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Safety responsibility increases after attempted abduction on campus

PATRICK ARMSTRONG Editor in Chief JENELLE GREWELL

On Wednesday, March 17, a student who claimed to be a victim of an attempted abduction incident on Tuesday, March 16, filed a police report.

On Friday, March 19, at 8:34 p.m., APSU issued an e-mail alert to all students, faculty and staff saying Campus Police had received an attempted abduction incident report on campus.

The target was unable to recall any descriptions of the person or vehicle.

'There is no further information on the incident. No details were provided. This is why the information was disseminated," said Chief of Campus Police Lantz

Biles said there is not investigation because not only does the witness not remember anything but it was reported 12 hours after the incident. Biles said there were no cameras in the area of incident to attempt an investigation. As for press time on Monday, March 22, the police report was not available for *The All State*.

On Saturday, March 20, at 8:09 a.m., a text message alert was sent out about the attempted abduction, telling receivers to check their e-mail for more information.

"This posting was not a timely notification. The incident did not pose a ongoing threat to the university community but we wanted to keep everyone informed of what little information we had," Biles said.

"Students have to be responsible for their own safety," Biles said. He said students need to communicate with campus police. He said there are only about three officers on duty at a time and 14 officers total. "How do you cover a whole campus?" he said.

Biles said students need to be alert and aware of their surroundings and report any incidents that seem

dangerous as soon as they happen to the police.

Campus does not allow weapons such as mace or pepper spray.

Biles said weapons are not reliable and they could get taken from you and used against you. He said as alternative, take a self-defense class and have a plan of action. "You can always have your own personal weapons, such as punching and kicking," Biles said.

The Foy Fitness and Recreation Center offers four classes in self defense: Kenpo Karate on Mondays from 5-5:45 p.m., Women's Rape Awareness Prevention and Survival (WRAPS) on Mondays from 7-9 p.m., Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-4:45 p.m. and Eskrima on Wednesday from 4-4:45 p.m.

Campus Police also offers various safety programs. For more information, visit www. apsu.edu/police/prevention.

Biles said the Campus Police are going to put up



ALEX FARMER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Caitlin Turmelle teaches a self-defense class for women with her husband, Kevin Turmelle, in the Foy Center on Monday, March 22.

links on the Web site for tips and information about their classes and seminars on safety offered.

"Don't fall under the 'it-can't-happen-to-me' syndrome. Crime can and does happen on campus. Be aware of your surroundings," Biles said.

For more information on staying safe on campus visit the campus police Web site for tips and classes offered.

If on campus and there is an emergency call 911 or use the blue light phones. To report any strange behavior call campus police at 221-*7786.* **♦**

Campus safety tips

Here are some safety tips from Lantz Biles Chief of Police on how to stay safe and react to an attack.

- Know how to defend yourself. Take a reputable Self defense class
- Develop a plan of action.
- Avoid walking alone,
- especially at night.
- Walk with confidence Look alert. Be alert.
- If you feel you're being followed, go to a populated place.
- If confronted, make
- noise. Don't panic. If attacked, use your adrenaline to your advantage.
- If attacked, give a full description to police as soon as possible.

Recycling areas allow for coordination

Staff Reports

"Campus is just starting a new effort to get all the recycling coordinated," said Joe Mills, director of Housing/Residence Life and Dining Services.

The new project to coordinate recycling on campus began about three weeks ago and it is still a work in progress because people want more containers or want to move the containers, Mills said.

He said, several buildings were already doing it but there was no coordinated effort in picking it up.

"We are trying to set up locations in every one of the buildings so that as students are leaving class or doing whatever they can drop off materials in the recycling areas," Mills said.

He said student workers are hired through the funding by the Green Committee to pick up the items on a regular basis. "This is to contribute to the overall betterment of

campus." Mills said he wants to get the word out and make sure we are doing the right thing.

He said plastics, paper, cardboard and aluminum are being recycled, everything but glass.

Mills said all the recvclables are taken behind the physical plant and bi-county picks up the materials and weighs it.

After bi-county weighs it, they send any proceeds to the university.

"Its really not a whole lot of money, but I think the big thing is that we are doing it because it's the right thing to do and just saving landfill space," Mills said.

He said the money would be for buying new containers or for educational purposes.

He said the amount of money is so minimal it really doesn't help with anything.

He said if anyone thinks a container needs to be added or any suggestions or questions to contact him at millsi@apsu.edu or (931) 221-6198 ◆

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SGA canidates campaign for upcoming election

By BRIAN BIGELOW Guest Writer

In the upcoming Student Government elections APSU students will get the opportunity to make their voices heard and determine who will speak for them in the upcoming academic year.

The SGA elections will be held from 9 a.m. Monday, March 29, to 11:59 p.m. Wednesday, March 31. Students can vote by visiting the APSU Web site and clicking the "Vote SGA" link.

Elections will be held for the Executive Branch which includes the president, vice president and executive secretary as well as 3 Senate seats for each Academic College Arts and Letters, Behavioral and Health Sciences, Business, Education, and Math and Science — and one seat each to represent the Sophomore, Junior and Senior classes.

Candidates for Executive offices are required to have and maintain if elected a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA, must have already served a minimum of two semesters as an SGA representative and have no formal disciplinary record.

Candidates for SGA President:

Craig Amabile:



SGA presidential candidate Craig Amabile is a senior double major in

criminal justice/public management and political science. Amabile has been an

SGA senator for two years and is the current SGA parliamentarian. He has "served as president of three organizations," in two of which he was the chartering president and has served as vice president of two other organizations, said Amabile. "I believe with a growing

university we need a leader who will challenge the system, get APSU on the TBR list for a new library, and the Trahern structure fixed," said Amabile.

"We need someone who is for the students and keeps the students' best interest first on his mind. We need someone who delivers his promises."

"I would like to look into the issue of parking and find some way that we can make the system more efficient and cut down on the

number of parking tickets

that are given, I would like to see there be more computer labs and computers available for all students."

In addition, Amabile counts among his priorities increasing attendance at APSU sporting events, bringing more sports teams to APSU and increasing student involvement in SGA and on campus.

Amabile said he has helped to pass legislation to pave gravel parking lots on campus, as well as legislation to require new SGA senators to be tested in order to ensure that they know what is expected of them and has helped to get more laptops in the library for students to

For more information on Amabile's campaign platform, visit votecraigamabile.webs.com or his Facebook group.

Kenny Kennedy: SGA

Presidential

Candidate

Kenny

Kennedy

is a pre-



med junior **Biology** Kennedy

major with minors in Chemistry and Leadership and has served as a member of the SGA as Senator, Student Tribunal member and is the current

SGA Vice President. "The cornerstone of my platform really is ideas," Kennedy said. "Every great project or program really starts with a person or

group sitting down and brainstorming ideas." 'The three most pressing

SGA initiative to build a new

issues are the library, parking and smoking," Kennedy said. "I can assure it is not an

Executive Committee experience provides him

library. We don't have \$50

Kennedy said.

million...to build a new one,"

"My hope is to implement

24 hour labs or study rooms.

