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# World gets final glimpse of Pope



AP PHOTO/LUCA BRUNO

People fill Via Della Conciliazione boulevard about 950 meters (2900 feet) away from the facade of St. Peter's Basilica after Pope John Paul II's body was carried across the square into the Basilica for public viewing, at the Vatican Monday, April 4, 2005. With tens of thousands of mourners outside hoping for a glimpse of the body, 12 pallbearers flanked by Swiss Guards carried the late pontiff's body on a crimson platform from the Sala Clementina, where it had laid in state since Sunday.

## Cardinals stream toward Vatican carrying ancient power to select next pontiff



AP PHOTO/OSSERVATORE ROMANO

Cardinals congregate for the first day in the Bologna Hall at the Vatican, Monday, April 4, 2005. The College of Cardinals held two meetings over the course of 2 1/2 hours in its first gathering since the pope's death and ahead of a secret vote later this month to elect a successor to John Paul.

By BRIAN MURPHY  
AP Religion Writer

VATICAN CITY—From every corner of the world, the red-robed "princes" of the Roman Catholic Church headed toward the Vatican on Saturday to prepare for the secret duty they were appointed to carry out: gathering in the Sistine Chapel to elect the successor for the late Pope John Paul II.

It's a process steeped in centuries-old rituals and arcane traditions, such as precise rules for how to bind together the tallied papal ballots with a needle and thread. But modern forces also are at play, including stronger voices from outside Europe among the College of Cardinals that could shape the outcome of the conclave.

"This pope has so broadened the outreach and meaning of the papacy," said Jo Renee Formicola, a professor at Seton Hall University in South Orange, N.J., who has studied Vatican trends. "It's clear the cardinals will have to pay attention to this."

It's the nature of their role. The main task of a cardinal, a title granted by the pope, is the papal selection. Privately, they assess the constantly reshuffled list of "papabile," the Italian word for likely papal candidates.

The Roman Catholic's most visible trend is its growing strength outside Europe and this is reflected in the very makeup of the next conclave, bettering the prospects of Latin American or African candidates like Cardinal Francis Arinze, a Nigerian, or Brazilian Cardinal Claudio Hummes.

Asians, Africans and Latin Americans account for 44 of the cardinals under 80 years old the condition for participating in the conclave and voting for the pope compared with 58 from Europe. The United States, which could play an important swing role, has 11 cardinals among the 117 papal electors the largest group that will ever decide on the next pontiff when the conclave begins later this month.

It's almost certain the next pope will be among them: although technically the cardinals can select any baptized male Roman Catholic, the last time they looked outside their elite group was 1378.

Many cardinals have been living here working in Vatican posts. Others cut short trips or canceled plans and began heading to Rome.

Cardinal Walter Kasper, president of the Vatican's commission for Christian unity, interrupted a visit to Bulgaria. Belgium's Cardinal Godfried Danneels quickly left China. Four American cardinals were in Rome. The other seven U.S. papal electors started making plans to come after John Paul's death was announced late Saturday.

The papal electors will begin daily pre-conclave meetings. They will swear fidelity to the codes of secrecy, at the implicit risk of excommunication. All the cardinals then will come together in public next week for the papal funeral Mass, which will be led by the dean of the College of Cardinals. The others will take their places around the papal coffin in order of seniority.

The electors next assemble no later than two weeks after the funeral, but no sooner than nine days after to pick a successor to lead the world's 1.2 billion Catholics.

Here, with the electors sequestered behind the Vatican walls, begins a scene fundamentally unchanged since cardinals were given sole papal selection authority nearly 1,000 years ago.

The aura of John Paul II will be strong. According to procedures outlined by the Vatican, the cardinals will first assemble in the Pauline Chapel, decorated with Michelangelo

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## Students give reaction to Pope John Paul II death

By THOMAS VAN HOOSER  
Staff Photographer

After 26 and a half years in office, the third longest serving Pope in history has died at the age of 84. On Oct. 16, 1978, a Cardinal from Poland was elected as the 265th Pope and became known to the world as John Paul II.

Not only was he the first Polish Pope, but he was also the first non-Italian Pope since Adrian VI in 1522. At the age of 58, he was the youngest Pope in 132 years. His predecessor, Pope John Paul, had died at the age of 66, after serving as Pontiff for a mere 33 days.

Born May 18, 1920, in Wadowice, Poland, Karol Jozef Wojtyla (pronounced voy-TIH-wah) was the second son of Karol Wojtyla Sr., a retired army officer, and Emilia Kaczorowska Wojtyla, a schoolteacher. His mother died when he was 9-years-old, his brother Edmund died three 3 years later and his father died in 1941.

After graduating from high school, he enrolled in Jagiellonian University in Krakow in 1938 and studied theater. When Nazi forces occupied Poland in 1939, the university was closed.

To avoid being deported to a forced labor camp in Germany, Wojtyla went to work in a quarry and later in a chemical factory. In 1942, he began studying for the priesthood at the clandestine seminary run by the Archbishop of Krakow.

After the war, he continued studying at the major seminary of Krakow. He was ordained to the priesthood on Nov. 1, 1946. Pope Pius XII appointed him Auxiliary Bishop of Krakow in July 4, 1958. In January 1964 he was nominated Archbishop of Krakow by Pope Paul VI who also made him a Cardinal in June 1967.

During his Papacy, John Paul II created an unprecedented legacy of peacemaking and diplomacy. He traveled to 100 countries, visiting 317 of the 330 Roman Catholic Dioceses.

In October of 1979, he traveled to the United States.

and at the invitation of President Jimmy Carter, became the first Pope to visit The White House.

In January 1981 he invited Russian labor leader Lech Walesa to the Vatican, to show support for the Solidarity union.

On May 18 of that year, a Turkish national, Mehmet Ali Agca, shot John Paul II in Saint Peter's Square. The Pope spent four months recovering from his wounds. The assassination attempt led to the design and creation of the "Pope Mobile."

During Christmas of 1983, the Pope met with Agca in prison, to forgive him. That same year he became the first Pope in history to visit a synagogue, when he went to the synagogue in Rome.

In 2000, while visiting the Holy Lands, he became the first Pope to visit Egypt when he traveled to Saint Catherine's Monastery in the Sinai.

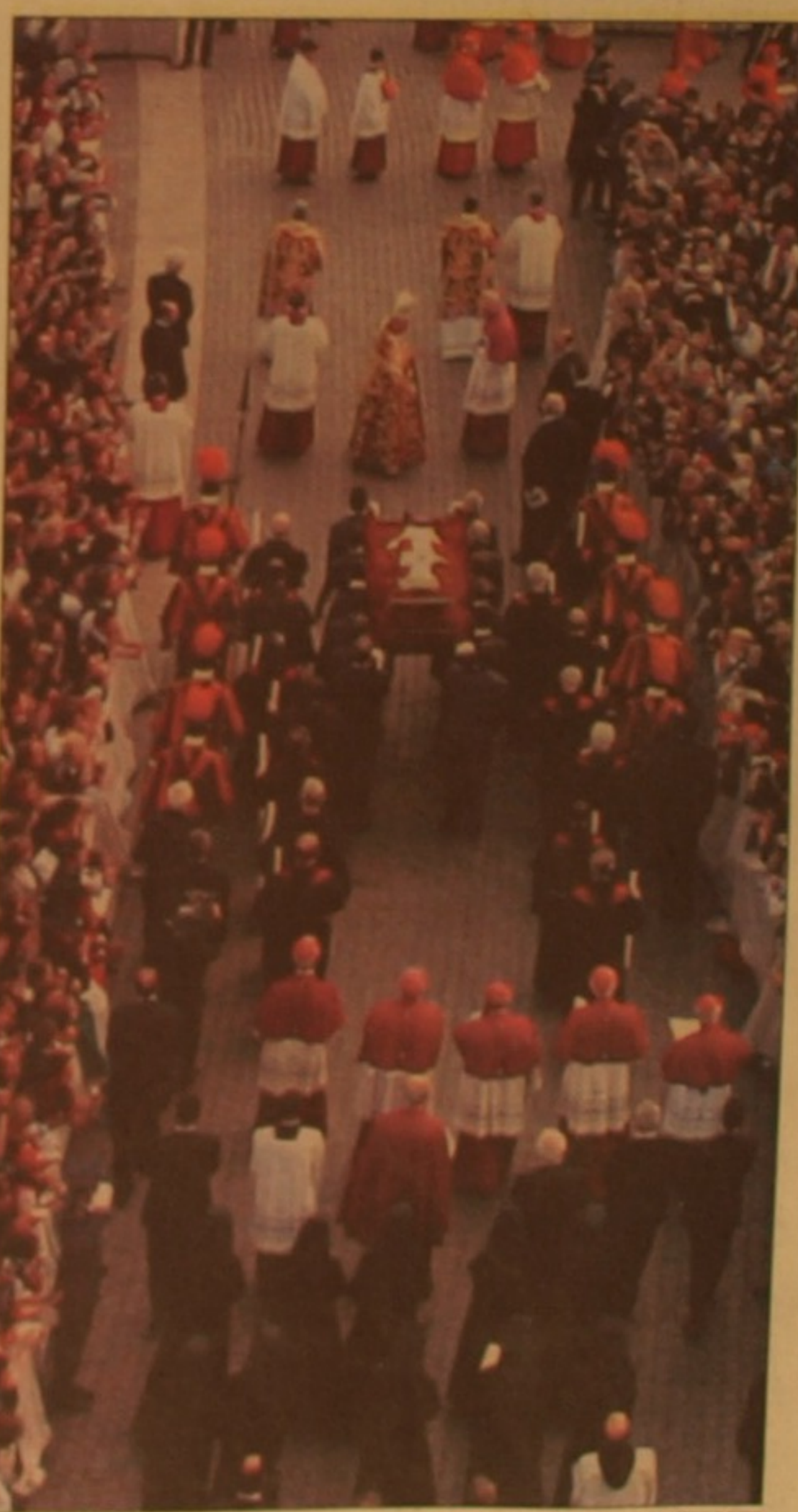
During his visit to Israel, he went to the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial and then made the first Papal visit to Jerusalem's West Wall, also known as the "Wailing Wall," where he left a written note apologizing for historic wrongdoings of the Catholic Church against the Jews.

He also traveled to the Palestinian Self Rule Zone to meet with Yasser Arafat, where he commented, "The torment of the Palestinian People has gone on too long."

In May of 2001, Pope John Paul II again made history. While in Athens, he asked God to forgive Roman Catholics for their sins against Orthodox Christians during the previous 1,000 years.

Two days later in Damascus, Syria, he became the first Pope ever to enter a mosque. While visiting the Umayyad Mosque, he gave no formal prayer, out of respect for Muslim sensitivities, but asked for forgiveness between Muslims and Christians.

The loss of John Paul II has impacted so many, including students at Austin Peay State University. "I'm a Protestant but I really respect Pope John Paul a lot. I think he was a great man. He preached a lot about suffering at the end of life and how important it is to



AP PHOTO/FILIPPO MONTEFORTE

Late Pope John Paul II is carried to St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican to be laid out in state, Monday, April 4, 2005, before being buried in the grotto of the Basilica after his funeral on Friday.

