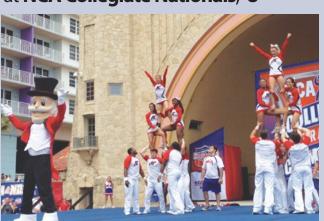


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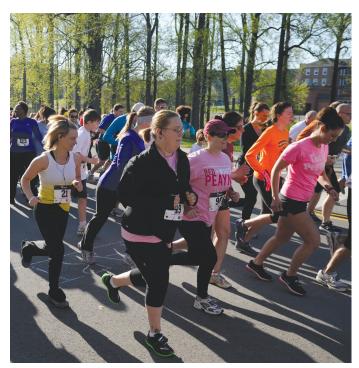
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APSU community runs 5K for breast cancer awareness



Members of the APSU community participate in the third annual Breast Cancer Awareness 5K on Saturday, April 13. The race raised close to \$3,000 for the American Cancer Society. DALWIN CORDOVA | ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

» By DALWIN CORDOVA

Assistant News Editor

Several student organizations hosted APSU's third annual Breast Cancer Awareness 5K on Saturday, April 13. Hundreds of students and community members participated and helped raise close to \$3,000 for breast cancer research.

The race was hosted by the Wilbur N. Daniel African-American Cultural Center, University Recreation and Alumni Relations.

The event drew in about 200 runners and helped raise close to \$3,000 according to Henderson Hill III, director of the WNDAACC.

The proceeds of the Breast Cancer Awareness 5K will go to the American Cancer Society, which will help them achieve the organization's goals.

The American Cancer Society is a nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy and service, according to the American Cancer society's

The competitors of the race were given two choices for the event including a 5K run and a one mile fun run.

The 5K started at 8 a.m. and the fun run started 30 minutes later. Most runners finished the race within the 30-minute mark.

Lauren Wilkinson, assistant director of services at University Recreation said, "Not only has the race raised double the money as compared to the first annual 5K but they also have doubled the amount of participants."

Clarksville resident, Evan Perparis finished with a time of 17 minutes and 30 seconds, which was a personal record. Perparis pointed out that he ran the race to raise awareness for breast cancer and to have a good run.

David Sanders, sophomore biology major, finished in third place and said, "I knew it was for a good cause. I wanted to support breast cancer awareness and I'm an avid runner and crossfitter so I really enjoy doing stuff like this."

The WNDAAC is looking to team up with more APSU organizations to help raise even more money and awareness for breast cancer research. TAS

Clothesline Project catches **APSU community's attention**

Graphic messages on shirts in UC plaza bring awareness to victims of violence



People stop to read messages written by students on shirts hung on clotheslines at the UC plaza. The messages depict stories of sexual abuse, proclamations of hope and confessions to help raise awareness for victims of violence. STEPHEN KEMP | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

» By BRITTANY HICKEY

Over 500 T-shirts hung on a clothesline stretched across the UC plaza Wednesday, April 10. Students' stories of sexual abuse, proclamations of hope and confessions were spelled out in fabric paint on colorcoded T-shirts for members of the APSU community to read.

Purple and lavender shirts represented an attack because of a person's sexual orientation. Red, pink and orange shirts

signified a survivor of sexual assault or rape. Yellow shirts stood for victims of physical assault. White symbolized a death.

The Women and Gender Studies department, with the help of the Gay Straight Alliance and the Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance, organizes a clothesline project three times every school year, and have been doing so at APSU since 1997. While they used to bring in T-shirts from a clothesline event in the community, eventually students and faculty began making the T-shirts. Now every T-shirt

hung in the plaza is the personal creation of someone at APSU.

"I have a classmate who came down here earlier," Katelyn Jones, a junior social work major said. "She didn't realize it was students' messages on the shirts. It really

Alicia Phoenix, a women's studies minor, explained that the shirts take an abstract concept and turn it into something tangible; it informs others that abuse is an issue in this community.

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Student Organizations and Leaders Awarded for APSU service, involvement



Aubrey Harris, recipient of the Madam Governor Award (left), and Jesse Brewer, recipient of the Mr. Governor Award (right), pose with Gregory Singleton, Associate Vice President and Dean of Students (center). JOSH VAUGHN | PHOTO EDITOR

» By CHASETON DONAHOE

Many awards were presented to students as well as student organizations that have been involved in campus volunteer work, philanthropy, community service and other activities promoting education and school pride at the Student Organization and Leader Awards ceremony on Thursday, April 11, in the UC ballroom.

The event had a large turnout,

and over 40 awards were presented, including the Division of Student Affairs Valor Award, the Mr. and Madam Governor awards, and the Vice President's Excellence in Leadership Award.

