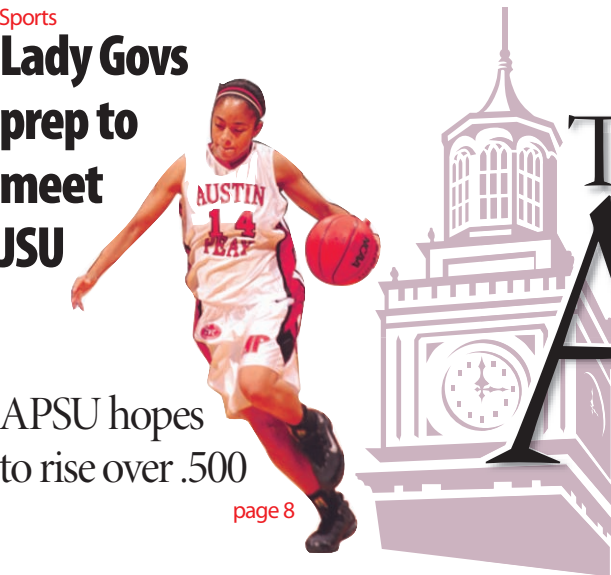


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Michael Turner needs his seeing-eye dog Amberz. Notice the sign on the harness hanging off of the dog's neck.

LOIS JOHNSON/STAFF

Man's best friend guides student

By DAVE CAMPBELL
News Editor

Michael Turner has not always been blind. He was in a motorcycle accident April 5, 1999. He was pronounced dead on the scene. He was then rushed to Fort Campbell Hospital, and soon after, life-flighted to Vanderbilt. According to Turner, 15 minutes following his arrival at Vanderbilt, the doctor had said there was nothing else they could do and that life support would only keep him alive a couple of more hours. Within these next couple of hours he recovered but was without his sight. His recovery was unexpected and Turner believes that he owes this to a miracle. "My best friend is my guardian angel." Throughout his life he recalls a few "close calls" but he said, "it took something like this to

"With me being blind, I see more now than I've ever seen before,"

— Michael Turner

really wake me up." After the accident, Turner spent some time adjusting to being without his sight.

Overcoming adversity

He graduated from Miller Motte Technical College with a certified massage therapy degree three years ago. He was looking for something that would allow him to work with his hands and earn a better living. "I realized that [massage therapy] was not going to be something that would be a lucrative job for me,"

Turner said. As a result, Turner has chosen to turn his life in a different direction. Turner was used to working with children. Turner coached high school wrestling for ten years prior to his accident. He enjoyed giving them advice that was positive. He likes working with troubled children and said, "that's why [his] psychology degree was so important to him." Turner plans to get a doctorate. While pursuing his doctorate he wants to gain more experience working with kids in high school, counseling kids who he says "may be troubled or need a lot of guidance." He wants to be more of a friend to these kids and get beyond treating it as "just a job," Turner said.

Help on four legs

After the accident that caused him

to lose his sight, Turner spent three months at Vanderbilt then three months at Carbondale Illinois. Turner met a man while in Carbondale who worked for the Department of Rehabilitation Services. This man had a seeing-eye dog. Turner was referred to him because the man had lost his sight at a young age as well and could help him in getting one. Turner's seeing-eye dog, Amberz, is a black lab that he came to know at an organization that acquaints people with their loss of sight via use of a seeing-eye dog, The Seeing Eye. Turner credits the help of this organization with giving him a dog like Amberz. "[The Seeing Eye] is the number one school for trained

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LOIS JOHNSON/STAFF

Plans for the new Recreation Center begin to be realized, brick by brick. Completion of the center is slated for this coming fall. The Recreation Center is going to cost \$11 million and remove about 200 student parking spaces.

Construction plans staying on schedule, will be summer before return to normal

By APRIL MCDONALD
Guest Writer

As classes begin for the spring 2006 semester, construction continues around campus. It will still be this summer at the earliest before things begin to resume as normal. The \$9 million renovation on the McCord building is scheduled to be completed in July and the \$11 million state-of-the-art recreation center is scheduled to be completed in the fall of this year "...both are on schedule," according to Ben Pratt, director of the Physical Plant, who also said that there have been no problems or setbacks to date. The McCord building, formerly home to the Science department, was heavily damaged in the 1999 tornado. After its renovation, the building will house the School of Nursing on the third floor; the offices of Geographic Information Systems and general lecture halls on the second floor and the department of geology/geography on the first floor. Clayton Cravath, a communications major, took classes there before the damage and said, "I may go see what it looks like; it will be interesting to see the changes." Cravath also said that before, "[the building] was really old and smelly. I was glad they built a new Science building... [McCord] was outdated." Upon completion, the McCord building should have a new updated look when classes begin to meet inside its doors once again. The progress on the new state-of-the-art recreation center can be viewed on Austin Peay State University's website from a camera mounted high atop the Gov's stadium. Demolition of the ROTC building began in May of 2005 after the ROTC program moved to the Memorial Health Building. A large section of student parking had to be removed in order for this project to take place.



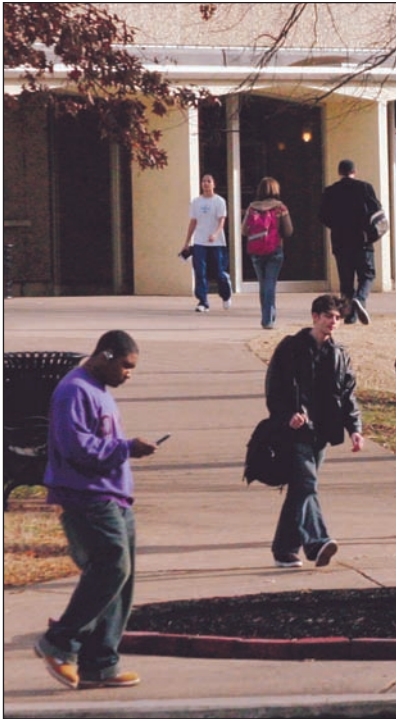
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Construction sees progress at the site of the future recreation center. Plans for both the rec center and McCord building are said to be on schedule.

Parking lots were opened behind Burt Elementary school and near Pettus Park to compensate for nearly 200 spaces that were removed. Upon completion the recreation center will serve "to provide the Austin Peay community, more importantly the students, with a recreational/social environment," according to David Davenport, Director of University Recreation. The state-of-the-art recreation center will also boast a climbing wall, elevated indoor track, 3 multi-purpose courts, 3 racquetball courts, state-of-the-art locker rooms, wellness classroom, 2 aerobic studios, cycling studio, cardio studio, administration offices, a health bar, indoor tennis court, basketball, badminton, weight room and a lobby where students can socialize. There are also plans to build an outdoor pool and

repair the indoor pool in the Memorial Health Building. All the current facilities in the building will continue to be maintained even after completion of the new recreation center. Students will no longer need to pay dues to Gold's Gym or the YMCA because, as Davenport said, "the recreation center will be here, and students will already pay membership fees [with their tuition]." He also said, "the recreation center promotes a healthy lifestyle, which is a plus at this time." Pratt feels that "[both] projects are progressing very well at the present time." With construction continuing along at such a steady pace, students can son become accustomed to the new look and feel of APSU's campus. ♦

Students crowd campus



STEVEN BUTLER/STAFF

Students shuffle through campus in an uncharacteristically uncrowded fashion.

Enrollment increase takes tops for TBR

By HOLLY MARTIN
Guest Writer

Austin Peay State University is, once again, the Tennessee Board of Regents' fastest growing university. Retention rates for first-time, full-time freshmen were up more than 2 percent from Fall 2004 to Fall 2005, making APSU the fastest growing four-year school in the TBR system. Of all TBR universities, APSU had the largest headcount increase of 1.88 percent, from Fall 2004. Middle Tennessee State University came in second with a 1.04 percent increase. "I'm proud that Austin Peay has led the Tennessee Board of Regents institutions in enrollment increases for the second year in a row," said APSU President Sherry Hoppe. "This is especially noteworthy since we had a decline in enrollment at Fort Campbell campus due to the deployment. To have had an overall increase despite that factor is a major accomplishment." Hoppe attributes the increase to successful marketing campaigns and extensive retention efforts. "By helping our students be more successful, we are keeping them in school and moving them toward graduation and that has a positive effect on their future lives as well as our enrollment numbers," said Hoppe. Brian Noland, associate director of the Tennessee Higher Education Commission, believes that APSU's 23.8 percent enrollment increase since President Sherry Hoppe's tenure is of more significance than the yearly increase. In the past five years, APSU has become the fastest growing higher education institution in the state. Noland credits the increase to "the university's phenomenal commitment to expanding college access opportunities for Tennesseans which continues to create steady headway in graduation efforts." "At the state level, we at the THEC are very excited about Austin Peay," said Noland. ♦

Student: Working dog should not be distracted

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animals.” He said he has seen other dogs that didn’t pay attention near as well as Amberz.

