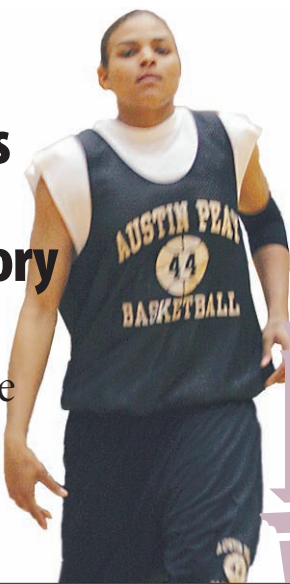


Haynes rebounds her way into history

Record set by hitting the 1,000 mark

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Civil lawsuits sweep through APSU

By STEPHANIE COWARD
Online Editor

Yvonne Prather, assistant professor of communication and theatre, is the sixth woman to file a civil discrimination lawsuit against Austin Peay State University since December 2004.

“None have gone to court; we’re just in the legal process now where the attorneys are filing motions,” APSU President Sherry Hoppe said.

Prather filed her complaint against the university Dec. 22, 2005, citing job/employment discrimination, according

to court documents.

According to Prather’s attorney, Richard Martin, an answer to Prather’s complaint has yet to be filed in court.

On Dec. 29, 2004, Cheryl Garrett, a secretary at the Fort Campbell campus, filed her complaint citing the same discrimination issue.

Since then, Jacqueline Wade, Nancy Dawson, and Mary Warner have all filed complaints against APSU.

Another plaintiff, Laverne Walker filed a complaint, Dec. 23, 2004, citing “civil rights and employment discrimination.” Walker is

seeking \$1.25 million in monetary compensation. Her lawyer, Charles Dupree, did not immediately return comment to *The All State*.

Prather’s case management hearing is scheduled for April 3, at which time the case will be set for trial, Martin said.

Martin is seeking unspecified damages for Prather, though to date, they have not made a specific monetary demand.

Attorney Ernest Edsel is representing Garrett, Wade, Dawson, and Warner.

Dawson was released from her contract with APSU in January 2005. She was a

professor of African American Studies.

A report regarding nepotism within APSU was filed in all four cases between Feb. 6 and Feb. 7.

“You tend to have these kinds of cases in spurts,” said Richard Jackson, vice president for Legal Affairs & Strategic Planning.

Hoppe and Bruce Speck, vice president for Academic Affairs, both refer all inquires to Jackson.

Jackson said that anyone with a grievance can file a lawsuit against the university, and there is nothing the university can do to prevent this from

happening.

Speck agrees with Jackson and added, “it is not the case that a legal challenge is necessarily the cause for instituting preventative measures against further legal challenges of the same nature.”

According to Hoppe, seven or eight people filed complaints with Equal Opportunity Employment Commission (EEOC). After the EEOC looked into their complaints, each individual received a

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STDs don’t hurt ‘Peayness’



KRYSTTEL MILLER/STAFF

Sexually active students should take precautions, but statistically, APSU is a relatively less-threatened campus when compared to other universities. Left untreated, some STDs can cause permanent damage to the reproductive organs.

Gonorrhea, chlamydia and ‘trich’ are the ones to watch for

By APRIL McDONALD
Staff writer

Students have less to fear from sexually transmitted diseases at Austin Peay State University than in other areas of the country.

Family Nurse Practitioner, Jill deGraauw of Boyd Health Services says, “we are average to below average in the number of STDs diagnosed and treated on this college campus. Gonorrhea, chlamydia, and trichomonas are the most common.”

Gonorrhea is a bacterial infection sometimes referred to as the clap, drip, or GC.

Its symptoms include painful or frequent urination, anal itching, pain, bleeding, or discharge, abnormal vaginal discharge or bleeding, lower abdominal pain, fever and general fatigue and painful sexual intercourse.

Left untreated, gonorrhea can lead to serious complications or infertility.

Chlamydia, the most common STD in



the United States, is also a bacterial infection, with the added complication of increasing one’s chances of becoming infected with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) if exposed.

Symptoms vary between genders.

For women, symptoms include painful

and/or cloudy urination, abnormal vaginal discharge, abnormal vaginal bleeding, genital itching, lower abdominal pain, fever and general tiredness or swollen and painful glands.

In men, symptoms include painful urination or an itching sensation with urination (often the first symptom). There can also be cloudy urine, watery or slimy discharge from the penis, crusting on the tip of the penis, tender anus or scrotum.

Trichomonas, or trich (pronounced “trick”), is the second most common STD in the United States, and is caused by a one-celled protozoan, a tiny parasite.

50 percent of women and 90 percent of men develop no symptoms with this STD.

Symptoms that do develop may include large amounts of pale yellow or gray-green, sometimes foamy, discharge from the vagina, vaginal itching or irritation, abnormal musty odor, pain with sexual

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Tax filing program offers more money to those interested

Accounting professor and students help public receive bigger returns on W2’s

By DAVE CAMPBELL
News Editor

The accounting department has implemented a new program open to the public.

Any person who has earned a gross annual income under \$35,000 is eligible to have their taxes filed for free.

The program, in conjunction with IRS-VITA is headed up by associate professor of accounting, Hassan Said.

Junior and senior accounting students assist Said in operating the Austin Peay State University branch of this tax filing service.

Senior accounting major Matt Gadsey said that the department wants students to participate in this service.

“It allows us the chance to help others who may not have the money to file their taxes through a professional tax firm like H&R Block,” Gadsey said.

He also mentioned that some people may just be curious and want to find out more information.

“Those participating will gain valuable experience,” he said, adding that it benefits both the students helping others and those who seek tax assistance.

Gadsey said that he knew of students receiving very profitable returns because they would be

“It allows us the chance to help others who may not have the money to file their taxes,”

– Matt Gadsey, Senior accounting major

getting their entire returns back, as opposed to spending a few hundred dollars on a tax service to file them.

The program is completely legitimate.

“We’re not trying to scam people,” Gadsey said. “We are using software from the IRS so we can put [participants’] returns into their checking account for them.”

All accounting students conducting the program must have at least had one tax course and a test to become certified by the IRS.

Those interested in participating should bring two forms of ID, their W2’s and any other materials that would be relevant to questions they may have about filing taxes.

Gadsey said that they would be willing to answer any questions that was in their ability to answer. ♦

Campaign restrictions low, for same-sex marriage groups

Activist groups, both pro and con will not be limited on the donations they receive for campaigning

Associated Press

Groups that campaign for or against a proposed constitutional amendment that would ban same-sex marriage in Tennessee face few restrictions, including no limits on contributions from political action committees or individuals.

Drew Rawlins, executive director of the Tennessee Registry of Election Finance in Nashville, said groups or two or more people must file four quarterly reports and one pre-general election report with his office.

Individuals who campaign on the issue have no restrictions, he said. “They’re basically expressing their free speech rights,” Rawlins said.

State lawmakers approved the Marriage Protection Amendment in 2004 and 2005, sending the measure to voters to decide.

The measure has to be approved by a number of voters equal to the majority of those casting ballots in the 2005 governor’s race to become part of the Tennessee Constitution.

Last spring the American Civil Liberties Union sued the state, claiming legal procedure was not followed before trying to put the measure on the ballot.

The lawsuit is pending in Davidson County Chancery Court.

In anticipation of a possible November vote, officials with Tennessee interest groups said they hope to raise significant amounts of money to campaign.

Chris Sanders, a Nashville resident and spokesman for the Tennessee Equality Project, which opposes the amendment, said his group already has held four fund raisers in the Nashville area, with each raising \$7,000 to \$10,000.

“We think our campaign will probably need to be somewhere between a million and a million and a half (dollars),” Sanders said.

Brentwood resident Jerry Flowers, president of Realmarriage.org, said amendment supporters will need to raise \$1.5 million to \$2.5 million, depending on the political climate come fall.

Jennifer Bowser, a Denver-based analyst for the National Conference of State Legislatures, said the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 1976 that governments cannot limit contributions to issue-oriented campaigns.

So a single individual or business can wield a lot of influence in a ballot referendum, she said.

“It’s not at all uncommon to see all of the spending from one side or the other side of an issue to come from one source,” Bowser said. ♦

Bush speaks change for US energy consumption

By BEN FELLER
Associated Press

“I think we’re in an important moment in history,” Bush said during his first stop of a Presidents’ Day tour of the Midwest.

“We have a chance to transform the way we power our economy, and the way we lead our lives.” Bush spoke Monday at the buildings division of Johnson Controls Inc., which sells products designed to make its customers’ properties more energy efficient.

The president and members of his Cabinet are crisscrossing the country this week to tout the energy ideas he presented in his State of the Union address.

The focus on energy is part of an effort in each of the weeks since the speech to highlight a different topic.

Bush’s broad goal is to steer the nation toward

energy independence and away from what he calls an addiction to oil.

Bush has placed energy improvement alongside education and health care as essential parts of making the U.S. more competitive with its global peers.

Energy is also a political issue in this midterm election year, one that hits home for people dealing with expensive winter heating and gasoline costs. Democrats have derided Bush’s proposals as recycled ideas that offer no short-term relief.

In Wisconsin, Bush put technological advancement in everyday terms — cell phone batteries that last longer, and lighter automotive parts that allow cars to go farther on a gallon of



BUSH

gas.

Earlier Monday, in nearby Glendale, Wis., Bush toured a technology center of Johnson Controls, which is also a prominent maker of automotive batteries. The company recently launched a new lab to study power-storage for hybrid-electric vehicles, an idea that Bush embraces.

At the site, Bush peered into the back end of two Ford Escapes, one equipped with a nickel-metal hydride battery; the other with a newer Lithium-ion battery that was about half the size.

Bush says that advances in solar, wind and nuclear energy could change the way Americans power their homes and offices, and that boosting alternative fuels could revamp transportation.

