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Voters select new SGA

By LANITA WILSON
news editor

This was a year for close elections, at least in two races for offices of the SGA. The office of president was won by a narrow margin, while the highly contested race for vice-president resulted in a run-off election, being held today, between Michael Pence and Camille Reese.

Janice Miller won the race for president, against David Bone, by only one vote. Bone called for a re-count of the votes after the initial tallies were posted by the election committee.

"I knew it would be a close election. I called for a re-count because of the two different totals the committee got. The committee did not re-count for a third time, so I called for the re-count by internal auditing. They re-counted twice and got a one-vote margin both times. There were no allegations of fraud during the elections, and I just wanted a correct count of the votes. It was a clean campaign and a fair election," Bone said.

President Elect Miller chose not to comment, on the election results, after repeated phone calls from *The All State*.

Dr. Philip Weast, vice president of student affairs, said he was pleased with this year's election compared to last year's but was disappointed with some aspects of the election.

"I think the election, as a whole, went much more professionally than last year. We did not have the turnout that we did last year and that was disappointing. I would like to see more people running. There were people running in the College of Business and the College

of Education that were unopposed," Weast said.

Pence said he was happy to be in the run-off.

"I'm happy to be in a run-off without having been able to campaign on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday because of my initiation into Sigma Chi. But I am proud of myself and the job I've done. My friends are supporting me whether I win or lose. I think people know about my leadership skills," Pence said.

In an earlier interview, Reese said that she would like to "establish a closer relationship between students and officers of SGA" and "create an awareness in the student body as to what student government is."

Students can vote for vice president today in the UC from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Brooke Sauter is the new executive secretary, elected without opposition.

The only other contested race was for senator in the College of Arts and Sciences. Those elected were Eddie Darnell, Stacie Hamm, Pam Lake, Steve Mackey and Melanie Miller.

No one ran for senator in the College of Graduate and Professional Services. Those that ran unopposed and were elected in the College of Education, Business and Senators at Large were Vicki Brummett, Hollie Fuqua, Beth Huggins, Angela LaRock, Pamela Rowe, Chad Cowan, Alfred Johnson, Brian McKinney, Tara Meeker, Rob Wooten, Michele Cobb, Travis Rupe, Sharee Townsend, Chandra Walker and Jeff Wisdom.



CASTING HER VOTE—Toyo Skelton makes her decisions during the SGA elections. Approximately 475 students exercised their right to vote. (Photo by Donna Lovett).

International studies program brings cultural diversity to AP

By MARY E. KEEL
guest writer

Perhaps to some people, Clarksville wouldn't appear to be a center of international exchange or a site abundant with cultural diversity, but, according to President Dr. Oscar C. Page, the university is working to change this perception through its international studies programs.

According to Page, the university has three goals with respect to international studies: to bring more international students to the campus, to provide an international studies program for students enrolled at the university and to

give faculty a chance to participate in international activities.

International students, Page says, add a new dimension to the university.

"I feel the presence of international studies puts our students in contact with representatives from throughout the world and gives them a better understanding of world cultures," Page says.

In addition, Page says, these students can be a source of motivation to other students. He says if foreign students can succeed in school in the United States while having not only to study but also to adjust to a new culture and language,

this example should incite American students to work harder and accomplish more in their own academic careers.

International students also bring to the classroom a different perspective of events and everyday life that is representative of their country. They help us assess our culture and the role the United States plays in the world, Page says.

International student Friday Oseseri from Nigeria finds that, while he is learning about the culture of America, American students can learn more about the effect of world politics on

countries with financial and cultural situations different from their own.

Page hopes that with the increasing number of international students at APSU, the university staff will work better incorporate them into campus.

He recalls a special awards dinner he attended recently at which students, many of whom were international, were recognized for their academic achievements. He says seeing these students being recognized in the same manner as the other APSU students was a positive step toward reaching this goal.

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NEWS

World News Roundup

By JEFF WISDOM
staff writer

American military planes are once again flying missions over Iraq. The current missions, however, are being flown for humanitarian assistance rather than military objectives. On Sunday, American C-130 transport planes dropped about 72,000 pounds of food and supplies to Kurdish civilians in northern Iraq. Although the Iraqi government termed the gesture "unnecessary," the humanitarian operations will continue for about 10 days, according to the U.S. State Department.

Kurdish refugees continue to flee the internal fighting between rebels and Iraqi troops. Most are seeking refuge in countries that border northern Iraq, such as Turkey and Iran. Over 500,000 have reportedly fled to Iran alone. Iran has made a rare plea for international help in dealing with the tremendous number of refugees pouring into Iranian territory.

President Bush reiterated over the weekend his intentions to avoid American military involvement in Iraq's internal conflict. National Security Advisor

Brent Scowcroft, in a television news interview, echoed the same sentiment. He stated that it would not be in the best interest of America to get involved. Involvement would likely mean a military occupation of Iraq, a measure that would certainly be unpopular in the Arab world. Scowcroft also said the United States would be responsible for establishing a new Iraqi government, one that would likely be overthrown after coalition forces withdrew.

A resolution officially ending the Persian Gulf War was passed by the United Nations Security Council by 12-1 margin last Wednesday. In a meeting of the Iraqi parliament last week, members were told by Speaker Mohammed Mehdi that Iraq had "no alternative to accept this unjust resolution." The measure demanded that Iraq destroy all of its biological and chemical weapons, the majority of its ballistic missiles, and be barred from obtaining or developing comparable weapons and nuclear capability in the future. An arms embargo will continue to be imposed on Iraq, along with the current trade embargo, which is to exist until Iraq completes destruction of its weapons.

War reparations paid to Kuwait out of Iraqi oil revenues are another requirement of the resolution. Iraq must also renounce support of terrorism, release all remaining Kuwaiti detainees held in Iraq, and officially recognize the border with Kuwait. Once the resolution is formally accepted by Iraq, American troops can begin withdrawing from Southern Iraq.

Russian President Boris Yeltsin obtained new powers from the Russian parliament on Friday. Members established June 12 as the date for the next presidential election, one in which Yeltsin is expected to triumph once again. The parliament also gave Yeltsin the authority to enact new reforms designed to accelerate the transition to a market economy.

Three intense earthquakes rocked the country of Peru last week. Thirty-eight people were known dead and 750

people were injured. One quake was even strong enough to topple an entire city of about 50,000. Relief and rescue efforts are being delayed by heavy rains in the area.

Crime Scene

By LITA HEBERT
staff writer

• A bubble gum machine was stolen from an office in the Archwood building sometime between March 20 and 26, according to public safety offense reports. The machine's value has been estimated at \$20.

• A 12-speed bicycle was stolen from the University Center on Thursday, March 28. Rory McClavin chained his bicycle to a light pole on the east side of the UC. When he returned 40 minutes later, the bicycle, chain and lock were gone. Its value has been estimated at \$300.

• A non-student was arrested for public intoxication and criminal trespass on March 3. According to Campus Police offense reports Jonathan Eric Davis was arrested for public intoxication and given a trespass warning after resident assistant Alfred Johnson informed campus police that Davis was in Rawlins Hall room 208. Later that day campus police saw Davis again in Rawlins Hall in room 206. At this time Davis was arrested for criminal trespass. Davis' case has been turned over to the Montgomery County General Sessions Court.

