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TBR supports decision to close meetings

By CARINDA BASSO & ALICIA MOOREHEAD

An invitation to the university community to attend the Strategic Long Range Planning Committee meetings was descended when members of the student press tried to attend a meeting last Tuesday.

Students representing both *The All State* and *AP Magazine* attempted to sit in on the SLRP meeting, but were told by APSU President Dr. Sal Rinella that they would have to leave.

SLRP is a committee that was discussing the 1997-98 budget and the appropriation of budget cuts which total over one million dollars.

Julie Goodyear, a Tennessee Board of Regents representative, said, "The president can choose to open the meetings to whomever he desires."

However, when asked about meetings in general, Goodyear said the meetings are either open to all or none.

Rinella has told the reporters they would have to leave the meeting, but that the minutes of the meeting would be available for review.

When asked to leave, the reporters from *AP Magazine*, questioned Rinella about their rights under the Tennessee Open Records and Meetings Act, also called the Sunshine Law.

Rinella said the meeting did not fall under the Sunshine Law and told the reporters they could discuss the issue with his Executive Council.

The *All State* reporter told Rinella she would attend the meeting as a student within the university community.

Rinella told the staff member that she was the press first, and would have to leave the meeting due to her position on *The All State*.

Last week's meeting was the third since an *All State* reporter was initially denied access to the meeting. At another meeting, a reporter representing *AP Magazine* was allowed to stay as a student.

"I didn't really understand the nature of *AP Magazine*, I thought it was more of a class project as opposed to being a part of the

media," said Rinella.

"I have to profess I was a little slow on the uptake in terms of what role the reporter from *AP Magazine* played at the meeting."

"Had I known, I would have told the reporter that no media was allowed. That was clearly an oversight on my part," said Rinella.

However, at that meeting, Rinella asked the reporter if she were there as media or a student.

Other local media were denied access to the meeting last week. Both a reporter from WJZM in Clarksville and a crew from TV-43 in Hopkinsville were denied access to the meeting.

TV-43 filed a formal complaint with the TBR last Wednesday.

Also, by making the decision to close the meetings to the press, Austin Peay may be violating its own policy.

In Austin Peay's Policies and Procedures Manual, there is a policy that states, "Meetings of standing committees of the university, its colleges, departments, divisions, and including student committees shall be open to the public."

Exemptions from this open meeting policy under the policy are "meetings of committees of the university that deal with personnel matters and where the privacy of individuals under consideration cannot be protected."

A meeting that is deemed open under the Sunshine Law, according to the APSU policy, should be proceeded with appropriate notice such as: posting the meeting agenda on the bulletin board of the office, posting the meeting on the bulletin board of the University Center, or publishing the notice in *The All State*.

Many members of the university community have been frustrated with the lack of notice of the committee meetings.

Last week's was the last meeting of the Strategic Long Range Planning Committee for the academic year.

The budget process is complete, and Rinella will send budget recommendations to the chancellor of the Tennessee Board of Regents. The chancellor will review the recommendations and take them under consideration at the TBR June meeting.

Talking about those animals..



Dr. Jonathan Sleeman, a veterinarian from Cambridge, England, talks with Dr. Jacqueline Wade, director of the African American Student Association, about his research of mountain gorillas in Central Africa. Sleeman spoke about his experiences to students and staff last week. (photo by Andy Segelke)

AP student killed, campus lends help

By ALICIA MOOREHEAD editor-in-chief

Angela Holmes, a 21-year-old Austin Peay student and Baskin-Robbins employee, was abducted from the ice cream store last Wednesday night. She was found dead at Dunbar Cave State Natural Area Thursday morning.

According to the state medical examiner, Holmes and her co-worker, Michelle Mace, a 16-year-old, both died to death after having their throats slit.

Mace's brother found them missing when he went to pick up Mace on Wednesday night. There was approximately \$600.00 missing from the store.

A junior, Holmes was a three-year veteran of Austin Peay's ROTC program. She had just been accepted into APSU's nursing program and she had a three-month-old baby.

Holmes had been working at Baskin-Robbins for about 11/2 years. APSU senior Rebecca Sellers said Holmes was not only a fellow ROTC cadet, she was a close friend as well.

Sellers said Holmes was a caring individual. "No one could ever meet Angie without loving her," Sellers said. "I never thought this could happen to her because she had no enemies."



Angela Holmes

Sellers said that Holmes was a happy person. "Angie always had a glow about her," she said. Sellers said the crime hit home because Sellers is a mother and a wife herself.

Graduate student Christy Lambardo was shocked at the news. "Having had Angela as a classmate, I remember her as a classmate. It is important that the Austin Peay family help out her husband and child with donations."

Austin Peay's ROTC program has set up a fund in Holmes' name. Donations to the memorial fund may be made at any Nations Bank and will go directly to

Holmes' husband and child.

Memorial funds also have been established at Farmers and Merchants Bank.

On campus, organizations are trying to make students more aware of violent crimes.

The Nontraditional Student Organization, Veterans Student Organization, Student Government Association and Student Development Center all sponsored a violent crime forum yesterday, "How to Protect Yourself From Violent Crime" was held during the common hour in the U.C. Bowl.

Student Samantha Townsend was the primary organizer of the event. She plans on taking petitions and information gathered to the Clarksville City Council and requesting they pass a law requiring that businesses open late at night employ a security guard.

