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Local witch lore still haunts area, 186 years later

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It's that time of year again—Halloween.

Every year people return to the site of the famous haunting of a farm in Adams, Tennessee, the home of the Bell Witch.

As legend has it, John Bell moved his family to the farm in 1817. One day while out on his farm he spotted a strange

animal in his corn field. It appeared to have the head of a rabbit and the body of a dog.

He shot at the animal but instead of being wounded or injured, it seemed to disappear. Later that night during dinner, the family heard beating sounds on the outside of the house. Each time John and his son went to catch the culprit, there was no one in sight.

As time passed, children in

the house began to complain of strange noises at night and their pillows and bed covers were thrown on the ground by some strange invisible force. Sometimes they woke up with visible marks from being "slapped" during the night.

The Bell's were so concerned they decided to tell their neighbors, the Johnston family. The Johnstons spent a night at the home. They

reported strange noises, feelings of being physically slapped, and their bedcovers were ripped from the bed.

As the town became aware of the Bell's stories, the humming noises they heard earlier became louder and more recognizable. The voice sang hymns, quoted scripture and recited sermons given at the same time in churches 13 miles apart.

John's sons, John Bell, Jr.

and Jesse Bell had fought under Andrew Jackson in the Battle of New Orleans and developed a good rapport with him. Jackson heard about the disturbances in the Bell home in 1819 and decided to make a personal visit.

As Jackson and his men approached the house, the wagon came to a halt and the horses could not budge it. Completely frustrated, he

blurted out that it must be the "witch" stopping them. He then heard a woman's voice that said they could pass but would receive another visit from her later that night.

While eating dinner there, one of Jackson's men announced that he was a "witch tamer" and was going to shoot the spirit that haunted the Bell's house. Instantly he began to wince in pain, saying he was being

severely beaten and poked by needles.

The voice said that another one of Jackson's men was a fraud and would be revealed the next day. However, Jackson left before the second man could be revealed.

Another incident occurred with Betsy Bell, the daughter. She began to have feelings for a boy named Joshua Gardner.

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GHOST grows as community wide event

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Creepy, crawling spiders and mummies are a big part of Halloween (as well as ghosts, but these ghosts are totally different). GHOST is an acronym for Great Halloween Options for Safe Trick or Treating and is an opportunity for children to trick or treat in a safe manner. GHOST is a trick or treat alternative that student organizations set up tables for allowing the children to trick or treat safely.

"As of right now we have over 50 organizations, that is over half which is pretty good I think," said JC Garrett, sophomore, Mass Communication major, also the community service chairman of Student Government.

GHOSTS will be out Halloween night (Friday, Oct. 31) in the UC Plaza. Students are encouraged to dress up and decorate tables according to Melody Moore, Secretary of SGA. This year an additional award has been added to motivate student organizations to increase creativity.

"One thing we have done this year is we added a new award, a spirit award to be given out to the tables. That makes two awards for the tables, a spirit award and best table award," said Garrett.

According to Garrett the GHOST committee has targeted Fort Campbell families, in an attempt to make sure they know they are more than welcome to attend.

Katie Cox, junior Education major and member of GHOST committee said that flyers were sent out to local schools as well as ads placed in *The Leaf Chronicle* and *The All State*.

"This event is as much for the community as it is an

APSU event," Gavin Roark, senior Corporate Communication major, and President of SGA.

"With the families being overseas we want them to feel welcome to participate in GHOST," Garrett said.

This year is the ninth year APSU has hosted GHOST.

"In the past few years, GHOST has become more known each year. We keep increasing the enthusiasm around it," said Roark.

According to Roark last GHOST had a really good turn out last year and it is expected to be even greater this year.

"I think GHOST is a great opportunity for parents to give their kids a safe trick or treating experience," Elizabeth Pruitt, a participant in the residence housing association's table in this year's GHOST.

According to Roark, GHOST is an event for the children and an important event at APSU because the large amount of nontraditional students.

Brandy Dolberly, a senior social work major, has brought her son for three years and said it was an absolutely a better alternative to trick or treating.

"(My son) was Spiderman last year, and the year before that he was a rainbow clown," Dolberly said.

"It's lots of fun seeing kids going around 70-80 tables of candy," said Roark.

"It's the jackpot of all trick or treating."

Any organization participating in GHOST can set up table starting at 3:30 p.m. The actual event hours for children and parents are 5-7 p.m.



ROARK



Photo by Alicia Middlebrook

APSU Campus is full of history, sometimes looking a little haunting. Pictured above is the Drane Foust house, one of the historic buildings on campus.

Haunted campus? APSU has freaky history

By APRIL SOUTHERLAND
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The ground on which Austin Peay State University sits has been home to educational institutions since 1806. Because of this long history, the campus is said to be haunted.

According to John Brown author of *johnsrealonline.com*, "The ghost of Gov. Austin Peay is reported to walk around the campus and check up on the university that bears his name." Faculty and students have reportedly seen him walking around.

While English professor, Mickey Wadia, has never had a haunting experience he does jokingly claim to have encountered some phantom students.

Trahern Fine Arts Center is the alleged home to the ghost of Margaret. Margaret had a story not unlike other theatre ghosts. Although no one knows the true identity of Margaret, according to

johnsrealonline.com, she is reported to be an APSU drama student who died before she got her big break. Margaret is a jokester who is most often seen on the third floor. The elevator seems to run on its own, as Margaret gets on and off. She is also known to slam doors and even call out the name of students in the theatre late at night.

Strange occurrences in the Trahern building are often attributed to Margaret and the 'man on the third floor.'

There also seems to be a story about this 'man on the third floor' in Trahern because of the odd layout of the building.

Jennifer Dumas, a senior Theatrical design major claims to have had eerie experience on the third floor. She and fellow classmate, Deani Saxby, were working in the costume shop late at night and they kept hearing noises upstairs as if someone was moving the desk around.

When they went to check no one was upstairs. Saxby convinced

Dumas to have a seance and call out the ghost of the third floor.

"I just kept saying this is not okay, this is not scriptural, this is not okay," Dumas said.

She started the seance and Dumas remembers seeing the locks on all the cabinets flip up and a green light zooming down the hallway.

Dumas also says the men's dressing room gives off a creepy feel because it is really hot and for the rest of the semester she remembers hearing noises.

Another story Dumas has heard is about the shower curtain in the room.

"He thought it looked like someone was punching on the shower curtain and when he looked no one was there," Dumas recalls a story another student had told her.

The APSU campus has a history that surpasses the college itself according to the website. Beginning in 1806, the campus was home to the Rural Academy until 1810. After 1810, the campus was

home to Mt. Pleasant Academy (1811-1824), Clarksville Academy (1825-1848), Masonic College (1849-1850), Montgomery County Masonic College (1851-1854), Stewart College (1855-1874), and Southwestern Presbyterian University (1875-1925).

In 1927, an act of the General Assembly created Austin Peay Normal School, a two-year junior college and teacher training institution. The school was named for Governor Austin Peay, who was serving his third term in office. In 1939, the school was authorized to confer a Bachelor of Science degree.

The graduating class of spring 1942 received the first Bachelor's degrees. In 1943 an act of the Tennessee Legislature changed the name of the school to Austin Peay State College.

In November of 1966, the State Board of Education gave the school its university status and the name was changed to Austin Peay State University.

RHA hosts Fall Festival as part of Homecoming events

By CHRIS DRINKUT
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On Thursday, Oct. 27, 2003 RHA will host this year's Fall Fest. The event will have fair or exhibit type activities and last from 7-9 p.m. According to RHA president Elizabeth Pruitt, "It will be the best Fall Fest I've seen."

All the noise will take place

at the UC plaza and includes the performance of an unannounced band. "I've had a few people ask but I haven't made any confirmations. I may show up," said Brandon Buhler Sophomore/ Broad. Comm major. The event is to help build community relations on campus and is one of many activities going on this week. Senior

education major Tony Stone had this to say when asked if he was going, "I would be interested and as a group Black Men Emerging would be interested in going if it is something that would keep weekend retention and campus unity."

"I work as well so it is difficult to be as involved as it would if I were living on

campus", said Jonathan Earps, sophomore Spanish major.

RHA is a group designed to serve those students living on campus. Part of the RHA function is to act as a soundboard for the on-campus students to assist their communication with the administration. So if you missed the SGA Meet and Greet on Sunday, or if you

skipped the AGR hog BBQ on Monday, don't miss your chance to go bobbing for apples, or pumpkin decorating this Thursday with the RHA crowd.

If that's not your cup of tea try Midnight at the Crossing the same night from 9:30 p.m. until midnight. It also is an activity sponsored by the student led RHA.

Another event going on during Homecoming week is a Chili Cook Off in the UC ballroom A, sponsored by the Staff Support Council.

The Chili Cook Off is a meal - only event and it is scheduled to run from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. today.

Thursday from 6 - 7:15 p.m. is the Halloween Percussion Concert hosted by

the music department and performed in the Music Mass Comm. Concert Hall. The Alumni and Friends card party will also be held in the UC Ballroom A from 7 a.m. - noon on Friday Oct. 31. The Homecoming football game with the announcement of this year's King and Queen is Saturday, Nov. 1 beginning at 1 p.m.

Best Witches for a Happy Halloween from *The All State!*

News

Start of Ramadan endangers troops overseas

By JEFF WILKINSON
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(KRT)

KARBALA, Iraq- Just as Islam's holiest month got under way, rockets tore into the Baghdad hotel where Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz was staying.

It was a violent start to what residents and pilgrims in this holy city 50 miles south of the capital hope will be a renewal of Iraq's soul.

The attack highlights just how difficult Ramadan will be for the Americans as they try to rebuild this war-torn country.