“By changing our driving habits,” Bush said, “we change our dependency on foreign sources of oil.” ♦

2006 Winter Olymics overview

LINDSAY C. KILDOW, USA



2006 WINTER GAMES											
Medal count				As of Feb. 20 54 of 84 medal events							
COUNTRY	G	S	B	TOT	COUNTRY	G	S	B	TOT		
Germany	7	7	4	18	Netherlands	2	2	2	6		
Norway	2	7	8	17	Finland	0	3	3	6		
Austria	7	5	3	15	Estonia	3	0	0	3		
United States	7	5	3	15	Croatia	1	2	0	3		
Russia	7	2	5	14	Czech Rep.	0	2	0	2		
Canada	3	6	5	14	Ukraine	0	0	2	2		
Switzerland	2	2	4	8	Australia	1	0	0	1		
South Korea	3	3	1	7	Britain	0	1	0	1		
Italy	3	0	4	7	Bulgaria	0	1	0	1		
Sweden	2	2	3	7	Slovakia	0	1	0	1		
China	1	2	4	7	Latvia	0	0	1	1		
France	3	1	2	6							

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ANDERS JOHNSON, USA



STD’s: Boyd Health treats, keeps private

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intercourse even if you use a lubricant such as K-Y Jelly or Astroglide.

Patchy red areas can also appear on the genitals or on the cervix and painful urination or frequent urination or discomfort in the lower abdomen.

All of these STDs are easily treatable with a simple visit to your primary care physician or local health clinic.

At Boyd Health Services, as well as other health care facilities, privacy is of the utmost importance.

“We do not release any information regarding any medical diagnosis, including STDs to anyone other than the patient without their request and permission.”

Positive lab tests for certain STDs are required by the

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to be reported to the local health department.

They will usually call the patient to acquire names of sexual partners. The amount of information about partners that is divulged is up to the patient,” deGraauw said.

In 2004, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report of reported and treated cases Tennessee was ranked ninth for chlamydia with 22, 515 cases, and 13th for gonorrhea with 8,475 cases. Trichomonas was not listed.

However, as deGraauw said, “The problem with statistics is that they only take into account the patients that are tested/treated and not the people that are not aware or do not seek testing/treatment.

Partner notification is very important to prevent the further spread of the STD.” ♦

Lawsuits: All lawsuits may not be valid, Speck says

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“right to sue letter,” and several of those people decided to sue the university.

“People are at liberty to bring a suit, but filing a suit does not imply that the suit is valid,” Speck said.

Leslie Bridges is the defense attorney representing the university in almost all of the lawsuits.

APSU has an affirmative

action policy, policy number 5:003.

“The policy was updated (in January 2005) to reflect that complaint issues are to be reported to the affirmative action manager,” said Sheila Bryant, affirmative action manager.

Bryant was made the interim affirmative action manager this past fall.

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—Sheila Bryant, affirmative action manager

an affirmative action plan that is implemented as a means of aggressively pursuing the principles of equal employment opportunity,” Bryant said.

For more information on policy number 5:003, visit: <http://www.apsu.edu/policy/pdf/5003.pdf>. According to Bryant, APSU is offering its first online

training course in the area.

The training is regarding sexual harassment in the workplace. All faculty and staff are required to complete it with a score of at least 80 percent by March 31.

“This is the only (training course) planned for the spring semester, but we are planning to offer additional training in the areas of diversity, ADA issues and racial discrimination in the future,” Bryant said. ♦

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Good Morning APSU

Campus Community Calendar

Pea Soup
A Scene from August Wilson’s “The Piano Lesson” will be performed at 7 p.m., Feb. 22, in the Harambee Room of the Wilbur N. Daniel African-American Cultural Center. It is sponsored by the African-American Staff, Administrators and Faculty (AASAF) and the Wilbur N. Daniel African-American Cultural Center. Members of AASAF will present a scene by this historical African-American playwright, followed by an open mic poetry session.

“To Kill a Mockingbird”
The production of the Harper Lee’s classic play “To Kill a Mockingbird” will play 7:30 p.m., Feb. 22-25 in Trahern Theatre and is sponsored by the department of communication and theatre.

History of gospel music
Explore the history of gospel music, learning about its birth and many of the pioneers. The event takes place at 7 p.m., Feb. 23, in Clement Auditorium. It will be sponsored by the Office of Student Life and Leadership and the Wilbur N. Daniel African-American Cultural Center.

Friday night movie
“The Color Purple will be shown at 7 p.m., Feb. 24, in Clement Auditorium. The event is sponsored by the Office of Student Life and Leadership. Attendees can enjoy the Oscar-nominated film developed from Alice Walker’s famous novel.

Tutors needed
High School Upward Bound needs tutors in Math, English, Science, Social Studies and Spanish. Please contact 221-6226 or come by Dunn 259 if interested. For more information contact John Howard at barfields@apsu or 221-6226.

Vagina Monologues
Eve Ensler’s Vagina Monologues will be produced at 7 p.m., Feb. 28 and March 1 in Clement Auditorium. Admission is \$5 or \$3 and a toiletry item for Safehouse. Proceeds benefit United Methodist Urban Ministries Safehouse and the Women’s Rape and Sexual Abuse Center in Clarksville.

Student Organization & Leader Awards
The 2006 Student Organization and Leader Awards sponsored by the division of Student Affairs, will be held 6 p.m., Friday, April 21 in the UC Ballroom. Awards nomination and application packets are available in UC 206. The nomination/application deadline is Monday, March 6 at 4 p.m. For more information contact Vanessa Fountain at 221-7341.

JROTC Raider Challenge
High schools in the surrounding areas will be attending this junior ROTC competition at APSU, Feb. 25.

Research opportunity
Volunteers to participate in a research study on self-efficacy and its relation to specific modeling, and receive a certificate of participation that may be used for extra credit in one of your classes (at professor’s discretion). Please contact Corinna Schmidt or go to the Psychology Department Office located in CL205 to sign up.

Business students conduct free tax preparation sessions
In partnership with the IRS-VITA Program, accounting students in the school of Business will have free tax preparation sessions. APSU’s site will provide basic tax returns utilizing the IRS e-file program. All sessions are on Saturdays 10 a.m. - 2p.m., March 4 and 18. Documentation is required and taxpayer must earn less than \$35,000.

Gay-Straight Alliance Meeting
The GSA will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 21st at 4pm in UC-213. Everyone is invited to attend. Membership dues are only \$5 per semester. For more information, e-mail Trish Halstead at halsteadt@apsu.edu or call her at 221-7431.

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OUR TAKE

U.S. administration strives for alternative fuel, energy sources

President Bush began his “energy week” by visiting Johnson Controls, Inc., a battery center auto-parts supplier in Milwaukee, Wis. on Monday. This visit came after Bush’s proposal to research and invest in batteries for hybrid cars. Later that day, he made a trip to a solar panel plant in Detroit, Mich. On Tuesday, he made a stop at The National Renewable Energy Laboratory in Golden, Colo., to focus on turning wood chips and switchgrass into ethanol. Throughout the week, six Cabinet officers will attend at least two dozen energy events in more than a dozen states. The administration is also seeking \$250 million from Congress for research into reviving nuclear fuel.

All of this comes on the coattails of the President’s State of the Union address at the end of January. “Keeping America competitive requires affordable energy. . .America is addicted to oil, which if often imported from unstable parts of the world,” Bush said. He believes that through technological advances the United States “can improve the environment. . .and make our dependence on Middle Eastern oil a thing of the past.” However, only 20 percent of the oil the United States uses comes from the Middle East. In order for us to truly stop destroying our planet, shouldn’t we also concentrate on the other 80 percent of petroleum-based fuel?

In his speech, Bush made no mention of the previous talk of drilling for oil in Alaska’s Artic National Wildlife Refuge, which is a relief; hopefully he has changed his mind. Bush has made no mention of short-term solutions to lower the price of gasoline and natural gas. During his State of the Union address, Bush presented the Advanced Energy Initiative, “A 22 percent increase in clean-energy research at the Department of Energy. . .To change how we power our homes. . .we will invest. . .in zero-emission coal-fired plants; revolutionary solar and wind technologies; and clean safe nuclear energy,” Bush also

spoke of investing in hybrid and electric vehicles and cars that run on hydrogen.

While all of these are good ideas, one must wonder what is the motive behind this. Does Bush and his administration really care about our environment and dependency on oil, or is this a ploy to gain respect that has been lost due to poor choices? In an ideal world, these intentions would be good and true. One can only hope that we have the resources and the money to pour into this kind of research. It’s hard to imagine, considering a huge sum of money is wrapped up in patrolling the Middle East. How do we have the money to invest in anything else? (And people wonder why we have such a huge deficit.)

Harry Reid, the democratic leader in the Senate, said that Bush has “lavished billions of big oil instead of investing in American technology and know-how that make us more energy independent.”

We also must think about how much we Americans use. We drive back and forth to work, school and home, not to mention vacations and running the children here and there. In the winter, the heater stays turned up, even when we are away. In the summer, the air conditioner runs full blast. Even when the weather is perfect for opening the windows and enjoying fresh air, how many of us use our air conditioner?

We are a wasteful country because we take things for granted – almost to the point where it’s safe to say we are spoiled. How many people really take the time to think about what changes could be made in order to clean up our planet? Our government has the means to improve our environment on the grander scale. But we cannot only rely on the government to make changes; individuals need to take the initiative as well. While Bush and his administration talk the talk (and perhaps are starting to walk the walk) it takes all of us to truly make a difference. ♦

Global warfare becomes nuclear; build a bunker

Our generation always hears about the space race. That’s just one of the things our parents’ generation is known for. What a much simpler time it used to be when the



OPINION
Kasey Henricks

only thing we really had to worry about was our Russian comrades during the Cold War. Our target was concrete. Now the conflicts on America’s battleground seem to be a bit more complex.

Have you ever stopped to wonder what our generation will be known for? Will it be the hard times that fell on us when the obesity epidemic hit?