Advantage Program for Excellence to replace Orientation

By MISSY CARROLL
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One of the usual summer programs for incoming new students has received a facelift. APEX (Advantage Program for Excellence) will replace what was previously Orientation. It is designed to give the new students, freshmen and transfer, an advantage when beginning school at APSU.

According to Hester Crews, assistant to the vice president of Student Affairs, several goals were focused on for the development of the program. It gives the students an opportunity to bond with their academic advisors, other students, faculty, staff and the institution as a whole. Students are exposed to both social and academic survival skills. The students begin the learning process during the program and

become familiar with the university. They are also given some information on the Clarksville-Montgomery County area. Finally, fun is one of the major considerations in the development of the program.

"Providing a program that gives new students at Austin Peay a head start in adjusting to college life will have a significant impact on student persistence toward a degree. I think in the long term, the university will see an increase in its retention rate, or in other words, fewer dropouts," Dr. Philip Weast, vice president of student affairs said.

One major change from the previous program is APEX will begin on Friday August 16 before the fall semester. New students will no longer attend this type session in the summer. This is intended to give the students a fresher start on beginning classes at Austin Peay.

Crews felt that this is a direction that the university should take. Those traditional students staying in residence halls will be able to check in on that Friday.

APEX is striving to address the needs of traditional students who will be in residence halls, non-traditionals, commuters and transfers. Dr. Susan Kupisch, assistant vice president for Academic Affairs, is working with Crews to get faculty involvement in the program. Outside speakers and some of the administrative officers such as Dr. Page will also participate in the program.

The STAR (Student Testing Advising and Registration) program enables freshmen and transfer students to pre-register and meet with advisors during the summer. These were previously done through summer orientation.

Three sessions will be offered for fresh-

men on June 7, June 28 or July 26. Transfer students have a separate date on August 2. For those students that do not pre-register through STAR, a registration period will be offered in APEX.

The AAPP testing has scheduled dates for those having to take the assessment tests.

"The new students are allowed to come on campus and register during the summer," Dennis Dulniak of Records and Registration said.

Student leaders are also part of the APEX program. Forty to 45 top students will be selected from recent applications through an interview process. One student will be selected for a clerical position.

Crews concluded by stating that the focus of APEX would be to make it enjoyable and worth the students' time.

Dyersburg college head to speak at AP commencement

On Friday, May 10, the president of Dyersburg State Community College will give the keynote address to the 1991 graduating class.

Commencement ceremonies, which also will honor the Class of 1941, will be held at 2 p.m. in the Dunn Center.

Dr. Karen A. Dittmer Bowyer has served as president of Dyersburg State Community College since May 1, 1986, having served from November 1984 through April 1986 as interim president. She holds the distinction of being the first woman president of a public institution of higher learning in the state of Tennessee.

Bowyer earned her Ph.D. in mathematics education from the University of

Alabama, Tuscaloosa. She received her master of arts from Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J., and her bachelor of arts from Knox College, Galesburg, Ill.

She has an extensive record of academic service. Most recently, she was tapped as a new board member of the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges. Bowyer is president-elect of the Tennessee College Association and president of the National Council of Instructional Administrators. She is a member of the Commission on Colleges for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and a member of the Corps of Chairmen for the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges.

In 1987-88, she was co-chair of the Tennessee State Board of Regents Task Force on Women in Academe. During 1988 through 1990, she was Southeastern representative to the executive committee of the President's Academy of AACJC. She served during 1987 through 1990 on the executive committee of the Southern Association of Community, Junior and Technical Colleges and Schools.

She is a member of the board of trustees of WestStar Leadership Program and the Methodist Hospital of Dyersburg board of directors. She is a member of the executive board of the Tennessee Humanities Council and the Dyer County Job Service Employer

Committee, as well as the Leadership Development Committee and the Dyersburg Woman's Club. Among her previous community service, she was president of the Dyersburg/Dyer County Area Chamber of Commerce during 1987. In 1988, she was selected "Woman of the Year" by that chamber.

Bowyer holds membership in various professional organizations, from the local to the national level. She has presented numerous papers at professional meetings and has an extensive listing of published articles.

She is married to Dr. Carlton Bowyer, professor and chair of the department of foundations of education, Memphis State University.

Dance auditions set for Saturday

Auditions for Austin Peay's new Dance Line will be held Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon in the Clement Auditorium.

A pre-audition practice will be held for participants Friday from 4 to 6 p.m. in the auditorium.

Students trying out must plan to enroll full time for the fall semester and maintain a 2.5 grade point average.

VU professor to speak Tuesday

Dr. Ljubica Popovich's earliest memories are of a multireligious society: she was born in Yugoslavia, coming in direct contact with Islam.

When she speaks at Austin Peay April 16, the internationally recognized

speaker and writer and professor of art history at Vanderbilt University will cover the topic of "Islamic Architecture."

"Dr. Popovich is very dramatic in her presentation," said Dr. Allene Phyl-Olsen, director of APSU's Honors and Heritage programs. "She intrigues people as a personality and a scholar."

Popovich has received several grants and awards for her outstanding research and has written dozens of articles covering everything from Byzantine art to American popular religious art.

She was educated at Bryn Mawr College, Penn., where she received her doctorate. Popovich also attended the University of Belgrade. She has lectured throughout the United States and Europe on early Christian art and has conducted tours for the Smithsonian Institute to Russia and Ethiopia.

Studies

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accomplishments," Page says, "we generate interest in other students."

According to Osereri, he has had few problems adjusting to campus life. "APSU students are nice. I haven't seen any ugly incidents and I've been here since Spring 1990," he says.

Page says the second goal, providing international studies programs for APSU's students, is a vital part of a liberal arts education. Through exchange programs, he feels American students not only gain a better understanding of diverse cultures and heritages

but also of the geography of the world.

Austin Peay provides opportunities for students to study in many countries including England, Ireland, Scotland, Mexico and China, but Page hopes to expand the program to include more countries.

Osereri, too, believes traveling is a vital part of education. He feels it is important for students to see for themselves the parts of the world they study.

An important part of professional development for educators, Page says, is for them to participate in international activities as well, because it gives

them the same type of broadening experience as it does students.

Student tribunal members selected

Associate justices and chief justice for the 1991-92 Student Tribunal have been selected.

Next year's chief justice will be John Anthony Malone. The associate justices will be Darlene Davis, Yancey Peters, Jonah Calcutt, Michele Vaden and John Chesnut.

APSU lute Singers plan try-outs

Auditions for the APSU lute Singers, Austin Peay's popular show choir, will

be held Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the choral rehearsal hall, room 147, in the music/mass communication building.

The APSU lutes are involved in several presentations throughout the year, including their annual Homecoming Cabaret show, Riverfest, the Candlelight Ball, the Miss APSU Pageant and others.

The audition is open to all students. For more information, contact Dr. George Mabry, Center for the Creative Arts, room 165, music/mass communication building or call him at 7876.

Children's choir to perform at Hilldale

African Children's Choir will perform 7 p.m. Sunday at Hilldale Baptist Church, 2201 Madison St.