The main idea is this: utilize

academic labs and study

rooms to make up for the

lack of space in the library

"The SGA cannot point a

finger and put up a parking

lot, however we do have

programs to help ease the

adding he hopes to extend

the Peay Pickup operating

hours, expand its route and

smaller vehicles that would

split the trolley into two

"probably cut costs" and

Kennedy said his

reduce wait time.

parking woes," Kennedy said,

we currently have."

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floor lobby

Construction projects remain on schedule



ANTHONY SHINGLER | ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The gravel pit in the basement of the University Center is ending construction. The gravel pit will be used for new conference and meeting rooms.

By NICK OLINGER Staff Writer

Ground-breaking new construction projects are rapidly developing at APSU. Two of the more eyecatching projects are the new undergraduate dorm and the Chemical Engineering Technology Facility.

According to Joe Mills, director of Housing/ Residence Life and Dining Services the undergraduate dorm should be completed by Fall 2011.

The dorm is located on Castle Heights but does not yet have a definite name. Mills said the intention of the new dorm was to keep up with enrollment.

"We want to make sure we keep about the same percentage of students living on campus," Mills said. He added it is important to keep all housing facilities updated.

Once the new building is

completed, Cross, Killebrew and Rawlins dorms will be torn down and the housing administrators will start another new housing project.

No further arrangements have been made for this future project.

Mills implied the new dorm is a \$25.5 million project. This includes the total building project, including groundwork and furniture. He said there remains 14 months of construction.

Daniel Scarbrough, a freshmen lives on campus in the Meacham Apartments located on West Avenue.

He said the construction noise is an issue for him because it can be very loud, especially in the morning. Despite the new dorms'

useful when it is finished and people are going to need it." Among the projects occurring on campus is in

faults, he said, "It will be

the building of the Chemical Engineering Technology Facility (CETF).

Located on College Street, the CETF is an accommodation targeted for those studying Chemical Engineering Technology.

Al Westerman, director of Facilities Planning and projects chairman, elaborated the projected date for the completion of the classrooms and offices of the CETF is mid June of this year.

He added the completion of the labs will be by Christmas of this year.

"Progress is going very well and we are actually about 10 days ahead of schedule. Estimates at this time that the building will be fully enclosed by the end of this month, which will allow us to continue work without concern for weather," Westerman said. For more information, check future editions of *The All State*. ♦

CAMPUS CRIME LOG

The APSU crime log includes arrests and dispatch call-ins. As mandated by Tennessee law, the crime log is updated within 48 hours of an incident and available for public inspection any time during normal business hours.

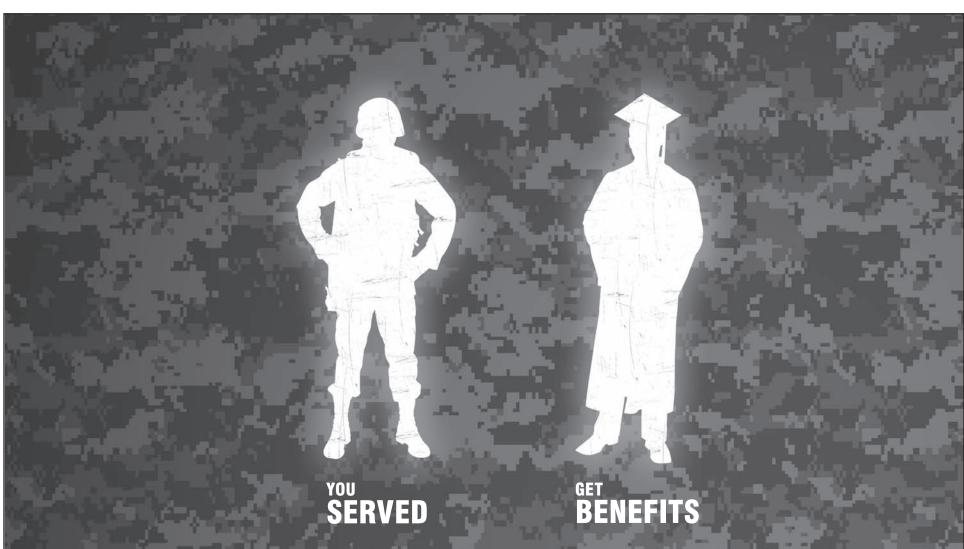
- 12:21 a.m., March 18, MUC, public intoxication, arrested: Aubrey T. Clark, 282 Old Highway 431 S, Springfield, Tenn. 37172
- 9:59 p.m., March 17, Meacham, theft of property
- · 4:53 p.m., March 15, Foy parking lot, theft of property
- 3:49 p.m., March 15, Meacham parking lot, theft of property
- 10:42 a.m., March 14, Drane and Marion, driving on suspended license, arrested: Eric A. Detelj, 971 Kennedy Rd. Clarksville, Tenn. 37040
- 1:46 a.m., March 13, Drane and Softball field, driving on suspended license, arrested: Jerry O. Medley, 2638 Greenbriar Dr. Clarksville, Tenn. 37040
- · 2:23 a.m., March 7, Eighth and College, driving on revoked license, arrested: Justin P. Lyle, 111 1/2 Riverview Dr. Clarksville, Tenn. 37040
- 8:52 p.m., March 5, Hand Village, alcohol violation by minor

- · 1:23 p.m., March 5, Clement, theft of
- 3:12 a.m., March 5, Robb and Patrick, public intoxication, arrested: Robin M. Meek, 741 Calvert Dr. Clarksville, Tenn. 37042
- 4:59 a.m., March 4, Cross Hall, harassment
- · 12:52 p.m., March 3, Rawlings lot, vandalism
- 8:56 a.m., March 2, Robb and Farris, driving on revoked license, arrested: Jazman De Coffee, 212 Creek Side Dr, Clarksville, Tenn. 37042
- 1:11 p.m., March 1, Foy parking lot, theft of property
- · 4:26 a.m., March 1, Farris and Drane, driving on suspended license, arrested: Derrick W. LaCour, 3211 Greenspoint Dr, Clarksville, Tenn, 37042
- 9:22 p.m., Feb. 22, Foy, theft of property
- 10:29 p.m., Feb. 19, Sevier, alcohol violation
- 4:18 p.m., Feb. 19, Ellington, theft of
- 7:23 p.m., Feb. 18, Hand Village, loud
- 4:11 p.m., Feb. 18, Rawlins lobby, theft of property