Will we be looking back and telling our grandchildren, “Oh Johnny, it was horrible! There were pork chops and gravy everywhere!”

Or will it be the more realistic issue we’re facing today: nuclear proliferation? It seems that America and the rest of the world is gearing toward having an all-out global holocaust as arsenals of weapons of mass destruction are on the rise.

Will our generation be the ones to reminisce upon this era as being the “arms race?”

In 1970, the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty (NPT) was established. The purpose of this agreement was “to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons and weapons technology; to promote cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy; and to further the goal of nuclear disarmament.”

The NPT is the only thing the world has that ensures international peace and security. This pact had remained a global consensus for 50 years ensuring that the nuclear nations would act with responsibility and integrity regarding their nuclear programs, but our current administration has steered away from this commitment.

The past half-century of nuclear arms negotiations has been disregarded, and America finds itself at the forefront of promoting the abundant acquisition of nuclear arms. Of course, we’re not promoting this tactic directly, but this is vicariously what our actions are saying.

The evidence speaks for itself. Since 1998, India, North Korea, Israel, Pakistan and more than likely Iran have all acquired weapons of mass destruction capabilities. A nuclear proliferation epidemic is at our doorstep.

It seems that the spread of these destructive weapons is parallel to the spread of a virus. China began their mass destruction weapons program, then India responded to China and Pakistan is now responding to India.

Also, the nuclear arsenal of Israel

encourages the Iranian crisis that’s now present and will eventually urge Iraq to try for acquisition. And what about North Korea? With their weapons arsenal, Japan and South Korea are now being prompted toward proliferation too, and so on.

The current administration claims to be protecting the world from proliferation threats, but this isn’t the case. In July of last year, President Bush directly violated the provisions of the NPT. The administration made a selective exception, accepting proliferation for India; Bush lifted the restrictions of sharing highly sensitive nuclear technology.

One of the key perks of being involved in the NPT is that member nations have exclusive access to cutting-edge technology. With this new compliance with India, the United States has opened the door, allowing a clear stimulation for other countries to violate the restraints of the now devalued treaty.

America has shifted its focus from non-proliferation to preventive war emphasis. The administration’s theory behind preventive war is that it is an effective deterrent in the spread of weapons of mass destruction.

Quite the opposite is true. Instead of setting an example, we are indirectly promoting the bulking up of mass destruction arsenals.

We justify our arsenal, approximately 10,000 nuclear weapons, to insist that they’re necessary for our own national security.

With this statement, it’s the natural inclination for other countries to justify their need for these nuclear arsenals too.

But America isn’t just maintaining the arsenals we already have, we are also being proactive with weapons technology and are attempting to develop new engines of war, i.e. antiballistic missiles.

The United States has turned away from diplomacy. If another country doesn’t appease us politically, we dismiss any terms of negotiation and label them an “axis of evil.”

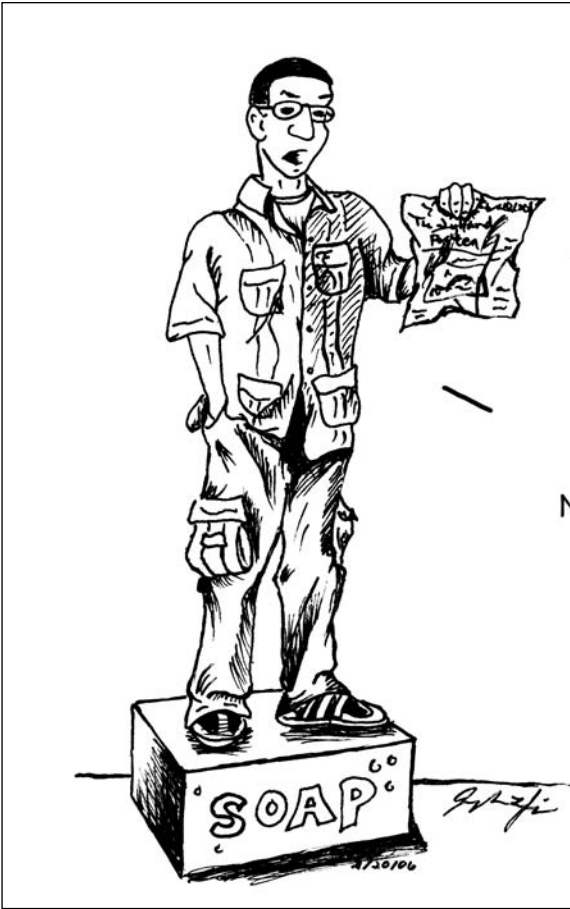
The only leverage the United States has right now lies in our relationship with European nations and the threat of military force.

The threat of global destruction must be minimized. The only way of accomplishing this is through an attempt by a world of nations. Unity and cooperation must be emphasized. To insure global security, nuclear arms control agreements must be put forth and abided by.

The United States must not limit its influence in order to stop the threat of global nuclear proliferation. The world is in crisis with this dilemma, and moral leadership must be exhibited.

The United States is at the front of this issue, and our actions will be followed throughout the world.

Is proliferation the direction we want to take the rest of the world? ♦



TO ALL THOSE WHO THINK
THAT ART AND CARTOONS
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IMPLICATIONS, FEEL FREE
TO READ THE DUTCH
NEWSPAPERS OR JUST TURN
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Dedicated to Joe Clyde Hayes 1924-2006
By JOSEPH M. FRAZIER

YOUR TAKE

To the columnist:

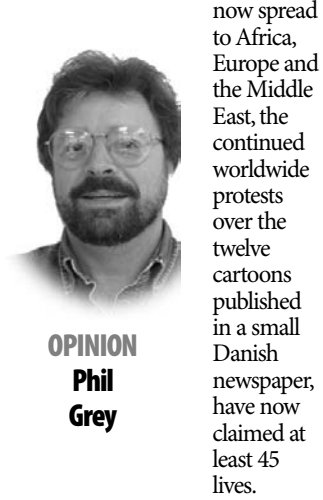
Last week Michael Weakley wrote an article entitled “Cultural centers separate but equal.” In the article, Weakley argues that creating separate but equal facilities for minorities does not create diversity. This is absolutely true for one reason: diversity already exists. Creating facilities allows students to participate and learn about other cultures in an environment of tolerance, acceptance, and cultural

pride. Weakley states that the African American and Hispanic Cultural Centers “offer the same resources and support and are separate from the rest of the university”. However, basic research of both centers’ activities will clearly demonstrate that these centers offer unique experiences and that both are very much a vibrant part of the Austin Peay State University community. Thanks to the cultural centers

Tina Tarpay
Senior
Spanish Major

Freedom’s price found at gas stations

The headline of the Feb. 18 online edition of the New York Post reads, “At Least 15 Die in Nigerian Cartoon Protest.” Having



OPINION
Phil Grey

now spread to Africa, Europe and the Middle East, the continued worldwide protests over the twelve cartoons published in a small Danish newspaper, have now claimed at least 45 lives.

In Maiduguri, Nigeria, churches were burned and non-Muslims were hauled out into the streets and beaten or murdered, including one man who was burned alive after having a gasoline-filled tire placed around his head and torso.

When one considers the initial offense and compares it with the response of the last three weeks, one can only conclude that any right that might have once been on the side of the extremists, and that proposition is a big stretch, now lies buried beneath a lava-flow of hate and violence that has incinerated it out of existence.

And yes; I have no problem with using the term “extremists.”

Burning a man alive in Nigeria because of a cartoon drawn by a guy in Denmark absolutely fits my definition of extremism.

Beating people to death for a drawing made by someone in a far-away country, someone the victims have never heard of and whose work in all probability they have never seen, is as extreme and indefensible a crime as any I can remember.

And since we are not parsing words here, understand that by “indefensible” I mean something that cannot be defended within any moral code possessed by civilized nations.

It means that any attempt to defend such actions is simply the result of a complete failure to assimilate any real understanding of justice, right, proportionality, or any other of the ideas that compose the framework of civilization.

It means that no sane person would want to be subject to the definition of justice that is espoused by those who are morally bankrupt enough to utter one word of exculpation for the crimes in question.

So then, what are we to make of this statement from President Bush’s hand-picked representative to the Middle East? Courtesy of the New York Post, Feb. 18, 2006:

At the U.S.-Islamic World Forum in Doha, Qatar, U.S. Undersecretary of State Karen Hughes said U.S. newspapers generally did not reprint the

existence students can move beyond an “idea” and experience an environment where diversity actually exists in practice. I encourage Weakley to visit the cultural centers and participate in some of the activities they offer before he criticizes the effectiveness of these centers.

caricatures “because they recognize they are deeply offensive, even blasphemous to the precious convictions of our Muslim friends and neighbors.”

Madame Undersecretary; do they not also have “precious convictions” against murdering innocent people in retaliation for the opinions of a few relatively insignificant artists?

Under any sane definition of law or morality, shouldn’t that be the thing that is most offensive and blasphemous to a civilized people and a moral God?

Shouldn’t “friends and neighbors” be moving heaven and earth to put an end to this insanity instead of rationalizing it, justifying it, praising it, encouraging it and inciting more of it?

Do we need to keep apologetically referring to these cartoons as a pretext for violence after three weeks of barbarism has rendered their offensiveness irrelevant?

More to the point: Is access to Middle East oil really worth throwing away our principles and freedoms for?

Is it worth bringing down the Dark Ages around our heads in order to appease people whose mindless intolerance is excused and enabled for the price of \$2.50 a gallon?

Don’t think too hard about that last question; for the vast majority of Americans the answer is, for now anyway, a resounding, “yes.” ♦

God and Darwinism belong hand in hand

For as long as I can remember, evolution versus religion has been a sore topic. CNN.com reported scientists are trying to involve the



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EDITOR
Amanda Wadley

clergy in order to teach the theory of evolution in public schools. “It’s time to recognize that science and religion should never be pitted against one another,” said Gilbert Omenn, President of

the American Association for the Advancement of Science at a news conference on Sunday.

