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COACH'S VIEWPOINT--Austin Peay softball coach Chris Austin gives his team instructions from the dugout. The Lady Gobs currently rank second in the OVC. (photo by Donna Lovett)

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

CANDIDATES

ELECTIONS ARE TODAY--UC LOBBY, 8 A.M.-3 P.M.
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Meacham lot struck by morning burglars, vandals

JEFF WISDOM
news editor

A barrage of car break-ins at the Meacham Apartments parking lot last Monday morning resulted in considerable damage to several students' vehicles.

According to Sgt. Lorin Ellsworth, Public Safety, a total of 10 cars were involved in the incidents. Five were damaged as auto burglaries and five were damaged as vandalism cases, she said.

"The last five were carried as vandalism because they had the same tampering marks and there was no evidence of any entry being gained to the

vehicles," Ellsworth said. "Even the owners couldn't tell if anyone had been inside the vehicles."

Ellsworth pointed out that among the items reported stolen were car radios, stereos, amplifiers, speakers, CDs and tapes.

The break-ins apparently occurred sometime between 1 a.m. and 7:30 a.m.

"The first report came in at 7:30 a.m. when a student got up to go to class and discovered the damage," Ellsworth said. "One person involved had parked at 1 a.m. This time frame is the best estimate we have."

Ellsworth stated that Public Safety

currently has no witnesses and no descriptions of the perpetrators. According to her, it is still undetermined how many suspects were involved.

One way that everyone can assist Public Safety in solving cases such as this is to have personal items such as televisions and stereos engraved through the Operation I.D. program.

"We will engrave them with a serial number for identification purposes," Ellsworth said. "All people have to do is come by the department of Public Safety, and the items will be engraved absolutely free."

Public Safety is available for this

service 24 hours a day, Ellsworth commented.

One of the five cars burglarized had items with serial numbers on them, according to Ellsworth.

"The numbers were reported to the National Crime Information Center," Ellsworth said. "If these items are located anywhere in the U.S., we will be alerted to it."

Ellsworth urges everyone to report all suspicious activity to Public Safety immediately.

"Answering a suspicious person's call is not a bother, that's our job," Ellsworth said. "Security is everyone's business."

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Registration for fall underway

By TONYA BURTON
assistant features editor

Advising and pre-registration dates for students with more than 36 hours began April 5 and will continue through April 7. Underclass students, students with less than 36 hours, may register April 13-15.

According to Sheila Amos, assistant director of Records and Registration, pre-registration is a simple process, that is, if you have declared a major.

"If the student has declared a major, they need to go to that particular department, and the department chair will assign an advisor. If the student has not declared a major then that student needs to go through academic advising and that office will assign them an advisor," Amos said.

After meeting with your adviser and deciding what classes need to be taken, pre-registration goes to the next stage. Amos said, "The adviser

turns in the course request form, where it will be run through Computer Services then to Records and Registration where we will do an edit. After all our edits are clean, we mail the schedules back to the students."

Sometimes students do not always get the classes they chose. There are many reasons why this may occur. The class that they are requesting may be full or there is a conflicting time schedule. Once that happens the computer system will look for a course alternative that does not conflict with the rest of the schedule and replace it with another time.

Student Natolyn Jones said, "It (pre-registration) is an excellent way for students to pre-register so they won't have to worry about it over the summer. It also helps cut down on the competition to be placed in certain classes."

Pre-registration schedules will be mailed to the students P. O. boxes or will be available at the reception desk in Ellington April 21.



Century Electric

EARLY SPRING CLEANING--Construction crews begin the renovation of Harned Hall by ridding the building of old debris. (photo by Donna Lovett)

Campus crime plagues universities across the nation

By JEFF GRIMES
assistant sports editor

This is the first in a series of stories on college campus crime.

Crime is everywhere.

Crime happens when businesses are held up, it happens in homes with domestic disputes, and it happens on the streets with drug deals and drive-by shootings.

No place seems to be safe from crime, not even college campuses.

Last December, an 18-year-old student at Simon's Rock College in Massachusetts sprayed his campus with machine-gun fire, killing a professor and a student, injuring four others.

Two years ago four University of

Florida students and one Santa Fe Community College student were murdered within days of each other in Gainesville, Fla.

Austin Peay is also a member of the fraternity of schools plagued with crime.

Purses and wallets have been taken from various departments across campus, a car was stolen from a school parking lot and 10 cars were burglarized or vandalized last week near Meacham Apartments.

Austin Peay students have also been victims of rape in their dorm rooms in recent years.

In a place where students feel they are secure, they often find out they are not.

Until recently, however, schools were

forbidden by the Buckley Amendment to the 1974 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act from revealing campus crime reports where students are involved.

This also prevented prospective students from receiving crime statistics to schools they wished to attend.

And now, critics still question the accuracy of these reports.

The reports only list incidents reported to campus police and not incidents which are not reported or which occur to students off campus.

For example, a recent carjacking incident or the vandalism to cars on Castle Heights next to campus would not be included.

According to campus police patrolman Jon Hahn, this semester has been relatively quiet as far as crime is concerned.

Referring to the stolen car, Hahn said, "That's unusual. It's only the second car I can remember being stolen since I've been here."

Two Nashville men were arrested after a high-speed chase that resulted in the stolen car being crashed off Interstate 24.

Hahn also said an increase in the theft of wallets, purses and book bags has occurred since the beginning of February.

While there is a loss of money and property due to these incidents there is also a psychological impact to the victims of these crimes.

APEX leaders attend regional workshop

By BRIDGETT JENNINGS
assistant news editor

As the close of spring semester draws near, many of you may be wondering what all the chatter is about Advantage Program for Excellence leaders on campus. "It is an interdisciplinary program," Hester Crews, assistant to the vice president for Student Affairs, said.