People here say the holy period will be one of the toughest tests for the Americans and Coalition forces as they try to prove to Iraqis that foreigners can govern as well as occupy.

American and Coalition forces

have taken some steps to acknowledge the holy month and show their respect, such as opening a key bridge in Baghdad and lifting the curfew.

The 1st Armored Division has even erected a sign in Baghdad congratulating residents on the first Ramadan without Saddam. But some in this holy city predict violence will continue. Others say the fasting and prayer of Ramadan will bring stability, born of faith.

For Iranian homemaker Um Mustafa - the mother of Mustafa - the day is one of religious liberation.

For the first time since she was 13, the 35-year-old from Tehran is able to worship here at the shrines of Al Abbas and Imam Hussein, two of the most holy mosques in the Shiite faith. "We started crying," she said, modestly covering her mouth with the cloth of her

Abaya, her eyes welling with emotion. "I can't describe my feelings. We kissed the doors."

For Lt. Vincent Thomas, a young MP from Rhode Island, the day likely won't be more stressful or taxing than any other in this difficult tour of duty.

His unit, the 173rd Military Police Battalion, lost three men, including their lieutenant colonel, in a shootout with Shiite radicals just blocks away from the mosques only 10 days ago.

"It's just the stuff we abide by all the time," he said. "Keep up the operational tempo. Respect the Iraqi people."

More than 1.2 billion Muslims worldwide celebrate Ramadan, which began with the sighting of the new moon this weekend. Of the 25 million Iraqis, the vast majority is Muslim, with Shiites making up

60 percent.

The holy month could provide a religious excuse for radicals to martyr themselves, experts say. Americans also recall with dread the Tet Offensive of the Vietnam War, when religious fervor was channeled into military strategy.

"The Islamists or the extremists ... are going to use the Ramadan month as a tool for their political interests," said Dr. Sadoun al-Dulame, executive director for the independent and privately funded Iraq Center for Research and Strategic Studies. A higher profile by U.S. soldiers seeking to quell unrest during Ramadan could do more harm than good, experts say.

"I've always said it depends on the procedures and the policy of the occupation," said Dr. Nabeel al-Ani, a professor at Baghdad University's International Studies

Center.

"It could be worse, could be calm, because most people will be busy with their religious concerns. It depends on how the soldiers behave." The military is attempting to ease tensions by gestures of goodwill, particularly in Baghdad.

The key July 14 Bridge was open Sunday, just hours before the rocket attack on the Al Rasheed Hotel, somewhat relieving the infuriating traffic jams that plague the capital city.

Also, the 11 p.m. curfew has been lifted and food baskets, which are distributed to needy Iraqis, will be increased. Brig. Gen. Martin E. Dempsey, commander of the 1st Armored Division, which controls Baghdad, said he didn't believe the attack was connected to Ramadan.

Instead, he said, it was intended to 'discredit' the efforts of the

Coalition to normalize Iraqi life, such as opening the bridge and lifting curfew.

"I don't think that those we are fighting are true believers," he said.

"So they will use this time to plan and execute attacks. That should tell you something about them."

South of Baghdad, in the holy cities of Karbala and Najaf, the factional fighting between mainstream Shiites and young radicals from Baghdad is expected to subside during the holy week.

Two weeks ago, gunmen believed to be supporters of Muqtada Sadr, who lords over the Baghdad slum of Sadr City, attacked Karbala's holy shrines in attempt both to gain support among young, disenfranchised Shiites and to capture the millions of dollars in contributions pilgrims leave at mosques each year.

Lunar Lunacy hits APSU

APSU Public Relations

Austin Peay State University's physics and astronomy department invites everyone to observe the upcoming total lunar eclipse at "Lunar Lunacy" on Saturday, Nov. 8.

"Total lunar eclipses occur every few years," says Spencer Buckner, associate professor of physics and astronomy. "They usually come two in a row, about six months apart. The last one was in May."

Because a lunar eclipse develops slowly, student organizations will present chemistry and physics demonstrations at the observation site.

APSU telescopes also will be used to observe various constellations and planets.

Clarksvillians will not have an

opportunity to see a total lunar eclipse again until October 2004.

The eclipse will be observed from 6-11 p.m. in front of APSU's Dunn Center. Though the eclipse can be viewed with the naked eye, observers may want to bring binoculars or their own telescopes.

According to mreeclipse.com, an eclipse of the Moon (or lunar eclipse) can only occur at Full Moon, and only if the Moon passes through some portion of the Earth's shadow.

The shadow is actually composed of two cone-shaped components, one nested inside the other.

The outer or penumbral shadow is a zone where the Earth blocks part but not all of the Sun's rays from reaching the Moon. In contrast, the inner or umbral

shadow is a region where the Earth blocks all direct sunlight from reaching the Moon.

The website lists three recognized types of lunar eclipses:

1. Penumbral Lunar Eclipse - The Moon passes through Earth's penumbral shadow. These events are of only academic interest since they are subtle and quite difficult to observe.

2. Partial Lunar Eclipse - A portion of the Moon passes through Earth's umbral shadow. These events are easy to see, even with the unaided eye.

3. Total Lunar Eclipse - The entire Moon passes through Earth's umbral shadow. These events are quite striking for the vibrant range of colors the Moon can take on during the total phase (i.e. - totality).

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Editorial

By Marty Fox

The Act revisited

By DAVE CAMPBELL
Staff Writer

CAMPBELL

So you thought you heard enough about the PATRIOT Act last week, eh? Well, there is more to the PATRIOT Act than you might

already be aware.

The purpose of last week's story was to present a situation imagining the potential reach of the PATRIOT Act if it goes into effect. Decisions are being made in a non-democratic manner and you should know it. After all, a true democracy's fate should lie in the hands of those whom it intends to serve. With the PATRIOT Act, we have been told some of what to expect from the execution of an Orwellian-style dragnet. If what we are told is creating a cause for urgent concern, imagine what we have not been told. The secretive intent of this administration to render decision making the right of a corrupt few has become their defining element. Granted to the likes of tyrannical authoritarians such as Dick Cheney, (who shoved the first draft through legislation without hearing any opposing testimony) are powers usually only seen in communist societies.

More specifically, what I am referring to is the addition to the PATRIOT Act, known as PATRIOT II. It appeared that this attempted addition was trying to be forced into acceptance in the same manner that the first draft was, during a time of turmoil. The first draft was introduced right after 9/11. The second draft was presented just before we were to go into Iraq. Conveniently timed, wouldn't you agree?

Thankfully, PATRIOT II was leaked to the press, before it could be passed. Yet, we all know that it won't end without increasing efforts by those who support the bill. Just to give you an idea of what liberties would be stolen this time around, PATRIOT II proposes the following: denaturalization of immigrants in the country, so you could be deported and denied ever being a U.S. citizen if you raise your voice

or support those that do; the total information awareness initiative seeks to build a data profile of all your personal records, then storing them in a giant database. The government also wants your genetic information. Non-compliance would be punishable and they could still gain the desired information if you have ever given blood.

Also, Big Brother now watches you with increasing surveillance powers without acknowledging your right to probable cause. Was that the fourth amendment? Not in PATRIOT II's America. You should also know that it would be a waste of effort to contest these attacks on your privacy, being that law enforcement will be granted immunity from accountability. This means they now have unlimited freedom to do whatever they feel necessary. Call it paranoia? Hardly. Programs such as Operation Tips should put Jim Carrey's role as The Cable Guy into a whole new light.

If the American people aren't motivated to action, who will stop these legislative monopolies? Then it must be assumed that we will be a non-functional democracy. Speaking of action, what have we heard of the Act being used?

Not too much; but be sure that we aren't just using it for terrorism. This, even the Justice Department has admitted. Case in point: the high school students in Savannah, Ga., who organized a green party rally and were punished with suspension and expulsion for engaging in political activity.

The Act even has "conservatives" in an uproar. Groups like the American Conservative Union and the Eagle Forum have expressed concern with the Act; probably because they are afraid they will take their precious guns away or designate them terrorists under the new, vague and seemingly boundless definition of what a terrorist is.

So advocates, you have been warned. Uncle Sam is being pumped full of steroids and procreating with our leading officials. Unless we speak up, the PATRIOT Act will soon be coming to a home near you; and that my friends is very spooky, indeed.

Save our ideals

By CHERY L HUNTER-
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HUNTER-GRAH

Because of the groups of people who hate us, we are losing our rights and claim to some of the very ideals that make us the "good-guys."

James Madison said very succinctly, "If you sacrifice freedom for security, you will have neither."

Between the PATRIOT Act, Guantanamo Bay, and now our fear of immigrants, we are losing much more than our illusion of isolation. We are losing what makes us the greatest country in the world; our acknowledgement that all people born into this world, are born with certain rights; whether these people are red, black, white or wearing a turban.

The Declaration of Independence says it best, "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

Notice it says all people, not "American citizens," or "legal aliens." It does not state that we give "worthy" people these rights: ALL people are already created with them, whether they are on our soil or not.

We are the "good-guys." But

not because we have more money, drive bigger cars, or because McDonald's and Coca-Cola were created here. These are the results of living in our free society.

Our country was founded on very humble principles and I worry that our newfound arrogance will lead us away from the very characteristics that make us great.