Turner gives an important caution to students who might approach the dog. It is very important that the dog is not distracted, talked to, called, whistled at, touched or petted while he is working. His harness contains a sign that reads “No Flirting! I’m a working dog.” To interrupt the dog’s work could cause physical harm to Turner.

A distraction of any kind disrupts the dog’s primary function, which is to be of service to his owner. Turner said that people can approach him as long as people do not touch the dog without asking.

Turner shares another instance, a camping trip, when he and his friends were lost, but Turner did not know. They were stumbling through a thicket of pines that Turner’s friends said was “black as space,” when his friends began stumbling and dropping gear. Turner said, I am the one who is blind, “do you all need to borrow my seeing-eye dog?”

Turner told Amberz to take them to the van and he guided them all out of the woods and safely back to their van. “Ever since that moment, I knew that [Amberz] would get me safely where I needed to go,” Turner said. He is Turner’s eyes.

A new kind of perception

Though Turner is blind, he takes a positive approach to his lack of sight. “With me being blind, I see more now than I’ve ever seen before.” He explains that he can tell about how people carry themselves from the projection and pitch of their voice. Turner said he has learned how to tell when someone is lying or nervous and can also infer a lot by the tone of someone’s voice.

He says that when he is talking to others, “he not only gets just an imprint of a voice... but you get a look into their soul and you can kind of tell what type of person they are.” Turner said of his experience at Austin Peay State University, “my experience with the people and the professors thus far has been exquisite.” ♦

Redford ready for Sundance 2006



(AP PHOTO/CAROLYN KASTER)

Robert Redford, president and founder of the Sundance Institute, listens to director Nicole Holofcener, director of “Friends With Money,” speak at the Sundance Film Festival opening news conference in Park City, Utah, Thursday, Jan. 19, 2006. The Sundance Film Festival opens Thursday evening with the premiere of “Friends With Money.” At left is Geoffrey Gilmore, director of the Sundance Film Festival.

Good Morning APSU

Campus Community Calender

Application for Degree for May 2006 Graduates

All applications for degree for May 2006 graduates must be completed by close of business January 27, 2006. An application for degree must be completed even if you do not plan to participate in the Commencement Ceremony. For more information please contact Jana Hatcher at hatcherj@apsu.edu at or 221- 7124.

Weight Watchers at APSU

If your New Year’s resolution is to lose weight, now is the time to make small changes in your life — which contribute to big changes in your weight. Weight Watchers at APSU will begin a new session Wednesday, Jan. 25. There is a price reduction for the January session so now is the time to join-go to the website for details. For more information please contact Lynne Yarbrough at yarbroughl@apsu.edu or 221-6844.

Intro 2: Fitness Workshops

Get your exercise efforts started on a solid foundation on Wednesday, Jan. 25, in the Drew Simmons Fitness Center. Intro 2: Cardio at 8 am and Intro 2: Strength at 12:15 pm. For more information please contact Michelle Young at youngm@apsu.edu or 221-7948.

IM Basketball Pre-Season Jam

Show your skills at the kickoff to the intramural basketball season. Team entries for the league are due by 5p.m., and the jam starts at 6. Slam dunk and free throw contests, a 3-point shoot out and 3-on-3 tournaments. It is \$1 per person per event or free to enjoy the show in the Memorial Health gymnasium. For more information please contact Andy Cox at coxt@apsu.edu or 221-1252.

Tutors Needed

High School Upward Bound needs tutors in Math, English, Science, Social Studies, and Spanish. Please contact 221-6226 or come by Dunn 259 if interested. For more information please contact John Howard at barfields@apsu or 221-6226.

Birmingham Civil Rights Institute

The AACC will be sponsoring a trip to the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute on February 25. Cost to students will be \$15 which includes transportation, ticket, lunch, and snacks. Any student interested in attending must sign up by February 10. Seating is limited. For more information please contact Jassmine Hall-Jones at hallj@apsu.edu or 221-7120.

One Night Stand Executive Committee Applications Available

Come be a part of a great leadership opportunity to benefit the Monroe Carell Jr. Children’s Hospital at Vanderbilt. One Night Stand 2006 is looking for a new executive committee. Positions include public relations, marketing, entertainment, catering, and fundraising. Applications are available in Student Life and Leadership in UC 211 and are due Feb. 2. For more information please contact Lindsay Mazer at mazerl@apsu.edu or 221-7837.

Upcoming Networking Event will be Beneficial to Students

A networking event targeted at sophomores, but open to the whole student body, will take place Feb. 8 in the University Center Ballroom. Over 30 successful APSU alumni from different fields will help students make contacts in medicine, law, forensic science and more. The first 25 sophomores to register will be invited to attend a luncheon on that day. For more information or to register, call Melissa Gomez at 221-7045.

Correction

In last weeks article “King Celebrated with Spirit,” the keynote speaker was incorrect. The speaker was the Rev. Kenneth Smith instead of the Rev. Jerry Jenkins



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OUR TAKE

Campus departments lack communication

Scenario: Olivia stood in line at The Red Barn to receive her loan check as she did every semester. After several minutes, it was her turn. The lady at the table looked through the stack of checks, then back through again. “What was your last name again?” the lady asked. “Whitney,” Olivia said. She was informed that there was no check with that name in the stack and that she should go over to the “trouble table.”

She then had to stand in another line and wait. When it was her turn, she told the lady at this table her dilemma. The lady asked for her social security number and looked through Olivia’s information on the computer. “It doesn’t say why you don’t have a check. I’m sorry. You’ll need to check with financial aid.”

Olivia thanked the woman and headed towards Ellington. She had to sign in and wait in the financial aid office. After what seemed like an hour, her name was called. She told the man behind the desk what had transpired at The Red Barn. Once again, she was asked for her social security number. The man looked through her file and told her that she would need to speak to the head of financial aid, but that she was at lunch right now. Olivia would have to wait longer.

After lunch, she was sent back to the head of financial aid. She was told there was a hold on her check due to her going over budget for that semester. She had received more money than was allowed because one of her scholarships pushed her over the limit. \$250 would have to be sent back to the loan office and they were waiting for her to talk to them before they could release her check.

Olivia had not been notified of this hold by letter, email or phone. She was also told that she should check in Browning in a couple of days for her check. This meant that the money she had been counting on would not get to her until the day school started.

The first day of school came and Olivia

went to Browning to stand in line again. When she got to the cashiers window, she was told that she still had no check. Olivia was fed up. She tried to be patient but was very angry now. She raised her voice at the clerk which in turn made the cashier defensive. The cashier made a phone call and she was sent to the woman in charge. After speaking to this woman, she was told that her check would be in the next day due to a hold on her account. She could not be told why. Once again, Olivia was sent to financial aid.

Sound familiar? Many students have complained about getting the run around from one department to the next. The communication between financial aid, the registrar’s office and the offices in Browning is atrocious.

Most of the time no one can tell a student the information he or she needs. Students are usually sent to another department that in turn sends them somewhere else and then are sent back to the department they came from.

Why are these departments’ systems not linked to one another? Why will one department not make a simple phone call to the one who has the information the student needs? It seems that most of the them think students’ problems are not their own. The most common phrase heard from these departments is: “I don’t know.”

In the above case, this student was not even informed of complications that would prevent her from receiving her check on time. Is it that hard to send a letter or for that matter an e-mail? It’s time these departments start communicating with each other. It seems that students come last when they should come first. Like in any business, if your customer (student) is not happy, they can take their business elsewhere, which means loss of money. After all, students’ money is what keeps this school functioning. Without us Austin Peay State University would fail. ♦

Minefield of opinion no place for faint of heart

Years ago, when I first read Alexis de Toqueville’s *Democracy in America*, I was puzzled by his references to the “tyranny of opinion,” and as to why he thought it was so dangerous to the survival of democratic societies. In the naïveté of my youth, I assumed that agreement among the majority constituted a positive good in nearly all cases and that it promoted a kind of harmony that must also be good. While this is true in most instances, very often it is not. As with every other thing we encounter in the course of a lifetime, we must be able to discern the causes and effects of our assumptions on a case-by-case basis.

For my part (not being as bright as some), it took a long time, much of which was spent among different cultures, before I began to truly understand what de Toqueville was trying to say.

Having seen entire societies in which the tyranny of opinion was enforced ruthlessly by the majority in power, I no longer have any illusions that agreement constitutes right. More often than not, when generally accepted notions are passed on without being subjected to critical analysis, they can eventually mutate into delusions of the sort that can debilitate cultures and nations with truly God-awful results.

