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ELECTIONS

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Executive council, senate candidacy declared for SGA elections

> By BRIAN BIGELOW Assistant News Editor

Elections will be held next week for the Student Government Association Executive Council and Senate, with the exception of freshman and graduate Senate

The executive council consists of the SGA president, vice president and executive secretary. Each college has three representatives in the Senate; each class has two representatives. There are also two graduate seats.

Voting for SGA elections begin at 9 a.m. Tuesday, March 22, and end at 11:59 p.m. Thursday, March 24.

Candidates for executive office must be full-time students, have and maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA and have served a minimum of two semesters in student government.

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More than \$1K received for **Breast Cancer Awareness Walk**

By CIDNIE SYDNEY-BREWINGTON

Donations received at the February 5K Breast Cancer Awareness Walk, co-sponsored by University Recreation and The Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center totaled more than \$1,000. The money was donated to Susan G. Komen for the Cure, a breast cancer awareness organization, to fund breast cancer research and education.

"University Recreation and the Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center organized this race to raise awareness

about breast cancer outside of the month of October [the official Breast Cancer Awareness Month], when a lot of other breast cancer events are held," said Lauren Wilkinson, University Recreation event coordinator.

Instead of charging the 194 participants to walk or run, donations were received from the day the race was advertised to the day of the race itself.

Volunteer groups and local businesses contributed to the race as well. The APSU Nursing Department, Public Safety, Public Relations and Marketing, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and Distinguished Steppers Unlimited, LLC "volunteered to help with the race in some form, whether it was working the route, [or the] refreshment table, [in] advertising, etc.," Wilkinson said.

"Kroger on both Madison Street and Lowes Drive donated \$10 gift cards, [with which] we purchased water," said Nicole Jamen, the AACC event coordinator. "Walmart, on Wilma Rudolph Boulevard, donated a \$50 gift card, [with which] we purchased snacks." The water and snacks were given to the participants during the

February's walk was the first 5K Breast Cancer Awareness Walk. "We are hoping ... [it] will be even bigger next year," Wilkinson said. TAS



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People walk a road between the rubble of destroyed buildings in Minamisanriku town, Miyagi Prefecture, northern Japan, Monday, March 14, three days after a powerful earthquake-triggered tsunami hit the country's east coast.

10,00

ESTIMATED DEATH TOLL COULD EXCEED APSU CURRENT **ENROLLMENT NUMBERS**



In the 65 years after the end of World War II, this is the toughest and the most difficult crisis for Japan." — Japanese Prime Minister Naoto Kan

The whole world has had their eyes on Japan since the devastating quake and tsunami hit. These chain reactions of natural disasters have caused nuclear reactors to fail and the *death* toll continues to raise into the thousands. Two APSU alumni share their eyewitness accounts of the earthquake, tsunami in their own words. One faculty member shares his wife's struggle to contact family in Japan.



NAME: Dustin Kramer city, Ibaraki school

LOCATION: Tsukuba Prefecture, Japan JOB: English teacher at a private language **DEGREE:** Broadcast Media in 2010

Tust two hours before Japan experienced the biggest earthquake in its recorded history, I was signing paperwork and reviewing contracts for moving into a new home. It was an abnormally beautiful day — the kind that really heralds the advent of spring.

I arrived at work earlier than my clock-in time and spent a lot of time chatting with my manager in Japanese. My students began to arrive for my first class - two women taking

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NAME: Dru Winn **LOCATION:** Ewa Beach, Hawaii JOB: Graphic arts designer at The Hale Koa Hotel DEGREE: M.A. in Corporate Comm. in 2009

n March 10, my husband Greg and I cooked dinner and settled in to watch television. I asked if he could go put some gas in my car because I had forgotten on

my way home from work. While he was at the gas station, I started checking my Twitter page. I noticed a few of the local TV stations put up posts about a tsunami watch in effect for Hawaii. I turned on the news station, Hawaii News Now, and watched the

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NAME: David Nelson LOCATION: Clarksville, JOB: Assistant professor of history and philosophy WIFE: Naoko, whose family lives in Chiba Prefecture, Japan

My wife, Naoko, is a Japanese national from Chiba Prefecture, which lies just southeast of Tokyo. Fortunately for us, her family was not hurt by the earthquake. Naoko was able to get a hold of her mother, who expressed to us that it was the most powerful earthquake she had ever experienced — in fact, it was the worst earthquake in 140 years, and the world's fifth most powerful earthquake in the last 100 years.

Naoko was unable to

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IMPACT

Japan Central Bank injected **\$184 BILLION** into money markets

At least \$100 BILLION in losses from earthquake, tsunami and fires

Nearly 127 MILLION people live in Japan

Nearly **2.5 MILLION** people are without power

More than **210,000** residents have been evacuated near the Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear plant

Energy released from the earthquake was the equivalent to 17,500 nuclear bombs

makeshift rescue centers

100,000 Japanese soldiers sent to the

affected region

215,000 people living in

More than **10,000** people have died, the number is expected to

2,050 evacuation centers have been set up in

At least **1,500** people have been tested for radiation exposure

47°/23° is the average high/low for March in Sendai, Japan

The earth was thrown off its axis by **9.8 INCHES**

9.0-MAGNITUDE

earthquake struck 80 miles in the Pacific Ocean near Sendai , Japan on Friday, March 11

7.8 FEET is how far Japan shifted east from its poistion

Numbers are as of press time, Monday, March 14

HOW TO HELP

DONATIONS for the Japan earthquake and tsunami can be made to the American Red Cross at american. redcross.org/site/ Donation2?idb=0&5052. donation=form1&df_ id=5052

TO FIND OR POST INFORMATION

regarding a missing person from the Japan earthquake and tsunami, visit japan.person-finder. appspot.com/?lang=en

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Wednesday, March. 2

Action President Kenny Kennedy gave his president's report. Executive council met Friday, March. 4, with Mitch Robinson and discussed enforcement of new smoking policy.	Vote None	What it means for you A new on-campus smoking policy is getting closer to being implemented and enforced.
Senator RJ Taylor sat in Homecoming Committee. President Kennedy read ideas for Homecoming themes, asked Senate for opinions and suggestions.	None	Homecoming theme is getting closer to being finalized.
Online Course Committee met and lacks a student representative. Committee looking for another committee member to fill vacant spot.	None	Vacant spot on Online Course Committee open to committee members.

Next meeting: Wednesday, March 16, at 4:00 p.m. in MUC 307

UNITY CELEBRATION DINNER



MATEEN SIDIQ | SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER

The Unity Celebration Dinner featuring Robert F. Kennedy Jr. was held Wednesday, March 2. Kennedy waves to those attending the dinner before his speech.



The APSU crime log includes arrests and dispatch callins. As mandated by Tennessee law, the crime log is updated within two business days of an incident and new information to an incident available for public inspection any time during normal business hours.

- 1:42 a.m.; March 10; Emerald Hills/Two Rivers; contempt of court
- 9:49 p.m.; March 8; Emerald Hills/Two Rivers; domestic assault
- 10:11 p.m.; March 7; Killebrew Hall; theft of property
- 9:32 p.m.; March 5; Emerald Hills/Two Rivers; manufacture of a controlled substance
- 9:32 p.m.; March 5; Emerald Hills/Two Rivers; possession by minor unlawful
- 12:34 a.m.; March 5; Emerald Hills and Two Rivers lot; aggravated burglary
- 12:44 p.m.; March 4; Burt lot; burglary
- 4:55 p.m.; March 4; MUC; assault
- 4:38 p.m.; March 3; Clement; assault
- 3:25 p.m.; March 2; Killebrew hall; vandalism
- 10:10 p.m.; March 2; Cross hall; criminal trespass
- 6:03 p.m.; Feb. 28; MUC; theft of property
- 12:52 p.m.; Feb. 28; off campus; theft of property
- 9:59 a.m.; Feb. 25; vandalism
- 9:59 a.m.; Feb. 25; theft of property

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Elections

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SGA Presidential Candidates:

Trenton Gaasch

In his three years at APSU, Trenton Gaasch, SGA presidential candidate and current SGA chief justice, has served in all three branches of APSU student



Gaasch

government. In the legislative branch, Gaasch served as a freshman SGA senator and chief clerk of the

Senate. Gaasch later served in the judicial branch as a justice and associate justice before being appointed to the executive branch position of SGA chief justice.

The purpose of SGA is to be the voice of the students," Gaasch said. "I believe a lot of the students' needs and concerns are neglected and thus, remain agitations rather than being pursued and brought to the attention of the necessary faculty and staff on campus."