This year's winners of the Valor Award were Michael Swallops and Tracy Sternwell. The Division of Student Affairs Valor Award is given to students who have demonstrated action, belief, and steadfastness in the face of adverse situations.

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Phi Kappa Phi inducts two new members to Hall of Fame



Dewey Browder, president of APSU's Phi Kappa Phi, honors the new members and hall of fame inductees at the 37th initiation ceremony on Wednesday, April 10. DREW KIRK | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

» By DANIELLE HUNTER

Staff Writer

APSU's chapter of Phi Kappa Phi held its 37th initiation ceremony on Wednesday, April 10, in the Clement Auditorium.

APSU Alumni Dr. Tim Barrowman and Dr. Phil Roe were inducted into the PKP Chapter 191 Academic Hall of Fame. In addition, 116 APSU upperclassman and graduate students and 6 faculty members were introduced into PKP.

Phi Kappa Phi is the oldest, largest and most selective honor society in the nation, according to Phi Kappa Phi's website. The mission of the society is "to recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others."

"In 1997, our chapter of the honor society of Phi Kappa Phi established the Academic Hall of Fame as a part of this society's centennial celebrations," said Karen Sorenson, past president of APSU's PKP chapter. "Since that time, we have inducted 36 outstanding graduates of APSU. Candidates chosen for induction are alumni who have distinguished themselves professionally and who have made notable contributions to society and to humanity."

As a part of being inducted into the PKP Academic Hall of Fame, Barrowman (1971) and Congressman Roe (1967), representative for Tennessee's 1st Congressional District

in the U.S. House of Representatives, were added to a PKP Hall of Fame plaque that is displayed in the APSU Woodward Library. Neither Hall of Fame inductee was present at the ceremony; however, both Barrowman and Roe sent in statements expressing their honor and gratitude.

Dewey Browder, president of PKP, Chapter 191, read Barrowman's statement for the audience. Barrowman expressed his thanks and shared the history of his "love for learning." Barrowman stated that his love first began when his father convinced him to do a science project and enter the project into the science fair held at APSU. Barrowman ended

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'Helping Hands' honored for providing support

» By MYRANDA HARRISON

Staff Writer

Several mentors, family members and friends were honored for their influential support provided to graduating non-traditional seniors at the APSU Non-Traditional Student Center's Helping Hands Awards Banquet on Tuesday, April 9 in the UC ballroom.

Several graduating seniors nominated and honored the person who encouraged them to not only go back to school, but helped them along the way as well. Each student gave a speech and their chosen loved one was honored with a recognition certificate.

Ann French, mathematics major, was one of several students who thanked and honored her children and said that her son was the one who really encouraged her in reaching her academic and graduation goals.

Karletta Epps, a sociology major was one of many who honored her spouse, calling her husband the coach and mentor in her life. He agreed to do another three years in the army so that it would help put her through school because she did not qualify for Financial Aid.

"My husband is my hero," Epps said.

Marla Klinger also thanked her husband who picked up the extra slack around their household because she was focused on school. He persuaded her to finish her associate's degree while they were living in Germany and he encouraged her to reach for her bachelor's degree.

Jill Johnson and Kevin Gonga nominated their

spouses as well. Johnson, an education major, said her husband believed in her when she felt the lowest, and she is the first of seven siblings to earn a college degree. Gonga's wife is Marsha Lyle-Gonga, political science professor at APSU, whom he says was his continuous support over the years as he pushed through getting his undergraduate degree and his masters.

Nursing major Stephanie Dowlen came to APSU 30 years ago, dropped out after just six months, but her boss was her inspiration to go back and finish. Her boss allowed her to focus more on her studies and cut back on her hours at work and still allowing her to keep her

"My go-to person who encouraged me when I needed help the most," she said was not only her boss, but her friend as well.

Single mother of four children and liberal arts major, Darci Bateman decided to nominate the woman who has been there for her entire life, her mother. Bateman made the decision to go back to

"My mother has always been there for me and is an inspirational role-model," Bateman said.

Angela Rood who has a Bachelor of Science in Radiologic Technology honored her parents and children. She has three children and she decided to go back to school in 2005 when her eldest son was nine months old.

Without her parents' helping hands, she said she would not have been able to graduate, especially without their help with her children. "It has been very hard, but I have done it." TAS

Clothesline Project

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The purpose of hanging the shirts up is to raise awareness about the suffering that survivors of abuse carry with them, according to Jill Eichorn, coordinator of Women and Gender Studies. The nature of domestic, physical and sexual assault causes survivors to feel isolated, she said, and the shirts serve as a reminder that they are not alone.

"If you pretend it doesn't exist, it will continue," Eichorn said. In her opinion, if women and others can feel empowered, they can change the dynamics of the relationships that result in assault and ask for support. However, she emphasized that while a victim can learn to react and to seek help, it is not their fault that it happens.