All this week, SGA will have a table set up in the UC to take donations. The proceeds will be distributed evenly between both of the victims' funds.

At press time, Clarksville Police were still questioning Jerry L. Shelly, 32, and James W. Jones, 43, but they had not been charged in the murders.

Police were also questioning a third man in the case who was picked up over the weekend on unrelated charges.



Animal Trainers entertain community and Austin Peay students in front of the University Center last week. (photo by Andy Segelke)

Slate Siena to be speaker

Few people have seen as much of the world as Jane Slate Siena, a 1976 graduate of Austin Peay, who will be the speaker for the university's spring commencement on May 9.

Siena will address more than 600 baccalaureate and master's degree candidates for graduation during the 2 p.m. ceremony in the Dave Aaron Arena, Winfield Dunn Center.

In addition to the graduates and their families, special guests will include members of the class of 1947 who will be back on campus to celebrate their 50-year reunion.

A 1972 graduate of Clarksville High School, she earned a master's degree from the University of Wisconsin in 1978.

She is head of institutional relations for Getty Conservation Institute, Los Angeles. She also is founding president of the St. Petersburg (Russia) International Center for Preservation, a joint venture between the Getty Conservation Institute and the Russian Academy of Sciences.

Within the past year, Siena was named by President Bill Clinton to the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board. She also is chair of the National Musical Arts at the National Academy of Sciences, Washington, D.C., and founding editor of *Conservation, The GCI Newsletter*.

The Getty Institute is an operating organization within the J. Paul Getty Trust. Siena joined the Getty Institute's founding team in 1985 to develop an international program devoted to conservation of the cultural heritage.

Her responsibilities include conceptualizing, identifying and developing partnerships with professional, corporate and government agencies.

She has been instrumental in establishing Getty programs in the Middle East, Europe, Latin America, Asia, the United States and Russia to promote the conservation of libraries, museums, archaeological sites and historical architecture.

Prior to joining Getty, Siena was program coordinator for the National Institute for Conservation, Smithsonian Institution, where she conducted landmark studies for Congress that resulted in new federal programs for museums and libraries, and directed research for private foundations that resulted in endowments to U.S. universities.

She worked closely with the American Association of Museums and professionals nationwide to position conservation of the cultural heritage as a national issue.

Siena served on the Clinton-Gore Arts/Humanities Transition Team and serves on the advisory board for the Vice President's Residence Foundation to advise the vice president on art at the Admiralty House.

Dr. Sal Rinella, president of Austin Peay, said, "Despite her busy professional life, Jane always makes time for her alma mater and is a proud graduate of Austin Peay."

"Along with the Austin Peay National Association, Jane co-hosted a reception for Austin Peay's Washington, D.C., area alumni in March, marking the first time the university has held such a function in the nation's capital. It was a great event and evening for Austin Peay, and we are indebted to Jane for all of the work she did to ensure its success."

Austin Peay's alumni have a wonderful record of success. Jane is a fine example of our alumni who are making a strong mark, in her case, on public policy, education and supporting and advancing the arts. We are proud of her accomplishments."

Siena is married to Dr. M. Kirby Talley Jr. of Amsterdam, who is executive counselor to the Ministry of Education, Culture and Science for the Netherlands.

Exam Schedule

Friday, May 2

8-10 a.m. T/TH classes which meet at 7:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. MWF classes which meet at 11 a.m.
1-3 p.m. T/TH classes which meet at 2:30 p.m.

Monday, May 5

8-10 a.m. T/TH classes which meet at 8:55 a.m.
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. MWF classes which meet at 10 a.m.
1:30-3:30 p.m. MWF classes which meet at 2 p.m.

Tuesday, May 6

8-10 a.m. MWF classes which meet at 9 a.m.
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. T/TH classes which meet at 10:20 a.m.
1:30-3:30 p.m. MW classes which meet at 3 p.m.

Wednesday, May 7

8-10 a.m. MWF classes which meet at 8 a.m.
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. T/TH classes which meet at 1 p.m.
1:30-3:30 p.m. MWF classes which meet at 1 p.m.

Thursday, May 8

8-10 a.m. MWF classes which meet at 7 a.m.
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. MWF classes which meet at 12 p.m.
1:30-3:30 p.m. Open

If taking an evening class, 3:45 p.m. or later, exams will be during the period time when the class normally meets during exam week. If the class meets two evenings per week, the exam is scheduled for the first day it is offered during exam week.

Good Luck!

HBO to showcase Austin Peay

By ALICIA MOOREHEAD
editor-in-chief

Austin Peay is joining the ranks of universities like Notre Dame, Wake Forest and Rice as well as corporations like IBM—for a price. A price of \$23,800 to be exact.

Austin Peay has signed a contract to be featured on the HBO produced show "The Executive Forum." The national show, hosted by Edwin Newman, will showcase the advancements Austin Peay has made in integrating business and academics.

"We were selected because our approach to the integration of education and business needs through technology is at the forefront of future

developments," said John Moseley, assistant professor of speech, communication and theatre and chair of the committee that is organizing the event.

APSU President Dr. Sal Rinella will be interviewed by Newman at HBO's studios in New York in the middle of May. A production crew will then visit campus to film the highlights of Austin Peay's advancements. The committee will determine the programs and facilities on which HBO will focus.

