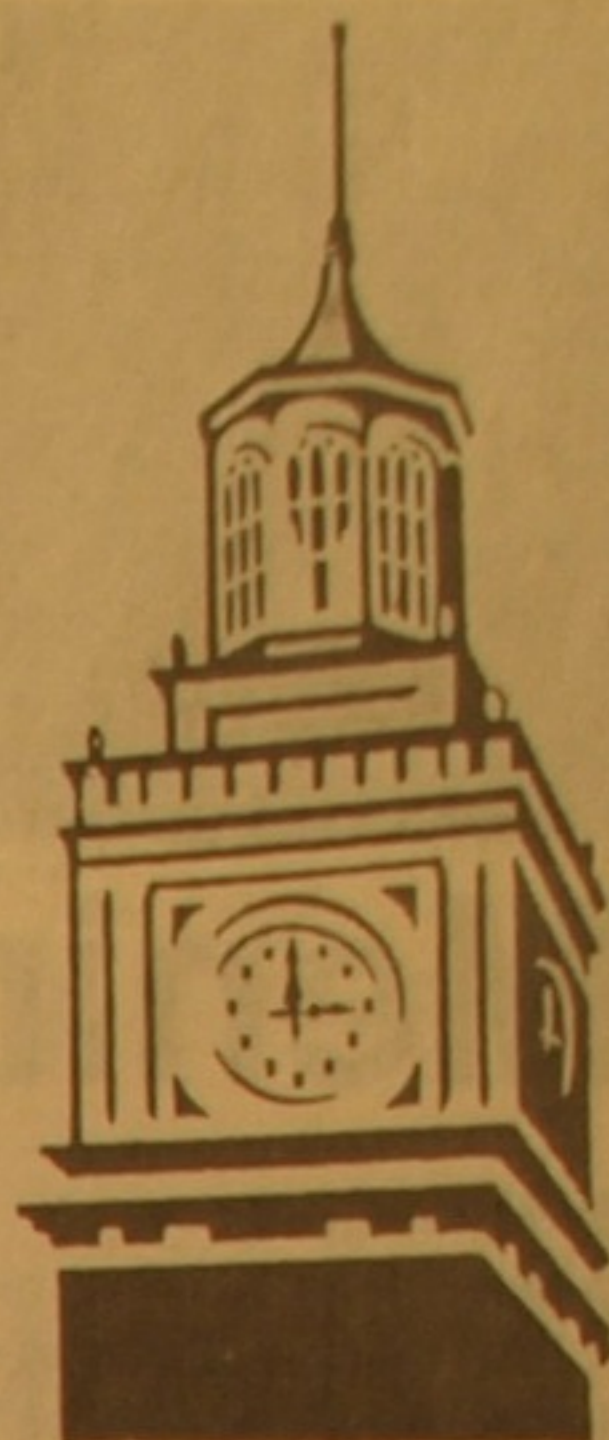


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APSU 'hero' dies, his legacy lives on



Drew Simmons

By Astrid Barber
news editor

Andrew L. Simmons, director of the intramural recreation department at APSU, died Nov. 17 at the age of 45 due to a heart attack.

Simmons, who was known as "Drew" by everyone, left a legacy of contributions to the Austin Peay and Clarksville community after two decades of dedicated work at APSU.

In 1997, he earned great praise for his National Youth Sports Program for low income families, which was ranked second to Yale University by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

"He was the best man I have ever known," said George Harris, who served as assistant director to Simmons.

"Drew was like a father to me and many others. I have never felt a greater loss."

At the request of Simmons' widow, Minnie P. Simmons, APSU officials agreed to hold the memorial service for Drew at the gym of the Memorial Health building, also known as Red Barn.

It was only the second funeral held there in the histo-

ry of Austin Peay.

More than 400 people attended the service to pay a last tribute to a "great hero," as Simmons was called by speakers of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, of which he was a member.

The community struggles with the loss of Simmons as not only APSU employee, but moreover, role model.

The Student Government Association passed a resolution to name the new weight room at Memorial Health after Simmons.

"We will continue to live his dream and through us he will live on," said Beth Allen, Simmons' staff member and friend. "Let's just do it, as Drew used to say."

SGA debates internal affairs

By Jerome Parchman
assistant news editor

The Student Government Association debated financial issues during a Nov. 18 meeting.

Sen. Paul Burke, business, said he was concerned about the allocation of funds in the amount of \$975.64 to the intramural flag-football team "The Hawks."

The Hawks needed the money in order to attend the Intramural Flag Football National Championship in New Orleans.

Sen. Janine Davis sponsored the act and stood ground to a series of questions from Burke.

Sen. Davis, College of Education, and Justin Roundtree, a junior representing the flag-football team supported Davis.

"What has this team done to raise funds," said Burke. "Why do you feel you should be allocated 5 percent of SGA's budget?"

Sen. Coleman said that Burke was not following proper procedure according to the Robert's Rules of Order as he was not debating the given answeres.

The SGA discussed the issue of allocating funds for the teams participation during two five-minute recesses.

"They worked hard in the tournament and they should get the money," said senators Carpenter and Martin. "The SGA is here for the students and they deserve the money."

Sen. Sherry Bowen proposed an amendment to grant the Hawks the money, but require the team to pay half of

it back.

The act was approved.

The SGA also voted on the nomination of Sen. Burke for the allocations committee chair.

Sen. Summer McClarty, objected to Sen. Burke's nomination.

"I do not like the way he conducts meetings," said McClarty. "He is using the wrong motives to try to table the act that would give the Hawks money to go to New Orleans."

The vote on Sen. Burke's nomination will be held tomorrow.

The general assembly approved Sen. Scott Starley as chairman of the Internal Affairs Committee.

The SGA also approved three constitutional amendment changes.

The first amendment change was Article II, Section 3, Subsection H of the by-laws.

The current constitution mandates that senators be given necessary legislation. However, there is no provision concerning the timing of that action.

The amendment change reads as follows: "Senators shall be responsible for providing all necessary copies of legislation to the appropriate committee, Senate, or Student Tribunal meeting by noon on the day it is to be reviewed."

The other two amendment changes dealt with the integrating the Chief Justice of the Student Tribunal into the SGA.

Murray State invades

Governors hope to derail Racers

By Johnny Sparks
editor in chief

Austin Peay State University's men's basketball team opens their Ohio Valley Conference season, Thursday, when they host rival Murray State at the Dunn Center.

For the first time since 1967, the traditional rivals will square off in December.

That year, the teams played in an OVC holiday tournament on Dec. 1. The Governors lost 77-68.

The OVC's sportsmanship statement will be in force, which APSU students have usually ignore when Murray comes to town.

If this year's contest follows tradition, Gov fans will revitalize their favorite taunting chants and habits a few months early.

Chants customized and reserved for the Racers like, "Go to Hell Murray, Go to Hell," will take center stage

drowning out the more reserved "Let's Go Peay."

Hostile environments at each school's home facility have influenced the annual rivalry.

Surprisingly, during a decade of MSU dominance, the Governors have enjoyed success at the Dunn Center.

Each team has a three-game home winning streak.