"I believe that change is only plausible if one is willing to designate the time and effort required to accomplish it," Gaasch said.

Gaasch lists among his chief concerns: greater communication between students and SGA, better parking, increased ridership of the Peay Pickup, access to the Foy pool during the summer for all students registered full-time for the following fall and establishing more engaging activities for students on

campus. Gaasch also wants to establish a "table of concern" in the MUC where students can directly address concerns to a member of the SGA.

As chief justice, Gaasch was the chair of the Internal Affairs Committee and constructed the Mudbowl Executive Committee. Gaasch has twice attended the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature, where he wrote legislation encouraging the incorporation of Spanish classes into kindergarten through fifth grade curriculum.

TISL is an annual legislative session conducted by Tennessee college students providing an opportunity to write and debate legislation. Some TISL legislation is submitted to the Tennessee General Assembly.

Gaasch is a junior biology major with a concentration in pre-med and a minor in chemistry. Gaasch plans on attending medical school and "eventually becoming a medical missions doctor."

Kelvin Rutledge

Kelvin Rutledge, a candidate for SGA president, is a junior sociology and political science major with a minor in leadership.

"I have decided to run ... because I believe that



Rutledge

progress happen on campus and see that services are being used effectively," Rutledge said.

students

want to see

"I want to commit my time to ensuring that students are seeing APSU become progressively better in all facets of college life."

Rutledge has served as a senior class SGA senator for one year and on the University Hearing Board and the University Diversity Committee. Rutledge also served four years in student government during high school.

Rutledge has titled his platform "Small initiatives to improve the big picture at APSU," and cites "social development, safety development, student/staff relations development and media development" as the areas he would focus on in the coming year if elected.

During his time in SGA, Rutledge has written legislation for students "who were being cited for a specific [parking] lot, and seeing if the campus would pave and resign the lot," and participated in the Online Course Committee where he has been involved in "looking at how to improve the quality of D2L content."

Rutledge plans to pursue a master's degree in higher education administration or sociology and hopes to work as a university official.

Vice Presidential **Candidates:**

Catherine "Cady" Denton

Vice Presidential candidate Catherine "Cady" Denton has served as an SGA senator for the College of Arts and Letters for the past two years. Denton has also been on the Public Relations committee and served as chief clerk of the Senate.

Denton lists among her primary concerns: advocating greater SGA involvement on campus, promoting "better senator retention," "more legislation from senators," increased Peay Pickup ridership, better ways to provide information to students and improving SGA sponsored events.

"I want to see that senators are more connected to their constituents," Denton said. "I want to ensure that the student-elected, as well as appointed, representatives ... are doing everything in their power to address the concerns of their constituents."

This semester, Denton wrote and co-sponsored a resolution to make access to the Foy pool available free of charge during the summer to all students that have successfully

completed

the spring

semester.

also on the

committee

the smoking

policy on



Denton

campus.

Denton attended TISL in the fall and wrote and passed a piece of legislation to set standards for security in Tennessee public schools." Denton credits TISL with providing her a "crash-course in what it is like to participate in government at a state level" and gave her a "more well-rounded understanding of how the legislative branch works."

Denton is a junior English major with a minor in psychology. After graduation, Denton plans to attend graduate school and pursue a career in higher education.

Denton is unopposed.

Executive Secretary Candidates:

Jesse Brewer

Executive secretary candidate Jesse Brewer has previously served on SGA

as a freshman senator and is currently serving as a senator for the College of Arts and Letters. Brewer is a sophomore.



Brewer

"I care about APSU, which is why I am running for this position," "If elected,

Brewer said. I will work to hold a relaxed forum for students to voice their opinion of what they would like to see on campus. Properly pursued, students will have a voice in directing

Brewer is currently the president of the Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society, the fundraising co-chair for the Dance Marathon and has participated in both Mudbowl and GHOST.

the legislation which senators

"I have high expectations of what SGA can accomplish," Brewer said. "I know that, if elected, I will work with senators to encourage, unify and bring about great pieces of legislation to further enhance the college experience at APSU."

Stephen "Drew" Smith

Stephen "Drew" Smith is a freshman history major and is running for the position of executive secretary. Smith is currently an SGA freshman senator.



"SGA has gotten away from the purpose of why we are elected," Smith said. "When I joined SGA, I expected it to push me to be a voice for students, and I want to bring that back to the forefront of what SGA does."

"I want to do everything possible to better the college for every student at APSU," Smith said.

During high school, Smith was president of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes for two years. Smith also represented APSU at TISL in the fall, where he presented legislation that was passed.

After getting his undergraduate degree, Smith plans on attending the University of Tennessee School of Law and desires to ultimately get involved in national politics. TAS

SGA senate candidates:

Junior Senator: Roger "RJ" Taylor, Jr.

Sophomore Senator: Kelsie Penick

College of Arts and **Letters:**

> Jonathan Jeans Thomas Paul Smith

College of Math and Science: Kayla Ellis

Hannah Farrar Krystle Irizarry

College of Behavioral and Health Sciences: James Cameron

Bentley Carlos Moreno

College of Business: Ashley E. White

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an advanced conversation lesson, or "high level discussion." The class began at 2:45 p.m.

We had barely settled into our seats going over the events of our respective weeks when the earthquake began. At first it seemed like the typical tremor I have grown accustomed to over the past seven months, but it quickly became something quite different.

One of my students commented the quake was lasting longer than usual. A few moments later, she reiterated the event was unusually extended. About that time, the tremor ramped up and became very violent.

I assumed control and suggested we move under the classroom table. The three of us curled up under the protective surface and watched out the room's floor-to-ceiling windows as buildings and signs swayed, traffic halted and people ran from nearby buildings, often covering their heads or crouching down to retain balance.

Books and papers began flying off shelves and heavier things were heard crashing against the hardwood floor in the lobby of the school. My students were panicky and screaming. It was clear neither of them had experienced anything like this in their entire lives, a fact they admitted later.

The initial quake probably only lasted about two or three minutes, but it felt like a solid four or five.

After the shaking died down, my students left to check on their homes and families, and I began to help my manager in cleaning up

the school. About 30 minutes later, we had our first sizable aftershock, an aspect of life after the quake I am still dealing with. Initially, the aftershocks were coming every two to five minutes. Later that night, they had spread out to every five to 10 minutes. Today, about 32 hours later, they are still coming every 30 minutes to

an hour. My fiancée, Jessica Miller, said she's felt like she's been in one long earthquake for more than a day because of all the aftershocks. The feeling it's given us has is like seasickness.

Currently, the running water is being turned on in brief intervals to insure it's being treated properly. We are among the lucky 20 percent of homes in our prefecture to have electricity right now. The convenience stores and supermarkets have been cleaned of bottled water, dry goods, canned foods and bread. I am getting on much better than many people in this country right now, but I understand the magnitude of this situation - no pun intended. I can easily say it's been the most terrifying experience of my

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devastation in Japan. I told Greg about it when he got home. We decided we would evacuate if it upgraded to a warning because we live dangerously close to the evacuation zone. We live about a halfmile from the beach, and the tsunami in Japan came

inland six miles. While the odds of it coming in that much were slim, a half-mile is not something I like to play

About an hour later, the tsunami watch was upgraded to a warning. We got ready to go. We packed enough clothes and materials for about a week and got our two dogs and cat ready.

Our friends who live in Halemano Village, a mountain area near North Shore, offered to let us stay there. While we were getting ready, I looked outside and saw half of our neighborhood driving off or packing up their cars to evacuate.

As we drove up to Halemano, we saw some pretty interesting things. The gas station by our house had a line wrapped around it at

least a half-mile long. About halfway to Halemano, we saw a large puff of smoke. We didn't think much of it. During the first tsunami warning we

went through, in 2010, there were tons of people having tailgate parties on the side of the road with grills and cases of beer.

This time, we drove through the cloud of smoke expecting to see a grill. Instead, we saw a car on fire, flames coming out of the hood. About 10 66 people were standing

near it, nonchalantly. We just looked at each other and kept driving.

When we got to Halemano, we unloaded the dogs, cat and our things and sat down to watch the TV footage with our friends Corey and Sam. Most of the footage was about what potentially could happen depending on the size and strength of the wave.

They estimated the wave would hit Kauai just before 3 a.m. and then arrive at Oahu around 3:20. a.m. At about 2 a.m., we all decided to take a nap and set an alarm for 3:00 a.m. to watch the waves hit.

