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'No Confidence' in Rinella

Chancellor on campus this week

Resolution passes 27-14 in crescendo

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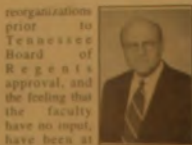
In a crescendo of the building controversy, Austin Peay's Faculty Senate, a body elected by voters to represent the faculty, has voted President Dr. Sal Rinella a vote of no confidence.

At a called meeting last week the senate voted 27-14 in favor of the no confidence resolution, which sends Tennessee Board of Regents intervention.

The approval of the resolution is the result of two years of building dissatisfaction among the faculty and staff. The controversy heated up in the preceding months, creating tension and confusion that began to take its toll on the university community.

"In the past years, we have seen dissatisfaction turn into anger," said senate President Dr. Bert Randall, professor of philosophy.

Several issues, including implementing programs and



Rinella

reorganizations prior to Tennessee Board of Regents approval, and the feeling that the faculty have no input have been at the heart of the tension.

In a written statement released Friday, Rinella said, "I realize I have brought a new leadership style to Austin Peay. Some have indicated it is this new style to which the faculty is having problems adjusting. But change is a fact of life, and I believe that the changes are grounded in a strong vision of excellence, learning and service."

"I hope to continue to serve as Austin Peay's president, and I intend to move forward with the positive initiatives we have launched."

Rinella's supporters credit him with reaching out to the

community, initiating fundraising campaigns like the Committee of 1,000 and implementing a faculty salary study.

Dr. Buddy Grah, professor of psychology, said there is no case which warrants removal of Rinella. "He is a man who is absolutely passionate about his beliefs. He is committed to doing what is best for Austin Peay," Grah said.

Dr. Bruce Myers, professor of computer science, said "I have not found him (Rinella) to micromanage as others have. I find it very deplorable that we bring these invalid charges."

In a meeting with some senators on Thursday, Rinella responded in writing to some of the issues the faculty are concerned with. He said Austin Peay has a history of not receiving TBR approval for new programs, but that he currently is trying to follow proper board procedure.

"It seems that the current administration is only guilty of following historical precedence," Grah said.

Dr. Stephanie Newport, associate professor of management, expressed her concern about faculty input in university decisions.

She said she has served on various committees where she was told the discussion didn't leave the room. "On various committees on which I've served, we've been sworn to secrecy," Newport said. "I, for one, am tired of being misinterpreted by this university."

Dr. Ron Gupion, professor of mathematics, gave an overview of some of the major problems he and other faculty and staff members see within the university. He said he doesn't



Dr. Bert Randall, professor of philosophy and Faculty Senate President, explains the secret ballot process to the senate just before voting on the resolution Thursday.

(Photo by Andy Segelke)

think the university has a communication problem so much as there are fundamental differences in the way the faculty and administration see things.

"We differ on terms of budget, honesty, integrity and treatment of personnel," Gupion said. "The treatment of personnel has been horrible," and they have been working in an environment of fear and intimidation.

He also said the administration came to Austin Peay with the faculty's trust. "It was theirs to lose and they have lost it. I think they do what they want to do."

Dr. James Mock, professor of

political science, agrees that there are serious problems within the university. "I have had no opportunity to have any kind of input in my own department," he said.

Both the Faculty Senate and Rinella have tried to open communication channels with Rinella initiating "Lunch with the President" sessions and the Faculty Senate scheduling several open forums with Rinella.

The no confidence resolution has gone to Tennessee Board of Regents Chancellor Dr. Charles Smith for review.

Tennessee Board of Regents Chancellor Dr. Charles Smith is expected to be on campus through Friday discussing with the university community a no confidence resolution passed by the Faculty Senate. The resolution asks TBR to remove APSU's Dr. Sal Rinella from the presidency.

Smith was aware of the increasing tension, but encouraged that it be handled at the university level.

In a statement released Friday, Smith said, "Until the Faculty Senate acted, the debate was solely and properly a campus issue. Now it has become my responsibility to become directly involved, and I want to ensure all constituencies of Austin Peay State University that I intend to conduct a thorough, fair and objective investigation of all issues that relate to the current controversy."

Smith said he has received a constant stream of faxes, letters, reports and phone calls from faculty, administrators, students, alumni and community leaders.

"It is clear to me that a serious breakdown in communication between the Faculty Senate and President Rinella has occurred and that the line between fact and fiction has become blurred."