Austin Peay is helping to offset HBO's production cost by underwriting the show and paying \$23,800. Austin Peay will receive 500 video tapes of the segment "The Executive Forum" produces and also will be linked to the

program's web page.

According to Rinella, the funding for the venture will probably come from the president's contingency fund. The contingency fund is an emergency fund and the president's is the only ongoing contingency fund on campus. Normally, it contains \$60,000.

Moseley and Rinella are hoping the experience will greatly benefit Austin Peay. "We are going to get national exposure for many of the innovative programs that are currently evolving on this campus," Moseley said.

Some of the projects considered for exposure include the Business and Community Solution Center and the 21st Century Classroom Project.

Crime Scene

Compiled by Andy Segelke
staff writer

April 14 At 3:58 p.m. a burglary of an auto was reported in the Killebrew parking lot.

April 15 An auto burglary was reported at 3:44 p.m. on Summer Street.

Harold W. Wilson of Lincoln Homes was arrested for removing items from a school bus.

April 16 An auto burglary was

reported near the Dunn Center at

9:41 p.m.

April 16 At 9:45 p.m. an auto was reported in the Cafeteria.

April 17 Harassing phone calls were reported in Emerald Hall at 9:04 a.m.

April 21 A purse was reported missing from the U.C.

April 22 A charge of harassment was reported in 3-30 Hall in Cross Hall.

Class changes

Attention Students! If you have had no world literature, register for Traditions in World Literature 2030. Prerequisites for ENG 2030 are ENG 1010 and ENG 1020. If you have already taken ENG 2010 or ENG 2020, then you need to register for one of the following sophomore level world literature classes: ENG300A Fiction, ENG300B Poetry, ENG 300C Drama, ENG 300D Film, or 300E Themes. If you have

already preregistered for ENG 2030 and have had ENG 2010 or ENG 2020, you need to drop ENG 2030 and register for one of the 300 series classes listed above. If you have preregistered for one of the 300 series courses and have not had 2010 or 2020, you need to drop the 300 series course and register for ENG 2030. Please call the department of languages and literature, 648-7891, if you have questions.

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Magic 91.7 wins statewide award

By DANNY PEPPERS
staff writer

The Tennessee Associated Press Broadcasters Association presented Austin Peay's radio station, WAPX, Magic 91.7 FM, with the first place award for Best Radio Production: Small Market. Knoxville's WIVK won the award for large market.

According to station manager John Moseley, this award is for the entire small market, commercial and non-commercial, across the state of Tennessee. He said it was the students who

won the award, because the station is student-staffed and student-directed.

"It doesn't surprise me that we do as well as we do," said Moseley. "This award shows we're doing an excellent job preparing students for the workplace."

"The advantage for students is that we offer hands-on experience in virtually every aspect of radio. All of our directors are students. I'm here strictly in an advisory capacity," said Moseley.

Program director Aljon Go, a senior at Austin Peay who has worked at WAPX for three years, said the award for best radio pro-

duction is one of the biggest the radio station has ever won.

"It says a lot about what the students in this program are capable of," said Go.

According to Moseley, students get to manage, produce promotions for various non-profit organizations, produce news, select music and handle public affairs.

WAPX offers a wide range of music, from alternative to classic, and it is commercial-free. Moseley said there are spots available for students to do air shifts in the summer if anyone is interested.

AKA celebrates black family heritage

By VENICELON WILLIAMS
staff writer

The ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Kappa Rho chapter of Austin Peay sponsored the program African Pride: "Celebrating the Black Family." last Wednesday night in Clement Auditorium.

This program was a part of the sorority's Spring Greek Week. The sorority invited friends and families of faculty, staff, students, student organizations and local churches.

The sorority said they wanted to improve, inspire and motivate the black family.

The guest speaker was the Rev. Robert P. Harris, Jr., pastor of the First Missionary Baptist Church in Clarksville.

Harris spoke on reclaiming the black family and their communities. "One person can mess up a family and it will mess up a community and then a nation and then destroy our world," said Harris. Harris offered the solution of Jesus Christ for all families and communities, both black and white.

"The speaker was very inspiring and gave us hope for our families and communities," said Kimberly Jackson, a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

"It is important to celebrate all

families," said APSU President Dr. Sal Rinella who gave special remarks at the program.

"The purpose of the program was to celebrate the black family despite what the media reports. We want to acknowledge the good of the black family and build the bond of the family," said Joshualyn Smalls, member of the sorority.

"We have been participating in community service all week long with nursing home visits, girls home visits — we thought this would be a great way to highlight what our sorority is all about, serving mankind," said Bridget Joyner, President of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

"This program was a positive way to help the community. Hopefully, we can continue to sponsor more programs such as this one," said Smalls.

"We were very happy with participation and attendance of faculty and students. We have received positive responses about the program," said Joyner.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, the oldest Greek letter organization established by black college women in America, was formed in 1908 by nine Howard University students.

Clarksville man impersonates doctor

By ANDY SEGELKE
staff writer

Police believe that a man arrested two weeks ago in Clarksville for impersonating a doctor may have had contact with the Austin Peay community.

At the time of his arrest, Bill Hadden was impersonating an ob/gyn, and he has been known to act as the representative of a large medical agency as well.