Eugenie Scott, executive director of the National Center for Science Education in Oakland, Calif. said that sneaking creationism into classrooms in order to make for a clearer scientific curriculum will never be permitted. Judges and voters will not allow it.

Last week the Ohio Board of Education threw out a lesson plan model it had approved 11 to 4 in 2004. In this plan science teachers taught students to question

evolution. Those who are against this call it “teaching the controversy.”

In Pennsylvania last year federal courts ruled out teaching evolution in public schools and the Dover, Pa. school board who had approved this program were given the boot. 10,000 clergy signed a letter stating: “We believe that the theory of evolution is a foundational scientific truth, one that has stood up to rigorous scrutiny and upon which much of human knowledge and achievement rests.”

Others hold a different point of view. Vatican Observatory Director George Coyne, an astrophysicist who is also ordained, had this to say, “The intelligent design movement belittles God. It makes God a designer, an engineer. The God of religious faith is a god of love. He did not design me.”

He’s got to be kidding, right? We human beings are so arrogant. We have no clue of God’s plan, purpose or how/why he does anything? There is nothing wrong with looking into scientific theories. Not only that, but the more scientific evidence gained, the more we might understand where we come from and therefore might be given a little insight into God’s mysteries.

Human beings make assumptions and refer to books like the Bible or the Koran, justifying that it tells them everything they

need to know about God. We foolish people cannot even wrap our little bitty minds around the concept of God.

Science and God should go hand in hand. Anything we can learn about the world around us through evidence, anything we can theorize can only lead us closer to God.

Religious people who do not want to learn are afraid that their faith may be challenged; through scientific education they may also begin to have questions. So many people just go by faith; this writer is unable to do so.

Don’t get me wrong; I admire these people because they can blindly fall back on their religion without question.

When times get hard they believe God will carry them through. They also praise God when things are good.

Even though I am not religious, I am spiritual and have constant questions about my maker and the world around me. Even though science cannot answer all of my questions, it tends to remind me how small I am compared to the one who made me and how simple we creatures are. People who are so afraid of scientific theories and evidence need to realize that learning this information can ultimately connect us better to God, whatever it may be. ♦

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Diversity to me is not black or white. Diversity is about race, religion, gender, sex, opinions, actions, and beliefs.

No one person is exactly the same. Diversity can be changed on campus by getting more students to join any type of organization.

When someone joins an organization he/she opens many opportunities for experiencing diversity.

Knowing a variety of people allows others to see the differences in all of us and how we are all diverse in our own unique way.

Dear World,
Rarely do I think of the impact a single entity has on an entire way of life. Since I feel the inquiry of diversity was built upon sheer curiosity, I will respond in what hope to be a thorough and insightful approach.

I am in the world to eliminate ignorance. Just as Dr. King left his home, carrying "I Have a Dream" far beyond the boundaries of his mind, I am compelled to carry truth beyond myself. Like King, I must embrace my calling, displaying the results for the common goal of triumph.

Let us hope clouds of stubbornness will pass and individuality will cause unity that illuminates over the world with brilliant beauty.

Yours for the call of truth,

Diversity

Diversity is very important concept to American culture. It is not human nature for us to act like robots. We were raised in homes that cherish diversity and we should not be put in boxes by our skin color, hair style, or our way of life.

When you sit beside someone in the computer lab or in your classroom the main thing you notice is how much they are like you. I wonder if many people here At Austin Peay want to get to know different people with diverse cultures and opinions.

To me diversity is the differences between the people we see each and everyday. It is not just the color of your skin or the church you attend; it is the unique personalities and characters that define you as a person. Diversity is the clothes, you wear, the way you style your hair, the people you hang out with, and among others the way you order your coffee. In my eyes there is no color that can define me or the way I act; there is no building that can protest every emotion that I feel, I am different.

Diversity is a concept that is misunderstood and misinterpreted. Some feel that to accept diversity you must indulge yourself into a new or different way of thinking that is not necessarily the case. Diversity is awareness with a little more flare.

Diversity embraces the fact that none of us are exactly the same but we each have the ability to respect each other for our differences and appreciate our similarities.

The opposite of awareness is stereotyping. The assumption that one group is this way or a certain ethnic group is that way is not understanding diversity it is the force behind creating prejudices.

Diversity is more than just color or creed, gender or sexual identity, religious preference or cultural identity, diversity is everything. Each race can be broken down to a million sub-categories so assuming that a stereotype about a race identifies who they are is completely off the mark.

Individuals are unique and can not be labeled or forced into a category.

People can identify themselves by race, sexual orientation, gender identity but more than that there are personalities that are matched to the individuals.

Diversity is a powerful tool for understanding the human race as an individualistic set of creatures each creating a life that is genuinely their own. The ability to accept people as they are completely with total disregard for stereotypes is when the idea of diversity truly is felt.

Typically when one thinks of the word diversity the first thing that comes to mind is race, but it so much more than an ethical

conglomeration. More so it is about our freedoms in this wonderful country of ours and the choices it allots us. From the forming of our country, to the unification of the original 13 states with the constitution, diversity has been prevalent throughout. Diversity allows us to experience new cultures, from their religion, cuisine, and the origins of which makes them so unique. In the simplest of terms diversity is the ability to choose.

"Diversity is YOU!"

Diversity has many references and applications, but its core and most basic meaning is simply: variety of options. There are many expressions of diversity evident in our languages, thoughts, vehicles, homes, preferences of food etc.

Yet, the most profound example of diversity is the human being. Within the human race, diversity jumps right at you in the form of a variety of voices, facial expressions, physiques, physical and mental capabilities skin tones and hair colors.

Therefore, what is Diversity, it is all that is within YOU, share it and do not be afraid to see and embrace the Diversity in others.

Diversity IS...

Diversity is being able to be unique in a world that's unadorned. It is being able to learn a custom that seemed so distant it felt as through it was an illusion. Diversity is having the ability to take different families and make them one.

Most importantly diversity is the ability to see the world for what it really is, different cultures but one at heart.

Diversity is a masterpiece awaiting unveiling. Imagine a palette of paints. Individually each color is just that, a

color. However, when the colors are united on canvas they are all a part of a brilliant masterpiece. Each color is seen not only for its individual beauty, but also for its contribution to the composition. The world thirsting for the unveiling of this masterpiece. This thirst can only be quenched upon each person identifying the brilliance that lies within in effort to make humanity an authentic art form.

Diversity in itself is a multifaceted term. Most people view diversity as

having representatives of many races present. Diversity is the ability to encompass the aspects of many cultures at once. America over the past 100 years has become a melting pot that is representative of the different cultures that populated the seven continents. Being diverse is being able to function in different surroundings and being able to accept the fact that we as a people are all different. Diversity just is not having a "black" or a "white" person present in a group, diversity is more of expanding your views and learning about someone else's culture.

DIVERSITY IS SOMETHING THAT CANNOT BE SIMPLY PLACED. IT IS LIKE A SPIRIT THAT THRIVES THROUGH THE LIVES OF EVERYDAY PEOPLE. BEING ABLE TO ACCEPT ONE ANOTHER WOULD INCREASE THE UNDERSTANDING OF A DIVERSE ATMOSPHERE.

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What's the big deal with purses?

The fashions and necessities of purses



By LOIS JONES
Staff Writer

If you agree with the title of this article then there is a good probability you are male. Those of you that had the hairs on the back of your necks stand straight up and want to turn to the person next to you to discuss it, know the answer to the question.

A purse is not only a fashion statement but it carries your life in it. Some like a small purse that carries the bare essentials. Others carry purses which remind some people of small suitcases. These people have everything in them and they are the people you want to get stranded with in an emergency. They have everything in them to keep you alive.

The greater percentage of people carry a purse that is sized somewhere in the middle. Now there is a faction of the purse carrying population that will carry the same purse until it dies.

There will be no discussion about "those purses" or "those people." This article is addressing the people who have just the right purse for every occasion, for every outfit and who believe one can never have enough purses.

You know who you are. You can sniff out a purse sale from miles away. Only after you have found the perfect purse will you tell your friends about the sale. Why? So they won't beat you there and get the purse you would die for.

A true purseaholic knows all the haunts. Every person when asked, "where do you shop for a great purse?" mentioned T.J. Maxx. At T.J. Maxx you can find designer purses sold for much less than you would pay in the department stores. If the names like Coach, Dooney and Bourke, Nine West and Reaction by Kenneth Cole make you

break out your checkbook and double-check the balance to see if you can indulge yourself, T.J. Maxx is a good place for you to go.

If you don't care about designer purses, go to the web and look on eBay. It has an assortment of generic and designer purses starting at \$10 and up.

Every purseaholic has their own special haunt. This means that when they need (or want) a purse for a specific occasion or outfit, they will first check the place or places that are their favorites. If they don't find what they want there, then they will resort to checking out the department stores and asking other purseaholics where they shop, and if they have seen the desired purse in question.

Not every purseaholic is the same. There are the ones who will keep up with the latest trend in purses and have to get it. Others will get a purse based on a color or style that is popular. Then there are the purseaholics that like some of the trendy things but buy what they like whether or not it is in style at the moment.

Some like purses with many compartments, others want simple lines. Some have to have only leather, and others appreciate varied materials.

The one thing purseaholics have in common is spotting someone else with a great purse. Heads turn when a great purse goes by on the arm of someone else. The bold will say "great purse, where did you get it?" The not so bold will just stare with quiet envy.

What's the big deal about a purse? Just ask the next person you see with a great one, where they got it and you'll get an excited reply with at least five minutes on the subject. ♦

Increase in male nurses causes social change

Stereotype of mostly female nurses dispelled due to more men entering nursing program

By A.J. DUGGER
Staff Writer

Male nurses do exist, and many of them are learning the tricks of the trade at Austin Peay State University. One of them is Kenneth Chessman, sophomore nursing major. "I always wanted to do something medically," Chessman said.