What does all of this interdisciplinary stuff mean? APEX is a program that the university uses to orient new students to our campus. These APEX leaders provide information for the students to better prepare their success at college. The program itself is designed to be enjoyable and exciting but at the same time provide information to the student about academics, athletics, admissions, organizations and housing at Austin Peay.

Currently there are approximately 40 students involved in the training and screening process to be APEX leaders. The APEX leaders were chosen by applications, then an interview process and monthly training sessions that will continue until August before the fall semester begins. Students must meet a number of requirements before actually serving as an APEX leader in August.

Crews, coordinator for the APEX group said, "No one component makes a student's education, it includes both academics and many other areas. It's all about the total development of the student." Crews went on to explain that APEX is important to incoming students, both traditional and non-traditional students, for their college preparation and success.

Recently eight of the APEX leaders traveled to Monroe, La., for the Southern Regional Orientation Workshop. These eight students were: Brian Brown, Angela Barkley, Tonya Jackson, Keri McInnis, Stacey Senn, Patrick Digby, Matt Smith and Benessa Perkins.

Commenting on what he learned most from the workshop Brown responded, "There really is such a thing as unity, there were no inter-racial tensions. We learned what it was to make friendships and how to help the needs of incoming students."

Currently the APEX program is working on a better program for minority affairs with the aid of Tina Delaine.

Students responding about their favorite lecture at the conference, said, "Talk Dirty To Me," because you felt more open to talk about the "taboo" subject. Another student said, "It was great knowing how to handle situations."

Sophomore
ACT-COMP Test Dates

The ACT-COMP test will be administered April 12-16 for sophomore students having accumulated 24-60 credit hours. The University Bulletin states that "all students will be required to take one or more tests designed to measure general education achievement and/or achievement in selected major areas as a prerequisite to graduation."

In addition, students may be required to take other tests deemed necessary by the institution. The second administration of the ACT-COMP is deemed necessary, and it is essential that sophomores complete this assessment in order for the university to have adequate data for evaluation of the general education core.

Testing dates for sophomores are:

Monday, April 12	1-4:30 p.m.	(Kimbrough 119)
Wednesday, April 14	5:30-9 p.m.	(Claxton 103)
Thursday, April 15	5:30-9 p.m.	(Claxton 103)
Friday, April 16	1-4:30 p.m.	(Kimbrough 119)

Office of Continuing Ed Offers self-motivation class

Developing personal self-motivation will be the topic of the "Positive Self Motivation" seminar sponsored by The Office of Continuing Education. Instructor Bennie Barrows will attempt to answer the question of why some people seem so motivated for success, while others struggle.

The instructor also will share secrets for developing a personal system of positive self-motivation. It is scheduled from 6-9 p.m. Tuesday, April 20, in Kimbrough 111. The fee is \$25. The registration deadline is April 16. For more information on the seminar or to register, telephone the Office of Continuing Education at 648-7816.

Omnicron Delta Kappa Announces new officers

Omnicron Delta Kappa would like to announce the new officers for 1993-94. They are as follows: Wendy Walter, president; Meghan Munnell, vice president and Missy Smith, public relations.

The induction ceremony of the new members will be held at 6:30 p.m., April 12 in the University Auditorium of Kimbrough Building. Members are encouraged to attend.

Theatre professor to study Hungary during July

An Austin Peay State University associate professor of theatre has been notified by the Department of Education that he has been selected to participate in the Fulbright-Hays Program titled "Hungary in Transition."

Dr. Harris is one of 16 American professors who will be studying in Hungary during July.

Dr. Harris said, "The seminar will be an intensive examination of the changes in the political and cultural life of this Eastern European nation since the decline of communism and the rise of a multi-party, free-market democracy."

Upon Dr. Harris' return, he will share what he has learned with interested groups.

Approved supervisors

AAMFT give advice

Members on staff at Austin Peay State University recently offered advice to their students on how to achieve the designation of Approved Supervisor with the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT).

Ronald G. Oakland, coordinator of

Counseling Services, and Dr. Stuart Bonnington, chair of the psychology department, spoke before the annual conference of the Tennessee Association for Marital and Family Therapy. According to Oakland, their talk, titled "The Ties that Bind: The Evolution of Systematic Supervisors," provided an overview of the supervisory process with a focus on key issues in becoming an Approved Supervisor with AAMFT.

Currently, Oakland and Bonnington are two of only three AAMFT Approved Supervisors in middle Tennessee.

UPC selects new officers for 1993-94 school year

The University Programs Council at Austin Peay State University has selected new officers for 1993-94.

Named to the executive officers positions are Jo Ann Placke, president; Tamara Tyler, vice president; Emily Newland, secretary; Stacey Senn, historian and Ralph Smith Jr., marketing director.

In addition to the executive offices, several committee chairs also were named. Announced as special committee chairs are Timothy Amyx, Special Events chair; Nicole Jackson, Issues Committee chair; Lisa Rogers, On Stage Committee chair; Clintina Johnson, Wellness Committee chair; Patricia Bridgman, New Horizons Committee chair and Chris Downes, Films Committee chair.

Four-week course to focus on grammar, composition

A four-week course in grammar and composition promises to be "user-friendly." The instructor will demonstrate techniques for expressing ideas precisely while improving writing skills.

The course, taught by Michele Allen, will be held Thursday nights from April 8-April 29, from 6-8 p.m. in Kimbrough 111. The fee is \$22, plus a nominal textbook fee. Contact the Office of Continuing Education for more information or to register.

Fall Schedule of Classes omits sections of math

Some sections of mathematics courses as graphing-calculator sections were omitted from the Fall Schedule of Classes.