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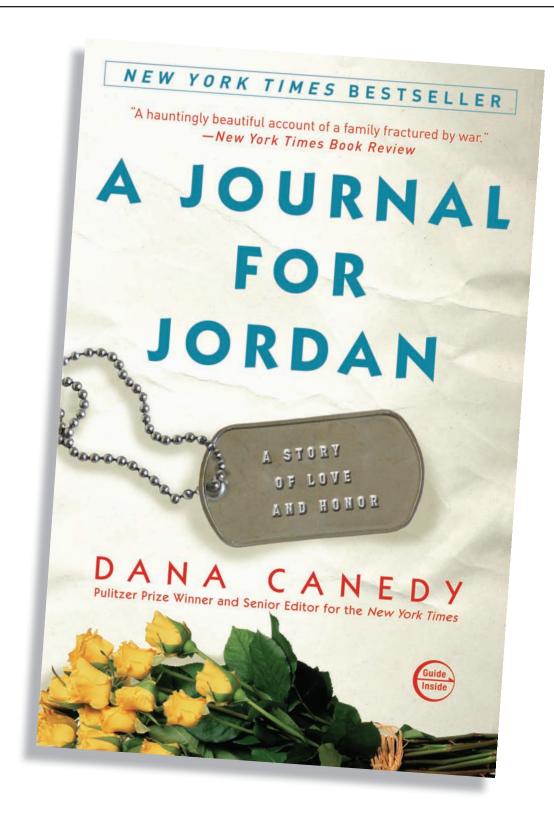
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A Salute to Our Military

with Dana Caneay



Author of
the critically
acclaimed book
"A Journal
for Jordan,"
Pulitzer Prize winner
and senior editor of
the New York Times

7 p.m., Thursday, March 25 Clement Auditorium

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ana Canedy is the author of the critically acclaimed memoir "A Journal for Jordan: A story of love and honor," the story of her fiancé, the late 1st Sgt.

Charles Monroe King, who wrote a 200-page journal for their infant son in case he did not return from the war on Iraq.

On Oct. 14, 2006, King was killed by a roadside bomb when their son Jordan was just 7 months old. Canedy penned "A Journal for Jordan" as a letter to her son about his father, a story of her quest for answers, a father's words for his son and the love story of Canedy and King.

Canedy, a senior editor for The New York Times, has been a journalist for more than 20 years. She has been a business and finance reporter for the Times and was the newspaper's bureau chief in Florida during the 2000 presidential election recount. Canedy has also been assignment editor for national news at The Times, responsible for overseeing breaking coverage of such stories as the Hurricane Katrina crisis. She was part of a team at the Times that won a Pulitzer Prize for national reporting in 2001 for a series on race relations in the United States.

(Canedy captures the unique magnificence of the man she loved in a way that brings the beginnings of an understanding to the losses that other families bear. She's written a heartfelt and often painful record for their son, Jordan. He's a boy without a father, but he is blessed by the accident of nature that gave him extraordinary parents — both of them.

In honor of the U.S. armed services and in celebration of Women's History Month Sponsored by the Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center and Student Affairs Copies of "A Journal for Jordan" are available for sale in the APSU Bookstore.



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with a strong background which he will bring to the office of President, if elected and he wants to "maintain the level of excellence from past SGA presidents," going on to praise the previous presidents' ethical and moral

"I like hearing students concerns and seeing their ideas come to fruition through SGA's work. My passion really has and will continue to be SGA while I'm at APSU," Kennedy said.

Kennedy said he has also been involved with the "President's Emerging Leaders Program, Governor's Ambassadors, Gov's Programming Council and the Gov's Organization Council-Budget Allocations Committee."

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For more information on Kennedy's campaign platform, visit www. votekennykennedy.com or his Facebook group.

Candidates for Vice President:

Luke Collier



Collier

Luke Collier is a senior accounting and management major and has been an SGA

one academic year and has been the Govs Organization Council

senator for

treasurer for two years. "I hope to make SGA representatives more recognizable and approachable. SGA is always looking for new ideas for

legislation to better represent the students," said Collier.

"I hope to better inform the students with every bit of information I receive and will find the answer to any question asked."

As an SGA senator, Collier said he has written two resolutions that have passed.

"One was to place smoking receptacles in the smoking areas. The other was to make it mandatory for every college to hold an open forum once a year where students could come and voice their concerns about the university and give ideas for legislation."

Collier said, if elected, he wants to improve The Gov Says e-mail system, start more "social networking based communication," support more weekend events, promote "welcome back organization fairs and programs," "lobby for Foy access over the summer for students committed to returning in the fall," work with the library staff to better utilize library space and raise attendance at sporting events.

"I can make decisions in a timely manner. I work well under stress and pressure. I work diligently in everything to make sure the job is carried out to the full extent," Collier said.

"APSU has given me many opportunities as a student, as vice president I would like to make sure these opportunities are carried out for all students."

Kathryn White



pre-med sophomore biology major, with a minor in chemistry White and is the

Kathryn

White is a

associate justice on the student

tribunal. "I work closely with the Chief Justice in order to accomplish all the tasks must be done within the judicial branch."

"Many candidates and

even the general student body want things like a parking garage and new library. Although I would like these things on campus too, I am aware of my limitations. Instead of unattainable goals, I have set reasonable ones that will benefit the student body."

"One of major key issues I would like to address is Dining Services," said White. "I am on the Dining Committee here at APSU so I have close contact with the people who need to know these issues."

Among the complaints about the cafeteria that White plans on addressing, if elected, are the cafeteria is "cleaned up early," not having trays is a "nuisance," and students are allowed only one entrée at a time. White also wants to improve The Gov Says e-mails.

"The tribunal deals with a lot of parking issues on campus. I, along with other justices, have worked closely with public safety to resolve some parking problems," White said.

"I have also participated in virtually every SGA

sponsored event this year." "I am very responsible and take every responsibility I have seriously," White said. "After being in SGA for a year, I have discovered that I truly have a passion for students. I hope that I can... influence others to be as passionate as I am. So many students are involved and care about Austin Peay, and I am ready to, and will, put in that extra time for them just as they do for the school."

Candidates for Executive Secretary:

Alex Broady



political science major, with a minor in international relations. Broady has

Alex

Broady is a

sophomore

been an SGA Senator for

2 years, and is currently a senator for the College of Behavioral and Health

"My platform is simply that I want to hear more from the students of our university because many voices are not heard," Broady said.

"I feel only a small percentage of students know what their voice is capable of doing here at Austin Peay, and I want to increase that percentage."

"As Secretary, with me being in charge of public relations, I believe I can put forth a strong effort to reach out to students with different backgrounds," Broady said. "I hope to advance students' knowledge of what changes are happening around them that are affecting them. I wish to create a stronger connection between the students and administration of Austin Peay."

"I currently serve as the vice president of programming of my Fraternity, and special events co-chair of Govs Programming Council. In each position, I have had to delegate, work with timelines, other organizations, vendors, and groups of people," Broady said. "I have decided to run for office because I want to serve my campus. I enjoy being involved, and get a sense of accomplishment in doing so. I hope to give the campus community the voice they deserve."