When the word "nurse" is mentioned, a womanly figure is instantly placed into the minds of most people. The stereotype of all nurses being females has been consistent ever since nursing became a common job.

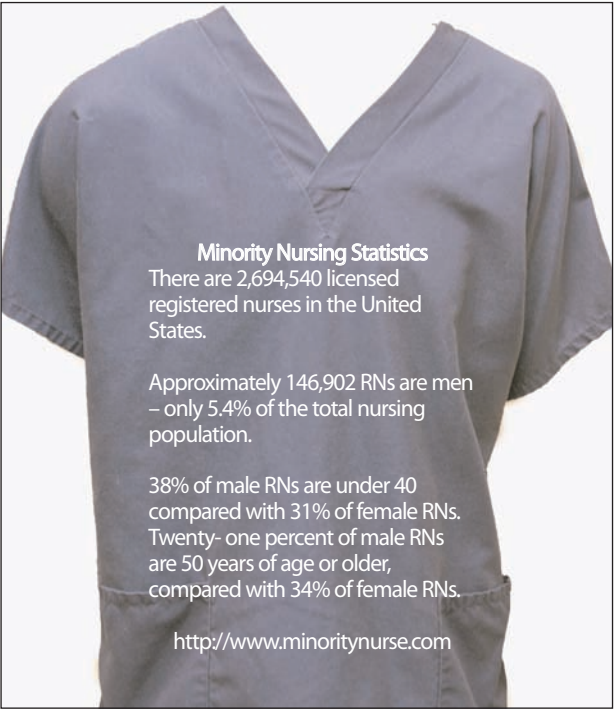
"All the guys were going to war, and the females would help them out when they were shot or blown up," Chessman said, referring to the early wars when nursing became common. The word "nurse," along with "teacher" or "secretary," is most commonly associated with women.

"There's a stereotype that goes with it," said freshman Ceantanna Harrison. Some of these stereotypes spilled over into punch lines in the hit movie "Meet the Parents" where Ben Stiller plays a male nurse (and no one lets him forget it). As the years go by, male nurses are increasing slowly, yet they are still looked at strangely.

"It is typical that when you go to the hospital or doctor's office, you do see female nurses," said Marissa Chandler, director of Trio Student Support Services at APSU. "But with times changing, and there being such a high demand of nurses, I think that slowly it will evolve. Male nurses can add a whole new ballgame to the field."

Mark Gray, the tutor coordinator and computer lab supervisor for Trio Student Support Services, agrees with Chandler. "There are times when a nurse has to move or roll a patient over, and a male nurse might be stronger and able to move a bigger patient," said Gray. "I think male nurses are definitely a good thing," Chandler added.

With the world always evolving and changing, many people find male nurses can be very helpful. Jeanine Thurmond, junior nursing



major, has been a licensed practical nurse for seven years. "I've had the experience of working with many male nurses," Thurmond said. "I found it to be phenomenal. They're really awesome when it comes to carrying out duties."

Thurmond also had a male nurse when she had her baby three

years ago. "He was wonderful," Thurmond reflected. "He was sensitive. I thought it was kind of strange to actually have a male nurse instead of working with one, but he was the best."

In 2005, out of 189 nursing majors at APSU, 26 of them were males. "The world is more open and accepting of male nurses," said Joeann Burtteff, the interim director of nursing at APSU. "There is a place in nursing for the male gender. We see more males going into this predominant female profession, and it could be because you see more females going into the predominant male professions now."

Burtteff is right. Along with male nurses, male beauticians are also becoming more common. Another aspect is the different techniques employed by men and women for the job.

"A woman might be real soft and gentle," said Kaya Ray, junior pre-med chemistry major. The gentleness of a female nurse may really come in handy at times, especially when they have child patients. On the other hand, some male patients may feel awkward talking to women nurses about certain things.

"They [male patients] may feel comfortable talking to another man about their issues. That may be one contributing factor," said Kendra Dunn, academic counselor for Trio Student Support Services.

All in all, there are probably still some men out there who would love to become a nurse, but are too frightened of the stereotype to step up to the role. "If you have the knowledge and the work ethic to achieve that (nursing), I think that anyone should go for it," said Sally Allen, the admissions manager at APSU.

In fact, the lack of male nurses these days could actually help more men to get the nursing jobs a little easier. "Male nurses have a better chance of getting into the nursing program than women do, because there is a lack of them," said freshman Jeannie Williams.

While male nurses may still be somewhat rare, the increase is steadily building. Perhaps maybe less than 40 years from now, male nurses might be as common as female nurses. ♦

Exercise your right, get healthy on campus

Memorial Health Building has much to offer

By JESSICA LAVELY
Staff Writer

It's that time to start getting in shape for summer, where the days are long and wearing the smallest amount of clothing is A-okay. With the resources so close, why not take about half an hour for at least three days a week to run a mile? Do it at the Memorial Health Building, also known as "The Red Barn."

With the variety of exercise equipment that Austin Peay State University offers, the Memorial Health Building also has a variety of classes that are held from time to time. The Memorial Health building has two main sections; the Drew Simmons Fitness Center and the Memorial Health Gymnasium.

The fitness center consists of 20 cardio stations, more than four tons of weights and dumbbells and group fitness classes which are held nearly every day. For example, they hold pilates on Tuesdays, indoor cycling on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and cardio hip-hop on other days. However, there are lots more than just those few. One of the other fitness services the Red Barn has is the healthy lifestyles group. It's a weekly meeting facilitated by a registered dietician on Wednesdays at 5 p.m. Find out how to eat right and stay healthy inside and out.

The Memorial Health Building has two multi-purpose courts, two indoor racquetball courts and a



JAROD LEONARD/STAFF
APSU students can break a sweat in the Memorial Health Building

lounge with billiards and a television. They have volleyball, tennis and even badminton activities scheduled on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

APSU also offers another option for students to get in shape. Are you a competitor? Do you love the adrenaline rush of being on a team,

screaming in victory? Intramurals are just for you. APSU's Spring 2006 intramural events consist of basketball, racquetball, indoor soccer, dodge ball, Ultimate Frisbee, softball, badminton, Texas Hold'em poker and Barnyard Challenge. Enter your team and get the team's name on the "Hall of Fame." The entry deadlines for these events can be found inside the Memorial Health Building along with other important information.

APSU also has outdoor adventure recreational trips. Last April, a group of students went white water rafting. In May, some people went canoeing at Land Between the Lakes. For more information to get in touch with your environmental side, stop by Memorial Health room 111.

Why not feel good this summer? Make it a summer where you can change the lifestyle you've grown accustomed to. Let this be the year that molds the rest of your life in physical and mental fitness.

Get that body in shape for the clothes you want to wear this summer--the clothes you've looked at through the windows of your favorite shop, but weren't sure you could fit in them or not. Make this the summer where you can just stroll in without a second guess. Visit The Red Barn and find out what is offered. All classes and usage of workout equipment are free with a valid Gows ID card. ♦

"Freedomland" not insightful

By DAVID GERMAIN
Associated Press

"Freedomland" clearly was an important film for Joe Roth, so important that the esteemed Hollywood executive decided he had to direct it himself.

Sadly for Roth and stars Samuel L. Jackson and Julianne Moore, "Freedomland" will be inconsequential to audiences.

The movie has nothing insightful to say about the social issues it tackles, racial unrest, police authoritarianism or the tragic outcomes that can arise from the pressures of single parenting.

A story that tries and fails in its examination of meaningful matters should at least be decent drama. But "Freedomland" is an exercise in bleakness and tedium occasionally broken up by shrill clashes between the two leads and poorly staged, stereotypical confrontations between white cops and black citizens.

Former Disney and 20th Century Fox studio boss Roth is the founder of Revolution Studios, whose films include "Black Hawk Down," "Anger Management" and Roth's own directing efforts, "America's Sweethearts" and "Christmas With the Kranks."

From that feeble romance and "Freedomland," along with Roth's earlier stabs at directing ("Coupe de Ville," "Streets of Gold," "Revenge of the Nerds II"), it's clear Roth's talents are best put to use behind a desk rather than behind a camera.

Adapted by Richard Price from his own novel, "Freedomland" opens with a promisingly moody title-credits sequence in which Moore meanders in distracted confusion through the tough black housing projects of a New Jersey town bordering on a blue-collar white enclave.

Moore's Brenda Martin ends up at a hospital emergency room, treated for cuts and bruises and claiming she's a victim of a carjacking by a black man. After police detective Lorenzo Council (Jackson) shows up to take her statement, Brenda spills the beans: Her 4-year-old son was asleep in the back seat of the car and now is missing.

Minutes into the movie, this discovery is followed by bellowing between Moore and Jackson that's so shriekingly over-the-top, "Freedomland" never recovers.

White police storm-troop into the neighborhood to find Brenda's boy and nab his abductor, while



AP PHOTO
Director Joe Roth, left, with actors Samuel Jackson, Julianne Moore, Edie Falco and Anthony Mackie attend the New York Premiere of Freedomland on Feb. 13, 2006.

terrorized black residents respond with rage. Roth seems to be using the carrot-and-blow-torch method of directing, rewarding actors for their excess and scorching their bottoms to elicit more frenzied performances when they're not yelling loudly enough.

Edie Falco of "The Sopranos" is one of the few actors who remains under control as a woman leading a parents' group that hunts for missing children. Too bad her character is so even-keeled and dull.

Other principal cast members, Anthony Mackie, Aunjanue Ellis, William Forsythe and Ron Eldard, are left stumbling about in occasional walk-ons between the long, talky exchanges involving Jackson and Moore. "Freedomland" flits clumsily between these interludes, which feel as though they've been lifted from a two-character stage play, and the chaos in the streets.

Hanging over the whole affair are Lorenzo's doubts about the veracity of Brenda's story, the drama playing out limply, with no sense of revelation or relevance to the racial rifts her situation has exposed.