According to Deputy Bruce Nicoll of the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, Bill Hadden

has placed ads in the Leaf-Chronicle and possibly the All State soliciting would-be models or secretaries for a doctor.

Because the alleged scam goes back over several years, *The All State* has been unable to verify whether the paper has run any of the ads.

The applicants to the modeling advertisement would be asked to pose for a series of preliminary photos in the initial interview. Hadden would later call selected applicants for a second interview.

In this interview, the applicant would be asked to remove her clothes under the pretense

that the agency for whom Hadden supposedly worked needed nude photos.

The applicants to the fictitious secretarial positions would be informed that a complete physical was required including a pelvic exam. Applicants were told that the doctor would perform the procedure for free.

Upon investigation, police turned up a large number of photographs of "models" dating back to the early 1990s.

Police ask that anyone who may have had contact with Hadden to contact Deputy Bruce Nicoll at 648-0611.

Peay Briefs

Governor's First Ladies

The Austin Peay football program is reviving a service that was once a major part of Austin Peay football, the Governor's First Ladies. Responsibilities of a first lady include: on-campus touring of prospective student athletes, acting as a hostess during home football games, planning an annual barbecue for players, working with coaches and players and representing Austin Peay. Anyone interested should contact Jeanette Kramer at the football office at 648-7905.

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On May 3, Miyoko King, Bicultural Coordinator for the Japan Center of Tennessee, will teach origami classes. On May 4, the museum will be holding its monthly "Free Sunday." Admission is free. For more information, telephone the museum at 648-5780.

Free HIV testing

Clarksville Cares is a non profit organization that offers support for people living with HIV/AIDS and provides education about HIV/AIDS to the community.

The semi-annual P-Knits benefit will be

held Saturday, April 26, at P's Tavern, located at 539 Franklin Street.

There will be a \$5 donation at the door and free confidential HIV testing from 9 p.m.-midnight.

Child Learning Center

The Child Learning Center is looking for donations of any type to sell in the annual yard sale that will be held on April 25 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. If students have anything they would like to donate, they can drop it by the Child Learning Center at the Sexton building, or call 648-6234.

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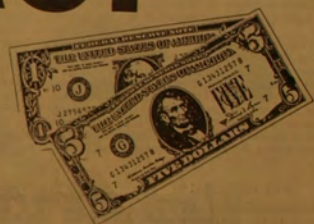
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'Opened' meetings closed to reporters

Over a month ago, *The All State* sent a reporter to cover a meeting of the Strategic Long Range Planning Committee. The paper went looking for one story, but found a much more important one.

This has turned into a battle of not only Tennessee's Open Records and Meetings Act, (also known as the Sunshine Law) but of a student's basic rights. It seems that APSU President Sal Rinella has decided to pick and choose which students he will let sit in on the SLRP committee meetings. In the *All State's* book, that is just plain wrong.

We feel Rinella is wrong to exclude any members of the student body from these meetings. Student media members are still students. In fact, most students will be unable to learn what goes on at the meetings if the press is kept out.

Rinella allowed a representative from *AP Magazine* and *The All State* to sit in on one SLRP meeting, but two weeks later, told representatives from both student media that they could not stay.

Rinella says he was told by TBR officials that he could do what he wanted in regards to the matter. We think paying tuition and receiving scholarships from the university entitles us to be involved in activities that other students are involved in. Who knows, maybe we'll be excluded from graduation or even attending classes.

Rinella is relying on his lawyers (who we're sure are highly paid with state money) to help him skirt the law.

We at *The All State* have no lawyers; we must rely on the meager holdings of the Felix G. Woodward Library to learn about the law.

We're sure Rinella's attorneys said there are legal precedents that support his position. One such case, *Fain v. Faculty of Law*, concluded that committees composed of students and faculty created to assist a dean in decision-making at the University of Tennessee are not subject to the Sunshine Law. The rea-

soning in that case was that that dean was considered an administrative officer as opposed to a public body, and the Sunshine Law only applies to public bodies.

Another case, *Metropolitan Air Research Testing Authority Inc. v. Metropolitan Government*, concluded that a meeting wasn't covered under the Sunshine Law because a sole decision maker could have made a decision without the meeting. Rinella has repeatedly stated, on the advice of his lawyers, that he is the decision maker.

Whether or not Rinella has found a loophole in the Sunshine Law, we feel that he should abide by the school's policy on open meetings, which states, "Meetings of standing committees of the university, its colleges, departments, divisions, and including student committees shall be open to the public."

We wonder if the next time the university considers making changes to the athletic program whether our athletes will be prohibited from attending those meetings or if biology students will be forbidden to give input into the plans for the new science building just because they have a vested interest?

If *The All State* chooses to exercise its constitutional rights, it could bring the budget process to a grinding halt as it judges whether the university violated state law. Not only would the school's budget plans be frozen, a lawsuit would cost the university a large amount of money — money that we give to the school in the form of tuition and state sales taxes.

Rinella should realize the seriousness of his actions. Aside from possibly violating state law, by denying access to the press, he is denying access to the university community at large.

Perhaps Rinella expects this controversy to go away as the school year comes to an end.

Though *The All State* will not be publishing over the summer, the Austin Peay community can be assured that we will continue to fight for our right and responsibility to represent the students.