Having to write an opinion column on a weekly basis has only sharpened my awareness of the insidiousness of opinion-as-holy-writ. Even in a free society, the pressure to concur (or at least to feign agreement) with the orthodoxy of the masses can often creep into the decision as to whether or not to address particular issues. Despite the fact that we live in a society that values free speech, at least officially, there are entire subjects that have been placed off-limits at various times and in various places due to the tyrannical function of opinion that has hardened into convention.

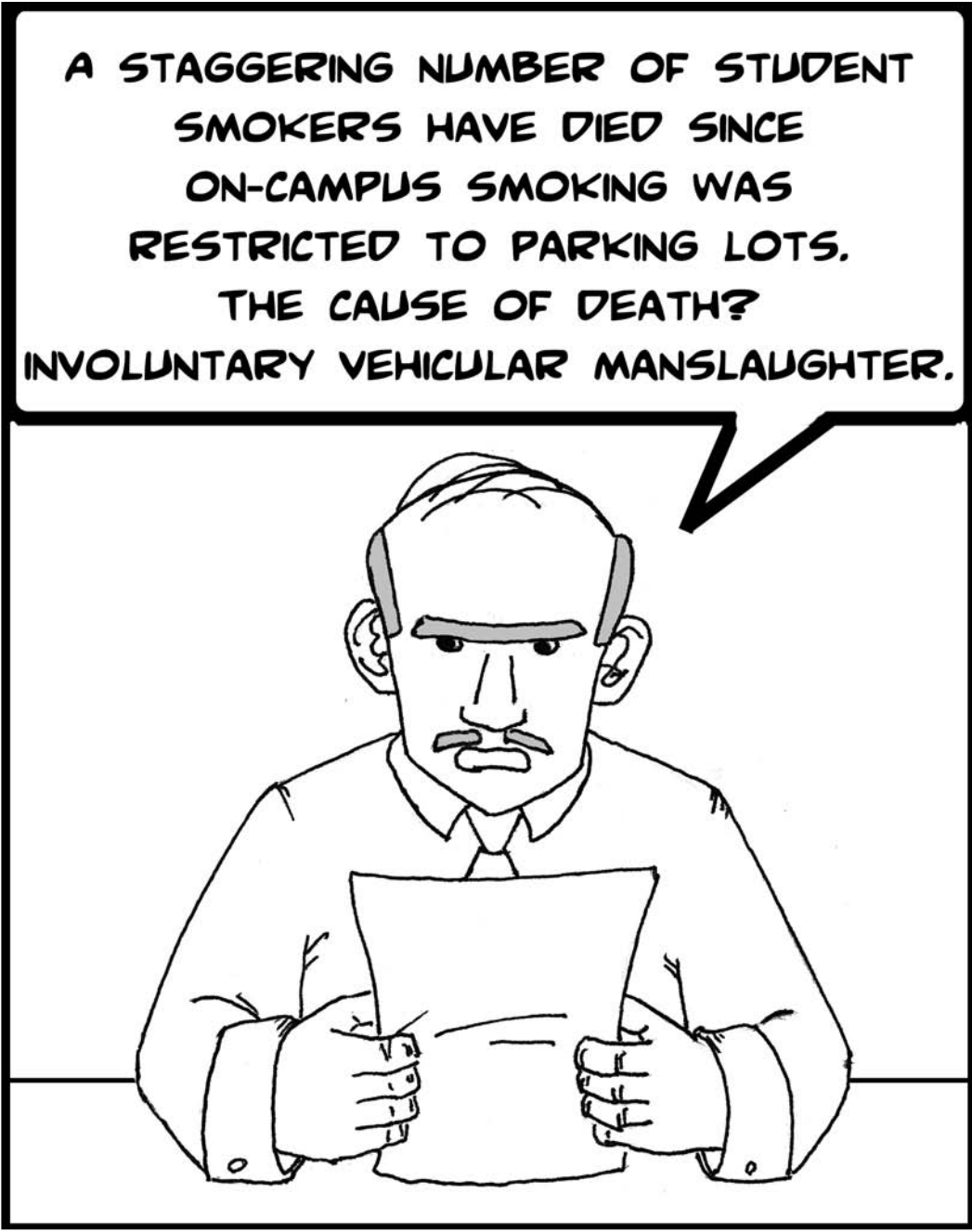
Thus, to transgress against popular opinion is to walk into a minefield while simultaneously exposing oneself to sniper fire against which there is no cover or concealment. Having entered that minefield, one quickly finds that the First Amendment provides far less protection than we assume it does.

The Constitution provides a great deal of protection against bad law and regulation; both are tangible targets that can be attacked and defeated by conventional means. Not so with opinion; like the atmosphere around us it is largely invisible but, as any scientist will tell you, air has weight. Opinion also has weight; a great deal of weight. Combined with the force of orthodoxy acting as gravity, that weight can manifest itself with such pressure as to force us to our knees.

Intangible and omnipresent, opinion is a force that can seem nearly impossible to fight against; being impervious to our five senses it is also resistant to logic and reason and quite often it openly disdains these as irrelevant. In cases of sheer bigotry and unreasoning prejudice there is simply nothing substantial to grasp at or to strike against.

It is said that the unwritten rules of a society are more binding than those that are written down. That is probably a good beginning toward understanding the function of opinion as an element of tyranny; the very fact that it exists in such a nebulous state makes it unyielding to the normal remedies that we can apply toward things which exist in a more concrete form. Bad law can be overturned by legislation and the decisions of courts. Not so with bad popular opinion; it remains with us until it is changed by the two things that experience has shown it to be susceptible to – education and time.

Given those two things, history has shown that even the tyranny of opinion will eventually be weakened and become subject to change. Being made subject, it must then lessen its hold upon us as master. What is required of us is that we have the courage to enter the minefield of public opinion and continue to clear a path for those that come after us, with the faith that there will indeed be others - even if we do not live to know their names, even if they never come to know ours. ♦



By DUSTIN KRAMER

YOUR TAKE

Jesus Forgives, Not Punishes

We, as Americans, are infatuated with the death penalty. Did you know that only four countries in the world follow through with 90% of the documented executions? And these countries include China, Iran, Saudi Arabia, and the United States (Amnesty International). Does that bother anyone’s idea of America having a high standard of human rights? It should!

America has been a progressive leader in civil rights throughout the rest of the world, but it seems that we are lagging behind in this area with nations that have a track record of oppression among its citizens. Why don’t we hold ourselves accountable to a higher standard?

We, the people of the United States, do have a sense of elitism and think we do hold ourselves accountable to a higher standard, but do we? This sense of superiority comes from our self-absorbed, not religious, beliefs. Because so many American citizens are religious, we tend to think our beliefs are elite and therefore right since we are the ones who are in union with God. These prevalent attitudes are plaguing our country today.

It is a more common instinct in our country that is built on so-called “moral values” to focus solely on punishment for a crime, rather than rehabilitation. This notion of “I am right, therefore holy, but you are wrong, consequently damned!” is becoming common only in our country, but not the world. This behavior is not the kind of moral values sponsored by any major religion, especially Christianity.

An advocacy of corporal punishment is that it is a discouraging factor for committing capital crimes. Is this true? Never has there been substantial statistics provided to prove that the installment of executions has ever lowered the capital crime rates. Ironically, statistical evidence does show quite the opposite effect though.

For example, the “Bible Belt” has a higher rate when compared to all other regions of our country accounting for 43% of all murders (Federal Bureau of Investigation).

I guess you could say the South just gets really excited when hearing Pat Robertson speak. . . In all seriousness though, Dixieland has adopted a “no mercy” policy as it carries through 80% of our nation’s executions (Bureau of Justice).

So, evidence provided thus far yield an inconclusive result that corporal punishment actually reduces capital crimes. Also, an increase in criminal activity has yet to be proven when the death penalty is abolished.

Our government has the authority to strip away our criminals’ rights, so why can’t we set forth policies that will provide restitution for citizens?

Government officials do have the jurisdiction to grant pardons, which can restore rights such as voting and the right to bear arms, but this does not stop the continual damnation of misguided souls due to permanently scarring backgrounds.

So many ex-convicts remain forever punished for crimes already penalized for. Our convicts get caught up in a vicious cycle once released from prison.

No one will hire a convicted felon, so many of the oppressed have no other options, but to resort to crime. The government has to concentrate on rehabilitation, not punishment if we, as a society, are ever to progress.

A possible solution could have the government grant expungements to demonstrated positive citizens; this would prevent public view of record, of course, only after the person has been proven a positive element in society.

Another option is that our society must change point of view. We, as a people, must forgive our trespassers of law, and fully acknowledge them as the humans that they are. Humans make mistakes. A single momentary act in a person’s life should not define them as a person.

Next discussion: is wrestling real?

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Labs Meant for Work

I do not have a problem with the two popular social networking sites Facebook.com or MySpace.com, where people can create their own personal web page or browse their friends’ pages. I do however have a

problem with students using the Austin Peay State University computer labs to access these sites.