The sections are as follows: Math 1210, College Algebra, sections 02, 03, 15, and 43; Math 1330, College Algebra and Trigonometry, sections 04, 10, and 13; Math 1610, Elements of Calculus, section 06; and Math 2010, Calculus and Analytic Geometry, sections 01, 07, and 21.

Carter, Childs to speak at GAAP brown bag lunch

GAAP will present "Issues of Gay Men and Lesbian Women" today at a brown bag lunch from 12-1 p.m. This event will be held in the Executive Dining Room of the Harvill Cafeteria and will be presented by Glenn Carter and Bruce Childs.

AKPsi Business Fraternity recognizes new officers

Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity would like to recognize its new executive committee officers for the 1993-94 school year: Samantha Guerrero, president; Jennifer Davidson, vice president of operations; Brian Ardinger, vice president of membership; Michelle Peters, vice president of marketing; Rachelle Miller, master of rituals; Gordon Heap, treasurer and Laura Stewart, secretary.

NTSO offers three book scholarships to members

The Non-Traditional Student Organization would like to announce that three book scholarships are available for NTSO members in the amounts of \$300, \$200 and \$100. The recipients will be judged based upon scholarship, participation in organization and service to the organization.

NTSO also has donated three books to the new Women's Resource Center in the Woodward Library. "The Book of Women: 300 Notable Women History Passed By" by Lynne Griffin and Kelly McCann, "Backlash" by Susan Falude and "Excess Baggage: Getting Out of Your Own Way" by Judith Sills were the books donated.

NTSO's new officers for 1993-94 are as follows: Kay Williams, president; Beverly Smith, vice president; Ellen Houts, second vice president; Elizabeth Houston, recording secretary; Mary Puttrington, corresponding secretary; Sylvia Green, financial secretary; Martina Varela, point secretary and Deanna Satchell, treasurer.

Student teachers to meet for spring assignments

All students who plan to student teach in the Spring 1994 semester are to meet at 3:15 p.m. Monday, April 19, Gentry Auditorium (Kimbrough Building) to request a student teaching assignment.

Students must be fully admitted to teacher education before being placed in a student teaching assignment.

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College environment perpetuates alcohol and drug abuse

By DEVIN BROOKS
staff writer

This is the first part in a series of stories on alcohol and drug abuse.

Alcohol, drugs, and college. Many people perceive the three to be interrelated. After all, didn't President Clinton admit to smoking pot in college? Oh, I know he didn't inhale. I drank a beer last night but didn't swallow.

Do we have an alcohol and drug problem on campus? "There is definitely an alcohol and drug abuse problem on campus," said Dr. Ronald Oakland, director of Counseling and Career Services.

"There are cultural, societal, and genetic factors that influence abuse. Many people have a genetic

predisposition towards alcoholism. Peer pressure coupled with social drinking can many times become a catalyst for dependency," said Dr. Oakland.

Consumption of alcohol may be seen as the primary focal point at a party. This is especially true for freshmen or transfer students who might not know many people at a party.

An alcohol and drug program was instituted in 1990 for students who may have a problem with alcohol or drug abuse. Diane Berty heads the program.

"I ran Student Health Services from 1980-1990 and saw a lot of cases involving date rape, sexually transmitted diseases and depression secondary to use of alcohol or drugs. This was the primary reason for

starting the drug and alcohol program," Berty said.

Berty claims that alcohol addiction and dependency is not that large of a problem here on campus. "Alcoholism is a long process to get into. Students who drink abusively may be in the beginning stages of the disease."

There are, however, a great deal of students who abuse alcohol. Alcohol abuse can be defined as five or more drinks in one setting during the last two weeks. A drink is considered a twelve ounce beer, four ounces of wine, or a half an ounce of liquor," Berty stated.

Students who think they may have a drinking or drug problem are encouraged to contact the Alcohol and Drug Prevention Office located in the top floor of Ellington.

Attention:

These military science classes were left out of the Fall Schedule of Classes

RN	COURSE	TITLE	CRED	MEETING TIME	CAP
4817 MS	1010 03	RAPPELLING & MIL SK D&C	2.0 MW	09:00-09:50	60
4819 MS	1010 06	RAPPELLING & MIL SK D&C	2.0 TR	11:00-11:50	60
4839 MS	101L 10	MIL SCIENCE LAB	0.0 R	02:00-04:00	90
4821 MS	1020 04	MARKSMAN & BAS MIL SK II	2.0 TR	09:00-09:50	60
4823 MS	1020 07	MARKSMAN & BAS MIL SK II	2.0 MW	11:00-11:50	60
4841 MS	102L 10	MIL SCIENCE LAB	0.0 R	02:00-04:00	90
4825 MS	2010 05	LEADERSHIP & MGT SKILLS	2.0 MW	10:00-10:50	60
4843 MS	201L 10	INTERMEDIATE SKILLS LAB	0.0 R	02:00-04:00	90
4827 MS	2020 04	INTRO TACTICAL SKILLS	2.0 TR	10:00-10:50	60
4845 MS	202L 10	INTERMEDIATE SKILLS LAB	0.0 R	02:00-04:00	90
4829 MS	3010 03	TACTICAL LEADERSHIP I	3.0 MWF	09:00-09:50	30
4831 MS	3010 05	TACTICAL LEADERSHIP I	3.0 MWF	10:00-10:50	30
4833 MS	3010 07	TACTICAL LEADERSHIP I	3.0 MWF	11:00-11:50	30
4847 MS	301L 10	LDRSP LAB I	0.0 R	02:00-04:00	90
4835 MS	4010 02	ADVANCED MILITARY SKILLS	3.0 TR	08:00-09:15	30
4837 MS	4010 04	ADVANCED MILITARY SKILLS	3.0 TR	09:30-10:45	30
4849 MS	401L 10	ADV MILITARY SKILLS LAB	0.0 R	02:00-04:00	90

THE ALL STATE

is now taking applications for the positions
of Business Manager and Editor-in-chief for 1993-94
Pick up applications in the Student Affairs Office, Ellington Room 203

Deadline: Friday, April 16

Greek All-Sing

April 15, 7 p.m. in the Clement Auditorium
Admission: One can of food

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FCC demands 10 percent cut from cable television billing

Congratulations to the Federal Communications Commission for bringing in the decision which soared the inflated cable television prices. The decision, handed down last week by the FCC, demands that cable companies institute a 10 percent cut in their basic cable billing.