At one point, a character exhorts another to "do the right thing," a blunt reminder of how powerful a story of urban strife can be in the right hands. Joe Roth is a savvy producer of commercial flicks, but as a director, he's no Spike Lee. ♦

"How did you spend your snow day?"

Compiled By JASON DRUMM
Features Editor



OUTAR

"Played basketball at the YMCA, came back and slept."

Nate Outar
Freshman
Business

"I slept until 2 p.m. and watched movies."

Chuang Pi Chen
Study Abroad
Social Work



PI CHEN



RAINES

"Studied calculus two and watched Saw."

Jessica Raines
Sophomore
Mechanical Engineering

"Absolutely nothing but freeze."

Stephen Bond
Freshman
Undecided



BOND



MAYNARD

"Slept in and hung out with my friends while trying to study."

Amanda Maynard
Sophomore
Nursing

"Slept and homework."

Michael Gaither
Senior
Physics



GAITHER



GERTIG

"I studied for my anatomy and Physiology lab practical."

Sarah Gertig
Freshman
Nursing

"Watched Saw and studied calculus two with Jessica."

Katherine Rowe
Freshman
Math and Chemistry



ROWE

Andy Davis' music style mixes it up

Multi-talented musician from Louisiana bayou enters music scene

By REBECCA YEATTS
Staff Writer

There's something rumbling in Nashville's underground music scene.

Who's shaking things up? Blame it on Louisiana bayou native Andy Davis. He's ready to rock you armed with a piano, guitar and songs written straight from the heart.

Almost impossible to pigeonhole into one specific sound, Davis has an eclectic list of influences, ranging from Stevie Wonder and The Beatles to Radiohead and U2.

A Belmont graduate, Davis finely honed his songwriting skills during his time at the music-centered school. He credits the Belmont atmosphere as one of the major influences on his songwriting.

"Knowing that some guy in the room next to you is writing songs makes you work a little harder," said Davis.

Davis did work hard, and in November 2004 he released "Thinks of Her," his debut album. The album is similar to a live show, is a raw, almost strictly acoustic



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Andy Davis is ready to rock with his piano, guitar and self-written songs.

album, filled with rich songs that sound like musical Polaroids, snapshots of life in song. Davis has an amazing ability to tell vivid stories through his songs, some true, some fiction, but all believable.

Davis has an interesting take on his narratives. "Sometimes true events work well in a song. Then sometimes you think of something that could've happened, and you tell the story like it really did. I guess that's similar to compulsive lying."

His compulsive lying has gotten him pretty far. Davis got the opportunity to board The Rock Boat to play keys for fellow Nashville boys Dave Barnes and Matt Wertz. As it turns out, the Nashville boys have each other's backs and Barnes and Wertz managed to pull some strings and get Davis a solo performance,

exposing a "boatload" of music fans to the Andy Davis sound.

Along with opening for Barnes' current CD release tour, Davis is also playing a handful of solo dates starting in mid-April. Among those dates is the annual South by Southwest Music festival held in Austin, Texas.

In the past, the festival has been a springboard for acts like John Mayer, Death Cab for Cutie and Ben Folds Five, so the South by Southwest showcase has the potential to put Davis on a national platform.

With all of the opportunities that are coming his way, things are looking good for the boy from the bayou, and there are many more stories to be told. True or not.

For more information on Andy Davis, visit his website, www.andydavisonline.com. ♦

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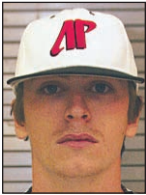
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Bat Govs ‘walk’ to victory in opener

By **ALARIC K. KLINGHARD**
Guest Writer

While pitching may be the focus for Austin Peay State University's baseball team, it was patience that accounted for the Governors' 3-2 opening-day win against Birmingham-Southern.

"I thought we showed a lot of heart today," APSU head coach Gary McClure said. "We battled and came away with a tough win against a really good team. With a team like Birmingham-Southern, it doesn't matter how you beat them, you still beat a good club."



YOUNGBLOOD

After six shutout innings, the Govs (1-0) took advantage of Birmingham-Southern's bullpen to get on the board. Sophomore left-hander Paul Jones gave up a leadoff double to Govs' sophomore Will Hogue and a sacrifice bunt by senior Jacob Schroeder moved Hogue around to third base. Senior James Ray then hit a slow rolling ground ball to third base, scoring Hogue and giving the Governors the lead, 1-0.

Govs' starter Rowdy Hardy pitched seven scoreless innings, but got into trouble early in the eighth. After following up a leadoff single by Mark Goforth with a walk to Scott Billak, McClure decided it was time to go to the bullpen.

The Panthers (0-1) used a sacrifice bunt to put both runners in scoring position with one out. A misplayed fly ball just behind second base was enough to score Goforth and a sacrifice fly to right field brought Billak across to put Birmingham-Southern ahead, 2-1.

"We had one out and Ganz was doing an outstanding job," McClure said. "(Burton) hit a ball to right field and it was a tough play. The ball floated and kind of died as the wind pushed it to the right. It was a tough play, and they took advantage of it."

After going three-up, three-down in the bottom of the eighth, the pressure was on for the Governors.

The offensive wheels started turning as the Governors loaded the bases in the top of the ninth. Schroeder singled up the middle, and sophomore Rafeal Hill came on to pinch-run. After stealing second base, a wild pitch moved Hill to third base. Pinch-hitter freshman Ryan Gilboy had to get out the way when Hill seemingly forced the wild-pitch that would send him home to tie the game.

"Coach (Brian) Hetland told me to get home," Hill said. "I was using the fake steal trying to throw off his rhythm and it worked. When I saw the ball hit the dirt, I was gone and I knew I could get it."

Birmingham-Southern reliever John Baird walked the next four Governors' hitters, including the senior Ryan Kane for the winning run.

"It was the first time for (Baird) to throw," said Birmingham-Southern head coach Brian Shoop. "He's got a good arm, he just couldn't find the plate today. It was a really well-pitched game."

Birmingham-Southern starter Brandon Hynick struck out 10 and scattered four hits in six innings of work but picked up a no-decision. Panther lead-off hitter Mark Goforth led BSC, going 3-for-4 and scoring a run.

Ganz (1-0) picked up the win, allowing one hit in 1.2 innings of relief. Hardy allowed two runs (both unearned), giving up six hits, striking out five in eight-plus innings. Senior Cody Youngblood led the Govs with a 2-for-4 effort. Kane went 1-for-4 with team's only RBI. ♦

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Haynes hits 1,000 in rebounds

Success on and off the court has set standard for male and female athletes

By **MICHAEL KELLUM**
Staff Writer

Senior Austin Peay State University women's basketball player Ashley Haynes has broken two records this season while helping leading the Lady Govs get to the top in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Haynes is the first basketball player, male or female, at APSU to grab 1,000 rebounds and only the eighth women's player to do so in the OVC. She also has the most double-doubles in a regular season with 20.

With 332 total rebounds this season, Haynes is only 18 rebounds away from breaking APSU's single season record which stands at 349. The record was set by former Lady Gov Golena Rucker during the 1979-80 season.

Haynes said she is happy about setting the records, but she didn't even think about accomplishing this when she first came to APSU.

"I came here ready to win a championship, because of all the great teams they had before I got here," Haynes said. "In my high school years we were successful

"I came here ready to win a championship because of all the great teams they had before I got here,"

– **Ashley Haynes, senior women's basketball player**

my last two years, and I wanted to bring that to Austin Peay."

Haynes said she first thought about getting the 1,000-mark rebounding record at the beginning of the season when she saw how close she was to attaining it.

"I saw that I needed to average about 11 rebounds a game in order to get it," she said. "It's hard enough to average eight rebounds a game, much less 11, but I went out and tried to do it."

Haynes surpassed that rebounding average this season. She currently averages 13.3 rebounds per game, which is good for third place in Division I women's basketball. She set the

single-game rebounding record and a career-high 21 rebounds against OVC-rival Murray State earlier in the season.

While Haynes is a force in the rebounding department, Lady Govs head coach Andy Blackston said it's her leadership that sets her apart.

"She does what leaders do. She leads by example," Blackston said. "She is deserving of all her awards because of her hard work and dedication."

Haynes said her teammates are what helped her break the records.

"My teammates have been behind me all season," she said. "Everyone has been a positive influence on the team. They have all had my back, with me being a senior; it has been a really great year so far."

Haynes not only has done well on the court, but she has also been good off the court with a 3.67 grade-point average in her first seven semesters at APSU. She has been named to the Presidents List (4.0 GPA) three times and Dean's List (3.5) five times. ♦



JAROD LEONARD/ STAFF

Senior Ashley Haynes arguably could become APSU's greatest women's basketball player in history. The 5-10 guard has become the first APSU basketball player to reach the 1,000-rebound mark, has broken the record for most double-doubles in a season with 20, and is on the verge of breaking APSU's single-season record for rebounds.

Austin Peay Player Profile



JAROD LEONARD/ STAFF

Senior women's tennis player Jessica Hawk has opened up the 2006 season 2-2 in the No. 3 singles spot. Hawk played an important role in the Lady Govs' lone win as she posted one of her two victories on the season in three sets against Cumberland.

By **J.R. PREISSLER**
Staff Writer

Jessica Hawk, of the Austin Peay State University's women tennis team enjoys playing the game but is also focused on her school work.

Hawk was named Most Valuable Player of the Lady Govs tennis team in the 2005 season, and she hopes to finish out her college career on a positive note.

"I'd like to get a few more wins under my belt. I need to work on consistency and patience," Hawk said. "Although I feel like my strong point is that I'm a versatile tennis player, I don't have one strong point. I am an all-around solid player."

Hawk's vast knowledge and talent in the game of tennis can be traced back to her influence from her father.

"I picked up the game when I was 10," she said. "My dad was really into tennis, and he decided to coach me and my brother."

Also, Hawk believes that if she wasn't a star

tennis player, she would be interested in running track. This just helps depict her athleticism.