Smith said he and his staff will interview each member of the Faculty Senate in an effort "to hear concerns, to separate fact from fiction, to evaluate the process used by the senate to reach its conclusions, and to assess the validity of its concerns."

"The inquiry will then shift to other constituencies and President Rinella."

Smith stressed the following points:

- The action by the Faculty Senate is essentially an expression of majority sentiment of one group at Austin Peay. The Tennessee Board of Regents is the only body with the authority to hire and fire a university president.

- Rinella is Austin Peay's chief executive officer with the authority of the Board to carry out his duties.

- The primary reason for APSU's existence is to provide a quality education.



Dr. David Till, professor of English and former Faculty Senate President, and Dr. John Foote, professor and chair of the chemistry department, count the ballots after the faculty voted on a resolution of 'No Confidence' in APSU President Dr. Sal Rinella.

(Photo by Andy Segelke)

Austin Peay exchange students visit Swedish company

By BRENT MERIDITH
staff writer

Several Austin Peay exchange students got a first-hand look at how international companies operate in the United States.

Five Swedish students and one from Hong Kong traveled to Norcross, Ga., to tour the American branch of the Swedish company Sunds Defibrator. The company, which makes filters, housed the students for three days and paid all expenses.

Dr. Samuel Fung, director of international education at Austin Peay, said he was thrilled about the trip, calling it a great opportunity for the university to build a lasting relationship with the company. The company saw it as a chance to help students from their home country.

The university made the contact through Inga Filipp, APSU's Sweden study-abroad campus coordinator. The company is based out of Filipp's hometown of Sundsvall, Sweden. It is also the location of Mid Sweden University, which is where APSU students study while in Sweden.

"I wanted them to get a sense of global business operations," Dr. Stephanie Newport, associate professor of management/marketing at Austin Peay.

She said the presentations made by the executives of the Swedish company fit in well with the lectures she had given in class. She said a great thanks should be given to

the executives for being so thorough and candid in their explanations.

"I wanted them (the students) to see real-life applications of what is taught in class," Newport said.

"They were really nice to us," Ulrika Kjellberg, one of the Swedish students and a business major, said. She said it was interesting to see how a Swedish company operated outside her home country.

The trip wasn't just business, however. The students explored nearby Atlanta as well. "It was a great opportunity to see a city like Atlanta," Kjellberg said. The group toured the Coca-Cola Museum, CNN and the Olympic Village during their visit.

G.H.O.S.T. to haunt campus again

The Student Government Association, in conjunction with several student organizations and corporate sponsors, is sponsoring the G.H.O.S.T. Great Halloween Options for Safe Trick-or-treaters Project again this Halloween.

At last year's inaugural event over 1,500 children from the Clarksville community, more than twice the number anticipated, participated in the trick-or-treat festival at Austin Peay.

This year, activities include a haunted house, face painting, carnival games, pumpkins and a costume

contest.

This year SGA hopes to expand the G.H.O.S.T. Project to accommodate 3,000 of the children in the Clarksville community.

Children can trick-or-treat on Halloween night, Oct. 31st, from 5-7 p.m. in the University Center bowl area, the adjoining Harrel bowl area, and the front of Harvill Cafeteria.

Parking and all activities are free and open to the public.

ACT COMP offered

The Tennessee Board of Regents requires all students graduating with a bachelor's degree to be an associate of science in general studies degree to take the ACT COMP Examination prior to receiving their degree. This test instrument is used to evaluate the effectiveness of the university's educational program. Graduates who achieve exceptional scores on the COMP will be recognized in the graduation program.

Seniors who plan to graduate in December 1997 must take the COMP during the following scheduled testing sessions. Those seniors that do not take the COMP will have a hold on their diplomas.

The following sessions remain:
• Thursday, Oct. 30, 5 p.m.-8 p.m., Claxton 103
• Saturday, Nov. 1, 9 a.m.-noon, Claxton 103

Seniors on the graduation list will be notified by mail. Any senior who has not received information and/or signed up to take the test should call 648-6184 or come by Browning 115 as soon as possible.