Broady said the resolutions he has written, during his time in SGA, have pertained mainly to the library, covering issues such as hours of operation and current rules.

Ethan Fisher-Schmidt

Ethan Fisher-Schmidt is a freshman political science major and is currently serving his first year in SGA as a freshman senator. Fisher-Schmidt served in student government for two years in high school. "[As an SGA Senator] I have helped the SGA by proposing ideas that are helping the students,"

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Fisher-Schmidt said.

I am here to assist students with becoming more vocal with ideas. I want them to be able feel like they are truly getting their ideas out there."

 Ethan Fisher-Schmidt, candidate for executive secretary

"I have also worked alongside the more experienced Senators to gain their knowledge. Their ability to write legislation that is truly beneficial to the student body has helped me develop myself as a senator."

"I will help with parking because that is truly a major issue that is always mentioned," Fisher-Schmidt said.

"I'm here to assist the students in becoming more vocal with ideas. I want them to be able to feel like they are truly getting their thoughts and ideas out there. I also want to assist my [Executive Committee] in any way possible."

"I will be able to fight for the students ideas but also I will be able to listen to them on how they feel about APSU," Fisher-Schmidt said.

"I see secretary as the 'stepping stone' to higher offices.

Fisher-Schmidt did not accept an invitation for a photo.

Sara Seesholtz

Incumbent Sara Seesholtz, a junior music major with a minor in leadership, said having served as a member of SGA for the past three years, first as freshman senator, then tribunal justice and currently as executive secretary, sets her apart from the competition.

"I've decided to run for office again because the experience has been the most rewarding one I've had at Austin Peay," Seeschotz said. While both need to be addressed, Seesholtz said, the most visible issues on campus, like parking and outdated library facilities, too often take too much attention away from the less talked about, but no less important, issues, such as campus safety and student involvement.

"I would address the big issues ... and make sure students understand why these issues have not been solved yet and that everyone on this campus is doing the best they can to fix these things," Seesholtz said.

"I want to start small with realistic ideas and goals, then work my way up to the more complicated and difficult issues. Problems on this campus cannot be solved over night."

"You have to be extremely

I want to start small with realistic ideas and goals, then work my way up to the more complicated and difficult issues."

Sara Seesholtz, candidate for executive secretary

organized for this position and organization is something that I take pride in," Seesholtz said.

"I also believe that, in order to survive a year on the Executive Committee, you have to become unbiased. You really learn the meaning of teamwork with this **Executive Committee.**"

"While in office, I hope to make SGA more visible on campus [by] holding forums and hearing concerns [and] issues from students," Seesholtz said.

"This is something that the SGA cannot get enough of. I feel as if students don't know that they have this opportunity to come speak with us about their issues and concerns."

Seesholtz did not accept an invitation for a photo. ◆

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This week in ridiculous: from Miley Cyrus on 'Idol' to Tiger's comeback



Jess Nobert Senior Staff Writer

Miley Cyrus was a guest judge on "American Idol" this week. Since The All State goes to print before the show airs, I can't really tell how I feel about her actual appearance.

I can, however, tell you I think it's absolutely ridiculous. I was reading "The TV Column" from The Washington Post online when I found out about her appearance.

What does this girl have that can't be found in an adult? Is it success as an actress? Is it her famous daddy or her latest movie set to come out next week?

I can't lie, I like to rock out to Miley just as much as my friends would love to deny, but I just don't get why she gets to be on Idol. (And of course, as soon as I wrote that, I had a burning

desire to pull up my iTunes and type her name into the search field and press play.)

That wasn't all I learned from the column though. "She's also the youngest-ever multi-platinum recording artist to have four No. 1 albums in less than three years."

Keeping with pop culture and reality TV, Kate Gosselin is on "Dancing with the Stars." According to the story from USA Today, Gosselin said she's "grateful to have a job and everybody who gives me work so I can support eight kids. That's my goal in life." Like my Miley fandom, I do feel a little ridiculous when I have to admit to my non-college girlfriends I am, or, was a fan of "Jon & Kate Plus 8."

So I can admire her desire to work, since she was doing so much work in front of a camera for those years. Granted, she did end up writing a few books, and that is real work.

I can only imagine. Either way, I just think it's ridiculous how reality personalities become

famous enough to be on a ballroom dancing show. And as far as a ballroom dancing reality show, don't even get me started on that ridiculousness.

Octomom. Usually that's all I have to say to bring about feelings of ridiculousness. But she's back in the news, great. Her house is going into foreclosure, so as if to offer a helping hand, Steven Hirsch, president of Vivid Entertainment, an adult entertainment company, offered her something we will just have to see if she can refuse.

The company offered her

Either way, I just think it's ridiculous how reality personalities become famous enough to be on a ballroom dancing show.

a deal last year of \$1 million, but she refused.

This time, the offer was less than half, cut back to the \$460,000 she owes on her home, according to Salon.

My favorite part of the

story was the beginning. "After all, she has the trait that is more sought-after within the industry than even [augmented body parts]: total desperation."

I was reading a story about Tiger making a comeback to golf and potentially competing in the Masters at Augusta in Georgia when I came across something startlingly appalling.

Now I knew they only started letting African-Americans play there since the '90s, but I did not know they didn't allow women as members.

In the article from Salon. com, it was reported "In 2002, its chairman, Hootie Johnson, told USA Today, 'We're a private club. And private organizations are good. The Boy Scouts. The Girl Scouts. Junior League. Sororities. Fraternities.

As an alumnae member of a Greek organization, I can appreciate that part, but I just don't see a golf club on par with those standards. We've all heard the term "old boys club" but it appears Augusta really is one. ◆

How do you feel about the health care reform?



I think that it's one of the worst things that has ever happened to our country because it's one step closer to socialism and capitalism."

Megan Anderson, sophomore computer science major



I think as a whole it is going to help out a lot of people. Worldwide it's going to raise taxes, there are a lot of provisions that need to be

— Frank Pace, freshman undecided



I worked with a Canadian who came down to work in America to avoid his own health care system, so there must be some problems with their health care system. I don't know if we are going to have the same problems."

— Aaron Boyd, junior computer science major



My major thing on it is, when did our country and the people in this country lose the compassion that it was built upon by our forefathers? I support the health care bill and I will pay my tax dollars to make sure it works."

 Aubrey Clark, sophomore history and political science



I think with the passing of the bill the quality and care that doctors provide will go down because there will be more patients and doctors which are going to be

 Joshua Prior, sophomore history major

Health care reform approved by the House of Representatives

Greg Rabidoux Guest Writer

The debate over health care reform started with over-heated town hall meetings, many punctuated with loud, angry outbursts.