Greg and I woke up at 3:00 a.m. and turned on our computer to watch the footage.

It showed wave patterns acting a bit different, but nothing to crazy. I was checking my phone for any first accounts from Twitter or Facebook when Greg said, "Oh my God. There's no water!"

I jumped up and went to

We were watching the video feed from Diamond Head where moments before there was water all the way up to the beach. Now, there was no water to be seen. You always hear about a tsunami sucking in the water before the wave comes.

the computer. It was insane.

Greg and I braced ourselves for the worst. We sat there in

That's one of the awe. We'd prices we pay for living never seen anything like in a place so beautiful it. I thought about our house, as well

as my work in Waikiki. Soon, the water started coming in. Thankfully, it did not have much power. The water came in higher than normal, but it was not enough to do any major damage. The water receded again and the same thing happened. This went on for

quite some time. The damage on Oahu was primarily to boats. I know the water came up much higher than usual and went into some parking lots close to shore. The main damage happened to Maui and the Big Island. They experienced some flooding. Hawaii was very lucky to have suffered minimal damage.

We went to bed around 5 a.m. and took a nap. We had no phone service all evening. I was able to use Facebook and Twitter occasionally.

I was supposed to go into work at 8:30 a.m., but since phones weren't working, I

didn't know if it was safe. Finally, I got a text from my supervisor saying our marketing director didn't need me to come in and that I would be placed on admin leave. Since we were not sure of the damage near our home, they told us to just go home, check on that and not worry about reporting to work. With only about an hour or two of sleep, I was glad to have the day off.

Later, we noticed the water looked strange. It looked dirty and we could see the reef more than usual. There was still an advisory for the water, and it was obvious we shouldn't go in it for a couple of days until after the wave patterns calmed down. Otherwise, our neighborhood suffered no damage.

Everything on Oahu went back to normal pretty quickly. At noon, most Hawaii businesses were up and running. In fact, one of the main topics on the radio was whether or not the tsunami would hinder the sales of the iPad 2.

You would never know anything even happened, the way people are back on the beaches. A lot of fundraisers and concerts are going on to benefit Japan right now. Otherwise, there is no indication Hawaii could have been in harms

The tsunami warnings are pretty scary, but we know that's one of the prices way pay for living in a place so beautiful. TAS

Nelson

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contact her brother for the better part of Friday; in the evening, he was able to text a message to assure us that he was all right. He was forced to spend a night at his office in Tokyo because public transportation was disrupted. As I write this, Tokyo metropolitan transportation is still not back to full capacity. Train lines are operating at 30 percent capacity, making it difficult for workers living in the suburbs of Tokyo to go to work. Supermarket supply lines have been severely disrupted, resulting in long lines and limits

on individual food purchases. Kerosene and propane, the fuels most commonly used to heat people's homes, are also in limited supply. Northern Japan's electric grid has also been severely affected, leading to rolling blackouts.

The above challenges I mention do not even come close to describing the destruction and loss of life in the directly affected areas of Miyagi and Fukushima Prefectures. It is now estimated over 10,000 individuals lost

Roads, bridges, railway lines were swept away, making it hard for government emergency services to reach survisvors in isolated locales. - Add to that the threat of muclear reactor meltdown and potential radioactive fallout, and one can only predict a much

larger death toll.

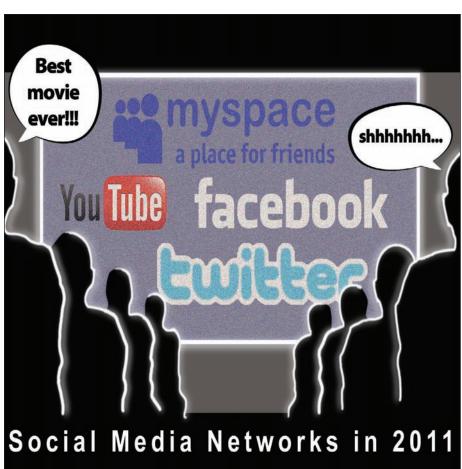
their lives to the 33 foot-high tsunami that destroyed and swept away everything in its path. Videos posted on the Internet show

the tragic, devastating majesty of nature. Roads, bridges, railway lines were swept away, making it hard for government emergency services to reach survivors in isolated locales, and the markets to survive are quickly running out of food and fuel. Add to that the threat of nuclear reactor meltdown and potential radioactive fallout, and one can only

predict a much larger death toll. At this time, the Japanese government has

not issued a formal request for assistance. In a similar vein, Naoko's mother compared the current crisis to her memories of the shortages that followed World War II, but still did not think it had reached a level of desperation that required international assistance. In my opinion, Japan's reticence to accept humanitarian aid may result in Katrina-like delays that will only lead to increased human tragedy. Hopefully, officials will reconsider their position soon. For this reason, Naoko and I ask that you donate what you can to the American Red Cross's Japan Earthquake & Pacific Tsunami disaster relief fund. Please go to their website (american. redcross.org) to find out how to do so. TAS

Social networks an improvement, crutch in human interaction



JOHN PEREZ | PERSPECTIVES EDITOR

Catherine Weiss Staff Writer

I hate to admit it but I'm addicted to Facebook. I cruise on the wretched site for at least two hours a day and often take breaks during my countless hours of studying to stalk my friends, like photos and Facebook chat.

Facebook is great for connecting with the old friends and keeping in touch with the new, but with a new level of social interaction, we're leaving ourselves stuck in the limbo of e-interaction and actual social interaction.

When you write on someone's Facebook you two should hang out sometime, when it really means you will never actually hang out with that person. It's like when you asked your parents for a tiger for Christmas and they said maybe.

With the dawn of our advanced social age, more and more people are focusing entirely too much on interaction online and far less on physical interactions. Society has become completely dependent on social sites to advertise new products, spread the word about current events and follow their favorite celebrities and family members alike.

The Chronicle of Higher Education (www. chronicle.com) reported college students who gave up all social media for 24 hours reported withdrawal symptoms similar to symptoms experienced when withdrawing from actual drug use. If you missed the horrifying hilarity that was APSU's Facebook page during this past semester's snow days, then I suggest you look back at the level of social interaction going on then.

Countless people wrote complains on the page about road conditions while others simply poked fun at people they don't even know, resorting to name calling just

because a flurry hit their windshield. Typical social boundaries, like properly addressing a stranger, were completely dissolved.

What few realize is APSU's Facebook page is open to the public, meaning every time you belittle someone for telling you to "suck it up," you've put on a show for future employers. Let's face it, it's time to man up and step

I know people make fun of "World of Warcraft" players for sitting at a computer for hours, downing cans of Mountain Dew and using game specific terms. Where is the line drawn for Facebook users who play Farmville, chat for hours and update their statuses so often they deserve at least two Twitter accounts?

As we head out into the real world and are forced into awkward and uncharted social settings, we can't ALT+F4 ourselves out of the picture. We must remember memories aren't made in 160 characters or less. TAS



CHRISTY WALKER | GRAPHIC DESIGNER

YOUR TAKE

Do you think social networks improve the way we communicate?



Yes, because people tend to check these social sites more than e-mail and this improves speed of communication."

Megan Witty, freshman radiology technology



Facebook allows people to contact each other after years of separation and keep in touch easily with people they already know. It's very organized and personalized and easily accessible."

Olivia Ware, freshman psychology major



Yes and no. They add immediacy, but make communication less formal and I feel like they cater to our generation. We are being raised to expect immediate gratification."

Victoria Buckner, freshman education major



I believe the ability to instantly communicate allows for people to get to know their fellow humans better and faster, thus allowing for more time for talking and interaction."

Geordan Goldtrap, junior english major



To some extent, yes, but I also feel like these sites inhibit our communication with others. Instant messages are very different in comparison to real conversations with peers." Zach Inman, sophomore biology major



Facebook is useful for communicating with many people at once. Preferably, I only communicate with people I know using Facebook. The likelihood of someone falsifying their information and remaining anonymous over the Internet is a very real possibility." Will Cothron, sophomore

history major



It improves communication by the simple fact that it's faster. The world and society can send a message in seconds. It's a great way to communicate.

Improving the way we interact is a different story. It makes us not able to have long conversations because of texting. We get used to talking to people through electronics and when we are faced with a person we tend to be different. This affects people getting jobs because people are not used to confrontation and they cannot handle conversations."

