseason training. Their home season opener will be Saturday, April 7, at Magic Wheels on Fort Campbell Boulevard. JOSH VAUGHN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Red River Sirens

APSU students skate on Clarksville roller derby team

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What is roller derby? "Camaraderie," according to Wanda B Lethal.

Lethal, whose real name is Laura Nichols, is an APSU graduate student and rollergirl for the roller derby franchise the Red River Sirens. The Sirens, founded in 2010, are Clarksville's first roller derby team.

The game of roller derby involves strategy of movement, physical endurance and teamwork. The team is made up of volunteers and they abide by the Women's Flat Track Derby Association. The Sirens proudly wear the colors of red and black and sport their team logo, designed by Brandon Kettle, which is a silhouetted mermaid holding a pair of roller skates.

The team is run like a business. It has board members who are voted in and who take care of all the logistics of the team, gather sponsors and form fundraisers. Lethal was the first voted-on board member when she took on the role of

The current team consists of 26 girls who "busted their butts," quite literally, to earn their spot on the team. Many of these girls are students at APSU. The league holds recruitments twice a year, and they call the recruits "fresh meat." The coaches drill the fresh meat to reach their full potential in the sport.

They are coached for one to three months on their skill assessment before they can join the team. This year there were 20 fresh meat derby girls.

Once you make the team, you must choose a name for yourself. The name you choose has to be cleared on the official roster on 2evils.org, and the clearing can take anywhere from four to eight weeks. No two names will ever

The girls of the Red River Sirens are not just teammates, but they are a family, Lethal said. She also said they are a "community within a team," and they are always there for each other on and off the rink.

The Red River Sirens practice their skills at least twice a week during their season which runs from March to October. Their season consists of nine bouts with the first home game being held at Magic Wheels on Fort Campbell Boulevard on Saturday, April 7. Come see the Sirens dressed in their unique outfits and "jeerlead" them on. 745

#CONORSTRAVELS

Conor rings in spring break at Sweet Berry



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With Clarksville seeing some warmer weather, last week I decided to find a place to celebrate our upcoming spring break.

Sweet Berry is a self-serve frozen yogurt shop very close to campus at 1715 D Wilma Rudolph Blvd. Like a lot of small businesses in Clarksville, Sweet Berry is deeply rooted in APSU; the founder, owner, and logo designer all have connections to the school.

I was by no means a stranger when I walked into Sweet Berry last week. My sister, a selfproclaimed Sweet Berry addict and APSU senior, had been excited about taking me to the frozen yogurt shop for months when she found out I was moving to Clarksville.

Her excitement hadn't been misplaced, either; from the moment you walk in, Sweet Berry does everything right in terms of atmosphere and service. I've never encountered anything less than a warm welcome from the workers, and the restaurant itself is quaint without being too overdone. The choices in actual frozen yogurt are just standard, for the most part — vanilla, chocolate, strawberry, etc. but there's a really wide range of toppings you can add basically for free.

That's one thing that really appeals to me about Sweet Berry; it's self-serve, and the price is based on the weight rather than what kind of frozen yogurt you get. It's really useful when you're just dropping in for a warm afternoon's snack, as I usually am. Rather than jumping through mathematical hoops in your head trying to calculate the prices of different flavors and amounts, at Sweet Berry you get only as



Conor serves himself some strawberry frozen yogurt at Sweet Berry. SUSAN LIBERTADORE STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

much as you want and pay a proportional

As far as the frozen yogurt itself, I was genuinely impressed when I first tried it last year. Any frozen yogurt option will do, but I particularly recommend strawberry with cheesecake chunks. Once again, the wide range of topping options does a lot for Sweet Berry where some places would charge you

On the whole, eating at Sweet Berry feels less like stopping at a restaurant and more like enjoying some frozen yogurt in your own kitchen. They're open from 2-9 p.m. Sunday-Thursday, and noon-10 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. It's a great shop for families and college students alike, and as it gets hotter outside, you'll definitely see me stopping by for a quick, cool treat. **TAS**

#SPRINGBREAK

Spring break safety tips

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Everyone, whether traveling or just lying on the couch, is getting pumped for spring break. It seems the furthest thing from students' minds is safety.

While spring break is meant to give students a chance to let off steam, traveling can be dangerous. When having fun over break, safety should be the number one priority.

Here are some tips to make sure

everyone's break is a safe and fun one. It is important to have contacts back home anytime one takes a trip. The first thing travelers should do when planning a trip is leave contact information with several people, parents preferably being the primary contacts.