It ended with an ugly confrontation between Tea Party protesters and several Members of Congress on the west front of the U.S. Capitol. In the middle was an often bitter discussion over the future health of our nation.

Late Sunday, March 21, the U.S. House of Representatives, by a narrow vote (219-212), passed sweeping health care reform legislation. Far from perfect, it is a major step towards fixing our broken health care system.

The new law will greatly alter our system of care and provide coverage to millions of uninsured Americans. It seems destined to sit alongside the historic 1965 Medicare program in both its meaning and scope.

The debate itself was long (over a year), often fraught with deliberate distortions ("death panels" anyone?) and seemed a lifetime removed from the last time the subject was broached ("Hillarycare" is now Madame Secretary of

But before the pundits and prognosticators start obsessing about who won, who lost and the political price of passage (here in Tennessee, Democratic representatives Cooper, Gordon and Cohen voted for, their fellow Democrats Tanner and Davis against, and Republicans Wamp, Blackburn, Roe and Duncan against), let's take a brief look at what this legislation will actually mean.

Nationally, the reform will eliminate pre-existing conditions as a reason for denial of coverage, close the Medicare "donut hole" for seniors, make recision

the practice of dropping individuals once they get sick, unlawful, create an exchange where individuals can purchase policies and finally provide coverage to millions of currently uninsured Americans. In Tennessee alone, roughly 900,000 Tennesseans will no longer be without any basic health care coverage.

In Tennessee's Congressional District 7, where I am a candidate for U. S. Congress, reform means improved coverage for over 500,000 residents, tax credits for up to 150,000 families and 13,200 small businesses to help with coverage and nearly 100,000 Medicare beneficiaries will no longer endure the huge gap between drug costs and subsidies.

Additionally, about 9,000 residents with pre-existing conditions will no longer be denied care and nearly 50,000 students will now be able to obtain coverage on their parents' insurance plans. There will also be funding for 12 community health centers in the district and the cost of uncompensated care will be reduced by an estimated \$42

million annually. But perhaps just as importantly, tragedies like the parents of a little boy locally who had to hold a barbecue to try and raise funds to pay off their several hundred thousand dollar debt they had incurred due to his preexisting illness and denial of coverage, will be a thing of the past.

My opponent, Marsha Blackburn called the passage of the bill in part a "death to freedom." The only thing that died a bit more Sunday, March 21, was reasoned and informed debate. That seems to happen a lot when Mrs. Blackburn weighs in on

important national matters. Ironic really, since this reform will mean a renewed chance at life for so many Americans and Tennesseans who desperately need it. ◆



I think it is a good idea for everyone to have health care because everyone needs health care."

- Madison Johnson, freshman nursing major



I think that President Obama is doing the best he can do to try to push and change the health care so it can help out the citizens of America."

– Mario Flint, sophomore business administration major



I think it is a great thing that is happening, it is great thing that we are working on universal health care."

— Sam Talley, junior communications major



Sexually explicit text messages, pictures call for new legislation



Megan Ryan Staff Writer

Our world is full of instant messages and breaking news. New things happen every second, and we are made aware of these things because we have Twitter or Facebook to keep us constantly updated.

Through our mobile phones we can know exactly what a person is thinking or feeling or ask them questions confidentially.

In this new age of information, it is easy to forget every person in the world can see what is written on someone's Wall or page.

Every message you have ever sent can be forwarded to millions of other people. Through this comes the problem of sexual messaging.

Sending sexually explicit messages or photos, better known by the Portmanteau "sexting," has lead to harassment, death and legislation against the act.

There is a fine line between sending messages and sending unwanted messages. Many teens have found themselves in court because of these unsettling

On the other hand, many teens have been brought to court because they sent pictures to others which they had received from someone else without the knowledge of the person in the photo.

As reported by Guardian News and Media, child pornography charges were brought against six teenagers in Greensburg, Pa. in January 2009.

The charges were filed after three girls sent sexually explicit photographs to three male classmates.

There are child pornography charges and jail time that can be involved with pressing the forward button on your cell phone.

While most of these cases involve teens and young adults, the results are the same online, in chat rooms and in your inbox.

These outrageous images get sent around and they are neither wanted nor acceptable. Many videos and applications reach the eyes and ears of our youth.

After seeing and hearing these things, children learn from it; a child can learn to see things as acceptable and in turn imitate it. It is not acceptable for a child or teen to do things that are of an adult nature.

LG recently launched a "think before you text" campaign to inform our youth that viral messages help no one.

Legislation is being passed which would make any sexual or provocative messages sent from a person under 18 years of age a federal misdemeanor.

it comes after a case that is far more disturbing. Jessica Logan, who

This may seem harsh, but

sent sexual pictures to her boyfriend, committed suicide after her nude pictures were widely forwarded amongst fellow teenagers after their breakup. Her family has pushed for this to be stopped, so the same thing won't happen to other teens.

If this had not happened, there would be one more girl going to her senior prom or enjoying spring break.

Had there been consequences for this crime, Jessica's ex boyfriend might have thought twice about his actions.

In a world where all the information you could ever want is at your fingertips, you have to think before you forward. Know that what you are sending will be linked to you.

If it is not something you can be proud of, do not share it. Like LG is promoting, "Give it a ponder." ◆

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Three APSU students rock out local venue



By CHASITY WEBB Assistant Features Editor

In the past few issues, *The All State* has been covering the many talents of the APSU student body. This issue is no different.

Three APSU undergraduate students have a band that is sure to blow your socks off. They call themselves "Dobie Killus."

Dobie Killus is made up of three members. Jack Allen, aka "Dobie Killus," a junior theater and performance major plays drums and sings lead vocals for the band. Ben Crawford, aka "Winston Deadmore," a fifth-year senior broadcast media major, plays guitar and sings backup vocals. Rick Babick, aka "Darker Lewis," a "has-no-idea-what-year" graphic design major, plays bass and "tries to sing" backup vocals.

The band name, as well as stage names, I'm sure, brings up many questions. "We took all of our names from TV characters and 'horrified them.' Dobie Killus is a play on the old show from the '60s called 'The Many Loves of Dobie Gillis'. We just changed it to fit what we do. That is, a bunch of songs about zombies and old

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We just want to have fun and in the process encourage others to stand up for what they believe."

— Dobie Killus

monster movies."

However, horror films are not the only message behind their music

"Some of the music has political views and an anti-war message. We feel we have earned the right to say what we want, as does any citizen of these United States. We just want to have fun and in the process encourage others to stand

up for what they believe. As we say in the song 'Billion Dollar Bailout', 'You gotta fight for what it is you want."

The band began in August 2008 when Allen and Babick, who met when they became roommates, started writing for the band. Crawford, whom Allen met through his wife and whom Babick met at a bar, joined the band in September 2009.

