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Enrollment trend continues...

Growth produces more students, less classroom space



A NECESSARY EVIL--The beginning of each semester always brings along lines to the University Bookstore. (photo by Donna Lovett)

By JEFF WISDOM
news editor

It's happening once again. Austin Peay State University is growing by leaps and bounds, leaving classrooms and university facilities bulging at the seams.

According to Dr. Dennis Dulniak, director of Records and Registration at

APSU, enrollment on the main campus is up 7.3 percent from last year. As of the end of late registration last Friday, there were a total of 4,884 students enrolled, compared to 4,551 last fall.

Dulniak stated that one positive sign for the APSU campus is the student

retention rate. According to him, the number of students returning to APSU from the spring semester is up 8.8 percent from this time last year.

"This is a positive factor for the university," Dulniak said. "This means that students are staying at Austin Peay for their degrees. This will have a positive effect on our graduation rate as well."

Dulniak pointed out that the most significant factor in this year's enrollment figures is the university's FTE (full-time equivalency) ratio, which increased 7.7 percent from last year.

According to him, the FTE ratio is a method of measuring full-time enrollment. For a student to be considered full time, he or she must be enrolled in 15 hours as an undergraduate or 12 hours as a graduate student.

Dulniak explained that the FTE ratio is very important to the campus. "The FTE generates the budget for the university," he said. "Our funding is based on the FTE, not just on our total head count."

Despite the tremendous increase in enrollment, Dulniak stated his office was pleased with the way registration was handled. "The Business Office

accommodated the increase by adding extra lines in the Dunn Center," he commented.

"We managed to reduce the number of problems we normally have," he said. "There is no way to avoid every problem, due to such things as paperwork delays."

"A lot of offices had strong commitments to prepare and do the best they could for registration," Dulniak added. "This is the smoothest registration this campus has ever seen."

The biggest concern for the university now that classes have started is the lack of adequate space for classes.

"The university is squeezed when it comes to classroom space," Dulniak said. "We are looking forward to the restoration of Harned Hall, which will provide additional classrooms."

"We also have the new science building on the university's master plan," Dulniak added. "It comes up for funding during the next fiscal year. But Harned Hall is the real key to the growth."

Dulniak credits programs like APEX with enhancing the enrollment increase. "The growth is a result of the positive effects of APEX," he said. "Programs like this are able to generate enthusiasm about Austin Peay."

Tennessee Business Enterprise instrumental in game room facelift

By MISSY CARROLL
editor-in-chief

The doors of the game room will soon re-open to reveal some new surprises. Through Tennessee Business Enterprise, a Blind Services outlet, such improvements as a "hand-dipped" ice cream bar, a snack service and a collection of new pool tables and games have been undertaken for the students' behalf.

John Tesar, a blind vendor through Tennessee Business Enterprise, said the speculations for this project have been in the works for approximately a year.

The actual games were available for play beginning Aug. 25. The ice cream bar and snack service featuring hot dogs and corn dogs is not set to open until approximately the second week in September.

According to Chris Cothran, set manager of the

establishment, the new services available will not be in competition with the cafeteria or Gov's Grille. For this reason, only snack foods will be offered, no full meals. A general ice cream variety of products such as milkshakes and banana splits will also be on the menu.

Students will not be able to use meal plans for purchases; therefore, the services will be on a cash only basis.

Planned hours for the game room will be from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday. Saturday hours will be determined later if a good response from trial weekend hours develops.

A stage has been constructed that Student Affairs may utilize for several of their events. Andy Kean of Student Activities stated that some of the daytime acts

and smaller movies may be held in the game room. The big screen television will remain on the stage on a general basis.

Cothran stated that extended hours for the ice cream bar will be observed for these special events set up by Student Activities.

"We are here to accommodate the students, we are not here to become billionaires," Cothran said.

Pool and ping-pong tournaments are tentative future plans. The game room will be available for studying or just hanging out, according to Cothran and Tesar. The installation of locker storage is also in the works for the accommodation of students.

"We want this to be a fun place," Cothran concluded.

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News

Cheney to visit APSU on Sept. 3

U.S. Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney will be the guest speaker for the Clarksville Rotary Club's 75th anniversary luncheon on Sept. 3 at Austin Peay State University.

Prior to the luncheon, Cheney will be available to answer media questions at 11:30 a.m. in the Executive Dining Room, Harvill Cafeteria.

At noon in the ballroom of APSU's Joe Morgan University Center, he will address members of the Clarksville Rotary Club, district Rotary presidents and officials, as well as Rotarians from throughout the state.

Cheney At 1:30 p.m., following the luncheon, Cheney will meet with APSU students, faculty and staff in Clement Auditorium. Seating is first-come, first-served.

Cheney was nominated by President George Bush to be secretary of defense on March 10, 1989, and was confirmed by the U.S. Senate on March 17, 1989. As secretary of defense, he has become responsible for shaping the future of the U.S. military in an age of profound and rapid change in the Soviet Union, Eastern Europe and elsewhere.

He directed two of the nation's largest military campaigns in recent history—Operation Just Cause in Panama during December 1989 and Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, from August 1990 through most of 1991. For his leadership in the Persian Gulf War, Bush awarded him the Medal of Freedom on July 3, 1991.

In 1966 he was selected by the National Center for Education in Politics as intern on the staff of Warren

Knowles, then governor of Wisconsin. In 1968, the American Political Science Association selected him for its Joseph E. Davies Congressional Fellowship, under which he served as assistant to U.S. Rep. William A. Steiger, Wisconsin.

Following the fellowship, Cheney began several years of federal service under Presidents Nixon and Ford. He was special assistant to the director of the Office of Economic Opportunity and, subsequently, served as deputy to Donald Rumsfeld, the White House Presidential Counsellor. In 1973, he left government service to become vice president of an investment advisory firm.

In 1974, when Gerald Ford assumed the presidency, Cheney became deputy assistant to the president. In November 1975, he was named assistant to the president and White House chief of staff, a position he held throughout Ford's administration.

After returning to his home state, in 1978 Cheney was elected to serve as the state's sole congressman in the U.S. House of Representatives and was re-elected five times.

For the 1981-82 Congress, he was chosen by his Republican colleagues to serve as chair of the House Republican Policy Committee. He was re-elected as Policy Committee chair for the 98th, 99th and 100 Congresses. In June 1987, he was unanimously elected chair of the House Republican Conference, and in 1988 he was unanimously elected House Minority Whip, the second-ranking Republican leader.

Cheney was a member of the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, serving as ranking Republican on the 15-member House Select Committee to Investigate Covert Arms Deals with Iran.

APEX program acquaints new students with university campus

By DARCY HARTZ
assistant news editor

As many of us were home savoring our last days of summer vacation, over 800 new students were unpacking boxes and dusting off back packs eager to catch their first glimpse of Austin Peay. Many new faces filled Clement Auditorium on Aug. 14 to kick off this year's Advantage Program for Excellence.

The main goal of APEX was not only to orient students with campus, but also to provide them with important information in an enjoyable manner. Lectures by faculty, departmental open houses and small group sessions ranging from date rape to buying books were designed to give students a taste of campus life.

Numerous social events including dances and ice breakers were also scheduled. Students had the opportunity to make new friends that they would keep throughout their years here at Austin Peay.

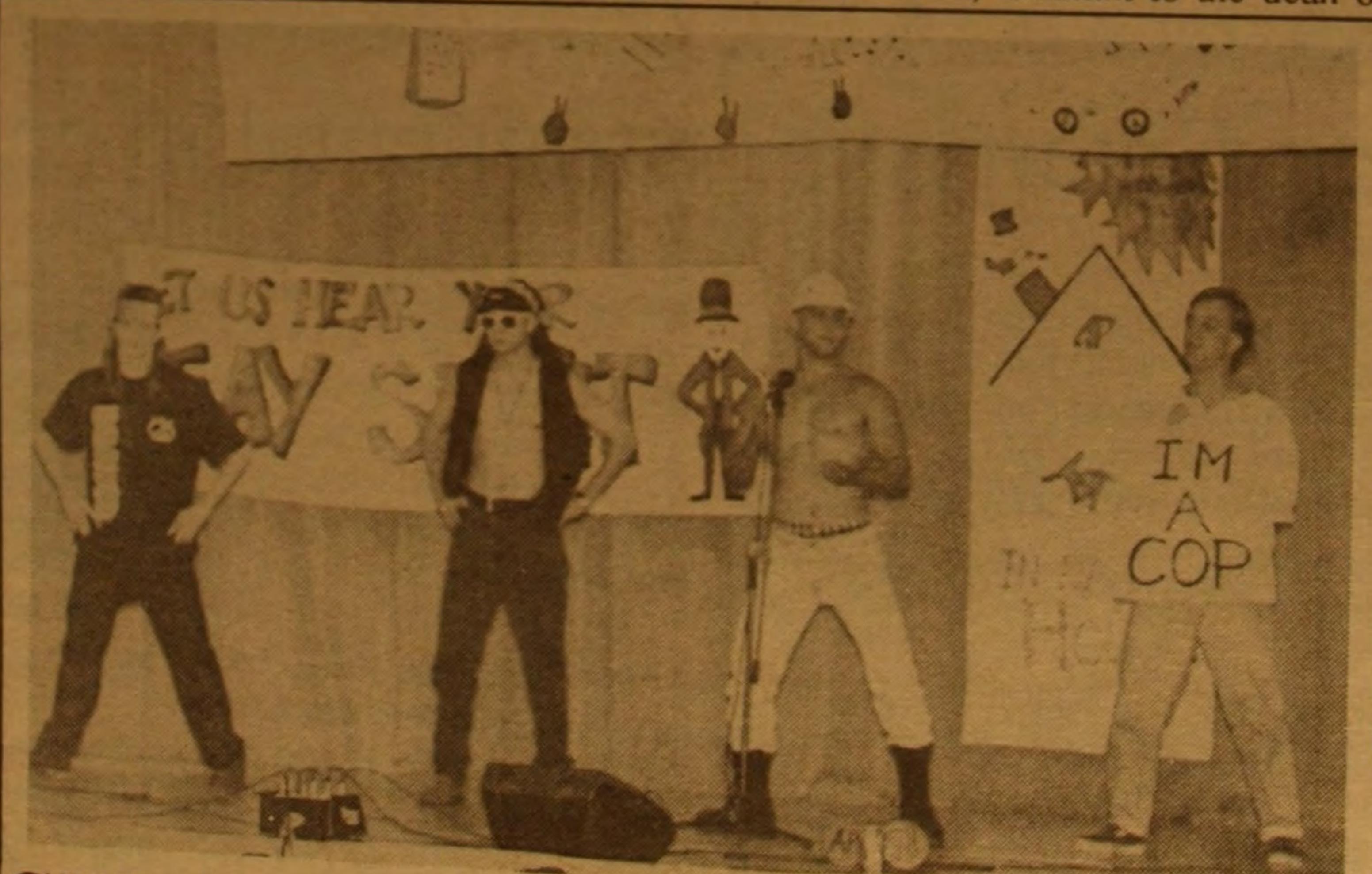
APEX participant John Sammons said, "If I had not come to APEX I wouldn't know anyone and I wouldn't have made the many friends that I had."

Michelle Scheible agreed saying that the friendships she made at APEX made the transition much easier.

Developing school spirit was also a

focus of the APEX program. An "Alma Mater" contest was held where each group performed their own version. At Monday night's closing picnic with the faculty,

Although this is only the second year for APEX, some improvements were made upon last year's effort. According to Hester Crews, assistant to the dean of



SHOWING AP SPIRIT--These were some of the participants in the "Alma Mater" contest held during APEX. (photo by David Elliott)

hundreds of participants cheered on the three "Alma Mater" finalists. After a rousing game of "Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes," the winners were announced and the Farewell and Hail ceremony was performed.