Letter to the editor

Rinella's call to close meetings is debatable

I want to commend the reporters of *The All State* and *AP Magazine* for standing up for their rights as reporters, and taking the initiative to perform their job in a candid and professional manner. Whether Dr. Rinella is correct in his decision regarding closing budget meetings to the media is debatable, and certainly the way he has carried himself throughout this budget crisis is puzzling.

The Sunshine Law varies from state to state, and unfortunately for the media, there are several loopholes.

If Dr. Rinella is correct in his decision he certainly has the right to close the meetings to the media, but at the same time he has only alienated himself from the faculty, and more importantly, the students.

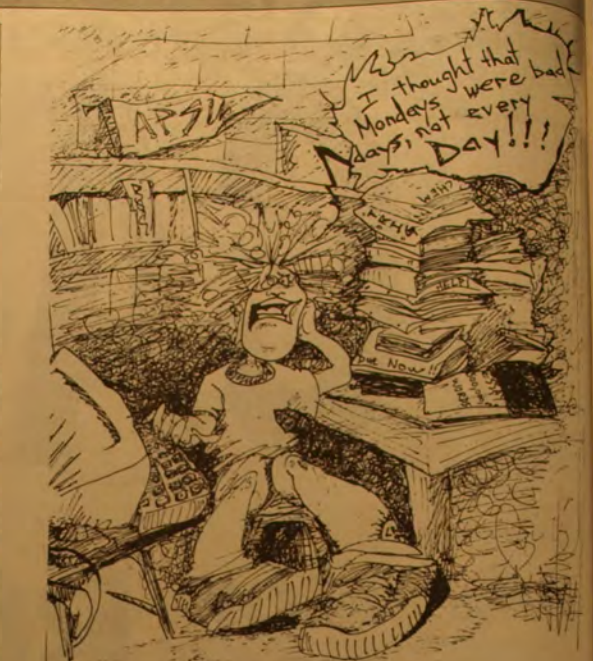
Although the budget discussions are open to everyone except the media, only a small percentage of stu-

dents are even remotely interested in attending the meetings. Those that don't attend may perceive Dr. Rinella's attitude towards the media as him hiding something from the student body.

There's even the question of whether Dr. Rinella is correct in his decision, or if he has a chip on his shoulder toward the media. One responsibility the media must take seriously is its obligation to report decisions that affect the public, or in this case the students and faculty at Austin Peay.

The reporters of *The All State* and *AP Magazine* have attempted to do their job effectively and correctly. The general public has a widespread dislike and distrust of the media, but I am glad to know there are journalism students at Austin Peay that have made an attempt to perform their roles appropriately and sincerely hope this semester has only fueled their desire to work in the professional realm of journalism.

Jimmy Trogden
Adjunct professor,
Speech, communication and theatre



Memories last a lifetime

By
ALICIA MOOREHEAD
editor-in-chief

They are what the college experience is all about and what makes life worth living.

Five years ago, I came to Austin Peay knowing no one. I was over two hours away from home, not knowing what to expect from my college experience. The years since then have been a roller coaster ride.

I could never have made it through that ride without the friends I met along the way. I have another year of graduate school, but all of my closest friends are leaving.

This is my thank you to them. When I was a sophomore, I didn't have a lot of confidence in myself. I met a person who began to help me with classes, but he ultimately helped me grow as a person. I would not be the person I am today without him. I am able to stand on my own and I believe in myself. I would have never achieved the things that I have without his confidence in me.

I have to thank Jodi for showing me what true friendship is. It is about loving one another, respecting one

another, being honest with each other, believing in each other, advising one another and supporting each other. (Oh yeah, thanks for all that money I borrowed from you, too — that is the most important thing.)

Kim, thanks for all the advice, the cooking and motherly instincts. I wish you and Mark all the best in your wedding. I wish you and Mark all the best.

Stina, what can I say? You have been my rock for four years, putting your troubles aside to help me. Thank you for being the special person that you are. I am sorry I corrupted you, but I am glad you grew. Keep putting on the pounds and you can have the life of your dreams, or maybe the Canadian.

There are other friends who have been instrumental in my life at Austin Peay. For those of you who remember *All State* columnist Tim Prather, he is getting married, with him and Heather the best. Robby, thanks for all the movies and the talks. Robert, I am glad you are finally a little more happy. You know that is all I wanted for you.

My friendships have not all been a bed of roses. I have been up and down. I think that is the most important lesson that I have learned. I am not going to remember math formulas or certain grades I received. I am going to remember the memories that we have made with my friends, the nights we spent talking, the support we gave each other, the laughter and the tears. These years have definitely been my most special years, as I hope they have been yours.

Marty, Jodi, Stina and Kim, I wish you the best of luck in everything you do. I love you and have left you.

Kelly says good-bye

By
KELLY WILKERSON
news editor

I share the graduation honors this year with my most amazing coworker, Lydia. Lydia, as I'm sure many of you know, is one of the most interesting individuals I have ever met. She'll do great things. Lydia is responsible for introducing me to amaretto sour, which was a wonderful thing. Hopefully we can both make SEC next year in Mobile. I'll miss you girl!