Far too often I have walked into a computer lab in between classes to finish up a paper, spreadsheet, PowerPoint presentation or just to do research on the internet and not been able to do so because all of the computers were being used. If people were using them for academic purposes I would not mind, but at any given time in a full computer lab about a third of the computers in use are browsing MySpace.com, or Facebook.com.

There is a policy in the “guidelines for use” of the labs that states: “APSU computing and networking resources are limited; therefore, the first priority should be the fulfillment of academic instructional objectives for students using the computer facilities.”

So why are Lab Monitors not putting a stop to the use of lab computers for social purposes when labs are fully occupied?

It should not be required of me to notify a lab monitor that someone is browsing a social site...they should be looking out for it! Why is the technology fee that we pay not being used for software that would limit access to these sites at peak hours when most students don’t have time to run back to their dorm or home to use a computer?

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Necessity of Multilateralism

Yes, I am a staunch conservative and yes, I do support the Iraqi war and President Bush’s near unilateral actions regarding the invasion of Iraq. So what’s with the title?

For those of you who do not know what multilateralism means, it is defined by the good people at The American Heritage Dictionary as “involving more than two nations or parties: multilateral trade agreements.”

In the past, we have seen dozens of tried multilateral approaches to solving the world’s problems and most of them are failures: the League of Nations, the Treaty of Friendship, Co-operation and Mutual Assistance (aka the Warsaw Treaty or Pact), and arguably the United Nations.

What we need to see more of in the world today is EFFECTIVE multilateralism. Look at the world around you.

Economies and businesses are merging together; people are more cooperative than ever in wanting to work out their differences. There is even hope for peace in the Middle East in the next few years.

It is now that the United States needs to stop acting as a police force in the world and instead act as a world leader in increasing effective multilateralism. Thus far, there has only been one real example of what effective multilateralism looks like - the European Union. Unfortunately for the United States, we are not involved in that.

Can you imagine if China with its million man army chose to seize the world as a THE new superpower? The reign of the United States is coming to an end, what the future holds is unknown; however, I hope that it is some form of multilateral cooperation with the United States being a founding member of some grand new organization.

If we are unable to bring about this system with us involved in it, we will quickly fall into the memories of future generations. Even today, in order for us to remain a superpower in this ever changing world of cooperative action, we must turn to our allies, friends, and strong, world-wide governmental organizations.

The United States is quickly losing power and influence around the world. Our economy is no longer the best in the world and our military, though the most effective due to technology, is by no means the best trained.

The necessity of multilateralism is directly related to the United States position in future world affairs. Let’s not be left in the dusty history books of the not so distant forthcoming.

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Myopic -*adj.*
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2 : a lack of foresight or discernment : a narrow view of something.
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First Emmy Awards

The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences presents its first industry award at the Hollywood Athletic Club in Los Angeles. The Emmy for most popular program went to Pantomime Quiz Time, and puppeteer Shirley Dinsdale and her puppet Judy Splinters won an award for Outstanding TV Personality. Most of the awards were for programs produced by TV station KTLA. The station also won an award for Outstanding Overall Achievement.
www.historychannel.com

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"attitude"
A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort.
-Herm Albright (1876 - 1944)
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Rumor of new James Bond revealed

Daniel Craig replaces Pierce Brosnan as secret Agent 007

By JOSH DANGER

Guest Writer

After years of fierce debate between rumor and fact, the big question is finally answered. The new James Bond is [drum-roll please]... Daniel Craig!

Well, befuddled Bond fans, don't spill those martinis in your rush for the Internet Movie Database search engine. Just sit back, relax and I'll tell you about the people involved, the movie they're making, and why exactly you should be just as elated as the people who managed to nab this man who you may never have heard of.

In actuality, you may already know exactly who I'm talking about. In America he is recognized more as one of those actors that you've seen in any number of different films but can never remember the name of. He is English born, with perhaps a pair of the bluest eyes ever captured on celluloid (when you see them, you'll know what I mean—they're eerie!). Notably, will be the first actor to portray 007 with blonde hair.

You may recognize him in bit parts from films like Elizabeth, "Lara Croft: Tomb Raider" and "Road to Perdition." He pulled off remarkable scene-stealing performances in each movie, with each role earning respect and admiration among peers and audiences.

He has achieved massive critical acclaim for his work in "The Jacket," "Enduring Love" which won the London Critics Film Award for British Actor of the Year in 2005 and "Layer Cake."

If any performance of his is going to convince you that he's the man to fill James Bond's considerably large shoes, "Layer Cake" is the one.

Devoted Bond fans may remember a previous incarnation of the upcoming Bond flick. The film is an adaptation of Ian Fleming's "Casino Royale," a parody of other Bond films. This 1967 spoof saw a variety of actors in the 007 role, including

David Niven, Peter Sellers, and Woody Allen. It was made by a studio that purchased the rights to the original Ian Fleming book long before Sean Connery took on Dr. No for the first time.

The producers of the elder "Casino" made the film more as a raspberry at the makers of the previous Bond films than anything else. As a result, this 1967 version is not considered part of the "actual" Bond film chronology, and thus, the version planned for this

year is not considered a remake.

This twenty-first Bond film will also take the subject matter far more seriously. Some hardcore Bond fans may have reason to worry.

Generally speaking, the collective spy-who-loved-me-loving public prefers the combination of stoicism and camp in the Bond portrayals of Sean Connery and Roger Moore. The other two actors to portray Bond, George Lazenby (who only did time in "On Her Majesty's Secret Service") and Timothy Dalton (who was Agent 007 for two films: "License to Kill" and "The Living Daylights"), are considered to be the bad apples of the barrel.

In Lazenby's case, Connery decided to return to the role, thus overshadowing the admittedly better acted Lazenby Bond. Dalton, however, attempted to approach the character of Bond with a measure of realism and in the way that 007 creator Ian Fleming wrote it—as a ruthless and brooding double agent who rarely had patience with authority.

Audiences were apparently not pleased with

this transition from the lighter, funnier Bond as played by Roger Moore, to the darker Dalton portrayal. So the inclusion of Craig in the role may cause some nervous tapping of the finger by Bond devotees. Not to mention the reportedly heavy courting of multi-talented and equally compelling Naomi Watts (of "Mullholland Drive", "I Heart Huckabees", and most recently and successfully, "King Kong" fame) for the role of the lead Bond girl, Vesper Lynd.

In the end, the role of Lynd has gone instead to Watt's fellow Aussie Rose Byrne, who starred in the Josh Hartnett-led thriller Wicker

Park. Could they be as bored as the rest of us with the plodding repetitiveness of the Bond genre? Or are they merely offering eccentric actors a highly-paid break from brain-bending performances into fluffier, safer action fare?

Will the production follow the lead of its leads' performances into darker territory, or reel them into the brainless entertainment we've all come to expect from Agent 007?

Regardless of the results, Bond fans should not be too anxious about the integrity of their favorite franchise. They have an exciting new lead and a potentially exciting new Bond flick to look forward to, in an adaptation of the one book that most fans feel never received its proper cinematic treatment.

If nothing else, with the casting of Daniel Craig in the lead role, we may finally have an actor who can make the line "Bond. James Bond" exhilarating again. In fact, I doubt you could find many better. ♦



Daniel Craig, 007
SONY PICTURES

Survive for two weeks with only \$30 of groceries

By JESSICA LAVELY

Staff Writer

Fourteen days. Thirty dollars. Can \$30 worth of food last a college student two weeks? Yes, it can.

Three meals a day for 14 days is a total of 42 meals. I gathered ingredients that could be used for multiple purposes throughout the day. I also snatched up some items that could be made and left over for another day when you just need something quick to throw in the microwave.

I found all these items at the Wal-Mart SuperCenter, but you can find the same things at places such as: Sam's Club (which gives you more for less), Kroger (with a discount using a Kroger Membership Card), Food Lion, Aldi's (somewhat like Sam's Club) and Ft. Campbell Commissary (if you have connections with the military, and food has no tax).

Some items that can be used for more than one purpose within a day are: jelly (toast in the morning and peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for lunch) and hot dogs (for lunch mixed in with Spaghetti's and dinner with macaroni and cheese).

You can mix and match throughout the days to give yourself more of a variety. Don't be afraid to experiment, because you never know what concoction you can come up with!

Eat the food that you have sparingly; don't glutton yourself to eating it all in one day. This does not mean that you should starve yourself in order to stretch out your money. Make sure you eat enough to be full, but don't overdo it.

Don't purchase items you want, buy things you need. Wants are usually items that are unhealthy and fatty and needs are items that are essential to your health.

Nevertheless, you should also get things that are "yummy," such as fruit yogurt (which is loaded with vitamins and minerals) and fruit cups which are usually the same price as yogurts.