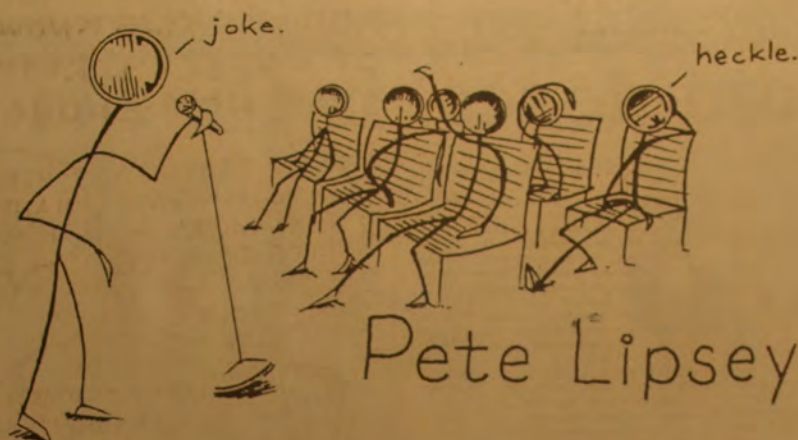
Pulling together for Austin Peay



Members of Austin Peay's ROTC team work on a rope bridge during the Ranger Head-to-Head Competition held at Fort Campbell. Austin Peay competed in five events and took second place overall.

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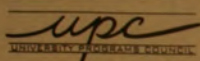
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A nation of learners or a nation of morons?

By

JONATHAN
SCOTT
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Opinion Editor



It's a concern that is heard over and over again. As we, as a country, failing in the education of our children, it seems as if it's a never-ending battle. Every few years, a civic-minded group will compile the latest SAT scores, graduation and literacy rates, etc. After carefully tailoring the information so that it supports their claims, these critics will proceed to lambast 'the system,' claiming that we are once again falling behind, that we are in peril of losing that fabled 'edge' to the Japanese, the Germans or even the (gasp) 'Zionists.'

These are the same critics who are nostalgic about the 'golden age' of America's past, a time when there were no discipline problems in school, a time when students wanted to learn, a time when all families resembled those of Ozzie and Harriet or gave it to Beaver.

Terrell Bell, former Secretary of Education, voiced some of those same sentiments when he wrote "We must acknowledge that for most Americans, neither diligence in learning nor rigorous standards of performance prevail. How do we once again become a nation of learners, in which attitudes towards intellectual pursuit and quality of work have excellence as their core?"

These overly romanticized ideals are nothing new. Gerald Barney, author of *Setting the Record Straight: Responses to Misconceptions About Public Education in the United States*, writes that these sentiments "echo two qualities common to educational reformers since WW II: nostalgia and Americanism."

What I'd like to know is when was the United States ever a 'nation of learners'? The answer, of course, is that we never were. American education the best that it has ever been.

At the turn of the century, the high school graduation rate was about three percent. Not until the late 1940s did it exceed 50 percent. Half of a century ago it was a common belief that no more than one out of five students could handle a college curriculum. Today more than three out of five high school students enroll in college. SAT scores have not changed significantly over the past 50 years, despite the massive increase in the number of test-takers, presumably coming from a larger base of

the intellectual spectrum.

Why then, this pervasive sense of failure? What makes us so worried about the "rising tide of mediocrity" that is supposedly assailing our education system? Charles Silberman, author of *Crisis in the Classroom*, put it this way: "In almost every area (of American life) improvement beyond what anyone thought possible fifty or twenty-five or even ten years ago has produced anger and anxiety rather than satisfaction."

Part of the blame should go to the ultimate spin doctors - the federal government. During the Reagan years, his advisors attributed the decline of education to 'big government.' They urged, among other things, the abolishment of the Department of Education, and the establishment of a school voucher program. Reports commissioned by Reagan's administration, such as *A Nation at Risk*, were carefully edited to present as bleak a picture as possible. Not to be outdone, President Bush suppressed a federally-funded report that concluded that there was no crisis in education.

You would think that educational organizations would have challenged this dismal portrait of American education; certainly they would be in the best position to assess the situation. But all too often, the policies of organizations such as the National Education Association are dictated by greed. If there is a perceived problem, then it is likely that the government will throw money at it in an attempt to make it go away (at least while they're in office). More money means more teachers, more administration jobs, more everything, so why rock the boat?

The straight skinny is that students today are smarter, more prepared and more capable than they have ever been. Now is better than then. Achievement scores are higher than they have ever been. Of the nine trends in reading, mathematics, and science tracked by the National Assessment of Educational Progress, seven are at all-time highs. There is no question that we are a nation of learners.

American students have clearly made great gains in education during the 20th century. Academic performance, however, is not the standard in and of itself. Perhaps a truer measure of success in schools would be to ask ourselves, "Is what we're doing adequate to the needs of the present and of the foreseeable future?" Clearly, many of our schools fail that test.

