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## Try not to catch the love 'bug,' as STD numbers show an increase in chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis in the state

MAHALIA SMITH SENIOR STAFF WRITER

STD rates are rising among U.S. citizens, according to the latest CDC reports. Adolescents and young adults, those aged 15-24, account for half of all new STD cases. The latest data is from 2016, and includes all 50 U.S. states and territories including Puerto Rico, Guam, Virgin Islands, and Washington D.C.

#### THE CDC REPORT

There were over one million reported cases of chlamydia in the age group, showing an overall increase from the previous year. In Tennessee, the chlamydia rate was 3,637 per 100,000 females, and 1,379 per 100,000 males. In general, southern states had more cases than northern.

According to the CDC, chlamydia is curable. When it is untreated, it can lead to infertility in women. People can get chlamydia again after it has been cured, and pregnant women with chlamydia can pass it on to their child during birth.

In 2015-2016, gonorrhea increased 11.5 percent in 15-19-year-olds, and 10.9 percent in 20-24-year-olds. In Tennessee, the gonorrhea case rate was 682 per 100,000 females, and 557 per 100,00 males. Like with chlamydia, most of the high-rate states were in the south.

Gonorrhea can also be cured, according to the CDC. When left untreated, it causes serious complications. Pregnant women with gonorrhea can pass it on to their child during birth.

In 2015-2016, primary and secondary syphilis increased 13 percent in 15-19-year-olds and 8.1 percent among 20-24-year-olds. State figures were not given for syphilis. The rate of syphilis in women aged 15-19 was 3.3 cases per 100,000. In 2016, the rate was 6.7 per 100,000 in women aged 20-24, 8.9 per 100,000 for men aged 15-19, and 37.9 per 100,000 for men aged 20-24.

Syphilis is also curable, but harmful if left untreated. There are four stages:

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#### THE STATE OF STDs in TN

- **20 Million** STDs are diagnosed each year
- **32,304** Cases of STDs in Tennessee
- Shelby County has the **HIGHEST** counts of Chlamydia and Gonorreha in the state with a combined total of: **10,800** cases in 2016
- Montgomery County, is the
   FIFTH highest with a combined
   2,354 cases in 2016

# Sustainabilty committee discusses \$63K bike rack

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The Sustainable Campus Fee Committee has put nearly \$63,000 towards a bike sharing system. The rack, which will include 10 bikes, will be part of the city-wide bike share.

The committee, which is responsible for sustainability projects such as the solar panels in the UC Plaza and the two-way flush toilets, approved the project as part of its October contest.

"Every semester, students pay a sustainability fee, and that money goes into an account that pays for sustainability projects of all kinds," Sustainability Coordinator Laura Prange said. "This year we did something a little bit different that was really exciting, we did a student competition in October."

October is National Campus
Sustainability Month, and campuses
across the nation celebrate it differently.
The 2017 competition was the first for
APSU.

"The competition is called the Great Green Idea and it is just for an idea," Prange said. "It doesn't have to be explained, there's no budget, it's just an idea of what would make our campus more sustainable."

"The competition is call the Great Green Idea and it is just for an idea -- an idea of what would make our campus great."

#### LAURA PRANGE SUSTAINIBILITY COORDINATOR

There are three categories: small, medium and large-scale projects. The students with the three winning proposals are given \$250.

"This year we had some really good ideas and one of them was a bike share program," Prange said. SGA president Frank Burns summitted the proposal.

After the project won, the committee gets a fee proposal to decide whether the project can be funded. Not all winning

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## Food for Fines doubles in participation

## The program paid for over 400 tickets charged to APSU student accounts

VICTORIA BOLKCOM STAFE WRITER

Back by popular demand by students, faculty, and staff, the Department of Public Safety and the University's Save Our Students (SOS) Food Pantry have brought back the Food for Fines program to help pay for parking citations while also providing food for the program

According to Michael Kasitz, Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police, "We (the police department) have received positive feedback from students, faculty, and staff who have utilized this program."

This program allows individuals who

This program allows individuals who have received an APSU parking ticket the opportunity to provide food to APSU students in need in lieu of paying the parking ticket.

According to a press release, this year's Food for Fines more than doubled in participation, resulting in a total of 406 tickets being counted as paid from student accounts.

Additionally, the program's participation has more than tripled since its inception, growing from 119 participants to 370 participants in 2017.

"Since we have done this (Food for Fines) in December for four years, we started getting calls in October asking if we were going to be doing the program again." said Kasitz.

In addition to this, participation in the SOS Food Pantry itself has also witnessed a drastic increase in the number of applicants this fall.

SOS went from 72 applicants in the Fall of 2012 to 477 applicants in the Fall of 2017 according to Alexandra Wills, director of the APSU Center for Service-

Learning and Community Engagement.
Wills does not know the reason for the sudden uptake in applicants.

However, Wills said, "I expect that people will be paying high utility bills (in correlation with the weather) and therefore budget areas like groceries will likely feel the pinch (resulting in more applicants)."