It's about time the FCC did something to curb the cable television monster, which in all past years has been eating everyone's budget. For urban dwellers, cable television means simply additional channels for more variety, but for most subscribers in rural areas, there is no television access without it.

Think about this. Without television, there is no knowledge of immediate events or other emergencies. In the context of the recent blizzard, most people depended on television for information of road closings. Clarksvillians have a difficult time getting any reception at all without paid cable. Any Austin Peay student knows what television without cable is like—nonexistent.

For over a decade, cable television offices across the country have been milking the public through a kind of price blackmail. There were no limits on rates and no monthly payment. There was never an indication of what exactly you paid for, or the rates were raised. Whenever they chose to raise their rates, you paid it or canceled services.

Opposition to cable regulation has come from those who oppose government intervention in business affairs. The reality is that before cable companies were required to allow competition (in a decision made earlier this year), it was a clear case of monopolizing the industry, which is illegal.

Monopolies are dangerous to the public because they have no reason to deal justly with the public. Without competition there is not an alternative to turn to if one is displeased with a company's service. You have no way to base whether you're getting a fair deal or not, just that you're getting something.

Sometimes government intervention is necessary when an industry refuses to regulate itself out of utter greed. The cable companies may not like the competition as should mushroom within the next few years, and they certainly will scream over giving their basic service by 10 percent. Though when you consider that they raised the price just prior to the competition decision and in anticipation of the FCC's ruling, there aren't tears in too many eyes.



Letters to the Editor

Mabry deserves tenured position

In my academic career at Austin Peay draws to a close, I feel it necessary to exercise the right to freely express my opinion on a recent event that has taken place at the university. I have always held both the university and its mission in the highest regard.

My experiences have been, for the most part, very pleasant and fulfilling, but as with some aspects of life this positive view can turn for the worse. I am speaking of the university's decision to grant tenure to Dr. Corine Hay Mabry.

Having mentored Austin Peay in 1990, as a 15 year absentee, I was in great need of direction and guidance in order to make a successful transition—Dr. Mabry provided this guidance. As an instructor she is by far one of, if not the best I

have ever known. Her interest and a desire to learn is second nature to her. She is a woman possessed by the elite of her profession. Regularly she provides examples of the concern and esteem she holds for her students. Dr. Mabry has been my academic adviser for many years. Never once has she hesitated to offer help and support in times of dire distress.

At no time has she been a personal confidant and friend. She is a woman that place Dr. Mabry in a league unparalleled by other professors. Dr. Mabry is an intelligent, articulate, and professional. What more could this university have as a professor?

It is this letter issuing a challenge to those in power at Austin Peay. Is the slogan "Excellence By Choice" a reality and if so, by which the school exists or just a façade? The university is urged to do what is ethically and professionally correct. It is the interest of the student body and reconsider this ill-considered decision concerning Dr. Mabry.

It is not what Austin Peay is in the community but what it represents. Excellence through quality education of its students. Dr. Mabry is a woman who has made a significant

enhance the standards of this university.

Katrina Wallis Terms of Christianity misleading

Dear Editor:

This letter is in reference to the Rev. Mark Forrester's column titled "Confessions of a Former Fundamentalist..." and "Methodist Clergyman Recalls Days of Conservative Christianity" in the March 31 The All State.

The title itself recalls the misleading ways in which the press represents both fundamentalism and conservative Christianity. (I do not believe that this is the fault of Rev. Forrester but rather the persons in charge of placing headlines over his article.) According to Robert Wuthnow, Gerhard R. Andlinger professor of social sciences at Princeton University, fundamentalism "is a specific theological movement... (It) should not be confused with evangelicalism, the charismatic movement or conservative Christianity in general, although it has had connections with all these" ("The World of Fundamentalism," The Christian Century April 22, 1992).

Although the article itself seems to be a sincere attempt on behalf of Rev. Forrester to shake blinders off the fearful eyes of fundamentalism, it seems to also perpetuate a general misunderstanding about the sub-culture of Christian fundamentalism (particularly in the U.S.A.). That is the misunderstanding that uses David Koresh and his followers to represent all fundamentalists and then going a step further (as representation of all of conservative Christianity).

Professor Wuthnow's article in The Christian Century, based on a major project sponsored by the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, defines what fundamentalism is not, stating that it should not "be considered a personality style, a mind-set, a form of religious militancy, a world view or even a particular orientation toward the truth." O.K., big deal, so what's the point? The point is that the press and anyone with a public audience

needs to stop perpetuating the ignorance of the public at large by herding together David Koresh, conservative Christians, theocratic activists, Republican national convention speakers, and gun-toting pro-lifers with convenient, catch-all phrases such as "fundamentalist."

David Bottoms

Memo insults one of center's own

Dear Editor:

I would like to voice my opinion on a completely unprofessional and uncalled for memo that came to my attention on March 30. The memo was concerning the nonattendance of African American employees to the African Love Feast given by the African American Student Association, who also wrote the memo in question. As an African-American student and citizen I feel I have a right to respond to this ill advised act. The reason for my complaint is simple: No one has the right to tell anyone what they should or should not do or to pass judgement on their behavior. This memo judged the African-American staff who did not attend their African Love Feast as being ashamed of their ancestry, accused them of elitism and of being poor role models to the African-American student body of Austin Peay, not because they did not show support at a rally, or a march or a fight for rights of African-American people but because they did not come to a mere function that the African-American Student Association was giving.