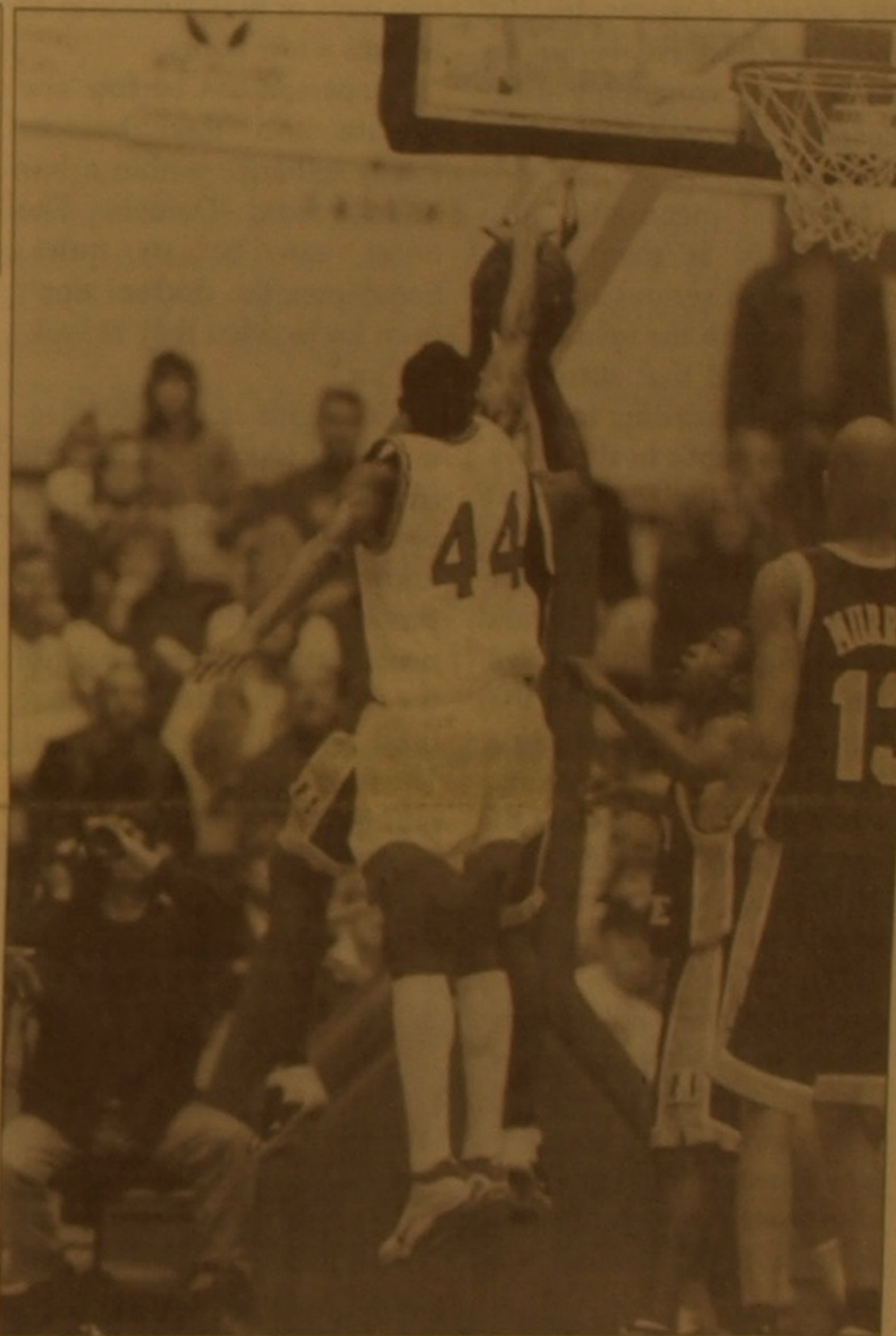
The Gov seniors have never lost to Murray at home.

The underdog Governors won at home last year, 80-72.

The Racers have enjoyed a decade of success, winning or tying 11 of the last 12 regular season OVC titles.

The 1996-97 Governors with Bubba Wells were the last team to tie MSU for the regular-season conference title.

The Racers are favored to win the OVC title again in 1999-2000.



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Trenton Hassell blocks a Racer in last season's victory.

Phonathon builds on success

"Building on Success" proved to be an ideal theme for the 1999 phonathon at Austin Peay State University.

During 16 nights in September and October, faculty and students called more than 13,000 alumni to solicit financial support, as well as to bring them up to date regarding activities at the University.

According to Kris Phillips, assistant director of development and coordinator of the phonathon, this year's phonathon raised \$112,270.50 — exceeding the original goal

of \$110,000. Funds raised during the phonathon will go to support APSU scholarships.

As they did last year, GTE Wireless of Clarksville supplied all cell phone equipment, along with all long-distance costs. First USA underwrote a portion of the incentive prizes for student callers.

More faculty assisted this year than ever before. However, of the 35 faculty members representing 12 departments who worked as volunteer callers, Lawrence Baggett, associate professor of

accounting, raised the most money. He was recognized at a special Phonathon Celebration on Nov. 17 as "Top Faculty Caller." This is the third consecutive year Baggett has earned this honor.

Recognized as the "Top Student Caller" was Stacey Malinoski, a sophomore education major from Pegram. Malinoski raised \$10,130 in gifts and pledges—setting a new record for student callers.

At the Phonathon Celebration, Phillips pointed out that the phonathon goal was

\$50,000 just three years ago. This fall, the goal was set at \$110,000—and exceeded.

Phillips said, "I want to thank all the students and faculty who called. This super phonathon couldn't have happened without them. This was our most ambitious goal ever. We were determined to live up to our theme, 'Building on Success,' and prove last year's successful phonathon was no fluke."

Crime Report

Nov. 09- 1:17 a.m.
Simple possession at Rawlins Hall. Arrest of Arthur McCracker, Jr., charged with simple possession; Roy L. Lewis, charged with simple possession; Terence A. Bing, charged with possession of beer as a minor; Marcus D. Rone, charged with possession of beer as a minor.
3:01 p.m.
Theft of vehicle parts at University Avenue lot (West)
Nov. 14- 4:20 p.m.
Indecent exposure at the library
Nov. 17- 9:12 p.m.
Harassment at Sevier Hall
Nov. 22- 1:45 p.m.

Theft of property at the Governors Stadium
3:34 p.m.
Vandalism at Robb Avenue lot
5:25 p.m.
Theft from building at the Dunn Center
Nov. 23-11:56 a.m.
Theft of vehicle parts at McCord parking lot
Nov. 26- 12:59 a.m.
DUI at Rawlins lot leads to the arrest of John K. Ferdinand.
Nov. 27- 2:46 a.m.
DUI on College Street leads to the arrest of James E. McNeece

Look around the Austin Peay State University campus and you will see decorative street banners.

The Student Government Association (SGA) funded the APSU banners to enhance the students' spirit.

SGA made suggestions for the banners, and Bill Persinger, assistant director for graphic design in the Public Relations/Publications Office designed them.

Michael Wall, SGA president, promised banners to the

students as part of his platform during last spring's election.

One reason for displaying banners was to encourage school support.

"We wanted the banners to enhance school spirit and Austin Peay's relationship with the community," said Cynthia Michaels, executive secretary of SGA.

The banners are red with white lettering and have the Governor mascot and the APSU wordmark on one side.

The University initials are imprinted vertically down the other side.

The lifespan of the banners is five to seven years.

Michaels said she hopes another student government administration will pay for new banners in a few years to replace these when they age.

Fifty banners were ordered, and they are hanging on North Second, Drane, Marion and College streets.

"I was in favor of the banners because they are a great

way to improve the visibility of the University and tie Austin Peay and the community together even more. The banners are a symbol of distinctiveness," said Dr. Jennifer Meningall, APSU vice president for Student Affairs.

SGA has received several compliments about the banners.

"They have been very well received by the campus and Clarksville communities," said Michaels.

SGA president, promised banners to the

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Meningitis raises eyebrows on campus

By Natalie Kilgore
guest writer

It is a disease that can seize the immune system in a matter of hours. Common flu-like symptoms rapidly progress into infection and swelling of the brain and spinal fluids, potentially leading to kidney failure, paralysis and brain damage. A small percentage of those afflicted will not see the light of morning.

Although more than 2,000 people are diagnosed each year, bacterial meningitis is considered a rare malady in the United States, mostly affecting infants and toddlers. Only recently has a wave of media exposure regarding bacterial meningitis cases among college students given rise to public concern.

The term "meningitis" refers to inflammation, caused by infection, of the membranes covering the surface of the brain and spinal cord. There are actually five different strains of meningitis. Of these five, bacterial meningitis is the most commonly diagnosed and potentially life-threatening.

Bacterial meningitis, also referred to as meningococcal disease, is a serious infection of the fluid in the spinal cord and the fluid that surrounds the brain. According to Leslie Daniels, a public health representative at the Montgomery County Health Department, meningitis bacteria lie dormant in a person's mouth and throat. A healthy immune system produces antibodies that protect against the bacteria. When a person's immune system becomes weakened, the bacteria can take control of the bloodstream and infection can occur.