Although Hawk, who has started off the 2006 season 2-2 in the No. 3 singles spot, is a presence on the court and that's where she can be found a lot of her days, she is very dedicated to her classes, friends and family.

After the season, she plans to start looking for a job at a law firm or begin studying to obtain her master's degree.

Hawk said she wants to work somewhere in the law field after she gets out of school.

"Five years from now, I see myself married to Anthony Davis," she said. "I also see myself starting to work in a small law firm."

When Hawk isn't cramming her head with legal knowledge or hitting aces on the court, she enjoys spending time with her friends and husband-to-be. Although the match against North Alabama last Sunday was cancelled, Hawk is excited about the next match at Jacksonville State on Friday. ♦

Vital Stats

Name: Jessica Hawk
Class: Senior
Major: Political Science
Hometown: Detroit, Mich.
Sports Idol: Stefi Graf
Favorite Sports Team: Los Angeles Lakers
Favorite Place To Eat? "My kitchen or O'Charleys."
Favorite Place To Go On A Date: Movies

U.S. women's hockey grab bronze from Finland



GENE J. PUSKAR/ ASSOCIATED PRESS

The United States' Katie King, left, celebrates with teammate Molly Engstrom after they beat Finland 4-0 to win the bronze medal in a 2006 Winter Olympics women's ice hockey game. King scored three goals in the game.

Strong performance comes one game too late for the Americans

TURIN, Italy (AP) – One game too late, the U.S. women's hockey team hustled to loose pucks, finished their checks and showcased their superior talent.

The Americans jumped to an early lead and dominated Finland, and for that, they take home the bronze.

What consolation from this consolation round?

As three-time Olympian Angela Ruggiero said the night before, they now have a complete set: Gold from Nagano, silver from Salt Lake City and now bronze from the Turin Games.

Katie King scored two of her three goals in the first period to give the Americans a three-goal lead, and they glided to a 4-0 victory over Finland on Monday, playing in the third-place game they would've rather watched on TV from their dressing room.

The U.S. picked up gold in 1998 and silver four years ago, and expected to face rival Canada for the third time in the gold-medal match.

But the American women ended up vying for bronze after the biggest shocker in women's hockey history: Sweden's 3-2 shootout win in the semifinals.

Though it was an anticlimactic game, they played inspired, harassing the Finns and celebrating each goal.

One game too late. Finland found itself smothered offensively – even with an extra skater – harassed by backchecking forwards and stingy defenseman.

Despite having a power play early in the second period, the Finns didn't get a shot on goaltender Chanda Gunn for more than 11 minutes.

Gunn had to make just 14 saves for the shutout.

It didn't take long for the Americans to give her a cushion.

Two-plus minutes after the puck dropped, Kelly Stephens deflected Julie Chu's shot past goaltender Noora Raty.

King scored twice, impressively, midway through the first period.

Off a crafty off-the-boards pass from Helen Resor, King carried the puck along the right boards, swooped across Raty and flipped the puck above her.

King pumped her stick in the air, then had another reason to celebrate a few minutes later.

Jenny Potter fed King with a pass up the middle of the ice, she outskated defenseman Heidi Pelttari and wristed a shot over Raty's stick.

The Americans made it 4-0 early in the second period on King's goal off a circle-to-circle pass from Chu.

Finland then pulled Raty, replacing her with Maija Hassinen, but it was too late for any move to make a difference. The two goalies combined for 16 saves.

The game was much different than the matchup in the preliminary round, when the U.S. rallied from a two-goal, second-period deficit to beat the Finns 7-3.

With 12 seconds left, it got a little chippy with some pushing and shoving in front of Finland's net.

Four three-time Olympians for the U.S.: King, Ruggiero, Tricia Dunn-Luoma and Jenny Potter, will now head home with bronze hardware to go along with gold and silver won at the first two Olympics with women's hockey. ♦

Hassell, Kimmel inducted into Hall

By MICHAEL KELLUM
Staff Writer

Two more people were added to Austin Peay State University's Hall of Fame last Saturday. Trenton Hassell, one of APSU's greatest basketball players, and long-time trainer Chuck Kimmel were inducted into the Hall of Fame - making them numbers 83 and 84 to receive the honor.

Hassell said getting into the Hall of Fame has been one of his proudest events that he has participated in.

"It means a lot to me because all the people on the wall have been great to this university," Hassell said. "They have laid down the foundation for me to get to this point"

Hassell was named 2000-2001 Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Year and the league's Male Athlete of the Year. He was named Pre-season Playboy All-America and earned three straight first-team All-OVC awards.

In his senior year, Hassell averaged 21.7 points per game, seven rebounds and four assists. Hassell was the only player to be ranked in the top-five in the conference in points, rebounds and assists. His 21.7 points per game was good for 13th nationally.

After his career at APSU, Hassell became the 30th selection in the NBA draft - the first selection of the second round - by the Chicago Bulls. He was only one of two players drafted that had a bachelor's degree.

In his first season in the NBA, Hassell earned the Chicago Bulls' Rookie of the Year award. After two seasons, Hassell signed on with the Minnesota Timberwolves, where he still plays today.

After gaining popularity as one of the NBA's top defensive players, Hassell signed a six-year contract following the 2003-2004 season. Hassell said his family has been behind him all the way.

"My family has supported me through thick and thin," Hassell said. "Coach (Dave) Loos told me while I was here that it wasn't just me I was representing. I was representing all of Clarksville. So if I do something wrong it's going to affect more than just me. That has stuck with me my entire career."

Unlike Hassell who gained his attention on the basketball court, Chuck Kimmel's attention came through his work with the many APSU athletes. Kimmel became APSU's athletic trainer in 1981 and, at the time, was the only full-time health professional.

At the same time, Kimmel was building a fine sports medicine program, he also



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became a leader in his profession. Kimmel was certified by the National Athletic Trainers Association and served as the president of the Tennessee Athletic Training Society from 1989-1993. In 1991, Kimmel was recognized for his efforts with the College Trainer of the Year award.

In 1995, Kimmel got the chance to work with the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. He was elected to the TATS Hall of Fame in January of 2001.

Kimmel said he didn't really think he deserved to be in APSU's Hall of Fame.

"I just feel fortunate to be recognized in a way that I am not really sure I deserve," he said. "I just give all the credit to the people that have helped me throughout the years, and to Austin Peay. I am glad I got to come here and raise my family, and I am just trying to contribute in whatever ways that I can. I just try and make our athletic department as good as it can be."

Kimmel is currently serving his 25th season as APSU's athletic trainer for all men and women's sports and his 14th season as assistant athletic director. ♦



AUSTIN PEAY SPORTS INFORMATION

Longtime athletic trainer Chuck Kimmel, left, and former APSU basketball star Trenton Hassell were both inducted into APSU's Hall of Fame on Saturday. Hassell, now a member of the Minnesota Timberwolves, was ranked 13th in the nation in scoring with 21.7 points per game during his senior season at APSU. Hassell was also the only player in the Ohio Valley Conference to be ranked in the top-five in points, rebounds and assists. Kimmel, an athletic trainer who has devoted 25 years of service to APSU, was also inducted into the Hall.

APSU Sports Briefs

Govs tennis drops match to Wright State

Austin Peay State University men's tennis team dropped its second straight home match as they fell to the Wright State University Raiders, 6-1.

Governors Andrew Naidu, Lucas DeBrito and Patrick Puertolas each dropped their singles matches in three sets with Naidu and DeBrito falling in the tie-breaker.

The Govs' only point in singles play came from Sean Hawk who defeated Michael Hall 6-0,6-1. The Govs' only other point came from doubles duo Alex Angelatos and Patrick Puertolas as they defeated Dan Sandersingh and Tim Hershner in No. 2 doubles play.

The Govs (3-8) were scheduled to play North Alabama on Sunday but inclement weather forced the match to be cancelled.

APSU men's golfers featured on Golfweek.com

APSU golfers Yoshio Yamamoto and Chris Barron are currently featured on Golfweek.com in a feature story that discusses the different lifestyles of the two successful athletes.

Described as probably the "most interesting 1-2 punch in college golf" by the article, Yamamoto and Barron blistered the competition in the Governors' fall tournaments, leading APSU to top-four finishes in every tournament of the fall season. Barron and Yamamoto were earlier ranked by the Golf Channel as sixth and 39th, respectfully, in college golf.

Reed earns OVC Freshman of the Week honors for the third time this season

Forward Drake Reed, who averaged 13 points and 7.5 rebounds per game last week in helping Austin Peay State University men's basketball to a pair of wins, has been named Ohio Valley Conference Freshman of the Week.

This is the third time the Clarksville (Northeast) product has earned the award. It also marks the sixth freshman of the week honor for the Govs and the second in succession. Fellow forward Kyle Duncan earned the award last week.

Reed, a 6-5, 220 pounder, scored 12 points on 4-of-5 shooting and grabbed a team-high seven rebounds at Eastern Illinois, playing a then career-high 34 minutes.

Then against Samford, Reed scored 14 points on 5-of-8 shooting in playing 36 minutes. He snared eight rebounds, five on the offensive glass, while dishing out three his assists. His two late-game buckets during regulation helped force overtime.

For the week, Reed went an impressive 9-for-13 (69.2 percent) from the floor.

Lady Govs softball split contests

The Lady Govs softball team opened up the 2006 season 1-1 as they defeated the Lady Bison 1-0 in the first contest but fell 11-4 in the second game of Wednesday's twinbill. Senior Brianna Venable and sophomore Sarah Longmire led the Lady Govs batting attack, each recording three hits in the doubleheader.



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Richmond, Ky.

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Kentucky,
6:30 p.m.,
Richmond, Ky.

Friday

Baseball
vs. Iowa,
2:30 p.m.,
Clarksville, Tenn.

Softball
vs. Eastern
Michigan,
8 a.m.,
Macon, Ga.

Softball
vs. Boston
University,
Noon,
Macon, Ga.

Women's Tennis
vs. Jacksonville
State,
TBA,
Jacksonville, Ala.