Now I say to you: How dare you criticize and blatantly insult people about their responsibilities, beliefs, and emotions you know nothing about. And I ask you how can there be solidarity when you attack your own people on frivolous issues? Somewhere the priorities have gone askew. This is my plea for us as African-American people to come together on important issues and to stop condemning each other over topics that will not progress us as a society, as a community and as a people. This has got to stop!

Crystal Hickerson

Sue-mongers monopolize crowded American courts



BY
**KIEZHA
SMITH**
OPINION
EDITOR

Vanna White is suing Samsung for using her likeness in a television commercial for VCRs. Just when I was thinking that Vanna had no

personality, she up and sues a company for giving her one. Seems like she should be grateful.

Really, though, people are enthralled with the idea of crushing their neighbors and business partners with incredible civil suits designed to squeeze every penny from their bank accounts.

You can sue for libel and slander. Remember that old saying, "Sticks and stones may break my bones but words will never hurt me?" Sometimes words are damaging and reimbursement is necessary, but if I choose to call Rush Limbaugh an anal-retentive, bitter Republican, that's my freedom of speech. And I do choose to say it. If he sued me, it would just be more ammunition for future columns.

You know Cliff and Norm, the two doltos on the NBC sitcom, "Cheers?" Well, the people who play

those characters are suing a chain of airport bars who are using what they feel is a likeness of their characters in robot-form. Correct me if I'm wrong, but did George Wendt and John Ratzenberger write those scripts or devise those characters? I think not. If anybody should sue, it should be the people who developed the characters. Wendt and Ratzenberger probably won't like to hear this, but they are merely puppets being manipulated by a script, for the most part.

A few years ago, there was a girl who sued her prom date when he stood her up. She sued for the cost of the dress and paraphernalia related to the dance. If I'm correct, she won.

While I tend to side with the girl on this issue, (he did a slimy thing and deserves retribution), I think she probably could have done it the good old-fashioned way—torture him until he caved in.

Perhaps it's not particularly moral or spiritually generous, but the girl would have gotten personal satisfaction without involving the legal system, which is already choked with ridiculous cases.

Most of these asinine court cases involving chicken ownership and what-not are the result of ambulance-chasing lawyers who encourage people to

take, "what is rightfully yours."

Yes, what is or would have been yours. Not, what you might have had or would like to have. There is a distinction between the two.

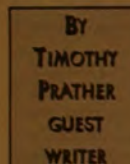
Some cases are justified, though. Recently, a girl sued her boyfriend for knowingly sleeping with her when he was HIV-positive, effectively passing on his disease to her. Life would have been hers if not for him.

He deserves to be put out of commission, but I don't want to pay for him in prison, so let's take something like, "HIV-giver" on his forehead. Cheap and efficient. I bet Big Ray's tattoo parlor would do it for minimal cost.

I actually think this would be a good idea for a lot of criminals. Repeat DUIs, rapists and child molesters should all be branded. At least then you would be forewarned, right? Just like stupid people should have to wear a sign, "I'm stupid." Then you wouldn't ask them for directions or depend on them for anything.

Come to think of it, you could do it for these civil court sue-queens as well. My life would be complete if I got to see Vanna White wear a sequined sign stating, "Samsung gave me a personality and boy, am I pissed."

Confederate flag stirs hearts and controversy



BY
**TIMOTHY
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GUEST
WRITER

Over 125 years after Lee surrendered at Appomattox, the flag his troops sported on the battlefield is still under fire. This time, however, the shots

come not from the Union soldiers, but a well armed regiment of political correctness.

To those of us who actually had ancestors that fought in the war for Southern independence, the images that the confederate flag brings to mind are clear. We understand that a third of Southern youth gave their lives for the "lost cause." We understand that the war was about much more than slavery, and we surely can assert that the dixie flag is far from being a racist symbol.

So what exactly does the confederate flag stand for, anyway? It is true that a few hate groups have taken up the flag in protest. These same groups also profess Christianity to be at the root of their beliefs.

Ask the people of the Balkans why they chose to wave the confederate flag in protest. They understand that the Confederacy stood up against tyranny in fighting for states' rights and self-determination. They see the confederate flag as a symbol of honor, pride and the right of a people to choose their own course.

There are still those who would force various southern states to abandon their heritage and remove the confederate flag from official state activities. In Alabama, State Rep. Thomas Reed (a

member of the Black Caucus) scaled an 8-foot fence in 1988 so that he could rip the flag down. The ensuing ruckus left the legislature in a frenzy and Gov. Guy Hunt completely bamboozled.

Gov. Hunt sided with the confederates, saying that the flag connoted "heritage, honor and pride." His comments infuriated the national press. Washington Post columnist, Carl Rowan, wrote a piece titled "Take That Confederate Flag Down."

In his column, Rowan praised the actions of Representative Reed and proceeded to hurl disturbing insults toward southern culture. Rowan said that the confederate flag was "a flag of bitter and gratuitous insult," "banner of the slave master," and like "waving the hammer and sickle."

Rowan went further and took it upon himself to comment on Gov. Hunt's remarks about the flag, writing "Honor about what? Fighting an immoral war and losing it?"

More recently, however, there has been an outright assault on the flag of dixie. At the close of 1992, black lawmakers in Alabama once again protested by threatening to boycott a ceremony to be held at the capitol building. They were victorious—the flag that had flown atop the state capitol's dome for more than 30 years was now barred from use.