James Eichel, sophomore history major

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Female bullying still evident during high school, college years



News Editor

Wedgies, swirlies and name calling are all stereotypical behaviors of

grade school bullies. But isolating, gossiping and of female bullying.

ridiculing are all behaviors Bullying does not stop

of physical blows, adult females dole out emotional blows. Women not only enjoy tearing each other down but also tend to turn a cold shoulder and build animosity. Insecurities may be the

in grade school. Instead

root of the problem. When one feels insecure, a weak person belittles someone else to feel better. With the media sending the message to be perfect a woman must have glowing skin, sleek tresses and be a size two with

curves, women's confidence seems to be at a low.

Bringing down another woman does not seem to be the only way most women make themselves feel better, but it also seems to be the norm. Take a look at popular shows such as the "Real Housewives" series. The women on the show bond while talking trash about another woman.

In fact, most reality shows portray women gossiping and being two-faced to one another because of

personal gain, jealousy or anger. "Ten years of reality programming has eliminated virtually all traces of strong female friendships," said Jennifer Pozner, media critic and author.

Another characteristic of the women on reality television is the absence of maturity when dealing with problems. Rachel Simmons, an expert on female aggression, said, "For women and girls, relationships are a

source of solace and power." Unlike the quick blow

and few angry words of a fight between men, a fight between women will continue because of lack of communication. A woman will ridicule and be catty to achieve a similar result.

The terrible thing about these behaviors is the bullying is starting at a young age. Girls in middle school are emotionally abusing each other and find the ridicule delightful.

The ability for females to bully is becoming easier and wider spread with the sites. Posts making fun of other females are common in news feeds. The ridicule will quickly reach a larger audience and the effects may be irreversible. Ladies, please grow up

use of social networking

and stop this. Be mature and face the friend who made you upset. Being emotionally cruel is not fair to any party and only adds stress. If you don't feel confident, remind yourself of reasons you are beautiful, successful and unique. TAS

Sustainable campus fee committee sees new proposals



Staff Writer

The Sustainable Campus Fee Committee held its first meeting of 2011 on Friday, March 4. At this meeting, members discussed recent and new proposals for allocation of the Sustainable Campus Fee. Proposals, as usual, came from students, faculty and staff. At this time and until Friday, March 18, committee members are weighing options during an open vote period. The following are some of the big topics being considered.

First, an unexpected obstacle poses a setback to last semester's approved solar parking canopy. According to new figures based on the increased cost of materials, the project may be considerably more expensive. The current vote is to increase the budget for the solar parking canopy from \$65,000 to nearly \$100,000. While that may sound like a lot of money, and surely it is,

it is a great opportunity for campus to demonstrate its commitment to renewable energy, which is just the sort of goal intended for when the Sustainable Campus Fee was created.

Two other proposals were submitted requesting energyefficient vehicles for use by campus personnel. The first, a \$16,000 request, would add one new electric vehicle to the fleet already used by many groups on campus, and includes the cost of one new electrical charging outlet. The

other

proposal

asks for

a hybrid

vehicle,

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for official use off campus by the Admissions office. While both proposals would be fair use of the Sustainable Campus Fee, the committee agreed the cost of the hybrid vehicle would be considered for covering the cost difference between a new hybrid vehicle and a comparable gasoline vehicle. Also under review are

two proposals for the APSU Farm. A water reclamation system would cost \$6,600 and a nutrient management manure spreader would cost \$11,000. The rain water reclamation project would recycle rain water for farm animal consumption, thus decreasing water demands from alternative sources and utilizing the natural cooling provided from underground storage. The manure spreader would limit the need for transported soil fertilizer in exchange for the local, on-site service provided

for free by the farm animals, thus helping maintain the natural flow of the nutrient cycle.

The last proposal suggests APSU participate in TVA's Green Power Switch program.

This proposal, worth \$18,000, would purchase one mega block of "green" power from TVA. By making this vote, the university would be issuing a request to Tennessee's dominate energy supplier to invest more in renewable energy sources, whether from solar, wind, biofuel or any other source of energy which is not



Joseph Schiller, professor of biological science, discusses a proposal made by members of the Sustainable Campus Fee Committee on Friday, March 4.

dependant on burning fossil fuels.

In 2006, when the Sustainable Campus Fee was created, there was a particular commitment the university adopted — making APSU a pioneer in Tennessee's emerging renewable energy

efforts. This code has been overshadowed by other plans and goals, but students can remind APSU what the Sustainable Campus Fee is all about. Open class discussions, talk with other students over lunch, join in campus events or start your

own and submit sustainable proposals.

Through sustainable projects and the production and purchasing of renewable energy, APSU can still meet its commitment to share in the responsibility for a clean energy future. TAS

Obama admits he was initially wrong in abandoning down Guantanamo Bay



KING FEATURES WEEKLY



Assistant Perspectives Editor

Much to the chagrin of the administration preceding him, President Obama closed the doors of the controversial prison at Guantanamo Bay in Cuba just over two years ago in favor of seeking civil trials for each of its detainees in

American court systems. This followed a lengthy crusade against the notoriously forceful treatment of prisoners in off-shore detention centers on the grounds it was not in keeping with American values and tarnished the United States international image. When the interrogation methods being used at Guantanamo

Bay were brought to light, few could oppose a definitive ending.

Though some would have preferred the prison stay open because of a lingering 9/11 mindset, most opposition appeared once citizens realized the trials that would've occurred overseas would occur near home instead. Still,

Obama fought for civil trials for the prisoners. He repeatedly implied the American judicial system was and has always been the best means for bringing individuals to justice.

This extended to holding trials for alleged terrorists in places such as lower Manhattan, despite the pleas of the city's mayor and citizens. After rallying against Guantanamo and all that it stands for prior to and following his election, President Obama has chosen to reopen Guantanamo Bay

and to resume the military trials he argued against, with several tweaks to the previous system of trial.

In all of the rage and rhetoric thrown about three years ago in discussions of Gitmo, our president failed to seek congressional support of his promise to close it permanently. The only order pertaining to the prison was purely Executive, leaving President Obama room to reverse it at his discretion.

While we were under the impression Gitmo would never again be used in the trials of alleged terrorists, this decision was never concrete, as demonstrated by Obama's once again purely executive decision to reopen it.

Albeit, congressional support for nearly anything is hard to come by with the government behaving the way it is now, but Obama never sought to negotiate any sort of new policy

concerning the treatment of prisoners. Instead, he acted alone, making one decision he felt would be best for the American public and then reversing it when he came to the conclusion it was wrong.

This is not the way our government should be conducted. No one person should be left to make a decision so vitally important to both national security and our international reputation. When our leader makes a promise to us, we should be able to trust him to follow through, rather than signing something to appease the voters while failing to solidify it before the rest of our elected officials.

If the members of the American judicial system are the best qualified decision makers in the world, I'm sure the American government is also capable of coming to a consensus over matters of national security. TAS

Fight against meth labs in Tennessee in jeopardy due to lack of funding

Associated Press

Faced with a loss of federal funding to clean up the state's growing number of sites where methamphetamine is manufactured, the Tennessee Legislature appears divided over a response.

On the one hand, there is a bill by Sen. Mae Beavers, R-Mount Juliet, that would establish a new tracking system for overthe-counter sales of drugs used to make meth.

On the other, there is what Sen. Randy McNally, R-Oak Ridge, calls the nuclear option: making drugs containing meth's main ingredient, pseudoephedrine, available only by prescription.

With vigorous enforcement, perhaps, the proposals might make a small dent in the enormous number of meth labs in Tennessee, but neither alone will solve the state's problem without the money to prosecute meth makers

and clean up behind them. There is the possibility the Legislature will pass one of these options, declare victory over methmaking and go home.

Another option is to put state and federal heads together, discover a little humility in admitting that not all earmarks are bad — after all, they come from our tax money and try to salvage some Drug Enforcement Administration funding to fight this scourge.

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While the two options in Nashville represent sincere efforts, Tennessee did not achieve its No. 2 distinction overnight. Meth makers are as clever as they are desperate and will find ways to skirt a prescription-only law, which will penalize law-

abiding people. Tracking appears the more sensible route. While the state requires pharmacies to report all pseudoephedrine sales, it doesn't require they use an existing law enforcement data base. That could be remedied, allowing the state's Methamphetamine Task Force to operate more effectively.

There are some budget cuts that carry a greater and more tragic longrange cost, and this is one. Keeping Tennessee from becoming "the meth state" makes the effort to find that funding more important than ever. TAS

Tennesee legislature to outlaw Islam seen as unconstitutional

Associated Press

A bill in the Tennessee Legislature that would basically outlaw Islam is obviously unconstitutional and an embarrassment to the entire state.