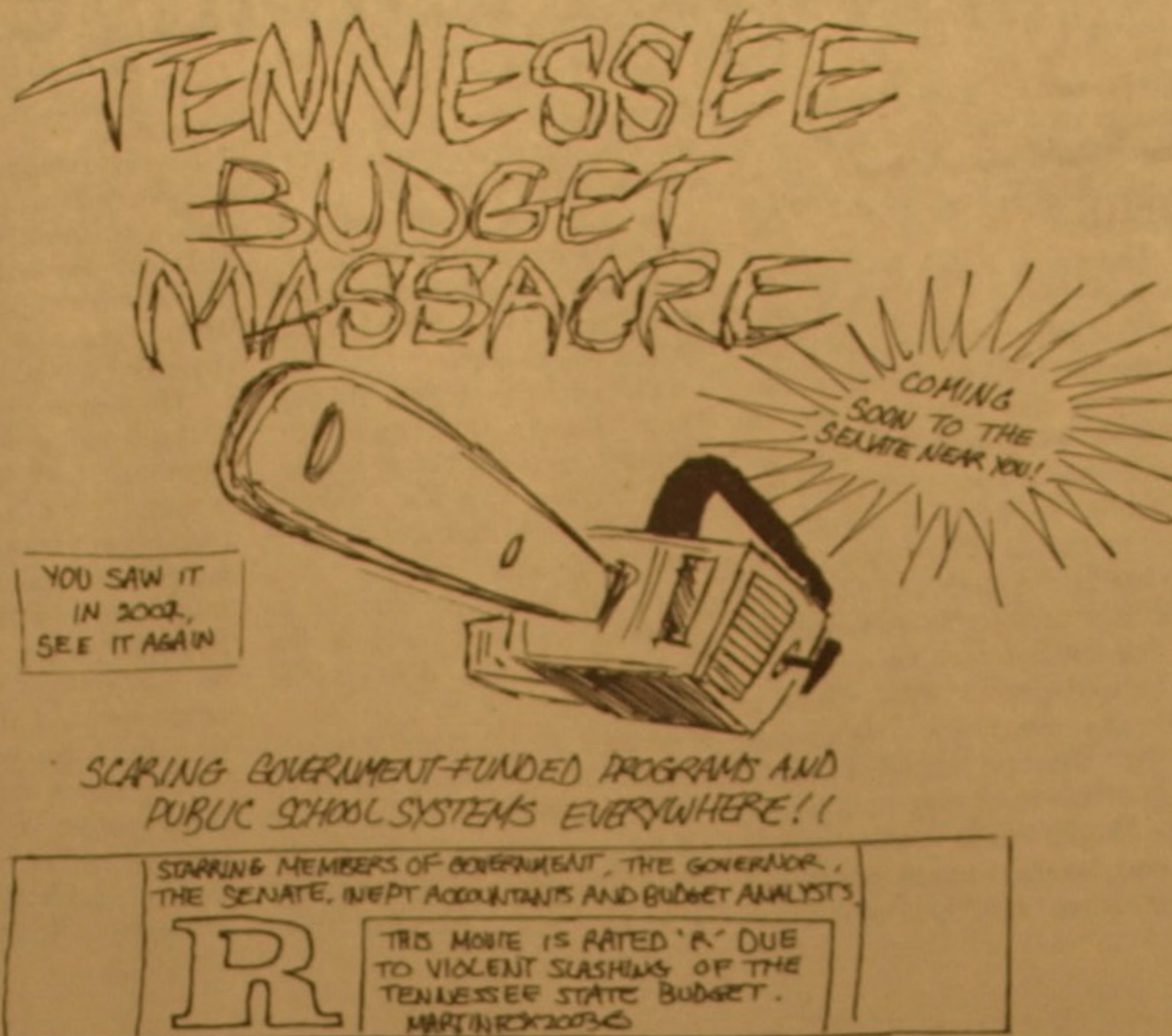
Freedom and democracy come with big price tags. It will never be possible to completely prevent people from abusing them, and many times people will dissent and disagree in distasteful ways. Does this mean we should not be free? Should we sacrifice rights to allow ourselves to have a false sense of security? No, this is very wrong.

I understand it's important to find terrorists and stop them before they kill people and so some forms of protection are in order. But, I also know that many of the practices that our government is putting in place go directly against the ideals this country was founded on.

Fear is an incredibly powerful force. The fact is, people will agree to all sorts of things if you tell them they are being attacked or that another group is out to get them. Stalin in the USSR, Hitler with the Nazis, Fidel Castro in Cuba and too many more to mention, have all used the threat of attack to move their people to agree with their agendas.

I know that these may seem like extreme comparisons, but are they? Is there anything people won't agree to when they are scared?

Editorial Cartoon



In Our Opinion

In October, to coincide with Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Women's Studies program shows Austin Peay State University some of our community's "dirty laundry." They put one of our less talked about problems in plain view. The students and faculty hang t-shirts around the University Center; t-shirts that bear the words of pain and confusion of our community's victims of abuse.

If you have been brave enough to walk up and read any of the shirts that hang, you understand the impact these shirts have.

When you hear the statistics that surround abuse and domestic violence, it's not hard to understand why this is such an important project.

According to the Bureau of Justice Statistics Special Report: Violence Against Women, "By the most conservative estimate, each year 1 million women suffer nonfatal violence by an intimate."

"Domestic Violence is the single major cause of injury to women, more than muggings and car accidents combined," states the First Comprehensive National Health Study of American Women by the Commonwealth Fund.

The Journal of Trauma reported in 1992 that, "50

percent of all women murdered in the United States are killed by a spouse or acquaintance."

"One in three teens experience violence in dating relationships," according to the University of New Hampshire's Family Research Laboratory.

Since APSU's Women's Studies program started the Clothesline Project in Sept. 1994, abuse survivors and relatives or friends of those who did not survive have made over 250 shirts.

Originally, the project was intended for women, but they now urge all children who are victims of domestic violence to participate.

We thank the Women's Studies program for allowing so many Clarksville residents to find a way to express themselves and their pain, and for not allowing us to forget them. The first step to ending the cycle of violence is education and the Women's Studies program is doing more than their fair share to help educate all of us.

Sadly, domestic violence is a crime that has far-reaching effects and affects far too many of us directly.

So, if you happen to be out and about while the shirts are on display, stop and take a look. You may learn something.

Think press freedom is secure?

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GUEST COLUMN

We take an awful lot for granted in this country.

Down deep, of course, we know we should appreciate the people and things that enrich our lives. Instead, we often overlook them. Sometimes we even find them irritating. Like our spouses. Or the U.S. Postal Service. Or Barry Manilow.

But there's nothing we take more for granted than newspapers and the press freedoms that make them possible. We complain about what newspapers cover and what they don't. We complain about how reporters report and editors edit. We even complain about the ink that stains our hands.

What, though, would we do without newspapers? Even in this age of television and the Internet, no better source exists for comprehensive coverage of international, national and local news. No other source so thoroughly covers our schools and our children's successes in the classroom and on the athletic field. No other source provides the personal news about births, deaths and everything in between that makes us a community.

During this National Newspaper Week, we should pause to reflect about what newspapers and press freedoms mean to us. As we do, we should recognize these freedoms are under almost constant attack from those who believe — literally — that no news is good news.

The fiercest battles for press freedom are being fought in our nation's courtrooms. Not all that long ago, the openness of our

judicial system seemed beyond dispute. What happened in our courts was open for all to see. Everything judges and juries did was open to public scrutiny.

That's no longer true. Judges throughout the country are increasingly seating anonymous juries, not to protect jurors from criminal defendants but to protect them from the press. Judges routinely bar attorneys, parties and witnesses from speaking with reporters. Some judges even go so far as to prohibit newspapers from publishing photos of certain witnesses.

One of the more egregious infringements on press freedom occurred this summer in criminal proceedings involving three former Enron executives. First the judge closed three routine pretrial hearings.

Then he refused to release the transcripts of those hearings to the press. His reason? "There are matters," he said, "that do not need to be discussed in public in ways that embarrass or humiliate the government or the defense and particularly the court."

A judge's embarrassment never before has been reason to close a courtroom. But at least the Enron judge stated his reason.

Newspaper reporters covering a civil suit in Essex County, N.J., still are trying to learn why the judge hearing that case has sealed the court file.

In the case, former Prudential employees allege the insurer rigged a supposedly neutral arbitration system to prevent them from obtaining fair settlements in employment disputes. Despite the public interest in the case, the judge has closed all hearings and denied reporters access to the court file.

Several newspapers recently challenged the judge's closure orders. Perhaps not surprisingly,

the judge rejected those challenges.

In unprecedented moves, however, he sealed his opinion denying the newspapers' request for access and then prohibited the newspapers' lawyers from showing the opinion to their clients. So much for our judicial system's presumption of openness.

Unfortunately, the attacks on press freedom extend beyond our courts. Federal agencies routinely delay or deny freedom of information requests. Prosecutors freely subpoena reporters to learn the identity of confidential sources and obtain other unpublished information. The Justice Department has more than once in recent months threatened journalists with criminal charges.

While some cheer these efforts as necessary to reign in an overzealous news media, any loss of press freedom makes losers of us all. "A free press can of course be good or bad," French philosopher Albert Camus wrote in 1960, "but, most certainly, without freedom it will never be anything but bad."

Admittedly, our nation's newspapers are far from perfect. Sloppy reporting, plagiarism and other unethical behavior are all too common. Even with their flaws, however, newspapers possess an indispensable ability to inform, entertain and provoke. The attacks on press freedom threaten that ability. As they resist these attacks, newspapers need our support, and we should be eager to offer it.

Yes, newspapers sometimes make us roll our eyes in disbelief. They sometimes make us shake our head in disgust. They sometimes make us clench our fists in anger.

But they also make us laugh. And cry. And wonder. And challenge. And, almost always, they make us think.

And that, I believe, is something we should never take for granted.