Student Affairs, changes were made according to the suggestions given by students. Groups were led by a team of leaders, registration was more efficient, and stronger coordination within the university kept everyone informed and

Crime Scene

By Jeff Wisdom
news editor



These are the incidents that have occurred since Aug. 12.

•On Aug. 12—Elie Brunetti, owner of a gray Toyota Celica reported that his stereo speakers were stolen from his vehicle while it was parked in the Sevier/Blount lot.

•On Aug. 13—A vending machine in the Dunn Center was vandalized, netting the perpetrators a small amount of cash.

•On Aug. 15—A non-student was arrested for DUI on Robb Avenue. A subsequent search of the vehicle turned up a small amount of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

•On Aug. 18—A white Mazda truck belonging to Walter Lee Hansen was burglarized in the Meacham parking lot. A set of speakers valued at \$150 were taken from the vehicle.

Please familiarize yourself with the new parking regulations to avoid any unnecessary tickets.

made for a better orientation. Crews also stated that the Student Affairs staff was instrumental in the success of APEX.

A separate component was added this year for non-traditional students. They were able to learn about campus life in a one-day session on Friday before the traditional students arrived. Crews felt this new approach was very successful and hopes to expand on it in the future.

Dr. Philip Weast, vice president for Student Affairs, felt that the leadership was also a great asset to this year's program. "These leaders are the best I have ever seen," Weast said, adding that their enthusiasm made a great difference in the overall success of APEX, Weast said.

Lisa Griffin, a senior APEX leader, said, "In the beginning we were only individuals. Through hard training we the APEX leaders became a small family. Once APEX began, the incoming students and APEX leaders grew to a larger and still growing family. Through APEX Austin Peay is becoming a diverse family."

Through new improvements and strong enthusiasm APEX is reaching new heights. Crews says that if the transition to the university is made easier, then it is all worthwhile.

Campus Briefs

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Barber receives KΣ national award

The director of Alumni Relations at Austin Peay State University recently received a national award.

Douglas Barber was named the recipient of Kappa Sigma Fraternity's first Outstanding Faculty Award at the fraternity's National Leadership Conference held Aug. 8 at the University of Illinois-Champaign.

Although Barber is not a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity, he has served as the faculty adviser to the APSU chapter for six years, since it was first chartered as a national fraternity. The award was in recognition of his dedication and years of service.

KOINONIA to hold fellowship meeting

The initial gathering of the KOINONIA ecumenical Christian fellowship will be tonight at 7 p.m. in the UC lobby. Campus ministers Jim Alexander (Baptist Student Union), Mark Forrester (Wesley Foundation), Scott Lee (Trinity Episcopal) and Ed Leahy (Newman Club) will be present for this time of fellowship and welcome.

Baptist Student Union sponsors pool party

The Baptist Student Union will sponsor a "Back to School Pool Party" on Friday, Aug. 28. Those interested in joining in on this fun occasion should meet at the BSU at 4 p.m.; maps and supper will be provided.

Newman Club announces fall semester activities

The Newman Club will be sponsoring several activities to begin the semester. Their "Prayer & Share" prayer gatherings occur on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the UC faculty lounge. A TGIF party to celebrate the birthdays of those born in August will be held on Friday at 7 p.m. at the Newman House (108 South 7th St.) with the movie, "Father of the Bride." A tour of the Immaculate Conception Chapel will be given on Sunday at 9:15 a.m.; questions about the Catholic faith will be welcomed. The "Creating Quality Relationships" discussion and Scripture-oriented series will begin on Monday at 7 p.m. in the faculty lounge.

Housing office to offer new hours and services

The Office of Housing/Residence Life has extended its office hours. During the academic year, the office will be open from 8 a.m. until 7 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Residence hall directors will staff the

office from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Exceptions to these extended hours will be official university holidays, break periods and the summer months.

During these extended hours, the following services will be offered to the resident students: maintenance hotline (7444), temporary key/lockout service, off-campus referrals, greeting prospective students and response to general questions and concerns of resident students.

APEX Alumni to hold organizational meeting

The first meeting of the Austin Peay Student APEX Alumni Association will be Tuesday, Sept. 1, at 8 p.m. in the UC Gov's Room. All APEX students, leaders and anyone else who is interested in joining this organization are invited to attend. There is no cost to be a member. Topics of discussion will include Homecoming 1992, "Spread the Colors," as well as other spirit- and fun-filled events.

Minority Affairs taking FOCUS applications

Applications are currently being accepted for FOCUS: Young People Emerging. FOCUS is a program sponsored through the Minority Affairs Office.

Students will have the opportunity to participate in a series of lectures, discussions and activities designed to aid in the development of self-confidence, positive academic outcomes and a clearer understanding of the African American experience. Students have an opportunity to interface with successful Austin Peay graduates, Austin Peay faculty and staff members, accomplished Tennessee professionals and respected leaders from the Clarksville community.

The program agenda includes dinner (or refreshments), lectures, roundtable discussions and a program evaluation. Each session will generally last two hours and meets twice per month.

Applications can be picked up in 208 Ellington Hall and should be returned by Sept. 4. For more information, call 648-7004.

Continuing Education offers graphics workshop

The employees of Arcata Graphics are participating in a computer software workshop offered by Austin Peay State University's Office of Continuing Education.

The workshop, titled "An Introduction to Harvard Graphics," demonstrates use of Harvard Graphics 2.3, a software package designed to aid users in creating more effective visual presentations. Harvard Graphics enables users to produce charts and graphs and to import data from other types of software such as Lotus 1-2-3.

Since its inception, the Harvard Graphics software system has been lauded as a revolutionary software program. The ever-increasing use of computers in homes and businesses has positively affected the quality of business presentation graphics, and Harvard Graphics is at the forefront of innovation in graphic presentation.

Taught by APSU Management Information Systems faculty member Jim Henson, the workshop consists of some eight hours.

According to Arcata Graphics' Quality Assurance Technical Coordinator Vince Vaughn, Harvard Graphics is a welcome addition to its computer software library. Although some departments at Arcata have used Harvard Graphics for some time, many employees were not familiar with

Harvard Graphics workshops may be tailored to meet the needs of any business, regardless of its size. For scheduling information, telephone the Office of Continuing Education at 648-7816.

Kappa Delta Pi Society hosts guest speaker

Kappa Delta Pi, an honor society in education, will have Dr. Charles Lindsey, the school superintendent for Clarksville/Montgomery County, as the guest speaker for the first meeting of the 1992-93 academic year. Dr. Lindsey will

speak about current trends in education and conduct a question/answer session following his presentation on Tuesday, Sept. 1, at 7:15 p.m. in the Learning Resource Center, on the second floor of the Claxton Building. This meeting is open to the public, and all interested individuals are encouraged to attend.

Support group to hold organizational meeting

An organizational meeting for the Organization for Support of Gay and Lesbian Rights will be Thursday, Aug. 27. For more information, call Glenn Carter at 648-7728 or Michael Coffey at 552-5561.

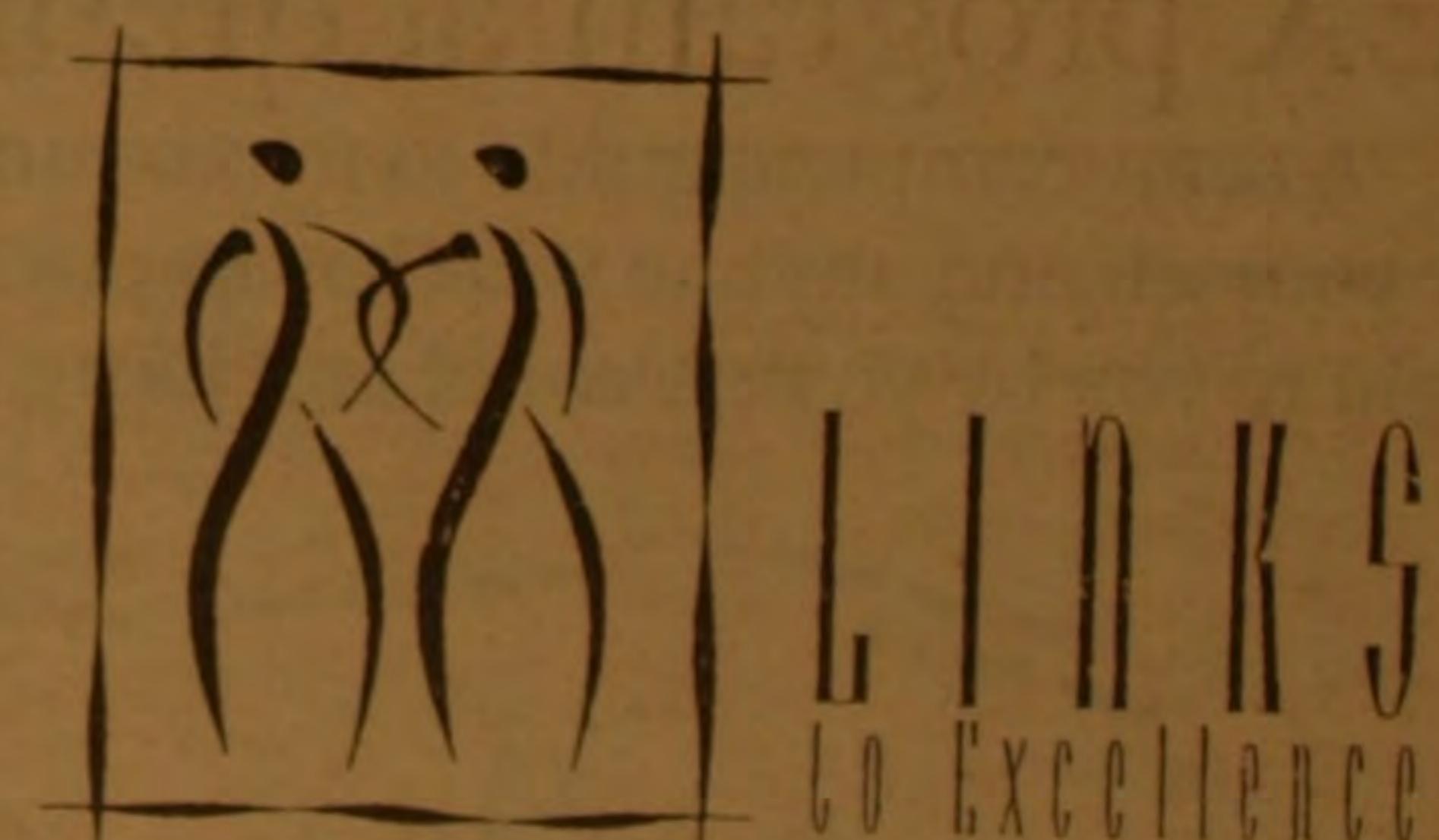
Student organization to accept new members

Phi Beta Lambda professional business organization will hold its first general membership meeting on Thursday, Aug. 27, at 3:30 p.m. in Kimbrough, room 216. All old members and prospective members are cordially invited.

American Red Cross blood drive set for today

The American Red Cross will have a community blood drive today from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the UC Ballroom.

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New program links current, prospective students

By JEFF WISDOM
news editor

A new program designed to lure Tennessee's most "distinguished" students to Austin Peay State University, called "Links to Excellence," is set to make its debut on campus during the 1992-93 school year.

According to Robert Biggers, admissions counselor at APSU, the program is basically set up so that current Austin Peay students will contact prospective high school students from across Tennessee in a concerted attempt to recruit them.

Biggers stated that the "Links To Excellence" program will run for the complete academic calendar year, with current students making about four contacts with prospective students each semester.

Biggers hopes that prospective students will learn more about the university through the new program.

Prospective students will gain first-hand experience and insight into student activities and leadership programs," Biggers said. "The students will also have a personal contact at the university. We want to encourage students to visit the campus to see what we have to offer."