Georgia Gov. Zell Miller is also attempting to remove the confederate flag from Georgia's state flag. He cites Atlanta's hosting of the 1994 Super Bowl

and the 1996 Summer Olympics as his excuse. Even that old journal of conservatism, "National Review," sided with Gov. Miller. The times have definitely changed.

What Gov. Miller and "National Review" ought to be concerned with is

Thousands of Southerners still hold the confederate flag close to their hearts.

not a group of foreign athletes being offended by a flag, but the protection of these athletes on the streets of Atlanta.

Elsewhere, high school and college students whose school mascot is a

"Rebel" are being forced to give up the confederate flag for more inoffensive methods of exhibiting school spirit. At James F. Byrnes High School in South Carolina, students bravely demonstrated for the use of the confederate flag in school attire.

Thousands of Southerners still hold the confederate flag close to their hearts. Polls show they even approve of its display.

I guess what is most troubling is the fact that people are generally ignorant of southern culture. So, if Gov. Miller and

Rep. Reed have this magnificent problem with the dixie flag, perhaps they should move to Buffalo.

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Recent deaths raise questions about life, death

Accidents happen everyday. They happen to people of every race, age and gender. However, unless it's the person, it rarely effects you to a big

There has been the case recently in the world of sports. First, it was the death of Tim Crews and Steve

By **BYRON SHIVE**
sports editor

pitchers for the Cleveland Indians, in a boating accident a few weeks ago. And just last Thursday night, a plane crash claimed the lives of four men—most notably Alan Kulwicki, last year's NASCAR points champion. The plane crashed just shy of Bristol, Tenn., where Kulwicki was to have run in the Food City 500 on

Accidents are lost daily, but it's not until a celebrity, be it a figure or not, is killed that people realize just how fragile life can be.

Kulwicki had regularly raced around an oval track protected by an unforgiving concrete wall at speeds of 200 mph. However, he was simply a passenger in a car destined for disaster. Why, many people ask? Olin and teammate Bob Ojeda were enjoying an off spring training with a get together of families and friends. The three men set out on a recreational jaunt in the adjoining lake. However, the murky waters and zero visibility became a bigger barrier than a 3-0 to a longball hitter. The boat plowed into Olin and Ojeda was pronounced dead at the scene. Kulwicki would later die himself.

The sporting world has been rocked recently, causing many to contemplate what might have been.

Would Thurman Munson have been the best catcher in baseball history had his life not been taken mysteriously? What about Roberto Clemente?

A native of Indianapolis, Ind., home of the Indianapolis 500 "Spectacle in Racing." A few years back, a fan killed by a flying tire off of Roberto Guerrero's car. Guerrero really raised an eyebrow, because they simply didn't know who the man was.

However, last year, an unknown rookie by the name of A.J. Foyt was killed in what looked like a routine race. It was the first driver fatality at the Speedway since 1982, and it brought to mind many more serious accidents by some more well-known drivers.

Jack Meeks' retirement was a direct result of a crash he underwent at the Speedway. What would have happened to Meeks, it had been a Mario Andretti or an Al Unser, Jr.?

Many recall Rusty Wallace's frightening, near-fatal crash at the Daytona 500 this spring. Wallace was lucky—he walked away. Others, famous drivers, run out of luck each day.

It goes to show you that you don't know when your time is up, be it today, tomorrow or thirty years from now. To the families of the four killed, may God bless them and the rest of us—may God be with us.

Lady Govs capture four-way meet

By **BYRON SHIVE**
sports editor

With the OVC Conference meet left on the schedule, the women's track team captured their own quadrangular meet last Wednesday over Tennessee State, Tennessee Tech and UT-Martin.

The Lady Govs compiled 56 points to edge out the Lady Tigers, who finished in second with 53 points. Tech notched 10 points, while the Lady Pacers could only muster a single point.

Tonya Hillis led the Lady Govs in the field events with first place finishes in the shot put and javelin and a second-place finish in the discus. Carrie Thompson won the long jump, as Austin Peay claimed the top four spots.

Tennessee State dominated the sprinting events, winning all but one. Austin Peay's Darlene Shipman prevented a Lady Tiger sweep, and victory in the meet, with a win in the 100 meters.

The ensuing heroes for the Lady Govs were those that

finished in the second and third slots, including Hawkins in both hurdle events, Lynette Erskine and Angela Askew in the 400 meters, Sandy Bates in the 1500 meters and Michelle Bybee and Becky Kolenbrander in the 3000 meters.

Despite the win, the squad will limp into the upcoming conference meet, which is slated for April 15 and 16.

"Right now, we're plagued with injuries," said Thompson. "If we can just go into the conference meet and be competitive, then it will be a confidence booster for next



LEAPING FOR LENGTH--Darlene Shipman, who would prevent a TSU sweep in the sprints with a win in the 100 meters, competes in the long jump. (photo by Donna Lovett)

competitive and for them to deserve."

"The lack of support at the meet was a big letdown," she added. "We were really disgusted with the turnout. We host one meet a year and you would think that people could support the team one day out of the year."

Regardless of the woes the team has faced recently, they continue to train for the OVC meet with hopes for a brighter, not to mention greener, future ahead.

season."

Perhaps the biggest problem for the squad is the budget. The team's remaining meets were cancelled due to a lack of funds.

"I think it is ridiculous that we can't even finish our season," said Hawkins. "It's kind of like we're here because we have to be. There is no way for us to improve if we don't run our meets. We practice just as hard and just as long as other sports that are receiving more money. We're all just really disgusted."

On the other hand, Thompson hopes the results of the quadrangular meet will open some eyes.