STEVEN BUTLER/STAFF

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Following these few simple steps can make what sounds impossible...possible.

1. Compare

What may look the cheapest doesn't mean it has the best quality or amounts to another product that is a few cents more. Compare the ounces that an item has to another one that is cheaper. Check which one has the most ounces for the least amount of money.

2. Spend Wisely

Do you really need that bag of chips? Or the

tub of Neapolitan ice cream?

Instead of throwing the money towards fatty foods that usually don't fill you up for long, use the money for substance foods such as sandwiches, soup or fruits. Not only do these foods fill, but they also provide the nutrients that the body needs.

3. Health

Most people will tell you healthy food is expensive, but by looking around you can find the best bargains. Remember, your health is in

Here are the items I chose:

Bread: \$1.02
Milk: \$2.69
Ramen (12 pk): \$1.44
Cereal (super size): \$3.87
Spaghetti's: 4 for \$3
Macaroni: 28 cents
1 lb of beef: \$1.88
Hamburger Helper: 96 cents
Hot Dogs (8 pk): 77 cents
Waffles: \$1
Peanut Butter: \$1.18
Jelly: \$1
Butter: 66 cents
Hot Pockets: \$1.97
Yogurt: 50 cents
Canned vegetables: 33 cents

your hands.

4. Brand Name vs. Generic

Just because an item says KRAFT or Oscar Meyer on the package doesn't make it any better than the item next to it on the shelf. Choosing a generic item not only costs less, but often they have the same quality as the brand named items. So when buying a brand named item, you are really purchasing the fancy label.

5. Do not shop with an empty stomach

Shopping with an empty stomach makes everything and anything look good at that moment, especially those high in fat chips and loaded chocolate chip cookies which resulting in overspending.

So all in all mission completed. Remember that shopping for groceries is a skill that needs to be learned. Many people go and purchase food that is not necessary and/or vital to their lifestyle, but by following these steps, you can become a wise, healthy shopper. So shop, eat and be merry. ♦

Tchaikovsky still thrills today

Pyotr Illyich Tchaikovsky (1840 – 1893) – Symphony No. 6 in B Minor

By MARTIN TAYLOR

Guest Writer

Hello again, readers. I hope that the first week of the semester went well, and that you were able to pick up a copy of the piece I suggested in the last edition, Joaquin Rodrigo's Concierto de Aranjuez. I thought long and hard about which composer to choose for my second article, and I finally decided on my absolute favorite: Tchaikovsky.

If one would try and describe Tchaikovsky in just one word, it would be 'crazy'. He was very hypersensitive as a child and was extremely hurt at the slightest criticism which is something he never outgrew.

His first conducting performance was a disaster. During the concert he held his chin with his left hand because he "thought his head might fall off," which led to him giving wrong cues and the orchestra eventually ended up completely ignoring him.

The sixth symphony, which he titled Pathétique (which does not mean the same thing as the English 'pathetic'; it has more to do with a melancholy mood than something to be pitied), is a monument to symphonic literature. It is full of emotion and power, from its initial crawling tempo to its climax, featuring a brass line so loud it could kill a moose. It shows the composer

at his most masterful in orchestration, with everything perfectly controlled and is probably his best piece – although the Violin Concerto may match it.

It is, admittedly, a bit lengthy for most people delving into this type of music seriously for the first time. All four movements will take ten minutes shy of an hour to complete, and before you scoff at the time required, take a moment to consider how much time you actually spend watching commercials on television every day. The sixth symphony is an incredible piece of music that you will continually discover new things about with just about every listen, and you would be doing yourself a disservice not to own this work.

What to listen for: How the initial melody shows up again and again in a variety of ways during the first movement; the gorgeous Russian folk dance in 5/4 time throughout the second; the very accessible march of the third movement; the heart-wrenching opening chords and very quiet ending of the finale.

Who to listen to: Mikhail Pletnev conducting the Russian National Orchestra. The CD is released by Virgin Classics and features other pieces as well, including the infamous Marche Slave (which I guarantee you'll recognize as having heard before). ♦

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Where are students hanging out?

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Staff Photographer



Kris Campa
Sophomore
Computer
Science and
Theatre

"At my girls dorm because we get to do stuff."



Edie Tunstall
Senior
Interdisciplinary
Studies

"First Baptist Church because it deepens my relationship with Christ and others. And my children have a place to hang out."



Beverly Simmons
Senior
Sociology

"Church. It helps me continue to stay focused in life."



David Abbott
Graduate
History

"Outside the UC because my friends are out there and I like to look at stupid people walk by. I don't like being confined inside all day and you see lots of people out there."



Elizabeth Mills
Junior
Psychology

"Inside the UC or outside. I like to watch people."



Kristian Salcedo
Sophomore
Pre Dentistry
and Biology

"The UC lobby because it's a place where all my friends get together and we get to break dance. Eat. Sleep. And break dance."



Joe Soler
Freshman
Undecided

"The UC lobby. Right after class we [my friends] meet here and decide what we're gonna do from there."



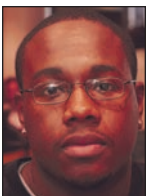
Katherine Rowe
Freshman
Math/Chemistry

"Java City because my friends are here."



Shari Ousley
Junior
Biology

"The biology department because I'm a biology major and I like to go through the animal museum and participate in the field zoology with Dr. Barass."



Gill Harper
Freshman
Business

"The gym. You meet all kinds of people and get to workout and meet all the fine ladies."

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Underworld: Evolution impresses



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Selene, played by Kate Beckinsale, stars in the Evolution.

By **A.J. DUGGER**
Staff Writer

"Underworld: Evolution" has something in it for everybody. Action, horror, humor, suspense, and even romance are captured throughout the course of this sequel to the original Underworld movie.

Even if one has not seen the first "Underworld" film, the beginning of the sequel has a flashback to the ending of the first movie (a brilliant move by the filmmakers) so one is not completely lost when viewing this sequel, which begins where the last movie leaves off. The film continues the increasingly bloody feud between the vampires and the Lycans (also known as werewolves).

A beautiful vampire named Selene (Kate Beckinsale) is the heroine of the story. Watching her beat up werewolves left and right with her Chuck Norris style of fighting is impressive. Her eyes also turn very blue whenever she becomes enraged. She teams up with Michael Corvin (Scott Speedman) who is a half breed of Lycan and vampire, and the two of them lay the smackdown on their enemies.

Along with the action, there is tons of blood and gore in this film.

People who are offended by bloody murder and gore should probably stay away from this movie.

Also, the movie is a special effects extravaganza. The werewolf transformations are quick, yet painful looking and realistic, and can't help but to capture the viewer's imagination. Every character has charisma in their own ways. For instance, the main villain has gargoyle-like wings and floats through the air like Batman. Things like that alone make it difficult to take one's eyes off the screen.

The movie has a dark and gloomy atmosphere, which could be expected because there are vampires and werewolves here. With these creatures of the night ever present, sunlight is kept to a minimum.

Another impressive element of the film is the tolerant level of romance. Selene and Michael are lovers, but they never get too mushy and they do not suck each other's faces during the whole movie. Of course, there is the sex scene with the passionate, powerful music playing in the background, but honestly, what movie is complete without that these days?

What goes without saying is that

since this movie is indeed a sequel, one can't help but instantly compare it to the first "Underworld" movie.

"There was more of a plot line in the first one," observed April Stilwell, a sophomore graphics design major. "I think the first one had a better plot line and the second one had more fighting."

Overall, many fans have had positive views of the sequel. "If you love action, it's definitely the movie for you!" said Erin Herbison, a sophomore Spanish major.

Although "Underworld: Evolution" has just been released, many wonder if there will be another sequel, creating an "Underworld" trilogy.

Some fans doubt that a third "Underworld" movie will be made, based solely on the lack of a storyline for "Underworld: Evolution." "They have to do something [stupendous]," Herbison added.

All in all, this movie is very enjoyable. It never gets old when a villain has the perfect chance to kill the hero, but talks trash instead and allows the hero to escape.

"Underworld: Evolution" has all the makings of a good film. The Dugger Man recommends it. ♦

American Music Ensemble starts off with a bang

By **LOIS JONES**
Staff Writer

I can sum up The American Spiritual Ensemble in one word -WOW! If you were there for the concert then you know what I mean, if not, let me try to give you an idea of what you missed.

The ensemble is comprised of many members from all over the United States. Many in the group held their doctorate in music and an equal amount had their masters. Their vast musical training was very evident from the minute they opened their mouths. The program opened with "Walk Together Children," and when the song finished, the applause was deafening. Accompanying the ensemble on the piano, the extraordinary talents of Tedrin Blair Lindsey.