For students like the classmate of Katelyn Jones, who left the clothesline feeling saddened, Eichorn said that they can take their awareness to become a resource for people who need help or advocate

"When we have in our psyches 'I don't deserve this, that will change our interaction," Eichorn said.

She also believes that the people who assault the victims have a sickness and they have to be offered help as well.

The Clothesline Project dates back to 1990 and is now hosted worldwide.

Flanked by the T-shirts, small signs were hung along the clothesline with statistics about assault, such as the fact that every two seconds, there is a sexual assault in America. The statistics can all be found at RAINN.org. TAS

Leader Awards

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"My experience here has definitely made me into who I am today," said Jesse Brewer, SGA president and winner of this year's Mr. Governor Award. "I've been able to meet new people, and they've become some of my best friends. Make sure you get involved in something. There's always something you can find that you'll enjoy. If you don't get involved, you are losing a lot of the experience."

The Vice President's Excellence in Leadership Award this year was presented to Joseph Barler. It is awarded to students who have excelled academically while being involved on campus and

exhibiting leadership skills.

Zach Gillman won both one of the Governors Rising Leaders awards as well as the Student Organization Member of the year. The Outstanding Student Veteran Award for this year was presented to Stacy Gardner for military service and maintaining high academic achievements.

"Each of these people has their own private pathways that they've been following," President Tim Hall said. "I have seen them day-in and dayout, and seen the ways they've risen above those private pathways to participate at the university and make it a better place. It's a stronger place. One of the reasons that it's the fastest-growing university in Tennessee is because of our students' engagement, labor, and service." TAS

PKP Hall of Fame

up winning a ribbon for his project—from there, his love for science only grew.

"My love for learning later carried me through APSU with a major in chemistry and a minor in biology," wrote Barrowman, "The professors in the science department were very encouraging. To further my learning, I chose to go to medical school and was accepted at the University of Tennessee, Memphis. As you can imagine, one must have [a] great love for learning to get through medical school."

Barrowman has had a notable impact on the medicine world and is currently a pathologist and hospital laboratory medical director at Baptist Medical Center East in Montgomery, Ala.

Roe's statement was also read at the ceremony. Roe emphasized his thanks for the honor and said he felt privileged to be noted among such distinguished alumni in the PKP Academic Hall of Fame. Roe admitted that, although he gained a love for reading from an encouraging family, he was not always the best student. "Fortunately the faculty worked with me anyway and further instilled a love of learning that would set me on a path for medical school, military service, 30 years of medical practice, and elected office," Roe wrote.

Roe was elected into Congress in 2008, after serving as mayor of Johnson City from 2007-08.

Roe added, "It was because of APSU and supportive family that the son of a factory worker was able to rise up and gain a better life for himself." TAS

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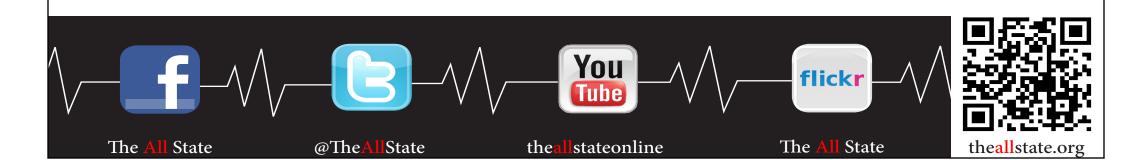
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- 1:20 p.m.; Apr. 8; Emerald Hills & Two Rivers Lot; vandalism
- 6:33 p.m.; Apr. 8; Foy Fitness & Rec Center; theft of property
- 6:10 p.m.; Apr. 7; Foy Fitness & Rec Center; theft of property
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- 7:28 p.m.; Apr. 5; Castle Heights; assault

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Students would like longer library hours



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»BRIAN BIGELOW

minute papers, due on D2L at midnight, being disrupted by a downed internet connection in my Managing Editor apartment.

As a second-year

graduate student who

also completed much

of his undergrad here

at APSU, I have a lot of

experience with last-

When that happens, the library is there to help ... sometimes.

If you're finishing a 15-page paper by midnight Friday night without internet, you better be glad that the Starbucks on Madison has wi-fi that still works on their patio after they close at 11 p.m., because the library is locked up tight.

I realize that as college students, we're

America's

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redemption.

Basically,

shamed or

supposed to have social lives, but some of us have assignments due on Friday and Saturday night, and the library closes at 7 p.m. and 5 p.m. respectively.

I've never attended an SGA meeting, but of all the topics that have grabbed my attention over

the years, this is the one I most wanted to bring to their attention.

The library is open until 2 a.m. Only quiet, distraction-free Sunday through Thursday, which I Zone for studying, reading, think is great.