"The fact that we won the whole meet shows that we can be competitive with other schools," she said. "We just hope that it will cause everyone, including the faculty and students, to acknowledge that we can be competitive and for them to give us the respect that we

Governor bats erupt in two wins

By **JEFF GRIMES**
assistant sports editor

With a record of 15-11, the Govs will do battle with the Commodores of Vanderbilt tomorrow night at Raymond C. Hand Park at 6 p.m.

The game with Vandy will give the squad a break from OVC action, where the Govs stand at 7-2.

The Govs dropped the first game of three this weekend against Murray State, but turned out the runs in the second and third games to take the series.

In Sunday's game, the Govs' bats got hot, collecting 15 hits for 10 runs off of Murray pitching for a 10-5 win.

Kelly Weathers had two singles and two doubles for four RBI's, leading the Govs' offensive output.

Brian Link had three hits and Nate Manning hit a home run and a double for Austin Peay.

Gerry Albright (3-1) took the win on the mound for the Govs. Fred Robinson was the losing pitcher.

In Saturday's games, Murray took the opener 2-1 while Austin Peay won the second game 5-1.

Ricky Chism was the winner in game one. Neil Murphy (2-2) had the loss.

Murray scored a run in the bottom of the eighth as Mark Culp knocked in Mark Schrand from third for the victory.

In game two, the Govs scored five runs off of six hits and six Murray errors for the victory.

Shane Dorch (2-0) picked up the win for the Govs.

Austin Peay defeated Southern Illinois on Wednesday 8-4 at home.

Scott Speer (3-1) got the win, relieving Albright in the fourth.

Kevin Smith hit two doubles and Bryant Tansil had two singles for the Govs.

On Tuesday, the Govs' game at Cumberland was suspended because of darkness after eight innings, with the teams tied at 12.

The game will be completed April 15 when the Bulldogs visit Raymond C. Hand Park for a second game against the Govs.

The tie was a home run hitter's game as Wes Sims hit round-trippers in the first and second innings and Jason Mikulecky also hit a three-run blast for Austin Peay.

Pat Sanders hit a grand slam and Shane Tipton hit a two-run shot for Cumberland.

Following tonight's game with Vanderbilt, the Govs will travel to Tennessee Tech this weekend for a three-game series with the Golden Eagles.

The Govs go on the road again on Tuesday for a game against the Great Midwest Conference's Memphis State Tigers.

Lady Gavs suffer losing week; cling to 2nd place

By BYRON SHIVE
sports editor

After opening the season up at 10-7, the Lady Gavs suffered through a 3-5 week that saw the squad drop to second place in the OVC at 8-6.

The week began with Southeast Missouri sweeping the Lady Gavs, a team Austin Peay swept earlier in the year.

Angela Thompson picked up her first loss of the season in a 2-1 SEMO win in the first contest. SEMO then posted a 10-6 triumph in the nightcap.

The Lady Gavs rebounded from the sweep to knock off Tennessee Tech 3-0, as Thompson picked up the victory.

The Lady Gavs then bowed to the Lady Eagles 11-0 in the second game.

Eastern Kentucky then became a victim of an Austin Peay sweep, as the Lady Gavs took nine innings to knock off the Lady Colonels 2-1 in the first game, before winning 5-1 in the second.

On Sunday, Morehead State



MAKING THE THROW--Centerfielder Telisha Neely fires the ball to second base during a recent game. The Lady Gavs are in second place in OVC play. (photo by Donna Lovett)

visited Clarksville and left with two wins as the Lady Gavs fell victim to poor hitting.

The first game took 12 innings, as the Lady

Gavs lost their first extra inning game of the season by a 2-1 count.

Morehead then took another close one in the second game by a score of 7-6.

"We played hard all week," said Coach Chris Austin, "but we didn't score very many runs and we didn't hit the ball very well. We also made a couple of changes in the line-up that

the tournament are determined by regular season play.

"We have to continue winning and hope someone else knocks off SEMO," said Coach Austin. "We have to keep improving. We need to get the bats going again and then maybe we'll be on an upward swing entering the tournament."

The OVC tournament will be the last weekend in April at Eastern Kentucky.

The Lady Gavs will travel to UT-Martin today for a crucial OVC conference match-up, as each game from here on out becomes increasingly important.

helped us later on in the week."

Despite her first two losses of the year last week, Thompson still stands at 13-2 for the season.

The Lady Gavs currently stand at 14-13 on

"We have to keep everyone healthy and continue to improve. We need to get the bats going again and then maybe we'll be on an upward swing entering the tournament."

--Coach Chris Austin

the season. Their 8-6 OVC record is good enough for second place, just a game and a half behind conference-leading SEMO, who has posted an 8-3 mark.

With the OVC tournament lingering on the horizon, the squad hopes to make up ground on the conference leaders, since the seeds in

Tomorrow afternoon, Austin Peay will play host to Southern Indiana at Edith Pettus Park, a team they played at Evansville on Tuesday.

On Friday, the squad will travel south to play Samford.

On Saturday, the Lady Gavs will return to OVC action against Tennessee Tech in Cookeville.



HURLIN' THE JAVELIN--All-purpose sophomore Stephanie Hawkins, who finished second in both hurdle events and third in the long jump, throws the javelin on her way to a second-place finish. The Lady Gavs defeated Tennessee State, Tennessee Tech and UT-Martin to win their own quadrangular meet. (photo by Yvonne Carter)

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between the judiciary and executive branches of government.

Broome also had the opportunity to spend time with Tennessee's newest senator, Harlan Matthews, who took

"Being surrounded by political scientists, not politicians, left the impression on me that you can survive in 'the loop' without losing your integrity." —Robert Broome

him on a tour of the Capitol, and introduced him to a number of other senators.

"It was a tremendous experience, and in the short time

I spent with him I learned a lot about how the Senate operates, not necessarily on the floor, but behind the scenes," Broome said.