According to a press release, to participate in the Food for Fines program, an individual must donate a minimum of 10 canned food items, a 12 oz. box of cereal, an 8 oz. box of instant potatoes or 2

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**Students participate in restocking the SOS Food Pantry during The Big Event.** APSU PUBLIC RELATIONS

"We had a tremendous increase in participation this year. More than two times the amount of people bringing in donations in lieu of parking fines than we had in the 2016 campaign."

MICHAEL KASITZ
APSU CHIEF OF POLICE







## Mills tells SGA to 'do their research'

**CELESTE MALONE** 

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs and Director of Housing, Joe Mills, spoke at SGA's meeting on Wednesday, Feb.7 about their lack of research on legislation.

"Before a senator writes a resolution, he or she go and talk to the office in charge of the topic of the resolution, as there has been many false claims in SGA resolutions," Mills said.

Mills also addressed the legislation presented by President Frank Burns that would allow students to save or give away plus dollars in meal plans and how it would be "a waste to tuition money."

Vice President Jordan Reedy nominated Senator Lane Manley for the Chief Clerk position and Senator Hailee Crawford for the Parliamentarian position and was voted on and passed unanimously.

Burns announced that every Wednesday in March will be "Give Back Wednesday." Students will be able to donate a meal swipe through The Center for Service Learning and Community Engagement.

During the meeting, the Executive Board announced that Canva will "most likely" be the new Distance Education Learning Management System. The University will be making the final decision in August of this year.

SGA nominated Assistant Professor in the Department of Languages and Literature, Kenneth Cervelli, for the Most Distinguished Faculty Award.

SGA meets at 5 p.m., every Wednesday, in MUC 305.



SGA Vice President Jordan Reedy discusses buisness at a fall meeting. MIYA HANEY | THE ALL STATE

### **STD**

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primary, secondary, latent, and tertiary. Symptoms include sores and rashes in the primary and secondary stages. Tertiary syphilis can affect the heart and brain. Syphilis can also be passed during birth, and cause problems in vision and hearing for the child.

#### APSU'S TAKE

Boyd Health Services, located in the Ard Building, offers confidential STD screening to all APSU students.

Billy Randolph is a graduate assistant at Health Services. He is studying Social Work.

"We do all kinds of testing for STDs and it works just like any other test, so like if you have strep, they test you, it's just a small charge to their student account for the testing process," Randolph said.

Young adults are highly affected for several reasons.

"College students are super susceptible to transmitting STDs because they seem to be less aware that they need to use protection when they are having sex, so it just spreads faster," Randolph said.

Because of the risks, regular testing is recommended.

"It's completely confidential, no stigma, and honestly if they are sexually active,

they should come get checked out regardless if they see anything wrong or not," Randolph said. "For chlamydia for example, there are usually no symptoms for months, or even years, and if that goes untreated, there are some pretty dire consequences, infertility is one."

APSU offers free preventative care as well as screening.

"We have condoms just chilling in the lobby, and they can ask any of the nurse practitioners, they can come in this office ask me, we have all kinds of free condoms to give to students," Randolph said.

As STD rates rise, so does the concern about awareness. While there are many ways to get treatment, people may not be aware of those ways. For example, many consider condoms as only birth control.

"I think a lot of times they associate condoms with babies, not also with sexually transmitted diseases," Senior journalism major Bre Stevens said.

More education on how to handle sexual encounters may be helpful as well, Stevens said.

"They don't teach women enough ways to try to get out of sexually pressured things, because not everything is necessarily sexual assault or sexual abuse, but some things are pressured, and we as women sometimes don't know how to get out of that," Stevens said.

Mental health is also important when

STDs are involved.

"Just like how there should be awareness of your body, like the clinic, they don't really tell you how it has a negative effect on your mind as well," Stevens said.

While APSU does have Health Services, students are not always aware of it.

"I think I knew that there was stuff provided, but I didn't know if it was because I heard about it, or because it is a public university so most of them do provide something," sophomore public relations major McKinzie Lilly said. "But I definitely do think there needs to be more awareness."

Spreading awareness of Health Services would be beneficial to students, Stevens said.

"I don't know if the school knows how to market to new students coming in," Stevens said. "I think that letting people come to them is what they're used to."

Stevens recalled a lack of awareness programs in her freshman year.

"The most they probably did was they had a health day where they passed out condoms," Stevens said.

As STDs rise, the need for awareness and treatment does as well. Students wishing to get tested can visit Health Services in the Ard Building. More information on STDs is available on the CDC's website.

ත CRIME

#### **BURGLARY (VEHICLE)**

Harned Hall - Henry St. Monday, Feb. 5- 8:15 a.m. **Closed** 

### SIMPLE POSSESSION OR CASUAL EXCHANGE

305 Castle Heights Dr. Sunday, Feb. 4- 7:30 p.m. **Referral** 

#### **DOMESTIC ASSAULT**

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### THEFT FROM A BUILDING (OVER \$1000)

18 Henry St. Thursday, Feb. 1- 12:30 p.m. **Report** 

#### BURGLARY (NON-COMMERCIAL)

Harned Hall- 16 Henry St. Thursday, Jan. 25- 8:00 a.m. **Open** 

## THEFT FROM A BUILDING (UNDER \$1000)

Sundquist Science/ Chemistry Dept.- 300 8th St. Monday, Jan. 22- 12:00 a.m. **Open** 

#### **FOOD**

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lbs. of frozen meat per ticket.