Approximately 20 to 25 students will be initially hired to recruit students through the

program, according to Biggers. These students, in turn, will be contacting about 20 to 25 prospective students each.

"Current students will be matched with prospective students from their respective area of the state," Biggers added.

"We expect our enrollment to go up as a result of the program,"--Knowles-Halida

Joey Scruggs, also an admissions counselor working with the program, stated that the Admissions Office is looking for current students who are willing to promote Austin Peay. "We want those who are knowledgeable about the university and who can share their knowledge," he said.

Biggers pointed out that applications for the recruitment positions are open to all current sophomores, juniors and seniors at APSU.

Biggers especially encourages all graduating seniors to apply. "For those students graduating in December, alternates will be available to take over in the spring," he said.

According to Biggers, the Admissions Office

is hoping to assemble a well-rounded and diverse group. "We hope to be able to cater to all geographic areas of the state," he said.

The "Links to Excellence" program will be supervised by Crystal Knowles-Halida, a graduate assistant at APSU. She is a 1992 graduate of Austin Peay currently seeking a master's degree in clinical psychology.

"We expect our enrollment to go up as a result of the program," said Knowles - Halida. "I am excited about working with the faculty and students."

Biggers has high expectations for the new program. "We want to feel like these current students made the difference," he said. "We expect this group to reach out to link students with the university. When these prospective students do enroll, they will have bases and friendships already established."

Biggers anticipates receiving applications from a lot of qualified applicants. "We are placing ads in *The All State*, and we have flyers in certain buildings on campus," he said.

Applications for student positions in the "Links to Excellence" program will be available in the Admissions Office through Sept. 8. Selection of participants will be made by Sept. 14. A training session is scheduled for Sept. 23.

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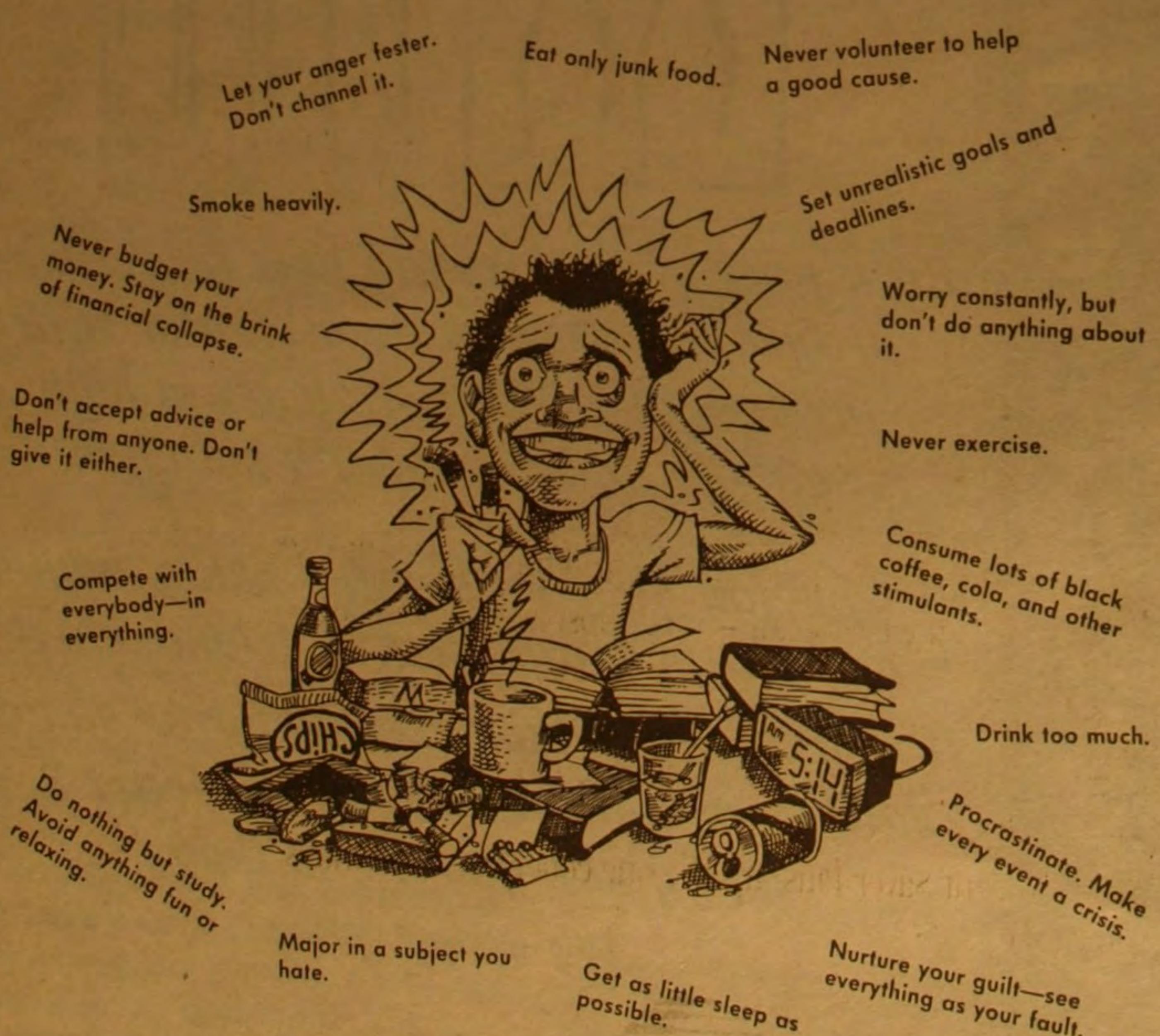
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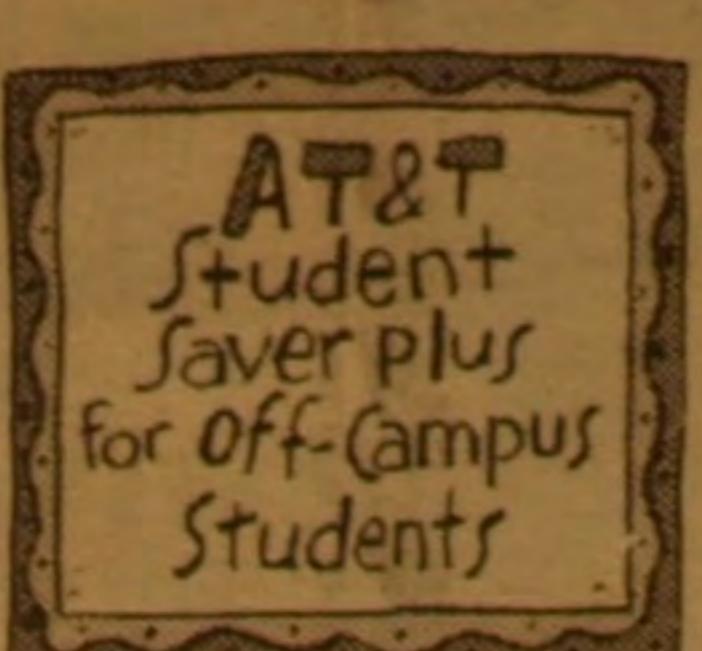
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Opinion

Editorial

Politicians' words speak louder than their actions

The 1992 presidential campaign year seems to be flooded with whiny politicians. Everyone has a sad story to tell of their victimization, though they volunteered for the position.

The Republican National Convention finished up last week with an acceptance by Bush and Quayle for the 1992 nomination. Both Quayle and Bush spoke of a "do-nothing" Congress, and if you believed what they preached, you'd think that all Congressmen run around their chambers with a pitchfork and horns, plotting against the Republicans.

The Republican Party must truly believe in a naive America, if they expect us to buy the idea that the disintegration of the Soviet Union, the falling of the Berlin Wall, and the lifting of the Iron Curtain were all accomplishments of the Republican White House. Precious little of the claimed assets are hard facts: lowered cocaine usage among young Americans and civil rights progress without quotas.

Bush gave the expected speech promises: no new taxes, a cut on mandatory spending (except Social Security), removing 200 government organizations and 4,000 "wasteful programs." This has all been heard before, who's ready to believe it now?

Similar tactics are used on the Democratic campaign. All we hear is what's going to happen when the Democrats take control: more money for social programs, less deficit and more taxes for the rich. Clinton has dodged one character issue after another. The country can deal better with someone who inhaled rather than a candidate who blows the smoke in our eyes.

The non-candidate, Ross Perot, crushed the hopes of his supporters when he backed out of the race. He had garnered multitudes of campaigners, on what? There was never a position taken on a subject. His promise of a campaign platform is something we're still waiting for. Perot couldn't even agree with the people he hand-picked to run his campaign, was he qualified to deal with a Congress full of Republicans and Democrats?

Perot couldn't handle the pressure placed on him by a demanding public. Accustomed to being the autocrat of his own company, the position of close scrutiny was a bit much for him.

It's time for minorities and the majority to bond together

By KIEZHA SMITH
opinion editor

I saw a T-shirt the other day that seemed particularly poignant in the wake

"What really irritates me is the attitude that as a majority race, I am guilty by birth of racism..."

of a summer of racial unrest. It said, "My Race Is Human."

I have no intention of belittling the importance of heritage or denying someone theirs. History is important, to know where you came from gives your future direction. But, when nationality is used as an excuse to be uncooperative or

divide people into tight groups, it's wrong.

I am not a minority. I realize that I cannot know what it's like to be discriminated against because of a skin tone. I don't pretend to comprehend, but I can offer compassion and do my part to stop those around me from their insensitivity. That doesn't mean that because I'm Caucasian, I've never been hurt by someone's prejudices. Cruel people are cruel to everyone.

What really irritates me is the attitude that as a majority race, I am guilty by birth of racism. Sister Souljah, a female rapper, had a great time this summer sounding off about the inherent racism of whites. She believes that a white is incapable of not being racist because it's a hereditary factor. Does that mean that a child of mixed race could receive the gene to hate himself? My genetic

science is as ridiculous as her philosophy.

I am not a person who believes in the division of people into neat slots. I am not so much "white" as I am "human." My friends are chosen based on what can't be seen. If someone wants to judge me, then it had better be on my merits, or lack thereof, not on the color of my skin.

I realize that such superficial judgements have been the basis for racism since its beginnings, and it must seem very appealing to show people what it feels like to be alienated because of nationality. However, consider that every time we give into that temptation, it hurts the delicate truce between America's different minorities and the majority. It also gives people something to feed to their prejudices, the "proof" which is not really that but an attempt at vengeance for pain and suffering.

I was embarrassed when I heard Sister

Souljah downplaying the past 30 years. She insulted everyone who sacrificed and died, black and white, to make her life legally equal in all respects. I am just as embarrassed when David Duke actually has a fighting chance at a government position. Sister Souljah and David Duke are my people, my species. They are a different version of myself, and at times that shames me.

The civil rights movement is far from complete, it will take a few more generations to remove the prejudices of two centuries. Recognize it as an imperfect world, and try to make a difference. Lose the hang-ups your parents have placed on you, the petty generalizations and stereotypes. Go out of your way to meet people from different backgrounds. Teach your children to love based on their emotions, not their eyes. Do what you can to forward humanity, not just yourself.