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## VP candidates endure round two of elections

By AMANDA COCHRANE  
Assistant News Editor

In a record year of student voting, the off-election for the office of Vice President of the Student Government Association



Vice President is in order. The candidate must have the majority, which neither Deanna Hensley nor Nick Pitts received.

Hensley's experience includes a current senator, SGA public relations chair, election board member, internal affairs committee member, and a member of the selection committee for Mr. and Mrs. Madame Governor. Pitts is a current senator.

Hensley, sophomore chemistry major said, "I fully support active participation of the APSU student body with SGA, and if elected, I would motivate and encourage senators to interact more to achieve more participation from students. Also I believe SGA can make a difference, and legislation is where it starts."

Hensley's activities include Chi Epsilon Mu, College Republicans,

APSU Cross Country/track team, fitness instructor and member of the Habitat for Humanity APSU Chapter.

In order to make SGA a more legislative body, Hensley said she "...would suggest sending more of our senators to organizational meetings across campus where the students who are involved on campus would be able to give more of an input and more of a voice."

Pitts, junior political science major said, "As SGA Vice President, it would be my honor to lead APSU into a new school year full of opportunities for each student to



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become active members of campus life. One way I would achieve this is by informing students about campus happenings (while scheduling activities that appeal to a variety of students). There are many opportunities for SGA to become more effective and I believe with an open mind and an 'open door policy,' we can make great strides to truly living out students always, students first."

Pitts' activities include Sigma Phi Epsilon Vice President of Member Development, and church youth ministry.

"For SGA to become a more legislative body, I believe communication is vital to this progress. As elected members of this body, we are given the privilege and entrusted by the students to represent them the best possible," said Pitts.

Students may vote for an SGA vice presidential candidate online on April 6 and 7, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Thursday. No write-in candidates will be accepted.

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## Ms. Wheelchair Wisconsin loses crown



AP PHOTO, THE POST-CRESCENT/SHARON CERADA  
Teacher Janeal Lee helps students in an algebra class at Kaukauna High School in Kaukauna, Wis. Monday, April 4, 2005. Lee, 30, has been stripped of her title as Ms. Wheelchair Wisconsin because pageant officials say she can stand. She has muscular dystrophy and uses a scooter when travelling long distances.

## Senior APSU athlete arrested on drug charges

By ROBERT BUTLER  
Staff Writer

The Austin Peay State University men's basketball team's top scorer, and assist leader this past year, Anthony Davis, was arrested on Tuesday, March 22, for alleged possession of marijuana and alcohol in his dormitory, according to campus police.

During a routine health and safety inspection on March 21, a resident assistant was checking Davis' room (though he was not present at the time) and discovered the remains of three smoked marijuana cigarettes and three empty beer bottles, according to police reports.

Davis is the only occupant that lives in the apartment, and the resident assistant reported the paraphernalia to the campus police. Davis' arraignment date is set

for April 5, and though was contacted regarding this incident, he politely declined to comment pending the outcome of his arraignment. Dave Loos, head basketball coach and athletic director, was out of town and unavailable for comment.

Several attempts were made to contact his coaching staff as well as the sports department, but the staff was unavailable and the sports information department indicated they could not comment because of school policy. An investigation is pending and Davis may face a university hearing. Anthony Davis, the senior point guard, led the Governors in points per game averaging 15.9 points, led the team in assists with 2.9 per game and is second on the team with steals with at least one per game. ♦

Good Morning APSU  
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## Summer Welcome-Orientation Coordinators and Orientation Assistants

The Office of Academic Support is now taking applications for Orientation Coordinators and Orientation Assistants to provide leadership during Freshman Orientation activities and assist new students as they register for classes during Summer Welcome. Students who are interested may obtain a job description and application in the Academic Support Office (MUC 112). For more information please contact Joanne Shepard at shepardj@apsu.edu or 654-6100.

## Library Satisfaction Survey

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## Purchasing Training Workshop

There will be a Purchasing Training Workshop on April 6, 2005 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. in UC 307. Please plan to attend to learn the correct way to process your items using purchase orders, departmental purchase orders and credit cards. For more information please contact Marilyn Griffy at griffym@apsu.edu or 7434.

## Student Travel - Reminder

Please remember if you are planning any travel involving students, at least 10 days prior to departure all drivers transporting students must apply and be authorized to drive, and a Student/Group Travel Form must be approved with liability waivers for each student attached. For more information please contact Jasmine Hall at hallj@apsu.edu or at 7341.

## Christian Coffee House

Come to a Christian Coffee House! FREE Coffee-Live Entertainment with interpretive drawing/painting along with guitar and violin pieces. Wed., April 13 at 7 p.m. at the Church of Christ Student Center. For more information please contact Tim Catchim or at ccsc4@yahoo.com or at 931-647-9575.

## GEOCONCLAVE

Geoscience majors (geology and geography) and prospective majors are invited to attend Geoconclave April 8-10 at Fall Creek Falls State Park. Geoconclave is an annual gathering of students and faculty from UT and TBR geoscience departments. Learn about local geology and compete in individual and group events that test your mastery of the geosciences. For more information please contact Phyllis Camilleri at camillerip@apsu.edu or at 7454.

## Course Offering Announcement (ENGL 3405-03)

Notice to Advisors and Students: A new course in The Bible and Literature (ENGL 3405-03) was inadvertently omitted from the print version of the tentative Fall 2005 Schedule of Classes. The class will be taught by Dr. Allene Phyl-Olsen on MWF 9:05-10 a.m. in HA 240 (call number 2168). Prerequisite is ENGL 2030. All interested students are welcome to register for it. For more information please contact Wanda McNabb at mcnabbw@apsu.edu or at 7891.

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## Adopt-a-Highway Volunteers Needed

The APSU Community Activities Committee is in need of volunteers for its spring project April 30 from 9-11 a.m. If you are willing to participate please contact Heather Legg. For more information please contact Heather Legg at leggh@apsu.edu or 6357.

## Institute of Management Accountants honor members

Recognition of inductees and announcement of new members among noted events during annual banquet held on April 1.

By JENNIFER CAPSHAW TYSON  
Staff Writer

The Austin Peay State University Chapter of the Institute of Management Accountants held a banquet and pinning ceremony on April 1.

A presentation was given by Larry R. White, IMA national chair and chief of the office of financial policy and systems for the U.S. Coast Guard.

White is also a certified management accountant, a certified financial manager, a certified public accountant and a certified government financial manager.

"It's great to be at Austin Peay," White said. "It's particularly good to speak to you as students."

The banquet was held to honor new 2004-2005 members of IMA and to announce and honor new officers.

Charles Frazier, IMA chapter president, said they pinned those persons who had the courage to step forward this year and become a

member of IMA.

Those pinned at the banquet were: Angela Coble, Andrea Finch, Jessica Hefflin, Jimmy Hubbard, Sarah McCaslin, Feras Sadik, Jimmy Schaff, Rebecca Seymour, Tammy Slayton, Sara Smith, Tabitha Tanner, Becky Vooris and Peggy Wilks.

The new IMA officers are Matt Gadsey, president; John Knopp, vice president; Sandra Heath, secretary and Sandra Thomas, treasurer. "We have a misbelief in this country about what accounting is," said White. "Management accounting is the accounting of economic reality."

White had many challenging and inspiring words for students who were members of IMA. He said changes in the workplace require members to exercise leadership. "What counts in business is solutions," White said. "If you are going to identify a problem you better come up with about 10 solutions."

"The tools that count in the workplace

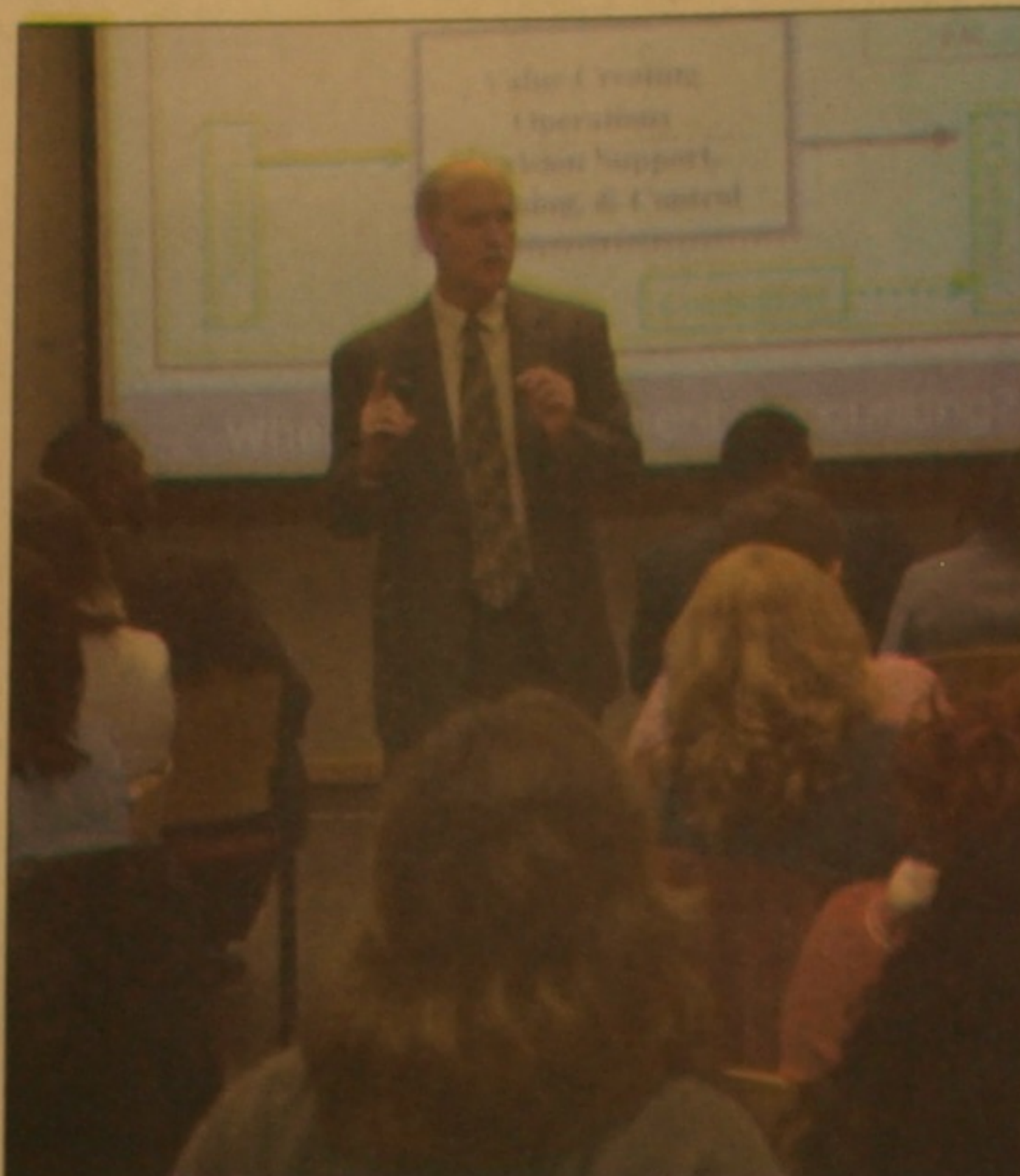
are all about leadership and communication," White said.