Alicia, that means you'll have to go to Logan's that we've made. They are most definitely memorable occasions. Thanks for coming through when I needed you to and above all, thanks for listening. Carinda, endless in her willingness to help, has been my savior a million times over when it comes to the paper. An excellent reporter who NEVER gives up, she'll give you some great front page news stories next year, as she most likely makes the front page herself. I've enjoyed watching you grow and I know that if anyone can take over this position, and do it well, you can.

Damian, photo man, I have two words, lap dance. Andy, you crazy Republican, I've learned a multitude of things about life and about true friendship from knowing you, no exaggeration.

Merci, I'll never forget our Friday afternoon talks. Thanks for the guidance.

To the rest of the staff, you guys have been great to work with AND to get into trouble with. *The All State* has been quite an educational experience for me and leaving the staff will be difficult. I admire each and every one of you for having the nerve to actually be journalists. Guys, I pray the Sunshine Law you always talk about can be put to good use in the future.

Ok, that's enough for the staff. I must move on. I want to praise and glorify the history department for a minute. An excellent faculty exists there, that has succeeded in teaching me that it's about more than just tests and papers and A's. You have shown me a future to look forward to, and have helped me immensely in realizing that future. Thank you.

Josh, you know, it warms my heart that you will be graduating with me. I'm just sorry that you won't be with me for my first graduate classes. We've written through so many papers, I don't know how I'll do without you. You've shown me respect like no one else. I'll never understand exactly where the Sparky came from, or why you repeatedly called me a m. To find titles for your papers but I'm glad to know that you can depend on me for anything. Thank you always being there!

Stina, my sister, I love you. And I promise, one day we'll understand and make sense of some of these things. And we'll be happy. You are truly a best friend. Remember, the WB's will live forever.

Sary, I promise, I'll never sleep through another play! Christy and Marcia, you guys will make the veterans. Hang in there!!! Lane, thanks for all the gossip!!! You're such a sweetheart.

Jeremy, I'll miss you terribly while you're off to grad school for the rest of humanity. And although I'll never understand exactly what it is that repeatedly draws you away from me, I can respect it and I want you to know that I know that it will make that journey. I love you, guys!

Angie and Randy, I know you'll read this eventually. You guys are two of the most respectable people I have ever known! But I'll never forgive you for leaving me in to this paper mess.

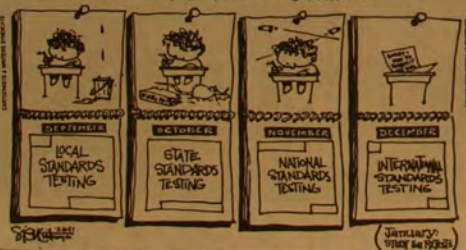
Becky, so maybe you'll enjoy this one, I'll miss you. Trisha, good luck. You are a kick-butt woman!!!

Professor Irwin, you are the most wonderful individual alive. If I can only be half the person that you are, I'll know that I have done something good in my life. You are truly a professor who cares about his students and their well-being. Thanks for introducing me to that crucial knowledge that has helped me to grow as a person.

Austin Peay has become such a home for me. I discovered a family here. I hate to leave and although my academic career is not over with, as graduation begins in August, I'll miss the daily routine of college life that are unique to the Peay.

I've learned so much about life and about people. Because of the wonderful friends I've made here, I know that it will be to remember life and respect it. And that it will be a little more forever. The friends I've made here are my lifetime friends. They'll always be in my heart.

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Miller, Wells win Joy Award

By SCOTT HOSKINS
sports editor

Multi-sport athlete Andrea Miller and basketball star Bubba Wells received the annual Joy Award at Austin Peay's athletic banquet on Monday night.

Miller and Wells were picked from among four nominees: football player Steve Haywood, softball standout Vikki Phillips, Miller and Wells.

Miller has received letters in three sports: basketball, softball, and volleyball.



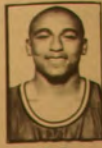
Miller

Wells, in winning the award for the third consecutive year, was the

unofficial leading basketball scorer in the nation after averaging 31.7 points per game last season. He was the OVC Player of the Year, InfoSport Comeback Player of the Year and a nominee for the John R. Wooden Award. He leaves APSU as the all-time leading scorer in school history and third on the OVC all-time leading scorer list.

"Never has our office been impacted like this year (with Wells)," APSU Sports Information Director Brad Kirtley said.

Wells also collected the Male



Wells

up the Scholar Athlete of the Year Award.

Athlete of the Year. Women's basketball player Andrea Miller was awarded the Female Athlete of the Year Award and cross country team member Linda Finley picked up the Scholar Athlete of the Year Award.

Govs take two of three from Redbirds

By SCOTT HOSKINS
sports editor

Austin Peay's baseball squad became road warriors last weekend, playing three contests against non-conference foe Illinois State in Normal, Ill.

As has been the exception rather than the rule, the Bat Govs won two out of the three games for only their second and third non-conference road wins of the season.

The series opener saw Govs' starter Chris Shelton (2-7, 7.87 earned run average) shelled for eight earned runs after just four innings as Peay was handed a 9-0

loss. APSU's batters were silenced in the loss, having only six hits in the loss. First baseman Aaron Stled collected two of the Govs' six singles.

In the second game of the three-game series, Zak Doan (5-1, 5.23 ERA) tossed a five-hitter on his way to a complete game as APSU won 10-3, snapping a three-game losing skid.