As we approach the 21st century, questions of how many computers are in each classroom, national standards testing and comparing ourselves to the Germans should be considered secondary. What is really important is that we choose goals that will benefit all of America's children, as well as providing the means to accomplish these goals. This is the way to ensure that the golden age of education remains in the future, and not in the past.

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What makes a Super Hero?

By
NATHAN
DAUGHERTY
staff writer

How is everybody doing out there in Peayland? As always, I'm doing just fantastic, thank you very much. I've noticed that the editorials the past few weeks have been a little...um...uh...well, I'll let you fill in your own adjectives, but I do feel the need to address an issue that is really important, and one that is near and dear to my heart.

Friday is, as everyone should know, the most spookiest holiday of the year. Yes, it's Halloween. Millions of children will dress up and go trick-or-treating. Many of these kids will dress up as superheroes, and this is something that really ticks me off.

The label of 'superhero' is one that has been casually tossed around with no regard for what a superhero is or should be. So let's discuss some of these alleged 'superheroes.'

Obviously, you've got Superman...I mean just look at his name. Aquaman can control sea animals. And I don't even have to sneeze at all that Radioactive Man can do. Then you have my personal superhero, Bob Chung.

Those guys are the real deal; they're what superheroes are all about. Unfortunately, there are too many poseurs out there who aren't even fit to hold Superman's cape.

These un-superheroes, or should I say costume-wearing momma's boys who can't find a date to see that Halloween is over, as I like to call them - there are sooooo many of them. Here's just a few. You've got your Spidermans, your Power Rangers, your Ticks, Achilles, Eddie Vedder and your Cobra

Commanders. Then, THEN, you've got Batman, quite possibly the biggest fraud and flake in all of the superhero universe.

Batman is many things, but a superhero is not one of them. Granted, he's a very athletic kinda guy with good looks and awesome manners. If it weren't for his gadgets and gizmos, all he'd be doing is serving as window-dressing for Batgirl. Instead of Batman, maybe they should call him Good-Lookin' Good-Mannered Man. Instead of pretending to save Gotham City from the bad guys, he could tell us all the difference, if there is one, between saying 'thanks' and 'thank you.'

Of course, I can't mention Batman and not mention Robin. Robin, just what junior high school did he fall out of? I could discuss the relationship between 'Bruce' Wayne and his faithful charge, Master Dick Grayson, but this is a family column after all. Anyway, with all of those 'holly this' and 'holly that,' it just goes to show that Robin is one of those many people fishing without a lure.

I guess what I'm trying to say is that I wish that people who give out labels such as 'superhero' think twice before they speak. And they should definitely resist all the sucking up that these 'heroes' do. Instead of superheroes, we should call them suck-up heroes. That oughta teach 'em not to dive into a profession without first getting a degree as many a basketball player does. Hey people, don't pay the fee - get your degree.

Well, that's about all I have to say on that subject. Now, I am always interested in my reader's opinions, so if you have one, write me or send me an e-mail. That's all from this side. I'm Nathan Daugherty, zipping up, flushing, and saying "Talk to ya later, Peay!"

Render unto Caesar...

By
JOE
WEYANT
staff writer

Occasionally, it becomes difficult for a person to discern right from wrong. At these times, old principles seem to fade and ethical behavior is abandoned. Good judgement can be clouded by opportunity and, when money is at stake, the legal arena is the standard route,

no matter who the defendant is. This seems to be what happened in a recent legal case involving an unpaid creditor and a tithing-turned-bankrupt parishioner of a Texas church. It happened in Baytown, Texas, to the Cedar Bayou Baptist Church. One of the church's deacons owed a large sum of money to a businessman in Houston. Instead of paying his debts, however, the deacon gave twenty-three thousand dollars to his church. Immediately after this act of generosity, he filed for bankruptcy. Obviously, the outstanding debts owed to the Houston businessman were not going to be recovered, or so it seemed.

Not surprisingly, the businessman filed a lawsuit against the church to recover the money that the deacon had given the church. Not by an act that had been given to the church was awarded to the businessman, the courts basing their finding on state bankruptcy statutes, as well as the fact that the tither had received nothing of "equivalent value" in return from his gift.

Some people might say that this was the only

way to recover the debt. Perhaps they're right. However, what if they're not? Don't thousands of people file bankruptcy situations bring up many questions, all rooted in right versus wrong?