It may seem like leaving information with parents defeats the purpose of spring break, but they will be the first to notice their children didn't contact them as expected.

Some items that should be left include an itinerary and, if leaving the country, a copy of a passport. Be sure to choose another trusted adult as well, and make contact on a daily basis. Another tip for traveling abroad is researching the destination. Some cultures are very different from Americans, and offending locals can end badly.

It is also important to be conscious of political and social issues in the area that could affect the trip. Also, be sure to register the trip with the U.S. Department of State, as this allows the government to contact any travelers that feel endangered.

The Department of State is a good general reference and can be accessed

online at travel.state.gov. It is also very important to learn the



Vacationers relax on Panama City Beach. **ASSOCIATED PRESS**

laws of the travel location. Being an American citizen does not save travelers from a foreign country's justice system. Keep this in mind when consuming alcohol

The next safety tip goes all the way back to elementary school: the buddy system. "We're going to London over spring break," said freshman Daniel Pitts. We're using the buddy system to stay safe, but also just to make sure we don't get lost."

Most students understand this system, but special care should be taken when alcohol is involved. One buddy should agree to stay sober and make sure the other does not get into trouble. The next night, buddies can switch roles so everyone has a good time, but stays safe as well.

That last, and most important, safety tip is to have an emergency plan. Learn the phone numbers of the local authorities, and carry emergency contact information at all times. Hotels can also be used as contact numbers in case of an emergency.

Now that you know the basics, it is up to you to keep you and your friends safe over break. Don't let dangerous situations ruin your fun because you didn't protect yourself. **TAS**

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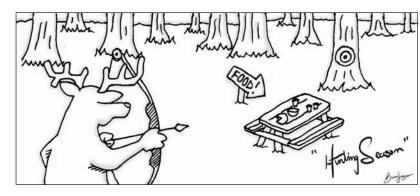
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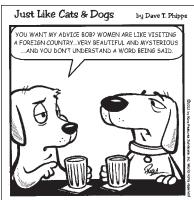
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by Linda Thistle

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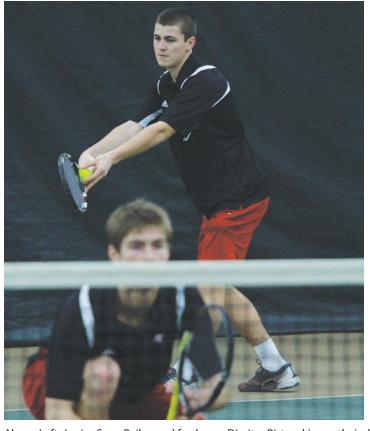
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#GOVSTENNIS





Above Left: Junior Sean Bailey and freshman Dimitar Ristovski won their doubles match, 8-4, against Lipscomb on Saturday, Feb. 25. Above Right: After losing her first set, freshman Alison Carre responded by winning 7-6 and 10-3 against Lipscomb's Jenny Borck on Saturday, Feb. 25. ALL PHOTOS BY BRITTNEY SPARN STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Tennis teams end month with victories



Sophomore Jasmin Ademovic continues to fluorish, finishing the month of February with a 4-1 record. BRITTNEY SPARN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

» By TRENT SINGER

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The APSU men's tennis team capped off February this weekend with a victory against Lipscomb, 6-1, on Saturday, Feb. 25, while the Lady Govs broke a sevengame losing streak with a victory over Belmont, 4-3, on Friday, Feb. 24, and Lipscomb, 7-0, on Saturday,

Together, the team's finished the month with a 5-5 record, showing improvement from January's 1-5 record.

Junior Sean Bailey and sophomore Jasmin

Ademovic both went 4-1 in singles play throughout the month, while going 3-2 in doubles.

For the Lady Govs, senior Vanja Tomic went a perfect 5-0, despite the team's 2-3 February record.

The Govs lost only one match this weekend against Lipscomb, while the Lady Govs finished the day with no losses.

Ademovic and Tomic were both ranked as the No. 1 players in the Ohio Valley Conference tennis preview and have shown tremendous leadership for their young

Dimitar Ristovski is one of

four freshmen on the Govs 2012 roster. Ristovski ended February, going 3-2 in both singles and doubles play.

As for the Lady Govs, freshmen Alison Carre and Ornella Di Salvo are two of five freshmen on the team's roster.

They have gained muchneeded experience by ending the month, going 5-5 in singles and 4-6 in doubles.