Dobie Killus describes their sound, and I am sure many of you would agree, as throwback punk or as they would like to coin the phrase "trad-punk," or traditional punk. Their musical influences include The Clash, The Ramones, Central D, Bad Religion, Black Flag, NOFX and Offspring.

At the moment they are playing for fun, hoping eventually the band will take them somewhere. "And by somewhere I don't mean Nashville," Crawford said. "We have our backups. We have something to fall back on," Allen said.



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Above: Ben Crawford, Jack Allen and Rick Babick started playing together in September of 2009.

Left: Rick Babick, aka "Darker Lewis," plays bass for Dobie Killus. Below: Ben Crawford, Jack Allen and Rick Babick from Dobie Killus.



On Thursday March 18, I traveled to The Coup, located at 819 Crossland Ave., to check out Dobie Killus. The venue was a bit drab and hard to find, but the band made it worth the trouble. Dobie Killus gave a very energetic performance to a semilively audience. "We got a good response. It was alright tonight," Allen said.

Although this was one of the biggest crowds they have gotten so far at one of their performances, they are hoping to gain a bigger audience by inviting everyone out to their next show at Hot Topic in Governor's Square Mall at 8 p.m.

on Thur. April 1.

"We would love to pack in the house. In Clarksville, especially since that's where we live," Allen said. The show will be acoustic, which is definitely different from what I got to experience, but I have confidence it will be equally incredible.

If you like punk rock, I personally recommend you check them out at their next show as well as visit their Web site, www. dobiekillus.com or their MySpace, www.myspace.com/dobiekillus.

Go support your fellow Peayons and as Dobie Killus says, "Go punk yourself." ◆

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Greek organization members invited to 'Share a Smile'

By CHASITY WEBB Assistant Features Editor

Delta Dental of Tennessee, or DDTN, in order to emphasize the importance of dental hygiene, is hosting a contest for APSU's Greek organizations.

The purpose of the contest is "to motivate college students to take care of their teeth, make the connection between oral health and overall health, raise awareness of oral cancer and new studies linking the cancer to the human papilloma virus and a new demographic that includes young adults and introduce college students to an affordable Delta Dental individual insurance option."

The contest launched on Friday, March 19, and will be continuing through Sunday, March 28. To enter the contest one must first become a fan of Delta Dental's "Share A Smile" Facebook page. In order to find the page, search on Facebook for Share A Smile. One must make sure the page they become a fan of is the APSU page and not the Belmont page.

Next, the entrant must upload a photo of themselves smiling with another individual and write a caption of 250 words or less explaining how they bring smiles to others or the importance of the smile the picture depicts.

Judges including a representative

from APSU, a member of Delta Dental and a local Delta Dental participating dentist, will then pick a semi-finalist from each Greek organization. The judging will begin on Monday, March 29, to Thursday, April 8.

The semifinalists will be announced on Friday, April 9. The photos and captions of the semifinalists will be placed on the Facebook page as well as the Delta Dental Web site, which can be found on the Facebook page. Greek organization members are then encouraged to get their friends and family to vote on the poll on the Delta Dental Web site for their favorite picture. Voting will be open

from Friday, April 9, until Monday, April 19.

The winner will be announced in the Wednesday, April 21, edition of *The All State*. The winner will receive a \$1,000 monetary award for tuition or other college expenses. Also, for every vote cast in the poll DDTN will donate \$0.25, up to \$5,000, to the charity of the winner's choice.

The dentist that serves as a judge will be encouraged to provide the winning Greek organization with free oral cancer exams and oral care bag.

The winner will also be announced in other Tennessee news media and hometown newspapers for all finalists. ◆

"Share A Smile" Contest Deadlines

All entries are to be submitted by Sunday, March 28, and judging will begin. The semifinalists will be announced on Friday, April 9.

The polls will be opened Friday, April 9, until Monday, April 19. The winner will be announced in the Wednesday, April 21 edition of *The All State*.

Students raise money for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Clarksville

By ERIN UPSHAW Staff Writer

On Thursday, March 18, the Clarksville chapter of the mentoring program Big Brothers Big Sisters hosted their 28th Bowl for Kids Sake program. In this program, teams of three or more competed against each other for the much sought after purple bowling pins, raising money for the program as they do so. Companies sponsored the event, and the money will go to support the program in various ways, such as programs like the Easter egg hunt being hosted this week.

When asked if the current economic situation had affected the number of sponsors this year, executive director Amy Carroll said, "We've had some sponsors that couldn't donate on the same level as before, but were still able to donate at a slightly lower level. However, we've also gotten a lot of new sponsors calling us this year. When you have companies calling to ask to be your sponsor, that shows that your program has integrity."

This year, 190 teams participated in the main event held prior to the event on Thursday, March 18. "It was wild," Carroll said. At the college group event, there were a total of 12 teams, including one team that had planned to participate in the main event but wasn't able to.

The Bowl for Kids Sake event not only helps raise money to keep the program functioning, but also helps raise awareness in the community about what the program is doing and encourages people to volunteer. The Big Brothers Big Sisters program is encouraging different student-led organizations to host events for unmatched children (children who are part of the program but don't have mentors at the time). "It's a good way to test drive being a mentor," Carroll said.

For more information on participating in next year's Bowl for Kids Sake or becoming a mentor, visit the Big Brothers Big Sisters Web site, www.bbbsclarksville.org. ◆



SYNTHIA CLARK | PHOTO EDITOR

Students participated in Bowl For Kids Sake to raise money for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Clarksville on Thursday, March 18.

Eichhorn to present speech on V-Day

APSU Office of Public Relations and Marketing

An APUS faculty member known for her work in Women's studies will deliver a presentation about V-Day 2010 as part of the Library Athenaeum speaker series on campus.

At 2 p.m., Wednesday, March 24, Jill Eichhorn, associate professor of English and coordinator of the Women's Studies program, will present "V-Day 2010: A Season of Courage and Joy." The presentation will be about Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues" and the V-Day movement.

Her talk will consider Ensler's evaluation of the work of V-Day and the projects it funds.

Eichhorn's presentation will conclude with a performance of one of the monologues, "I Was in the Room."

Other weekly events are scheduled this semester on such diverse topics as Irish women writers, the Taliban and al-Qaida, Thrasher magazine and faculty mentoring and student success. Athenaeum events are held on the third floor of Woodward Library and are free and open to the public. Students are highly encouraged to attend.

The purpose of the Library Athenaeum series, launched in 2007, is to conduct events that promote and enhance the intellectual life of the University and the region, reach out to students and make connections with them in places other than the classroom and to portray the library as a place to share, explore, discuss and think about ideas and events. Sessions consist of speeches or presentations, panel discussions, debates, readings and performances. •



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Above: Jill Eichhorn, associate professor of Women's Studies and English and Jessica Axley, Women's Studies major and V-Day publicity manager present the V-Day quilt.