"The bacteria don't cause any problems unless they spread into the bloodstream," explained Daniels. "Basically, it becomes an infection of the bloodstream that can eventually move to the spinal cord and the brain, causing swelling."

Bacterial meningitis is not spread by casual contact or by breathing the air where a person with meningitis has been. The disease is distributed through "droplets in the air," much like tuberculosis. Contraction requires intimate contact, such as an infected person coughing directly in another's face, kissing and sharing drinks.

A person who has contracted bacterial meningitis will experience flu-like symptoms including high fever, headaches and a stiff neck. Body aches, nausea and vomiting, abnormal drowsiness, sensi-

tivity to light, disorientation and a rapidly progressing rash are also signs of the disease. In advanced cases, bruises often develop under the skin and spread quickly. Patients of any age may experience seizures.

Meningitis produces proteins that cause blood vessels to contract, reducing the blood flow to major organs. Patients with severe cases may require kidney transplants and possibly amputation. Serious complications such as these affect 15 percent of meningitis survivors.

As bacterial meningitis progresses, it can attack other body tissues, leading to brain damage, kidney failure, mental retardation, paralysis, coma, hearing loss and, in 10 percent of cases, death.

Bacterial meningitis is a rapidly progressing disease which makes early diagnosis essential to treatment. Symptoms can develop over one to two days or may surface in as little as a few hours.

"A person can be fine one minute and then become totally lethargic within a few hours," said Daniels. The onset can be so quick. Sometimes the doctors don't even know what they're looking for."

Meningitis is usually diagnosed by identifying bacteria from a sample of spinal fluid, obtained through a procedure known as a spinal tap. In this procedure, a doctor inserts a needle into the lower back of the patient in order to remove fluid from the spinal canal. The fluid is then sent to a laboratory in order to identify any bacteria that may be present. Determining the identity of the bacteria responsible for the meningitis is important for the selection of correct antibiotic treatment.

At the Montgomery County Health Department, general treatment of meningitis actually begins before test results of the bacteria return from the lab. The infected person is placed in isolation from one to 10 days. The incubation period is necessary because the patient remains infectious up until 24 hours after treatment. The family of the infected individual is also treated, along with anyone with whom the patient has had close personal contact.

Although bacterial meningitis is found worldwide, it is relatively rare in the United States. Usually occurring in isolated areas, clusters of more than a few cases are uncommon. When found, the disease occurs in small outbreaks among closed settings.

In fact, the disease affects only 3,000 people nationwide per year, with one out of 100,000 people contracting the illness. Fifteen percent of these cases end in death.

In past years, the Center for Disease Control (CDC), Atlanta, Ga., has not considered meningitis a significant problem; however, a number of recent bacterial meningitis cases among college students across the country has drawn both media and professional attention.

An article in the May 1999 issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association reported findings of a Maryland-based study, conducted from 1992-97, of four-year undergraduate college students.

The study, conducted at Baltimore, Md.'s Johns Hopkins University, found that three in every 100,000 on-campus residents were diagnosed with meningitis - an infection rate four times higher than the general college population. The study recommended that physicians provide college students with the meningitis vaccine. The American College Health Association made a similar recommendation in 1997.

The study also identified a subgroup of first-time freshmen residing in dormitories that is more than five times as likely to contract bacterial meningitis than students overall. The study found a peak among 17-year-olds living on campus who are three times more likely to contract the disease than students of the same age living off campus.

Campus outbreaks have increased in the past decade. The CDC reported 621 cases in 1996 among 15- to 24 year olds. The findings represent an alarming increase from the 310 cases reported among the same age group in 1991. New studies reported in the June 1, 1999, issue of USA Today found attack rates of three to eight college students out of a sample of 100, making infection of bacterial meningitis more common than leukemia, lymphoma, or being shot in high school.

What exactly makes college students overly susceptible to bacterial meningitis? According to James Turner, co-chairman of the American College Health Association

task force on vaccine-preventable disease, simple activities that are considered characteristic of the college experience are to blame. In a June 1, 1999, interview with USA Today, Turner identified crowding, drinking, exposure to tobacco smoke, and convergence of people from all over the world as contributing factors of college life that make students susceptible to bacterial meningitis.

Crowded living conditions play a significant part in contraction due to promoted passage of bacteria from persons of ethnic diversity who may not have a natural resistance to bacteria or viruses common in his or her country of origin.

Alcohol consumption, ever frequent on the college campus, impairs the body's ability to produce antibodies against diseases. Acute intoxication keeps white blood cells from making

antibodies as fast as it should, making binge drinking a dangerous factor. Cigarette smoke damages cilia, small hairs that keep out bacteria and viruses, in the lungs. If the meningitis bacteria come in contact with lungs void of functioning cilia, bacteria can pass through and get into the bloodstream. Upper respiratory infections, an ailment common among college students, are also potentially threatening. The infection eases passage to the bloodstream by breaking down the mucosal lining.

College freshmen residing on campus are the most susceptible because of stress placed on their immune systems due to the sudden lifestyle change relocation often hails. Party activity and lack of sleep only continue to damage the weakened immune system. College juniors and seniors are less susceptible to the disease, because upperclassmen are believed to have reached a more academic lifestyle, abandoning the wilder times characteristic of the freshman year.

"It makes sense for entering college freshmen to take the vaccine because they are at the

highest risk," said Dr. Diane Berty, director of Health Services at Austin Peay State University. "However, we don't need to immunize the entire college population."

The recent rise in bacterial meningitis has hit close to home for many Tennessee residents. In 1998, there were 76 cases in Tennessee compared to 48 cases in 1995. On Oct. 6, David "Tiger" Cavanaugh of Knoxville, an 18-year-old freshman at Tennessee Tech, was diagnosed with bacterial meningitis. At last report, Cavanaugh was listed in guarded condition at Baptist Hospital. A student at David Lipscomb University also was hospitalized earlier this fall and has since recovered.

As a result of these recent episodes, Tennessee Tech is offering a bacterial meningitis vaccine to its student body. Thirty students a day are reportedly receiving the same vaccination at Vanderbilt University. The vaccine has been found to be 85 percent effective in preventing bacterial meningitis, which accounts for 70 percent of cases in college-age students. The American College Health Association (ACHA) has, in fact, recommended vaccination for students since 1997.

"A recommendation from the ACHA, however, does not pull the same weight as a recommendation from the CDC," said Berty. "Recommendation is a strong word from the CDC. It causes states to take action."

"The media inferred a recommendation from the CDC, but that's not the case," continued Berty. "The CDC only encouraged entering traditional-age freshman living on campus to have the vaccine before coming to college."

Berty also warned that the Maryland-based study published by USA Today was not a cause and effect study. The characteristics of on campus living were not found to be the cause of bacterial meningitis cases among college-age students. Only a "strong correlation" between the two was reported.

"I wish students and their parents were as concerned about HIV as they are about meningitis," said Berty, whose office has received several calls since the media coverage began. "A student has a much

higher risk of contracting HIV than meningitis - and HIV will indefinitely die from it."

Austin Peay's Health Services will provide the bacterial meningitis vaccine to any student who requests it. The cost of the vaccine is between \$70-\$100. Because the vaccine must be obtained by direct order from its distributor, there is a waiting period between the time of request and inoculation. Health Services will notify the student when the drug is received.

The Montgomery County Health Department remains hesitant to recommend vaccination to students at APSU. According to Daniels, the department has seen no cases among college students, although an average of eight cases a year among all ages are treated in Montgomery County. In fact, Daniels has seen only one teenage case the six years she has worked at the department.

"We've gotten a lot of calls from worried people after news reports aired, but we're not offering the vaccine," Daniels said. "If seven or eight people from Austin Peay were diagnosed with meningitis, then we would get the vaccine."

Daniels contends that bacterial meningitis is not a threat to Austin Peay students, but that discourages immunization.

"The media tends to blow stuff up. They discover a case and suddenly there's an outbreak. If it were really much of an epidemic, the CDC would require immunization at infancy."