Dr. Everett McCorvey, the founder and musical director, led the ensemble through a program that included such spirituals as, "Guide My Feet," "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," two arrangements of "Every Time I Feel the Spirit," "Steal Away," "Amen," "Ole Time Religion" and encored singing "We Shall Overcome," honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, with the audience joining in. The program provided its listeners with a concert matched by few.

What a collection of voices Dr. McCorvey has established--the best of the best! The melodic blending of voices, with perfect harmonic balance, performed in a concert hall with amazing acoustics, was absolutely awe-inspiring. The sopranos were unfaltering with their high notes, none reaching. The clarity, power and projection of every voice was heard, and many showcased their talents in their solos.



LOIS JONES/STAFF

Members of the American Spiritual Ensemble performed at Austin Peay State University Jan. 19 at 7:30 p.m.

I confess to having a few favorites in the program. Jeryl Cunningham-Fleming, soprano, did a magnificent rendition of "Guide My Feet." Hope Koehler, soprano, and Kevin Thompson, bass, each did an arrangement of "Every Time I Feel the Spirit," that made me sit at the edge of my seat. Our own Dr. Thomas King was featured on "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," which was met with resounding applause. Dr. McCorvey sang one of my personal favorites, "Amen," and invited the audience to join in.

One of the things I noticed during the concert was the enthusiasm of the

ensemble members while they were singing. Watching the other ensemble members' faces as each of the soloists were performing was a delight in itself. It was not hard to see that they love to sing and love what they

are singing. It was also not hard to see that they love and support each other. As one member was featured, their faces showed emotion, even tears, when listening. They enjoy each other's music as much as they enjoy performing themselves. I mentioned this to the members after the concert and they nodded their heads in agreement.

If you are ever given the opportunity to hear The American Spiritual Ensemble again, make sure you don't miss it. After the concert, I spoke with Dr. Ann Silverberg, president of the Clarksville Community Concert Artist Series, and asked her to invite the ensemble back again. I was not alone in this request!

Be sure to attend the next concert in the series. It will be a Valentine Showcase, on Tuesday February 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Music/Mass Communications concert hall, with performers to be announced, many on staff at Austin Peay State University. I am not going to miss it. ♦

Tom Bone Says...

"What is time?"



By **TOM BONE**
Guest Writer

Mr. Danger asks, "What is time?"

I will begin by saying that, if you'll pardon the pun, time is a very old concept. One of the ways to view the history of time is to look at how different cultures measured and celebrated it.

As far back as the origin of human civilization people have been making calendars. Ancient Sumerians used the moon phases to establish months. This is primarily why we have twelve months now. The Romans drew their own divisions on time. Their best result was only off from the true 365.2422 day year by about 14 minutes. That's pretty good, but over the years those minutes pile up and by the time of Pope Gregory XIII in 1582, time added up. The Council of Trent held in 1545-1563 had as one of its chief missions the establishment of a new calendar. This is the calendar we still use today.

The Javanese and the residents of England created their own systems. In Java there were only ten months based on the location of the stars of Orion's belt. In England massive henges were built. Stonehenge is the most famous of these giant clocks.

All this is really just to prove the point that the way in which man measures time is arbitrary. Even the idea of the day is arbitrary and unique to Earth. We use the rotation of the earth as the basis for our measurement. One day here is not the same as one day on any other planet. There are no days

in deep space.

This is not to say that there isn't time in deep space. Time marches on there as well. You can look at time in terms of causality, thermodynamics, or relativity.

Causality is the easiest way of looking at time. Simply stated, an event always follows its cause. Never will you receive an "A" and then afterward write the research paper.

Next on the hit parade is thermodynamic or "heat" time. The second law of thermodynamics states that chaos (entropy), will always increase towards a maximum level in a closed system. The universe is a closed system. Heat and energy constantly look for a way to spread out. Inexorably, the distribution of heat throughout the universe continues until everything is at the same energy level. Time can be seen and measured against this entropic increase.

Finally, relativity fuses both time and space into a fourth-dimensional construct called spacetime. Here the measurement of time by any means is affected by speed and mass. If you are close to a massive object like a planet or star, time moves more slowly. If you move very fast, (near light-speed), time also slows down. This is strange because you will not experience time slowing. On the contrary, everything else around you will appear to run faster.

Until next time, keep the letters coming. I, like the giant stone doughnut on Star Trek's "City On the Edge of Forever," sit in wait of a question. ♦

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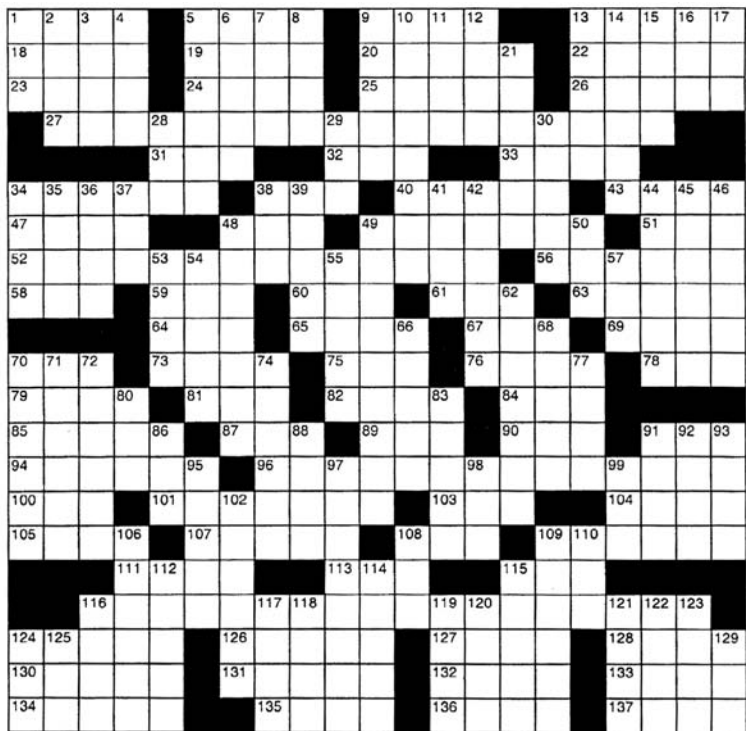
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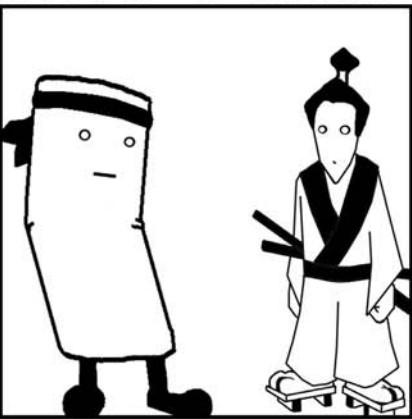


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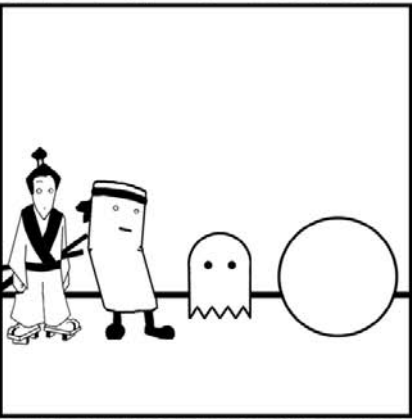
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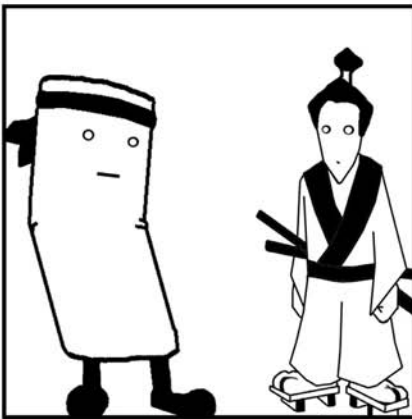
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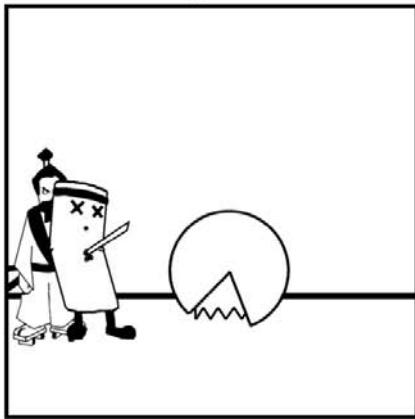
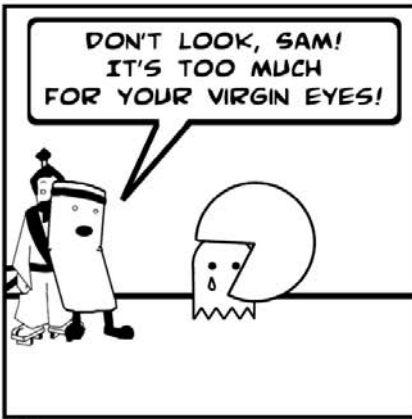


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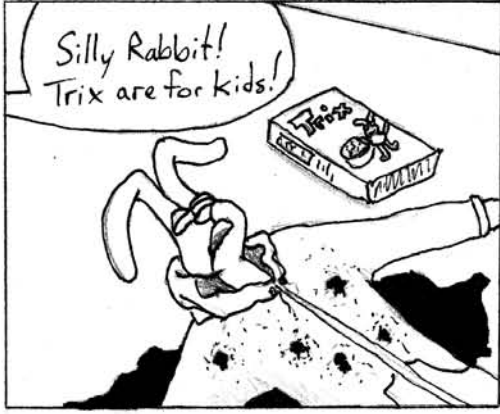
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Austin Peay
State University

Track team sets pace for season

By J.R. PRESSLER
Guest Writer

The Lady Govs' track and field team met last Saturday to compete in Southern Illinois' Saluki Booster Invitational. Ranked in the top-20 in the nation, Southern Illinois was clearly the favored team for the meet. The team was able to see three other teams from the Ohio Valley Conference including SE Missouri, Eastern Illinois and Murray State.