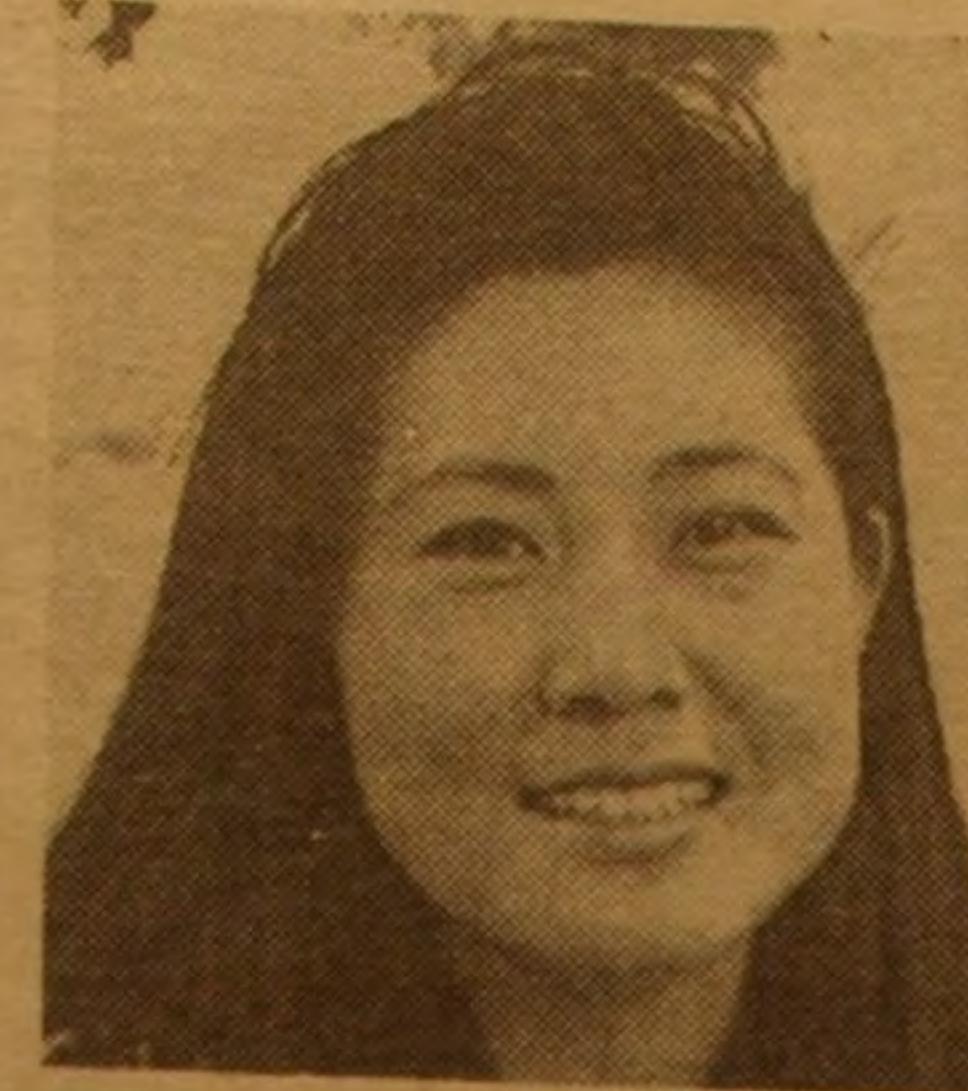


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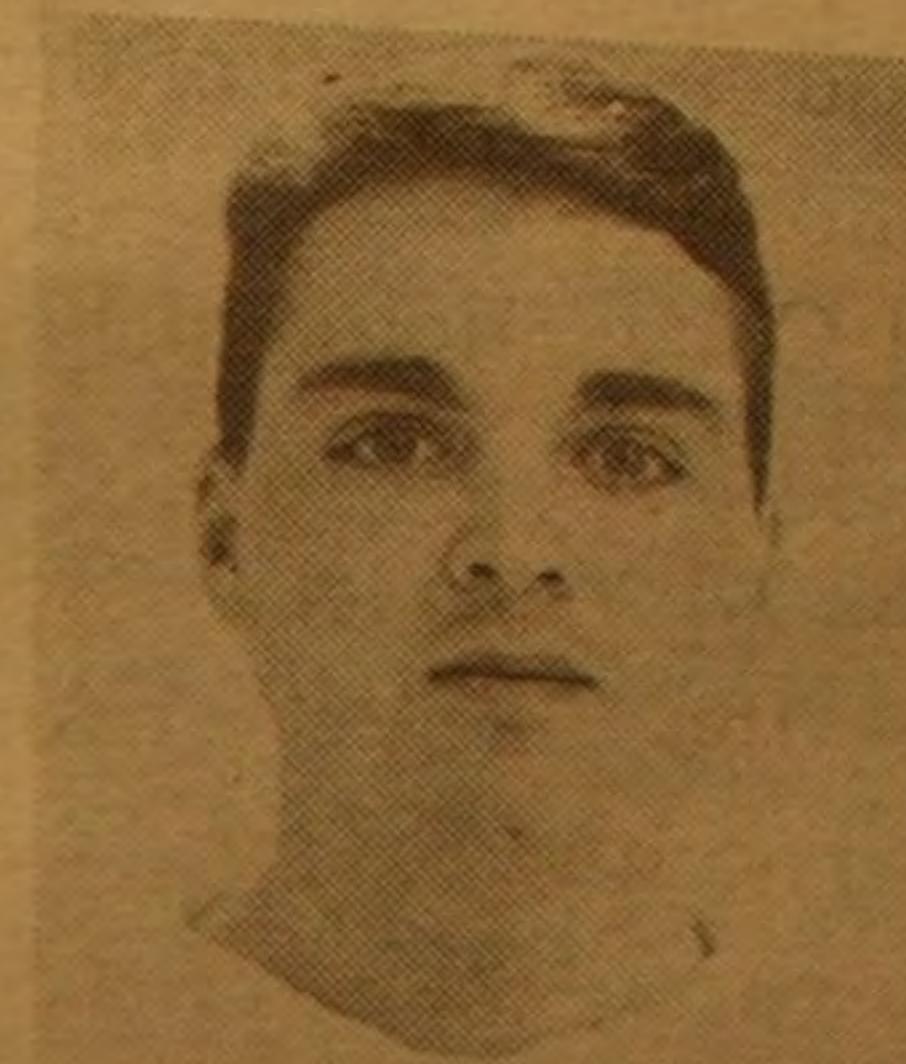
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"It's going to put a scratch or dent in the situation, but there will still be some problems."--
Lalo Bradford,
senior.



"No, but I think it's better than last year."--Mina Lee,
senior



"No, I dislike the parking regulations because it only cripples the traffic situation."--Rusty Vaden, junior

Quayle not a dead bird yet

By JEFF WISDOM
news editor

No matter what his critics may think of him, Dan Quayle made the speech of his political career to the Republican National Convention in Houston last Thursday. He showed the nation why he has remained on the Republican ticket for the 1992 presidential election.

Ever since he was chosen by George Bush four years ago to be his running mate, the press has hounded Quayle about everything from his draft record to his ability to spell "potato." Yet, Quayle has endured.

Why has the vice president been able to withstand so much intimidation? It's simple, Quayle has guts.

Anyone who believes that Quayle lacks leadership abilities has probably been inhaling whatever Bill Clinton did not. How many other politicians have taken such bold stances on controversial issues and stood up for the strong moral values our country was founded on?

Quayle most certainly has deep-rooted moral and ethical beliefs, and he is not afraid to stand up for them. No matter what the media have said about him or done to him, he has not backed down from his convictions one single iota.

Who else would have been brave enough to address the American Bar Association and proclaim that there are too many lawyers in America (not to mention the endless litigation they produce)?

Would Bill Clinton or Al Gore have had the nerve to do the same? I think not. They need this special interest group's

support too badly.

Take Gore for instance. This David was afraid to even face Goliath. Gore made the decision not to seek the Democratic nomination for president in early 1991, when Bush was still enjoying approval ratings above 90 percent and seemed unbeatable.

The way Quayle handles attacks on his "maturity" and intelligence by the media is admirable. He has chosen simply to laugh along instead of going on the offensive.

For example, in his acceptance speech last Thursday, Quayle, speaking of the Democratic ticket, said, "If they're moderates, then I'm a world champion speller."

Despite his "youthful" appearance (Quayle is the same age as Bill Clinton), he has plenty of experience in national government. Do not forget, Quayle was elected to two terms in the Senate before becoming vice president.

"Anyone who believes that Quayle lacks leadership abilities has probably been inhaling whatever Bill Clinton did not."

Quayle, on the other hand, was a co-author of the landmark Job Training Partnership Act while a member of the Senate.

I can hardly wait for Quayle and Gore to go head-to-head in debate this fall.

Mark my words--Dan Quayle will prove to be a formidable opponent for Mr. Gore.

Make no mistake. DAN is the MAN for the vice presidency. Excellent choice, Mr. President!

If you think Gore has more experience in government (he also is a two-term senator), ask yourself what major piece of legislation has Gore sponsored during his tenure in the Senate? If you cannot think of one, you are not alone.

Victim of car accident warns others to wear safety belts at all times

Dear Editor:

With the Labor Day holiday upon us don't forget when you get into your vehicle, "buckle up!" Do it now and every day after. I didn't!

Just five years ago, my life drastically changed from a car accident. My neck was broken leaving me a quadriplegic probably for life from not wearing a seatbelt. The ongoing struggles have not halted me from living somewhat of a productive lifestyle.

Last year with the assistance of funds through Tennessee Vocational Services, I now drive a van. The van is computerized and modified giving me a new independence. I've had my reservations of the dangers, but look at the advantages it offers. I drive very cautious and make sure me and my passengers buckle up.

Our family has experienced a tragedy not once, but twice. In November of 1991, my only brother was killed in a truck accident. He was thrown from his truck, killing him instantly. He, too, was not wearing his seat belt.

I strongly feel the urgency to stress to not only the young but old drivers out there, "buckle up!" What I'm asking is for your help. Next time you get behind the wheel, first things first "buckle up!" It could save your life.

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Sports

Cheerleaders successful

By LUCY ANN GOSSETT
sports editor

A talented and spirited group of 15 students competed at the Middle Tennessee Universal Cheerleading Association Camp in Murfreesboro this summer.

Competition at the camp was between all Division I schools. The Austin Peay squad placed in three of the many categories that tested their skills, strengths, coordination and synchronization.

The squad placed fifth in the category of fight song, second in cheer, and they walked away with first place honors in the sideline category.

Representing Austin Peay this year as cheerleaders are: Charles Alexander, Tonya Binkley, Jude Crowell, Winfield Durrett, Tiffany Fite, Tina Hennessee, Beth Huggins, Kristie Kelley, Contessa Morgan, Larry Perry, Johnny Ransdell, Larry Roberts, Phillip Robinson, Gus Rosa and Wendy Walter.

These individuals have represented Austin Peay well and will be showing their Governor Pride this fall.



RISING SOME YELL--The 1992-93 Governor cheerleaders competed in three categories, including first in sideline competition, recently at the Middle Tennessee University Cheerleading Association Camp. The camp was open to all Division I schools. (photo by Donna Lovett)

Red Barn gears up for fall intramural seasonal activities

By BRYON SHIVE
assistant sports editor

With autumn around the corner and another year of classes underway, activities at the Memorial Health Building at Austin Peay are in full swing.

A full slate of activities, including an extensive intramural program, aerobics and the usual daily regimen, are tapped for the rest of the year.

Intramurals will begin tonight with the flag football captains' meeting at 6 p.m. in room 107 of the Red Barn. The football league, with both male and

female divisions, will begin play tomorrow night with the annual Jamboree on the intramural field. Actual league play is slated for next week.

Aerobic classes, unavailable thus far, will begin soon, with Jackie Kane Batey returning as an instructor. Those interested should stop by for a schedule. An aerobic seminar, scheduled for Sept. 25, will provide information on the aerobic process.

Another seminar scheduled will be geared toward women in the weightroom, though men are allowed to attend. The emphasis will be placed

on training coeds on weight use and the equipment available. A definite date, however, has not been set.

The origin of the intramural program has its beginnings in 1972. Originally, the intramurals had been part of the physical education department. However, when the Dunn Center was built in 1974, it enabled the intramural program to move into the Memorial Health Building.

"The purpose of the program is to provide a variety of activities for the whole student body, both for competition and the non-competitive level," said Drew Simmons, Intramural direc-

tor.