"We allow each person to have up to two citations waived, as long as the citations are not for parking in an ADA Accessible parking space," said Kasitz.

This partnership particularly benefits students by lowering the cost of their fine to that of the donated items while also exposing them to the power of helping others.

According to Kasitz, food prices ranged from \$10-\$12 which pays for the citation.

"The average food donation is

"The average food donation is approximately \$10-\$12, which pays for a \$25-\$35 parking citation," Kasitz said. "We had a tremendous increase in

participation this year. More than two times the amount of people bringing in donations in lieu of parking fines than we had in the 2016 campaign."

Additionally, service-learning is a focus of the University's strategic goals for student engagement, according to a press release.

In accordance to a press release, Alexandra Wills, said "Students have been using our pantry services in greater numbers than ever before, so having such a large donation coming from the Food for Fines program is fantastic timing."

"It means a lot to our pantry users when they see boxes and boxes of food donations coming in everyday. It shows we have a campus who cares."

APSU's Public Safety staff and campus police officers also look forward to the

effort.

The parking patrol staff even look forward to helping students that they may have issued the tickets to.

"Our department gets excited every year about this program because we know how much this benefits our community," Kasitz said, according to a press release. "There are times when a student will

come in to participate in the program, but don't have the required number of food items to have the ticket waived." "Our officers, security guards and

"Our officers, security guards and dispatchers voluntarily bring in food items for this type of occasion. They donate to further help students."

The Food for Fines program helps bring individuals on campus together by promoting service for others.

### **BIKES**

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projects are. The small-scale winning project, which was for recycling in the dorms, could not be funded by the committee since housing is a separate department.

The winning medium project was for the National Pan-Hellenic Council garden, which will be funded by another department. The Sustainability Campus Fee Committee unanimously decided to fund the bike share program, a total of \$62,900.

"The neat thing is that we are partnering with the city of Clarksville because the City of Clarksville already has this program around town," Prange said.

Students will be able to ride the bikes around the city and check them in at the other bike-share locations. The committee still needs to decide where on campus the rack will go.

"Frank Burns suggested we have a survey in the spring to ask students where they would like the bike rack," Prague said. Suggestions include the Foy and MUC.

If the program is successful, it could grow.

"The important thing to remember is that this program can expand, but we want to make sure that its going to be a success," Prague said. "When it is introduced in the fall as we hope it is, we're going to do everything we can to

educate people, to market it, to really make those bicycles work. Then we'll look at getting another 10 bicycles."

The committee accepts proposals year-round. Any student can submit an idea.

"I'm here to help anybody develop their idea for the competition or their request for the regular submissions," Prague said.

For more information about APSU Sustainability, visit www.apsu.edu/sustainability.



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— First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution

## Celebrate love without Valentine's

## The holiday of love is about money, the romance can be had all days of the year



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Valentine's Day, a day of love and heart-shaped decorations, happens once a year, and if it catches you at a time where you are single you find yourself scrambling to find that perfect someone to share it with.

Valentine's Day originally started as a Roman festival that marked the beginning of spring time. How did this turn into the "Hallmark Holiday" everyone knows.

This is a holiday that is understood and spread around the masses with no certain starting point and with no known advertising to a certain group of people. You see kids in grade school walk around the halls with their bags of cards that their peers made, and you see adults with big stuffed animals and roses on this day of love.

It is nice to have a day to show your

appreciation to someone, but why should loving someone openly be held to only one day? Everyone finds it so easy to buy roses for a loved one when they have a reason to do so, but why not buy them roses on Tuesday after work because you were thinking of them?

These are the problems that stand in the way of people truly enjoying this love-filled day.

You walk around all 364 days of the year to show emotion toward the people that you are supposed to care for and love, yet this one day you jump at the occasion to buy a 50-dollar stuffed animal

Companies are using this day to sell overpriced ideas to those of the hopeless romantics looking to instill a sense of romance into their everyday lives. In itself, that desire is not a bad thing, but the effort should not stop there.

Spoiling your partner is only seen as acceptable on this day in the eyes of the companies that are selling cholate covered strawberries and Valentine's cards the size of your head.



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## CEO's salaries have rationale

### There is an economic explanation for why business leaders get paid as they do



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The typical American today believes that a CEO is paid too much for the work they do. They hear stories about the 1 percent twiddling their thumbs at work and getting loads of extra money they do not deserve.

Though the reasons can be hard for the average citizen to relate to, there is reasoning for why CEOs make so much money. What could validate the

163,000 dollar average salary Payscale. com claim CEOs have? Death. More specifically, the sudden removal of a CEO from a company. If once the CEO dies or moves on from the company, the company experiences a gain, then they were being overpaid because the CEO was losing the company money. However, if stock prices plummet once the CEO leaves, their salary was not taking from the company as much as the individual was adding, proving the costs worth it. Though one may agree or disagree with this principle, this is the way most salaries are decided; an employee is paid an amount near what