Writer pulls prank

By KATIE GORDON
Staff Writer

GORDON

For holiday fun, I am going to try something different. I'm going to jerk myself out of my conservative roots and pretend to be a liberal. I've shed any sense of responsibility

and instead focus on giving money away to people who don't feel like working. Right now I just feel like being sympathetic folks that hate me and my country, bless their hearts for the first and only time, in the life of Katie the Liberal.

The day begins with me remembering to be rebellious against mainstream society by putting on offensive clothes and jabbing various areas of my body with metallic objects (and I wonder why I don't have a day job). It's ok, though, I will vote for the guy who supports generous social programs and welfare.

Then it is off to school, where I can discuss with other liberals why Bush sucks. Yeah, it really gives us purpose in our lives, tell ourselves love is the answer yet it is our hate that holds us together; it bonds us. These brush our long hippie hair and play guitars in the Circle of Life.

I do not bother to vote for anything. I hate George H. W. Bush, but I cannot name one Democratic candidate. I know that Bush is stupid and hates poor people and that the president is ALWAYS the reason for a lousy economy, because president runs the economy, right?

All right, I know that not all liberals are hippies. Most are decent people who are just trying to raise their families and make their own business. They are like me; they stand for the common man, a noble standard guess they outgrew being hippies after college.

APSU sink another one

By JOE DAVIDSON
Guest Writer

In recent days some of you might have noticed a road block traveling from the Trahern parking lot to Marion St. The road has been blocked off due to a new addition in the sink hole of fame. Here in Clarksville, we have witnessed many holes in the collapse of the underlying concrete or caves.

From drivers to pedestrians, here are some things to indicate a sink hole. A change in vegetation might occur, but now that fall is in our midst this will certainly take place. So don't be confused. You may notice cracks in the ground, buildings, where it hasn't been there before. Puddles forming in strange places or doors and windows that fail to close properly. At times a sink hole can be somewhat dangerous like the one in Winter Park, Florida in 1998, which ate a house, swimming pool and most of a car dealership leaving a 350-foot pond.

In collaboration with my girlfriend, we have named the sink hole since we were the first to report the hole last Sunday. I hope this article will spawn new exploration who will go in search of Little Hole Punch's brother/sister. Call him "Little Puncher" for short.

Got Opinions?

We want to read them.

Send your letters to the editor in a Word document to theallstate@apsu.edu, by noon on Friday.

Please include your name, classification and major or job title.

Editorial

Letters

FROM OUR READERS

To the Editor:

Katie Gordon's article "PATRIOT Act rocks" is a powerful example of a misinformed, eager to support his or her own political party.

If Miss Gordon had any personal experience with the USA PATRIOT Act then she would realize the injustices perpetrated in the name of freedom.

The most blatant and disturbing breach of the US Constitution ever is found in this Act.

It allows government agencies to search any home and seize any property belonging to anyone whom the investigators believe to be involved in terrorist acts or planning such acts without a warrant.

To further perpetuate this atrocious injustice there is never any specification as to what is or isn't a terrorist act.

Therefore, the decision is left up to the interpretation of individuals within the law enforcement system lacking actual legal degrees.

I personally know of one case where a personal friend has had thousands of dollars of personal property seized due to this act only to have no such evidence discovered. However, nearly one and a half years later, he has yet to have his property returned.

As to the subject of funding for the FBI and CIA: who cares whether the UPA provides funds to the FBI and counterterrorism?

These funds would have been allotted to those organizations anyway when the budget was decided upon. This was just a smoke screen used to get a piece of legislation passed.

The reason most people haven't said anything is because most people weren't informed of the implications of the UPA and have been so brainwashed by a flood of media obsessed with terrorism that their imaginations have gotten away from them.

People live in constant fear of one another and a nationwide epidemic of xenophobic ideas has swept over the average citizen. Soon we will be calling the FBI on our neighbors to report such acts of terrorism as not going to church or smoking near our children.

Also, she erroneously writes that most people affected by this Act are non-citizens.

This is ironic since Acts of Congress can only be applied within American borders. Many American-born citizens have been arrested and prosecuted under this law (and yes, immigrants with green cards ARE citizens).

However, these people are pushed through the justice system so fast that the media never gets a hold of them.

The majority of the attention is placed on those possessing visas in an effort to sell commercial slots on CNN, MSNBC, and FOX news.

Later, she uses an ad misericordiam argument when

discussing the deaths of 3,000 people.

These people's deaths are indeed a horrible event. However, trampling the rights of 290 million US citizens will not bring them back or prevent another massacre.

The rest of Miss Gordon's article was disputed over 200 years ago when Benjamin Franklin said, "Those who would sacrifice liberties for security deserve neither liberty nor security."

Aaron Howard
Sophomore
English

To the Editor:

Fighting every urge to squirm or wiggle, a young boy recites the Pledge of Allegiance.

He delivers these simple words, "One nation, under God, indivisible, and liberty and justice for all."

Glancing around the room, no one is upset, going to court, or displaying their antagonism for those lines, the only sound is his own reverberations.

He breathes a sigh of relief and calmly goes to his desk and says a silent prayer to begin the school day as the rest of classmates continue their own agendas.

That little boy I mentioned was me 12 years ago. As you can see, there have been some changes in our society.

These changes have been subtle hints that our nation is not heading in the right direction and pertaining to the title, well, you can figure that one out.

By eliminating the axiom "under God" in the pledge, what is gained? With the removal of prayer from the classroom, who will be better off?

I do not know the answers to these questions, but to be honest, it is detrimental.

If you could not tell already, I am a Christian and a conservative. Now, I am not trying to force religion upon you or anyone else, but what I am trying to do is to show the reckless acts of the liberals.

The liberals are attempting to destroy the foundation of which our nation was founded upon, God.

With what may seem like small matters to some, the removal of these notions are violating a large number of people's religious freedoms.

I am not going to sit around and pretend that this is acceptable, because it is far from it. By these senseless acts, they are contradicting the very freedoms that they are protecting.

Leave these things be, what harm is there for everyone to acknowledge the existence of God.

Jeremy Benson
Sophomore
Pre-Pharmacy

To the Editor:

I have often wondered what it would be like if Austin Peay were not "Austin Peay."

In his book, "The First Fifty Years of Austin Peay State University," Charles Waters describes how in 1966 what was then Austin Peay State College was approved for University status, and it was at this time that a proposal was made to change the name from Austin Peay State College to North Tennessee University.

So I wondered, "What would life be like at NTU?" What would our mascot be? What would our school colors be?

Perhaps a Zing! is in order? If you had the power to change Austin Peay State University to

something else, 1) would you? and 2) if so, what would the new name, colors, mascot, slogan(s), fight song, etc... be?

Count Frederick Von Scotty Dale
Costner Jr., Esquire III
Senior
Communication Arts

To the Editor:

Thank you Dave Campbell, *Clark is the man for some*, and Katie Gordon, *Some learn to the right*, for last week's editorials.

Finally, I do not feel alone with my political views at APSU. Mr. Campbell, I feel you were 100 percent correct when you stated that what Wesley Clark represented should be reflected on and not which political party he belongs to.

Until Americans began to responsibly vote for the "best" representative and stop voting straight Democrat or Republican, we as a country cannot progress and achieve our political agendas.

Ms. Gordon, where have you been hiding? I too, "refuse to jump onto the 'Bush Bush' bandwagon."

I feel that President Bush has made some mistakes, but they are overshadowed by what he has done right for this country. Because of our president and what he has done "right," I am now a PROUD American.

I pray that other proud Americans will, from this day forward, open-mindedly study each candidate, whether for a national or local election, before casting their vote.

Kathleen M. Johnson
Junior
Special Education

Zing!

Anonymous Reader
Commentary

Zing! is your chance to say what you think in a short, sweet, anonymous way. We supply the question and you supply the answers.

Last week's question:

Should immigrants have the same rights as U.S. citizens? If not, why?

Illegal immigrants? No way. Why? Because, A. you aren't American and B. you are illegal. Any difficulty in understanding that, anyone? Immigrant citizens? Of course! You earned it!

Yes, immigrants should have the same rights, but only legal immigrants. Illegal immigrants have the right to be silent.

Not being classified as "U.S. citizens" does not give you or the government the right to take advantage of us. We share the common bond of humanity. Therefore, we must respect each other for what we are.

Yes, immigrants have the same rights to basic human rights. It should be extended to people who are trying to achieve political asylum, too.

Yes, because all men are created equal.

I don't think they should have the same rights unless they are serious about trying to assimilate into our culture. They should have to learn the language.

Yes, they are human beings like everyone else. We are too busy, right now, worrying about who has what.

This week's question is:

In regard to the case of a woman in a coma in Florida, at what point does a person decide to end a life in a coma or a vegetative state? Or do you have the right to make that decision?

Send your responses of 25 words or less, to theallstate@apsu.edu with Zing! in the subject line.

We do reserve the right to reject inappropriate or libelous quotes, but don't hold back. We want your Zing!



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Bill of Rights

Amendment I

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Amendment II

A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed.

Amendment III

No soldier shall, in time of peace be quartered in any house,

without the consent of the owner, nor in time of war, but in a manner to be prescribed by law.

Amendment IV

The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

Amendment V

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a grand jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the militia, when in actual service

in time of war or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor

"The Framers of the Bill of Rights did not purport to 'create' rights. Rather, they designed the Bill of Rights to prohibit our Government from infringing rights and liberties presumed to be preexisting."

- Justice William J. Brennan, 1982

be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just

compensation.

Amendment VI

In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, by an impartial jury of the state and district wherein the crime shall have been committed, which district shall have been previously ascertained by law, and to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the assistance of counsel for his defense.