Doan fanned six Redbird batters in the victory. Left fielder Mark Turken blasted a two-run homer in going 3-for-4 from the plate, while Benji Zimmerman collected two hits in three

at-bats. They combined to drive in five of the Govs' 10 runs.

The Govs pounded out 10 hits in the win, while scoring all the runs they would need by the third inning, jumping out to an early 5-0 lead and cruising to victory.

Right-handed Seth Massey pitched the Govs to a 4-2 victory in Sunday's rubber match. Massey (2-6, 9.30 ERA) struck out six batters while allowing seven hits in the complete game win.

Mortimore singled three times and David Sloan and Lance Wampler each had two hits for the Govs. Wampler belting his team-leading eighth home run in the tri-

umph. "We've started playing better," head coach Gary McClure said. "We're trying to establish and maintain consistency for the rest of this season."

The Govs have six conference games remaining in the season before the OVC tournament May 15-17.

"We've got to win as many of the six conference games left as we can, and we're going to push ourselves in good seeding position for the OVC tournament," McClure said.

"Whoever gets hot at the end, who is going to win it (OVC tournament)." McClure said.

Road woes plague Lady Govs in OVC

By JEFF LOCKRIDGE
staff writer

They say misfortune finds its way upon everyone at some point in time. Well, misfortune has clapped onto the Lady Govs softball squad and is clinging with all its might.

Heartbreaking losses were in the cards once again this past weekend for Austin Peay (16-21, 5-14 in conference), dropping a four-game conference road swing by a total of five runs.

Friday afternoon started out sluggish for the struggling Lady

Govs, with their bats lagging thanks to the hurlers of OVC power Tennessee Tech.

Chris Austin's young squad turned out seven hits but produced just one run, dropping the opener 3-1. Another impressive pitching performance from Amanda Stout (7-10, 1.70 ERA) was wasted, as she allowed just one earned run without issuing a walk.

The second contest looked promising for APSU as Vicki Phillips (9-11, 3.28 ERA) took the mound and maintained an early lead for the Lady Govs.

Tracey Drechsel (287, five HR)

led the offensive barrage with two hits and two runs. Amanda Travis (3.93) and Emily Johnson (2.73) contributed two hits each.

After sustaining a 3-2 margin through the third inning, Tech tied the score in the fourth and plated the winning run with two outs in the bottom of the seventh.

Crippled by seven one-run defeats this season, the Lady Govs traveled the road to Richmond, Ky. Saturday to visit Eastern Kentucky.

Fate would be with the Colonels. APSU clawed their way out of an early hole in Game 1, posting a two-spot in the top of the fifth

inning, knotting the score at 2-2. Further devastation awaited the Lady Govs in the bottom of the eighth though, and with two outs Eastern pushed across their third run to seal the deal.

APSU lit up the scoreboard with seven runs and thirteen hits in the finale, but were snatched in the seventh giving up three runs and folding to the Colonels 8-7, giving them nine losses by a single run.

Travis and Shannon Johnson belted three hits each. Next up for APSU is the OVC tournament beginning Saturday at Morehead State University.



Track and field athlete Cheryl Wright accepts her most improved award from head coach Elvis Forde at Monday night's athletic awards banquet.

(photo by Scott Hoskins)

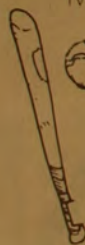
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Woods leads golf comeback

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It's not your grandfather's game anymore. The college crowd has found a new fairway of fun—the golf course.

"Before, golf was frowned upon as a hokey sport," said Jason Roden, assistant coach of the Maryland team at the University of Maryland. "Now it's really hot."

Indeed, With a boost from 21-year-old golf sensation Tiger Woods and other celebrities such as Hootie and the Blowfish, young people are now the fastest growing segment of golf players in the United States.

For proof of the phenomenon look no further than college campuses. "It seems the thing to do is to be in the (driving) range," said Jen Nowitzky, a James Madison University senior who picked up golf last semester. "After class you grab some clubs, a few friends and head on out."

Gary Carpenter, a senior and co-captain of Maryland's golf team, has been seeing more and more of his friends getting into the golf groove. "Once you take them out they're hooked. They're like, 'Yeah, this is fun. Let's go out

again."

At some courses, students have become like the Energizer Bunny, say pros. They just keep coming and coming and coming.

"Students fill our course all the time now. It used to be more older players, but recently the number of male and female kids has really increased," Rodenhaver said. Maryland has its own course, and a half-price student greens fee is an extra incentive to hit the links.

Teeing off is a way to relieve stress. "Our generation feels cooped up and overworked. Golf lets you relax and take your mind off school," said JMU junior Seth Burton.

Some students actually get credit for clubbing the ball. Since the sport has become so popular, however, getting into a golf class can be as difficult as booking a tee time on a sun-drenched day. "I teach two sections of golf a semester and five minutes into registration they're full," said Bob Vander-walker, an instructor at JMU. "I have students knocking down my door to get on waiting lists."

For JMU senior Lisa Brown, a business major, Golf 101 was a required course—sort of. "Golf is

now kind of a required course for business majors. All the bigwigs conduct business on the course so you need to know how to play."

Interest in golf has been building for some years, but increased substantially this year due to Woods' presence on the PGA Tour. "College people finally have an idol they can identify with. He's made golf cool," Rodenhaver said.