Some people argue that the library should be

open 24-hours a day, but I, personally, don't think that's necessary—except during finals when the number of frantic, stressed and desperate students

increases dramatically.

The much more pressing concern is the early hours on Fridays and Saturdays.

Sometimes, the library is the only quiet, distraction-free zone for studying, reading,

writing or researching. Sometimes, the library's resources are the only way to accomplish the tasks set forth by professors. Sometimes, the library is the only place to take a nap between commitments and responsibilities, but if that's why you're there after 10 p.m., just go

home and go to bed.

If, for some reason, it's not possible to keep the library open until 2 a.m. every night, I think it

would be a reasonable compromise to extend these hours to at least 10 p.m. or midnight on Fridays and Saturdays.

I would be interested in learning the rationale behind these shorter hours.

With as many online classes as APSU offers and the pervasiveness of D2L for on-campus classes, the idea that assignments will only be due during class time Monday through Friday is unrealistic, and the library needs to reflect this new 24/7 homework and testing schedule.

I realize that longer library hours means more money spent by the university, and I have no idea where that money would come from or how much it would cost, but I think it would be a worthwhile investment.

I'm sure there is no shortage of student workers who would volunteer to work these extended hours, because the only thing college students love more than free food is money. **TAS**

Americans fascinated by ups and downs of celebs

Sometimes, the library is the



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Guest Writer

otherwise shunned celebrities gain a surge in, what may seem to be, unwarranted popularity.

In some cases this doesn't take a lot

For instance, Charlie Sheen was considered dangerous and crazy, for what feels like roughly a week, before embracing the persona and capitalizing on it. Others take a while and aren't widely publicized.

After losing his mind on Oprah in 2005, Tom Cruise still gets movies like "Jack Reacher," but I don't believe general consensus holds that he is a sane individual.

Perhaps most recently, Tiger Woods' return to the top in golf may surprise some of the more judgmental of the populace. Nike's tagline for the returning champion, "Winning Takes Care of Everything," is an accurate assessment of the athlete's return.

In response to the obvious implications of that tagline, Woods' sports agent, Mark Steinberg,

stated that such implications take the

tagline out of context.

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Even if that is true, in the eyes of the crowd, winning does solve all of Woods'

Now the question is whether or not celebrities deserve second chances. It's

Basically, as long as we dramatize our celebrities, they will inevitably fall short of our expectations."

> not for me to say, but Woods shouldn't be allowed adoration for golf skills (and

On the other hand, I feel justified in stating my belief that someone like Mel Gibson should not be allowed back into the lime light.

I certainly still enjoy Tom Cruise movies and I think Charlie Sheen's use of his insanity to make money is impressive.

If both of them had been found to be unredeemable, I guess I can't say the world would be worse off, but it would have been an unfair judgment.

I could get into a deeper argument here about the problems with our celebrity culture.

Like, for instance, the fact that people like Chuck Norris and Steven Seagal get to weigh in on the gun control issue as if they were authorities on the matter.

However, I actually think celebrity redemption is a positive aspect of the celebrity culture.

Sure, in my cynical mind, I am still fairly certain that Woods is a dog and Cruise is mentally unstable, but maybe I'm wrong.

Celebrity redemption, staged as it sometimes may be, gives people hope and a positive fluff piece about overcoming addiction or personal

Now, sometimes that hope is mercilessly trodden on when the bottom falls out a month later.

But, generally, the celebrity at least sticks to their story.

Basically, as long as we dramatize our celebrities, they will inevitably fall short of our expectations.

Admittedly, some fall faster and harder than others, but most of their missteps deserve the benefit of the

After all, they are still human. **TAS**

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Wednesday, **April 17**

- 3 p.m.-5 p.m.; Sustainability Week: **APSU Farm** Trip; APSU Sustainability Farm
- 7:30 p.m.; Theatre: Lysistrata; Trahern Theatre

Thursday, **April 18**

- 9 a.m.-11 a.m.; **ANTS Coffee BRAKE** with **Govs Pro**gramming Council; **MUC 112**
- 9 a.m.-11 a.m.; Sustainability Week: Info Table; **MUC Lobby**
- 4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.; Spanish Game Night; MUC 213

Friday, **April 19**

4:30 p.m.-6 p.m.; **SGA** Senate and **Tribunal** Reception; Einstein **Bros. Bagels**

Saturday, **April 20**

- 10 a.m.-11 a.m.; Chance to Dance; Red Barn
- 7:30 p.m.; Opera: Hansel and Gretel; MMC Concert Hall