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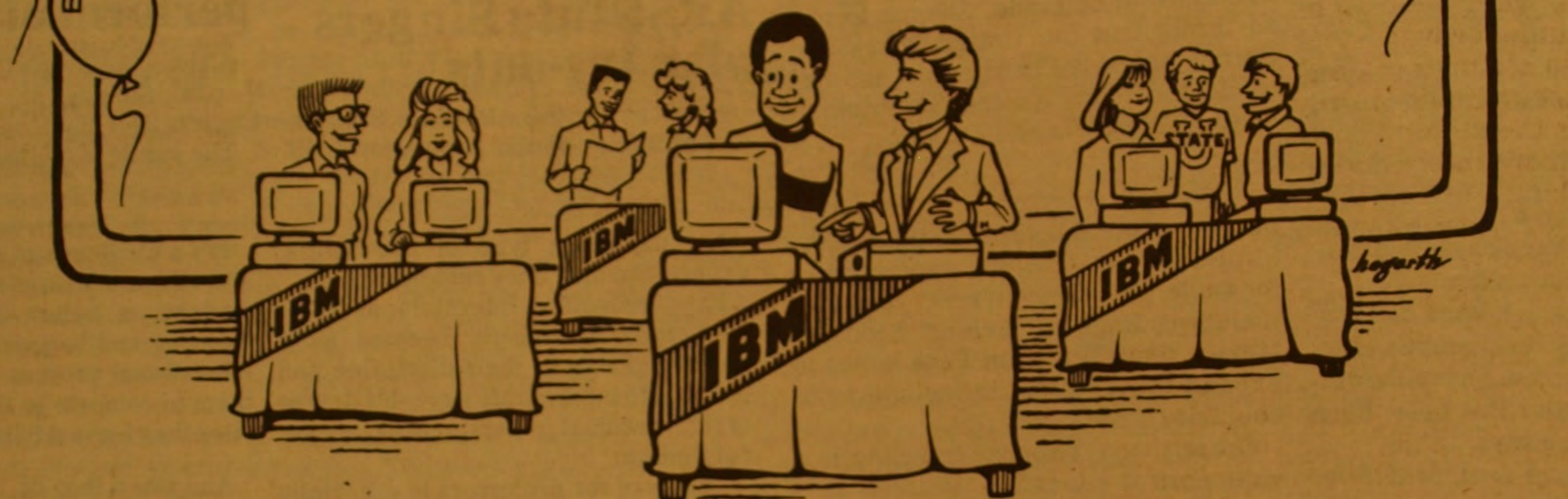
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OPINION

Editorial

Change in process may help in future elections

There are some things about the recent Student Government elections that left a lot of people disconcerted and with good reason.

It seems that SGA elections should be conducted with the same professionalism as a state or local election. But they were not. The traditional way of gaining an office is campaigning and getting your name out before the public.

There was more fervor shown for the Homecoming Queen elections than this year's student government elections. Not to slight the Homecoming Queen or candidates in any way, but it seems the student body would be a little more interested in who will be looking out for their interests for the next year than who wears a crown for a day.

The problem was not just with student voters. Many students chose not to vote simply because they were disappointed with the choices, and many said they didn't know who the candidates were or what they represented.

And whose fault was that? There was a debate scheduled between the presidential candidates, only one showed up. A one-sided argument is about as effective and interesting as watching the candidate talk to a telephone pole — which, by the way, might have done as much good. The students who were in the University Center seemed more interested in socializing than listening to what was going on.

Even though they may have been completely apathetic about what was being said, it was rude and inexcusable to act like that. If they'd



"Modern politics, who's the real winner?"

been standing up there, they wouldn't have wanted people running around screaming, giggling and acting like elementary school children.

The UC is a bad place to have the "debate" but ended up there. It also seems to be a bad spot to hold the election. Supposedly, the University Center is frequented by the most number of people. Unfortunately, that is where most of the traditional student population hangs out. That makes it startlingly convenient for that population to vote. There is not a lot of effort involved in walking a few feet to vote.

Non-traditionals and other students would have to go to more trouble to come there, just as it would be for those who hang out in

the UC if the elections were moved to Ellington, for instance.

If the elections were moved and people had to make an effort to vote, numbers would probably plunge even lower than they already are. But it seems the votes would be a little more stratified.

A possible solution might be holding the elections over a two-day period in two separate locations. This would allow more time for people to vote and a better cross section of students might be reached. The University Center is not the most accessible building on campus and some students arrange their schedule around work and are only on campus for Tuesday and Thursday classes.

Another problem with the elec-

tions was the campaigning, which was almost nil. There were few posters or flyers distributed or candidates promoting themselves. If candidates for a student government office cannot even discuss issues and go public, it is a good indication that their time in office will be about equally as hard-working. Maybe candidates thought nobody would care or listen or maybe that other students would think they were nerdy. In many cases that's true.

But that's true with a lot of things on this campus and other campuses as well. Some students are self-absorbed and care only about the organizations to which they belong. Many have no idea how good, effective SGA leaders could help them if they would offer more support — not just for a particular candidate but for SGA, the organization.

This lack of morale on the part of the students most certainly affects those who run. It seemed this race turned out to be a popularity contest in many respects not a competition among those who could bring the best leadership to our campus.

The problem lies with those candidates who didn't care enough to campaign and those students who didn't care enough to listen and consider those who did, or demand the facts from the ones who remained close-mouthed.

We believe problems have plagued the election process over the years. It would be advantageous for the SGA and connected officials to investigate these problems and come up with a lasting solution.

Names can change situations for better or worse

"What's in a name? That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet."—Shakespeare. But would the story about it be as good?

Shakespeare knew a lot about names. He wrote about them, too. He wrote about the Montagues and the Capulets



SHERRI ADCOCK
executive editor

in "Romeo and Juliet." Why, it was their very names that kept them apart.

Names mean a lot.

Let's say your name is Kennedy. If it is, you can expect to have your own fleet of reporters stalking you for a lifetime. You better walk a straight line. By golly, you better use the right fork for your salad, or you'll be branded for life.

When you are part of an elite American family, people love to know what's in your garbage and exciting things like

that. The media would just about do anything to scoop a story on a Kennedy, any Kennedy, anyone who claims to be a Kennedy, even the Kennedy's dog. Well, I guess you've heard the latest Kennedy "story."

William K. Smith, a 30-year-old medical student at Georgetown University, who looks like Cooter on the Dukes of Hazard, is a suspect in an alleged rape at the Kennedy complex on Easter weekend.

What's wrong with this picture, other than his striking resemblance to Cooter? His last name is not even Kennedy. He's just curiously in the Kennedy bloodline—nephew of Senator Edward Kennedy. Also, this is a "suspected rape." He's not even been arrested.

By now you should be tipped off that the media are digging deep for this one. See, when Associated Press stories start putting in quotes like this little booger, you know there are problems: "We have identified that particular gentleman as our suspect in this case," Craig Gunkel, police spokesman, said about Smith.

Talk about names. Where does the name Gunkel come from? Well, Mr. Gunkel was a little stingy with the information. He set a new precedence for vagueness with that quote. And the media showed their desperation for quoting him.

See, the problem with the Kennedy case is that police are keeping the records on the case sealed and because investigators say the extensive media swarm is hampering the investigation, media are in a complete frenzy.

Well, if Gunkel would hang tight, the media would probably solve the case a whole heck of a lot faster than he and his team could. Why, there is a whole SWAT team of nosey reporters stalking Smith. Far be it for him to ever hope to return to the peaceful days of being a med student.