And Woods' legendary status promises only to grow. With a 72-hole score of 18-under-par 270, Woods not only won the Masters Tournament April 14 by a record 12 strokes, he shattered the Masters' record of 271 that Jack Nicklaus and Raymond Floyd had shared. And he did it as a 21-year-old rookie, becoming the youngest player ever to win the Masters and the first African-American to do so.

On the eve of his Masters victory in Augusta, Ga., Woods himself said he realized what an impact his win could have on the game of golf. "It's going to open a lot of doors," he told reporters. "On this stage and this kind of media, I think it's going to do a lot for the game of golf as far as a minority golf is concerned."

For Woods, golf is more than a job or a game, it's an addiction. "It's like a drug," he recently told *Newsweek*. "If I don't have it I'll go crazy."

Maryland's Carpenter feels the same way. "There is a certain passion about golf. I love the game personally. It's the only game that's based on true honesty—no officials, and that makes it unique."

The merchandise industry is also hip to the trend. Nike wooed Woods into a \$40 million contract to sport its golf footwear and new youth-oriented apparel. Nike is also working with Woods to develop his own bolder and hipper clothing line and his own logo, due to hit stores in 1998.

According to John White, a Nike Golf spokesperson: "He has wide appeal to our young customers. His potential to excite the game of golf among that block is tremendous."

Other companies such as A.M. Player and Izod are also targeting the youth market with new designs. As for the future, White said the drive to drive won't be bankered anytime soon. "Golf is cruising higher and faster than ever before, and it's going to continue speeding."

APSU golfers finish sixth at OVC tourney

By SCOTT HOSKINS sports editor

APSU's golf team hit the links at Cuyahoga's Springhouse Golf Course for the Ohio Valley Conference golf tournament last week.

The squad shot a three-day total of 886, 26 strokes off champion Eastern Kentucky's 3-under-par 860.

Scott Newland paced the Gobs with a three-day total of 214, 2-under-par, while John Swigart carded a 218.

Newland was named to the All-OVC team for his effort.

Newland, Swigart, Dan Johnson, Scott Crider and Boyd

Mickle made up the tournament squad.

Swigart's first-day total of 70 helped APSU to third place, four shots behind first round leader Morehead State.

Second round inconsistency plagued the Gobs as they slipped to fourth place on day two. Swigart fired a 1-over-par 73 and Newland's 72, even par, kept the Gobs in contention.

Newland's last round of 2-under-par 70 wasn't good enough to keep Austin Peay from finishing sixth in the tourney, however, as Swigart shot a 75, Johnson 79 and Crider 77 on the final day to hurt the Gobs' chances.

OVC Golf Results

1. Eastern Kentucky, 860; 2. Morehead State, 862; 3. Middle Tennessee, 865; 4. Murray State, 879; 5. Southeast Missouri State, 881; 6. AUSTIN PEAY, 886; 7. Tennessee State, 891; 8. Tennessee Tech, 904; 9. Tennessee-Martin, 909; 10. Eastern Illinois, 911.

AUSTIN PEAY (886)—Scott Newland 72-72-70-214; John Swigart 70-73-75-218; Dan Johnson 75-74-79-228; Scott Crider 79-76-77-232; Boyd Mickle 73-DQ-DQ.

Gobs' Head, Crenshaw to travel to China

By SCOTT HOSKINS sports editor

Two Austin Peay men's basketball players have a unique opportunity this summer that many will never have a chance to experience. Mike Head, a 6-foot-8-inch forward from Cedar Hill, Tenn., and Reggie Crenshaw, a 6-foot-7-inch forward/center from Gallatin, Tenn., have been invited to travel to China to play several basketball games as well as participate in several clinics.

"It's a great opportunity for them to go to China," assistant basketball coach Bret Campbell said. "Not many people have that opportunity."

At press time, Head and Crenshaw were the only two Ohio



Head



Crenshaw

Valley Conference male athletes invited.

The trip is being sponsored by Sports Reach, a Christian-based organization that sends college athletes overseas to share their faith.

From May 17 to May 31, Sports Reach will be sending men's and women's teams to compete against some of China's best basketball squads.

The men's squad will be coached by Transylvania (Ky.) University coach Don Lane. The men's games will take place

in Beijing, Chengdu and Shenyang, while the women's games will occur at Beijing and Tianjin.

"I was really surprised to be invited," Crenshaw said.

"I never thought I'd be considered to go, but it's more because of my Christian background than to play ball."

"It's a good opportunity, a chance to see competition other than OVC teams. It's a learning experience at most."

While in China the teams will

get a chance to tour historic sights.

Both players agreed that the Great Wall is something that they'd like to see.

For Head, the trip is something he never thought would happen.

As for the future, White said the drive to drive won't be bankered anytime soon. "Golf is cruising higher and faster than ever before, and it's going to continue speeding."

"There are two different sides to the trip. The basketball side and the Christian side, where hopefully things will go well."

In either case, Head and Crenshaw hope to make a lot of lasting friendships.

"We'll be meeting a lot of people," Head said. "There are eight other people on the team, and a women's team also, so there's a good chance to make a lot of friends."



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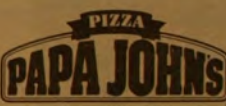
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