Tuesday, **April 23**

9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Condom Day; MUC Lobby

To submit on- or off-campus events for future Community Calendars, email





Top: Automated slot machines were among the casino games available at the Govs Programming Council's Casino Night. Above: Students try their luck at the blackjack table. Right: Near-ceiling-size playing card replicas were set up at the UC ballroom doors to welcome guests to Casino Night. DREW KIRK | STAFF **PHOTOGRAPHER**



Govs Programming Council transforms ballroom into casino

» STAFF REPORT

The Govs Programming Council transformed the UC ballroom into a Las Vegas-style lounge for "Casino Night" On Wednesday,

Students in attendance were greeted at the door by a set of door-size playing cards and a showgirl draped in red sequins

Once inside, guests were given \$25,000 worth of reserve notes to be used for games and instructions on how to place their bets

Each reserve note came with a printed reminder of its intent of use: a written promise that it was good for games, food, drinks or anything else required to give its holder a great night.

"It's just an end of the year celebration for students," said Brittany Clark, GPC staff member and senior marketing major.

Clark said the overall goal of Casino Night was to keep it "fun" and "free for students."

Various casino games lined the walls of the ballroom, including slots, blackjack, craps and a roulette wheel. A photo booth adorned with props such as wigs, masks and beads was available, as well. Attendees were also given the opportunity to compete in a poker tournament.

"I learned how to play a lot of casino games," said senior computer science major Jess Brundige.

Brundige called Casino Night a "novel idea," but had one problem with the event.

"I had a lot of fun, but I ended up forfeiting \$40,000 worth of play money because all the prizes were gone," Brundige said. 745

Skatin for Katelyn event benefits alumna

» By LINDA SAPP

Staff Writer

"Skatin for Katelyn" was a fundraising event held for APSU alumna Katelyn Bryant on Wednesday, April 10, at the Rainbo Skating Center.

Bryant was diagnosed with Stage 4 Oropharyngeal Squamus Cell Carcinoma, an advanced cancer, in January of 2013. Her brother Jonathon Lister discussed and clarified the circumstances of Bryant's journey.

"It's had an impact for sure," Lister said of his sister's condition. "It's taught me to appreciate life and not take it for granted." Lister, who is also an APSU alumnus, said Bryant was married in December 2012 and diagnosed only a month later. Bryant, a former member of the Sigma Kappa Chapter of Chi Omega, said she has a close relationship with her brother, who graduated in 2009. Lister was also involved in APSU greek life, as a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

"Two things are dear to my heart: the fraternity and my sister," Lister said.

Zac Gillman, student and master of ceremonies for "Skating for Katelyn," said the goal of the event was to raise \$3,000 to \$5,000.

"We wanted to do something to help out with the medical bills as well as provide unity

for the fraternities," Gillman said. Gillman also said there was at least one member of every fraternity on campus who bought wrist bands to attend the event. Trey Norman, who organized the event, said "Skatin for Katelyn" was about bringing awareness to Bryant's condition, as well as offering financial help with medical bills.

"APSU students need to know that Katelyn is a great girl," Norman said. "The reason this means so much is that she is from APSU." Norman gave former student Seth Stinson credit for developing ideas on how to raise money with the event.

A large part of the money raised for the event was by Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity members who volunteered to have students hold a charity auction, according to Norman. The participants took bids from the audience to have their heads shaved. Student Justin Hawkins was the first to lose his hair at the auction.

"It's mainly sorority sisters who bid on fraternity brothers," Hawkins said. Other money was earned by selling specialized T-shirts and wrist bands that allowed entry into "Skatin for Katelyn." By the end of the night, "Skatin for Katelyn" had generated \$3,500 to help support Bryant.

"It all comes back to us coming together for a common cause," Gillman said. TAS

Trauma surgeon starts conflict resolution program for middle school students

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A Vanderbilt University Hospital trauma surgeon has started a middle school program to teach conflict resolution. Dr. Manish Sethi told *The Tennessean* surgeons need to be proactive in helping prevent a steady stream of gun-wounded teenagers to emergency rooms.

"As a trauma surgeon, I'm on the back end of things," he said. "I just think we need to get on the front end of this."

The majority of teens brought to Vanderbilt — Nashville's Level 1 Trauma Center — are African-American. An article published last month in the Journal of Emergency Medicine notes that two-thirds of the 1,268 gunshot assault victims treated at Vanderbilt University Medical Center over a sixyear period were black.

The program he started at Cameron College Prep Middle School in Nashville is supported by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. It teaches strategies for resolving conflict without resorting to violence.