What's in a name? A lot of headaches if you slip up. If just ordinary Joe Medical student had been suspected in this case, would Associated Press be swinging from ropes trying to sneak a peek in his dorm room? I doubt it would

make the local press, let alone the national wire. Whether Smith is guilty is not the issue. The jury still may be out, but the media have already given him a death wish. With the law, the money and power of the Kennedy name may be able to bail Smith out, but no amount of bribery can get this incident out of the media until the books have been closed and collected dust.

•On a more local note, Dolores Seigenthaler is being sued for \$15,000 for a car accident. How ironic that she just happens to be John Seigenthaler's wife. You know the name — Seigenthaler, the Nashville media magnate, chairman, publisher and CEO of the Tennessean.

The woman who was hit by Mrs. Seigenthaler says she was "violently jerked" when her car was struck from the rear. I bet the "violently jerked" woman sang all the way to the emergency room when she realized the meaning behind the name Seigenthaler.

Being "violently jerked" by any other name is not the same—in dollars that is.

African customs change

By FRIDAY OSASERI
guest writer

Africa is a land of traditions and customs. One of these is respect for elders. This custom, like all other African customs, is expected to be followed and obeyed to the last letter. Respect for elders in the African context may have no meaning whatsoever to a non-African if it is not part of his own custom. To an African, it is one of the social norms one could not afford to contravene.

One may ask the question: what is respect for elders in African context? In Africa, a young man and woman are expected to prostrate or kneel down whenever they meet an elder. It is impudent to greet an elder while standing erect. The young are expected to have an absolute obedience to whatever the elders say. It is an unheard-of thing for a youth to challenge the authority of an elder.

Nowadays, western education has submerged most of the African traditions. This whirlwind of change has not spared the "sacred" position of elders. Nowadays, their authorities are not unchallenged. Most of their lofty ideas are branded conservative. Their highly valued experiences are considered irrational and superstitious by the curious youths who are not ready to accept things without rational justification. In fact, the old order of things has changed. Youths are now eager to rub shoulders with the elders in all spheres of life. The educated people are not ready to swallow hook, line and sinker the wealth of experience of the elders. They often request for proofs and rationality of whatever stories the elders tell. This has made the elders regard the youths

of nowadays with contempt and scorn.

Let us have a close look into the claims of the elders and see what are the good qualities associated with their claims. A Yoruba adage says, "A youth may have many clothes as an elder, but he cannot possibly have as much rag as an elder would have." That in plain language means no matter how well read a young man may be, he can never be as experienced as an old man who has seen and experienced many things in life. An adage also says, "Experience is the best teacher."

Viewed from this angle, I think it will be wrong to dismiss with a wave of the hand the claims of the elders as the repository of experience and wisdom. On the other hand, it will be erroneous to believe and take without critical examination the idea that the elders are infallible. The youth, though without firsthand experience, are nevertheless well-informed. They are privileged with education which the elders do not have.

From the above, there is a clear cut dichotomy. But how can we possibly combine these two negatives to make them positive? It is obvious that both have good grounds to their claims, but the fact still remains that society cannot possibly dispense with either. It is the prayer of nations that elders should remain in nations. On the other hand, nations are not nations without the youths.

In my own opinion, both old and young have something to contribute to the society. There should be mutual understanding between the two groups because they are the two indispensable nation-builders.

Visiting students a nuisance

By CISSY LAWLER
staff writer

Let's take a moment to reflect back on our high school days. We probably acted out of control on more than one occasion, even in public.

I know I never acted as badly as those middle and high school band students did on campus Wednesday, April 3. I hope for your parents' sake you never did either.

There were several area schools participating in a music event in the new music/mass communication building. They were basically being a fire hazard.

Having to enter and exit the building more than one time in less than one hour, I unfortunately had to encounter these people.

It was total chaos in the lobby of the building with no room to walk through

the masses of "tbhss." Those of you who were in the department of speech, communication and theater's office know what I am talking about.

They also had the area of the Center of the Creative Arts jam packed. We were basically trapped in the building.

Not only was the new music/mass communication building invaded but the University Center as well. They were everywhere and, even though I saw adults accompanying these groups, they apparently were making no effort to have any control over their particular group.

This was a very scary situation. If these students act like that in public under adult supervision, how will they act when they get to Austin Peay as college students? All I can say is, I'm glad I'll be gone.

Letters to the editor

Tolerance of diversity should be celebrated

To the Editor:

Society can be defined as the total of interactions between individuals over space and time. The quality of the individual actions govern or decide the nature of the total society.

Prejudice and discrimination certainly, and a lack of tolerance for human diversity, most probably, limit and set the interactions among individuals into destructive, as opposed to trust-building routine patterns of social interaction. Such destructive routine patterns can manifest themselves into simple matters such as avoiding any social contact with another individual, one who is labeled abhorrent for their sexual orientation, for example. These destructive routine interactions can extend to lack of understanding of the other's perspective, to hatred and hostility.

An important example of such routine interactions was brought to light recently in the hiring and firing practices of the Cracker Barrel restaurants in relation to those with a homosexual orientation.

Because acts such as those demonstrated by the Cracker Barrel restaurants affect all of society, they have the potential for redefining society's collective viewpoint against homosexuals. And it is the specter of the collective viewpoint which is the most frightening.

It can be argued that attacks on homosexuals in Germany in the pre-Third Reich era of the early 1930s (which led to the internment of homosexuals and Jews, along with others, in concentration camps) came from a collective, or societal judgement.

We as individuals in a society, who are aware that our daily routines and activities compose the collective nature of society, have an obligation to live and act in routines that create the most amount of trust possible between individuals.

It is our obligation, then, not only to acknowledge and tolerate diversity, from religion to sex to race to sexual orientation, but to celebrate it.

To act otherwise destroys trust between individuals, destroys trust among all individuals, and most likely will destroy society.

Peter H. Stoddard
Sociology and Social Work

Sports editor needs to stick to expertise

To the Editor:

In response to an article last week by Daniel Murph, I would first like to say that I commend you for your efforts; however, maybe you should stick to writing about things in your field, like sports. Secondly, it wouldn't hurt you to enroll in an art appreciation class, I recommend Susan Bryant. Thirdly, in the future it would be a good idea for you to get your facts straight before you misinform the public again.

Unfortunately not everyone has seen the humor in your opinions expressed last week, and some have taken offense.

I have had the opportunity to speak with several students and faculty members of the art department about the subjects of your article. Obviously, you are off in left field. Since I would much rather be throwing a Frisbee right now than trying to impress upon you the importance of an open mind, I won't pitch about all the unforced-errors in your article such as filling sinkholes with water. Why do you think they're called sinkholes? I will let you know, however, that the sculpture in front of the Trahern did not cost less than \$100. It just so happens that the material for it cost less than \$100 and the artists who created it paid APSU for the opportunity to do so. They were students in a 3-D design class taught by Dr. Diehr. Now what do you have to say?

Yes, we are not only proud of our art, we also very much like the fact that we don't have to like it to appreciate it. The unidentified green sculpture, by Olen Bryant: I once saw it as a watermelon-holder. I saw it another time as a big green man from Mars, and on another day it was something else. It is whatever you want it to be. Just let it be. And, oh, if you happen to run into Jesse Helms somewhere, please don't be upset if he doesn't know where Austin Peay is.

Michael Angelo Fonseca

APSU could do more to help handicapped

To the Editor:

As a physically disabled student at APSU, I read the Campus Comments portion of the April 3, 1991 edition with interest. While I applaud your willingness to question whether or not APSU has adequate facilities for the physically disabled, I believe that the answers you received would have been more realistic had you asked someone who is physically disabled. I would like to take this opportunity to answer your question.