The pastor of the church in question had this to say, "The right to worship is an inherent right in America, and we give tithes in obedience to the Bible in both good times and bad." This would seem to indicate that what the courts did was to violate religious freedoms.

Of course, that depends on how you view tithing. The Bible tells us to give cheerfully, yet there is also a strong allusion in this sacred book to paying one's debts and being honorable. Was the parishioner being honorable when he knowingly withheld money from his only creditor and gave it to his church? No, he was not. In fact, he complicated matters by involving the church in his financial struggles.

Some groups fear that the constitutional right to practice religion by tithing is at stake. Contributions to charities could also be challenged by the bankruptcy laws. A real solution, and the seemingly biblical thing to do in these cases would be to exercise good financial practices. In other words, pay your debts before you give anything away.

It is unfortunate that the little Texas church probably already had ideas of how they were going to spend the large chunk of cash given them. God, the master of all ethics, probably didn't want that money anyway. He knew it belonged to someone else.

Letters to the Editor

and behind your man

Is it promise or oppression?

I am writing in response to Jonathan Carter's article about Promise Keepers. I don't understand why men who are seeking God's will and trying to try out the promises they made should be verbally abused. God's word clearly states that the church should be the head of the household (Ephesians 5:22-24). These men are trying to give their lives over completely to the God who loves them if I saved them and I feel like they should be blessed. It takes real men to stand up in front of a nation and make these kind of promises. These men are definitely on the right track when they say they want to "take back our country for Christ." Our country was, and will continue to be, blessed because it belongs to Christ. We may be living in a day where wrong is considered right, but a day when God wins fit. He will raise His people up and our nation will once again live as "one house under God." According to the Bible, our love as women is by our husband's side (Colossians 3:18). It is only when we realize how God blessed it to be, that our families will be made whole again.

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Govs still searching for first victory

Govs drop to 0-7 with loss

By SCOTT HOSKINS
sports editor

Austin Peay's football squad saw some familiar faces across the field in last Saturday's 42-14 loss to Eastern Illinois at Charleston, Ill.

Former Gov. linebacker Thomas Williams, defensive end Dave Thomas and defensive tackle Amiziah Smith transferred

to EIU after the end of last season and now anchor the ninth ranked Panther defense.

Those three players helped Eastern Illinois (7-1) hold the Austin Peay offense to 219 total yards.

The Peay defense played well in its own right. The unit held EIU's offense to just one touchdown in the first quarter. Three

consecutive scores by the Panthers in the second half put the game out of reach, however.

Eastern Illinois put seven on the board first in the opening quarter when running back Justin Lynch scored on a 26-yard run.

APSU tied the game at seven with 4:45 remaining in the opening stanza on tailback Chris Black's six-yard dash.

The hosts took the lead for good with 6:54 left in the half on Mike Simpson's 16-yard touchdown pass to Noel Outlaw. After a Governor fumble, EIU added another score on Simpson's 12-yard pass to Seth Willingham. The PAT gave the Panthers a 21-7 halftime lead.

Simpson added two more touchdown losses in the break-away third quarter, 12- and 11-yard passes to Anton Manuel.

Kelvin Russell's one-yard run gave EIU its final score.

Peay's Black scored on a two-yard pass from Jason Stooksbury with 5:46 left for the game's final margin.

Eastern Illinois racked up 494 net yards offensively, including 264 rushing, the majority coming after the first quarter.

Panther quarterback Mike Simpson had a near flawless day, going 21-of-23 for 250 yards through the air.

With APSU quarterback Adam Pineo still out after suffering a

punctured lung two weeks ago, backup quarterback Jason Stooksbury took the offensive reins and threw for 105 yards on 7-of-15 passing with no interceptions.

Freshman running back Travis Adams carried the ball 13 times for 88 yards for the Governors, while Black carried 10 times for 26 yards with one rushing TD and one TD reception.

Receiver Frank Escobar led the Govs' receiver corps with five passes for 71 yards.

The Govs return to action on Saturday for their third home contest of the season, against Southeast Missouri State. Kickoff is at 1:30 p.m.