Simmons added that the four main goals of the program are to relieve stress, meet people, and to offer the chance for good competition and the opportunity to get involved and feel better about yourself.

According to Simmons, the emphasis is based on male and females both, so that women do not feel intimidated. Simmons has been a director of the program in some aspect since 1979.

Hours for the Red Barn are 2-9 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 2-8 p.m. on Fridays; and 12-6 p.m. on Saturdays.

Home is where the crowd should be



By LUCY ANN GOSSETT
sports editor

The Austin Peay athletic department has seen many ups and downs but none as depressing as the lack of attendance at home sporting events.

Each year it is the same story. New and old players spend weeks in preparation, developing new attitudes and strategies with the hope of diminishing past upsets and building on victories. Then it happens. The players and

coaches are psyched and ready to do battle, yet when they enter their respective stadiums and arenas, it is as if the crowd forgot to come.

It is somewhat understandable and forgivable when discussing away games but not for the home games. There is something known as a "hometown" advantage. This is meant to intimidate the opponent, but that is not the case at Austin Peay. Opposing teams love to play here because they usually bring a bigger road crew and take over any advantage we may have had.

I am empathetic toward the athletes because I know what it feels like to play your heart out before only a handful of

spectators. I was raised in an athletic family and environment and realize that not everyone is going to share my love for sports. Yet, it makes me angry when someone puts down one of our teams when they have never seen them play.

I know there are probably people out there who don't come because they don't understand the game. I have found in the past that when you don't understand something you should just ask. If you go to a game and no one around you is willing to explain it to you, ask a player or a coach. They are out there doing something they love, and if you find one person that doesn't like to talk about himself, I want to meet

them.

There is also a lack of non-traditional support, and my guess is this is due to financial reasons. The non-traditional student may be paid for, but their spouse and children are not and babysitters don't come cheap either. I think that if we can do something for the military dependents then we should be able to do something for the non-traditional dependents also. The more we support our student body, the more they will support the school. As for the traditional students, those lovely red stickers on the back of your I.D. cards enable you to attend any event for free.

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AP Governors looking good during practice

By LUCY ANN GOSSETT
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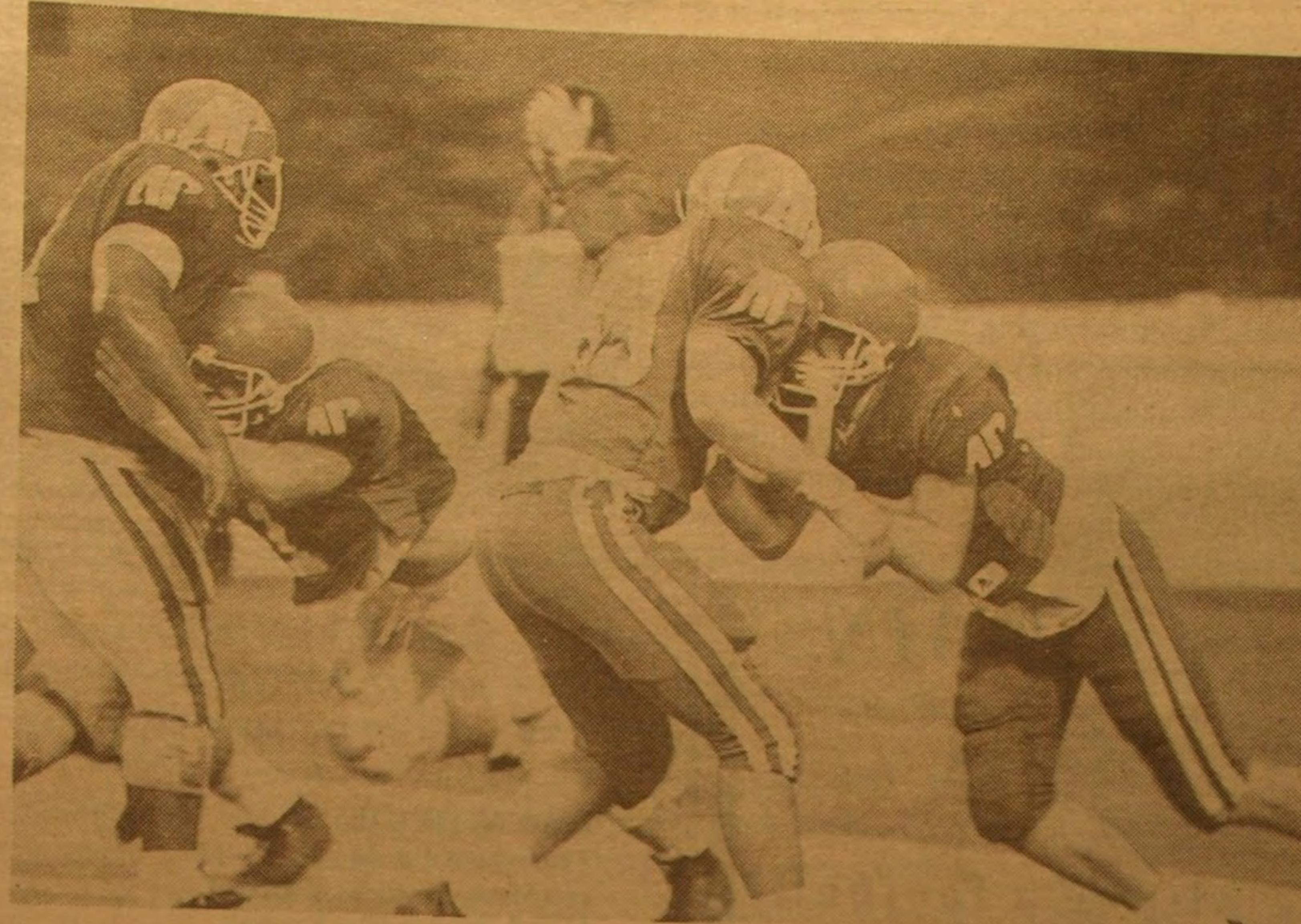
Two weeks and three scrimmages later has the Austin Peay Governors determined to make their 1992 season unforgettable.

Coach Roy Gregory and staff have been working long hours and watching a lot of films to prepare this year's team for their season opener against Eastern Illinois. The Sept. 5 contest will kick off at Municipal Stadium at 6:30 p.m.

The Govs have come a long way since this time last year. There is a renewed sense of determination among the team as they concentrate on building from last year's 5-6 mark. There is more of a positive attitude with the players and also better work ethics. Their mental and physical strengths are continuously building.

Each player is working at making a place for himself on the starting rosters. Jamie Spicer, halfback, had an unofficial 82 yards during the third scrimmage and is definitely a role model for the newcomers. These players have developed their fundamental skills as well as their specialties. When the 1992 season kicks off, the spectators will see a team on the field that has not been seen in a long time.

The coaching staff has been faced with the dilemma of finding a replace-



MAKING IT HAPPEN--Preparing for their season opener against Eastern Illinois, Eric Cross, Bill Sneathen, Tony Brunetti and Eric Gregory work on their skills. (photo by Donna Lovett)

ment for punter Grad Wright. Well, that problem may have been solved. Sophomore Richard Hogan has been working hard during the off-season on his kicking skills. These skills have improved

greatly with practice and the controlled scrimmages.

The next scrimmage for the Governors is scheduled for Thursday at 5:30 p.m.



Lady Govs seek title repeat

The 1991 volleyball Coach of the Year Cheryl Holt welcomed five newcomers to replace the five key seniors that were lost.

The goal for this year's team will be to repeat as the conference champions.

Returning this year are Isabel Canedo, Melissa Gailey, Stephanie Garrard, Stefanie Ballinger and Mitzi West. Newcomers are Jennifer Allred, Heather Eubanks, Jamie Grenne, Dawn Grimes and Kayce Lampp.

Coach Holt has had her work cut out for her. The Lady Govs have been working hard in practice to cut down on their mental mistakes. Their setting and hitting have become more precise. The concentration and positive mental attitudes have added a breath of fresh air for Coach Holt and her program.

The Lady Govs will face Evansville on Wednesday, Sept. 2 at 7 p.m. for their first match. All home matches will be held in the Dunn Center and are free.

SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Sept. 2	Evansville	7 p.m.
Sept. 7	Middle Tennessee	11 a.m.
Sept. 8	Southern Indiana	1 p.m.
Sept. 11-12	at Tenn.-Chattanooga	7 p.m.
	at Graphics Systems Classic (Memphis)	
Sept. 16	at Evansville	7 p.m.
Sept. 18-19	at ETSU Classic	7 p.m.
Sept. 22	at Western Kentucky	7 p.m.
Sept. 25	Morehead State	7 p.m.
Sept. 26	Eastern Kentucky	Noon
Sept. 29	at Murray State	7 p.m.
Oct. 1	Middle Tennessee	7 p.m.
Oct. 2	at Tennessee Tech	7 p.m.
Oct. 6	SE Missouri	7 p.m.
Oct. 9-10	at WKU Tournament	7 p.m.
Oct. 13	at Tennessee-Martin	7 p.m.
Oct. 15	at Middle Tennessee	7 p.m.
Oct. 19	Oral Roberts	7 p.m.
Oct. 20	at Tennessee State	7 p.m.
Oct. 23	at Eastern Kentucky	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 24	at Morehead State	11 a.m.
Oct. 27	Murray State	7 p.m.
Oct. 30	Tennessee Tech	7 p.m.
Nov. 3	at SE Missouri	7 p.m.
Nov. 10	Tennessee State	7 p.m.
Nov. 12	Tennessee-Martin	7 p.m.
Nov. 20-22	OVC Tournament (at APSU)	

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The 13th Annual Mayor's Golf Classic will be played Sept. 19-20 at Clarksville's Swan Lake Golf Course. The field of contestants for the two-day, 36-hole tournament will be limited to the first 180 paid entries received by the Sept. 16 deadline. All amateur golfers in the Clarksville area are invited to participate.

All players will be required to furnish an official, current GHIN handicapable from their club. A tournament committee chaired by Steve Miller will flight players according to their GHIN handicap.

Gift certificates will be awarded in each flight, with the other 50 percent going toward tournament expenses.

The entry fee includes the contestant's ticket to a barbecue meal and awards ceremony which will follow play on Sunday evening, Sept. 20, at the Nation's Bank Club House. Additional meal tickets may be purchased for \$6 each.

Entry forms are available at all Clarksville area golf courses and at the Mayor's Office, 102 Public Square.

WCVQ and the Clarksville Jaycees present the 4th Annual Mud Volleyball Tournament for Epilepsy on Saturday, Aug. 29, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Jaycee Lodge in Clarksville. The entry fee for a team will be \$108 with a roster size of up to 14. There will be a maximum of eight players; at least two women on the court at all times.

For applications, call 648-9675 or 1-800-244-0768.

Tryouts for baseball walk-ons will be Aug. 27 at 3:30 p.m. on the campus baseball field. You must be a full-time student to try out. For more information, call 648-7902.

SOFTBALL PLAYERS!!!

Any female softball players interested in trying out for Austin Peay's NCAA Division I softball team please contact:



Coach Chris Austin
Dunn Center
Room 145
648-6190

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You have already paid for your tickets, so why not use them?

Not only is there the lack of support for the men's programs, but there is even less support for the women. I have heard all the excuses before. "The women just don't bring in the money. They are not as fast paced or excitable as the men." I would just like to point out that our women's basketball team won on the road; our men's basketball and football teams did not. It was our

women's volleyball team that brought home the only OVC title last year. Maybe they too would perform better if someone gave them half a chance.

After all, these athletes are not out there just for themselves. They are out there for you, the student body. They wear Austin Peay on their uniforms not their names. They are out there displaying school pride the best way they know how. Remember that you are as much a part of them as they are of you. The next time someone makes a joke about a particular team, they are also making fun of you. Think about it and see how that makes you feel.