The faculty and administration have gone out of their way to provide me with any assistance that I need. There are also ramps and parking spaces provided for those of us that need them.

However, I am sure that most people do realize that there is quite a bit more to obtaining a degree than being able to park close to buildings. Not only should everyone have free access to every building, they should be able to reach every floor of every building. While there are some buildings on campus with elevators, many are not similarly equipped. Short of being carried up and down stairs, there is no access to all floors of the Browning and Marks buildings or the dorms for those confined to a wheelchair. I realize that making this campus equally accessible to all students would take a lot of money, money that we do not have right now. But in the meantime, how many students that could make a lasting contribution to APSU are choosing other colleges that are able to provide access throughout their campus to all of their students?

Andrea Martin

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SPORTS

*Real heroes don't
have to come back*

One of the saddest moments in any sports fan's life is the day his hero retires. For me, it was the end of the 1979 football season, the horrible day Roger the Dodger, the Hail Mary King himself, No. 12, the greatest quarterback of all-time, Roger Staubach, retired.



**DANIEL
MURPH**
sports editor

But, for some unfortunate fans, their worst nightmares come true when their heroes stubbornly try to defy the law of nature and come out of retirement.

It never works. Take, for instance, Jim Palmer, Jim Brown, and Sugar Ray Leonard. It took public humiliation for Palmer to realize his arm would be better suited for an intramural softball game, guts for Brown to realize his mouth was talking faster than his legs could run, and Sugar Ray, well, I'll leave him alone (being that he has enough problems now).

The list goes on and on of once-great athletes who tried to rebound from adversity, but now instead of being remembered for their great feats, will now be associated with, sadly but true, defeat.

So why do athletes try to come back? The answer, in short, is one of the saddest aspects of sports. Athletes whose entire lives were centered around receiving ovations from 40,000 plus screaming fans for throwing a touchdown pass, knocking an opponent on the canvas, serving an ace at match-point or pitching a no-hitter, maybe failed to comprehend that their glory days were tangible. Then, forced into retirement, they are left with only memories and autograph-hungry fans reminding them of how great they used to be.

I guess you can't blame Brown for wanting to high-step into the end zone one more time, or Palmer for wanting to pitch again. But, you can't hold on to the past. Unlike other aspects of life, where the older are considered the wiser, age is a disgrace to athletics. The best are only the best so long before the younger, better athletes come along.

I must admit Larry Holmes looked impressive this past Sunday night in his media-hyped comeback. But, it is important to take in mind his opponent, Tim "Doc" Anderson, who was one of his old sparring partners who could better be described as a large, stationary punching bag with legs. That would be similar to Biorn Borg, who now plans on returning to tennis after a 10-year absence, playing me in his comeback a month from now. If he didn't win, he'd be definite nursing home material!

After the fight, Holmes shouted to the jubilant crowd, "I feel good!" Sure, I'd

Tennis teams encounter tough week



RETURNING THE SERVE—Govs' top tennis seed Rodney Way prepares for upcoming OVC play. (photo by Donna Lovett)

The men's tennis team had problems with Vanderbilt on the 4th, losing 9-0. Then, on Saturday, they defeated Morehead 6-3.

"Every match is important," said head coach Lou Weiss. "Because each of the OVC matches will play into the seedings for the OVC tournament. That means we can't go out and play careless. We have got to play good, smart tennis."

The Govs improved to 9-6 overall and 1-0 in the OVC with their win over the Eagles on Saturday. They will host Tennessee State on Thursday.

The women's tennis team faced a stiff week of competition against Middle Tennessee, Vanderbilt, and Morehead State this past week in Clarksville.

In the April 3rd match-up against Middle, only Govs' top seed Shannon Peters could salvage a victory in singles play. The Blue Raiders went on to win the match 6-3.

On Thursday, the Lady Govs lost to Vanderbilt 5-4. One bright spot was Peter's victory over the Commodore's number one seeded Michelle Dodds, who had recently beaten the number 40 women's player in the world, Melissa Nelson. Peters dominated 6-1, 6-3.

The Lady Govs then proceeded to release their frustrations on Morehead State, winning 9-0. No Gov gave up more than 3 games.

The women are now 6-7 overall, and an even 1-1 in the OVC.

Govs end losing streak

Austin Peay's baseball team ended an 11-game losing streak on Saturday by sweeping a double-header, 5-0 and 5-4 respectively, against Wright State in Dayton, Ohio.

Chris Taylor pitched a 3-hitter in the first game. Then, in the second game, sixth inning, the Govs ignited when Thomas Coates walked and Jason Mikulecky followed with a double to put runners on the corners. Bryan Link's sacrifice fly scored Coates and moved up Mikulecky, who then crossed the plate on a Ken Hatfield single (who also rocketed his fifth homer of the year).

But Sunday, sunny days turned back to old ways as Wright State prevailed 3-0. Joby Homesley was the losing pitcher.

"For the most part, I think we took big strides towards coming together as a team this weekend," said Mikulecky. "The pitching was there, we got the clutch hits when we needed them, but we just managed to lose a little intensity on Sunday."

The Govs' season record stands at 7-23-1.



OVER THE FENCE—Govs' catcher Ken Hatfield connected this weekend on his fifth homer of the season. (photo by Donna Lovett)

Golf team places fifth in tournament

Austin Peay's golf team finished fifth in the 44th annual Tennessee Intercollegiate golf tournament at Ironwood Golf Club in Cookeville Saturday.

Finishing fourth in the medalist race for Austin Peay was Dominique Morency with a 148 total. "I was hitting the ball pretty good," he said, "but feel my putting was letting me down. I shot a 72 and 76, four strokes over par and three off of the leader."

Tennessee Tech won the event, followed by Middle Tennessee, Union College, Bethel College and Austin Peay.

Morency said, "Tech had an advantage playing on their home court. We had the capacity of winning the tournament, but should have done better."

The Govs will be in the 54-hole Eagle Classic next Friday and Saturday at Elizabethton, Ky.

"We will head out Friday morning," said Morency. "This tournament will be a good preview as to who'll be hot in the OVC this year...we'll be ready."

Football team looking for perfect chemistry

Coach Roy Gregory has wasted no time making his presence felt on the Gov's football field. Already, he has switched many players to new key positions hoping to create a winning chemistry.

One of the most notable changes has been the move of last year's tight end Richard Darden to defensive line, where he feels more comfortable. Also having no problems with a move is last year's defensive back Eric Wells, who is now working out with the wide receivers.

"I feel that I am now at a position where I can really help the team," he said. "I am more confident in my abilities on the offensive side of the ball. In a sense, I guess you could say I was cheated out of my first two years here by not getting to play receiver, being that that is what I was originally recruited

as."

Another surprise has been the switching of Darryl Hamilton, who was considered by many to be one of the better offensive linemen in the conference,

"Coach Gregory has a much smoother way of running the show than did the old coaches."—James Mesidor

back over to the defensive line where he began his collegiate career.

"I think the coaches have made some smart changes," said Govs sophomore free-safety Thomas Maxwell. "Darryl in particular can really help us out up

front on defense. We can't let the other team score every time they get their hands on the ball, so we need to focus on getting the right personnel on defense in the right places."