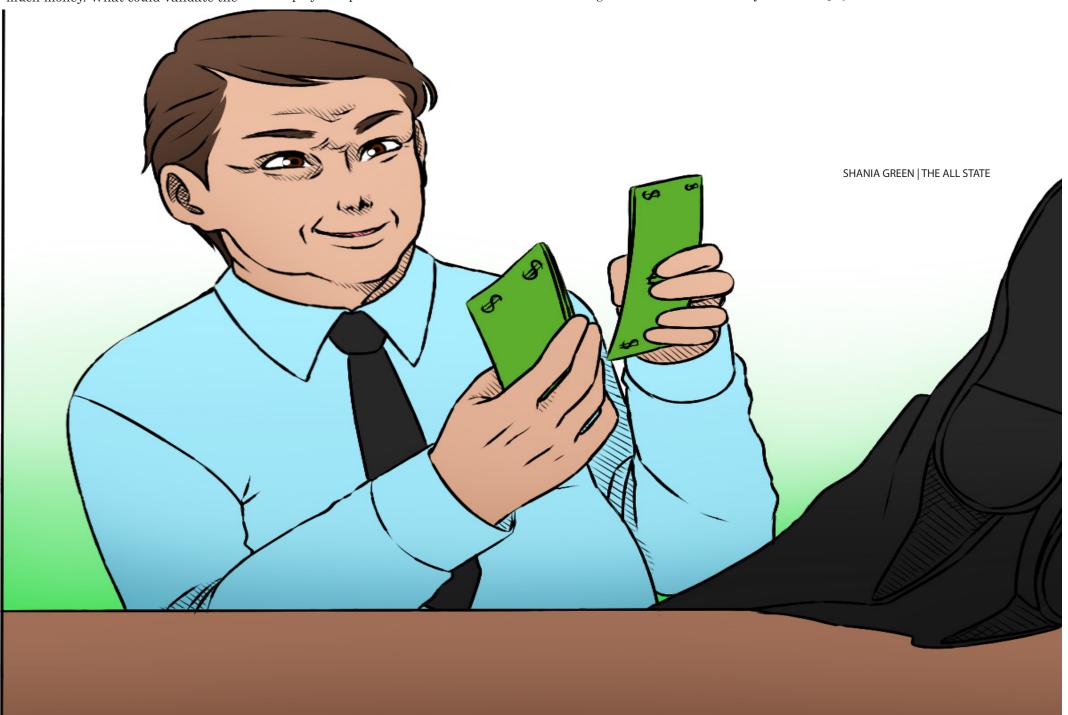
they add to the company, and if their salary causes the company to take a hit, they are being paid too much. Why not pay them much lower, then, to give the company as much gain as possible from their involvement? Because if a person is paid too much less than what they bring to the company, they will leave. This may not be possible for minimum wage workers who are living paycheck to paycheck, and thus must take what they get to get by, but at a CEO's level if they feel undervalued, they will seek other work, or if another company believes it can make a better offer without exceeding that value, it will lure them away.

Some criticism in the business world has cropped up on the topic, less that CEOs in general should have a major

pay cut; more accurately, they want there to be stronger connection between CEO pay and performance.

CEOs can be put in danger, and often costs can be allocated to pay for security systems, though sometimes the company will cover these if they seem reasonably directly connectable to the CEO's involvement with the company.

As the *Harvard Business Review* puts it, "More aggressive pay-for-performance systems (and a higher probability of dismissal for poor performance) would produce sharply lower compensation for less talented managers. Over time, these managers would be replaced by more able and more highly motivated executives who would, on average, perform better and earn higher levels of nay."



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### **MAGIC MAZE**



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## Weekly SUDOKU

### by Linda Thistle

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## **FEATURES**



# Students explore cultures, people with Study Abroad

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Attending a study abroad fair on campus may introduce the idea, but there are many ways to learn about the opportunities here at APSU. That is by hearing from alumni, exchange students and other study abroad students.

To study abroad or do studying abroad there is a whole lot of planning and finances put into the trips, however there is a lot to learn from it too.

"When you put yourself out in the world, you can understand so many things more. Once you can figure out a train station in Japan when you can barely read the language, you can do anything, anywhere in the world," senior English major Ashley Kohel said.

APSU offers a variety of study abroad programs from London all the way to Taiwan. The campus also has a Korean Exchange Program.

"Being here we get to experience so many new things that we would not in our country. Meeting new people is a very precious thing to take back with us," English Education major and Korean Exchange student Youngsu Choi said.

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APSU held its Study Aroad Fair Tuesday, Feb. 6. International Affairs hosts programs to many different countries, including Korea, Japan and England.
Students say their experiences are more than just attending classes; they also get to experience the culture of the country. BENJAMIN LITTLE | THE ALL STATE

## Teen angst manifests in new show



"The End of the F\*\*\*ing World" is a TV show originally from Channel 4 UK. Netflix International is responsible for bringing the show's first season to the states in 2018. PHOTOS FROM NETFLIX

## Netflix's 'The End of the F\*\*\*ing World' showcases witty dialogue, characters



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The End of the F\*\*\*ing World is a Netflix original series based on the graphic novel by Charles S. Forsman. It stars Alex Lawther as James, a self-diagnosed psychopath, and Jessica Barden as Alyssa, a rebellious teenage girl who tends to bottle up her emotions. Both teens impulsively begin a relationship, but James intends to kill Alyssa to see what murdering a human would be like. However, after Alyssa proposes they run away together, their relationship goes through a series of mishaps, including the biggest one of all: falling in love with each other.