State Sen. Bill Ketron, R-Murfreesboro, the legislation's sponsor, should withdraw the odious bill and issue an apology to all state residents, Muslims in

The bill ostensibly addresses terrorism but in reality

outlaws a religion. That's unacceptable, unsupportable and unconscionable. It's also unconstitutional on a variety of

Ketron's bill would require the state attorney general to label any organization that advocates adherence to Shariah, the Muslim religious and legal proscriptions, as a terrorist group. The organization's finances would be frozen immediately and members could face felony charges that could result in as many as 15

years in prison. Employees, presumably including school teachers and administrative assistants, are specifically targeted for possible prosecution.

A disclaimer that the law doesn't apply to peaceful followers of Islam is laughable.

The bill also would set up the state attorney general as a grand inquisitor, giving the office sole authority to designate an outlaw organization using secret evidence out of the scrutiny of the public. Organizations wouldn't be

able to appeal the designation for

Jailing Tennessee residents for practicing a religion is terrible to contemplate. The bill is repugnant and runs counter to America's tolerance of all religious faiths. The Constitution forbids the enactment of a law that would interfere with the free exercise of religion, and Islam is one of the world's oldest faiths.

The bill didn't originate in Tennessee. According to The Associated Press, the Tennessee

Eagle Forum gave the bill's text to Ketron and House Speaker Pro Tempore Judd Matheny, R-Tullahoma. Eagle Forum state President Bobbie Patray told the AP it was drafted by David Yerushalmi, an Arizona-based attorney who runs the Society of Americans for National Existence, a nonprofit that claims following Shariahh is treasonous.

Religious liberty is at the core of American values. Ketron's bill poses a threat to those values and must be defeated. **TAS**

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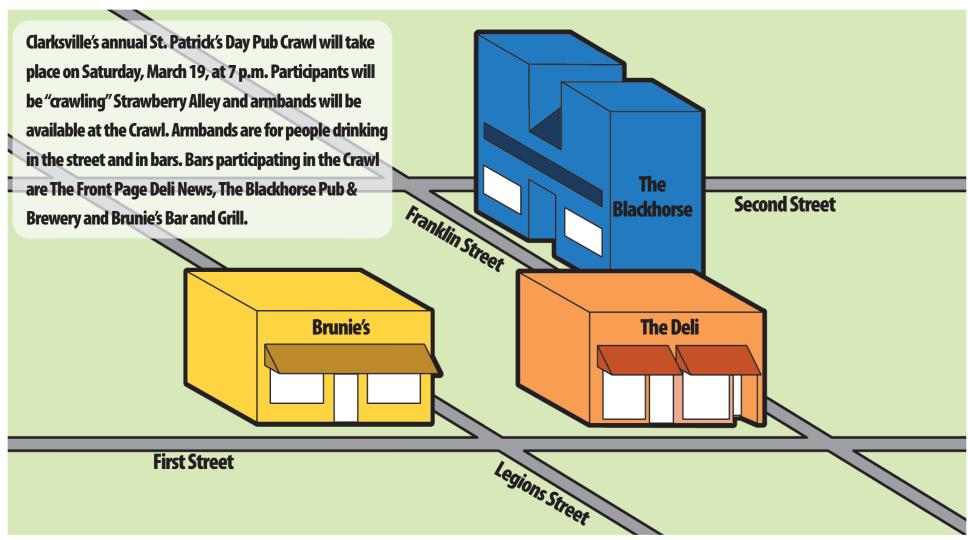


COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- Wednesday, March 16, 2 p.m., AP **Leadership**, MUC 312
- Wednesday, March 16, 2:30 p.m., Wellness Class: Climbing, Foy Fitness and Recreation Center
- Wednesday, March 16, 4:30 p.m., All **Greek Meeting Speaker**, Clement Auditorium
- Wednesday, March 16, 6 p.m., Spring Social, MUC 306
- Wednesday, March 16, 6 p.m., Last Comic **Standing**, Einstein Bros. Bagels
- Wednesday, March 16, 9 p.m., James McMurtry, Bluebird Cafe
- Thursday, March 17, 8 a.m., HCC Donut **Day**, MUC Lobby
- Thursday, March 17, 8 a.m., St. Patrick's **Day Fundraiser**
- Thursday, March 17, 5 p.m., Wellness Class: Fitness, Foy Fitness and Recreation Center
- Thursday, March 17, 6 p.m., Global Govs Visit Haiti: Movie "The Road to Fondwa," MUC 103C
- Thursday, March 17, 7:30 p.m., **5th Annual Spring Dance Concert**, Trahern Theatre
- Concert Hall
- **Senior Recital**
- **Signing and Discussion**, Barnes & Noble
- **Grad Recital**
- Story Time, Wilma Rudolph
- (Nashville)
- Montana, The Gulch (Nashville)
- MMC Concert Hall
- Sunday, March 20, 4 p.m., The Austin
- Class: Cooking, Foy Fitness and **Recreation Center**
- Concert Hall
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- **Concepts**, Foy Fitness and Recreation Center 202
- Loni Love, Clement Auditorium
- Genealogy Classes, Clarksville-
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- Classes, Clarksville Unitarian Universalist **Fellowship**

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DAVID HOERNLEN | GRAPHIC DESIGNER

College of Business hosts 'Operation: Stuffed Sidekicks'

By ALEXANDRA WHITE Staff Writer

Do you find yourself constantly looking for a place to hide away those old stuffed animals of yours? We all have those few remaining stuffed animals from our childhood we have held onto all these years — maybe in an effort to keep part of our childhood with us, or because we simply cannot part with our favorite childhood friends.

Now they sit alone or tucked away

in hidden spaces where no one can see, unloved and unused.

If you're looking for a good home for those old friends, look no further. For the month of March, Operation: Stuffed Sidekicks will be kicking off. Operation: Stuffed Sidekicks is an event hosted by the College of Business and is a stuffed animal toy drive that encourages students to donate their gently used stuffed animals. The department in return, will be disbursing the stuffed animals collected to nursing

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Clarksville area.

The College of Business is challenging the students, APSU organizations and departments to get involved and participate in friendly healthy competition. The winning organization of Operation: Stuffed Sidekicks will receive recognition, honored by an award and will have bragging rights for the rest of the year.

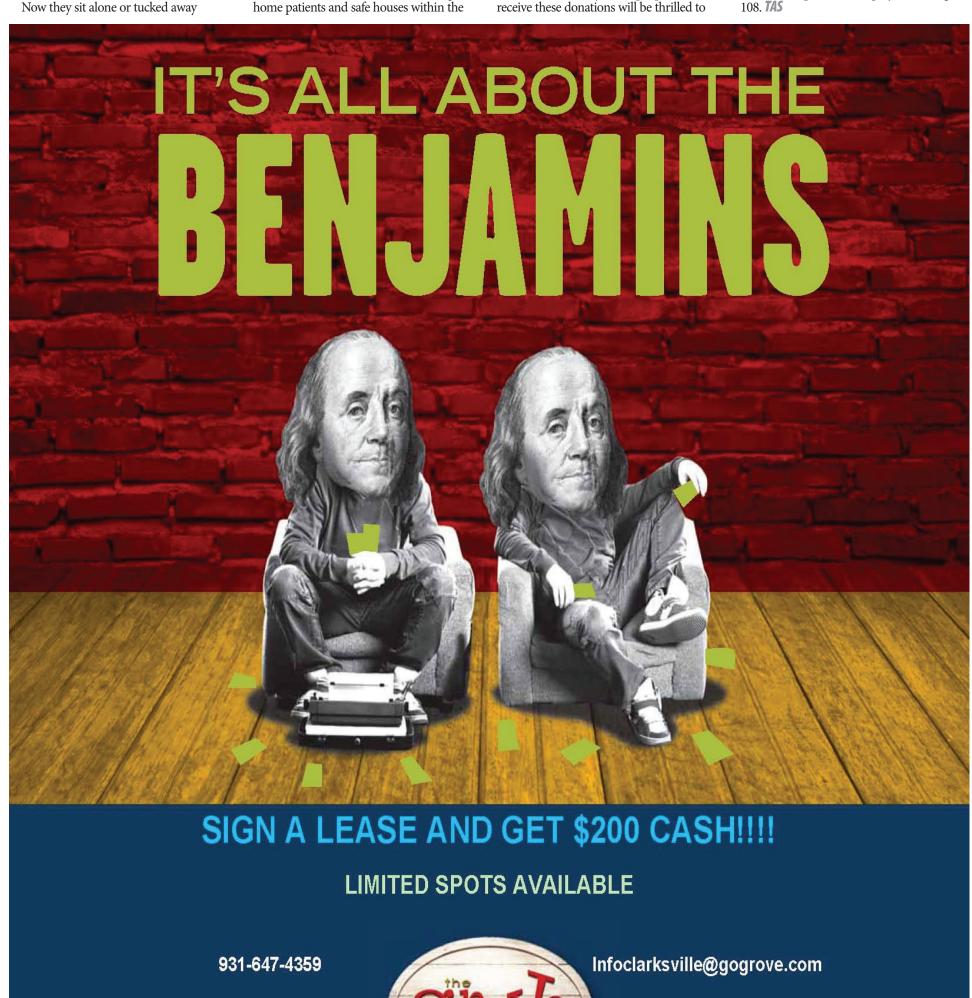
Not only does it bring healthy competition to campus but it also helps those in need. Many of the people who receive these donations will be thrilled to have unwanted stuffed animals.