Last Saturday's scrimmage at Memorial Stadium was viewed by most as a success. Most players attribute that success to the new coaching staff. "They are so much more relaxed," said sophomore punter Richard Hogan.

Govs' James Mesidor echoed the praise. "Coach Gregory has a much smoother way of running the show than did the old coaches. We are definitely learning a lot more a lot quicker than we did last year. Overall, we are right where we need to be."

Spring practice continues until next weekend when the offense and defense collide in the annual Red and White scrimmage.

Soccer improves

The Austin Peay soccer team showed great improvement this past Sunday against the Nashville Lions in Nashville.

A key contributor for the Govs was new goalie Michael Baldwin in what turned out to be a defensive battle, ending in a 0-0 tie.

Several individual improvements sparked the Govs' defense.

Volleyball signs recruits

Austin Peay's volleyball team has announced the signing of its third junior or college recruit for the 1991 season.

Cathy Hoffman, a 5-9 setter/hitter from South Florida Community College, joins hitter Isabel Canedo and setter/hitter Melissa Gailey, both Miami Dade South Community standouts, from the powerful Florida Community Athletic Conference.

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love to see how good he felt the next morning when the arthritis kicked in!

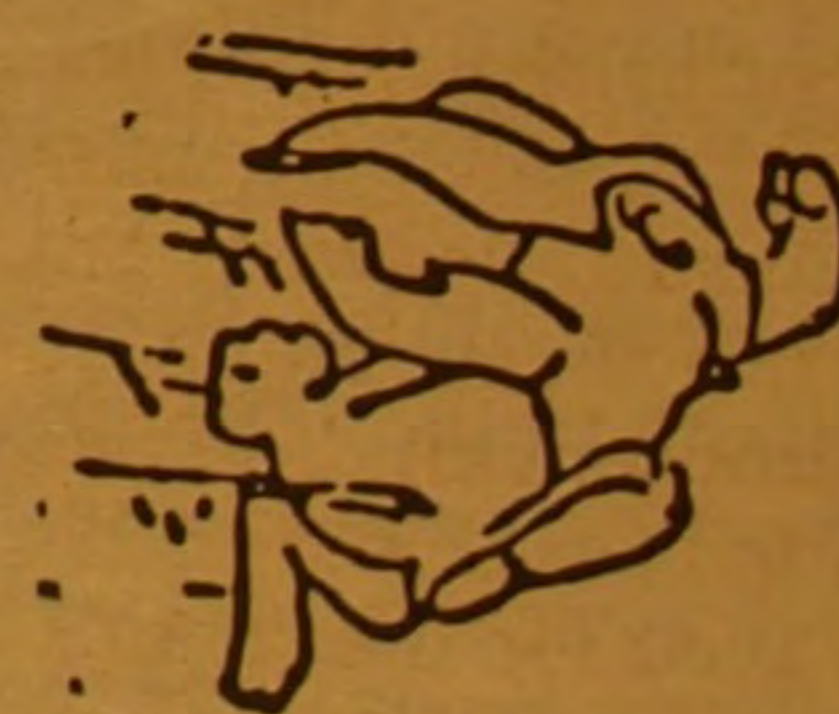
It's just not right. When Tony Dorsett injured his leg playing for Denver two years ago, he was forced out of the game by every doctor he consulted. There, that could have been it. He could have left us with memories of all those remarkable runs. But no, this past season he was determined to set aside his walker and try to slip back into the body he had 15 years ago. Needless to say, it didn't work.

Local Dallas stations

showed clips of Tony D literally limping around the field in a summer try-out, practically begging Jimmy Johnson to let him come back to the team he once made famous. How sad it was to see that the man whose jersey number I and thousands of other kids wore during childhood no longer could spin effortlessly out of a tackle, or dash around a defensive end before he knew what was coming. Truth is, I guess I just don't want to see my heroes die.

It's too bad all heroes don't know when to quit, for if they don't, they might not be heroes anymore.

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FEATURES

Non-traditional students need broader definition

By DEBRA L. SMITH
guest writer

Who are non-traditional students? They're 1,501 strong for Spring '91, and most believe that figure is considerably low. They're 18 years old, 80 years old, parents, grandparents, non-parents, single, married, divorced, male and female. They're diverse.

Estimates reveal that 25 percent of the total population at Austin Peay is made-up of non-traditional students, but most say that figure is closer to 40 percent. The reason for the discrepancy may be due to the asperity surrounding the definition of this category of students.

Keeping in mind that the definition is still being shaped, Elaine Horn of Adult Services lists the current criteria for classification as a non-traditional student as any student who is responsible for someone other than themselves, has been out of school for more than three years, is a transfer student from another institution or is 25 years old and up.

Many students, like Brett Burchwell and Chris Short, are surprised to find that they are, by definition, non-traditional students.

Burchwell and Short are both seniors who came to Austin Peay directly from high school. Both coach high school basketball. Burchwell has a daughter and still finds time for intramural basketball. Short is married and also coaches baseball. Both are under 25 years of age.

Many, though easier to identify by one characteristic, may have far more characteristics that are not so detectable.

Carol Halbrooks is the mother of a grown daughter who has a family of her own. She recently transferred from a two-year program at Columbia University. Halbrooks, at one time, was also among the many homeless in our country. In between being a student and doing interviews for television and radio, she is busy working on a novel.

Art Carver, a senior who is married to an Austin Peay graduate, is retired from military service and has had previous undergraduate experience. He is not only a member of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers on campus, but also is an officer in a local bowling association, a member of a local Civitan Club, a Sunday School superintendent and teaches an adult men's bible school class.

Dr. Richard Gildrie of the history department is among many on campus who recognize the benefits of such diversity. "One of the things I really like is to watch one Austin Peay student get friendly with another Austin Peay student, students who are completely different kinds of people, help each other in class or talk to each other. That's not just good for them, that's good for me. That's what I teach about, America. Here's two little case studies working on



NON-TRADITIONAL TRADITION—Freshman Marina Feltner, accompanied by her husband Lester, attends a meeting of the Non-Traditional Student Organization. (photo by Mary Lee Watson)

each other right in front of my eyes."

Being a non-traditional student also presents its own problems. These problems are usually complex in that they affect not only the students' lives outside campus, but they usually spill over into their campus lives. A parent is often faced with choosing between school and home. Just as often, the circumstances make the choice for them. Some of these students' families live outside of the area and the student has little or no support system to help work through the difficulties.

Austin Peay's administration has seen the number of non-traditional students rise and are now beginning to recognize and provide for many of their special needs. But the students are not sitting idly by and waiting for help to come to their doorstep in the meantime. Many students are helping to find solutions to the problems by working with the administration.

Adult Services is a good example of how the administration and the students are working together. Horn has been on board since Aug. 13, and seems full of steam. She has begun compiling information to help identify non-traditional students and their needs.

She says being the advocate for adult students is her No. 1 priority. She will help with everything from assisting students with the admissions and registration process to explaining administrative and appeals processes. If more specialized aid is indicated, Horn will make the appropriate referrals. If she finds students are eligible for services they were unaware of, again she will steer them in the right direction.

One of her first goals was to establish a student organization for non-traditional students. One day she was sitting at her desk, tossing ideas around for this type organization when two non-traditional students walked in to inquire about procedures for starting just such an organization. Horn lists the objectives of NTSO as:

- promoting friendship and providing social, recreational, cultural and educational programs.
- communicating the concerns of non-traditional students to significant others, such as deans, the president and instructors.
- improving relationships between faculty, staff, non-traditional and traditional students.
- providing support services for the non-traditional student.