Austin Peay students are inclined to agree that meningitis vaccination is unnecessary. Living arrangements and expense are two of the factors dissuading senior Sheri Bowen.

"From what I understand from news reports, a person can only catch meningitis from someone within a close proximity," said Bowen, communications major. "If I live alone, I don't see the need."

"If there was an outbreak on campus then I probably would take the vaccine," Bowen continued. "I don't have \$70 to spend on a shot that I don't really need."

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Diane Berty

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FS discusses handbook

By Jerome Parchman
assistant news editor

During a recent Austin Peay State University Faculty Senate meeting, Dr. David Till, languages and literature, voiced concerns about issues in the faculty handbook.

The first issue he said he was concerned about were the handwritten comments students can turn in with instructor evaluations.

"The practice is not uniform about how the written comments should be used," Till said.

Till said he believes that a decision must be made concerning the written comments because they are part of the evaluation.

Also concerning Till was the faculty member review process.

"If the chairperson reads the department committee's recommendation prior to writing his or her own, then the chair can take issue with the committee's argument and presentation of evidence in a way that they cannot argue the chair's recommendation," Till said.

"This creates an imbalance of access in the process that favors the college chair," Till said.

The last issue raised by Till regarded material added to instructors' dossier.

"If a candidate adds material to his or her dossier that the department committee has

not specifically called for and/or determined to be conditional and after the committee has made its deliberations, then the committee must reconstitute itself, deliberate as need be, and vote again," said Till.

He also says that dossiers sent to the college and the dean are not the same ones that the committee voted on.

Dr. Dewey Browder, history and philosophy, said, "I would like to read these to discuss them at the next meeting."

Dr. Steven Pontius, vice-president of academic affairs, agreed, "These issues need to be looked at by the handbook committee."

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Governors hammer Arkansas State

Hassell steps up

By Justin Dickens

Austin Peay State University men's basketball team opened up the 1999-2000 season with a victory at Arkansas State, 78-64. Midway through the first half, Austin Peay trailed 21-42 at halftime. Then, junior forward Trenton Hassell nailed a three-point basket to begin the Gobs rally. The Gobs then outscored Arkansas State 27-14, leading

42-35 at halftime. APSU quickly pushed the lead out to 17 after scoring the first 10 points in the second half. The Gobs raised the lead to as many as 22 with 11:28 remaining in the half, and closed the game with a 14-point win. A key to the game was the Gobs' second-half defense, as they held Arkansas State to 29 percent shooting. The Gobs were led by junior forward Trenton Hassell, who scored 30 points

and almost accomplished a triple-double as he added nine rebounds and eight assists. Hassell shot 11 for 18 from the field, including 2-of-3 from three-point range. Also contributing to the Gobs win were junior-college transfers Theanthony Haymon, who scored 16 points and pulled down eight rebounds off the bench, and Joe Williams, who scored eight points and also grabbed 12 rebounds.

Lady Gobs drop championship game

Ohio Valley Conference Press Release

Cape Girardeau, Mo. -- Southeast Missouri (28-5 overall) successfully defended its Ohio Valley Conference tournament title with a 3-0 win over Austin Peay (23-11 overall), Nov. 20, 1999, in the championship match of the 1999 OVC Volleyball Tournament at Houck Field House. The victory marked the fourth OVC Tournament crown for Southeast and the first back-to-back conference tourney titles since Eastern Kentucky

captured six straight from 1981-86.

Southeast advanced to the championship match with a first-round bye and a 3-0 win over Murray State, while Austin Peay defeated Eastern Kentucky (3-1) and Eastern Illinois (3-2) to reach the finals.

The Otahkians hit .299 en route to the win, led by junior outside hitter Krista Haukap's .542 and senior middle blocker Angie Aschoff's .526 averages. Haukap, who was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player, posted 14 kills and four blocks, while Aschoff added 11 kills and five blocks. Senior setter Amy Henken joined Haukap on the all-tournament team after dishing out 36 assists and leading the team with 11 digs.

Southeast head coach Cindy Gannon was impressed with the competitiveness of the tournament field. "It was a great tournament," said Gannon. "I thought the competition was outstanding. Murray State gave us all we could handle last night. I think the quality of play has improved in the OVC and I look for it to continue to grow."

Austin Peay struggled to

find its offense early in the match, ending the three-game set with just a .066 average. Junior outside hitter Becky Sowinski led the Lady Gobs with eight kills, while junior setter Annie Gieber followed with seven.

"Southeast Missouri is just a machine," said APSU head coach Cheryl Holt. "They pretty much dominated the entire match. We had very little momentum generated. Southeast is a very well-balanced team and they didn't allow us to play our game."

With the win, the Otahkians qualify for the league's automatic bid entry into the 1999 NCAA Volleyball Tournament. Bracket pairings for the tournament were announced Sunday, November 28 during a thirty-minute selection show beginning at 9 p.m. (CST).

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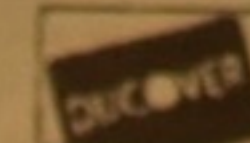
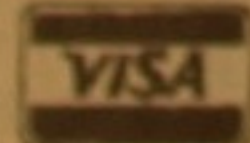
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Murray brings big guns to town

By Justin Dickens
sports editor

Austin Peay State University men's basketball team (1-1) will face their OVC rival, Murray State University (2-0), Thursday night.

The Racers, Ohio Valley Conference champions nine times this decade, plan to begin the 1999-2000 season in the same fashion. The Racers were a preseason No. 1 in the conference by all ratings. This Murray State team looks to be one of the best ever, as they return nearly every key player from last year's team.

The two main concerns for Austin Peay will be preseason Murray's first-team all-conference selections Isaac Spencer and Aubrey Reese. Spencer, a senior forward and NBA prospect, is averaging 19.5 points and 10.5 rebounds per game so far this season. Reese, a two-year starter at point guard, is averaging 23.5 points, 7.5 rebounds, and 5.5 assists per game. He scored 32 last week against Rutgers, who MSU defeated 87-83. Another concern for the Govs is the return Marlon Towns, a shooting guard who transferred two years ago from the University of Arkansas. He is returning from a recent suspension. Along with Spencer, Reese, and Towns is high-flying guard Ray Cunningham, who is averaging 18.5 points per game along with 9.5 rebounds. A player also planning to play a key role in the game is Rod Murray, a second-team all-conference selection, who has played in a limited role so far this season.

Looking to match the high-powered Racers will be Trenton Hassell and the balanced attack of the Govs. Besides Hassell, who is averaging 25.5 points, 8.5 rebounds, and 5.5 assists per game, no one is putting up big numbers. Ten of 12 current players have contributed this season in a scoring role. Looking to contain Spencer down low will be Hassell and junior college transfer Joe Williams, who has contributed well early, averaging 10 points and 11 rebounds a game.

Last season, the Govs and Racers split the series with each winning on its home court.

Baker grabs another

Sophomore quarterback Brian Baker has rewritten Austin Peay State football's record book.

With one game remaining in the season, Baker had set the following records: Individual - Pass Attempts (387), Pass Completions (226), Passing Yards (2,555), and TD Passes (23). Single Game - Passing Attempts (59), Pass Completions (40), TD Passes (5), Rushing/Passing Plays (72), Total Offense (429). Career - TD Passes (27).

Baker needed 26 completions and 294 yards to break those career records as well.

Stapleton, Easley sidelined by suspension

By Justin Dickens
sports editor

The NCAA suspended junior guard Nick Stapleton and sophomore guard Kevin Easley for the first three regular season games of the 1999-2000 season for the improper use of a university's telephone long-distance code.

The student-athletes believed they were using a student's personal code but were

later informed that the code belonged to the APSU athletics department. The student who gave Stapleton and Easley the code was a former basketball graduate assistant who has since returned to being a student.

APSU men's basketball head coach and athletics director Dave Loos reported the violations to the NCAA, who then handed down the

suspensions. The NCAA grouped the violations in the lowest tier, resulting in a suspension of 10 percent of the regular season schedule, which happens to be Arkansas State, Belmont, and Ohio Valley Conference rival Murray State.

Stapleton and Easley have since reimbursed the University, and the NCAA denied an appeal by Austin Peay.