Lets face it — if they aren't being used, why not donate them to a good cause? The drive began Tuesday, March 1, and will end Friday, March 25.

Stuffed animals should be turned in to Kimbrough 108, where an organization or department will be able to receive credit for

For more information, questions on this event or how to get involved, please contact Matthew Kilpatrick or stop by Kimbrough

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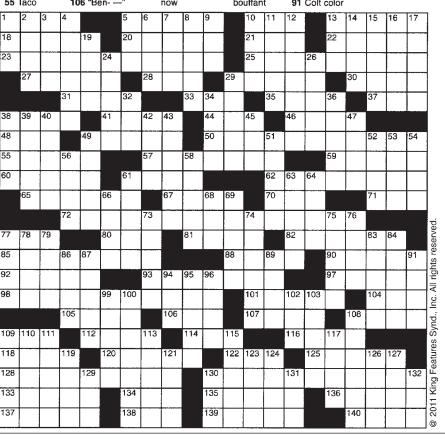
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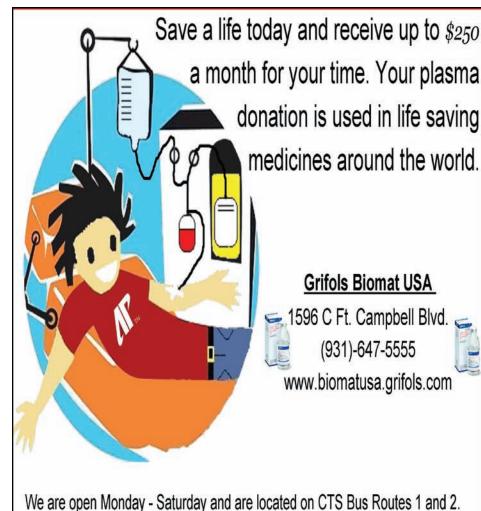
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Bat Govs thumped by Red Wolves



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By ANTHONY SHINGLER Senior Staff Writer

average on the season.

The Govs baseball team went on the road to face the Arkansas State Red Wolves. They dropped the first two games of the series, 6-1 on Friday, March 11, and 11-2 on Saturday, March 12.

Afterwards, they picked up the series finale 9-2 on Sunday, March 13, to improve to 8-6 on the season.

Game 1 Govs lose 11-2 APSU 000 100 010 - 2 Ark. St 200 020 43X - 11

In the first game, the Govs

(8-6) struggled to generate any offense. They left eight on the bases and produced only two runs on four hits.

Meanwhile, Arkansas State (8-9) pounded Govs sophomore lefty starter Zach Toney for four runs on five hits en route to a season high 11 runs on 12 hits.

Toney (1-1) was tagged with his first loss of the season. He pitched 4.2 innings, walked four, struck out five and allowed five hits with four earned runs.

The Govs got on the board in the fourth. Freshman right fielder Rolando Gautier singled to bring home sophomore left fielder Cody Hudson for the first Govs run. Gautier finished 1-for-4 with an RBI.

The Govs scored their last run in the eighth inning when sophomore first baseman John Hogan flied out and brought home junior second baseman Jon Clinard.

Game 2 Govs lose 6-1 APSU 000 001 000 - 1 Ark. St 000 000 24X - 6

In the second game, the Govs pitched six scoreless innings and took a 1-0 lead in the sixth inning when freshman second baseman Jordan Hankins doubled down the left field line allowing sophomore shortstop Reed Harper to score. The lead did not last long. The Red Wolves' offense came alive in the seventh inning.

They scored two runs in the seventh and four in the eighth for the win. The Govs were held to their single, sixth-inning run.

Govs senior pitcher Jack Snodgrass (0-1) pitched seven innings and picked up the loss. He allowed two earned runs on five hits, struck out three and walked three.

Harper led the way offensively with a 2-for-4 effort from the plate. Gautier was one of four other Govs with one hit in the game.

Game 3 Govs win 9-2 APSU 000 400 500 - 9 Ark. St 100 100 000 - 2

The Govs' bats finally warmed up in the series finale. A single up the middle in the fourth inning by Harper ignited the Govs' rally.

Harper came home on an error that tied the game 1-1. Freshman catcher PJ. Torres singled through the left side bringing home junior third baseman Greg Bachman and Hudson. Gautier also scored to put the Govs up 4-1.

The Govs put the game away in the seventh inning. They scored five runs for the 9-2 win.

The Govs were led by Gautier's 3-of-5 efforts from the plate. He scored two runs and had one RBI. The hits extended his hit streak to 13 straight games.

Bachman went 2-of-4 from the plate, scored two runs with two RBIs.

Junior pitcher Jeremy Dobbs (3-0) picked up the win. He pitched seven innings, allowed two runs on five hits, walked four and struck out six. TAS **PLAYER TO WATCH**



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Hit streak - 13 games

Batting average - .389

Runs - 11

Hits - 21

Doubles - 5

Triples - 3

Home Runs - 1

Runs Batted In - 10

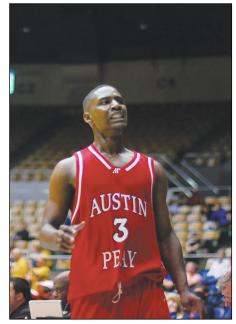
Slugging Percentage - .648

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, March 16 - vs. Tennessee Friday, March 18 - at Arkansas State Saturday, March 19 - at Arkansas State Sunday, March 20 - at Arkansas State

OVC Disappointment; Govs, Lady Govs fall in semifinals





BOTH PHOTOS BY CIDNIE SIDNEY-BREWINGTON | STAFF WRITER

Left: Senior Brooke Faulkner cries during the postgame press conference after the Lady Govs' loss to Tennessee Tech in the OVC tournament.

Right: Senior Caleb Brown grimaces after the Govs' loss to Morehead in the OVC tournament.

By ANTHONY SHINGLER Senior Staff Writer

Both the Govs and Lady Govs run in the Ohio Valley Conference tournament came to a halt in the semifinals on Friday, March 4, at the Nashville Municipal Auditorium.

The Lady Govs, seeded fifth in the conference, and played three games over three days before they fell to top seeded Tennessee Tech.

The Lady Govs defeated Murray State and Eastern Illinois on the first two days of the tournament.

They came from behind before earning the win in the final minutes of both games.

The Lady Govs cut the lead to 56-51 with one minute and 20 seconds left, but the comeback win did not happen against Tennessee Tech

Tennessee Tech hit clutch shots down the stretch for the 65-56 win.

The second seed, UT Martin, won the OVC Tournament over Tennessee Tech, 82-76.

The Govs moved into the OVC tourney semi-finals for the first time since 2008-09.

That year they advanced to play in the tournament championship and lost to Morehead State in double overtime, 67-65.

In the semi-finals this year, history repeated itself. The Govs could not avenge the 2008-09 championship loss. They lost to Morehead State, 68-49.

Kenneth Faried and company proved to be too much for the Govs. Morehead State shot 26-of-58 from the field (69 percent).

The Govs shot only 17-of-54 (31.5 percent)

The Govs 49 points was the lowest point total of the season.

Morehead State advanced and won the OVC Tournament Championship over fourth seed Tennessee Tech 80-73.

Tech 80-73.

After being derailed by the OVC Tournament

Champions, Morehead
State, the Govs will get
the opportunity to play
in the College Basketball
Invitational presented by
Zebra Pen against Boise
State of the Western Athletic
Conference.

Boise State enters the game 20-12 on the season.

They lost in the WAC tournament championship to Utah State.