White said a leader's job is to envision the future; energize subordinates, peers and bosses, have the edge to make tough calls and jump against company culture and to execute by bringing one job to a conclusion and then move on to the next thing.

"When you get into a company, if you want to succeed, you talk about value; you talk about revenue," said White. "Only motivated and engaged people can make business grow. Learn the business." The banquet and pinning ceremony was organized by Dave Eichelberger, IMA chapter advisor at APSU.

"Mr. Eichelberger is the life blood of the IMA," said Frazier.

White concluded by saying there is more knowledge out there. "Businesses in the future are going to need speed to identify and respond to new opportunities." ♦



THOMAS VAN HOOSER/STAFF  
Larry White speaks to an audience about becoming great leaders of the future.

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## Correction



THOMAS VAN HOOSER/STAFF  
Pictured above is Lindsay Jackson who was misidentified in last week's outline. She is the Director of Horticulture at the physical Plant and is involved in plant the campus red. Plant the campus red will be held on April 16.

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# Cardinals: Working together to appoint new pope

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processes to Saints Peter and Paul and sing a Latin hymn, "Veni Creator," which seeks guidance from the Holy Spirit. Then they move into the Sistine Chapel, under Michelangelo's majestic "The Last Judgment." It will be a new experience for nearly all the cardinal electors. Only a handful took part in the election of the first Polish-born pontiff, which took eight ballots over two days. The cardinals 80 or older cannot attend. Aides and others accompany the cardinals into the chapel. A meditation is offered on the qualities needed for the next pope and the challenges ahead for the church. "Extra omnes," an official then cries Latin

for "all out," except the cardinals. And those left behind cannot leave until a pope is selected unless for a medical emergency. In that case, special arrangements are made for the cardinal to vote from his sickbed. In the past, makeshift quarters were created in and around the Sistine Chapel. Cardinals accustomed to first-class luxury were forced to sleep in corners of salons or in stairwells. This time, the cardinals will be staying at the \$20 million Domus Sanctae Marthae, a hotel-style site within the Vatican with 108 suites and 23 single rooms, all with baths. The rooms are assigned by lot during a conclave. But one

thing will not change: the attempt to block all outside influences. There is no television, publications, telephone access or anything else that could be used to sway cardinals. Technicians will sweep the area for any bugs or evidence of high-powered eavesdropping devices being aimed from outside the Vatican walls. Windows are closed and curtains drawn. In 1243, the Senate and people of Rome broke a year-and-a-half deadlock by locking the cardinals until they finally elected a new pope. In 1271, the cardinals were not only locked up, but were put on a diet of bread and water until they could agree. The pope chosen in 1271, Gregory X, formalized these drastic

measures as conclaves. Despite his efforts, 29 subsequent conclaves lasted more than a month. But no conclave since 1831 has lasted more than four days.

Initially, a two-thirds majority is needed. But John Paul amended the rules to allow for a simple majority after a three rounds of balloting and pauses. Even the voting is rich in ritual. Each cardinal approaches the altar in the Sistine Chapel, kneels and prays and uses a large plate to slide his ballot into a chalice.

Three cardinals, given the role of "scrutineers," count the ballots: the first two remove and tally the votes; the third announces the names and then passes a needle

through the first word printed on the ballots, "Ergo in summen pontificem," or I elect as Supreme Pontiff.

The ballots are tied together by string and burned along with a special chemical. Black smoke signifies the voting will continue. White smoke means a new pope has been elected.

The new pope must utter the word "Accepto," or I accept, to formally seal the selection. Within hours, a senior cardinal will appear at the central window in St. Peter's Basilica. A brief announcement will end with "Habemus papam." "We have a pope."

The new pontiff will then look out over St. Peter's Square. 4/4/2005 6:40:40 PM. ♦

## Pope reactions: John Paul II remembered by students

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perfect life and he really demonstrated that through the end of his life. I really respect that about him," said Kenneth Roberts, junior (major needed). Allen Pugh said, "I'm just hoping that whoever the next one that's elected does as good of a job as he did at pulling all of the religions together."

On the other hand there are students who are indifferent about the Pope's passing. "Well, I'm not a Catholic, so I believe it was time for

him to go, he was old," said Amanda Cook, freshmen (major needed).

Never before has a Pope traveled so far and reached out to so many people of different nations and faiths. He used his theater experience and the media, especially television, to spread his messages to the entire world. He advanced the stature of women in the Catholic Church, but stopped short of allowing women to be ordained to the priesthood. He spoke

against terrorism after the 9-11 attacks. More recently, he spoke out against the war in Iraq and the mistreatment of prisoners of war at the Abu Graib prison.

He spoke against abortion and gay marriage. And though many felt he was out of touch with the changing times, he refused to allow the use of condoms, even to prevent the spread of AIDS. He tried to change so many things while unwaveringly holding to the

traditional teachings of the Catholic Church.

Part of the John Paul II legacy is that he appointed 115 of the 118 Cardinals who will choose his successor. There has been much speculation as to who will become the 266th Pope. Likely choices to succeed John Paul are Cardinal Francis Arinze of Nigeria, who shares many of John Paul's conservative views, and Cardinal Oscar Rodriguez Maradiaga, Archbishop of Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Due to the prevalence of The United States in world politics, an American Pope is considered to be unlikely.

The Vatican expects that 2 million visitors will pass through St. Peter's Basilica to view the Pope's body which will lie in state until his funeral. Funeral is set for 10 a.m., local time, Friday in Rome. There had been speculation that the Pope might be buried in his hometown in Poland. ♦

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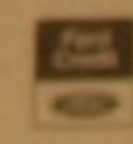
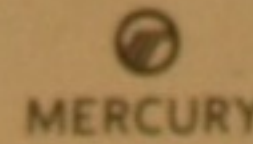
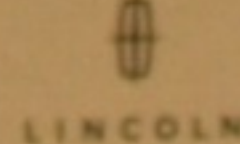


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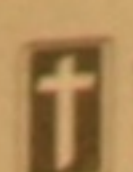
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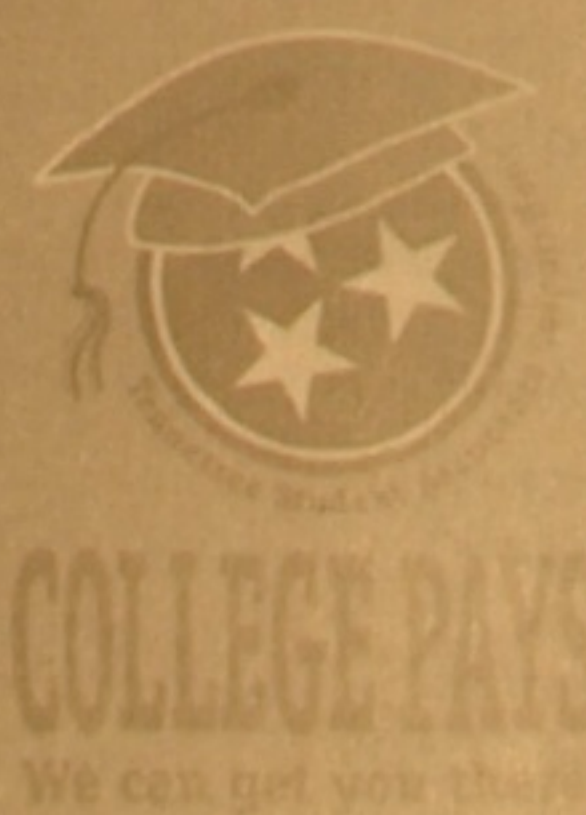
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## OUR TAKE

### The Pope remembered

After 26 years of dedicated service to the world, Pope John Paul II has finally returned home to celebrate with his divine Boss. This Monday, over 100,000 people journeyed to the Vatican for the public viewing of the first Polish Pope. Previously, John Paul's body was resting in the Vatican's Apostolic Palace for embassies and dignitaries to pay their respects. Accompanied by the Swiss Guard, a dozen pallbearers carried his body to the basilica, where the public had the opportunity to say goodbye to a remarkable individual. People of all faiths and ages were in attendance, choking back tears and expressing their love for a man who stood up for his beliefs.

Arguably the most influential religious figure of the century, Pope John Paul II never lost his mission to the walls of the Vatican. The devoted leader spread the Catholic message all over the world, in words and actions.

He had an active role in international politics; he would always talk with world leaders and counsel them on their actions, not to mention speak out on controversial topics like abortion and gay marriage.

His decisions were guided by his religious beliefs and heart. Where some people in the church only supported one or the other, John Paul meshed both of them together, offering fresh insight to the religious and secular

communities.

This would explain why it is estimated that 2 million people will be making a pilgrimage to Italy for the Pope's funeral this Friday. Aside from that, dozens of world leaders are on the guest list, including British Prime Minister Tony Blair and UN Security-General Kofi Annan.

President George Bush (and wife Laura) will also be in attendance. Bush, who had several conversations with John Paul II regarding the war in Iraq, called the Pope a godly, peaceful man who made a difference in people's lives. Prince Charles, who was scheduled to have a wedding on Friday, pushed the event back to Saturday so he would be able to pay his respects.

Several presidents of former Soviet countries will also be at the funeral. The Pope played a vital role in bringing the downfall of Communism in Russia. John Paul also went to Syria and publicly asked for Muslims and Christians to forgive each other. It would take a much bigger article than this to list all of the accomplishments of the late John Paul.

One thing is for sure, he was an outstanding man who used his position to help humanity, not condemn it. The previous generation always remembers where they were when JFK was assassinated. We will always recall where we were when Pope John Paul II died.

### Underground tattooing shows need for better safety enforcement in Clarksville

Perhaps some of you've heard about a Clarksville teenager who was recently hospitalized after receiving a tattoo from an underground tattooing operation. According to WSMV Channel 4 News, the teen suffered an infection and serious scarring from the imprudent endeavor. The teen was transported to Nashville to receive specialized care after his condition worsened.

The incident is nothing new to Clarksville police, who've been investigating several such underground operations. Since Tennessee law requires the recipient of a tattoo to be 18 years of age to legally consent to the procedure, many teens have turned elsewhere to quench their thirst for the self-expression and rebellion of a tattoo. Obviously, such operations are extremely unsanitary and risky due to inexperience and the blatant disregard for the safety of the recipients.

Coming from someone who has three tattoos and four piercings, I can empathize with these teens. After all, I was 17 when my other reluctantly consented for me to eagerly receive my first two piercings (after much begging on my part). However, what I cannot empathize with are the inconsiderate morons out there willing to maim eager teens for the sake of experimentation, practice, excitement, monetary gain or any other obtuse reason. I never thought that I would admit to the sanctimony of authority, but the regulations governing tattoo parlors and piercing studios are necessary in place for good reasons. In fact, I think our state is too lenient!