One of the biggest failings in most teen dramas is how the characters

are written. The End of the F\*\*\*ing World is what happens if you took the unrealistic snark from a series like "13 Reasons Why" and applied a degree of self-awareness to it. The dialogue and reactions carry a brew of acknowledged shallowness and bleak introspection. You know their sardonicism is a front, but they have a good reason to mask their angst. It is not treated as a regular way teenagers talk or act, as most adults would assume.

Something witty about the writing is how the characters' proposed archetypes are quickly subverted as the series progresses. In many ways, Alyssa is a more accurate portrayal of antisocial personality disorder than James. James's attempts at appearing sociopathic range from unnerving to nothing more than the teenage desire

### **GLOBAL**

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Alumni who studied abroad have many stories to tell from their time on their APSU study abroad trips. With these trips students get to experience the culture instead of just touring the sightseeing locations.

"I had one kid just jump off his bike when he saw me and just say 'hello' because that was the only English he knew, and he wanted to try speaking to me," 2014 alumnus Patrick Cunningham said.

He mentioned how the people want to help you learn and experience things there. Cunningham talked about seeing giant eggs for sale at vendors and trying new foods.

"When you get to try the food, be around the people, instead of just spending the week there, you get to see the sights touring but you don't get the full cultural experience. Spending time with the people and being 6'4 trying to sleep on small palettes, you really get an intimate touch," Cunningham said.

Kohel explained at the Japan table, that there is a whole lot of learning involved and growing as a person. She said students usually shy away because of funds, but it is something that is a great opportunity to take a risk for.

"Studying abroad in Italy was the greatest experience of my life. I got to do

"When you get to try the food, be around the people instead of just spending the week there, you get to see the sights touring but you don't get the full cultural experience. Spending time with the people and being 6'4" trying to sleep on small palettes, you really get an intimate touch."

#### PATRICK CUNNINGHAM

2014 APSU ALUMNAE

what I love and at the same time explore the world around me," 2017 alumni and Adult Ceramics teacher Lindsey Bassett said.

Bassett mentioned learning about customs and learning some of the language while she was there. She said you learn history, art and more.

"It's a whole new experience of being independent and exploring on your own that at a young age, especially in college is a huge importance," Bassett said. "You kind of find yourself while you are there without even realizing it happened."



The Study Abroad program has many options to travel during different parts of the year and even provides scholarships for students to help pay for the classes. BENJAMIN LITTLE | THE ALL STATE

### **NETFLIX**

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to be different (e.g., killing animals is disturbing, but not finding your father's dad jokes funny is not).

Meanwhile, Alyssa is insolent, impulsive, and far more calculated in many areas than James is. While she has brief flashes of regret and empathy, she consistently does not care about her well-being or that of others while James comes up with every excuse not to kill her under the guise of not being prepared. This makes their relationship significantly engaging, as the guy who was initially manipulating his girlfriend for his nefarious purposes realizes he is no match for her vicious nature, which

sparks a genuine attraction.

The series's stellar writing is elevated by outstanding performances from its cast, particularly Alex Lawther and Jessica Barden in the titular roles. They encapsulate both the wannabe edginess and candid restlessness that comes with being a teenager, especially given their situation. Their actions are irrevocably abhorrent, but you end up rooting for them to beat the odds due to how close they become and how tragic their circumstances are.

In an unusually glamorous fashion, "The End of the F\*\*\*ing World" shows how unglamorous being a teenager can be. "The End of the F\*\*\*ing World" offers the most insightful fact about adolescent angst and young love: teens have no idea what they are doing.





"The End of the F\*\*\*ing World" features tow teenagers exploring the world in their own way. The show capitalizes on eccentric characters and witty writing for a memorable experience. IMAGES FROM NETFLIX

## The price of a war

## Vietnam veteran remembers war within iconic Associated Press photo

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FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. (AP) - Dallas Brown can still see the bullets coming for him 50 years later, smacking into the dirt at his feet as north Vietnamese soldiers fired on his platoon during an ambush deep in the jungle.

Minutes later, as the deadly firefight wound down, Brown and his fellow soldiers in the 101st Airborne would be immortalized.

In one of the most searing images of the Vietnam War, Brown grimaces as he lies on the ground with a back injury. Not far away, a platoon sergeant raises his arms to the heavens, seemingly seeking divine help.

Landing on the front page of The New York Times, the black and white image by Associated Press freelancer Art Greenspon gave Americans back home an unflinching look at the conditions soldiers endured in what would become the war's deadliest year. Captured on April 1, 1968, it was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize and appeared prominently in Ken Burns' recent Vietnam War documentary.

But for the young Americans who have decided to talk about it a half-century later, it was merely a moment in another sweltering day in a Southeast Asian jungle with well-hidden enemies all around.

Some of them have spent years putting the experience in perspective.

"When I look at that picture now, I say, 'If I can survive that, I can survive anything," said Tim Wintenburg, who in the photo helps carry a wounded soldier over brush hacked away to create a helicopter landing zone.