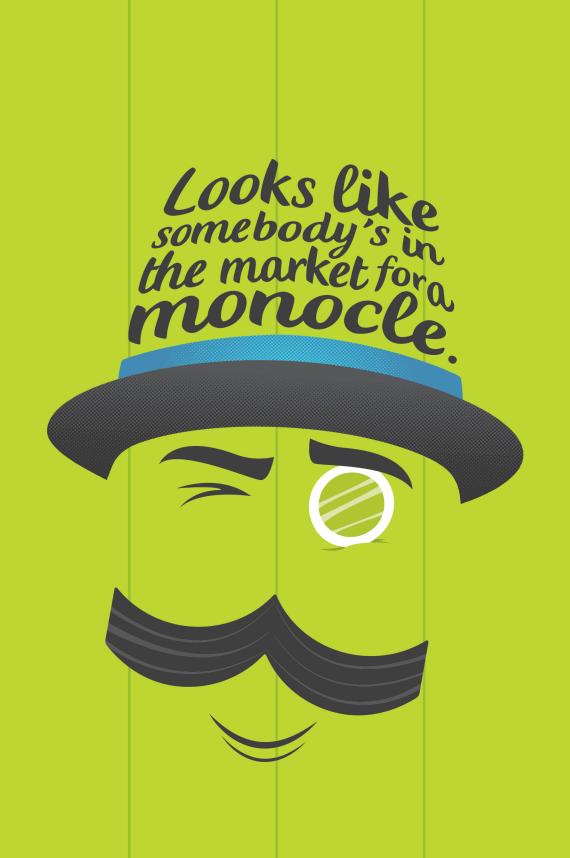
Sethi said he and his team examined 30 different teenage violence prevention programs across the country in developing the local program. They chose a curriculum called "Aggressors, Victims and Bystanders: Thinking and Acting To Prevent Violence."

The program lasts three months. Students take the same test before and after the program. Students who found violent reactions justified in the precourse exam gave very different answers after being instructed about how to

The pilot program, in partnership with the Metro Nashville Public Schools, is being put on at Cameron, which is near the J.C. Napier public housing project. Sethi hopes to expand it to other schools.

Statistics show black people between the ages of 18 and 25 account for 47 percent of Vanderbilt's patients with gunshot wounds.

"This is crazy," Sethi said. "We should do something." TAS



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The U.S. Postal Service unveils its new 22 cent, "LOVE" stamp.

1964:

The Ford Mustang is formally introduced (\$2,368 for a base model).

1937:

Cartoon characters Daffy Duck, Elmer Fudd and Petunia Pig make their debut.

1810:

Pineapple cheese is patented by Lewis M. Norton.

1492:

Christopher Columbus signs a contract with Spain to find a passage to Asia and the Indies.

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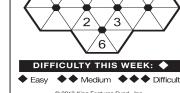
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Tradition has to start somewhere for Cannon

» By JOSHUA STEPHENSON

Staff Writer

APSU's new head football coach Kirby Cannon understands what kind of program he signed with when APSU hired him back in mid-March.

He understands that the team he is now in charge of had a 2-9 season last year and lost their two best offensive players to graduation. With all that being said he also knows that there is still a lot of untapped potential here at APSU.

"You're inheriting a 2-9 team and the seniors are gone," Cannon said. "But in football you can win with one or two superstars or when you have 11 solid football players that play well as a group, and I'd say we have more of those type of players." Despite saying that, Cannon understands that difference makers are needed to make a winning football team; one of the things that people are wondering is if Cannon can recruit to APSU.

"Recruits base their decision on four factors: economics, the social world, academics and football environment," Cannon said, who believes APSU has all of that and doesn't believe their past woes will really hamper recruiting. "I don't think everyone grows up saying they have to go somewhere that has won a lot. For an 18 year old, two years ago is ancient history."

As for where the players are going to come from, it is set up for most players to come from in-state because of how scholarships are handed out.

"You're structured in the scholarship pool to put a premium on in-state recruiting," Cannon said. "We should be a Tennessee team. Everything says recruit Tennessee, but I think your difference makers will come from out of state."

Some of the difference makers that Cannon will try to bring in will definitely be on the offensive side of the ball.

His approach to the offense will be to turn the Governors into a passing team but he knows it will take time.

"We have to be very turnover-conscious on offense; we probably aren't good enough to give up a bunch of turnovers," Cannon said. he understands if a team isn't good at offense, they need to improve chances. "If you're not very good on offense, you have to get the ball in positions were you can be good on offense."

His strategy behind being a team that can throw the ball effectively is very simple; it can help win games that might not otherwise be won.

"If you're better than a team you play, and you can throw it, you're going to win," Cannon said. "If you're equal and you can throw it well you're going to win; and throwing the ball well gives you an opportunity to beat a team that you may not be quite as good as physically."

Cannon's plan for the defensive side of the ball is the opposite of his plans for the offensive side: he wants a quick decision, run-stopping defense.

"You build a defensive team with the idea that you can stop the run first," said Cannon, who believes it's more of a mental game than

lining up with eight men in the box. "If you can't stop the run, even a throwing offense will run the ball all day because there is very little risk with it."