Below: Students donated patches to the quilt to represent their feelings on Women's Studies.



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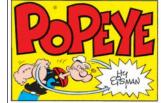
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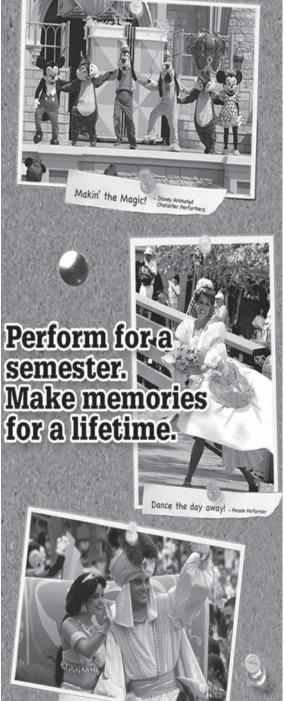
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Lady Govs fall at 'Rocky Top', 75-42







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Left: With Lady Vols stumbling on defense, junior guard Ashley Herring prepares for the three-point shot. Herring scored 21 points and 3 rebounds in the first-tournament round loss, Saturday, March 20. Center: Sophomore center Jasmine Rayner fights with Tennessee foward Glory Johnson for possession. Rayner garnered 8 points and 6 rebounds for the game. Right: Lady Govs and Lady Vols show sportsmanship as they huddle for a post-game prayer.

By MARLON SCOTT Senior Staff Writer

Throughout the postseason the

Lady Govs have been overcoming one obstacle after another and junior guard Ashley Herring has been the key to their continued

First, the team defeated Tennessee Tech, who beat them on the road in the regular season by 19 points. Herring led the Lady Govs with 22 points in that game.

Second, the Lady Govs shut down Morehead State, the team who swept them in the regular season and featured OVC Player of the Year, Chynna Bozeman. Herring scored 21 points in that game after an ankle injury suffered in practice.

Next, they overcame top seeded Eastern Illinois State to remain the Onio valley Conference Womens Basketball Champions and earned a spot in the 29th Annual NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship.

Herring scored 15 points in the championship game, the second most on the team, and earned Tournament MVP honors.

But the Lady Govs finally ran into an obstacle literally too big to overcome at Thomas Boling Arena in Knoxville, Tenn., on Saturday,

March 20.

The Lady Govs were defeated 42-75 by the Lady Vols.

It was the seventh time a Lady Govs team made it to the NCAA Tournament, including the last two years in a row. But it was also the seventh time they were eliminated in the first round.

"Obviously we got off to a really slow start. We couldn't get the ball to fall down," said Lady Govs head coach Carrie Daniels. "That's kind of been, throughout this season when the games have started that way. It's been a rough go for our

"When we get going, get a quick basket we have been pretty good. We get a little more into our step. When you have a couple players step up and score for you and other ers have a rough night shooting, it makes for a long night. That is the way it went for us today."

From the opening tip it was clear the Lady Govs could not contend with the Lady Vols' size. Lady Vol 6'6" sophomore center Kelley Cain wreaked havoc in the paint and her teammates gave her several

opportunities. 'I thought we came ready to play," said Lady Vols head coach Pat Summitt. "We started out really

strong then kind of gave in to fatigue and that is when you have to start coaching a little bit more. Kelley (Cain) has done a great job. Today, she really worked for the ball, and we were able to get the ball inside. You have to give our guards a lot of credit for getting her touches." Cain led her team with her sixth career double-double, 18 points and 12 rebounds. She was one of three Lady Vols who scored double digit points.

However, it was Herring who led all scorers with 21 points. Like she had been doing all post season, Herring provided a spark for her

Her 21 points were the secondmost ever scored by a Lady Gov in an NCAA Tournament game. Brooke Armistead scored the most, 30 points, in 2003 against North Carolina.

"Tennessee is a great team. They are great competitors," Herring said. "At the same time, we went in there with the mind set of this is going to be a competition for us. I don't think it was intimidating. They outsized us, but at the same time, we were able to get points in the paint. I don't think it was so much as intimidation as we did not play our game today."

The first six and a half minutes of the game was all Lady Vols. Cain scored six of their first eight points, part of a Lady Vols 15-0 run.

Herring scored the first points for the Lady Govs at the 13:18 mark. The short putback was the first score in a six point run by Herring.

Battling in the paint, 5'10" sophomore center Jasmine Rayner added two points from the free throw line as the clock hit 10 minutes in the first period. Rayner spent most of the game playing fearlessly against Cain. She was one of only three Lady Govs to score in the first half. In addition, she led the team on the boards with six rebounds.

"All you can ask for is to go out there and play your hardest and give it your all," Rayner said. "I mean it's all or nothing; we had nothing to lose so we went out there and played."

Unfortunately for the Lady Govs, their fearlessness did not translate into points. They finished the game shooting just 30 percent (16-of-53)

from the field. Normally potent scorers, senior forward Nicole Jamen and junior guard Brooke Faulkner, were held scoreless. Rayner finished with eight points and sophomore guard Whitney Hanley scored five.

The Lady Vols were never behind in the game and established the biggest lead, 73-35, with less than four minutes left in the game. They scored 23 points off of turnovers and put up 36 points in the paint.

Despite being dominated, the Lady Govs played to the buzzer. Junior guard Salem Richardson scored the last two points for the Lady Govs from the free throw line with less than 30 seconds remaining.

"One thing we were not going to do was quit fighting until that final buzzer. We had to keep attacking and taking it to them, that was the main thing," Daniels said.

"I was pretty disappointed that at halftime we were down only one rebound and then just got eight in the second half. But the main thing was we had to keep fighting." ◆



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GOVS BASEBALL

Bat Govs split at Governors Challenge, 1-1

By ANTHONY SHINGLER Assistant Sports Editor

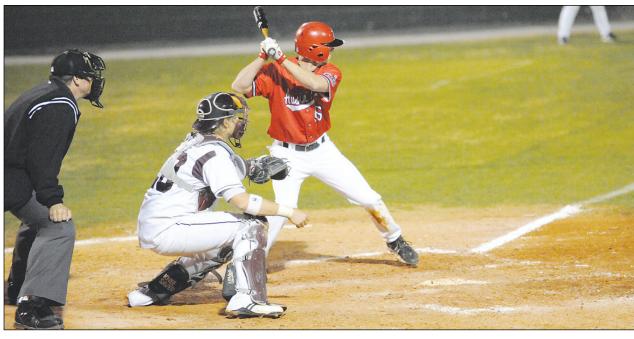
The APSU Govs hosted Georgia State and Centenary in the Governors Challenge at night on Saturday, March 20. The Govs fell behind early to Georgia State and never could get the train on track, dropping the first game 14-4.

In the nightcap, Govs pitcher Ryne Harper pitched a gem as the Govs cruised to victory 7-0 at Raymond C. Hand Park.