Sgt. Maj. Watson Baldwin has his arms raised to guide in a helicopter that would take away the wounded men, including one shot in the leg by the Vietnamese soldier who was firing at Brown.

Baldwin died in 2005, according to Fort Campbell officials who recently tracked down soldiers in the photo.

Brown, who lives near Nashville, and Wintenburg, of Indianapolis, met with an Associated Press reporter at Fort Campbell in Kentucky to recount the events surrounding the phototheir first news media interviews ever on the war.

After he received his draft notice in 1965, Wintenburg visited a recruiting office and was told he looked "like Airborne material."

By early 1968, he was 20 years old and on the front lines.

Brown, who was 18 when he landed in Vietnam, remembers being inspired by "The Ballad of the Green Berets." He was encouraged to go through airborne training.

Both men ended up at Fort Campbell, home of the 101st Airborne.

In the spring of 1968, Brown and Wintenburg's squad was in the dangerous A Shau Valley on a weeks long "search and destroy" mission, meaning they never took prisoners. Firefights were commonplace.

Brown recalls their battalion commander, a lieutenant colonel, telling them before one mission: "You get a body count, you get a prize."

"To my knowledge we might have taken a handful of prisoners the whole time we was in Vietnam," Brown said.

The soldiers were hiking up a slippery mountain trail after a monsoon when they paused to eat lunch

Brown, sitting on his rucksack with his M-16 rifle across his lap, thought he saw a sapling move down a ravine. He didn't feel any wind. He switched his rifle to full-automatic as an enemy fighter stepped into view.

Known in the platoon as "hillbilly" for his Tennessee drawl and proficiency with a rifle, Brown fired on the first north Vietnamese soldier, killing him and then another behind him. He was reloading when a third enemy fighter fired back.

"You know you see these movies where you see clods of dirt jumping up? I could see them, I mean they was coming right at me and that's when I got off that rucksack," Brown said. "I thought, this guy, he means to kill me as sure as the world."

Brown lunged for cover, and a bullet struck the leg of a soldier who had been behind him. Once the ambush was put down, Brown carried the wounded man up the hill, injuring his back on the way.

Brown grimaced as the photo was snapped. Wintenburg, who had lost his helmet, helped the wounded soldier up to the landing spot. He glanced back toward Greenspon.

Greenspon now lives in Connecticut. He declined to be interviewed, saying the soldiers should always be the focus of any story about the photograph.

Brown and Wintenburg each spent about a year in Vietnam, and both men struggled with anxiety for years. But now, 50 years later, they relish opportunities to reunite with fellow 101st Airborne members.

Brown has a copy of the photo hanging in his home, and he has plenty of stories of how he convinced relatives and friends that he's in it.

A few years ago, Brown's granddaughter and her boyfriend now her husband - asked about it.

Seeing it through their eyes reminded him of the growing pride he now takes in his piece of history.

Wintenburg shares that pride, though he is perhaps more sanguine about what led him to that moment.

"We didn't really have a choice back then," he said. "We did what we had to do."

## SPORTS

## Govs Basketball sweep Eastern Illinois

### Women's Basketball, Gregory showoff versus Panthers, Govs win 75-66

**NOAH HOUCK** 

Keisha Gregory found 27 points in her 30-minute performance for APSU Women's Basketball. The Govs went on to win 75-66 over Eastern Illinois on Saturday, Feb. 10.

Gregory's 27 points are a career high. The junior also was perfect at the freethrow line and battled for five rebounds.

Gregory and the rest of Head Coach Dave Midlick's squad found 29 points in the second quarter to move the team back

to 7-7 in the Ohio Valley Conference, and rebounds versus EIU's 23. APSU out-

APSU started their offensive showcase by netting their three first attempts from 3-point land before finding space in the paint to add on to their total. The Govs totaled 30 points in the paint and 16 from the bench.

Senior Brianne Alexander recorded 10 points in the opening quarter. Alexander would finish with 18 points at the end of final game in a four game road trip.

APSU cleaned up the glass with 43

rebounded the Panthers 24-10 in the first half. The Govs totaled 14 points off turnovers at the end of the game.

At the end of the match APSU won the rebound game by 14, the highest rebound margin for the Govs this season.

Following the break, the women in red and black were slowed to 10 points in the third quarter, seven of those coming from Gregory. The other three came from a combination of Falon Baker and Ari Gonzalez-Varner.

APSU also extended their lead to the largest of the game, 17 points, during the third set of 10 minute periods.

The Govs cemented the game in the final 10 minutes as Baker shot 50.0 percent from behind the arc. In the final moments, EIU attempted to sneak back into the game, but could not overcome APSU's 60.0 percent shooting in the final

APSU will return to the court when they host Tennessee Tech on Saturday, Feb. 15 at 5:15.

Women outperformed

## Football snags 8 players on Signing Day APSU books 3rd best FCS recruitment class for 2018



**LaDerrick Bell** QB Anniston, Alabama

Saks Academy



**Parker Dennis** 

LB Montgomery, Alabama

Montgomery Catholic HS



**Arthur Brantley IV** Athlete Sarasota, Florida Riverview HS



**Brandon Lopes** Stockbridge, Georgia Stockbridge HS



**Bucky Williams** OL Ringgold, Georgia Ringgold HS



**Nasir Love-Porter** DB Dalton, Georgia Dalton HS



**Darius Nalls** WR Fayette, Alabama Fayette County HS



**Darius Shipp** DT Olive Branch, Mississippi Lewisburg HS

### at Murray State 91-65 **RILEY GRUBBS** The Govs continued their conference

road trip on Thursday, Feb. 8, where they faced off with the Racers of Murray State.