"I don't think they intended to hurt the team or this basketball program," Coach Dave Loos said. "They both sincerely thought this was someone's personal code they were borrowing."

"I didn't mean to hurt the team in any way," Stapleton said. "I am hurt that I can't play these first three games. I have to learn from my mistakes, though. I brought this

on myself."

Easley, who is seeking an important role on this team said, "I want to say sorry to my team, the program and the fans like a leader and I let my work that much harder make it up to everybody." Both guards will return to a home game Dec. 4 against Indiana State.

Govs drop opener to Belmont 71-70

By Justin Dickens
sports editor

Austin Peay State University lost their home men's basketball opener to Belmont, Saturday, 71-70 in overtime.

The Governors were unable to contain the Bruins' outside shooting.

Belmont shot 12-of-27 from three-point range, including two crucial ones down the stretch in overtime.

APSU trailed Belmont by nine at halftime but was able to make up the difference by outscoring Belmont 11-1 to open up the second half.

A key to the comeback was the shooting of guard Joey Tuck, who scored all of his 14

points (including four threes) in the second half. Another contribution came from Joe Williams, who earned a double double, adding 12 points and 10 rebounds.

Also stepping up for the Govs was standout Trenton Hassell, as he scored 21 points and grabbed eight rebounds.

Hassell also answered with many big shots down the stretch but could not rescue the Govs as he lost control of the ball with :03 left in overtime.

APSU's next home game will be Thursday as they take on the defending Ohio Valley Conference champion Murray State Racers at the Dunn Center.

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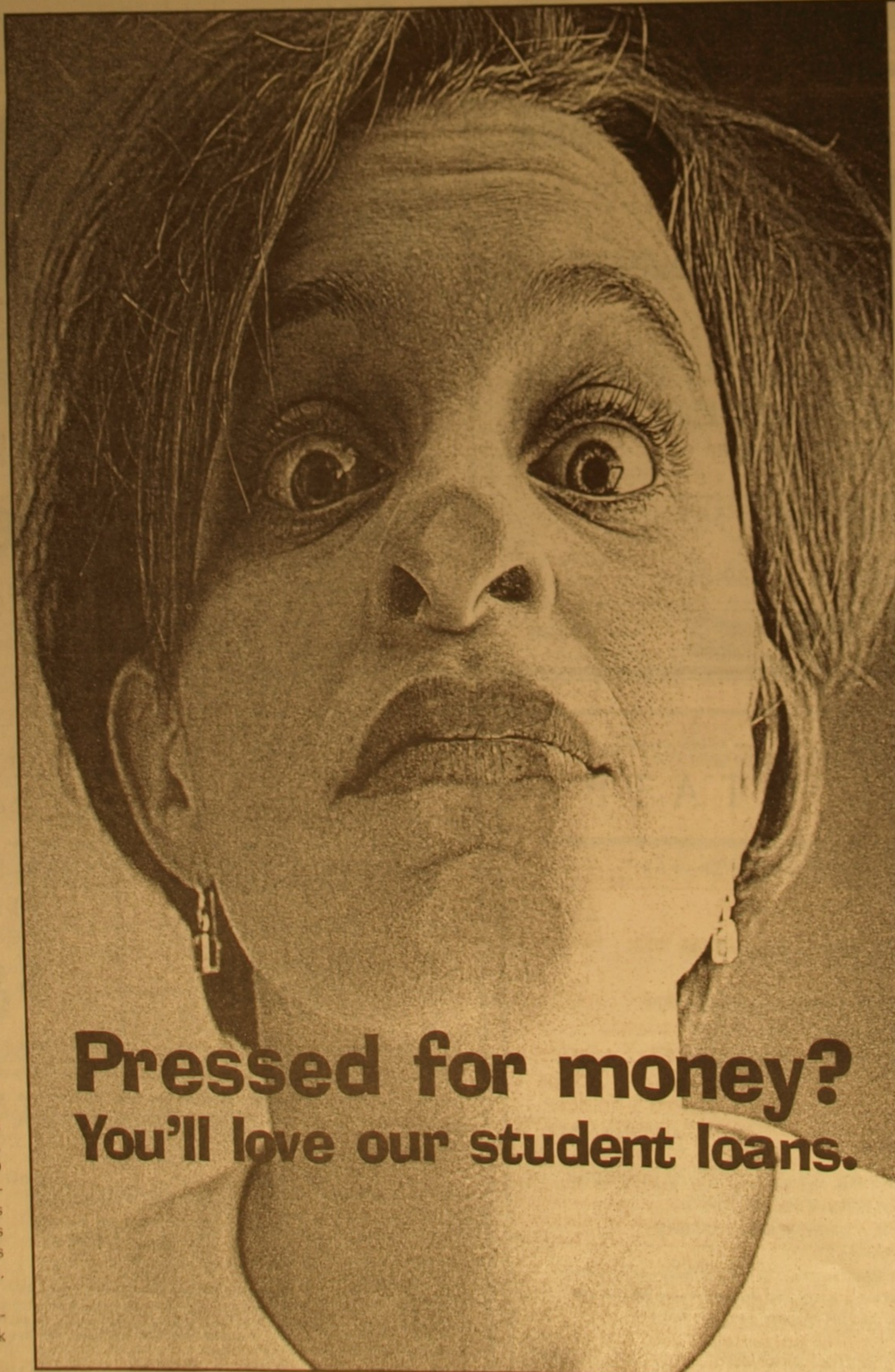
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APSU names Gasaway commencement speaker

The circuit court judge of the 19th Judicial District of Tennessee (Montgomery and Robertson counties) will give the keynote address at Austin Peay State University's Winter 1999 Commencement, slated for 3 p.m., Friday, Dec. 10 in the Winfield Dunn Center.

A 1969 alumnus of APSU, the Hon. John H. Gasaway III, Clarksville, will speak to more than 400 candidates for graduation, their fami-

lies and friends.

Gasaway gained national recognition during the highly publicized trial of Paul Reid, who was charged with a double murder in Clarksville.

Reid, who earlier was convicted of a multiple murder at a Nashville fast-food restaurant, was found guilty this fall of the murder of two young women employed at a local Baskin-Robbins.

In 1975, Gasaway earned his doctorate of jurisprudence from Nashville School of Law; he graduated in 1992 from the National Judicial College.

During 1975-90, he was engaged in the private practice of law in Clarksville. From 1975-80, he was a partner with Patrick H. McCutchen.

In August 1990, he was elected circuit court judge and was re-elected in

August 1998. During 1991-93 and 1997-99, he was the presiding judge of the 19th Judicial District. He also was appointed as a special judge of the Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals during the May session of 1994.

Gasaway is active in various professional organizations. Since 1990 he has been a member of the Tennessee Judicial Conference and the

Tennessee Trial Judges' Association, serving as secretary in 1994-95. He has been a member of the Robertson County Bar Association and the Montgomery County Bar Association since 1975, serving during 1984 as president of the latter.

Dr. Sal D. Rinella, president of Austin Peay, said, "Several years ago, we began a tradition of inviting an outstanding alumnus or

alumna to be the speaker at one of the two Commencements each year. What better inspiration for new graduates than to hear from a successful graduate who once sat where they're sitting.

"In the judicial arena, Judge Gasaway is well known and respected within the district and state and, now, on the national level. We're pleased he is this year's speaker."

APSU center honors art patron Goldsmith with Ovation Award

Staunch advocate and patron of the arts Arthur Goldsmith Jr. was named recipient of the 1999-2000 Ovation Award presented by the Austin Peay State University Center of Excellence for the Creative Arts.

This marks the fifth annual presentation of this special award, which is given to an individual who has made significant contributions to the artistic and cultural life of the University, community and region.

The award was established by the Center of Excellence for the Creative Arts in 1995 to honor individuals who have given their time and efforts in outstanding support of the arts.

In honor of his selection as Ovation Award recipient, Goldsmith was presented with an engraved crystal plaque by Dr. George L. Mabry, director of the Center of Excellence for the Creative Arts, and Cynthia Marsh, chair of the APSU department

of art, during the third annual Theatre Scholarship Benefit Nov. 20 at Austin Peay.