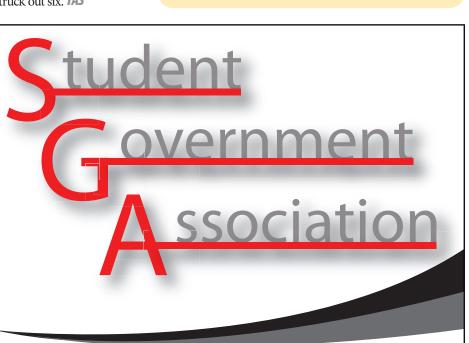
The Govs enter the tournament with a 20-13 record.

It is the 14th time the Govs have won 20 or more games in a season, the sixth time under head coach Dave Loos.

This will be the Govs 10th post-season appearance.

They made six NCAA tournaments, two National Invitational Tournament (NIT) appearances and one CollegeInsider.com
Postseason Tournament. TAS





SGA Elections to BEGIN March 22nd at 9:00 a.m. and end March 24th at 11:59 p.m.



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Round 1

(1) Duke vs. (16) Hampton (16)

(8) Michigan vs. (9) Tennessee

(5) Arizona vs. (12) Memphis

(4) Texas vs. (13) Oakland

(6) Cincinnati vs. (11) Missouri

(3) UConn vs. (14) Bucknell (7) Temple vs. (10) Penn St.

(2) San Diego St. vs. (15) No.

Colorado



Round 1

(1) Ohio St. vs. (16) UT-San Antonio/Alabama St.

(8) George Mason vs. (9)

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(5) West Virginia vs. (12) UAB/Clemson

(4) Kentucky vs. (13)

Princeton

(6) Xavier vs. (11) Marquette (3) Syracuse vs. (14) Indiana

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(7) Washington vs. (10)

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Round 1

(1) Kansas vs. (16) Boston Univ.

(8) UNLV vs. (9) Illinois

(5) Vanderbilt vs. (12) Richmond

(4) Louisville vs. (13) Morehead St.

(6) Georgetown vs. (11) USC/

VCU (3) Purdue vs. (14) Saint

Peter's

(2) Notre Dame vs. (15) Akron

(7) Texas A&M vs. (10) Florida



Round 1

(1) Pittsburgh vs. (16) UNC-Ash/Ark-LR

(8) Butler vs. (9) Old

Dominion

(5) Kansas St. vs. (12) Utah

(4) Wisconsin vs. (13)

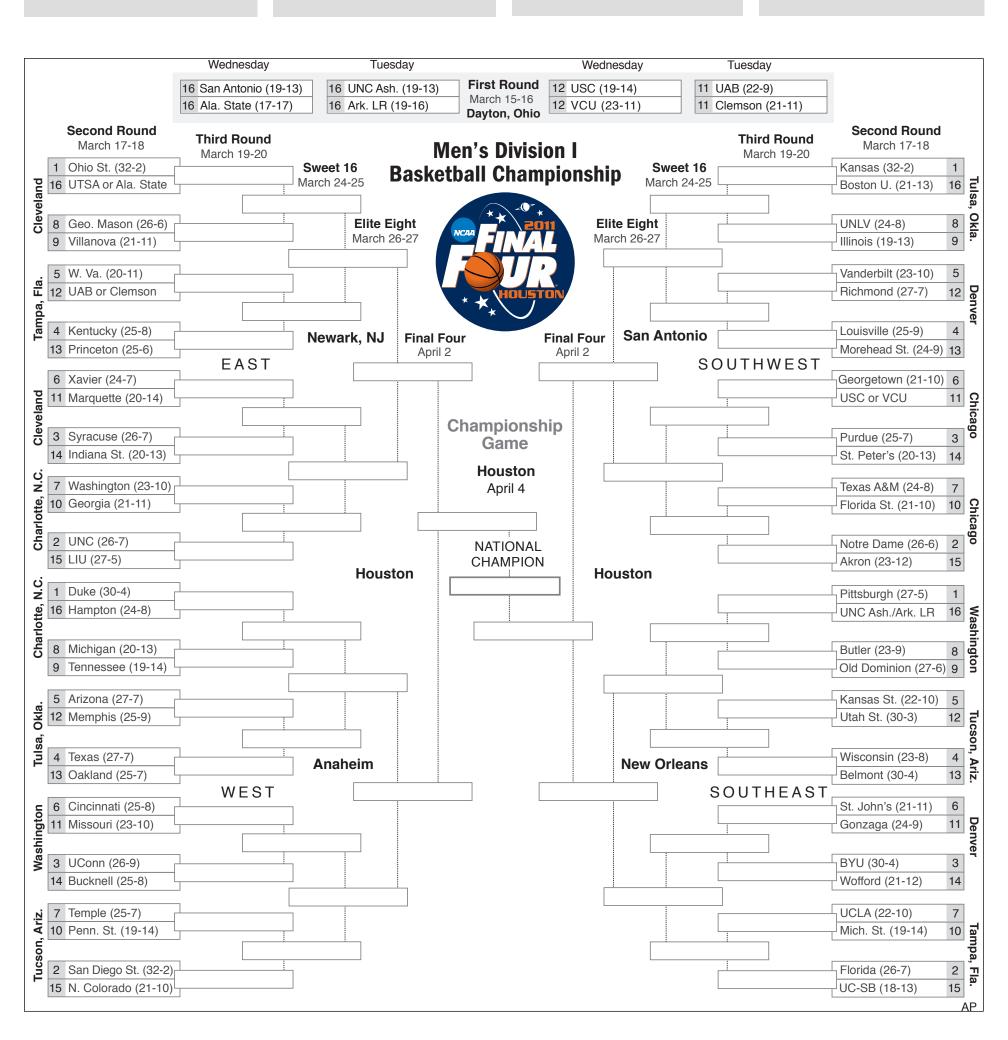
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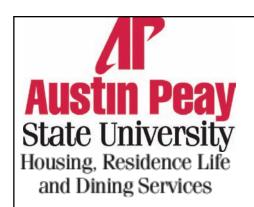
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(3) BYU vs. (14) Wofford (7) UCLA vs. (10) Michigan

(2) Florida vs. (15) UC Santa Barbara





Living on campus last year was good... but this year it's going to be.. GREAT!! LOOK WHAT'S NEW













Hand Village

Meacham Apts.

Marion Street Apts.

Miller Hall

Two Rivers Apts.

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Blount Hall

Harvill Hall

Sevier Hall

Castle Heights

Upper- Classmen Housing	\$3,190/per semester Upper-Classmen Honors Community Bldg 300 and 400 Cum. GPA 3.0	Meacham Apartments \$2,185/per semester 100 Building Upper-Classman Honors Community Bldg 100 Cum. GPA 3.0	Two Rivers Apartments \$2,300/per semester	Marion Street Apartments \$2,185/per semester	Miller Hall \$2,950/per semester Male Only Private
Freshmen Housing	\$2,200/per semester First Year Experience	Harvill Hall \$2,200/per semester Freshmen Honors/	Sevier Hall \$2,200/per semester Female Only	\$2,900/per semester First Year Experience	
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Living Learning Communities:

The Department of Housing/Residence Life & Dining Services strives to create residential environments that are conducive to living and learning. To this end, our Living and Learning Communities have been created to help residents better bridge the gap between academics and campus living. The staff who are part of these communities are dedicated to facilitating events that meet the interests and academic demands of the residents. Research shows that those who participate in Living Learning Communities have better grades and retention rates as these students are more connected to their fellow residents and the community around them.

First Year Experience (FYE) Living and Learning Community: This LLC is open to all freshmen students. The goals are to assist students in their transition into college with specialized program centered on transitional issues for first year students. This program will be open to any student who is living in Blount, Sevier, Harvill or Castle Heights. It will utilize events and activities offered by other groups and activities. (www.apsu.edu/housing/freshman-year-experience)

Wellness Living and Learning Community: This LLC is open to all students regardless of which Residence Hall you live in. The goal is to provide programming, events, and support for students with interest in health, wellness, and recreation. This LLC will be sponsored in conjunction with University Recreation (www.apsu.edu/recre-

Service Learning Community (SLC): The goal is to actively involve students in campus and community in service learning projects. This LLC will be sponsored in conjunction with Student Life and Leadership (www.apsu.edu/sll). You can live anywhere on campus and be a part of this community.