The Govs were unable to gain any ground as the Racers came out and shocked the Govs by a score of 91 to 65.

The Govs were lead in scoring by Fallon Baker with 14 points.

The team was lead in rebounds by Ari Gonzalez-Varner with 11 points and six

Brianne Alexander finished the game with 10 points and four rebounds.

The first quarter started with an immediate scoring outburst by both teams as the Govs and Racers combined for 44 points.

The Govs jumped out to a very early 12-6 lead before Murray struck back, going on a 13-6 run before taking the 24-20 lead after the end of the first.

The Govs shot 46 percent on the night, but were held to 29 percent shooting from beyond the arc.

The Govs were out-rebounded 32 to 27. The difference came as the Govs turned the ball over 19 times during the game.

The second quarter saw a dominant performance from the Racers who outscored the Govs 21-11.

The Racers opened up the second quarter with a 14-4 run over the Govs. The Govs went into the half down 45-31.

The onslaught against the Govs continued into the second half as the Racers blasted the Govs on a 10-4 run.

The Govs were outscored 25-14 in the third quarter.

The Govs were never able to close the gap between themselves and their opposition throughout the game.

The Govs dropped to 6-7 in the conference after the loss in the first round of the Battle of the Border against Murray State.

The Govs will look to get back on track in the conference on Saturday, Feb. 10, when they battle with Eastern Illinois on the road.

## Softball opens up 2018 season Softball goes 0-3 in first outing of the DeLong era

TREY CHRYSTAK

Govs softball traveled to Statesboro, Georgia for a six-game competition this past weekend.

It was a tough weekend for the Govs as they start the season looking to bounce back from a 0-3 record.

The Govs played three out of the six games scheduled due to cancellations.

The Friday, Feb. 9, games versus Radford University and Georgia Southern University were both cancelled.

Saturday, Feb. 10, the Govs squared off against Georgia Southern as the first game of the season.

Morgan Rackell, junior All-American pitcher out of Calgary, Alberta, Canada, rallied in a RBI with a home run to right field in the fourth.

However, it was not enough for the Govs. They came up short in a close game, 2-3.

The Govs second game, scheduled against East Tennessee later that morning, was cancelled.

The Govs played Radford later that evening, taking their second lost of the season 7-4.

Brooke Pfefferle, second base freshman from Lebanon Tennessee, hit a double to right field allowing Kacy Acree to score the first point of the game.

The Govs did not find home base again until the 6th inning with points coming in bunches.

Danielle Liermann, junior from Simi Valley, California, homered to left field.

Emily Harckleroad, freshman out of Hixon, Tennessee, hit a single to center field allowing Emily Mooree to score.

Acree was hit by a pitch allowing Natalie Schilling to advance to second, Bailey Shorter to third and Harckleroad scored. The Govs lost to Radford, 4-7.

On Sunday, Feb. 11, the first game scheduled against Radford was cancelled. The Govs lost to Georgia Southern

later that morning, 2-4. Liermann hit a single in the fourth

inning, allowing Acree scored. Liermann walked, allowing Pfefferle

to advance to second, Acree to third and Schilling scored.

The Govs drop to 0-3 overall to start the season.

The Govs take the field next for a double header at Alabama A&M on Tuesday, Feb. 13.



Freshman utility player Drew Dudley takes the plate in softball's 2017 season. STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER | THE ALL STATE

### Women's tennis tops Oral Roberts

**RILEY GRUBBS** 

Tennis hit the road this weekend with the women's team traveling to Little Rock, Arkansas.

The Women earned their first win of the season against Oral Roberts.

The Women earned their first victory of the season in blazing fashion, dominating

The Govs came out winning the first and second doubles, as Fabienne Schmidt and Lidia Yanes Garcia won their match.

Ana Albertson and Helena Kuppig won theirs as well.

The Govs won all of their singles matches except for one, which was by way of forfeit due to the injury of Claudia Yanes Garcia.

Lidia Garcia, Schmidt, Albertson, Kuppig, Brittney Covington all reigned victorious on the day.

The Women will look to continue their winning ways against the Central Arkansas Purple Bears.

The team will travel on Sunday, Feb. 11 to Conway, Arkansas.

Men's tennis fell 7-0 to Vanderbilt in Nashville, Tennessee.

The men will return to action on Friday, Feb. 16 as they travel to Dayton, Ohio, against the Dayton Flyers.

# America's new football league?



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I believe the XFL has a great chance of surviving in this generation. When the XFL first debuted in 1999, a few people disliked it because of its different rules or lack thereof.

The brainchild of Vince McMahon, the XFL, returns for a second coming.

Kickers had a small role in this league. There was no kickoff nor field goals. One player from each team simply scrambled to the ball at midfield as a choice of possession, and the extra would either be run or passed.