FLAG FOOTBALL CAPTAINS' MEETING TONIGHT



There will be a football captains' meeting tonight for all men's and women's IM football team captains at 6 p.m. in room 107 of the IM Building.

FLAG FOOTBALL JAMBOREE TOMORROW AT 7 P.M. ON IM FIELD. ALL TEAMS ARE ENCOURAGED TO COME.

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STRIDE FOR STRIDE -- Ramon Cruz, Shannon Wood and Joey Wright grimace as they stride through their workout while Coach Elvis Ford looks on. (photo by Donna Lovett)

AUSTIN PEAY STATE UNIVERSITY INTRAMURAL RECREATION PROGRAM SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

FALL ACTIVITIES

	<u>ENTRY DEADLINE</u>
Tennis Sign-Up (Mens, Womens & Mixed)	TBA
Men & Women Flag Football Clinic	Aug. 24
Men & Women Flag Football	Aug. 26
Men & Women Flag Football Jamboree	Aug. 27
Men, Women & Co-rec Volleyball Officials Clinic	Oct. 12, 13
Men, Women & Co-rec Volleyball League	Oct. 14
Racquetball Tournament Men & Women	Oct. 28-Nov. 7
Basketball Officials Meeting Men & Women	Dec. 1, 2
SPECIAL SEMINARS 1992	
Aerobics Seminar	TBA
Weight Training Seminar	TBA
Racquetball Seminar	TBA

AP INTRAMURAL RECREATION

"Many ways to get involved"

The Intramural Recreation department at Austin Peay offers a variety of activities for all APSU faculty, staff and students. Under the direction of Drew Simmons, the IM department has recently completed two projects that should benefit the university community. The weight room has been completely renovated with eight new single stations, two exercise stepping machines, new carpet, free weight accessories and rubberized flooring for the free weight area. The IM department will also coordinate activities with the new Clarksville YMCA which is housed in the IM Complex. All faculty, staff, students and dependents may participate in YMCA activities at no cost.



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Welcome to campus

By PRISCILLA
DANOIS
features editor

Congratulations to all you students who have made the decision to attend Austin Peay State University! Fall is certainly underway now and the excitement is just beginning.

There are a lot of wonderful things that you will find at Austin Peay State University, and there are some things that you will not find.

You will find friendly and fascinating students, great faculty, committed scholars, new convenient parking, exciting educational entertainment, professional and social organizations, educational advisement and a great college newspaper to keep you informed!

But you will not find every student to be friendly, every faculty member to be committed, every parking space to be close, all advisement to be helpful or every play to be interesting!

But you will find that it is within your power to make this opportunity a great experience! As one poet wrote, "What I make of my life is by my own division."

And by making the decision to attend Austin Peay, you have already gotten a step closer to your dreams! Austin Peay State University is one of the finest institutes of higher learning with a strong staff and faculty dedicated to excellence!

So make the best out of your college experience! Get involved! And do not forget to have fun, study hard and evolve. Only you can make the difference in what you get out of this university.

By PRISCILLA DANOIS
features editor

The African American Cultural Center located in the Clement Building, room 101, is a wonderful and very much needed part of Austin Peay's campus.

Upon entering the center, one is greeted by inspiring pictures, cultural paintings, music and artifacts. The atmosphere is warm and inviting. There is plenty to see, read, enjoy and learn.

According to Dr. A. J. Stovall, director of the African American Cultural Center since August 1991, the center is a place where students can be educated about themselves.

"The African American students need to be re-introduced to themselves. We see the center as a place where people can come and get therapy for their sickness," he said.

The AACCC was established in the spring of 1991 by a group of students seeking relief

Students travel and study abroad

By PRISCILLA DANOIS
features editor

Each year Austin Peay gives students an opportunity to study in Mexico or Great Britain for a few weeks in the summer, taking classes and absorbing the local history.

Seven students from Austin Peay were among the 152 students who studied in Britain this summer from July 9 to August 13 at the Kensington site of King's College. Two faculty members from Austin Peay went as well: Dr. Nora Beiswenger, director, and Dr. Aleeta Christian.

The students were enrolled in one five-week term that consisted of one or two three-hour classes that met for two days a week. The classes also sponsored field trips to great cultural sites and points of interest related to the class material. Because students came from many different colleges and universities, it gave Austin Peay students a chance to make friends from different schools in different parts of the country.

MOMENTS IN MEXICO--Below, Christopher Craft, an APSU student, spends time with a child from the orphanage. Left, Dr. Ramon Magrans shares gifts with the children. (courtesy photos)



Financial aid was available, most students took advantage of it to help finance their trip. When first approached about a trip to Britain, the average student might think that it is out of reach. However, this is not necessarily true.

According to one student who went, Mavis Rioux, the trip is definitely within one's reach. "I think anyone who's going to teach English or history should try to go next summer because it makes everything more tangible. And I did it all on financial aid," she said.

Besides being in and touring a foreign country, and gaining college credit through classes, students were able to attain a closer relationship with the faculty members and vice-versa. "It gives the faculty and students an opportunity to get closer, whereas on campus that might not be as easy," said Dr. Beiswenger.

Staying in central London at the residence halls of King's College in Kensington made the trip to Britain even more exciting as students were able to visit museums and castles which were very accessible. Also, the amount of time they spent enabled the students to feel like more than just visitors.

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African American Cultural Center allows students to discover themselves

from isolation and apathy. The goal was to break down barriers and achieve equality and justice for African American students.

The purpose of the center is to educate and enhance positive self-awareness of the African students here at Austin Peay. The AACCC also serves as a community extension of the university's African American Studies Program.

Programming for the center comes from the students. "The center is entirely for the students; they run it," Stovall said.

There is also the African American Student Association (AASA), and to be a card-carrying member, the cost is only \$1. Elections to offices will be held in the coming weeks.

One of the advantages of being a

cardholder is that students will be allowed special privileges. In the month of September there will be several speakers visiting the campus. One of which is the popular singer, Sister Souljah, who not long ago had a "disagreement" with Democratic nominee Bill Clinton that caught national attention.

Another speaker visiting will be Margaret Crawford from the University of North Carolina. Cardholders can expect to probably meet and dine with these speakers.

Ongoing programs of the center include "The Marcus Garvey Lecture Series," which presents a regional scholar/resource person every week.

The first lecture will be held Monday, Aug. 31 at 7:30 p.m. in the AACCC. The lecture will be given by Stovall, and the topic will be "African Americans Must Go Back to Their Future."

Another event scheduled to occur is a Kwanzaa celebration and feast to be held at the end of the fall semester.

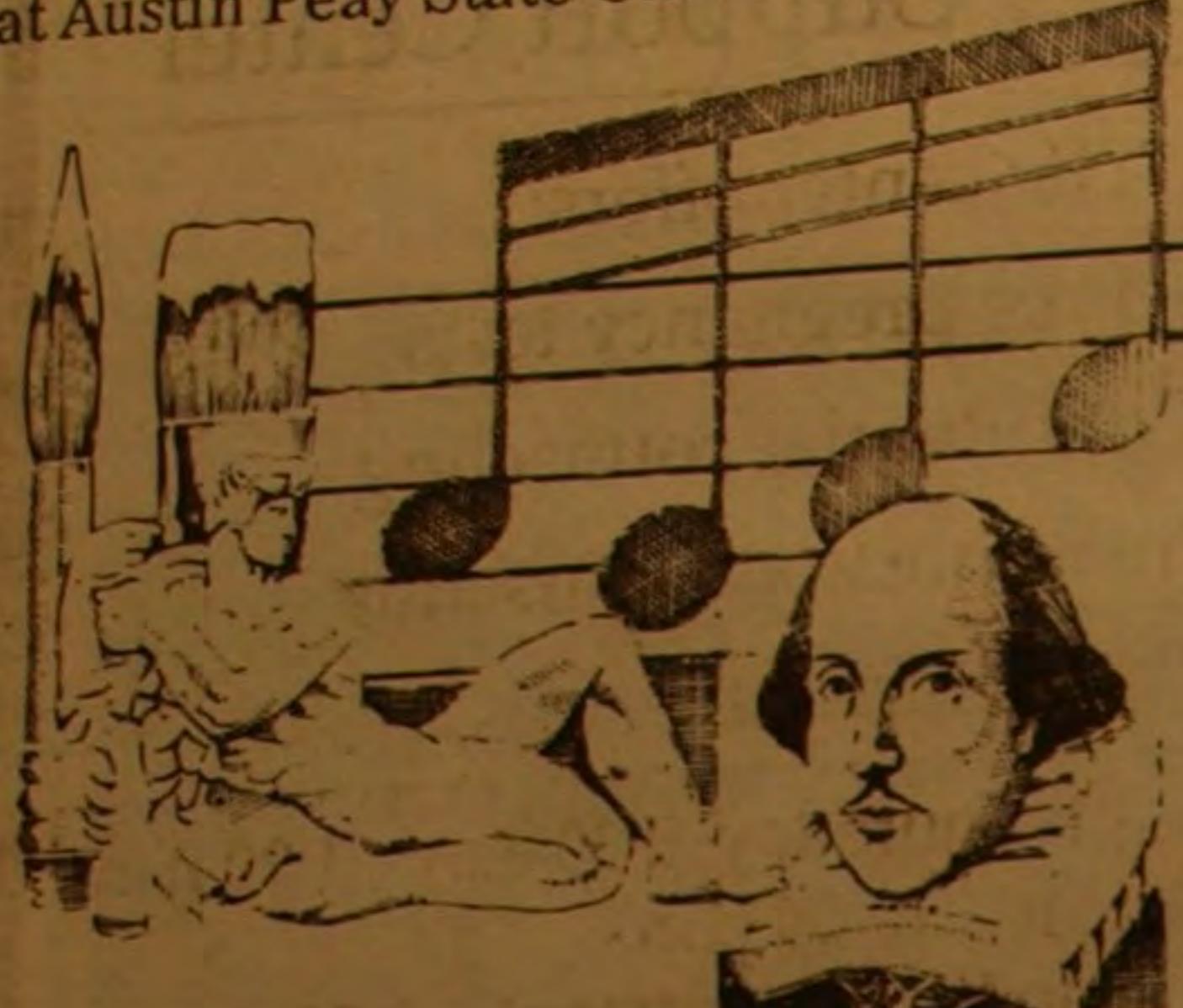
African American periodicals, information on black colleges, biographies on black pioneers, maps and even friendly faces with listening ears can all be found in the center.

"This center has been a great experience for me. I like the campus here and having the center shows that someone cares about the black community," Pamela Jones, a freshman and a frequent visitor to the center, said.

The AACCC's operating hours are Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 p.m. and Fridays from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. For more information, telephone the director at 648-6274 or the receptionist at 648-7120.

Art Scene

A exhibit by art department faculty will open the 1992-93 Trahern Gallery season at Austin Peay State University.



Featuring works by full-time and adjunct faculty, the exhibit opens Monday, Aug. 24, with a reception from 7:30-9 p.m., and remains on display through Sept. 13. Gallery hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday.

DeLaine returns from summer seminar

The director of minority affairs at Austin Peay State University recently returned from a month-long program for women in higher education administration.

Tina DeLaine, who came to APSU in April 1991, was one of a select group to attend the summer institute on the campus of Bryn Mawr College and Higher Education Resource Services, Mid-America.

The summer institute was established 17 years ago to improve the status of women in the middle and executive levels of higher education administration—areas where women traditionally have been under-represented. Special emphasis is placed on the growing diversity of the student body and work force. Participants are provided with

and 1-4 p.m. Sunday. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

Titled "Matrix," this season-opening exhibit will include paintings, drawings, photography, sculpture, ceramics and mixed media works. Exhibitors include full-time department faculty Max Hochstetler, Susan Bryant, Bruce Childs, Dr. James Diehr, Bettye Holte, Dr. Dixie Webb and Gregg Schlanger. Also exhibiting will be adjunct faculty Carol Eckert and Don Scholar, along with Heinrich Lueber, artist-in-residence with the International Artists Exchange Program.