"Sherlonda Johnson was the day's top performer," said Austin Peay State University track and field coach Doug Molnar. "She is one of the nation's top jumpers and a threat to win at any meet."

Johnson was the runner-up in the long jump with a 20-1.5 performance. The distance was second-longest in school history and also makes her an NCAA provisional qualifier. Qualifiers' jumps usually range from the 18-24 top jumpers nationally.

"Sherlonda is a stud on the track," said Molnar.

Johnson competed in five different events, finishing in the top five in the three of them. One of Johnson's goals for the season is to qualify for the NCAA Championships.

"The long jump is our strongest overall event," said Molnar.

Leeann White finished with a personal best jump of 18-7. This distance was good for fifth overall in the event.

"Sherlonda and Leeann are coming along great together," said Molnar.

Other strong performers of the day were Ashley Genslack and Anna Claire Raines. Genslack finished third overall in the high jump with a jump of 5-4.25. The distance was also her indoor best. Raines posted a time of 11:14.23 in the 3000 meter this time to beat her personal best by a whole minute.

"There were lots of personal bests this week," Molnar said. "We want to get individually better week by week. We need to show more aggression when competing. We are going to go over the film, just like football teams, to improve. Everything points to the indoor/outdoor conference meet."

Molnar attributed the team's overall performance to their inexperience as 18 of the Lady Govs' 26 members are underclassmen.

"I'm very pleased with our overall performance," Molnar said. "We are a young group; its kind of like baptism by fire."♦

Bat Govs picked to win OVC during 2006

Austin Peay Sports Information

The votes are in and Austin Peay State University's baseball team will be working under high expectations in 2006. The Governors were picked atop the Ohio Valley Conference preseason ranks in the OVC coaches poll and by Baseball America.

Along with the predicted finish, three Governors' seniors were named to Baseball America's Players to Watch list – third-baseman Jacob Schroeder, left-handed pitcher Rowdy Hardy and centerfielder Cody Youngblood.

"I think being selected by your peers shows they have some respect for your program," said head coach Gary McClure. "It also gives everyone a little more incentive to make sure they are ready when they play you. Other than that I don't put a lot of weight on it."

"The bottom line is if you want to win a championship, you have to prove it on the field."

The reigning O'Reilly/OVC tournament champion Govs received 77 points and five first-place votes to edge out Jacksonville State – 76 points and four first-place votes – in the preseason coaches poll.

Eastern Kentucky, Murray State and Southeast Missouri round out the top five, with EKU earning the remaining first-place vote. Samford, Eastern Illinois, Morehead State, Tennessee Tech and Tennessee-Martin fill out the bottom half of the preseason slate.

"The OVC as a whole is getting more and more competitive and the talent level is increasing," said McClure. "I look for the conference race to be extremely tight this year from start to finish."

"I think we have a chance to be a better team than last year, and we will have to be in order to win the league. There will be some very good teams in the OVC."♦

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Predators ice Red Wings



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Nashville Predators goalie Tomas Vokoun, of the Czech Republic, stops a shot by Detroit Red Wings' Kris Draper as defenseman Marek Zidlicky, of the Czech Republic, right, arrives late in the third period of their NHL hockey game in Detroit Monday night. The Predators beat the Red Wings 3-2. This game was originally scheduled to be played in Nashville but was moved to Detroit as a make-up for the Nov. 21, 2005 meeting that was halted after Detroit defenseman Jiri Fischer collapsed on the bench. The game began with Nashville leading 1-0.

Preds end Red Wings four-game win streak with win

Associated Press

The Nashville Predators started and finished with a one-goal lead.

In a game suspended two months ago when Detroit defenseman Jiri Fischer collapsed on the bench with cardiac arrest, Scott Hartnell scored in the second period and the Predators held on to beat Detroit 3-2 on Monday night.

Although the teams played a full 60-minute game Monday, Nashville opened play with a 1-0 advantage on Greg Johnson's goal from the game at Detroit on Nov. 21 that was stopped with 7:30 left in the first period.

Fischer, who attends occasional games and practices, is being treated with medicine, is undergoing regular tests and has not been cleared to play. The team has not given a timetable for the 25-year-old Czech's return.

"It was the right decision to cancel our other game, especially being his friend from our national team," said Nashville's Tomas Vokoun, who made 39 saves. "You put life in front of everything because he was in immediate danger and he couldn't lose his life."

The game resumed on a date originally scheduled to be Nashville's home game against Detroit. The Predators will play that home game against the Red Wings on March 30.

"Obviously, you remember what happen because this was the makeup game," Detroit center Jason Williams said.

"Everybody knows Jiri is all right now, and we're glad he's OK. Everybody tries to put it in the back of their minds, but I'm sure some guys thought about it."

The Predators are 5-0-3 in their last eight games, pulling within of one point in the Central Division of the Western Conference-leading Red Wings. Detroit had won four straight.

"It's a confidence-booster for everybody to win at their rink," Vokoun said. "But the standings are so close, we can't relax."

Manny Legace stopped just 12 shots for the Red Wings, who pulled the goalie in the final minute, but still could not get a shot past Vokoun.

"If you play like that, you'll win 99 percent," Detroit coach Mike Babcock said. "We had a lot of opportunities to score. They went on the road and found a way to get a win."

"We've won a lot of games that we shouldn't have won. This was one we probably should have won, but didn't."

Nashville took a 2-0 lead on its first shot early in the first period when Steve Sullivan scored on a breakaway.

"You shouldn't watch tape on guys," Legace said. "He scored three breakaway goals going top glove. So, I'm watching top glove and he goes 5-hole. Instead of playing the man, I played the tape."

Detroit's Pavel Datsyuk scored on a rebound 40 seconds into the second period, and Mathieu Schneider made it 2-all later in the second.



ASSOCIATED PRESS
Nashville Predators' Scott Nichol slides into Detroit Red Wings goalie Manny Legace in the third period of their NHL hockey game in Detroit. Legace record 11 saves during the Red Wings' loss.

Hartnell, standing in front of Legace, redirected Kimmo Timonen's shot from the top of the left circle at 9:30 of the second period.

After Sullivan's goal, the next three scores were all on the power play. "We knew special teams was going to be important," Timonen said.♦

Austin Peay Player Profile



JAROD LEONARD/STAFF
Junior point guard Saundra Hale is second only to senior Ashley Haynes in minutes this season with an average of 34.9 per game. Hale also leads the team in three-pointers made (35) and steals (37).

By MANDY WHITE
Managing Editor

The road has been long for junior transfer student Saundra Hale, but it's been worth it. She's making an impact for the Austin Peay State University women's basketball team, scoring double-digit points in 11 of the last 13 games for the Lady Govs, including a team-leading 19-point performance against Southeast Missouri.

Hale, a 5-7 point guard, began her college career at a Division II school called Bellarmine in Louisville, Ky. From there, she transferred to Sinclair Community College in Dayton, Ohio. Finally, she found her way to APSU to finish her last two years of eligibility at a Division I university.

"Coach (Andy) Blackston was recruiting Keri Reese, who played at Cincinnati State Community College the first time he saw me," Hale said. "Her team was in Sinclair's league, and after that Keri and I were recruited together."

Vital Stats

Name: Saundra Hale
Class: Junior
Major: Psychology
Hometown: Cincinnati, Ohio
Sports Idol: Dawn Staley because she's a great point guard, sharp passer and a leader. I try to be like her on the court."
Favorite Sports Team: "I usually pull for whoever the underdog is."
Favorite place to eat? Fazoli's
Favorite place to go on a date: "I like for a guy to be creative, but I also like movies and especially plays."