Goldsmith was born and reared in Portland, Ore. He received an MBA from Cornell University and later a master of library science degree from The University of Washington.

He came to Clarksville in 1970, where he joined the staff of the reference department of the F. G. Woodward Library at Austin Peay State University. He retired from APSU in 1986.

Interested in music, theatre and art all of his life, Goldsmith has continued his staunch support of the arts throughout his retirement and, along with his wife of 33 years, Martha, attends most University and local arts events and activities. He is a collector of art and books about books and printing and is the American editor of "Private Press Books," a British publication.

In retirement, he also has kept busy with such volun-

teer activities as Meals on Wheels and Crisis Call Line. He is a board member of the Clarksville Community Concert Association and the Community Action Agency and serves on the budget committee of the United Way.

He also is the coordinator of the local Reading Is Fundamental incentive program for children, where he goes into local elementary schools and gives away books to children.

It is because of his vast collection of books and his love of typography, in addition to his generous support of the department of art, that led department chair Cynthia Marsh to name a recently purchased letter press in his honor - the Goldsmith Press and Rare Type Collection.

Former Ovation Award recipients include James Mann, Mabel Larson, Peg Harvill, Olen Bryant and Charlie Halliburton.

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Arnold offers last laugh

Gary Arnold
assistant opinion editor

The fact that I have a lot of work due that should have been done some time ago tells me that we've reached the end of another semester here at the big Peay. That also tells me that I'm writing my last column for the All State, not because I'm graduating, but because it's time to move on. I, along with some other students, just found out recently that the school is going to produce the plays we wrote in our playwriting class, and so to insure the same quality in my play that I've tried to give you each week in this column, that's where my focus needs to be. So, since we've just celebrated Thanksgiving, I would like to take this opportunity to thank a few people.

First and foremost, I would like to thank the University in general, for giving me an opportunity to see if I have any other talents, other than those that result in cops coming to your door at 3 a.m., and asking stupid questions like, "What's that body doing in the bed of your truck?", and "Do you really expect us to believe that you mistook that Colt .45 for your ATM card?"

And though I've had a fair share of good professors, I would like to thank some of them that had an effect on my evolution as a writer. Dr. Franks was the one initially responsible for giving me the encouragement to try and develop my skills, and whether I end up making a living as a writer or running an adult bookstore in Poughkeepsie, New York, I'll always be grateful to her for that encouragement.

It was Malcolm Glass and David Wesner that are responsible for my recent addiction: An addiction to theater. This theater racket rocks, man. I'm not kidding. My first day in class I didn't know jack-you-know-what about theater, even less about computers, and didn't type a lick. Now, I own a computer I don't know a thing about, still can't type worth a damn, but I do know a little about theater. I know there is an assumption that theater is dead. Well, I might just have to make like Dr. Frankenstein and reanimate. Thanks guys for opening a new world to me.

And it is Dr. Wadia that is to blame for my neighbors not having anything to do with me. It was his brilliant idea to take his Shakespeare class, the theory being if I was going to possibly pursue a career in a writing field it is imperative

that one know their Shakespeare. Okay, I'm agreed, Shakes rocks. But the downside to this is, I suddenly start breaking out into soliloquies and other Shakespearean speeches. I don't know how many times I've told the trees in the backyard that all the world's a stage, and all of us here in the apartment complex merely players. And my little Mustang that I drive knows that when I cry out, "A horse, my kingdom for a horse!", I'm not talking about him. So, whereas Dr. Wadia might not see anything unusual about this new habit, my neighbors, on the other hand, find it a little strange to find someone out on his back patio doing speeches by Shakes at six or seven in the morning while his dog takes its morning whiz.

To those of you that have expressed your enjoyment in reading my weekly, (or is it "weakly?") columns, I especially want to thank you, for without the reader there is no writer.

And last, but certainly not least, I want to thank my colleagues at the paper. Especially our Editor-in-Chief, Mr. Johnny Sparks. He has shown me a maturity well beyond his years, a maturity that I didn't have at his age. If I had to put up with the crap this guy did, well, let's just say that if I had been in his shoes at his age, I would probably be a student at a correctional institute, workers would be replacing the windows of various offices, and some of the powers that be would be still doing some serious healing. Excellent job, Bro!

To my former Editor-in-Chief, Shana -- both you and No-Name Celebrates rock. Shannon, go home and take a break. Tangee, thanks for being a pleasant and cool-to-get-along-with editor. Jerome, quiet down will you? Joseph, it was cool when we had you. Kelly, I hope the paper is no longer a disappointment in its quality, for I have seen this staff work very hard to put out the best damn paper it knew how, and I, for one, am very proud of my colleagues.

There is, however, one drawback to moving on. Astrid, I'm really going to miss working with you, for I respect your talent and abilities, and to be honest, you're a lot easier on the eyes at those 6:30 meetings than Johnny could ever hope to be. No offense, bro. And once again, thank you.

College changes outlook on life

By Tangee Reyes
opinion editor

I feel like I am a fundamentally different person than I was when I started college.

At certain points in life, I'm sure everyone takes time to sit back and reflect upon the state of their lives in general: where you're going, where you've been.

Times like college graduation naturally bring about a little introspection into one's being. For the past few weeks, I've been looking hard at myself, trying to make tough decisions about my life and not finding the answers easy to come by.

I think the last time I felt

like this, I was 18 years old, pregnant, homeless, broke and scared. It was then that I decided to commit to school with a vengeance. I refused to become a statistical poverty-stricken single mother.

It was with ambition and focus that I attacked the following three years of school.

Then, sometime in January, I lost that focus and the ambition seemed to dwindle. I'm not sure what combination of things it was that knocked the wind out from under my wings; maybe it was the tornado or the stress of working too hard.

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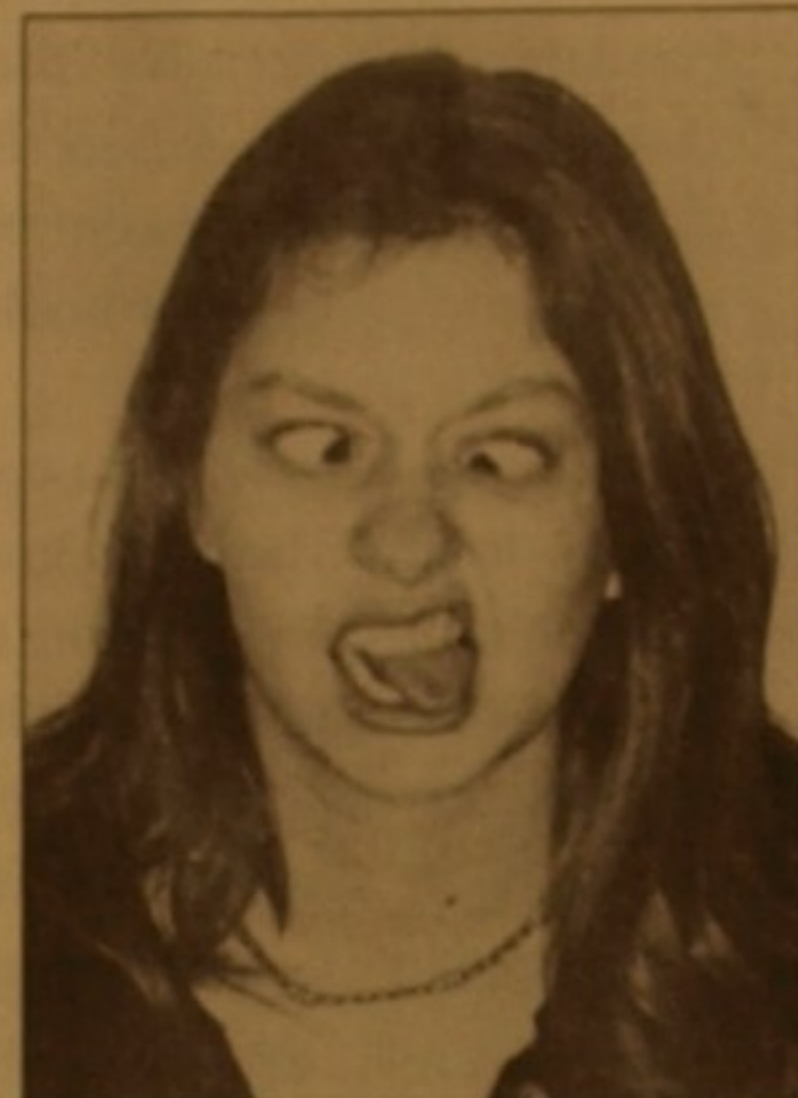
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By Shana Thornton
assistant editor