Final Statistics

Austin Peay	7	0	0	0
Eastern Illinois	7	14	14	7
First downs	AP	18	18	18
Rushes-yds	31	27	114	106
Passing	100	250	7-15	4-23
Comp-Att-Int	9	9	0	0
Return Yds.	5-29.4	1-1	0	0
Punts-Avg.	1-1	0	0	0
Fumbles-lost	8-61	0	0	0
Penalties-yds.	22-18	0	0	0
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Southeast Missouri facts:

Location: Cape Girardeau,
Mo.
Nickname: Indians
Colors: Red and Black
Head coach: John Mumford
Mumford's overall record:
32-42-0 (7 yrs.)
Basic Offense: Multiple Pro
Basic Defense: 4-3 Slide
Result of last meeting:
Southeast Missouri won 17-
13 at Cape Girardeau in
1996.

Last week's results: SEMO
lost 55-6 to MTSU; APSU
lost 42-14 to Eastern Illinois

Game Preview: SEMO is led
by quarterback Justin
Martini and defenseman
Angel Rubio. The Indian
defense allowed 539 yards to
MTSU's offense. Martini
poses a dangerous passing
threat.

Prediction: SEMO 28-21

Austin Peay sports this week



Football—Nov. 1—Southeast Missouri State
1:30 p.m., Governor's Stadium

Volleyball—Oct. 31—Southeast Missouri
p.m., Dunn Center
Nov. 1—Eastern Illinois, Dunn Center, 4 p.m.
Nov. 4—Tennessee Tech, Dunn Center, 7 p.m.

Men's Basketball—Nov. 1—Sports
Crusaders Exhibition, 7 p.m., Dunn Center

Rifle—Nov. 1—Ole Miss, 9 a.m.

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Lady Govs split OVC Death Valley road trip

by SCOTT HOSKINS
sports editor

Austin Peay's Lady Govs volleyball squad managed to split their road trip to Death Valley—Eastern Kentucky and Morehead State—last weekend.

The Lady Govs swept past Eastern Kentucky (1-20, 1-11 OVC) in three sets, but lost a grueling four-setter to Morehead State.

Against Eastern Kentucky's Lady Colonels, freshman Laura Mitchell recorded 13 kills to go along with 11 digs to lead the Lady Govs in the 15-7, 15-12, 16-14 win.

Down 10-1 in the second set, the Lady Govs scored 14 of the last 16 points to secure the victory.

"We didn't quit and didn't give up the game," APSU head coach Cheryl Holt said. "We had a couple of key digs and good kills."

Sophomore Jenny Wenning and freshman Becky Sowinski added 16 digs each in the winning effort.

Freshman setter Annie Gieber finished with 26 assists.

"We played well, but they (EKU) self-destructed," Holt said. "We played with a lot of confidence."

Morehead State defeated the Lady Govs in four sets, 14-16, 15-13, 20-18 and 15-13.

Sowinski led the squad with 18 kills and 35 digs, while Wenning had 16 kills and 18 digs.

"We played hard and had the opportunity to win," Holt said. "I thought the difference was

defense."

The Lady Eagles had 166 digs in the victory.

"We hit well, but Morehead dug us well," Holt said. "It could've gone either way."

Gieber had 51 assists and 23 digs. Mitchell added 23 digs for the Lady Govs.

The Lady Govs return to action Friday night, facing OVC leader Southeast Missouri State.

"We've got to eliminate mistakes," Holt said. "Our number one concern is their setter; she's the best setter in the conference."

"They have six hitters, because the setter attacks the ball. SEMO is a fundamentally sound, good team."

Game time is at 7 p.m. in the Dunn Center.

Sports briefs

Student discount tickets available

In order to help non-traditional students and their families enjoy the coming basketball season, as well as to enhance regular student attendance, the Austin Peay ticket office is offering student "buddy" tickets.

Any APSU student with a valid ID card may purchase up to four extra tickets in the general admission seating section of the Dunn Center for \$3 each. These tickets may not be purchased in advance.

Tickets are only available at the door on game day. Students who purchase the tickets will be able to sit in the General Admission area with their guests.

Halloween contest to be held at APSU-
MO volleyball contest Friday

At the Austin Peay-Southeast Missouri volleyball match on Friday, there will be a Halloween costume contest between games two and three. Prizes will be awarded to the first and second place winners.

Austin Peay rifle squad competes at
Murray State and Tennessee Tech

Austin Peay's rifle team placed third at Murray State last weekend. The squad had 1267 total points to finish behind host Murray State's gold team (1,529) and Murray's blue team (1,495).

Brandy Butler paced APSU with 342 points, while Jeanne Beals had 314 points. Tammy Miramontes finished with 311 points and Yumiko Iwata had 300 points.