Both teams will head to Alabama over spring break to face Troy and South Alabama before coming home to begin conference play against SIU Edwardsville on Saturday, March 17. **TAS**

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The Lady Govs softball team returned home to play their first home game at Cheryl Holt Field on Wednesday, Feb. 22. The team won the double-header by beating Trevecca 8-4 in game 1 and 2-1 in game 2. They will host Tennessee Tech on Saturday, March 10, as conference play begins. BRITTNEY SPARN | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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NFL combine begins in Indianapolis West beats East in NBA All-Star Game **Preds add players** prior to trade deadline



MEN'S BASKETBALL

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

UT Martin	15-1 (21-8)
Eastern Illinois	13-3 (22-7)
*SIUE	12-4 (18-9)
Tennessee Tech	11-5 (15-15)
Murray St.	8-8 (12-17)
Morehead St.	7-9 (10-18)
Eastern Ky.	7-9 (12-15)
Tennessee St.	5-11 (9-19)
Austin Peay	5-11 (8-21)
Southeast Mo.	4-12 (7-22)
Jacksonville St.	1-15 (4-25)

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6.) J. Granger (EIU)	15.9
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9.) T. Stone (SEMO)	14.3
10.) D. Poole (MUR)	13.9

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	3.) T. Stone (SEMO)	7.1
	4.) A. McKinnie (EIU)	7.0
	5.) L. Powell (SEMO)	7.0
	6.) M. Yelovich (SIUE)	6.1
	7.) J. Jones (SIUE)	6.1
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2.) J. Newsome (UTM)	19.7
3.) W. Hanley (APSU)	18.9
4.) E. Burgess (MUR)	16.8
5.) T. Hayes (TTU)	16.6
6.) C. Lumpkin (MOR)	16.1
7.) T. Nixon (EIU)	15.8
8.) L. Dixon (MOR)	15.5
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10.) M. Robinson (MUR)	13.8

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FRIDAY, MARCH 2

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APSU vs. Tennessee Tech

Baseball - 2:30 p.m. Riverview Inn Challenge APSU vs. Dayton

SUNDAY, MARCH 11

Baseball - 2:30 p.m. APSU vs. Arkansas State

Softball - 1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14

APSU vs. Evansville

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SENIORS STEP UP

Men's and women's basketball seniors give memorable performances on Senior Night













From Left to Right: Seniors TyShwan Edmondson, John Fraley, Melvin Baker, Josh Terry, Whitney Hanley and Jasmine Rayner contributed to their teams by displaying outstanding performances in their final home games at in the Dunn Center on Saturday, Feb. 25. ALL PHOTOS BY PHYLLISIA REED | SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHÉR

Govs beat Redhawks, prepare for tourney

» By TRENT SINGER

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In their last game in Dave Aaron Arena, the Govs' four seniors, TyShwan Edmondson, Melvin Baker, Josh Terry and John Fraley, combined for 56 points as APSU defeated the Southeast Missouri Redhawks, 68-59, on Saturday, Feb. 25.

Edmondson led all players in scoring with 25 points, shooting an impressive 6-of-7 from three-point range. Baker was the night's second leading-scorer with a career-high 22 points, shooting 9-of-15 from field-goal range.

"We both were carrying each other the whole game, telling each other to keep shooting," Edmondson said. "Everybody was leaning on us and looking for us to shoot."

Terry contributed a great defensive performance and six points before fouling out and receiving a standing ovation from the crowd near the end of the game.

Despite being outrebounded by 21 boards in the last meeting between the two teams, the Govs were outrebounded by only four in last weekend's game.

Fraley led the team with 10 rebounds.

"I thought all four of them really contributed," said head coach Dave Loos. "It was encouraging going into the tournament next week. That'll be

At the beginning of the first half, the Govs started slow, but Baker stepped up, scoring 10 first-half points as the team trailed going into halftime, 24-25.

"I had a lot of open shots, so I decided to take them," Baker said.

In the second half, the Govs shot more consistently, shooting 63 percent from the field and improving from 37 percent in the first half.

The team opened the second half by going on a 13-5 run. However, it wasn't enough to stop the Redhawks from getting back into the game.

The Govs solidified their lead in the final minutes after Baker and Edmondson both hit clutch threepointers to give the team a 60-52 lead.

Edmondson capped off his final home game with 19 points in the second half, shooting a perfect 4-of-4 from behind the arc during the period. The seniors were not alone in the

victory over Southeast Missouri.