### Theory of moral relativity explains societal ignorance

Recent events have led me to conclude that some people's minds are similar to the most mysterious of nature's phenomena: black holes. Knowledge can penetrate through to these brains, but through some process we have yet to fully comprehend it is never able to achieve the escape velocity necessary to re-emerge from their mouths as a constructive thought.

What makes this particular phenomenon so puzzling is that these minds are often capable of absorbing massive quantities of information, leading one to suppose that there should

normally be a blinding flash of light at some point, a "big bang" of startling brilliance and knowledge played out in the form of a coherent theory or an outpouring of creative ideas in which tangible ideas coalesce into a nebula of bright and shining reason. Instead, unhappily, the inflowing knowledge simply swirls down into the darkness where it is lost in a vast space where it never quite makes contact with that singularity of a preconceived notion, an object so dense that neither light nor sense can escape.

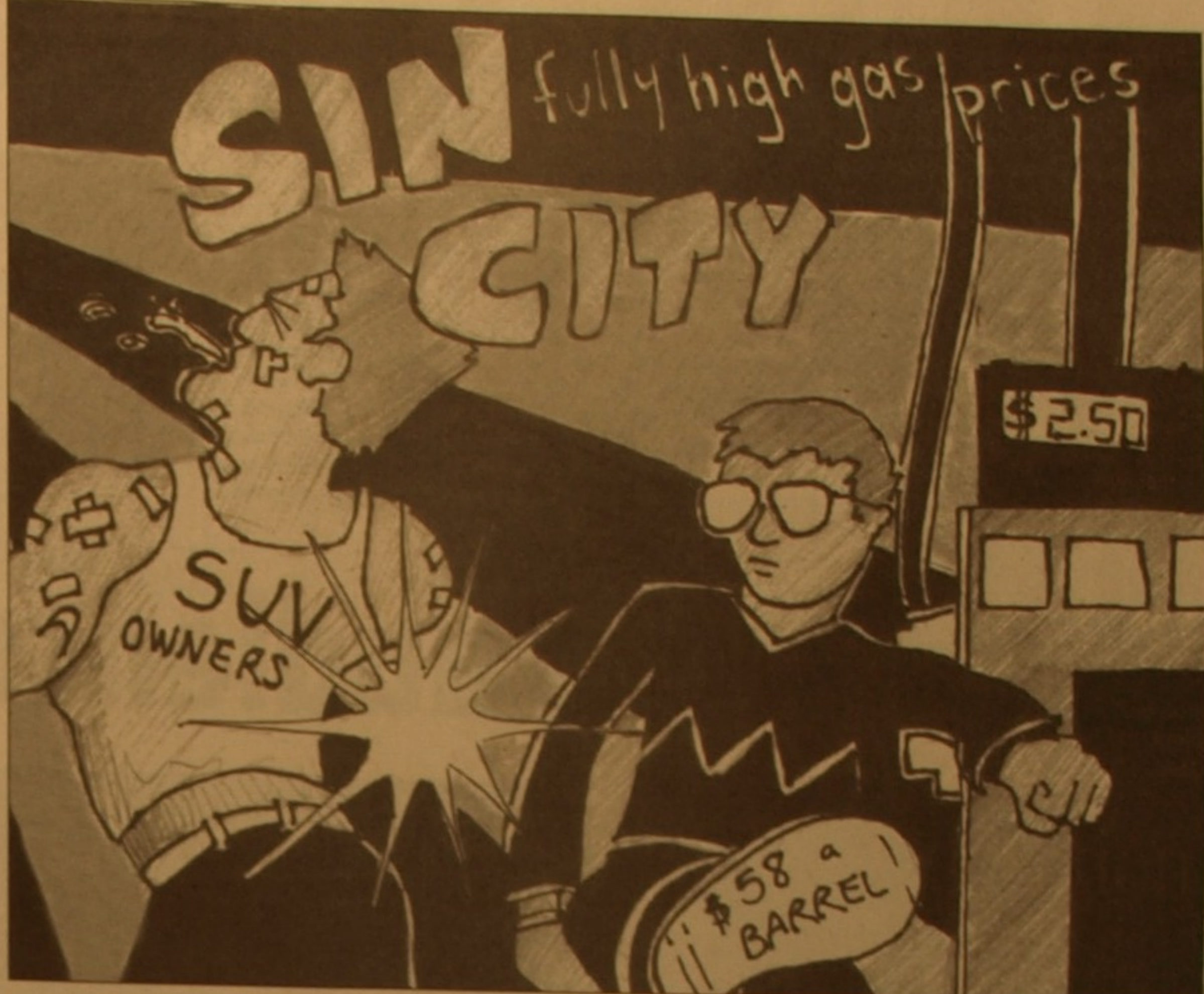
It is a pity that Einstein never constructed a theory of "moral relativity" by which we might understand how it is this happens. All we know is that somehow protons and electrons of right and wrong are squeezed down to a point where they become neutral, a state whereby our judgments become inconceivable and all



OPINION  
Kurt Niesner



OPINION  
Phil Grey



By MARTIN FOX

## YOUR TAKE

### Evolution is not the Anti-christ

Daniel Plunkett's timely reminder to "not forget creationism" has merit, and it even causes pause and a slight chuckle now and then - especially the witty plumber crack.

While the article has some valid points, it makes the issue too black and white. It is based on a rather flawed premise - that all theories of evolution and faith in a creator-god are inimical. This premise stems from the erroneous belief that evolution discounts the notion of a god. However, evolution, as explained from a site from U.C. Berkeley, is "descent with modification [...] and] this definition encompasses small-scale evolution [...] and large-scale evolution". According to this site, the main idea of evolution is that all life on Earth sprang from a common ancestor.

This simple definition does not discredit a god who created. In fact, isn't it plausible that a god created the first life form on earth and set the evolutionary process into motion? Perhaps the evolution of species was part of the creator's design.

Even Christian leaders admit the plausibility of evolution. In 1950, Pope Pius XI wrote in his encyclical "Humani Generis," that the church "does not forbid that [...] research and discussions [...] take place with regard to the doctrine of evolution, in as far as it inquires into the origin of the human body as coming from pre-existent and living matter". Pope John Paul II reiterated this in a 1996 address to the Pontifical Academy of Sciences. Both Popes are sure to say that the human soul emerged from God.

There are further problems with Plunkett's article. It suggests that the evolutionists are out to get the souls of America's youth. It attacks and insults people who believe evolution to be a natural biological process. Indeed, it blames some of the most atrocious acts of the 20th century on evolutionary theories. A philosophy or theory cannot be a complete scapegoat for one's actions. If this were the case, then one would be forced to blame the crusades, the inquisition and American slavery - just to name a few atrocities done in the name of faith--on Christianity. People who were Christian used Christian texts to support their inhumane actions. Can one therefore discredit the whole of Christianity by citing "by their fruits ye shall know them?"

I'm sure evolution will be presented

as opposite to faith for many years. Hopefully we can all have a fresh look at this dividing issue instead of using formulaic responses.

Chuck Knight  
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### Separate science from theology

On your last opinion page you included a point/counterpoint argument about the teaching of evolution. It is unfortunate, but both writers missed the main point of the discussion. The first thing to remember regarding this issue is that of the venue in question. The argument is over whether or not to teach evolutionary theory in science classes, specifically biology. Remember these are not theology or philosophy courses. Evolution is a successful scientific theory in that it makes testable predictions that are verifiable through observational data. It is very good and proper to question this theory, but remember that it is science.

It is also very good to say that there are other conjectures concerning the origin of life, but the question here is whether they are valid, testable, scientific theories. If they are not, they should not be taught in a science class. Concerning the teaching of Intelligent Design or creationism, they are perfectly valid for philosophy or theology classes. However, seeing as they make no testable predictions, they are not a valid topic for science classes. I once heard a comparison that I think is particularly germane to this discussion. The universe is like a finely made pocket watch. Science is mankind's attempt to understand how the watch runs. Philosophy and theology are mankind's attempt to find why the watch is here and running.

Now I would like to shift my attention to the statements made by Daniel Plunkett. Number one, he asserts that evolution violates the second law of thermodynamics. This is blatantly a misinterpretation of that physical law. The law actually states that entropy will increase in a system unless energy is expended to counter the increase. As we are unable to draw energy from beyond our universe (our "system") the entropy in our universe will always increase. However, this is not to say that energy cannot be concentrated on a local scale in order to counter entropy in a small area. A person can expend energy on a local scale to clean a

messy bedroom for example. The same is true for the universe. The total amount of entropy is ever increasing, but in places like the sun, the energy is concentrated and so can effectively keep chaos at bay in the relatively small area around the star. To refute this is to refute the fact that the sun provides us energy through hydrogen fusion. To refute this would also mean that we could never gain energy from the food we eat or the fossil fuels we burn.

Additionally, if as Plunkett says, thermodynamics states that only simpler structures can come from more complex structures, we should all be the degenerate slime-like offspring of virtually immortal supermen. I would think there would be a historical record of such a race. Secondly, he states that evolution should not be taught because there are too many problems with the theory. This statement also belies a basic ignorance of scientific method. He asserts that people finally had the nerve to question the "commandment" of evolution. Science has no commandments. The entire purpose behind science is to systematically pose questions. A theory only remains valid if people test it. If one piece of data shows irrefutably that a theory does not align with observed reality, then the theory is disproved and discarded. No such evidence has yet appeared that disproves evolution.

As it turns out, relativity theory breaks down around black holes. Should we then stop teaching the ideas of astronomy and physics because we don't fully understand all celestial phenomena? No! We continue to question the theories we have until something that fits our observations better is found. Then we cast aside the old theory in favor of the new and begin to question the new theory. That is the way of science.

P.S. I would greatly appreciate Plunkett not using words such as evolutionist, liberal, humanist and environmentalist, as though they were racial slurs. This exposes a pervasive narrowness of viewpoint that cheapens the persons involved in the discussion. That being said, if he wishes to continue to show his own ignorance and closed mindedness, this is America and he should feel free to do so. It will just make it that much easier to discredit his arguments.

Tom Bone  
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Send your letters to the editor in a Word document to [theallstate@apsu.edu](mailto:theallstate@apsu.edu) by noon on Friday. Please include your name, classification and major or job title.

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### Take control of your college education

By AMANDA JEWEL WADLEY  
Opinion writer

I cannot believe the attitude of some of the students I have encountered in my classes this semester. Not only have I witnessed disrespect towards professors and other classmates, but some of these students whine and complain as if they were still in grammar school. This is college, grow up and take responsibility for your college careers.

Last week, I was sicker than I have been in a very long time. During this same time, my son became ill. I made sure to e-mail my professors everyday and keep them informed of my situation. Every one of them has given me the opportunity to make up missed assignments because I took the initiative to contact them.

It is not the professors' responsibility to make sure students do the required work. It is the duty of the students who signed up for these classes. Do not expect your teachers to come beat down your door because you will be disappointed.

Now, let's talk about homework. Homework is assigned for practicing what was learned (or should have been learned) in class. Without homework, it would be hard for most to retain certain information. Just because a professor assigns homework doesn't mean they are required to take it up and grade it. Homework is not for their benefit; it's for the benefit of the students. College is about educating oneself. Do it and stop complaining about it.