At Tennessee Tech University, the Govs had 1,230 points to finish sixth in the air rifle competition.

Butler's 323 led Austin Peay. Iwata shot a 320, while Miramontes had 294 and Beals 293.

Govs first exhibition game Saturday

Austin Peay's men's basketball team opens the 1997-98 season Saturday with an exhibition against Sports Crusaders at 7 p.m. in the Dunn Center. Admission is free to all Austin Peay students with a valid ID.

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APSU Percussion Ensemble presents Halloween concert

Austin Peay State University's Percussion Ensemble will perform a special Halloween concert Friday, Oct. 31, at 7:30 p.m. in the concert theatre of the Music/Mass Communications Building.

Presented by the APSU department of music and Center of Excellence for the Creative Arts, the event is free and open to the public.

Under the direction of APSU Associate Professor of Music David Steinquest, the nine-member ensemble will perform works

appropriate to the holiday, complete with special effects and costumes. The program includes such selections as "The Sinister Minister," "Witches' Dance," "Death by Ooga Booga" and others.

Members of the Percussion Ensemble include Allison Creed, Corey Izatt, Greg Jackson, Robbie Parks, Melissa Taylor, Chris Travis, Nelson Truitt, Chad Wallace and Eric Willie.

For more information, telephone (931) 648-7818.

Music faculty featured on CD and in concert

A concert celebrating the recording of a new compact disc of recently composed American music opens the 17th season of the Dimensions New Music Series at Austin Peay State University.

This special "New CD Celebration" concert will be held Monday, Nov. 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the concert theatre of the Music/Mass Communications Building, presented by the APSU department of music and Center of Excellence for the Creative Arts.

Several of the composers

whose works comprise the CD will be present on Nov. 3. They include Christina Kuzmych, Kenneth Mahy, Stella Sung, Persis Vehar and APSU's Dr. Jeffery Wood.

At 6:30 p.m. preceding the concert, they will participate in a "Pre-Concert Chat with the Composers" in Room 147 of the Music/Mass Communications Building. APSU Professor of English Malcolm Glass will serve as host.

Seven members of the APSU music faculty and five guest artists who have been major

presenters in the recent history of the series have just completed this CD, which features six of the outstanding composers who have been featured on past concerts. Monday's concert includes many of the pieces that will be found on the forthcoming CD.

The program features a variety of music for voice and piano, guitar and flute performed by APSU music faculty Dr. Sharon Mabry, mezzo-soprano; Dr. Jeffery Wood, piano; Anne Glass, piano; Dr. Allen Henderson, baritone; Dr.

Thomas King, tenor; Dr. Lisa Vanarsdel, flute; and Dr. Stanley Yates, guitar; along with guest artists Lisa Conklin-Bishop, mezzo-soprano; Wade, piano; Neal Rasmussen, saxophone; David Vandenberg, cello; and Dr. Vicki

piano. There will also be a reception immediately following the performance. All of the tickets are free and open to the public.

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APSU faculty will be featured in the upcoming Dimensions New CD Celebration concert Monday, Nov. 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the concert theatre of the Music/Mass Communications Building. Pictured are (front, left to right) Dr. Stanley Yates, Dr. Jeffery Wood, (back, left to right) Lisa Conklin-Bishop, Anne Glass, Dr. Thomas King, Dr. Sharon Mabry, Dr. Allen Henderson and Dr. Lisa Vanarsdel.

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Gotcher named Communication Association Educator of the Year

by HEATHER GUEST
staff writer

"I'm not very good about singing my own praises," said Dr. Mike Gotcher when asked if there was anything he would like to say about having been named the Tennessee Communication Association Educator of the Year by the Tennessee Speech Communication Association at the annual conference in Nashville.

Gotcher may not sing his own praises, but his colleagues and students have no problem singing for him.

He was nominated for the award by Dr. Reece Bost, association member and fellow professor of speech at Austin Peay who received this award two years ago.

"Mike has one of the most analytical minds that I have encountered in my 35 years of teaching," said Bost in his nomination letter.

"It seems to me that he has very good rapport with students," said Dr. Ellen Kanervo of Associate Professor Gotcher, chair of the department of speech, communication, and theatre.

Dr. Filippo, assistant vice president of academic affairs, was very impressed by Gotcher's honor. "I'm thrilled and delighted that Dr. Gotcher won this award," he said. "It is a prestigious award that comments on the feelings that others in his profession have towards him."