The Govs (10-8) gave up 10 runs to Georgia State in the first six innings to take a 10-1 lead. The lone Govs run came on a solo home run by Trey Lucas.

Govs stater, Ricky Marshall (3-2) was tagged for 10 runs on seven hits in four innings of work. Marshall gave up back-to-back-to-back home runs to the Panthers, with two outs in the first inning in the loss.

Marshall, who was tagged with the loss, was taken out after four innings of work allowing seven hits and six walks, but he did strikeout five batters.



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Senior outfielder Trey Lucas readies for the pitch. Lucas currently leads the team in RBIs (21) for the season.

In the night game, the Govs were able to right the ship, thanks to a four-run first inning. Lucas blasted a three-run shot to center field for the early first inning lead. Then, Cody Hudson doubled to bring home Matt Kole to take the 4-0 lead. The home run is Lucas third

of the season.

Harper (2-0) pitched six scoreless innings, allowing three hits, four walks and had nine strikeouts on 100 pitches (55 strikes).

"Ryne dominated tonight," According to Sports Information, head coach Gary McClure said. "He

showed great command of all his pitches and the best part was he was as good in the sixth (inning) as he was in the first.

"Having Ryne back healthy adds another dimension to our weekend starters. Between him, Ricky Marshall and Stephen Huff,

all three of which are strong and athletic, we have a strong rotation come conference play."

The Govs offense did not stop as they pounded out 10 hits while picking up a run in the fourth inning on a

Hudson home run over the

left-center field wall.

After two more frames, the offense came alive again, scoring two runs to secure the win. The first run came on a single by Adam Browett scoring Reed Harper. With two outs, Browett took off for second and in the process Joe Clinard stole home to push the lead to 7-0.

The Govs then brought in relievers Lucas Anderson and Dylan Ray to pitch one inning each, allowing one hit each and striking out one batter. Zach Gerler came in to finish the game, striking out two batters.

The double-header scheduled for Sunday, March 21, was cancelled due to rain.

The Govs will return to action to host Lipscomb Wednesday, March 24, in the final tune-up before the weekend conference home opener.

The opener will begin Saturday, March 27, with a double-header against OVC foe Murray State starting at 1p.m. with the second game to follow.

The series will end with a single game Sunday, March 28, with a 1 p.m. first pitch. ◆ **TRACK AND FIELD**

Season opens with **APSU Spring Fling**

By MARLON SCOTT Senior Staff Writer

The starting gun for the outdoor track season sounded off at home for the Lady Govs. Lipscomb, Belmont and Western Kentucky were among the schools that came to APSU to compete in the annual APSU Spring Fling Saturday, March 20.

Several Lady Govs started the season with first place finishes in their events.

According to APSU Sports Information, head coach Doug Molnar said his team looked ready for the season.

"It was a good first meet back, especially after a long break," Molnar said. "You never know how much practice goes on during Spring break. But they looked like they did some practicing?

The Lady Govs looked equally impressive on the field and the track.

In the high jump event, the Lady Govs placed in three of the top five spots. Senior Amanda McCoy earned the top spot when she cleared 1.68 meters. In second and third places respectively were freshman Jessica Runyon-Davis and junior Latoya Monger. Both cleared 1.58 meters.

"McCoy had a great meet. She almost got a personal best on the first day. I expect her to keep improving during the season," Molnar

Like the high jump, three Lady Govs earned top

well. Sophomore Brianna Lococo won first place. Right behind her was teammate, freshman Skylar Wall. Molly Bartkiewcz earned fourth place in the event.

Freshman Cenitra Hudson heated up the jumping field with a first place finish in the triple jump and a fourth place finish in the long jump. Freshman teammate Leigha Tolliver took first place in the long jump.

Lady Gov junior Courtney Jordan placed in the top five of both the discus and javelin throw. Junior Chiamaka Obi was one of several Lady Govs who lit up the track at the Spring Fling.

Obi was part of a 4x400 meter relay team that sprinted to a first place finish. Also from the relay team, sophomore Jasmine Scott and Obi earned the top two spots in the 400. Obi finished first in a time of 57.73 seconds. Scott finished second in 58.32.

"Going one-two in the 400-meter dash is always a nice way to start," Molnar said. "I was also really happy with the relay team."

Junior Candace Cullors placed second in the 100. Senior Shamai Larsen also finished second in the 5000.

McCoy found success on the track as well. She took first in the 100 hurdles, followed closely by her teammate Tolliver who finished third.

Freshman Ashley Carson got on the Lady Govs first place finish list in the 400 hurdles with a time of 1.05

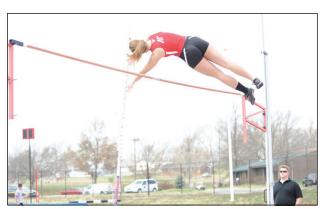


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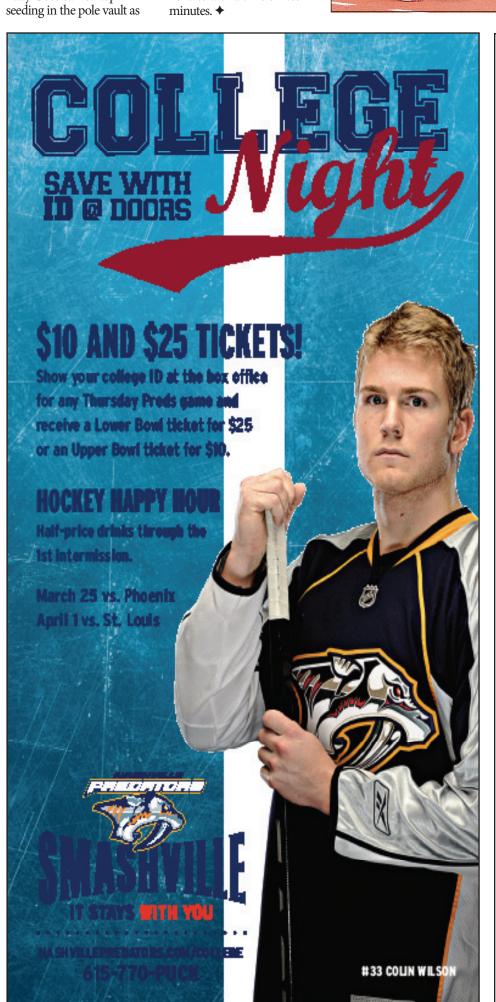
Above: Sophomore Janelle Avery leads the pack of runners in the race. Bottom left: Junior Candace Cullors all alone as she brings back the baton. Cullors placed second in the 100 meter sprint on Saturday,

Bottom Right top: Freshman Skylar Wall clears the bar as she vaults over. Bottom Right bottom: Freshman Jessica Runyon-Davis leaps over the bar in the APSU Invitational Saturday, March 20.











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