I have been witness to two appalling situations in my math class this semester. A certain student was reading a

newspaper during class, and when the professor asked the student to (please) put away the paper and pay attention to the lecture, the student grumbled and refused to do as he was told. The professor ignored this student and continued on with class.

Let me remind some of you: a professor has the right to ask a student to leave if they feel the student's conduct is inappropriate. If I had been that professor, this certain student would have been out the door.

The other situation has to do with students talking in class. This same professor has asked numerous times for certain groups of students to not talk while he lectured. Everyday for the entire semester, this same group refuses to shut up. It is important when attending class to be considerate of professors and fellow classmates. When a teacher is lecturing, stop talking and pay attention.

If something is so important that it cannot wait until after class to be discussed, go out in the hall and talk about it. Stop being self-centered and take a look around. Most people are in college to learn, not to socialize. If you do not want to come to class to learn, then don't come. It is disruptive and rude to carry on a conversation while other students are trying to learn. I cannot even believe I am writing an article about this in college. Apparently some people think they are still in high school and must be reminded how to conduct themselves in a classroom.

So here it is in a nutshell: be respectful, shut your traps, do the assignments and quit complaining. Maybe after you do this, you'll finally learn something.



## Sniffle, sneeze: Allergy season beginning to bloom

By CANDISE MCCAIG  
Staff Writer

Spring is here and several people are happy to see its arrival. However, many others are dreading the increase of pollen, ragweed, mold and other allergens that increase along with the temperatures. These people are collectively called allergy sufferers.

Allergic rhinitis or "hayfever" is triggered by allergens, such as pollen and mold. Allergens are substances that initiate an allergic response,

according to the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology (AAAAI). Light and dry pollens found on trees such as the oak, elm and birch are easily carried with the wind.

Allergic reactions are triggered by the specific allergens a person might be sensitive to. These typically inhaled allergens combine with the antibody IgE, found in all people in low amounts. However, larger quantities of the antibody are found in those who suffer

from allergies. Some common symptoms are itchy, watery eyes, nasal congestion, runny nose, sneezing, drowsiness and headaches.

If allergies are making you miserable, you should see an allergist. Allergies can lead to chronic conditions such as asthma, and an allergist will run thorough tests to find what your specific trigger might be. After that has been determined the allergist will help you develop a plan to manage your allergies and those terrible symptoms.

At the 2005 annual meeting of the AAAAI in San Antonio, research was presented supporting the fact that allergies are increasing. Significant differences in IgE levels were found between parents and their children. Researchers are now asking what could be the cause of the increase. Is it due to better reporting methods, growing patient awareness, better tests or is it due to environmental or lifestyle changes?

But how does one fight allergies if they

cannot afford an allergist? There are many over the counter treatments such as antihistamines. Even Claritin is available over the counter now. If these treatments do not help, a family physician can prescribe medications such as Allegra and Zyrtec which are both very effective in managing allergy symptoms in many individuals. Don't let allergies rob you of the enjoyment of spring. With the proper treatment everyone, including an allergy sufferer, can enjoy spring. ♦

## "Sin City" stuns audiences with its action



(AP PHOTO/DIMENSION FILMS/ RICO TORRES)

Above: Bruce Willis and Jessica Alba appear in a scene from the new movie "Sin City." The film is based on a comicbook series of the same title.

Right: Bruce Willis and Hartigan, a soon-to-be-retiring policeman incarcerated for a crime he didn't commit in "Sin City."

By MARTIN FOX AND MELISSA TYNDALL

Editor in Chief and Chief Copy Editor

For those attracted to the rough-and-tumble men of noir, or to women who have more sex appeal than they should be allowed to pack into their 120-pound bodies, "Sin City" is a must-see. The movie, which hit theaters April 1, is based upon graphic novelist Frank Miller's works "Sin City," "That Yellow Bastard" and "The Big Fat Kill." However, even those not familiar with Miller would be able to recognize the actors in the

celebrity-packed flick, which includes Bruce Willis, Elijah Wood, Mickey Rourke, Jessica Alba, Brittany Murphy, Clive Owen, Rosario Dawson, Benicio Del Toro and Jaime King.

The most appealing aspect of the movie was, without question, the cinematography. Although the movie is mostly in black and white, the creators add snippets of color with splatters of blood; slinky, red dresses; full, ruby lips and the yellow skin of Hartigan's (Willis) nemesis.

These unique and creative uses of black and white, mixed with color, made sure to

highlight certain aspects of the scene or character. The origin of this mixture of color and black and white becomes obvious to any avid comicbook fan. Never has a movie adaptation of a comicbook been so true to its original storyline.

For once, Hollywood has not been allowed to skewer and stifle an artist's integrity. For those with a stomach for gratuitous violence, heart-pounding car chases and cheesy dialogue laden with profanities, this movie will quench anyone's thirst for a good, offensive R rating. ♦



(AP PHOTO/MIRAMAX)

## Elling jazzes it up



PHOTO BY MELISSA TYNDALL/CHIEF COPY EDITOR

Chicagoan and six-time Grammy nominee is performing at the 44th Annual Mid-South Jazz Festival. Elling studied at the University of Chicago's Divinity School before pursuing jazz.

By MELISSA TYNDALL  
Chief Copy Editor

Austin Peay State University will be filled with the music of the Rivers & Spires Festival starting at 7:30 p.m. on April 8 and 9. While the concert series will feature APSU's own jazz musicians, such as the APSU Jazz Combo and the APSU Jazz Collegians (directed by APSU music professors David Steingress and Richard Steffen), it is Chicagoan and six-time Grammy Award nominee Kurt Elling that is expected to steal the show on Saturday, April 9.

The sound of Elling's voice is smooth, and when heard, it brings to mind classy piano bars or scenes of Chicago's 'old-school' jazz and blues underground clubs.

Though he grew up in a musical household (his father was a church musician), it was not until he was in graduate school at the University of Chicago's Divinity School that Elling began to pursue a career as a jazz vocalist. Kurt Elling's website indicates that he was inspired by jazz greats such as Al Jarreau, Joe Williams, Ella Fitzgerald, Tony Bennett, Betty Carter, Chet Baker and the blue-eyed heartthrob, Frank Sinatra.

The vocalist also expressed great gratitude for the inspiration of the vocalists who came before him—namely Mark Murphy and Jon Hendricks.

Despite the stereotypes that may follow musicians from cities as large as Chicago, the six-time Grammy nominated vocalist seems humble. Previous interviews have indicated that the artist simply desires for his audience "to be moved, to laugh, to remember something important they may have forgotten."

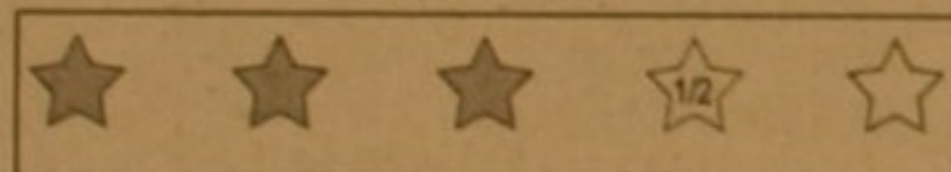
Audiences can research and preview Kurt Elling's albums on the website, which include "Close Your Eyes," "The Messenger," "This Time it's Love," "Live in Chicago," "Live in Chicago Out Takes," "Flirting with Twilight" and newly, "The Man in the Air." Elling is also been featured on over a dozen other albums since 1994.

APSU students, staff and faculty members can catch this jazzy act at Rivers & Spires. Though the Friday, April 9 general admission will be \$3, tickets for the Saturday, April 9 will be free for full-time APSU students who present a valid ID.

All other tickets are \$12 for students and \$25 for other adults and/or children.

Ticket prices also include free festival admission. For more information on tickets, the APSU Music Office can be contacted at (931) 221-7818. For more information on Kurt Elling, including examples of what might be heard at Rivers & Spires, visit <http://www.kurtelling.com>. ♦

## Music City rock band brings stellar debut album



By REBECCA YEATTS  
Staff Writer

Around here, Nashville-based bands are a dime a dozen. So, to make it in a place called Music City, bands must balance a tightrope; they have to be original, possessing a special quality that sets them apart from the crowd, but they must also have mass appeal, a grain of familiarity that people can relate to.

Jake Harsh and Jesse Krieger have walked that tightrope successfully and their band, Harsh Krieger, will release their first album nationwide on April 5.

The self-titled album was a labor of love for the duo, who are releasing the album on their own label, Tabula Rasa Records. Though major labels came knocking, the band prefers to multitask. "We're not necessarily looking

for somebody else to steer the way and we just follow and do whatever. We're very much aware of how we want our career to develop," says Krieger.

The Harsh and Krieger must know what they're doing, because the band is popping up everywhere.

From spins on radio stations to feature spots on MTV's "The Real World" and "Road Rules," Harsh Krieger is enjoying major airplay. But they aren't satisfied just yet. The band wants to be number one.

"We definitely want to take it all the way, continually moving forward, onward, upward," says Krieger.

Repeat: Track 2, "Gunsmoke." This song evokes the essence of U2 and infuses it with the band's one-of-a-kind Harsh Krieger edge.

Jake Harsh's vocals make the lyrics come to life, and Jesse Krieger's unique guitar work give the track a rock vibe.

This is one of those songs that you play when driving down the highway in the middle of the night, windows down, singing at the top of your lungs.

Skip: Track 7, "The Shore." Though the lyrics are okay, they are not up to par with the rest of the album.

The music end of the track also lacks that special something that Harsh Krieger puts into all of their other songs.

The song drags a bit and is on the melancholy side, which can be good; but not in this case. "The Shore" sounds like a typical broken-hearted rock ballad. It's the same thing, different band.

Overall, this is a stellar debut album. Jake Harsh and Jesse Krieger make a great duo, and they manage to splice and combine genres and types of music to create their own unique sound.