Men's Tennis
vs. Jacksonville
State,
TBA,
Jacksonville, Ala.

Saturday

Women's Tennis
vs. Samford,
10 a.m.,
Birmingham, Ala.

Men's Tennis
vs. Samford,
1 p.m.,
Birmingham, Ala.

Baseball
vs. Dayton,
2:30 p.m.,
Clarksville, Tenn.

Softball
vs. Mercer,
4 p.m.,
Macon, Ga.

Softball
vs. Morehead
State,
6 p.m.,
Macon, Ga.

Women's
Basketball
vs. Morehead
State,
4:30 p.m.,
Morehead, Ky.

Men's Basketball
vs. Morehead
State,
6:30 p.m.,
Morehead, Ky.

Lady Govs topple Tech

No. 1 Golden
Eaglettes can't
handle Hale,
Haynes duo

By MICHAEL KELLUM

Staff Writer

The Austin Peay State University women's basketball team went into Saturday nights game against league-leading Tennessee Tech expecting a win. A win is exactly what they got with a solid 72-64 decision.

The Lady Govs tried to take advantage of the Golden Eaglettes foul trouble. Ohio Valley Conference scoring leader Emily Christian got into foul trouble early with 9:38 remaining in the first half as Tech's second leading scorer, Kendall Cavin, also committed her second foul of the game.

APSU built up a nine-point advantage with 2:33 remaining in the first half, but Tennessee Tech's bench wouldn't let them down. A 9-2 run in the final minutes of the first half brought the Golden Eaglettes within one of the Lady Govs, 34-33, going into halftime.

APSU junior Sandra Hale scored 16 points in the first half, and Haynes chipped in with six points, nine rebounds and four assists.

Going into the second half, Tennessee Tech came out ready to play, taking the lead in the first 37 seconds.

Hale hit a three-pointer and junior Jennifer Pond nailed a jumper to give the Lady Govs the lead for good, 39-37, with 16:32 remaining in the game.

Hale, who led all scorers with 31 points, is the first Lady Gov since Brooke Armistead's 30 points against North Carolina in the 2003 NCAA tournament to score more than 30 points.

Hale connected on 8-of-14 from the field and 12-of-14 from the free throw line.

Hale said her performance was boosted by former player Paige Smith speaking to the team at halftime.

"I was really inspired by what she said. [Paige] basically told us things were changing, and we needed to take advantage of that so that's what I was trying to do," Hale said.

Senior Ashley Haynes pulled down 20 rebounds and scored 21 points in the win. She went 8-of-14 from the field and 5-of-6 from the free throw line.

"We came out ready to play and expected to win," said Haynes. "When you have so many girls playing with our consistency and our chemistry, we have no choice but to win. I think us knocking down our shots and playing good defense is what got us the win."

The Lady Govs made 25-of-47 (53 percent), and 21-of-31 from the free throw line (67 percent). APSU also out-rebounded the Golden Eaglettes, 39-36, but committed five more



JAROD LEONARD/ STAFF

Above: Senior Ashley Haynes looks for an open teammate while a Tennessee State player attempts to defend her earlier this season. Haynes posted 20 points and grabbed 21 rebounds in the Lady Govs recent win over top-ranked Tennessee Tech.

Right: Sophomore guard Amber Bacon goes up for a lay-up during the Lady Govs match-up with Tennessee State on Feb. 4.



turnovers.

Lady Govs' head coach Andy Blackston was very proud of his team's play.

"We played poised, like a veteran team," he said. "We kept making plays and kept answering runs. I'm proud of our team mentality the way they played the number one team in the league. Haynes and Hale played their best individual games in the same game."

The Lady Govs play two more away games beginning Thursday against Eastern Kentucky, and only need one victory in their final two regular home season games to secure a first round home contest in the OVC tournament. ♦

By the Numbers

29.3

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31

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The percentage of converted three-point shots the Lady Govs have allowed this season. The percentage ranks first in the OVC with Tennessee Tech and Eastern Illinois following close behind with 29.5 and 29.7 percent, respectively. The Lady Govs have counteracted on offense with a 42.3 field goal percentage from beyond the arc.

The number of statistical categories in which senior Ashley Haynes ranks in the top-five in the OVC. Haynes is averaging a double-double with 16.7 points and 13.3 rebounds per game. Haynes leads the OVC in three of those categories and is currently 18 rebounds short of tying APSU's record for most rebounds in a single season.

The number of points that junior point guard Sandra Hale posted in the Lady Govs recent victory over OVC leader Tennessee Tech. Hale was the first Lady Gov player to post at least 30 points in a single contest since former Lady Gov Brooke Armistead's 30 points against North Carolina in the 2003 NCAA Tournament.

The number of wins the Lady Govs need in order to clinch home-court advantage for the first round of the OVC tournament. The Lady Govs will take on Eastern Kentucky and Morehead State in their final two games of the season. APSU fell to the Lady Colonels in their last meeting but defeated the Lady Eagles. Both games took place early in the season.

Coach's
Corner

By ANDY
BLACKSTON



Lady Govs look
to secure home
spot for tourney

The Eastern Kentucky and Morehead State trips are the final two games of the season, and we have got to be ready to get it done on the road. I am very confident about taking our team up there and competing.

Our win over Tennessee Tech was huge. I think our kids got a lot of confidence from that.

It shows that we can beat the No. 1 team in the league. We have beaten the No. 1 team in the league on several occasions this season and I think that we are really capable of finishing strong, and that is a great step in the right direction.

I expect the Eastern Kentucky game to be a very tough game. I think we are a lot better team than we were when we played them the first time.

The game should be very similar to our game against Tennessee Tech because I think that we have grown a lot, and hopefully we will be able to show that on Thursday.

We played Eastern Kentucky in December and here it is at the end of February, so there has been a lot of growing up and maturing. At this time of the year, everything that you do has implications for the tournament, so this is a game that you we have got to have.

The keys on defense will first to be to stop Laura Sheldon. She is their point guard and she kind of makes everything go for their offense. She really does a great job pushing that ball up the court.

Also, Fatai Hala'api'api is a big, strong post player for them as well that we are going to have to do a good job guarding.

We just have to go up there and play hard and be aggressive. Those are the three main things that we have to do. We need to continue to attack the basket like we did against Tennessee Tech.

I thought we did a good job of pushing the ball to the basket and attacking the boards. We just need to continue with that kind of aggressiveness.

Right now we are in fourth place in the OVC and we really don't have a shot at moving up in the conference but we are still going to play hard and maintain our spot for the tournament. If we can finish strong then we will be able to host the first round of the tournament. It will be a big turnaround from last year. ♦

TALE OF THE TAPE

APSU	Stats	EKU
64.9	Scoring Average	66.3
64.0	Points Allowed per game	75.0
42.3	Field Goal Percentage	41.8
32.5	Three-point percentage	35.8
65.5	Free Throw Percentage	65.8
38.3	Rebounds per game	35.6
18.7	Turnovers per game	19.2
3.4	Blocks per game	3.6
8.6	Steals per game	8.2

Govs dominate Arkansas State

By MICHAEL YOUNG

Sports Editor

For the first 12 minutes of the Austin Peay State University's men's basketball game, ESPN Bracketbuster opponent Arkansas State didn't know what hit them. For that span, the Govs forced the Indians into turnover after turnover which, in turn, put points on the board for APSU.

The Govs, who forced a total of 22 turnovers, posted 45 points off turnovers in their 92-71 run-away win Saturday night.

"I think we came out and executed our plays, and then us hitting shots really helped us out," senior guard Maurice "Squeaky" Hampton said. "We run a lot of different sets and we executed well on offense. We pressured them and we were able to force some turnovers and we turned those into points."

The win came despite being out-rebounded 42-26 on the night and 22-6 on the offensive side.

"They just kept banging the ball on the inside and then they were being aggressive and getting the rebounds," Hampton said.

With 7:38 remaining in the first half, the Govs had built an insurmountable 25-point lead with 20 of their 35 total points being

produced by either Hampton or sophomore Derek Wright.

However, the Govs' dominating defensive performance could not last long as the Indians outscored APSU 21-11 in the final seven minutes of the half to get within 15 of the Govs, 46-31. The Indians still managed to finish the half with a 37.5 field goal percentage despite not hitting a single three-point shot.

During the second half, the Indians clawed their way to within nine points with 4:57 left in the game after guard Yual Banks nailed his second consecutive three-pointer. The margin is the closest the Indians would get as the Govs finished the contest on a 17-7 run to secure the win.

The Govs, who nailed 10 of their 24 three-point attempts, relied on the outside shot for the majority of the game – something that is uncommon in a Dave Loos-coached team.

"I think that once we hit the first couple of threes then our confidence got built up and we just started hitting them," Wright said. "We have got to stop doing that, though, because it is costing us a lot of points."

Hampton finished the game with 22

points as Wright added 18 of his own. Senior center Zac Schlader posted 13 points, pushing himself over the 1,000 margin in scoring. Schlader is the 25th Governor, behind Hampton, to reach the mark.

"It means a lot," Hampton said. "Me and [Zac] came in together and we will be leaving together. When I broke the 1,000 mark, I was pushing for Zac to do it as well. When he made the shot, I think I was happier than he was."

"I have been playing with both of them for two years and I love both of them from the bottom of my heart," Wright added. "Anytime they get recognition and congratulated for what they have done I am happy for them."

The win improves the Govs to 16-12 on the season going into the season's final two games with Ohio Valley Conference opponents Eastern Kentucky and Morehead State.

"We really just have to forget about this night," Wright said. "It's not going to be like this in our conference games. We have got some tough games on the road and we are going to have to find a way to win on the road." ♦



JAROD LEONARD/ STAFF

Senior center Zac Schlader fights for position under the basket during the Govs' win over Tennessee State in the ESPN Bracketbuster contest. The 13 points pushed Schlader over the 1,000 mark in scoring during his career at APSU.