I am faced with the tradition of contributing a goodbye editorial to the archives of The All State. My final semester is almost over and my fingers are stiff and nervous; they only want to scream. I have no fingernails, a crevice of sanity remains in my smile, and the pages of words I have written are swirling down Drane Street for the last night. Gary Arnold stole the ideas from my brain through telepathy, maybe he abducted the words from my keyboard by telepathy, but as a procrastinator I can't complain that he beat me to the role call of thanks I owe to the staff of The All State. So, I won't subject the APSU audience to another such article. Gary--I just have to say that you are one funny guy. I admire your humor and emphasis on freedom of expression and speech. I only read the newspaper for your articles. Gary and Johnny are the only people to whom I owe my ability to laugh while exiting the world of Austin Peay student journalism. Now, I'm not quite sure how to finish this article. If Gary were here, we

could begin a club or humor the student body with an anecdote from the English department or convince everyone to drink Captain Morgan's as their Christmas break activity. Yet, I am alone in the room and I'm not receiving any helpful telepathy from Gary.

I could thank my professors, but that would be unethical since classes are still in progress. I can, however, say to John Turner (I haven't taken one of his classes in almost two years) that he was my favorite professor; you should teach more upper-division classes! Not to be mushy or sappy but simply to express appreciation, Dr. Ed Irwin, Dr. Carl Fisher, Dr. Floyd Christian, and Dr. Ramon Magrans, thank you for being wonderful instructors.

I began college believing I would learn everything in class. Sure, my professors had information to share and discussions to begin. And I have thanked those teachers; however, I further learned that the Smurfs are detrimental to my survival at Austin Peay. The entire campus community is dependent upon Smurfs. Have I been dabbling in experimental narcotics while skipping classes you may ask? I am not having hallucinations. The Smurfs are headquartered behind the law enforcement agency, but they are not law enforcers. They repair the sinks, toilets, airconditioners, heating units; they pick up everyone else's sloop and litter; they plant flowers, well Smurfette plants flowers; they remove outdated equipment, and replace it with new computers; they sweep, mop, bleach toilets, change lightbulbs, replenish toilet paper, vacu-

um, and buff the floors. THANK YOU!!

I have no one left to thank. I will be leaving Austin Peay and Clarksville unseen, for I will be running at a dangerous speed after next Friday's graduation. I've had positive and negative experiences as all people do; I run in search of a new experience in a new place.

The All State is in need of student writers, editors, photographers, advertising representatives and copy editors. If you wish to learn about freedom of the press and the freedom of oppression, join The All State staff. The campus newspaper is the only student publication published once a week, and in order to survive the publication needs students who can write about opinions as well as the activities at APSU. It is a lonely, difficult, nail-biting, habit-forming occupation, but the information and knowledge gained is revealing of the social and occupational structure of the university. I did have fun times with the staff from last semester and to those people, thanks for helping me out during a semester of frenzy.

I could never relate my experience in an editorial. Try to write for a semester, and you will understand. You will either feel attachment and dedication (this lasts three semesters at most) or your words will fizzle after a few weeks. Anyone interested should try it out and collect the scholarship, because almost the entire staff is leaving.

Astrid--Even if you scream, no one will hear you except the staff so pick a good one. Luck...

graduate and quit my job. I did get married, but only because by my September wedding, I had started to come to my senses.

I realized that life had to go on. I couldn't stay in the same spot forever, because after a while, everything I ever wanted stopped being fulfilling. Suddenly, I had to find new things to want out of life.

Sometime, between the scared, lost girl I was and the curious, confident woman I am, just beating the odds was no longer all I wanted.

I'm still not sure what exactly I want out of life, but I have some ideas. And I really feel that going to college had

a lot to do with that.

I want to travel the world to see and touch and smell all the things I've learned about but never experienced. I want to read more literature and learn more about art because there really is beauty in them. I want to have a career where I can learn and grow, not just a job where I will stagnate. I want to be a good parent and have a strong family.

But most of all I want to know that I've lived every minute of my life and not just watched it go by.

I really am a different person.

Thank you.

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A class of Dentonomics

By CAB
guest writer

Years ago, on the campus of Rhodes, I was the beneficiary of some of the most gifted teachers and lecturers that the world's pedagogy could provide. Time Magazine rated Rhodes the sixth best private college in America. Rest assured, the criteria, though norm-referenced, was multifaceted. An astute student, looking through the leaded glass pane windows of the Gothic architectural cathedrals of learning, would soon see the stain in those windows wither, and a cathartic clarity would reveal just how much that student did not know.

Recently, in my quest for teacher licensure, I have had the discomfiting privilege of taking what Dr. Denton calls the 'gateway' course, Tests and Measurements, 3280. It's all about the scientific treatment of assessments under the umbrella of psychology. Well, it rained on me pretty hard. I got soaked with the concepts of validity and reliability through the voice of Dr. Denton. This man can wax eloquently. His edifying words are carefully chosen, and he would be just as much at home in front of a Harvard podium as at APSU. He endorsed our textbook, something that should be done by all of our professors. He gave cogent, impromptu examples of the content domain. He used repetition for emphasis. He cleverly devised a punishment scheme for missed attendance. All the classroom procedures he implemented seemed fair and reasonable and crafted by experience. After the first two weeks I felt my standby principle of studious diligence would manifest itself as mastering the concepts, resulting in A's on his tests (multiple choice tests with excruciatingly attractive distractors; finite shades of grey; designed by an intelligent teacher who wholly subscribes to the classic theory of the Bell Curve, and who gives 'turbomics' to the concept of discriminating power). You guessed it: my first test resulted in a B, and that only because of a four-point curve gratuity. Discomfort began to set in.

Other students, much brighter than I am, were also disheartened, especially after two more tests. The class mean did rise, however. The Godhead of the bell curve classic theory says, regardless of the task, some will exceed, some will fail and most will be average. Before this course, some of us enjoyed 4.0 candidacy. The thought of being average was disgusting to us. This mediocrity assessment moniker began to diminish my self-esteem, since I had taken the last train to Clarksville in terms of rectifying a scholastic trail I had left in Memphis at Rhodes. Now I was being sidetracked by a prof whose God is the bell curve, supported by science and a measurement that left me defenseless in argument, and I was holding the handle of the umbrella in a storm yet to cease. Furthermore, reviewing your poorly performed test with Dr. Denton (feedback on assessment) was almost prohibitive, since he keeps close watch on those painstaking, carefully crafted

test items. It takes time to construct a test that efficaciously gives a bell curve. A student won't 'ring' his hands of this in class, but rather in Dr. Denton's private office by appointment.

The last thing the school system needs is another mediocre teacher. How could I reconcile the test grades to my self-worth? I reasoned that Dr. Denton's outcomes, his taught objectives, were not all morally beneficial. One of the outcomes was distrust (although he would call it critical thinking). As a result of his tests, this trusting, forgiving student would look upon future decision making as a skill of asstance, never again being able to totally give myself intimately to another person or concept. What a tragedy! No room for empirical assessment! Friendship would now have to be based upon a scientific formula, not heart-felt subjectivity. Instinctive inner gut feelings would give way to met and measured objectives. The Stepford Wives would win an academy award.

Enough fun! Could it be that I really didn't master the content domain inspite of self-imposed diligence? A young friend of mine recently enjoyed an 8-0 football record going into the regionals, but lost abysmally 45-7 in the playoffs. His response was "they" got all the breaks, and that "we're" really better than they are. I didn't see the game. I saw the score in the paper.