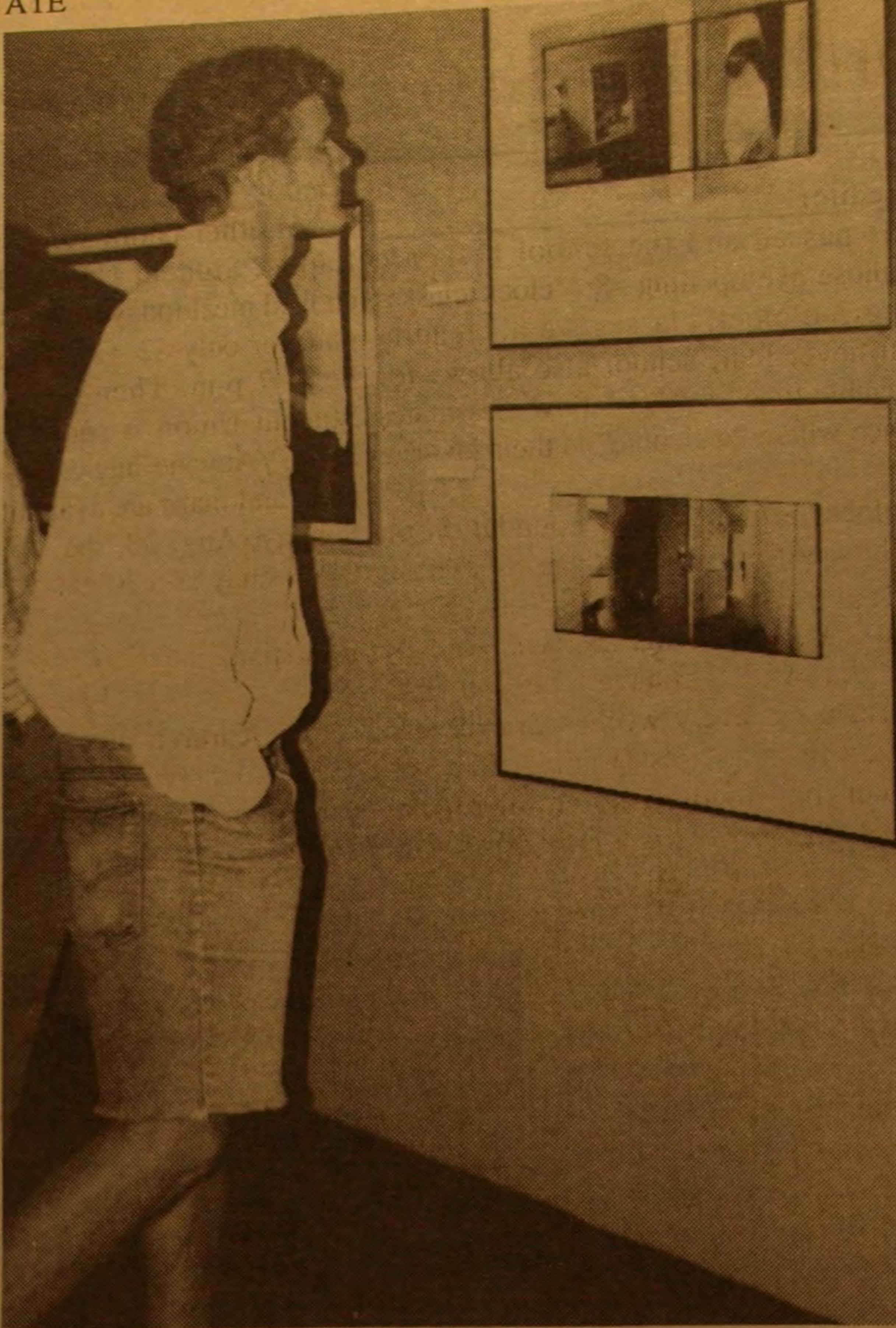
For additional information, telephone the APSU department of art at 648-7333.

Through Sept. 25, Trahern 212A-Swiss artist Heinrich Lueber will conduct an open workshop as a participant in the International Artists Exchange Program.

the skills and information pertinent to the management and governance of colleges and universities and timely information and perspectives on teaching, research and service.

The unique aspect of the program is its commitment to build a network of women administrators who can work together and support each other and, ultimately, expand opportunities for women in higher education.

The program units include: Academic Environment, which addresses issues such as strategic planning, student and faculty development and general education; External Environment, which addresses budget, staffing and resource allocation; and Professional Development, which addresses the needs of the individual woman.



VISITOR TO EXHIBITION--Scotty Peek, a transfer student, looks at Professor Susan Bryant's wide-lux photographs. (photo by Donna Lovett)

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LENDING A HELPING HAND--Jason Bridges opens the door at Miller Hall for Chris Mitchell during check-in last week. (photo by Donna Lovett)



Campus Ministries organize events

By CHRISTI AKINS
assistant features editor

Well, time has passed and the school bells are ringing again for those eye-opening 8 o'clock classes and those relaxing 3 o'clock classes we all readily attend. Right! But never fear, school also allows for some fun and enjoyable time to meet fellow classmates and friends at a place where "welcome" is their favorite word.

One of these places is the Wesley Foundation on College Street. They will be having a family night beginning at 5:15 p.m. today. The Wesley Singers will have a rehearsal on Thursday, Aug. 27. On Sunday morning, Aug. 30, they will also have a class at 9:45 am. These events will occur every week with everyone cordially invited. But wait! The Wesley Foundation also wants to invite everyone to their spiritual retreat scheduled for Oct. 30-Nov. 1. This is a joint effort with

Minority Affairs. For more information, call 647-6412. Another campus ministry at Austin Peay is the Baptist Student Union. They are enjoying a home-cooked meal today in the BSU. This is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for only \$2. On Thursday, Aug. 27, vespers will be at 7 p.m. Then on Friday, Aug. 28, the Baptist Student Union is sponsoring a "Back-to-School Pool Party." Anyone interested should meet at the BSU at 4 p.m., and maps are available. This is not on campus. On Sunday, Aug. 30, the Voices of Triumph will have a Bible study at 6:30 p.m., and rehearsal at 7:30 p.m. The BSU is open for everyone's relaxation from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 p.m.

The Church of Christ Student Center also had a back-to-school party and offers regular events along with many other campus ministry organizations. Everyone is invited to participate.



TASTING THE GOODIES--Members of the Church of Christ Student Center held a back-to-school bash with a banana split party last Monday night. (photo by Donna Lovett)

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Classifieds

Wanted: Responsible person(s) to live in furnished basement apartment with kitchen RENT FREE in exchange for babysitting two school age boys approximately 15-17 hours a week. Utilities, cable TV, fireplace, pool table, microwave and tennis court included. References required. Call at 647-0197 after 5 pm.

SPRING BREAK '93- SELL TRIPS, EARN CASH & GO FREE!!! Student Travel Service is now hiring campus representatives. Ski packages also available. CALL 1-800-648-4849.

Resident halls looking for Security Aides to work 6-15 hrs per week. Current APSU student in good academic and disciplinary standing. College Work Study Program preferred. Contact SFAO.

YOUTH DIRECTOR, Part-time Sango United Methodist Church \$300 month. Contact: Rev. Roland Perkins, 58-3528 or 358-2552.

Intramural flag football officials and scorekeepers are needed to work 6-8 hours per week. Experience is preferred, but not necessary. Mandatory clinics will be held and all applicants are required to attend. Apply in Student Financial Aid Office in Ellington.

Student clerical assistant (2) must have knowledge and skills of WordPerfect to work 10-15 hours per week. Apply in Student Financial Aid Office in Ellington.

Library is looking for two Student Assistants to work 9-12 hrs per week. Must be able to pay attention to detail and work well independently. Must have the ability to learn and use the Library of Congress Classification system of books. Contact SFAO.

Intramural pool lifeguards (2) are needed to work at APSU pool 4-8 hours per week. Senior Lifesaving or WSI required. Apply in Student Financial Aid Office in Ellington.

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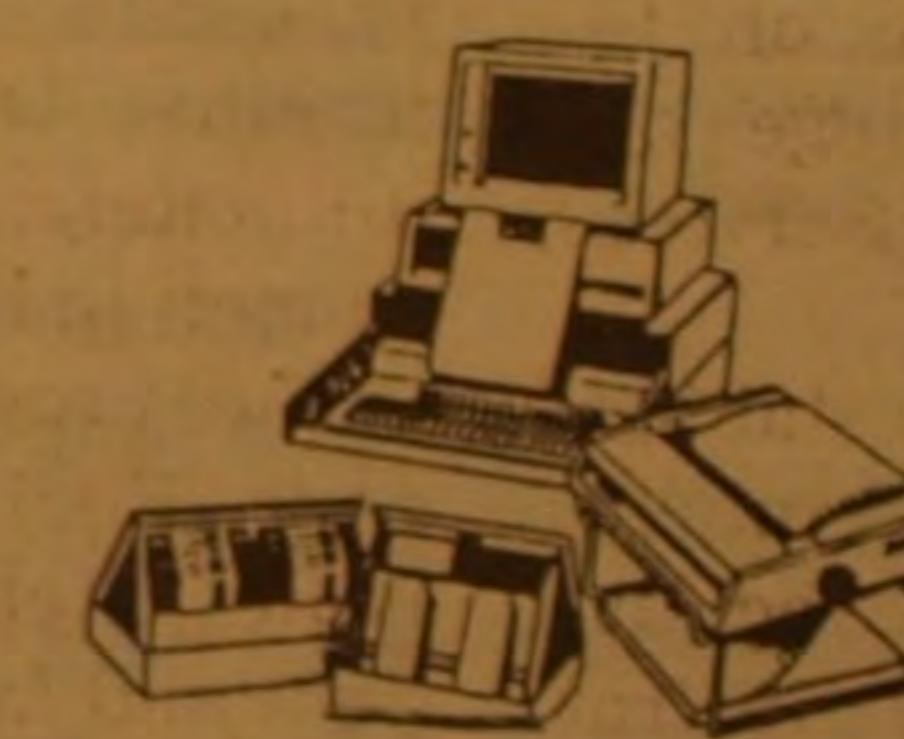
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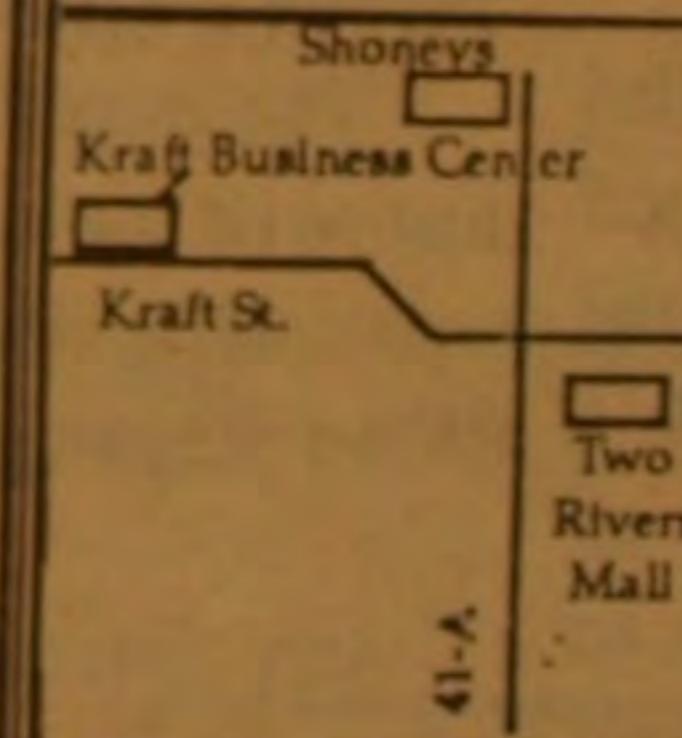
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FOCUS offers activities to encourage African Americans to stay in school

By MISSY CARROLL
editor-in-chief

African American students have an opportunity to become involved with a program that addresses their interests in an attempt to motivate and encourage them to stay in school. The FOCUS: Young People Emerging program was developed as a retention program four years ago.