He felt the symposium was not only a way to gain a better understanding of the executive branch of government, but also a forum for gaining knowledge and sharing individual ideas.

"There is a tremendous need for public service and a tremendous need for honest politicians," Broome said. "Being surrounded by political scientists, not politicians, left the impression on me that you can survive in 'the loop' without losing your integrity."

Broome plans to attend law school, practice law and aspires to become a member of the United States Congress.



JAZZIN' IT UP---
 Members of the John Scofield Quartet perform at last weekend's Mid-South Jazz Festival. (photo by Donna Lovett)

Geology students get hands on experience in annual department field trip

Geology students find in obscure locations.
 Fossils can be anything from tiny ancient plant life to shark teeth and (weird bug-like things from millions of years past).
 Austin Peay geology students found a sample of weeks ago, they can be

layering and chert deposits. Then another stop to look at more layering, and onto a larger quarry where students

searched for land and aquatic fossils like the ever-popular trilobites and lesser-known animal and plant life.

Austin Peay students and faculty spent the night in Corinth, Miss., only to arise early the next morning for another full day of adventuring.

Saturday's first stop was probably the most popular one of the entire trip. An intended road bed in rural Mississippi turned up hundreds of thousands of shark teeth, estimated to be millions of years old.

For Martina Varela, a non-traditional student at Austin Peay, it was the best part of the trip. "I liked it the best," she said. "We didn't stay long enough."

Two more stops completed the 1993 trip, with an oyster bed site and a quick stop to look at iron deposits.

Varela commented, "I was surprised how many fossils you can find. I thought they were rare, but they're everywhere."



ON THE ROAD--- Geology students pose for a picture on their annual field trip. They visited rock quarries, oyster beds and discovered different types of fossils. (photo by Kiezza Smith)

On a brief stop at a quarry, Austin Peay students and faculty moved to Paris Landing to observe bed

All Austin Peay students are invited to join the geology field trip, which for some geology students is extra credit and for all is a trip that you actually get something (fossils) for nothing but a little time.

Art Scene

*Artworks by Austin Peay State University students will be on display April 12-29 at the annual Student Art Exhibit at the Trahern Gallery. There will be an opening reception April 12 from 7:30-9 p.m. All activities are free and open to the public.



Sponsored by the Student Art League, this juried exhibit will include mixed-media works. Students are free to submit any number of entries, with works to be juried by APSU department of art faculty. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three winners, along with prizes in other categories.

Gallery hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday, and 1-4 p.m. Sunday.

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

*A Concert Artist Series—Ensemble Courant will be held tonight at 8 p.m. in the concert theater of the Music/Mass Communication Building. Admission is free to APSU faculty, staff and students, but you must pick up a reserved seat ticket at the Music Ticket Office for admittance. Ticket Office hours are 11 a.m.-1 p.m. April 5-7, and again at 7 p.m. preceding the performance. There also will be a Master Class from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the concert theater of the Music/Mass Communication Building. The program is free and open to the public.

*A visiting artist, Sculptor Claire Lieberman, will give a slide lecture of her work on April 8 at 7 p.m. in Trahern 401. It is free and open to the public.

*There will be a guest lecture in the Gentry Auditorium of the Kimbrough Building April 8 at 8 p.m. Acuff Chair of Excellence in the Creative Arts occupant John Haines, poet and essayist, will lecture on the topic "What Are Poets For?" Reception and book signing will follow the event. It is free and open to the public.

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*On April 8 at 8 p.m. there will be "An Evening of Guitar and Electronic Music" in the concert theater of the Music/Mass Communication Building. It will feature the University Guitar Ensemble and AP MIDI Committee. It is free and open to the public.

*There will be a Dimensions New Music Series on April 12 at 8 p.m. in the concert theater of the Music/Mass Communication Building. It will feature works by American composers and guest composer Pamela Marshall. It is free and open to the public.

*Libby Vanatta's Junior Recital (piano) will be April 14 at 8 p.m. in the concert theater of the Music/Mass Communication Building. It is free and open to the public.

*Anna Laura Page, wife of APSU president Dr. Oscar Page, will be the featured organist at the Madison Street United Methodist Church's Tenebrae "Service of Shadows" at 7 p.m. on Good Friday, April 9. Everyone is welcome to attend this beautiful service based on the last hours of Christ's life before the crucifixion. The church is located at 319 Madison Street.

Mrs. Page is a composer/clinician/organist from Clarksville, Tenn. At the present time, she directs the Austin Peay State University Community Children's Chorus and writes full time for several publishers.

*Meredith Willson's "The Music Man," is now playing at the Roxy Theatre, 100 Franklin Street. Remaining performances are at 8 p.m. April 9, 10, 16, 17, 23 and 24 and at 2 p.m. April 18 and 24.

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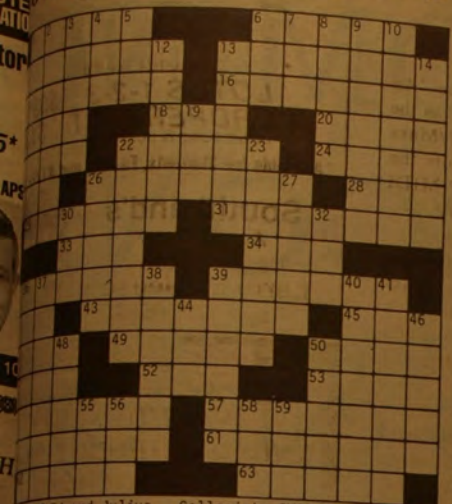
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Cover Charge \$3

HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY MONDAY

Monday - Saturday
11 a.m. - Till

Sunday
1 p.m. - 12 a.m.

MUST BE 21 DURING EVENING HOURS