Freshman Herdie Lawrence added three points and five assists, while Jerome Clyburn, Will Triggs, Chris Freeman and Justin Blake combined for nine points from the bench. The Govs finish the regular season

at 8-8 in Ohio Valley Conference play and 12-19 overall. The win secured the No. 6 seed in the OVC tournament, which begins this week on Wednesday, Feb. 29, in Nashville's Municipal Auditorium.

The Govs will take on the No. 7 seed Jacksonville State Gamecocks at 8 p.m. Meanwhile, Southeast Missouri finishes with the No. 5 seed and will play No. 8 seed Eastern Kentucky at 6

Six weeks ago, the Govs defeated Jacksonville State, 60-57, at home. They will look to do it again as both teams enter the tournament on threegame winning streaks.

'They're playing well," Loos said. "They've won several in a row. They'll be tough." TAS

Lady Govs defeat Redhawks, clinch No. 8 seed in tourney

» By TRENT SINGER

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In a must-win regular season finale at home, senior Whitney Hanley scored 19 points as the Lady Govs defeated the Southeast Missouri Redhawks, 88-84, on Saturday, Feb.

Hanley was one of five starters to score in double digits, including sophomore Nicole Olszewski with 13, freshman Shelby Olszewski with 17, freshman Kristen Stainback with 13 and junior Meghan Bussabarger with 13 points.

"It was great for players to step up and see that energy and intensity," said head coach Carrie Daniels.

"I saw a lot of energy and emotion on that floor."

Senior Jasmine Rayner provided a boost for the team by scoring eight points and adding six rebounds to the

The Olszewski sisters finished the night shooting 4-of-7 from threepoint range and combining for 30 points.

"I've just been trying to let the game come to me," Nicole Olszewski said. 'The shots were there, so I took them."

Despite fouling out with three minutes left in the game, Hanley received a standing ovation from the crowd as Daniels embraced the senior with a well-deserved hug.

Hanley finished the regular season ranked third in scoring, averaging 18.9 points per game. Her 1,502 career

hall-of-famer Ashley Haynes for fourth place all-time in school history. The Lady Govs outscored the

Redhawks in the first half, 36-30, and

points puts her just ahead of APSU

only turned the ball over twice during the period. Hanley contributed 14 points and three steals in the first half During the second half, the Lady Govs continued to control the game.

The team led by 17 points with four minutes left, but the Redhawks continued to force the Lady Govs to win at the free-throw line. Although several players struggled shooting free throws late in the game,

Stainback helped seal the victory by hitting 7-of-8 from the free-throw line in the game's final minute. The win propels the Lady Govs

into the post-season as the No. 8 seed, where they will face No. 5 seed Morehead State in the first round on Wednesday, Feb. 29, at noon in Nashville's Municipal Auditorium.

"It'll be competitive for sure," Hanley said.

"We lost to them, and we beat them. So I'm excited to play."

The Lady Govs have won three of their last four games, including a stunning overtime win against Morehead State last Saturday, Feb. 18, at home, 88-81.

"It was a great atmosphere," Daniels said. "To us, it was the play-in game, so we approached this as our tournament starting tonight.

"Now we move on to Nashville." TAS

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#GOVSTRACK

Women's Track and Field places 7th at OVC Indoor Championships

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NASHVILLE - The Ohio Valley Conference Indoor Track and Field Championships took place this weekend, Feb. 24-25, in the Gentry Center at Tennessee State, where APSU's women's team placed seventh and Eastern Illinois swept for the fourth consecutive year.

Tanesha Campbell started the ceremonies off right by winning the shot put on Friday.

The senior from Northwest High School was named first-team All-OVC and was the only Lady Govs athlete to place in the first and second

Several other Lady Govs athletes gave solid efforts to contribute to the team's 62.5 points.

Sophomore Xiamar Richards broke a school record set in 2007 by running the 5,000 meter run in 17:53.05. Despite the record-breaking run,

Richards finished in third place among 5,000 meter runners.

Junior Chantelle Grey finished in third place in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:10.44. Junior Cenitra Hudson also finished third in the triple jump with 11.92m.

Eastern Illinois finished in first place in both men's and women's track and field, earning 196 points for the men and 149.5 for the women. The team will now prepare for

the Coastal Carolina Invitational in Conway, South Carolina, March 9-10, before travelling to Nashville to compete against several schools in a meet hosted by Vanderbilt University, March 24-25. **TAS**