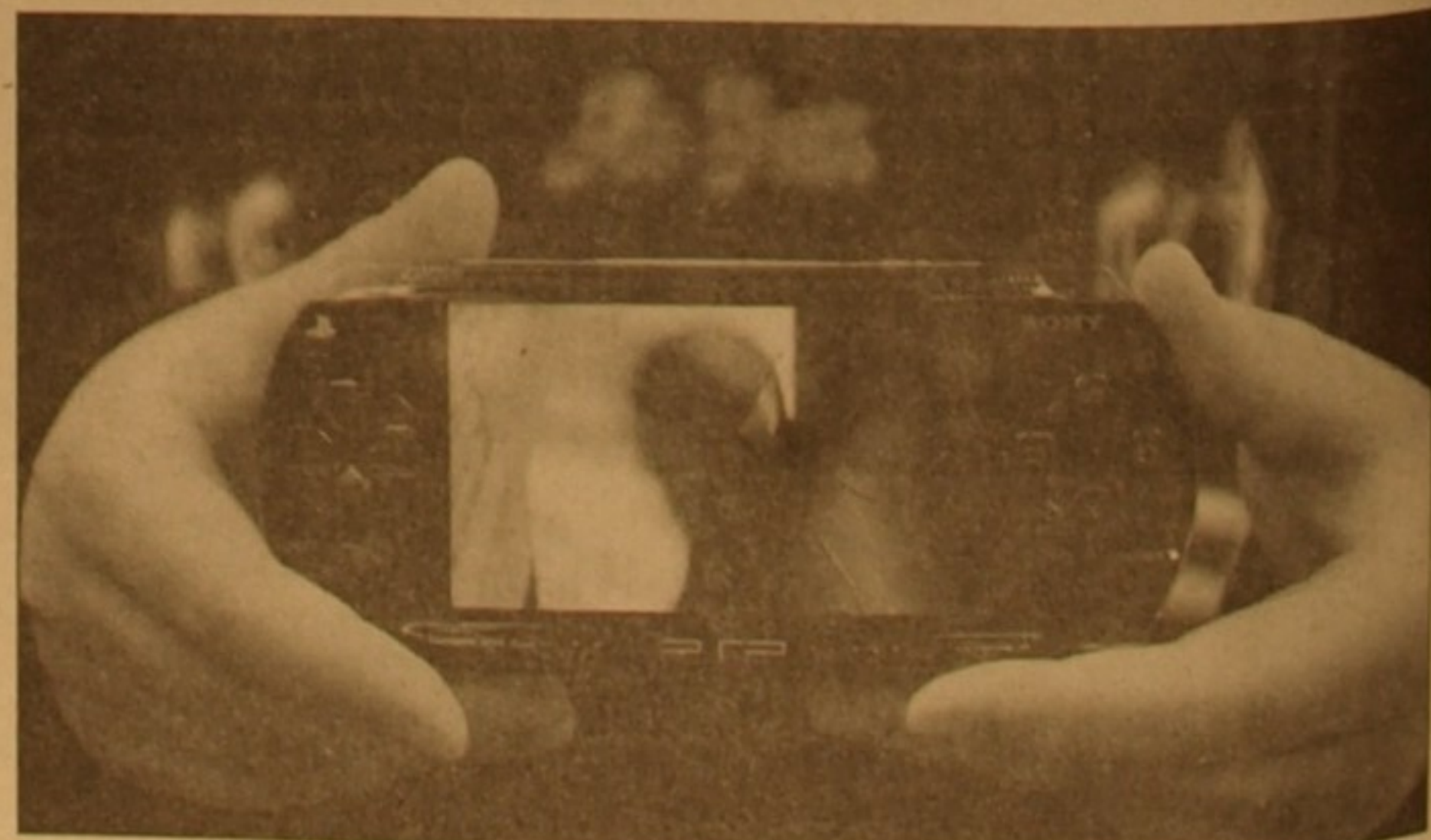
And what a beautiful sound it is. ♦

## Sony revolutionizes entertainment

By WAYNE ELLIOTT  
Assistant Features Editor

Sony's Playstation Portable (PSP), has already become the envy of spring. Unlike most stationary high-powered gaming systems, the PSP crams closely matched Playstation 2 graphics into a handheld, 4.9-ounce package. In addition, the machine also can be used to view movies, images, play music and participate in wireless game play by use of its built-in WiFi hardware.

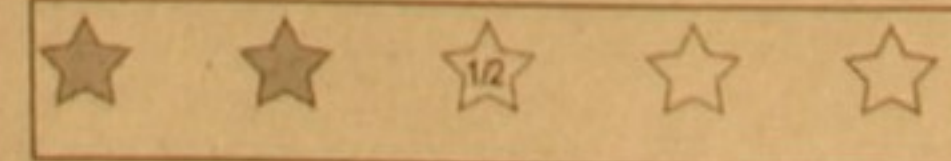
As of now, the PSP is only available by means of a \$250 bundle (which includes all of the basic accessories), and games run at around \$40-\$50, which is quite pricey for a handheld system. Also, to fully experience the multimedia aspects of the PSP, at least a 512 MB memory stick should be purchased, running the total up another \$40-\$70. Despite its financial aspects, the PSP will most certainly be in the back pockets of many this season. ♦



(AP PHOTO/VICTOR CRISTALES)

The new Sony Portable is capable of playing DVD quality movies and MP3 audio files.

## Lifeline rebounds with self-titled sophomore



By REBECCA YEATTS  
Staff Writer

Remember that song a few years ago? You know the one, that "Hanging By a Moment" song? What was that band called again? Weren't they just a one-hit-wonder?

Well, no. After a long break, Lifeline is finally back. The band has rebounded from the one-hit-wonder stigma with a new look, a new single and a new, self-titled album. The first single off the album, "You and Me," is popping up all over on radio and television

and soon will be showing up on stages cross country when Lifeline starts their spring tour to promote the album.

Repeat: Track 8, "Undone." This is one of those songs that, simply because it's on the album, you can't help but like the band just a little more.

Upbeat and melodic, it is easy to hum along to, but it's not the music that makes the song memorable.

The lyrics are what give this track life. They are essentially a list of promises that the singer intends to keep, which, if not done right, could be cliched and droning. Thankfully, lead singer Jason Wade has a way with words and

he manages to stay endearing without being sappy.

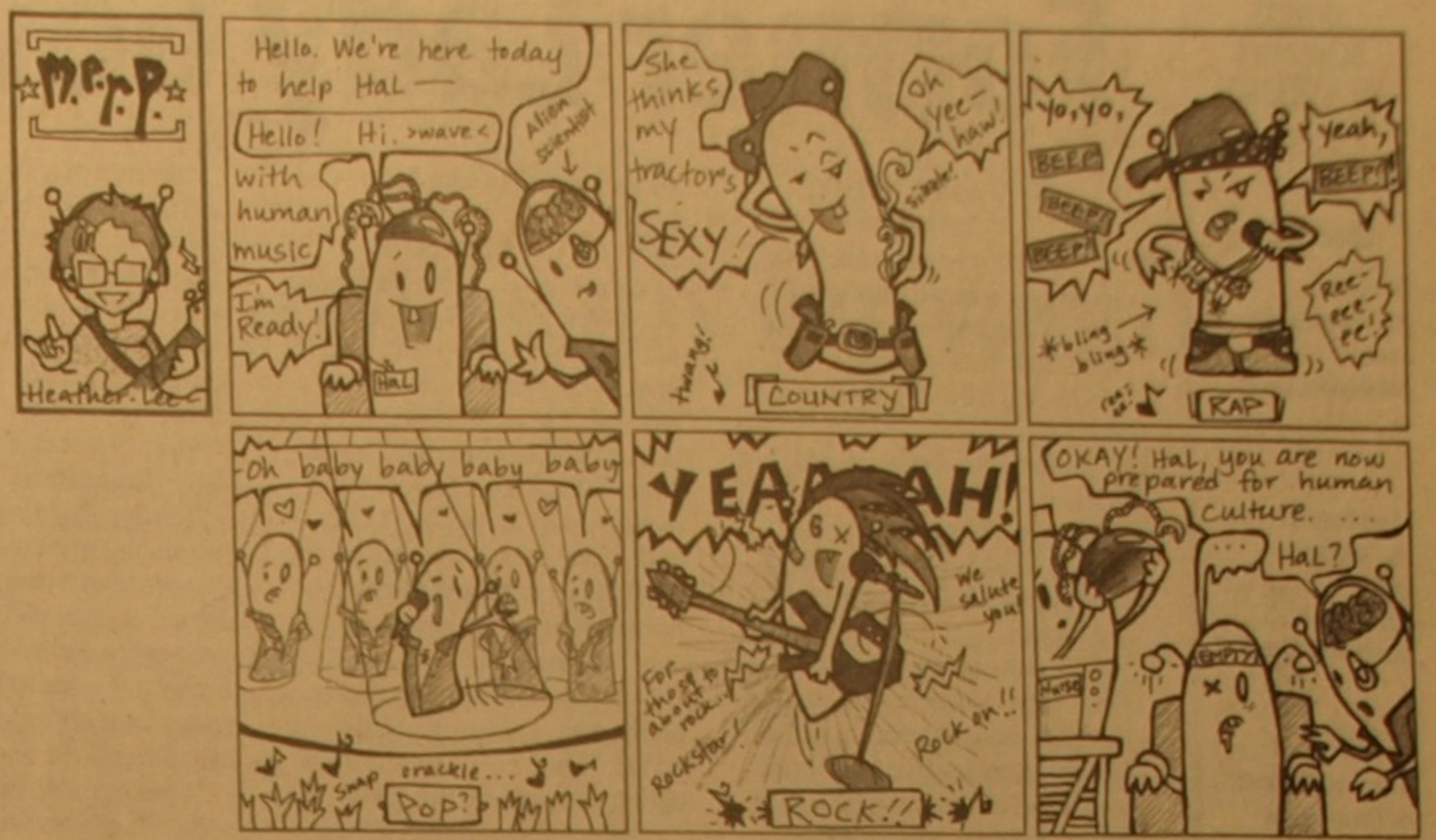
Skip: Track 11, "Chapter One." This song just doesn't fit. It sounds like a bad Beatles rip-off and is monotone and repetitive. There's more than one verse, but since they all sound the same, the lyrics are lost in the repetition. The track is sub par at best, conjuring aural images of garage bands with Casio keyboards and too much time.

Overall, this is a good album. It's one of those things that kind of grows on you. The more you listen to it, the more you like it. And if nothing else, you can just think of Lifeline as a two-hit-wonder. ♦



# Comics

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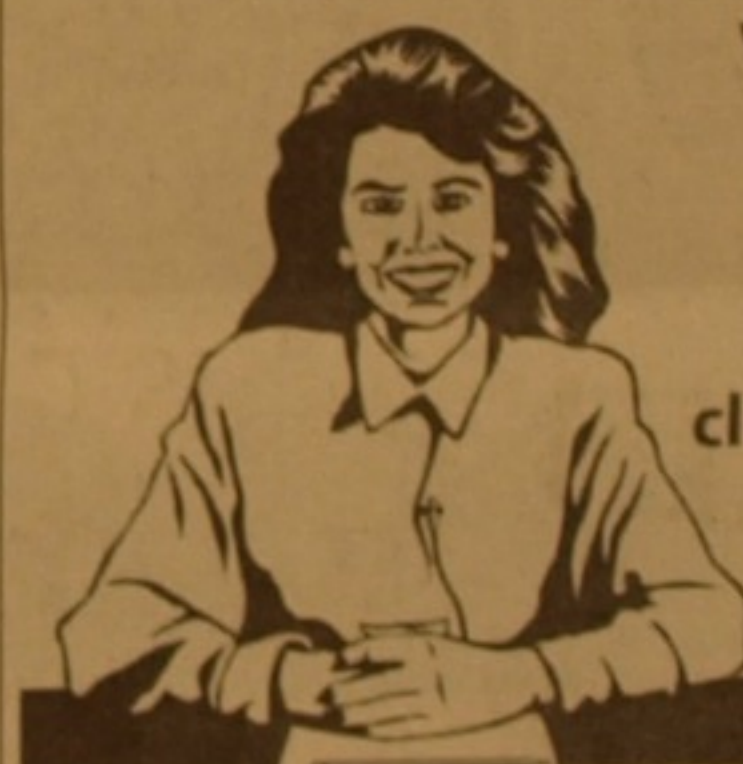
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Women's Golf at EKU Lady Colonel Classic, Richmond, Ky.