Amendment VII

In suits at common law, where the value in controversy shall exceed twenty dollars, the right of trial by jury shall be preserved, and no fact tried by a jury, shall be

otherwise reexamined in any court of the United States, than according to the rules of the common law.

Amendment VIII

Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted.

Amendment IX

The enumeration in the Constitution, of certain rights, shall not be construed to deny or disparage others retained by the people.

Amendment X

The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the states, are reserved to the states respectively, or to the people.

Bill is part of bigger plan

By JESSICA WHITCOMB
Staff Writer

Before we delve into this touchy subject, let me state up front that I am pro-choice. But, that does not mean that I am pro-abortion. Now that is said, here we go.

The Senate has voted to ban the practice of "partial-birth abortion," making abortion in the second and third trimester illegal. Sorry to get all up on my proverbial soap box, but I smell an agenda - and I don't take too kindly to a bunch of old, white guys telling me what I can and cannot do with my body.

The bill imposes the most far-reaching limits on abortion since the Supreme Court's 1973 decision confirmed a woman's right to end a pregnancy.

The problem I have with this is that it feels like the first step toward outlawing abortion altogether, which simply cannot be done. Women will do it anyway and will die if not in the hands of skilled professionals. Oh, and here's the kicker: the bill does not contain an exception for the health of the mother under any circumstances. In fact, the bill reads, "partial-birth abortion is never necessary to preserve the health of a woman."

See, it's words like "never" that make my nose wrinkle. Incest? Rape? What if a woman, for whatever reason, finds her baby stillborn in the second trimester? Is she just out of luck? I can't begin to cover the gray areas on this issue. There's too many "what ifs." Any number of things can go wrong in the human body? Well, according to the bill "the 'partial-birth' gives the fetus an autonomy which separates it from the right of the woman to choose treatments for her own body."

OK. So, we will ask the fetus.

I am venomously against muddling with a woman's right to choose and I object to the imposition of morals. "Partial-Birth Abortion" is not even a formal medical term - it was dreamed up by anti-abortion critics. But, not everyone shares my point of view.

President Bush has vowed to sign this deceptive legislation. "The President," said Sen. Frank Lautenberg, (D-N.J.), "will become the first United States President to criminalize a safe medical procedure." Congress twice passed measures banning the procedure during the 1990's, but President Clinton vetoed them, and he has my respect for that.

A woman's right to privacy is being sacrificed to politics by the U.S. government. The senate took on its final step toward substituting politician's judgment for that of a woman, her family and her doctor.

The head of the Right to Life Foundation, John Jakubczyk, has confirmed my "larger agenda" theory when he said, "By going after partial-birth abortions, we're trying to show the extreme radical view of the pro-abortion lobby. But no, that procedure isn't what we care most about. Our goal is to stop the killing of unborn children at any stage of development." I rest my case. And for the record, I've never ever heard of a pro-abortion lobby.

All I've ever heard is pro-choice lobby. Suddenly, the president and the senate have cemented their position as anti-choice. No one should be fooled as to the real intentions of this bill's sponsor: they want to entirely take away the right to personal privacy and a woman's right to choose.

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Features



Photo Archives

Top: 1953 Homecoming Queen, Grace Sanders is an example of a more sophisticated past tradition.

"The atmosphere of Homecoming simply reinforced my belief that man can ultimately escape his isolation, although that escape is not what it is commonly thought to be."

Joy Davis, Student

From the 1993 Governor's Pride Yearbook

Right: Students participate in the annual Homecoming Parade in 1968.

"Homecoming was a chance for me to meet some of Austin Peay's alumni. It was a great experience for me because Austin Peay had some great people attending back then."

Brad Elliot, Student

From the 1991 Governor's Pride Yearbook



Photo Archives

Top: Past Homecoming floats exhibit themes. This float exhibits a Halloween theme.



Left: With its elaborate detail and color, the Circus Theme made Homecoming 1971 a fun fair for all.

Homecoming

Past, Present and Future

By TAMIRA COLE
Features Editor

Floats, streamers, food, fun and the most important football game of the season, all mark that one special event at Austin Peay State University - Homecoming!

No one on campus knows exactly when or how APSU's Homecoming tradition began. It took a committee of hard-working individuals to make Homecoming what it is today.

Homecoming has seen many faces. In the past, the students and a committee selected just a Homecoming Queen. In the most recent years, however, Homecoming has included the selection of a Homecoming King. The look of the Homecoming Court has changed as well. The Homecoming Court of 1953 wore formal, sophisticated dresses.

Entertainment and activities of Homecoming have stayed almost the same from year to year with little variation.

The athletes of APSU commended as well. Since 1988, the Annual Dave Aaron reception has been held to honor athletes. APSU's Alumni are also a group of individuals who keep tradition alive and well.

Each year the Alumni have a brunch that gives them the opportunity to revisit their old Alma Mater. The African-American Chapter Reception, sponsored by the Alumni, aims to unite a diverse group of students to bring the campus together.

Activities such as the bonfire, pep rally, and the annual parade have always been a part of the APSU tradition. The band, "Autumn", performed during Homecoming Week in 1989. In recent years the development of Great Halloween Options for Safe Trick or Treating, has been during the week of or before Homecoming.

The purpose of GHOST, which is sponsored by SGA, is to provide a safe Halloween atmosphere for the

Clarksville community, children of faculty, staff, students. GHOST allows campus organizations opportunity to become involved and all students organizations to have a hand in helping with the event.

Homecoming wouldn't be Homecoming without a step show. Once again the National Pan-Hellenic Council will be sponsoring a step show. The members of Delta Sigma Theta, Phi Beta Sigma, Kappa Alpha, and Omega Psi Phi will perform.

There will also be an Ebony and Ivory step show where the members of the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPC) and NPHC sororities come together as one entire Greek system and perform.

Student Life and Leadership, along with Homecoming Week Committee plan a great day of Homecoming. "We have lots of fun activities during the week for students to participate in," says Yarbrough, Programs and Special Events coordinator. One new event is the Comedy Show. APSU has always been as host to a variety of funny, entertaining BET comedians.

This year's line-up includes, B Phlat, Steve B, Joe Clair, and of course, Redbone. These comedians are part of the RJE Urban Comedy Cabaret Tour.

There will also be a variety show this year where students and organizations are given an opportunity to perform skits.

The face of Homecoming continues to change by little over the years. One thing still remains the same: the outpouring of support, time, energy and effort goes into planning such an array of events.

"I think Homecoming is that one event that every student wants to participate in," Trish Halstead, Secretary of Student Life and Leadership.

People, events, activities and entertainment continue to change and evolve with the times. The spirit of Homecoming, however, will still remain a standing tradition that unites the APSU community together as one.

Halloween concert offers family fun

Percussion Ensemble offers family-friendly Halloween concert

APSU Public Relations

Austin Peay State University's Percussion Ensemble will offer its annual Halloween concert at 6 and 8 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 30 in the concert theatre of the music/mass communication building.

The cost of admission is \$3 or two cans of food to benefit Loaves and Fishes. Children are admitted at no cost, and audience members are encouraged to dress in costumes.

From orchestra bells to garbage cans, the costume-clad percussion ensemble uses virtually every percussion instrument imaginable.

The performance will include music from "Phantom of the Opera," a piece inspired by "Star Trek," music

from the Hannibal Lecter movies, "The Silence of the Lambs" and "Hannibal," plus a Halloween rap.

"The whole show has an idea of things battling against one another," said Professor David Steinquest, who began the Halloween concert tradition in 1985.

Composers Bach and Bartok battle one another through the musical selections, while the ensemble battles against a brass choir, the APSU Chamber Singers and vocal soloists Joe Robinson and Desiree Dolan.

Although battles are being fought, Steinquest, who dons a different disguise each year, said the concert is "funny, entertaining and family-friendly."

The Clarksville community obviously agrees, as the concert's immense popularity necessitated the addition of a second performance this year.

"The [concert] hall seats 600 people. Last year we filled it and sent about 200 people home," said Steinquest.

"Every year, the concert hall has been standing-room only. If you want a seat, you get there an hour early," Deidre Frazier, former Sigma Alpha Iota music sorority president.

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Student Life Corner

Intramural Soccer and Volleyball

Team entries for Intramural Soccer and Volleyball are still underway. Have your roster and entry fee submitted by Wednesday, Oct. 29 at 5pm to University Recreation. League play begins Monday Nov. 3. For more information, please call 221-7564.

Order of Omega

Order of Omega is now accepting applications for new members. The deadline is Oct. 31. All applications need to be turned in to Trish Halstead in Student Life and

Leadership.

Premarital Workshop

Baptist Campus Ministries will be sponsoring a premarital workshop for those of you who are getting married soon! For more information, please contact Jim Alexander at 931-647-6940.

Last Chance to Win TICKETS!

AP Dining Services is sponsoring a contest as part of their Dining Style survey. Enter the contest to win plane ticket, round trip, from

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If you would like for your events to be published in the Student Life Corner, please email theallstate@apsu.edu

Features

Local band performs at Borders

By DAVE CAMPBELL
Staff Writer



Borders Books
Friday Oct. 31 7 PM

Paying homage to the Misfits, but done very often, but a local band, The Codenames does that in appearance if not in sound.

With their campy B-movie themed songs and skeletal suit attire, they call to mind the same image that the Misfits made their defining subject matter.

There are songs of witches, camp creatures, zombies, aliens and even bobtail voodoo cats.

Of course first judgments based on appearance are often misleading. While the style apparently is in place, their sound is something completely different.

The sound range presented by the Muhlenberg Co., Kentucky trio stretches from the cool daddy-o approach to a weaker attempt at songs that come across as Dylan-esque guitar pop.