She emphasizes that she doesn't want to leave anyone out, including traditional students, who are welcome to be part of the NTSO. Horn says, "The concrete is still wet."

Ann Hamel, finance secretary for NTSO, explains that the organization is working on setting up scholarships for non-traditional students, and hopes to be able to have one for each college. Currently, there are no scholarships available specifically designed for non-traditional students, and forms for most of the scholarships that are available are geared toward the traditional student.

Most of the non-traditional students interviewed said that applying for financial aid was one of the greatest obstacles for a non-traditional student to overcome. Not only are forms geared toward traditional students but the method of calculating the needs of the student are outdated. While scholarships cover tuition and books, they fail to take into consideration the cost of day care, lunch and gas expense.

Hamel said the NTSO is also trying to gain representation on the Student Government Association.

From thrillers to comedies, critic picks top 10 flix of year

By TONY MALONE
movie critic

Since the Oscars have come and gone and the school year is coming to a close, I thought I would do something different this week. Instead of reviewing a single movie, I'm going to present you with my "10 Best Movies of the Year" list. Some of them you can catch at the dollar movie, some are still on the big screen and some are even on video. So here it is ladies and gentlemen, Tony's 10 Best:

"Mermaids" (Drama)

This was a little-seen, but highly praised movie that showcased the talents of Cher, Winona Ryder and Bob Hoskins.

Cher plays a crazy, free-spirited, never-grow-old mother who moves her family from town to town when

problems erupt. Ryder plays a "nun wannabe," who wants to be different from her mother, but is scared she's slowly becoming her. This is a coming-of-age story, where both mother and daughter come to realize that they need each other.

"Ghost" (Drama)

Patrick Swayze is an investment banker killed by a mugger. He returns as a ghost to straighten out his life and those affected by his death. The story gets even better when it turns out that his death was set up by his best friend. With the help of a fake psychic turned legit, played by Whoopi Goldberg, Swayze gets revenge. This is a heartwarming tearjerker that touched the hearts of millions.

"The Silence of the Lambs" (Thriller)

Jodie Foster plays an FBI trainee who is investigat-

ing the case of a serial killer, who skins his victims and dumps them in the river. It's up to Foster to find the killer with the help of Dr. Hannibal Lector, better known as "Hannibal the Cannibal," played by Anthony Hopkins.

"The Grifters" (Drama)

This movie takes a look at the lives and schemes of three con artists. John Cusack is caught in an Oedipus complex with his mother, played by Anjelica Huston. When Annette Bening, a beautiful corruptress, enters a twist comes into the story as deception and greed take first precedence.

"Wild at Heart" (Drama)

David Lynch creates yet another bizarre and twisted movie. Laura Dern and Nicolas Cage play a

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Don't miss it...



SEASON'S LAST CONCERT—The final performance of the 1990-91 Concert Artist Series at Austin Peay will be Monday and will feature the Ridge String Quartet. The 8 p.m. concert will be held in the music/mass communication building and admission is \$7 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. This exciting young string quartet, one of the most talked about today, plays with warmth and commitment combined with dazzling technical ability.

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couple of star-crossed lovers, who run away to pursue their forbidden love for each other.

The only problem is Dern's mother is strongly against their relationship, so she hires a hitman to put an end to it.

"A Long Walk Home" (Drama)

This movie deals with the changes that occur after the Montgomery bus boycott. It also views how the boycott affects the lives of an upper class white family and the life of their maid, played by Whoopi Goldberg.

"Total Recall" (Action)

Arnold Schwarzenegger plays Quaid, a construction worker who wants to take a simple trip to Mars. Not a plane trip, but a mind trip. The only problem is that his memory has already been tampered with. The audience slowly discovers that Quaid is a superagent who knows too much, and the action begins.

"Home Alone" (Comedy)

This John Hughes' film examines the family, and how we sometimes take each other for granted. The movie begins when a family leaves their youngest child, played by Macaulay Culkin, at home for Christmas by mistake. The young boy learns how to be responsible and what the true meaning of family is.

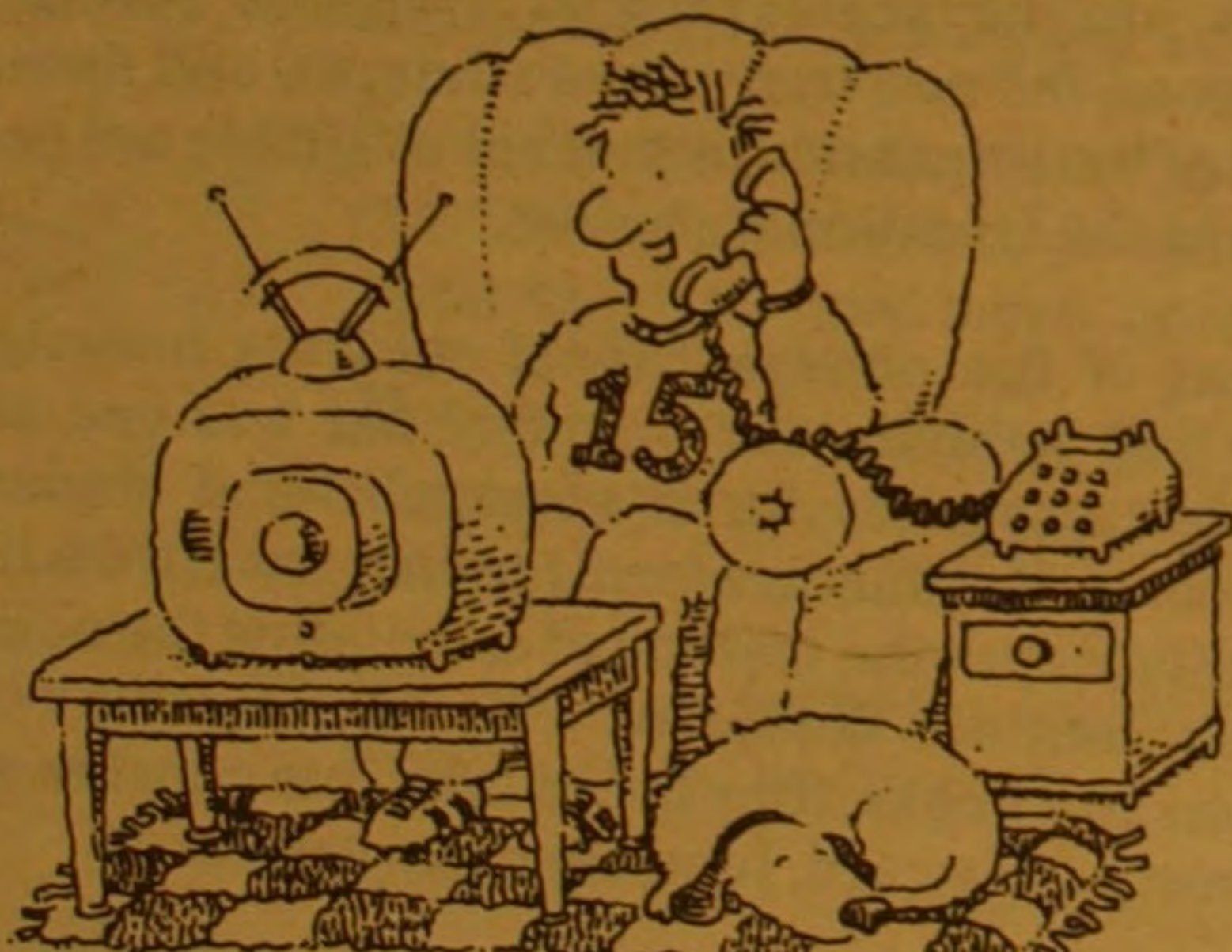
"Jacob's Ladder" (Thriller)

A wounded Vietnam vet Jacob Singer, played by Tim Robbins, returned home to a life of fear. He's constantly hallucinating about devils and the after life. This is a highly creative and visually stimulating film which is directed by Adrian Lyne.