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### Saturday

Track and Field host APSU Invitational, Clarksville, Tenn.

Baseball at Tennessee Tech, 1 p.m., Cookeville, Tenn.

Softball vs. Samford, 1 p.m., Clarksville, Tenn.

Men's Tennis vs. Tennessee Tech, 12 p.m., Clarksville, Tenn.

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### Sunday

Softball vs. Samford, 1 p.m., Clarksville, Tenn.

Baseball at Tennessee Tech, 1 p.m., Cookeville, Tenn.

# Former Lady Govs to explore horizons

By MANDY WHITE  
Sports Editor

Seven of 13 Austin Peay State University women's basketball players are not returning for the 2005-2006 season. Large graduating class? If only it were that easy.

Juniors Kera Bergeron and Carden Cobb, along with freshmen Allyson Sample and Ashley Hardaway, were granted their releases from the program last month.

The move leaves last year's Ohio Valley Conference Coach of the Year, Andy Blackston, with six players returning from last year's squad and one player who signed during the early November signing period.

The question on everyone's mind, of course, is "What happened?" Six people simply do not leave a basketball team after one season for no reason. Especially this team. The Lady Govs' program has made five NCAA tournament appearances,

including the last four before this season.

It's not easy to get players to talk about what's going on. They don't want to point fingers; they just want to move on with their lives. Cobb, who has refused to talk with *The Leaf Chronicle*, wanted to shed some light on the issue. "This is something we just have to do for ourselves," Cobb said. "Each person who has left the team has reasons, and those who have chosen to stay have their own reasons as well."

"We want the remaining girls on the team to do well," Sample added. "The 13 of us were a really tight group, and we still are."

There was speculation during and after the season that the Lady Govs were unable to get along with one another. "The rumor is completely false," Cobb countered. "We tried several different ways to win, but we were shot down."

The lowest point for many players hit during mid-January.

Conference play had just begun and the Lady Govs were 6-12 overall, with three straight OVC losses under their belts. The team went on to finish 8-19, and did not even make the league tournament. Many of the players, including Cobb and Sample, had not lost 19 games in their entire high school careers.

"During the lowest points in the season, my emotions and stress consumed everything I was doing," Sample said. "My personality changed. A lot of factors just came to make me realize I am not supposed to be here. I feel like a new person."

"I feel so much better," Cobb added. "Last year we were a winning team, so on the outside, things appeared to be going smoothly. But this year, when we started to lose, emotions began to flare. It was surreal because we weren't supposed to be losing. It's not something that we were used to. Each game was a heartbreaker, and it was exhausting."

With the exhaustion and emotional turmoil finally over, Cobb, Sample, Bergeron and Hardaway are looking for what's next in their lives. Bergeron and Sample are going to continue playing basketball and have both scheduled a visit to Harding University in Arkansas for this week. Sample is also looking at the University of Central Arkansas, Arkansas-Little Rock and Arkansas State.

Cobb, the Pulaski, Tenn., native, is unsure about her next move. She will most likely either play basketball or softball at a Division I school in Tennessee. In softball, she was a three-time all-state standout at Giles County High School. "It's been a tough, disappointing season," head coach Andy Blackston said. "Different people deal with things differently, but everyone is moving on."

Bergeron was unavailable for comment and Ashley Hardaway declined comment.



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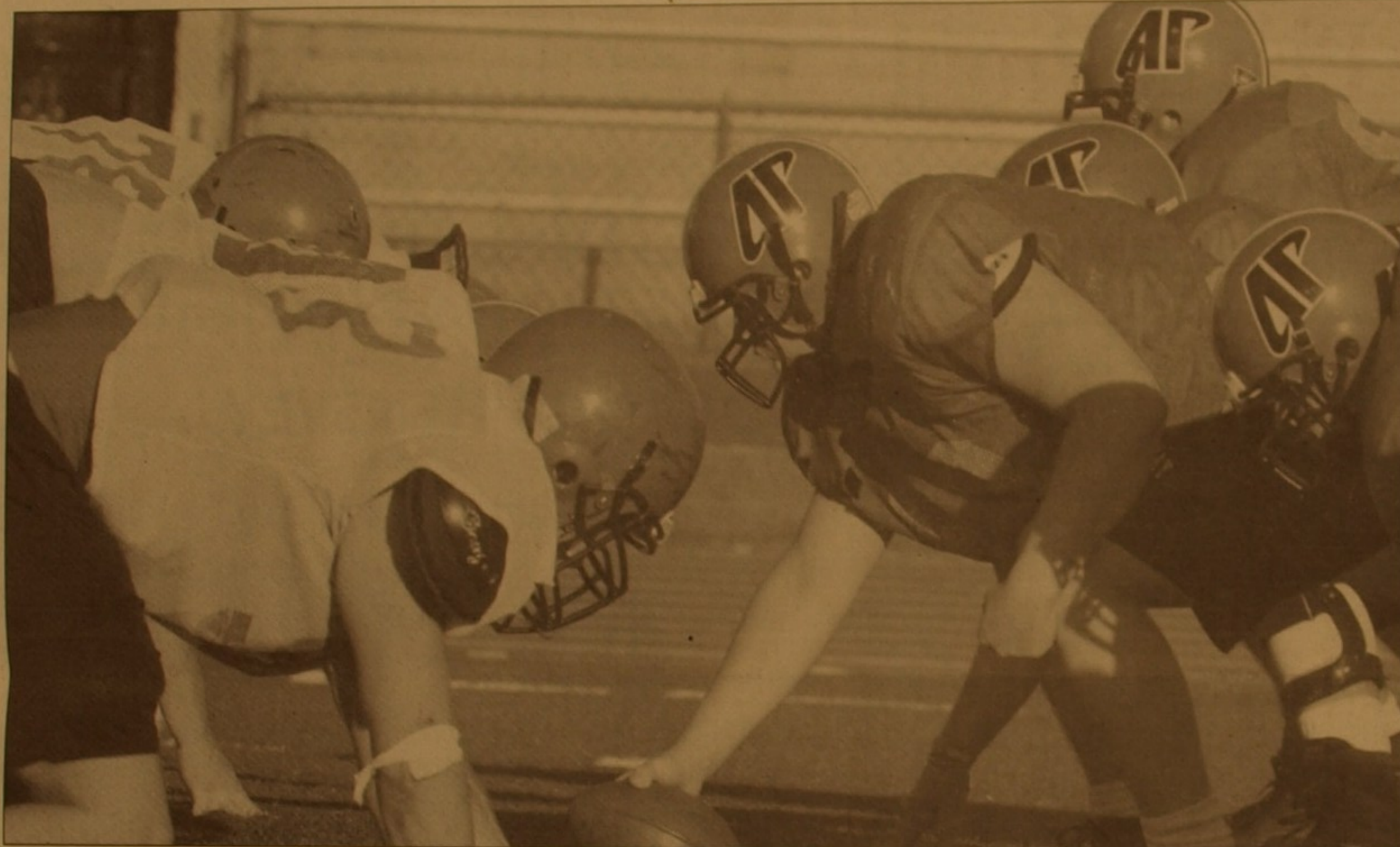


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## Spring brings new hope



THOMAS VAN HOOSER/STAFF

Govs line up on the ball during last week's spring practice at Governors Stadium. Over 100 supporters came out for last Saturday's Govs Football Reunion Weekend.

## Players, alumni anticipate improved 2005 team after productive practices

By MICHAEL TAYLOR  
Assistant Sports Editor

Austin Peay State University football will conclude their spring season this week, which has been going on for the last four weeks.

The main event, a football reunion which took place last Friday and Saturday, was an opportunity for APSU former players to meet the current players and see their efforts for the season.

"With so few numbers during our off-season program, we stopped talking about offense and team," head coach Carroll McCray said. "Instead, we talked about team. What we have right now is a bunch of guys pulling for each other with the idea of finding the best 11 on both sides of the ball."

After losing a large senior class last fall, there are many starting positions for next year's season. This would give the current 45 players something to look for and work hard to obtain.

Offensively, the Govs will build

their program around first-team All-Pioneer quarterback junior Jesse Kellogg (2037 yards passing) and running backs Quea Williams, senior, and Chris Fletcher, who just missed rushing for a 1,000 yards a year ago as a freshman (974 yards).

Defensively, the Govs bring back four players, including sophomore Steven Young, juniors Jordan Richardson and Drew Wilson and senior Matt Wade. Chase Mitchell will return in the secondary as safety, and R.J. Haskins is scheduled to make a start at corner.

"I told our guys that we are looking for one deep coming out of spring," McCray said. "If we can find 11 on each side of the football, then we will start looking for that 12th and that 13th. If we could get to two-deep, that would be great."

But before spring season got underway, there were some changes in the coaching staff. Ken Jones left to take a teaching position at Kenwood

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High School during early winter. Jones is still working with the Govs on a part-time basis, but McCray elected to shift some of his staff around.

Steve Haywood, who is an alumni offensive lineman for the Governors and began his coaching career as an offensive line coach, was moved back to offensive line coaching with Bob Ataca, who handles quarterbacks and wide receivers, taking over as offensive coordinator.

Graduate assistant Matt Handzo again will work with the running backs while student assistant J.P. Hogan will coach the tight end.

With Haywood moving to offensive line, secondary coach Granville Eastman was elevated to defensive coordinator. Graduate assistant Jacob Kinsey again will coach the linebackers with the assistance of Jones. McCray will take over the defensive line coaching duties with

help from student assistant Marcus Tucker, who completed his eligibility last fall as a Govs defensive lineman.

On Saturday, more than 100 spectators, mostly consisting of the 62 signed recruits and alumni of the football team watched the Govs practice on Saturday.

A tour of the campus was given to prospective and former players to show them the changes made in the last years and plans for future changes. Later that day, a questions and answer session was held with Sherry Hoppe, university president, as well as alumni, with the main discussion being scholarships for the football team.

APSU has already raised \$630,000 of the \$750,000 in private funds needed over the next five years to begin competing at the 60-scholarship level in the Ohio Valley Conference in 2007. Once the remaining \$120,000 is raised, the Govs will compete independently for one year with 30 scholarships before OVC play.

## Johnson qualifies for NCAA regionals

### TRACK AND FIELD

By ASHLEY SCHILLING  
Staff Writer

As the 24th annual Gatorade Classic wrapped up in Southeast Missouri on Saturday, the Austin Peay State University men and women's track and field team had something to look forward to other than taking home the ninth and seventh overall-place finishes.

APSU will be represented in the NCAA Regional Meet once again with junior Sherlonda Johnson's long jump of 19-08 (5.99m).

Her jump landed her second place in the competition, and it was more than enough to release some anxiety off of the team.

"This takes a lot of pressure off of Sherlonda and now we can focus on preparing for the OVC's and work on improving and then hopefully a trip to the NCAA," head coach Doug Molnar told APSU sports information.