It was initially designed to target African American males, but a female group has also been formulated. According to Tina DeLaine, director of Minority Affairs, each group meets separately to discuss the different issues that affect them.

For example, the female group may discuss such topics as hair and makeup and professional topics such as how to balance a career and a family. The separation of minimal," DeLaine said. The gender groups also allows bonding to occur, she said.

An analysis of the program last year proved that it is doing well, according to DeLaine. "We are doing well in terms of retaining people," DeLaine said.

Speakers from the community and university often visit workshops designed to address problems or general information that may benefit today's African American students such as how to survive in the workplace in addition to other relative needs of today's African American students.

DeLaine stated that this year a special retreat is planned for the end of September at Mansard Island on Kentucky Lake. This is the first year the group has planned a retreat.

Additional functions the program offers are a Christmas party and a banquet at the end of the year. Parents will be invited to this year's banquet. The FOCUS students are recognized for their participation with certificates and a gift such as a jacket or sweater.

DeLaine along with Darolyn Parks-Porter, Drew Simmons, Sheila Amos, Joe White and Judith Bartley serve as coordinators for the program.

FOCUS meets twice per month for two hours.

"Time commitment is

According to Yancey Peter, a senior and a long-standing member, FOCUS allows its members to see other minorities, and African Americans can see successful African Americans and also interact and learn from them in a "mentor/mentee" relationship.

"The experience from FOCUS is one that will enhance one's campus life, especially African Americans, and it allows you to grow," Peter said.

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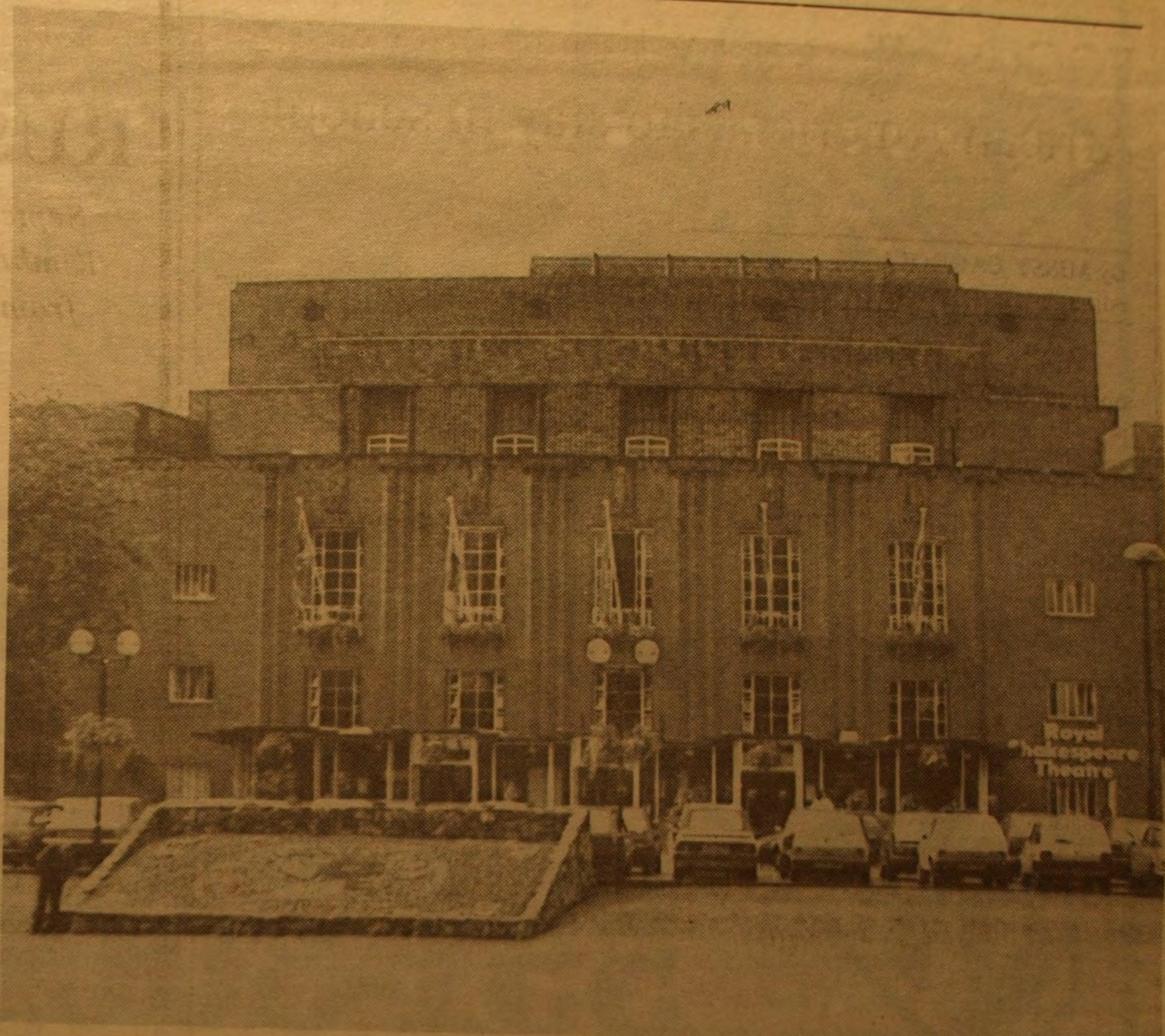
The summer program to Britain will be offered again next summer, and according to Beiswenger, it's not too soon to begin thinking about it. For more information contact her at 648-7891 or Christian at 648-7612.

Another fascinating trip that took place over the summer was the trip to Mexico for Austin Peay students. That trip was from July 9 to Aug. 10. Ten Austin Peay students attended out of a total of 37. Dr. Ramon Magrans, faculty member and director of the program, accompanied them. Again, Austin Peay students were able to study a foreign country while making new friends. The headquarters of the trip were in Cuernavaca, Mexico, where students lived with Mexican families and went to classes. By living with the families, the students were able to practice their Spanish and merge with the Spanish culture.

"The students had the wonderful opportunity to live with Spanish families and to enjoy life with them. That is the value of the experience," said Magrans.

Aside from living with the families and attending classes from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., the students were able to travel throughout Mexico City. They went to Taxco, Acapulco and an orphanage called "Our Little Brothers." They also toured an Indian Village where wool products are sold, called Santiago.

Financial Aid helped most of these students go as well. Yes, these trips are quite possible! So, if you're interested in going, the Study in Mexico trip will be held again next summer. For more information, contact Magrans at 648-7847.



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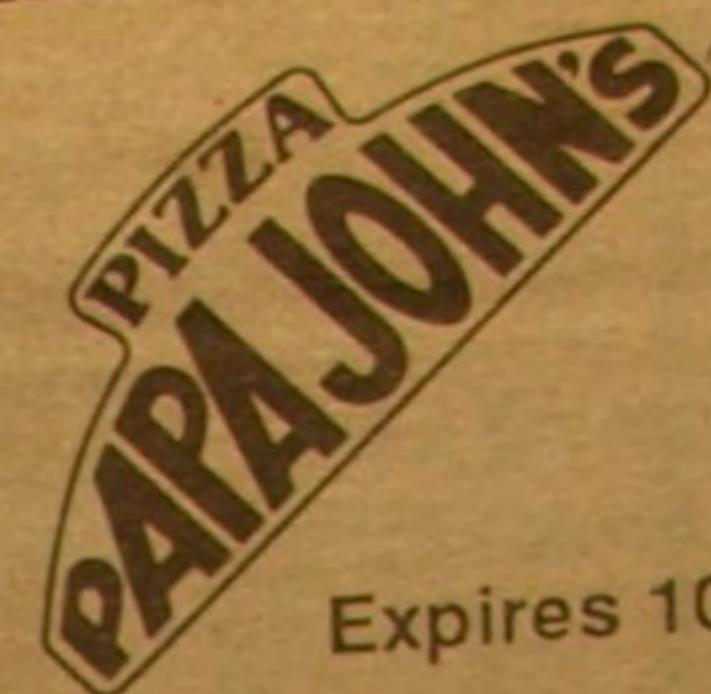
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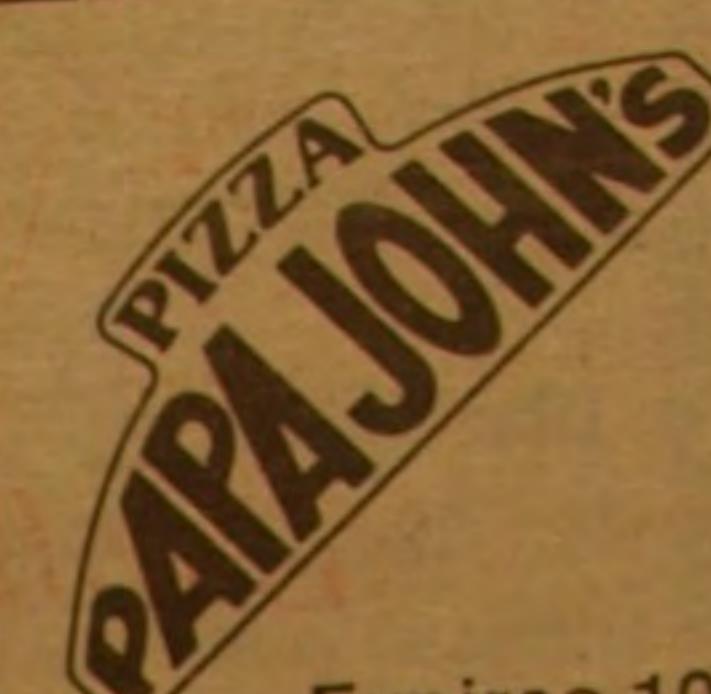


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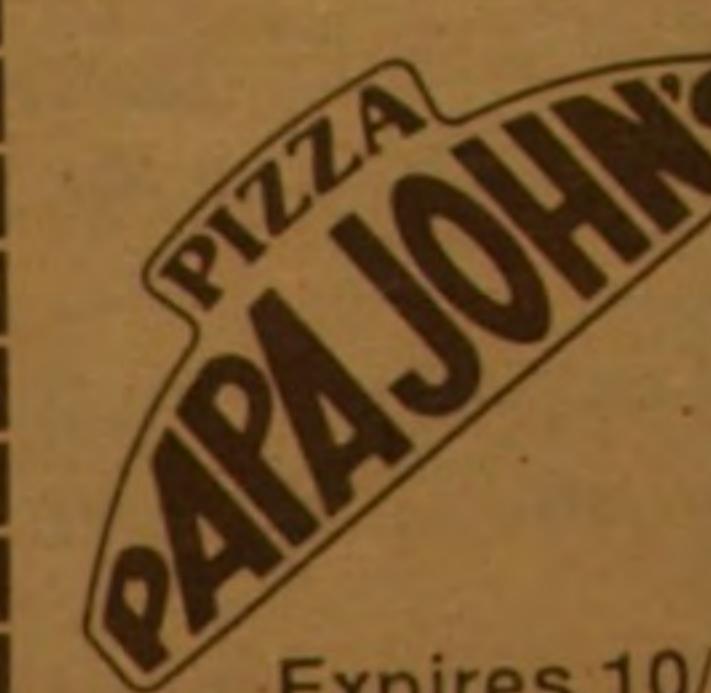
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