Cannon's plan is built on whether his defense can stop the run and force the opposing team to throw, which increases the chances for turnovers, which then feeds back into his plans for offense.

"If you can force people to throw the ball, that's where you're going to get your turnovers, generally," Cannon said.

Special teams will also be a very big key on Cannon's makeover of the APSU football program. Coaching special teams was one of his earliest jobs and he feels that it determines the outcomes of games.

"That's [special teams] where average teams can be good teams, by making a play or two on special teams," said Cannon, who wants Governors faithful to be ready for an aggressive style on special teams. "We play Tennessee next year, and when you go into those environments, if you can outplay them on special teams you're going to be in that ball game."

Coach Cannon knows that it is easy to say all the right things now in the offseason but that the true test comes next fall when his team steps out on the field.

He believes that this program can be turned around and he is confident he can do it.

"I wouldn't have taken the job if I didn't think I could win here," Cannon said. "I want to recruit guys that are winners, guys that expect to win. It will turn here, I wanted it to turn yesterday and the players do, too. So let's go; let's do something about it today." TAS

Tennis continues winning, clinch first-round bye



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Olen Bryant, APSU Professor Emeritus of Art, won the Distinguished Artist Award during the 2007 Governor's Awards for the Arts. In the same year, there was a major retrospective exhibition of his work at the Customs House Museum and Cultural Center in Clarksville, Tennessee.

Ken Shipley



Left: Sean Bailey returns a serve against Jacksonville State on Sunday, April 14. Right: Evan Borowski backhands a ball against Tennessee Tech on Saturday, April 13. The men's tennis team clinched a first-round bye in the Ohio Valley Conference Championships that will be played this Friday, April 19. DARRELL SHEFFIELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER





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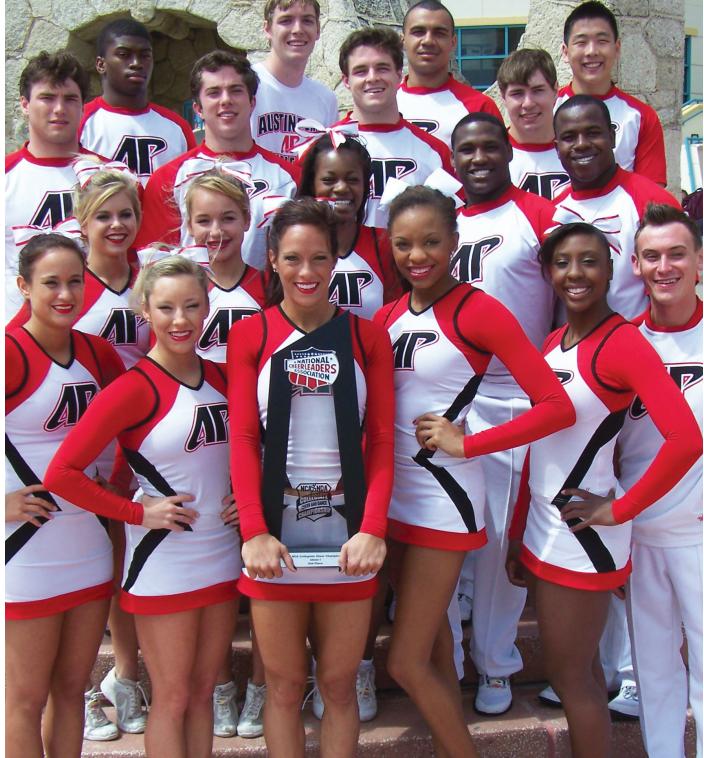


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Cheerleaders finish 2nd

APSU's squad finishes second place at NCA Collegiate Nationals in Daytona Beach



» By JENELLE GREWELL

Editor-in-chief

The APSU cheerleading team won second place at the National Cheerleaders Association National Championship in Cheer Division I on Friday, April 12, in Daytona Beach, FL.

Shandy Ellis-Brown, cheerleading coach, said he is proud of the team. He said he started coaching for APSU again about three years ago. "I have seen the biggest improvement of any team in the nation," he said. According to Ellis-Brown, APSU placed fifth last year.

APSU came in second place behind Sam Houston State University who got a total of 91.78 points while APSU received a total score of 90.98 points.

Ellis-Brown attributed their success to having cleaner skills. He said the team had a couple mistakes.

"Our goal is to win next time. Anything other than winning would be a let down," Ellis-Brown said. TAS





Left: APSU cheerleaders pose with their second place trophy. Top right and bottom right: Cheerleaders perform in action on the main stage at the NCA Collegiate Nationals. **CONTRIBUTED PHOTOS**

Late innings cost Bat Govs, lose series to SEMO

» By COREY ADAMS

Staff Writer

Coming into the weekend on a four-game losing skid, APSU had intentions of bouncing back against Ohio Valley Conference opponent Southeast Missouri, but the Govs were edged out by the Redhawks.