A couple of the best things about the XFL is players could put what they wanted on their jerseys. "He Hates Me" was the most famous nickname. "DRUCK", "OX" and "DEATH BLOW" are a few others. If this rule is still in effect for XFL 2020, I believe it will

attract plenty of players and fans with a good following.

Although the NFL recently changed their celebration rule, the XFL gives players free reign on touchdown celebrations.

I am positive touchdown celebrations will give the XFL more views and bring excitement to watching football.

There will be less commercial breaks. There will be less flags called.

The XFL also gives football players who did not make it to the NFL a chance to continue their dreams in playing on the professional level.

This is a smart move at a great time by the McMahon.

In the midst of technology growing rapidly, I think its possible for the XFL to survive this time around.

The XFL is back.



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On Jan. 25, Vince McMahon announced the return of the XFL.

The XFL will compete with the NFL as the U.S.'s source of professional football. The issue with the XFL is it does not feel honest to fans.

McMahon's league has two stipulations that must be met by athletes in order to compete: 1) Have no criminal record, and 2) stand for the national anthem.

I understand that some players feel mistreated, and the values currently in our country do not match what the flag represents, so they protest.

I see how some may not understand this protest, and may disagree with it, so they boycott in return.

My problem is with the rule being that players must stand.

Requiring the athlete to stand takes

away from the decision to do so.

This removes the patriotism or pride that can be found in the act. It comes across as a gimmick.

I think we all agree that this country should not be a gimmick, especially in the political and social climate we have right now.

So that is how this league feels. It is McMahon seeing discord in the NFL, and looking to capitalize on the opportunity of fans leaving the league.

The NFL is not broken. There are problems, yes, but nothing that should turn us away from it.

The best athletes will still strive towards being in the NFL, where they can represent themselves and their personal stories.

In the XFL, they will be cookie-cut into whatever the owners envision them as.

## Men's Basketball outlast EIU on the road

### Govs thrash Eastern Illinois 76-69, 41 point half lead Govs to 10 conference wins

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APSU Men's Basketball saw a 41-point first half catapult the team to its 10th win in the Ohio Valley Conference.

The Govs reach this mark for the first time since the 2010-11 season.

APSU (15-11; 10-4 OVC) topped the Panthers out of Eastern Illinois (9-16, 5-9 OVC) on the road 76-69 on Feb. 10, 2018.

The Govs' offense was led by freshman Dayton Gumm, 15 points, and Terry Taylor, 14 points.

The Govs are 13-3 in the 2017-18 season when scoring 70 points or more.

Even with the young players shining, senior Averyl Ugba led the mark at halftime with 10 points, before finishing with 10 points.

"I thought we played really well in the first half. They made some Hail Mary shots there at the end [of the half]," Head Coach Matt Figger told letsgopeay.com,

"We just couldn't pull away from them; as well as we played, we couldn't pull away and that was my biggest concern going into halftime."

The Govs' strong first half put them in position to record their fourth consecutive victory over Eastern Illinois.

The APSU offense found success in beating the Panthers on 9-0 fast-break points.

The Govs' defense held their opposition from scoring in transition for the third time this season, the other two being Alabama A&M on Dec. 2, and Jacksonville St. on Jan. 13.

APSU's third win of February saw the

team out rebound their opponents 30-28. Taylor now has 105 offensive rebounds on the season, which puts him in the top

25 in the nation for offensive rebounds by a freshman since 2010-11.

Gumm knocked down four 3-pointers, and he joins junior 7ach Clotte as the

and he joins junior Zach Glotta as the only Gov to record four or more triples in a game this season. Aiding in the Govs' offense was a

performance that saw a season low eight turnovers.

The Govs moved the ball well by

accumulating 17 assists in the clash. Senior Tre' Ivory led the team with seven.
Junior Chris Porter-Bunton buried a 3-pointer with 8:20 on the clock before the Panthers battled back with a 12-4 run. EIU found themselves in a one-

possession dual with 3:37 to play.

Porter-Bunton countered the Panthers run with five unanswered points before APSU's defense sealed the second consecutive sweep over Eastern Illinois.

The Govs return to action Thursday, Feb. 15 against Tennessee Tech from the Dunn Center.

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HEAD COACH



## **OVC Standings**

	M BASKETBALL	W BASKETBALL	SOFTBALL
<b>1</b> st	MURRAY ST.	BELMONT	SIUE
2nd	BELMONT	SIUE	EASTERN KENTUCKY
3rd	APSU	UT MARTIN	MOREHEAD ST.
4тн	JACKSONVILLE ST.	MOREHEAD ST.	JACKSONVILLE ST.
5тн	TENNESSEE ST.	JACKSONVILLE ST.	UT MARTIN
6тн	TENNESSEE TECH	APSU	EASTERN ILLINOIS
7тн	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI
8тн	EASTERN ILLINOIS	MURRAY ST.	MURRAY ST.
9тн	UT MARTIN	EASTERN KENTUCKY	BELMONT
10тн	SIUE	TENNESSEE TECH	APSU
11тн	EASTERN KENTUCKY	TENNESSEE ST.	TENNESSEE ST.
12тн	MOREHEAD ST.	EASTERN ILLINOIS	TENNESSEE TECH

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