"It was very exciting and unexpected," said Gotcher. "It was touching that my colleagues are willing to recognize my achievements in the class."

Gotcher received a bachelor's degree in speech and theatre from APSU in 1980. In 1983, he received his masters in communication theory from the University of Florida. He received his Ph.D. in organizational communication in 1990.

"It was exciting to be able to come back," said Gotcher of his job offer by APSU after he received his Ph.D. From 1990-93, he was an assistant professor at APSU, then was promoted to associate professor.

Before was offered the position at APSU, Gotcher had a variety of positions at several other Universities. At the University of Florida, from 1981-1983, he was a graduate assistant and director of forensics. From 1983-84, he was the director of debate for the University of Miami.

APSU nabbed Gotcher from 1984-87 as the director of forensics. He then served as a graduate assistant and director of debate at Louisiana State University from 1987-1990, before returning to APSU.

"Dr. Gotcher is a very personable professor. His ability to communicate effectively with students has gained him the positive reputation that he deserves. I am sure I am not alone in saying that Dr. Gotcher deserves this highly prestigious award," said Christy Wright, corporate communications major and Gotcher's graduate assistant.

Even with all his responsibilities at the university, he still finds time for his family. Gotcher and his wife of 17 years, Associate Professor of Theatre Dr. Sara Gotcher, have two daughters, Jessie, 5, and Samantha, 2.

His accomplishments in his 18 years of teaching are far beyond measure. He has 19 published articles and has presented over 40 presentations at professional conferences. He currently serves as faculty adviser of the "Capsule" magazine.

Other honors Gotcher has received include: the Richard M. Hawkins Award, Noteworthy Achievements in Scholarship, 1994 Austin Peay; Daniel Rohrer Researcher of the Year, American Forensic Association, 1990; John Franklin Mee Memorial Award, Outstanding Scholarship in Management History, Academy of Management, 1989; Tennessee Educator of the Year, Tennessee Junior Chamber of Commerce, 1995; and Tennessee Colonel, Tennessee General Assembly, 1994.

Art Scene

Upcoming events for Oct. 29-Nov. 5

Guest artist recital -- John Johns, classical guitarist, will perform at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 29, in the concert theatre of the Music/Mass Communications Building. The concert is free and open to the public. Telephone 7818 for more information.

Senior recital -- Jennifer Wyatt will play the flute in a senior recital at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 30, in the concert theatre of the Music/Mass Communications Building. The concert is free and open to the public.

Halloween Concert -- The APSU Percussion Ensemble will be featured in a concert at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 31, in the concert theatre of the Music/Mass Communications Building. The concert is free and open to the public. Telephone 7818 for more information.

Junior voice recital -- Dexter Shepherd will perform at 5:30 p.m., Nov. 1, in the concert theatre of the Music/Mass Communications Building. The concert is free and open to the public. Telephone 7818 for more information.

Visiting artist lecture -- Dr. Stephen Adles from the University of Richmond will give a slide lecture on the beauty of Japanese Zen painting, 7 p.m., Nov. 3, in Truhers Room 401. He also will conduct a calligraphy workshop on East Asian ink painting from 2-4:40 p.m., Nov. 3,

in Truhers Room 211. The lectures are free and open to the public. Telephone 7333 for more information.

Dimensions New Music Series -- APSU faculty will be featured in the upcoming Dimensions New CD Celebration concert at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 3, in the concert theatre of the Music/Mass Communications Building. A "Pre-Concert Chat with the Composers" will be held at 6:30 p.m. preceding the concert, in Music/Mass Communications Building Room 147. A reception will immediately follow the concert. Telephone 7818 for more information.

Student art exhibit -- An exhibit featuring works by Natalie Albin (sculpture), Amy Deal (ceramics), Nancy Diamond (ceramics/sculpture), Rebecca Gloyd (painting) and Melissa Quinn (ceramics) will be on display at the South-Truhers Mansion, 313 N. Spring Street, Nov. 3-7. An opening reception will be held from 6-8 p.m., Nov. 3. Viewing hours are Monday from 6-8 p.m., Tuesday 2-6 p.m., Wednesday 12-3 p.m., and Thursday 2-5 p.m. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

Graphic design exhibit -- Graphic design student Rusty Mitchell will exhibit his work in the Truhers Gallery, Nov. 3-7. An opening reception will be held from 7-9 p.m., Nov. 3. Gallery viewing hours are 10 a.m.-4 p.m. daily. The exhibit is free and open to the public.

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