"Kindergarten Cop" (Comedy)

No, I'm not an Arnold Schwarzenegger fan. This just happens to be a very good film. When Arnold's partner gets sick, he's forced to go undercover as a teacher. His purpose is to find a drug kingpin's ex-wife by locating their child in the kindergarten class.

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Arts Scene

There's been plenty of campus culture to take advantage of lately, in case you weren't able to make the annual Chicago road trip.



JEFF WHITE
features editor

The **Mid-South Jazz Festival** took place this past weekend, returning to the old format of having a guest artist play with the Jazz Collegians rather than spotlighting a guest group. Economics played in this decision, but the amount of money spent for tenor saxophonist **Bob Mintzer** to come in and play only three tunes, and not conduct a clinic, was a bit much.

Put those guest artists to work. This is college, not Carnegie Hall. Maybe the music department could have stretched their dollars by taking a few notes from the art department.

The art department recently had **Anselmo Carini** of the Art Institute of Chicago select entries for the third

Larson Biennial National Exhibition. I'm not sure how much the art department had to pay him, but at least they did get a lecture out of Carini to art majors and art appreciation students.

Anyway, forget those \$5 movie tickets this week and check out the campus happenings, because the only thing better than a live performance is a **FREE** live performance.

- The **APSU Percussion Ensemble**, under the direction of David Steinquest, performs April 11 at 8 p.m. in the concert theatre.

- The **Paris Special School District Boy's Choir**, featuring approximately 35 members in grades four through six from Paris, Tenn., performs April 14 at 3 p.m. in the concert theatre.

- Be sure and mark the **Annual Student Art Show** in your calendar, slated to open April 15. The juried exhibition of works by APSU students features works from most areas.

- **Cris Mazza**, former APSU writer-in-residence, will read from her works of fiction April 16 at 8 p.m. in the Gentry Auditorium.

- Dr. Stephen Clark will direct the **APSU Woodwind Ensemble** in an 8 p.m. performance in the concert theatre.



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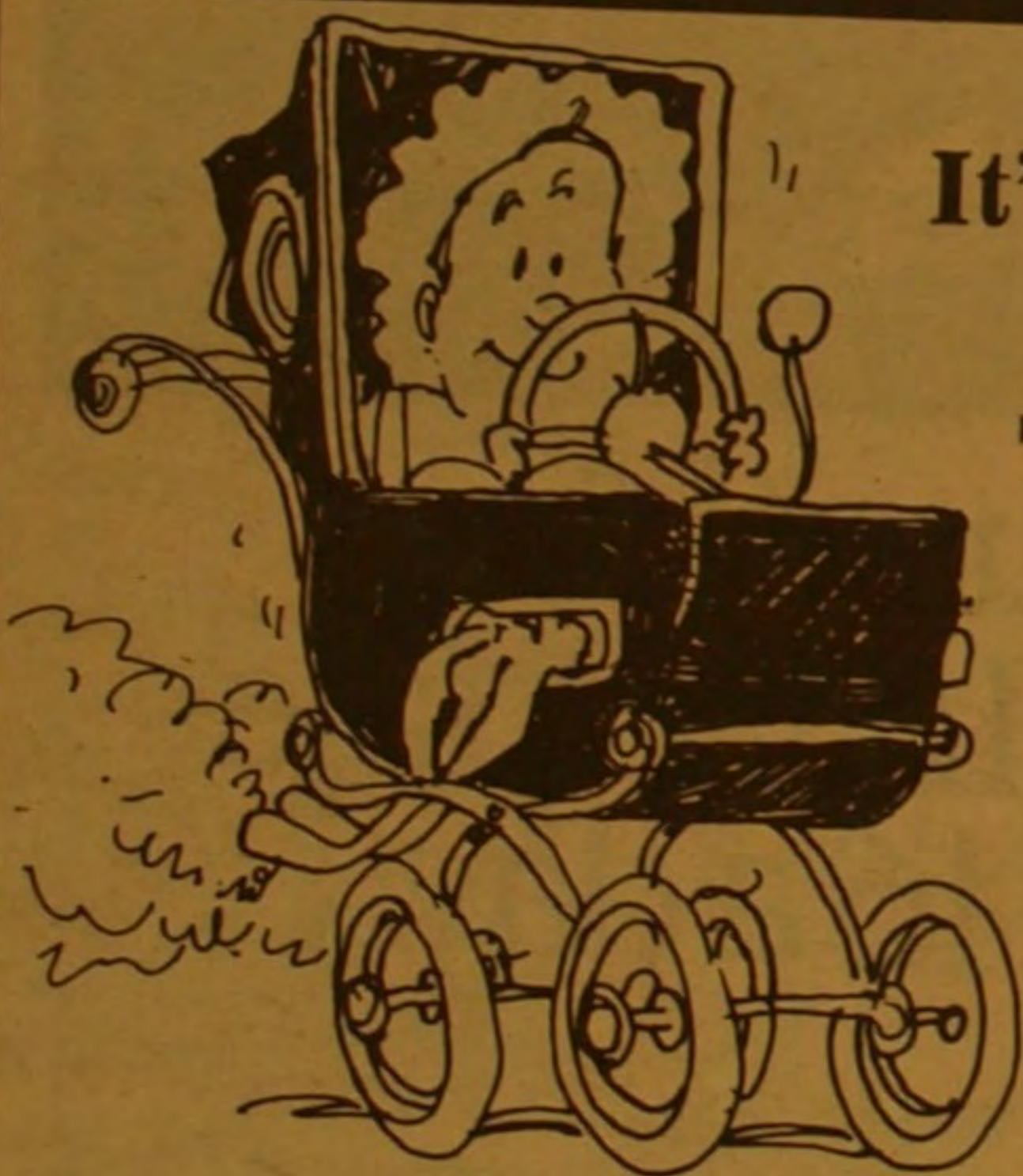
GIRL SCOUT CAMP STAFF - Assistant Director, Business Manager, Health Supervisor, unit counselors and leaders, waterfront, rappelling, horseback, nature, arts and crafts and kitchen staff needed at Camp Sycamore Hills. Contact Charlotte S. Palmer, Cumberland Valley Girl Scout Council, Box 40466, Nashville, TN 37204 or 615/383-0490.

Student worker needed for the business office to work 25-30 hours a week. Must be able to type 40 WPM, be able to use an adding machine, be able to file accurately, have mathematical aptitude and have experience with computers and wordperfect. Duties include filing, answering telephones, typing, assisting in preparing loans for agencies, making copies and performing general clerical skills. For more information contact SFAO.

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