While the Lady Govs rounded up 29 points throughout 19 events, the men's team finished with one point out of 19 events.

"It was tough going against some of the best competition that we've seen all year," Molnar said.

Competing teams, such as Illinois State University, Southeast Missouri State and Southern Illinois University, all took the top-three finishes in each one of the women's events.

At the Abe Stuber Track and Field Complex in Southeast Missouri, sophomore Tia Hendricks and freshman Danja Yates racked up the most valuable points in the women's 100-meter hurdles.

Both runner received 3.5 points for each finish, which gave the Lady Govs the extra seven points to clinch the seventh finishing spot.

On the men's side, freshman Matt Rowe competed in the 500-meter run, where he placed 16th place. Rowe's time was 16:52.24 where he gained the only point for the men's side of the track and field team. Rowe fell behind Harding University's Will Ellis by a mere few seconds.

The track and field team has just a few more days to prepare for Saturday's competition at home. The April 9 meet is their first and only home appearance for the Lady Govs during the outdoor season.

# Simpkins leads come-back sweep against Morehead State

By MANDY WHITE  
Sports Editor

Jennifer Simpkins may have made the difference last weekend as the Austin Peay State University softball team swept Ohio Valley Conference foe Morehead State, 5-4 in extra innings in the first game and 3-1 in the second.

The Lady Govs, trailing 3-1 in the seventh inning of game one, had bases loaded and two outs when Simpkins stepped up to the plate. The junior hit a single, driving in two runs to tie the score, which put the team back into the ball game.

"My teammates had gotten onto base," Simpkins said, "and I was glad I had the opportunity to step up. I'm glad I was able to get the hit and not let my team down."

Sophomore pitcher Natasha Anderson kept the match-up interesting by loading the bases in the bottom of the seventh before finally recording a strike out to end the inning and force extra play. Both teams scored in the 10th, but APSU chalked up the win in the 11th when Amy Hale singled to left field, scoring Tina Nickey.

Anderson (8-5) went the distance, allowing

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four runs (two earned) on five hits and three walks while striking out 11 in 11 innings. Senior Jessica Warden, junior Brianna Venable and freshman Taylor Newberry each had two-hit performances. Venable hit her 21st career home run in the second, and she is now one shy of the school record held by Andrea Miller.

"The first win against Morehead State was a really big confidence booster for our team," Nickey said.

"I'm so proud of the way the girls kept fighting," head coach Jim Perrin said. "They never once gave up. The big thing is that we were able to come from behind and respond in a positive way."

The Lady Govs were able to carry that momentum into the second game, scoring back-to-back runs in the fifth inning off singles by Ami Bush and Simpkins.

MSU cut the lead in half during the bottom of the fifth, but remained scoreless the remainder of the contest. APSU's Jessica Warden regained the Lady Govs' two-run advantage when she hit a leadoff home run

during the sixth, which sealed the victory.

"This was an extremely important weekend for us," Perrin said. "We went to Morehead knowing we had to fight like the dickens so we could be in a better position for a chance in going to the conference tournament, and we did what we needed to do."

Sophomore Ashley Porter (2-3) picked up the win for Austin Peay, going 4.1 innings and allowing one unearned run on three hits. Anderson came on in relief and picked up her first career save after holding the Lady Eagles to one hit while striking out five in 2.2 innings.

The Lady Govs improved their OVC record to .500 and their overall record to 11-20 after the sweep. They will return to OVC action with a three-game series against Samford this weekend at Lady Govs Field. The teams kick off play with a 1 p.m. doubleheader, Saturday, before playing the final game, 1 p.m., Sunday.

"As a team, we're really starting to come together," Simpkins said. "This is the time we need to get things rolling, and I think we're off to a pretty good start."



JAROD LEONARD

Head coach Jim Perrin gives his team a pep talk on March 17 during the contest against Lipscomb. The Lady Govs are currently fourth in the OVC, and they will host Samford Saturday at 2 p.m.







## \$11,000 to be awarded at Tourney

### APSU Sports Information

The 11th annual Austin Peay State University Governors Bass Tournament is only 1 1/2 months away.

The popular, two-man bass fishing tournament, which includes a tourney record 241 boats a year ago will be held Saturday, May 14, at Kentucky Lake, with registration and boat-launching from Paris Landing, Tenn., State Park.

A total of \$11,000 in prize money will be awarded with a guaranteed first-place prize of \$3,000. Second place is guaranteed \$1,500.

Third and fourth-place will receive \$1,000 and \$600, respectively. The top 30 places will receive prizes. Each boat also will have the opportunity to win in a grand door prize drawing, and if the tourney winner is fishing in a Triton boat, Triton will pay an additional thousand dollars to the winner.

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The tourney will begin 6 a.m. Saturday, May 14, although all contestants must be checked in between 4-5:30 a.m., with mandatory meeting at 5:45 a.m. Pre-registration is \$100 per boat (two people per boat), \$110 after noon, Friday, May 13.

Fishing with artificial baits only is authorized with no motor trolling allowed. A five-fish limit per boat exists.

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## Injuries don't tarnish tourney hopes

### WOMEN'S GOLF

By MICHAEL TAYLOR  
Assistant Sports Editor

Back problems and bad knees. These are just a few of the injuries that plague the Austin Peay State University women's golf team. With two top-five players dealing with these obstacles, the Ohio Valley Conference championship tournament will come in two weeks regardless.

"We have been trying to gear up for conference," head coach Sara Burkhead said. "It has been very difficult due to the injuries that a couple of players are dealing with, but we are staying positive and hoping for the best."

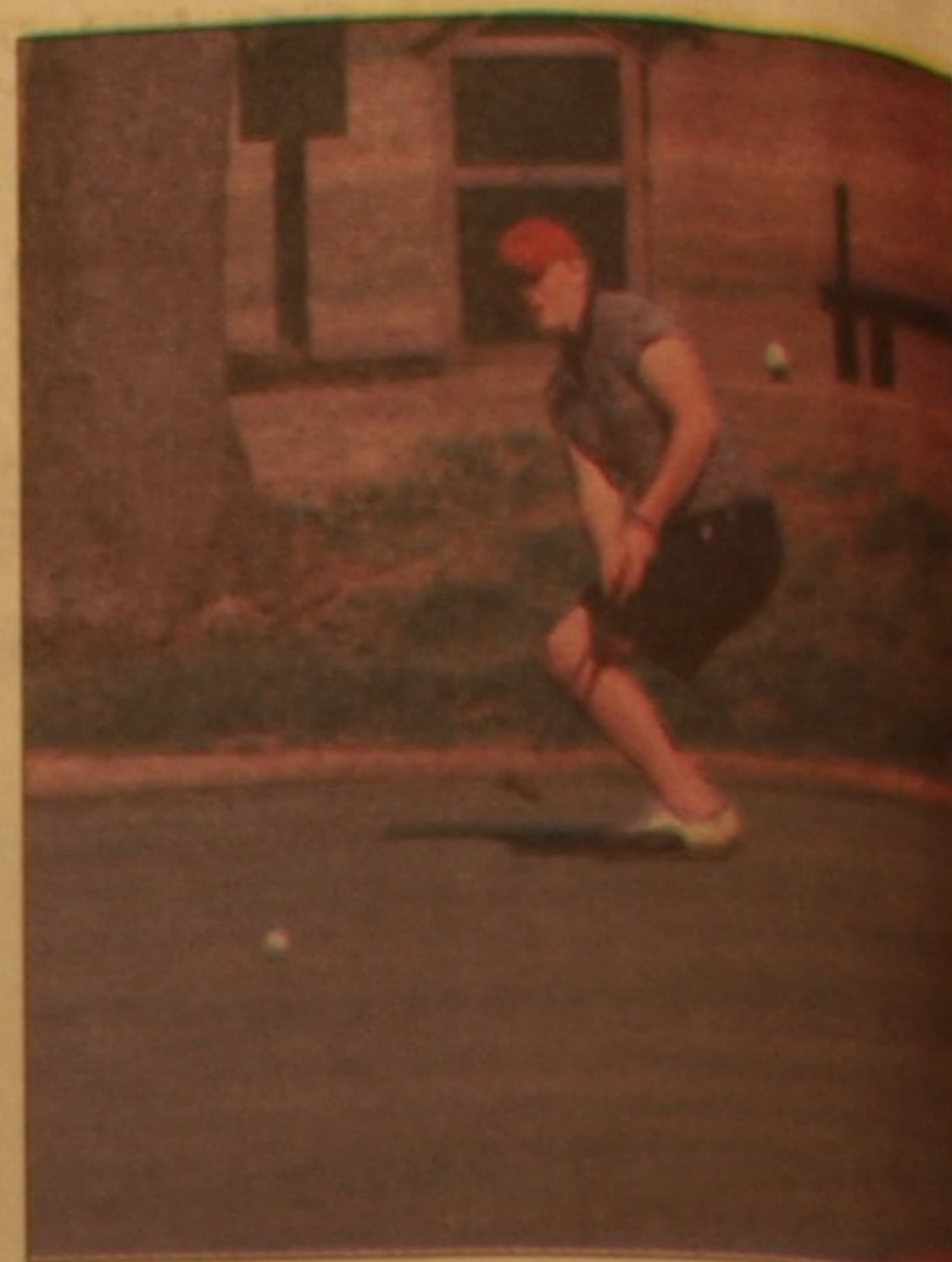
Junior Pier-Ann LaChance, who is battling persistent back troubles, is expected to sit out for the last tournament so she can be ready for the conference tournament. Sophomore Amanda Rose, who injured a knee three weeks ago, is in the same boat. She too will sit out the last tournament of the season.

"Over these next couple of weeks we are going to do everything we can to save knees and backs so we can be ready for the OVC (April 18-20)," Burkhead said.

So far this season, the Lady Goves are not producing what they think they are capable of doing. As a team, they placed fourth in the Big River Telephone Classic/Lady Racer Classic, 15th at the Samford Intercollegiate, 12th at the Saluki Invitational and lost a dual match to Belmont last weekend. Preparing for the one tournament left before the OVC Championship will mean an opportunity for more practice in order for the Lady Goves to get to where they think they need to be. The Lady Colonel Classic, hosted by Eastern Kentucky, is scheduled for Thursday through Saturday in Richmond, Ky.

"There will be a lot of OVC teams there, so it will be good practice for the OVC," Burkhead said. "We need to improve our short game, so we will be focusing on that."

Some Lady Goves have showcased some great performances throughout the season. Erin Wise finished 21st at the Samford Intercollegiate, she and Christine Idoux



THOMAS VAN HOOSEN/STAFF  
Newcomer Lindsey Pippins putts during the Belmont dual match last weekend.

finished 17th and 20th, respectively, at the Racer Classic hosted by Murray State. But as a whole, the team hasn't been producing extremely well.

"We haven't yet been able to produce a good team score," Burkhead said. "In most cases, we will have some of the girls to shoot really good during the first round, but not that well on that next. This is hurting us. If we can get a solid all-around game from everyone, then there is no limit how well we can do." ♦

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