There are 50's style rock tempos and slower plodding ballads. In fact, wouldn't be too much of a stretch to imagine Bob Dylan singing for

the Stray Cats. They have a sound that is broad enough to allow such comparison.

However you interpret The Codenames' sound, the dominating influence is 'rockabilly'. Or if it's not rockabilly, it is most definitely a spawn of it.

Expect certain elements to be present. At times, their upbeat numbers enliven your senses.

At other times, the tunes inspire more of an atmosphere conducive to drowsiness.

The band has had a song recently featured on Nashville's mainstream rock radio station, 102.9 The Buzz.

The song you may recognize as

"Dead in the West" is a galloping acoustic ditty that encompasses their entire sound in one song better than any other.

The humor, the gravelly kook-spook in the vocals, and the old-time feel makes you believe you should be watching an old Western movie.

The singing isn't overbearing or intense, in fact, it is quite the opposite. There is a under-emphasized drunken stagger to the singing.

It adds to the silliness factor to help you understand that this band is not meant to be taken so seriously.

"Quasimodo" pokes fun at the story with tongue-in-cheek references to the story character: 'I'm Quasimodo, I have a hunch...she comin' back. She's a real Notre Dame.'

Folk rock is not something that enjoys much attention in today's pop driven music industry, but this aspect is executed with unabashed creativity and is heavily present in the sounds of The Codenames.

GHOST Story Contest Winner

By JAMES PETERS
Guest Writer

The road wound through the dark countryside. It was randomly lit with streetlights. The old Pontiac raced around the curves; the fallen leaves crunching under the tires. A few drops of rain hit the windshield and he flicked on the wipers.

The radio barely covered the roll of thunder. He saw a cemetery up ahead. A burst of lightning caused the streetlights to go out, and the area became completely

black.

When he looked back at the road, a black cat ran out from the cemetery in front of his car. He swerved to miss the cat, rubber squealing on asphalt, the world behind his car washed in red from the brake lights.

The cat ran back into the cemetery. Then...

Thump.

His headlights suddenly cast a crimson glow. He slowly got out of the car and looked around. He saw nothing. The streetlights flickered back to life and he saw

the child's broken bicycle in the ditch.

He ran back to his car and slammed the door.

He jammed the gas, tires squealing again. The bike was gone, and a small blood-soaked hand reached up from the backseat with a length of cord in its hand.

Congratulations! The AllState's 2003 GHOST Story Winner is James Peters, a Junior, Psychology Major.

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Writer for the "New Yorker" comes to campus

PSU Public Relations

Bryan DiSalvatore, a writer for the *New Yorker* to visit Austin Peay Nov. 11 2003.

The Center of Excellence for the Creative Arts presents "one of America's finest writers of fiction," Bryan DiSalvatore, as part of its Visiting Writers Series. DiSalvatore's reading will begin 8 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 11 in the entry Auditorium of APSU's Ambrosius Building.

DiSalvatore initially gained national attention for a piece

inspired by watching the World Series with his losing softball team.

"I'd broken up with my girlfriend...I didn't have the rent, baseball season was over and I was standing there doing the dishes," DiSalvatore says.

"I literally left the...dishes in the sink, and I went down and typed up...a mock-heroic story about our softball team rooting for Kansas City, because we'd had a bad year and they were the underdogs."

I sent it to [the editor of *The New Yorker*], and he called and said, 'I'd like to run this, and I'd like you to

come out to New York and be our guest."

An avid outdoorsman, baseball fan and movie watcher, DiSalvatore went on to address topics ranging from the Mariana Trench to Merle Haggard.

His essays and articles have been published in a number of magazines, including, of course, *The New Yorker*, for which he has been writing since 1987.

DiSalvatore's two books, *Clever Baseballist: The Life and Times of John Montgomery Ward* and *"Truck Driver."*

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Winning percentage of the Govs

at home this season.

3

Number of turnovers forced by the Govs in the second half against Davidson.

7

Number of sacks by defensive end Joe Bell this season.

11

Number of points the Govs overcame to defeat Davidson.

14

Number of interceptions by the Govs defense this season.

15

Number of seniors on the football team who will be playing their last game at Governors Stadium.

19

Number of sacks by the Govs defense this season.

23

Number of touchdowns scored by the Govs this season.

80

Number of yards in a touchdown run by running back Rafeal Hill against Davidson.

170

Number of points the Govs have scored this season.

311

Number of combined yards rushing by Rafeal Hill and Quea Williams against Davidson.

Homecoming 2003 Preview

Govs (3-6) vs. Pumas (2-6)

APSU seeks revenge against St. Joseph's

By KRISTEN SCHABERT
Staff Writer

Homecoming Week 2003 will culminate in an intense and exciting football game between Austin Peay State University and St. Joseph's College (Ind.). The two teams will battle it out 2 p.m., Saturday, at Governors Stadium. The game will be the final home game of the regular season for the Govs, who are currently 3-6.

St. Joseph's College (2-6) is a familiar Homecoming foe to many of the current members of the team, as the Pumas visited two years ago and snatched a victory from the Govs.

"Last time they came here at home, we had our Homecoming and our starting quarterback got hurt, and we ended up losing the game," sophomore quarterback Jesse Kellogg said.

"It's important to actually beat St. Joseph's at home and to execute everything well and leave on a good note at home."

Homecoming traditionally brings alumni back to the campus and many visitors to the area. Playing in front of a large crowd of former Govs doesn't seem to affect any of the current players, as they look forward to showing their Peay Pride and making the alumni proud.

"Homecoming is a big game," sophomore linebacker Vernon Wright said. "Alumni come back, a lot of people are there and a lot of excitement is going on. It's a big game to win. It's our last game of the season heading into next year."

"We're going to focus on beating them. Whatever we can do to get an edge," sophomore running back Quea Williams said. "We're just going to win."

For the seniors on this year's squad, Saturday's game marks the final time they will play in Governors Stadium.

"This game is a bittersweet deal because it's important that it's Homecoming, but I wish we were going into it with a few more victories," senior strong safety Demaro Isom said.

"But it'll be a big game to me because it'll be my last time to play in front of a lot of my family and friends, so it would be nice to go out on top."



Coach McCray (background) looks on as the Govs practice in Governors Stadium. APSU hopes to improve to 4-6 as they play St. Joseph's in this Saturday's Homecoming game.

Govs' thoughts on Homecoming game



Sophomore
Wide Receiver
Pat Curran

"Everybody wants to come out and see their team on Homecoming. A lot of alumni come back for the game and they want to be proud of where they graduated from, so we need to try to help them do that."



Junior
Linebacker
Ryan Taylor

"I want to send the seniors out with a bang so we all have good memories of what we did at home."



Senior
Free Safety
Demaro Isom

"It's important we come out and play solidly on all three phases — offense, defense and special teams. We understand it's a big game but it's also another football game we have to perform in."

Governors rally in second half to defeat Davidson, 31-23

Austin Peay Sports Information

Freshman Rafeal Hill and sophomore Quea Williams combined for 311 rushing yards and led Austin Peay State University to a 21-0 second-half surge as the Governors defeated Davidson, 31-23, Saturday, at Richardson Stadium in Davidson, NC.

Hill ran for 174 yards on nine carries and scored twice in the second half — on rushes of 20 and 80 yards — while Williams (28 carries for 137 yards) proved to be the Govs' ball-control back in the final half as the Governors (3-6, 1-2 Pioneer Football League South)



Hill

McCray. The win also snapped a two-game losing streak for the Govs.

"I am proud of this football team," McCray said. "This not only was our first PFL South win and our first road win but it was as well our first win where we have come from behind. That was the most

rallied for their first conference and 2003's first road verdict.

It was also the first PFL South and road verdict for APSU head coach Carroll

impressive thing — the way we went out and accomplished. We did it in a manner that would make people proud."

APSU took their first lead in nine quarters when they scored a touchdown and kicked a field goal for a 10-7 advantage midway through the second quarter. However, that lead didn't last long as Davidson regained the lead with a touchdown pass late in the quarter. And before the half ended, the Wildcats turned a Governors turnover into another touchdown for a 21-10 halftime advantage.

The opportunistic Govs, who ranked sixth in the nation in turnover margin entering the week,

failed to force a first-half turnover. But they more than made up for it in the second half, forcing three turnovers, including two that stopped potential scoring drives. Senior safety Demaro Isom made a spectacular interception to end one Davidson drive past midfield.

Then in the fourth quarter, with the Govs leading 31-21, the Wildcats drove all the way to the APSU five-yard line before a quarterback sack by senior defensive end Joe Bell resulted in a fumble and was recovered by junior linemate Marcus Tucker.

With 3:37 left in the game, sophomore cornerback picked off another pass, ending any hope of a

Davidson comeback.

The Governors finished with 484 yards in total offense and 32:25 to 27:35 time-of-possession advantage.

Meanwhile, Davidson finished with 443 yards of offense and first downs, but APSU had sacks, in addition to the turnovers.

APSU plays its Homecoming game this Saturday at 2 p.m. in Governors Stadium. The Govs play host to St. Joseph's College (Ind.).

The last time the two teams played each other was two years ago, when the Pumas snatched a victory from the Govs in APSU's 2001 Homecoming game.

McCray wants a win in last home game for the Govs

By MATTHEW HEISS
Staff Writer

With the "Red White and Blue" spirit popping up all over campus, nothing more could excite the football team more than their Homecoming game against St. Joseph's College (Ind.) Saturday at 2 p.m. in Governors Stadium.

After coming back from a point deficit, Austin State University found a way to defeat Davidson Saturday night.

"That (coming behind) was the most impressive thing — the way we went out and accomplished it and did it in a manner that would make us proud," APSU Head Coach Carroll McCray said.