APSU (26-11, 9-5 OVC) remain in fourth place in the OVC standings, while SEMO (20-17, 11-7 OVC) stays put in fifth.

In the opening game of the series on Friday, April 12, APSU got off to a hot start and gained momentum in the series, winning 9-4.

Starting pitcher Lee Ridenhour continued to impress with another win, pitching seven scoreless innings with three strikeouts

Tommy Hager allowed four Redhawks to cross the plate in the ninth, but benefited from the offense, which put up nine runs, all of

them coming after the fourth inning.

Rolando Gautier, who homered in the seventh, and Craig Massoni, who was four-for-four at the plate including a home run, paced the Govs' attack.

Kevin Corey, Jordan Hankins and Reed Harper also contributed with runners in scoring position to help earn the win.

On Saturday, April 13, the Govs jumped out to a 3-1 lead after a solo home run by Hankins and Dylan Riner driving home two runs thanks to an error early on. But in the bottom of the eighth, the Redhawks mounted a comeback to pull ahead.

Casey Delgado was solid on the mound for APSU until the eighth inning, but allowed SEMO to put two runners on with one out.

The Govs turned to Tyler Rogers in hopes of getting out of the jam, but he allowed both inherited runners to score, putting those runs on Delgado's line.

The Redhawks then took the lead on a two-RBI single and held the Govs scoreless in the ninth to even the series.

The series wrap-up on Sunday, April 14, was one the Govs would like to put behind them, as they lost 14-8, with five errors contributing to the loss. SEMO put up four runs in the first inning off starting pitcher Ryan Quick and then continued to chip away at the Govs staff, which used seven pitchers on the day.

APSU tied the game with four runs in the third inning on the strength of an RBI-double by Massoni followed by a two-RBI triple from Harper, who then scored on a wild pitch.

After five and a half innings, the Govs led 7-4, but the Redhawks scored ten runs in the next three innings, six of which came in the seventh, to pull away and win the series.

The Govs return to Raymond C. Hand Park on April 19-21 to host in-state OVC rival Belmont for a three-game series. **7.45**

Lady Govs softball swept by SIU-Edwardsville



Kayla Davidson waits for the pitch against a pitcher from SIUE. DARRELL SHEFFIELD | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

» By KORY GIBBS

Staff Writer

The Lady Govs faced Ohio Valley Conference opponent Southern Illinois Edwardsville on in a doubleheader on Saturday, April 13 and a single game on Sunday, April 14.

The doubleheader on Saturday, April 13 started at noon as SIUE got the first run on a fielder's choice in the top of the second inning.

The Lady Govs roared back with a big four-run third inning on a RBI-double by outfielder Marissa Lake and a three-run homer by de Castro that gave the Lady Govs a 4-1 lead

But the Lady Cougars came back with a four-run inning of their own with a grand slam over the left field wall by infielder Alex McDavid. After the big inning by the Lady Cougars, the Lady Govs were silenced offensively and fell to SIUE in the first game

of the series 8-4.

The second game of the Saturday, April 13 double-header saw senior pitcher Morgan Brewer taking the mound for the Lady Govs. Once again, the Lady Cougars jumped out to an early lead by scoring one run in the first inning.

After two more runs by SIUE, the Lady Govs finally got on the scoreboard in the fifth, thanks to a solo home run by third baseman Shelby Norton; the homer cut the Lady Cougars lead to 3-1.

The Lady Cougars answered again with a five-run sixth inning that virtually made the lead insurmountable.

APSU attempted to fight back with one run in the bottom of the sixth, but the Lady Cougars silenced all attempts and went on to win the second game of the double-header,

In the final game of the series on Sunday, April 14 the Lady Govs had their last chance at trying to break SIUE's win streak. Lauren de Castro was back on the hill for the Lady Govs to try to hold back the Lady Cougar offensive attack. The offense came early for both teams in a see-saw battle.

The Lady Cougars scored three runs on four hits in the top of the first. The Lady Govs came back and scored three runs in their half of the inning on a three-run homer by de Castro. SIUE scored an additional run in the second to retake the lead, 4-3.

The Lady Govs took the lead in the bottom of the third on solo homers by second baseman Laurel Burroughs and the second homer of the game for de Castro.

The Lady Cougars followed up with four runs in the fourth on an Alex McDavid three-run homer, which gave the Lady Cougars a 8-5 lead.

The Lady Govs were unable to get any offensive production going in the later innings as the Lady Cougars completed a series sweep, pushing the Govs' losing streak to five games in the process. **TAS**