Soon enough I will be entering the 'playoffs' of the teaching profession. Each day in that classroom I will be doing something for my students that will enable them to advance - assessment. I plan to utilize Dentonomics in my teaching to "bloom" high at times in the taxonomy of the cognitive domain. I will be challenging, but not at the expense of student self-worth due to the "shrine" of the bell curve. If the fortress of assessment is built with item difficulty, item novelty, coefficients of stability and equivalence, adequate content sampling, and all the evidence of validity and reliability, then let me, oh Lord, be conscious of the prisoners I take in validating the fortress of measurement. How do you measure the worth of a child, the love between brothers or the erotic intimacy between lovers? I dare any psychology professor to stand up and deliver a scoring rubric on the above.

My final assesment of Dr. Denton and his course is outstanding. He is a wonderful person and skilled professor. He would be a fun dinner guest. He even showed empathy with our lackluster scholastic achievement by allowing volunteers to earn bonus points on a psych project. I couldn't be more impressed with him. I highly recommend his teaching where I learned much, even to the point of being considered a false-negative. Of course this evaluation comes from my heart. It's entirely subjective and based upon a sensitive, but deep gut feeling. Sometimes you leave the umbrella at home and just run through the rain.

Injury teaches lesson



By Johnny Sparks
editor in chief

Travis Henry, University of Tennessee tailback, rushed for 153 yards in the first half of Vols win over Vanderbilt Saturday, before suffering a neck injury that sent shock waves through Neyland Stadium and a national television audience.

It was senior day in Knoxville. A thick Smokey Mountain morning fog broke just before game time to reveal a beautiful blue sky.

Twenty-three seniors ran through the traditional giant "T" corridor for a final time.

Tennessee jumped ahead early. Everything was going right for the Big Orange and its fans.

Henry was the catalyst. Kentucky couldn't stop him the week before and Vanderbilt wasn't going to stop him today. The feeling was nothing could stop him.

Just as that thought crossed my mind, Henry broke through the Vanderbilt defensive line again.

Henry was to the 45, out the 50 down to 40 and on his way to another 60-yard plus

touchdown run.

Suddenly a Vanderbilt defender emerged and made a shoe-string tackle before he hit full stride.

Tennessee pounded out several more yards.

Henry tacked on more yards, helping the Vol offense move the ball down inside the 5-yard line.

Henry dove for the orange-and white checkerboard endzone.

His run put the Vols in position to score, I thought. It would only be fitting on this perfect day that he put the exclamation point on the drive.

The crowd had one eye on Henry as he flew through the air and another on the goal line.

He was somersaulted down short of the goal line by a Vanderbilt defender at the 1-yard line.

He'll get it on the next play, I thought. But I suddenly realized he wasn't getting up.

After landing head-first, he fell to the turf of Shields-Watkins Field.

Henry's arms jerked and then lay motionless, waiting for the Tennessee medical staff.

An immediate silence fell over the previously frenzied crowd.

Tennessee head coach Phillip Fulmer rushed to Henry's side.

The Volunteer offensive team took a knee together in prayer for their fallen teammate.

A dark cloud had emerged on the horizon of the perfect day.

For twenty-five minutes, the Tennessee faithful endured an agonizing reality check while the Tennessee staff attended to the motionless young man.

"What if he never walks again?" I thought. "What if he dies? Is a football game really worth all of this?"

Henry's mother rushed onto the field.

Emotions spilled over. The fans, so used to celebrating together, mourned together for perhaps the first time.

No one paid attention to the scoreboard or their wrist-watches.

It was as if time stood still. Everyone stood and focused their complete attention on No. 20.

With much maneuvering and precaution, his motionless body was finally placed on a board. He was carted off the field at a turtle's pace to a waiting ambulance.

The crowd broke its silence with a cheer of support.

It seemed that the game should stop, but it waged on like a true war.

As quick as Henry was out of sight, the game started. Phillip Crosby, a senior tailback, dove head first into the endzone.

He emerged holding up two fingers and with one hand and forming a zero with two fingers on the other hand saluting the fallen warrior.

The touchdown celebration was muted.

Henry was still on our collective mind.

The Vols allowed the time remaining in the first half to tick away after stopping Vanderbilt's ensuing drive.

The dazed crowd mourned and waited through halftime.

UT alumna Deana Carter sang her hit song, "Did I Shave My Legs For This" while fans listened to portable radios, hoping for the best and expecting the worst.

The third quarter came and went.

Word began to circulate through Neyland Stadium.

"Henry's alert and moving all extremities," a man with a radio announced, just moments before the public address announcer reiterated.

The spirit of the day had been restored.

The day was even more perfect than before Henry fell.

We all appreciated Henry, Tennessee touchdowns, our families, our friends, our fellow man and our lives more than before.

A lot of us left a lot of ourselves on that field.

It was a wakeup call for the Big Orange masses.

Tennessee may not bring a National Championship trophy home this year, but Henry will live to walk and run another day.

Football isn't everything, and neither is The All State.



Twentieth century brought changes

By Jerome Parchman
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The 20th century was a period that changed our lives and our outlook on life.

The century was about the fight for equal rights. Women and African Americans fought for the right to vote and to be considered as equal with white males; Gandhi leading his people in India to escape from British rule; Nelson Mandela, freed from his 27-year imprisonment in South Africa, helped end Apartheid in South Africa.

A frightful period of the century was warfare. There have been several wars fought all over the world, including two world wars. Warfare is not justified, but is used as a last resort. An example of this would be NATO stopping the genocide that was occurring in the former country of Yugoslavia.

Another aspect of the century was the impact that Hollywood can have on people's lives. Many people feel Hollywood is the cause of many ill wills in today's society. Many groups and politicians have campaigned

against the violence that is found in movies and on T.V. People fell in love with characters like Indiana Jones, Forrest Gump, the characters from "Star Wars," "E.T." and "Terminator." Some of the greatest movies are "Citizen Kane," "Casablanca," "Godfather" I and II, "Gone With the Wind," "Psycho," "Star Wars," "Lawrence of Arabia," "The African Queen" and "Some Like It Hot."

Music has also had a great impact during the century. Many radio stations wanted to ban rock-n-roll, and Elvis Presley could only be seen from the waist up while appearing on television. Critics try to blame some of the violence being committed by young people on rap. The critics fail to realize 70 percent of the people who are buying the records are white. Today many rock stars are using hip-hop in their music, and hip-hop also has affected the way people dress and act.

The music world has seen the loss of some great musicians: Jimi Hendrix, Tupac, Notorious B.I.G., Jim Morrison and Kurt Cobain.

The sports world also has changed dramatically over the past 100 years. Games used to be only recreation; now they are a multibillion-dollar industry. This century has brought us monumental sports personalities, like Babe Ruth, Muhammad Ali, Lawrence Taylor, Jim McMahon, Deion Sanders, Billy Martin and Wilt Chamberlain.

Football used to be a college game, reserved for rivalries like Harvard and Yale. Two famous pro football owners, George Halas and Art Rooney, along with some of their friends, formed the NFL.

Dr. James Naismith invented basketball in 1891 with a couple of peach baskets nailed at opposite ends of a YMCA gym.

Freserck Arthur, Lord Stanley of Preston, brought a trophy to be given to the amateur hockey champions of Canada. It would later become the Stanley Cup, given to the winner of the National Hockey League finals.

Each sports league had its dominant teams, New York Yankees (teams from the past

and today), Green Bay Packers of the 60's, Pittsburgh Steelers of the 70's, San Francisco 49ers of the 80's of the NFL, Montreal Canadiens, Edmonton Oilers, New York Islanders of the NHL and Boston Celtics, Los Angeles Lakers and the Chicago Bulls of the NBA.

Athletes have become world figures. Stars such as Muhammad Ali and Michael Jordan make headlines all over the world.

Pro baseball saw a resurrection after the strike of 1994. Sammy Sosa and Mark McGwire's pursuits of breaking the home run record brought fans back to the game. Baseball was once again America's pastime.

As we journey into a new century, many things will change. Technology will improve, movies will have even greater special effects, music will evolve and salaries in the sports world will continue to escalate. Let's make the next century a symbol of progress, peace and prosperity.



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Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."
(Isaiah 9:6)

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