The Govs are looking forward to putting another "W" in the column in the season's last game. But to do that, the team believes they must shut down St. Joseph's quarterback Nat Durant.

Durant leads his team in rushing with a total of 520 yards this season. The 5'9", 160-lb. freshman has really perfected the option play. The Govs will look to their defensive linemen to get in the back and contain Durant.

On the other side of the ball, the Govs offense will have to figure out early how to contain number one receiver Kevin Rees, who leads the team in catches. That's good for the offense because that will make them play a little harder. McCray believes the team will win because of the home crowd.

"The home crowd has been good," McCray said. "They're going to make a difference and we need them when we played at home during the break. It is good to see the team full because the players and coaches really feed off of this 'Peay Pride' atmosphere."

The coaching staff is pleased with the transition to the new coach though it has been a rough season. "Every week we have a lot of ground, except for the Homecoming game, and we have learned a lot about ourselves. The transition has been rough but we have grown and learned from each other. It's going to take a little time for the coaching staff and the players to make the adjustment," McCray said.

Austin Peay Sports Information

Austin Peay State University men's tennis team took advantage of its home court as the Governors played host to the Govs' Fall Invitational.

APSU held nothing back, utilizing home-court advantage to the fullest, winning 8 of the 11 flights, including three of four doubles titles, as well as six of seven singles championships.

The tournament consisted of seven singles flights and four doubles flights that included up to three matches per flight. The Govs saw a glimpse of their upcoming

spring schedule, facing Lipscomb and Western Kentucky. Wesley Lababedi/Cody Wall and Jonathan Brown/Brett Bolton were all flight winners in doubles. Singles winners were Joao Pinho, Marcos Queiroz, Brown, Pancho and Lababedi.

"I was very pleased to see Joao (Pinho) win the A flight," head coach Brian Surface said. "He had lost to Paipars (WKU) twice before and that was a big win. We've done really well this fall and at Louisville."

Men's tennis completed their fall season with this tournament. The Govs begin spring season Feb. 7,

2004, when they play host to Martin-Methodist.

The Govs' Fall Invitational Flight Roundup

Flight 1 Doubles
QUERIOZ/PINHO vs. Harris/Bowman(LU) 6-8
QUERIOZ/PINHO vs. Paipars/Rabinovics(WKU) 3-8

Flight 2 Doubles
PANCHO/NAIDU vs. Serra/Durham(WKU) 8-2
PANCHO/NAIDU vs. Sherman/Houston(LU) 8-6

Flight 3 Doubles
LABABEDI/WALL vs. Carrillo/Jones(LU) 8-1

Flight 1 Singles
PINHO vs. Harris(LU) 8-5
PINHO vs. Paipars(WKU) 8-3

Flight 2 Singles
QUERIOZ vs. Rabinovics(WKU) 8-3
QUERIOZ vs. Bowman(LU) 8-3

Flight 3 Singles
Houston(LU) vs. BROWN 8-3
BROWN vs. Serra(WKU) 9-8 (7-4)

Flight 4 Singles
BORGES vs. Durham(WKU) 8-4
BORGES vs. Sherman(LU) 8-4

Flight 5 Singles
Bolton(WKU) vs. PANCHO 8-4
PANCHO vs. Carrillo(LU) 8-4

Flight 6 Singles
NAIDU vs. Jones(LU) 6-8
NAIDU vs. Hall(WKU) 8-2

Flight 7 Singles
LABABEDI vs. Chappell(LU) 8-4
WALL vs. Taylor(LU) 8-4
LABABEDI vs. Taylor(LU) 8-4
WALL vs. Chappell(LU) 8-4

Sports

Samford halts APSU's five-game win streak

Cross country teams travel to Murray for OVC Championships

By MATTHEW HEISS
Staff Writer

With the Ohio Valley Conference Cross Country Championships coming up Nov. 1 at Murray State University in Murray, Ky., Austin Peay State University men's and women's cross country teams will have to look beyond this past weekend's struggle at the Evansville Invitational.

The season has been rough for the two teams. The men's team is not as strong as it has been in the past and the women's team just lacks experience.

"It has been a rough season because the teams are small and just have not had the reserves needed to finish strong," junior Matt Duncan said.

"The women's team lacks the experience level because we all are freshman, so we have to build the team up again," freshman Denise Honea said.

Faced with challenging situations, such as losing Jessy Scarlett from the men's team and dealing with injuries on the women's team, Yvonne Lowe, head coach, seems confident in her teams' ability to represent APSU with pride.

"I feel confident that both the men's and women's teams will run their season's best times at the OVC Championships," Lowe said.

"That's all I want from them, is for them to have a good race and feel good about what they have done so they can have positive attitude about going into next season."

The last couple of weeks the team has focused on speed workouts while at the same time Lowe has tapered the athletes so they will be well rested and recovered for the Championships.

Plenty of sleep, good hydration, proper nutrition and mental preparation are just a few of the things the team needs before heading into their final meet of the 2003 season.

"Each member knows what they need to do mentally, now all they need is to execute," Lowe said.

As far as the team is concerned, they realize that they are not going to take the championship trophy in either the men's or the women's side, but they just want to beat somebody.

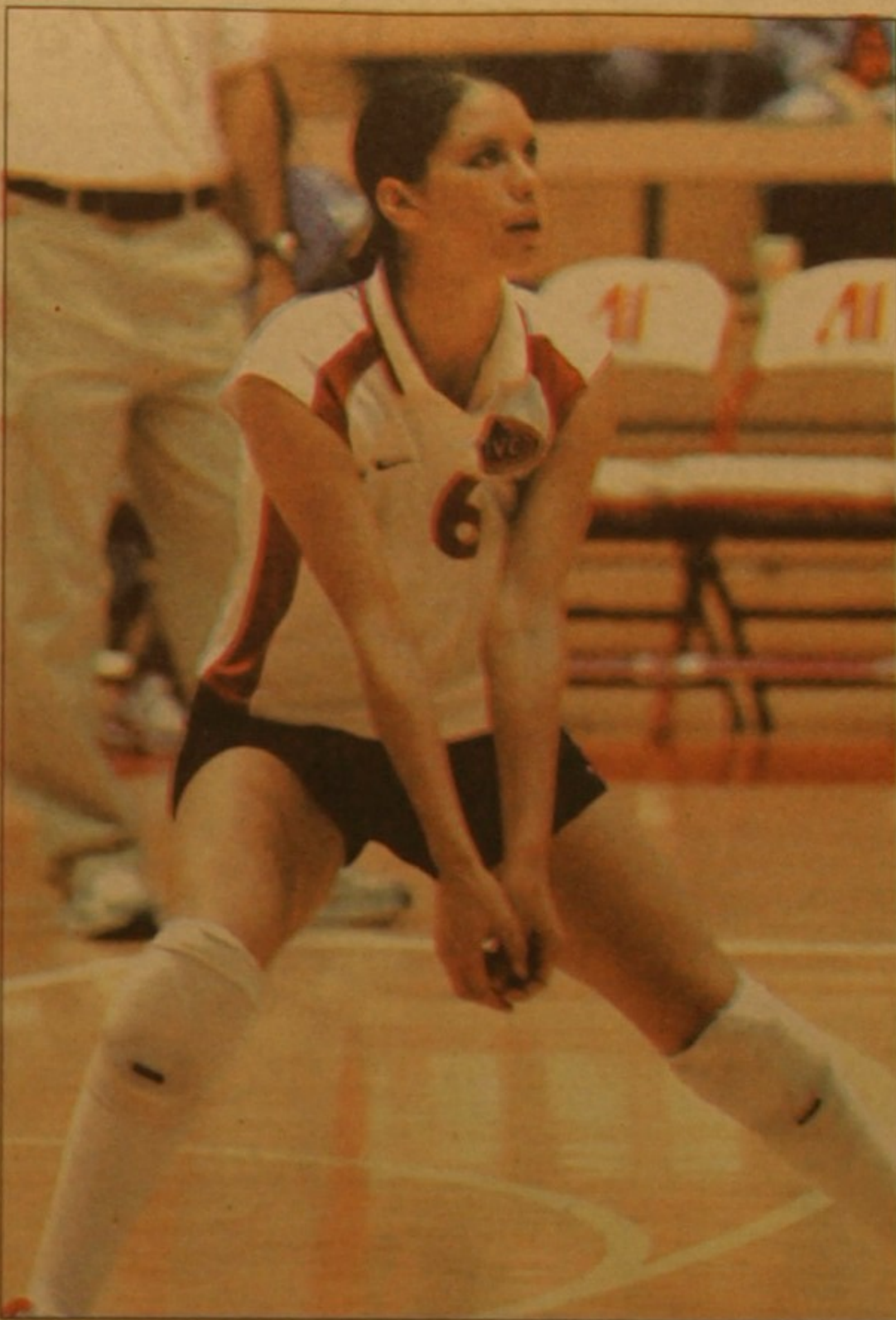


Photo by Joseph Kerstetter

Senior Elizabeth Murrieta prepares to make a move on the ball.

By KRISTEN SCHABERT
Staff Writer

Austin Peay State University women's volleyball team hosted two Ohio Valley Conference matches over the weekend, with mixed results and high emotions as the outcome. On Friday, the Lady Gobs hosted OVC-newcomer, Jacksonville State, and won without much of a struggle, 3-0.

"We had a great team effort," APSU head coach Cheryl Holt said. "We played terrific defense, probably the best defensive performance we've shown all season."