Upperclassmen Honors Community: This community will be housed in Hand Village 300 and 400 buildings as well as Meacham 100 building. The goal is to provide upperclassmen students (sophomore and above) an environment centered on academic success and programming geared toward their specific needs and interests. The community is open to all non-freshmen students with a 3.0 cum.GPA or higher, except those students who wish to live with a roommate not meeting the community requirements. This program will be housing based, but will utilize events and activities offered by other groups/departments. (www.apsu.edu/housing/upperclassmen-honors-community)

Leadership Living and Learning Community: This LLC is open to all students. The goal is to assist interested students in developing leadership skills and exploring leadership opportunities on campus and in the community. This LLC will be sponsored in conjunction with Student Life and Leadership (www.apsu.edu/sll). You can live anywhere on campus and be a part of this community.

How to Apply for Housing:

- Log onto OneStop
- If you are a freshmen, the "Apply for Housing" link is on the left hand side of the screen
- If you are a sophomore or above, click on the Life tab and see the "Apply for Housing" link on the right hand side
- Fill out the Application for the 2011-2012 school year and make your \$200 prepayment. Please allow two business days
- for that payment to be reflected on your account. • Once the application and prepayment are made, check the
- dates for when you are eligible to book your bed space. The dates are listed on our website at www.apsu.edu/housing
- To book your bed space, log onto OneStop.
- Find the Apply for Housing link
- Click on the Room/Meal Assignment key
- Click on Choose Room & Meal
- Click "Continue" on the bottom right hand side of the screen
- Click Begin Room/Meal Selection
- Click on building/gender/room type and floor and then click on View Available Rooms
- Click on the room you wish to book
- Click Choose this room
- Choose which bedspace you want and click continue
- Click continue again
- Choose meal plan and click continue
- Review and click continue • Click finished and log out
- You will receive email confirmation of your bed/meal plan choices and your assignment is completed.

Re-apply for housin and be eligible to w one of five iPads!



Important Dates to Remember for Re-application:

March 18: Deadline for current resident to submit application and prepayment prior to opening RMS for bed space self-selection

March 21-22: Current residents with applications and \$200 prepayments for fall 11 can retain same bed if currently residing in Meacham, Miller, Hand Village and Two Rivers. The only exceptions are Meacham 100, and Hand Village 300 and 400 buildings. These will be Upperclass Honors and you can only retain your bed if you currently have a cum. GPA of 3.0 or higher. Room Retention will be available from 12:01am on the 21st until 11:59 pm on the 22nd.

March 24-30: Current residents with completed applications and \$200 prepayments for fall 11 can select a different bed. Remember that Meacham 100 and Hand Village 300 and 400 are Upperclass Honors and you must have a cum. GPA of 3.0 to select these beds. Room Selection will be available from 12:01 a.m. on the 24th until 11:59 pm on the 30th.

As always, call us with questions at 931-221-7444 or email the housing office at housing@apsu.edu



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ELECTIONS

Executive council, senate candidacy declared for SGA elections

By BRIAN BIGELOW
Assistant News Editor

Elections will be held next week for the Student Government Association Executive Council and Senate, with the exception of freshman and graduate Senate seats.

The executive council consists of the SGA president, vice president and executive secretary. Each college has three representatives in the Senate; each class has two representatives. There are also two graduate seats.

Voting for SGA elections begin at 9 a.m. Tuesday, March 22, and end at 11:59 p.m. Thursday, March 24.

Candidates for executive office must be full-time students, have and maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA and have served a minimum of two semesters in student government.

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More than \$1K received for Breast Cancer Awareness Walk

By CIDNIE SYDNEY-BREWINGTON
Staff Writer

Donations received at the February 5K Breast Cancer Awareness Walk, co-sponsored by University Recreation and The Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center totaled more than \$1,000. The money was donated to Susan G. Komen for the Cure, a breast cancer awareness organization, to fund breast cancer research and education. "University

"University Recreation and the Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center organized this race to raise awareness

about breast cancer outside of the month of October [the official Breast Cancer Awareness Month], when a lot of other breast cancer events are held," said Lauren Wilkinson, University Recreation event coordinator.

Instead of charging the 194 participants to walk or run, donations were received from the day the race was advertised to the day of the race itself.

Volunteer groups and local businesses contributed to the race as well. The APSU Nursing Department, Public Safety, Public Relations and Marketing, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and Distinguished Steppers Unlimited, LLC "volunteered to help with the race in some form, whether it was working the route, [or the] refreshment table, [in] advertising, etc.," Wilkinson said.

"Kroger on both Madison Street and Lowes Drive donated \$10 gift cards, [with which] we purchased water," said Nicole Jamen, the AACC event coordinator. "Walmart, on Wilma Rudolph Boulevard, donated a \$50 gift card, [with which] we purchased snacks." The water and snacks were given to the participants during the

February's walk was the first 5K Breast Cancer Awareness Walk. "We are hoping ... [it] will be even bigger next year," Wilkinson said. TAS



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People walk a road between the rubble of destroyed buildings in Minamisanriku town, Miyagi Prefecture, northern Japan, Monday, March 14, three days after a powerful earthquake-triggered tsunami hit the country's east coast.

10,000

ESTIMATED DEATH TOLL COULD EXCEED APSU CURRENT ENROLLMENT NUMBERS



In the 65 years after the end of World War II, this is the toughest and the most difficult crisis for Japan." — Japanese Prime Minister Naoto Kan

The whole world has had their eyes on Japan since the *devastating* quake and tsunami hit. These chain reactions of natural *disasters* have caused nuclear reactors to fail and the *death* toll continues to raise into the *thousands*. Two APSU alumni share their *eyewitness accounts* of the earthquake, tsunami in their *own words*. One faculty member shares his wifes *struggle* to contact family in Japan.



NAME: Dustin Kramer
LOCATION: Tsukuba
city, Ibaraki
Prefecture, Japan
JOB: English teacher
at a private language
school
DEGREE: Broadcast
Media in 2010

Just two hours before
Japan experienced the
biggest earthquake in its
recorded history, I was
signing paperwork and
reviewing contracts for
moving into a new home. It
was an abnormally beautiful
day — the kind that really
heralds the advent of spring.

I arrived at work earlier than my clock-in time and spent a lot of time chatting with my manager in Japanese. My students began to arrive for my first class - two women taking

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NAME: Dru Winn LOCATION: Ewa Beach, Hawaii JOB: Graphic arts designer at The Hale Koa Hotel DEGREE: M.A. in Corporate Comm. in 2009

On March 10, my husband Greg and I cooked dinner and settled in to watch television. I asked if he could go put some gas in my car because I had forgotten on my way home from work.

While he was at the gas station, I started checking my Twitter page. I noticed a few of the local TV stations put up posts about a tsunami watch in effect for Hawaii. I turned on the news station, Hawaii News Now, and watched the

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NAME: David Nelson LOCATION: Clarksville, Tenn. JOB: Assistant professor of history and philosophy WIFE: Naoko, whose family lives in Chiba Prefecture, Japan

My wife, Naoko, is a Japanese national from Chiba Prefecture, which lies just southeast of Tokyo. Fortunately for us, her family was not hurt by the earthquake. Naoko was able to get a hold of her mother, who expressed to us that it was the most powerful earthquake she had ever experienced — in fact, it was the worst earthquake in 140 years, and the world's fifth most powerful earthquake in the last 100 years.

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Naoko was unable to

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IMPACT

Japan Central Bank injected **\$184 BILLION** into money markets

At least \$100 BILLION in losses from earthquake, tsunami and fires

Nearly **127 MILLION** people live in Japan

Nearly **2.5 MILLION** people are without power

More than **210,000** residents have been evacuated near the Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear plant

Energy released from the earthquake was the equivalent to **17,500** nuclear bombs

215,000 people living in makeshift rescue centers

100,000 Japanese soldiers sent to the affected region

More than **10,000** people have died, the number is expected to rise

2,050 evacuation centers have been set up in northeast Japan

At least **1,500** people have been tested for radiation exposure

47°/23° is the average high/low for March in Sendai, Japan

The earth was thrown off its axis by **9.8 INCHES**

9.0-MAGNITUDE

earthquake struck 80 miles in the Pacific Ocean near Sendai , Japan on Friday, March 11

7.8 FEET is how far Japan shifted east from its poistion

Numbers are as of press time, Monday, March 14

HOW TO HELP

DONATIONS for the Japan earthquake and tsunami can be made to the American Red Cross at american. redcross.org/site/ Donation2?idb=0&5052. donation=form1&df_id=5052

TO FIND OR POST INFORMATION

regarding a missing person from the Japan earthquake and tsunami, visit japan.person-finder. appspot.com/?lang=en

FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION, VISIT:

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