SPORTS
SCHEDULE
AT A GLANCE

Thursday

Women's Basketball
vs. Jacksonville State,
5 p.m.,
Jacksonville, Ala.

Men's Basketball
vs. Jacksonville State,
7:30 p.m.,
Jacksonville, Ala.

Friday

Men's Tennis
vs. St. Bonaventure,
4 p.m.,
Blacksburg, Va.

Saturday

Men's Basketball,
vs. Samford,
2 p.m.,
Birmingham, Ala.

Women's Basketball
vs. Samford,
4 p.m.,
Birmingham, Ala.

Men's Tennis vs. Virginia Tech,
10 a.m.,
Blacksburg, Va.

Men's Tennis
vs. Radford,
4 p.m.,
Blacksburg, Va.

Sunday

Men's Tennis
vs. Maryland-Baltimore County,
10 a.m.,
Blacksburg, Va.

Track and Field
at TSU Invitational,
Nashville, Tenn.

Monday

Women's Basketball
vs. Southeast Missouri,
5:15 p.m.,
Clarksville, Tenn.

Men's Basketball
vs. Southeast Missouri,
7:30 p.m.,
Clarksville, Tenn.

Govs shooting goes cold



Senior center Zac Schlader fights for the ball with Murray State's Charles Johnson during the Govs' 67-56 loss earlier this season. Schlader led the Govs against Chattanooga with a career-high 27 points.

Govs' cold stretch in final seven minutes proves key

By MICHAEL YOUNG
Sports Editor

With 8:09 left in the game, the Austin Peay State University men's basketball team found themselves tied at 61 with the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga after a jump shot by senior center Zac Schlader found the basket. From there, however, everything seemed to fall apart for the Governors.

In the final 7:25, the Austin Peay State University men's basketball team made just one field goal and four free throws as they fell to the Mocs, 77-67.

"We felt like it was important to come away from the game with a good feeling about ourselves and the way we played and gained some momentum for this conference home swing that we have coming up," head coach Dave Loos said. "We played some pretty good basketball for the majority of the game but down the stretch we were not good at all."

The second half also served as a cold stretch for the Govs' three-point shooting as they went 0-for-7 from the arc. The Govs' 2-14 shooting performance from three-point land throughout the game earned them a 14.3 percent for the game.

"It was a factor. We haven't really shot the ball that well over the last two and a half weeks," Loos said. "We are not making many shots beyond the perimeter and it has definitely been a factor because the three-point shot is part of the game. We don't like to shoot too many but you generally have to make one-third of them and we're not and that is affecting us."

Also during the final stretch, the Govs

managed to commit five turnovers and four offensive rebounds that turned into 23 points for the Mocs. Loos attributed the Govs' loss to problems that occurred on both sides of the ball.

"I think we had problems on both ends of the floor," Loos said. "We hit a real dry spell there offensively and we just didn't score enough to compete. On the defensive end we gave up four offensive rebounds and we had four mistakes where people went around us to either score or tip-in the ball."

Zac Schlader led the Govs offensively with a career-high 27-points with an 8-for-10 performance from the field as well as hitting all 11 of his free throw attempts. Four of the Govs' final six points scored during their dry spell was scored by Schlader, who had the Govs' only field goal while also adding two free throws.

"I thought Zac played a great game other than he had a few turnovers," Loos said. "Overall, I thought he gave us a great effort. He scored very well in the post and he was pretty good defensively. I think he only had four rebounds which is a little low for him but overall I think he played a pretty good game."

The only other Governor to reach double-digits in scoring was freshman Drake Reed who reeled in 10 points. The Mocs, however, had four players to reach the double-digit mark with guard Casey Long's 19 points leading the way.

"We did not come away with a good feeling and we did not gain any momentum so we are going to have to remedy some things in practice this week in order to improve," Loos said.

The loss drops the Govs to 11-8 on the season while the Mocs improve to 11-9. ♦



Freshman Drake Reed goes for a lay-up during one of the Govs' practices following their loss at Chattanooga. Reed posted 10 points during the Govs' loss this past Saturday.

By the Numbers

7	The number of wins the Austin Peay State University men's basketball needs to reach the 1,000 win plateau in school history. The seven wins will also give head coach Dave Loos 250 career wins as the Governors' coach.	3	The number of rebounds that freshman Drake Reed needs to be the third Governor to reach 100 rebounds for the season. Senior Zac Schlader and sophomore Fernandez Lockett each have already reached the mark.	4	The number the Governors are ranked in the nation in free throws made. The Govs 340 converted free throws is 20 behind first place North Dakota State and just four short of passing Wyoming and Gonzaga.	1	The number of free throws that senior Maurice "Squeaky" Hampton needs to reach 100 converted free throws. "Squeaky's" 85.3 percent free throw percentage leads the team and ranks him second in the OVC.
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Lady Govs look to climb standings at Jacksonville State

By MICHAEL KELLUM
Staff Writer

Coming off an overtime win over Ohio Valley Conference rival Tennessee-Martin, the Lady Govs head to Jacksonville Alabama, to face the Jacksonville State Gamecocks. The Lady Govs are looking to advance in the standings in the OVC where they currently are in sixth place (5-4) OVC, 8-8 overall.

The Lady Gamecocks, who are coming off a win against OVC rival Morehead State, currently stand 10th (2-8) OVC, 4-13 overall. Senior guard Ashley Haynes looks to continue her dominating performance in the OVC currently averaging a double-double with 16 points and 13 rebounds a game.

Austin Peay State University women's basketball coach Andy Blackston said while the team is improving there are still some things that he wants to work on.

"I think we need to start games better, and have more energy," Blackston said. "A bad start can mess the whole flow of the game up."

APSU will attempt to stop senior forward Rebecca Haynes who is averaging 12 points and six rebounds per game. With a week in between games, Blackston said he planned to use it to their advantage.

"We took Friday and Saturday off, and really practiced hard Sunday, Monday and Tuesday,"

Blackston said. "We have two big OVC road games and want to really do well."

The Lady Govs and the Lady Gamecocks are right behind one another with a fifth and fourth place ranking in blocked shots, three-point field goals made and free throw percentage, respectively. Coach Blackston said all the credit for the Lady Govs continuous improvement goes to them.

"I challenged them, and they stepped it up," he said. "They didn't get down when they started 1-7, and just never gave up on themselves."

With a win Thursday night the Lady Govs would be tied with Eastern Illinois for fifth place in the OVC standings. The Lady Govs went on a six-game winning streak earlier this season, but Coach Blackston said they are just focusing game by game.

"We would like to get another winning streak started, but we take it one game at a time," Blackston said. "We just want to be ready to play every game. ♦"

Senior guard Ashley Haynes (44) defends junior forward Jennifer Pond while head coach Andy Blackston look on during the Lady Govs' practice this past Monday. Haynes, who averages a double-double for the season, led the Lady Govs with 23 points during their 62-59 win over Tennessee-Martin.



Coach's
Corner

By ANDY
BLACKSTON



Lady Govs look to move into top four of OVC

This is going to be a huge weekend for us. The Jacksonville State and Samford game at the mid-point of the season could allow us to move up to the top four teams in the league if we go in and take care of business.

We just have to come ready to play because these are definitely going to be some huge games for us. I think they are going to change defenses a lot.

It's going to be really important for us to be able to recognize what kind of defense they are in.

They sort of like to jump in and out of man and zone defense and disguise what they are doing and that threw us for a little bit of a loop in the first game but we came out and played a lot better in the second half against them once we figured out what they were doing.

This game is going to be big for us. We have to do a good job on their guards. I think that the key of the game will be stopping Courtney Slaughter. She is a very talented player that can create things off the dribble and she really hurt us in that first game. We definitely have to do a good job guarding her.

As always, we are going to have to shoot the ball well if we expect to win. We have to get open, take great shots and we are going to have to make them when we get those opportunities.

One of the things that we really struggle with is the post game. We have got to establish a little better scoring inside the arc and inside the paint.

We have had trouble all season long trying to score on the inside. I think that if we can establish the inside game early on Jacksonville State then we'll be able to control the boards and it will be a lot easier to control the tempo of the game.

Hopefully we'll handle the ball better this time. They were doing some new stuff and they were trapping out of their zone defense during the first game that we played them.

We have made some adjustments just based on the first game that we played and hopefully that will help us handle the ball better.

We are going to work hard during practice all week to get ready for this conference weekend so we can compete for the OVC title. ♦

TALE OF THE TAPE

APSU	Stats	JSU
65.0	Scoring Average	67.6
65.8	Points Allowed per game	78.4
41.5	Field Goal Percentage	41.1
31.7	Three-point percentage	30.0
63.3	Free Throw Percentage	67.2
39.2	Rebounds per game	37.4
19.3	Turnovers per game	19.6
3.6	Blocks per game	3.8
8.6	Steals per game	8.9