Saturday afternoon brought OVC-newcomer Samford to the Dave Aaron Arena. The Lady Gobs saw their five-game winning streak come to a halt, as Samford pulled out a hard-fought victory in five

games (30-25, 24-30, 30-28, 26-30, 19-17). The match, lasting over two hours, was truly a defensive battle between the two teams, as neither hit above 20 percent. APSU won the hitting battle, .198 to .193, but the Bulldogs racked up more digs, 124-105, to pull out the overall victory.

"The match could have gone either way," Holt said. "We couldn't put it away; the girls got a little tired. We came off an emotional win last night (Friday), and we need to learn to mentally stay in the game."

"Samford played awesome. They played hard and never gave up. Their execution was really good. When we got a little tentative, a little fatigued and started tipping, Samford was able to stay aggressive."

Individually for APSU, junior

Sarah Schramka led in kills (20) and attack percentage (.304), and also added 12 digs for a double double. Senior Amy Walk added 17 kills, 18 digs and five blocks, while freshman Ashley Genslak chipped in 14 kills. Senior Elizabeth



Schramka

Murrieta led the Lady Gobs in digs with 22.

On the opponents' side, Samford had three players record a double double and the team finished the night recording 84 total kills. Samford also fell nine points shy of tying the NCAA Division I record for most points in a five-game match.

"I think Samford was a little more predictable; we knew where the ball was going, we just couldn't stop it. I think we spread the ball around a little more," Holt said. "We have done a lot of different things, now we just need to get better at what we are doing."

"Overall, both teams gave a tremendous effort," Holt said.

The Lady Gobs played Western Kentucky Tuesday night in a non-conference match. They return home for Halloween action against Tennessee-Martin, Friday at 7 p.m., and then host Murray State, Saturday, at 5 p.m.



Photo by Joseph Kerstetter

Head coach Cheryl Holt (middle) instructs the Lady Gobs in Saturday's contest against Samford.

Soccer team drops home finale to Murray State, 3-2

By MATTHEW HEISS
Staff Writer

Dropping their home finale, Austin Peay State University women's soccer team just could not put two more in visiting Murray State's net as the Lady Gobs lost 3-2, Sunday.

Head coach Kelley Poole and freshman forward Ashley Cannon both agreed that the loss is an even bigger disappointment because the team had a chance to go on to post-season play had they won.

"The loss was a disappointment because we worked so hard all season and we fell short," Cannon said.

The game started out pretty even with both teams knowing that the game could go either way, but it was the Lady Racers taking advantage of mistakes that ended up winning them the game.

Both teams seemed to start out

on the right foot with Murray State taking the lead, 1-0, on a Jackie Thomas goal in the 21st minute. Freshman midfielder Amanda McLean did not let APSU fall behind as she rebounded off a shot by freshman midfielder Adonia Bivins and tied the game, 1-1.

Sophomore goalkeeper Sarah Broadbent was put to work early as she recorded five saves in the first half.

The second half did not go as well for the Lady Gobs as they let Murray extend their lead, 2-1, in the 60th minute and then to 3-1 in the 76th minute.

Just 42 seconds later, Cannon shot past her defender and nailed the back of Murray's net bringing the score to 3-2. Murray was unable to score an insurance goal and APSU was unable to tie the game up before time expired.

Broadbent finished the game with 10 saves while Murray State's

goalkeeper recorded just five.

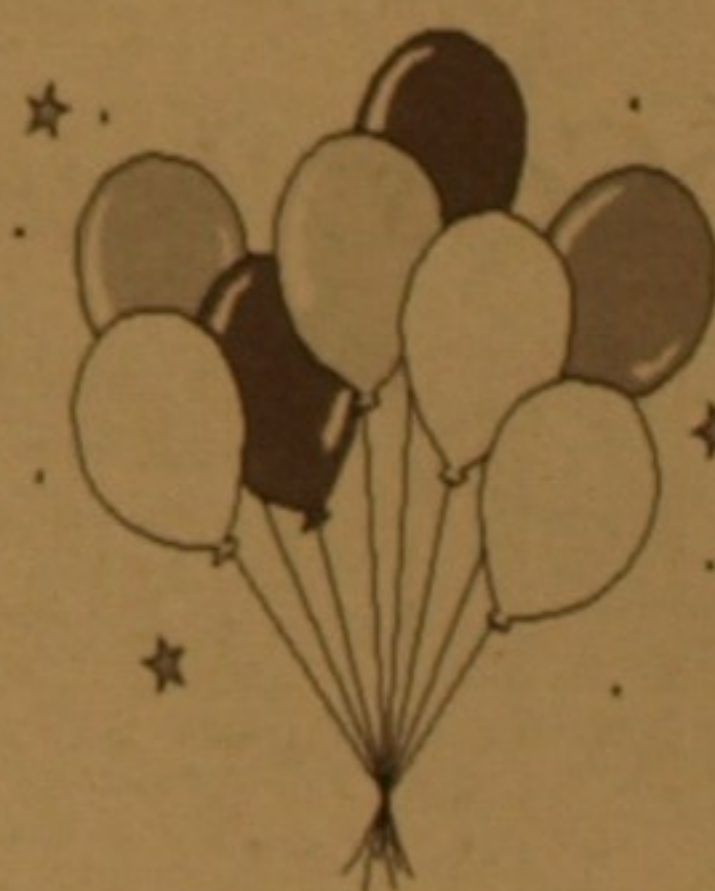
This Friday, the Lady Gobs will travel to Eastern Illinois for a 4 p.m. contest to close out the 2003 season.

"We really are looking forward playing the number one team in our conference," Poole said.

"After this game we will know what we are striving for and then can begin setting our goals for next season."

Overall the team is in agreement that the season has been productive. They have grown and learned each and everyday.

"This season has been productive. We have accomplished a lot, but have found out where we need to improve," Bivins said. "It has definitely been a season to remember, but at the same time a season we can build on for a promising future."



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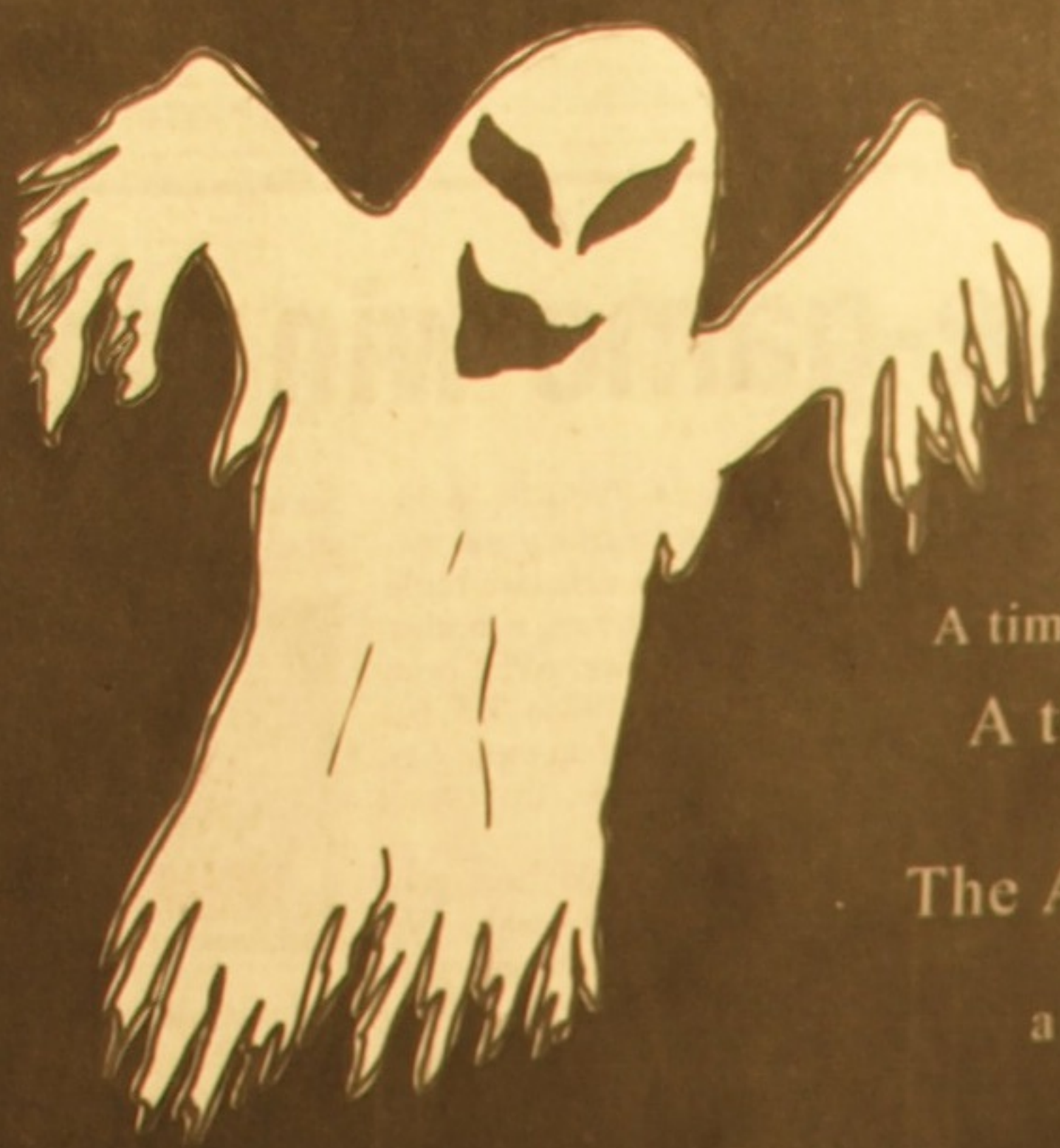
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Marie Pumkinette



Marilyn Pumpkin

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