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SGA seeking to spark interest

By KRISTIN HALL
Staff Writer

Government Association's President Louise Morales and Vice President Gavin Roark are trying new methods to boost interest and attendance at SGA meetings.

"We're moving towards a vision for what it is we do," Roark said last Thursday. "We want to give this organization back to the students."

Roark announced that he is changing the scheduled weekly meeting times for next semester and plans to have a written mission statement soon.

"We've been disappointed in attendance and have been looking for a better time to meet," Roark said.

The proposed new meeting time is every Thursday around noon.

"I think it would make the meetings more effective and more efficient," SGA senator Ben Deacon said.

Meeting during the day would give more students and SGA members a better opportunity to get involved in the organization.

Roark said serving lunch during the meeting would also encourage more people to attend.

Although many students have noon classes, Morales believes that if they were dedicated to SGA, they would try to make the meetings.

"I look forward to trying new things with this group," Roark said.

UC opening scheduled for March 18

By JOSIE L. CURTIS
News Editor

Students who leave APSU March 8 en route for the high life of Spring Break may never have to see the orange fence around the university center again.

The university plans to open the Joe Morgan University Center officially on March 18.

"We're endeavoring to have the building open, without any unforeseen things coming along, when students return from Spring Break," said Andy Kean, director of Student Life.

When APSU acquires possession of the building, everyone who is moving into the UC will endure a grueling schedule to make the March 18 opening date a reality.

"Everybody is working very hard, the university and the contractor, to give the students the building," Kean said.

The March 18 date, however, isn't set in concrete.

"If something unforeseen happened, then it would really mess the plans up," Kean said.

Title IX correction

The All State regrets referring to Title IX as a NCAA mandate. Title IX is a part of a series of educational amendments made to the U.S. Constitution in 1972.

The amendment states that no person participating in a federally-funded program will be discriminated against on the basis of sex.

For more information, go to www.dol.gov/dol/oasam/public/regis/statutes/titleix.htm.

Psychological research goes beyond couches, ink blots

By JOSIE L. CURTIS
News Editor

APSU students can broaden their horizons by participating in the psychological research conducted by the psychology department.

If the methods on-campus psychologists utilize to perform research is not worthwhile, the topic of the study will be.

"An individual could expect to do just about anything in a psychology experiment," said psychology

instructor Shawn Davis.

As an undergraduate psychology student Alexis L. Pitt uses 3-D glasses to conduct her study on depth perception, while her supervisor Rick Grieve utilizes live interviews to determine how sports fans perceive other sports fans.

Although Psychologist Charles B. Woods is using surveys to gather the necessary information, his study centers on personality and sexuality.

"You can have everything from just simple

questionnaires to determine people's attitudes on a subject, ranging all the way to physiological measurements or even perceptual research," Davis said.

Such research requires participants. Students often fill this role.

"The regular academic year is when your subjects will be available," said Buddy Grah, chair of the psychology department.

Research represents the diversity of psychology. Students may anticipate reclining on couches and

identifying shapes on flashcards but should realize research may also involve naturalistic observation or playing with building blocks.

"By participating in these research projects, the students gain an appreciation of the diversity of psychology," Davis said.

Faculty members of the Psychology Department are conducting or will conduct research in their area of expertise.

"Everybody in the department is supposed to be doing research," Grieve said.

Each of the following psychologists actively conducts research in the designated field.

Leigh Baldwin studies consultations and learning disorders. LuAnnette Butler delves into cross-cultural research, while Maureen McCarthy researches moral reasoning.

Anthony Golden explores the avenues of animal research, and Grieve specializes in health and sports psychology. Jean Lewis deals with gerontology and aging. Barrie Woods

specializes in sensory processes and just finished a grant with the National Institute of Mental Health.

Nancy Woods determines the effect of cocaine exposure during the pre-natal period, and Patti Wilson probes the effectiveness of the Head Start program.

"I think a lot more of the faculty members, if they aren't (conducting research) right now, will be soon because it's one of the big pushes at the university," Davis said.

Planetarium draws stargazers



Staff photo by Alicia Archuleta

Junior Nicole DeVito, senior Tami Sansom, junior Anna Windham and senior Michelle Alexis sit in awe as astronomy professor Dr. Spencer Buckner introduces them to the Sears Planetarium.

Late professor's dream becomes reality

By JOSIE L. CURTIS
News Editor

APSU stargazers can now lie back and marvel at the night's sky in the middle of the day, compliments of the Sears Planetarium.

The planetarium, located in Room E113 of the Sundquist Science Complex, introduces students and community alike to the daily motions of the heavens.

"You can speed things up and actually see the motions (of the sky) rather than having to wait all year," said Spencer Buckner, astronomy professor and director of the planetarium.

The planetarium was the dream of Robert F. Sears Jr., who chaired APSU's physics department for 26 years prior to his death in 1999.

"I think what he had in mind was a little bigger than what we ended up with,"

Buckner said.

Sears both suggested and planned for the planetarium. His original plans included a 30-foot dome instead of the 16-foot dome the planetarium houses.

The planetarium is made up of the dome, the Model E5 projector and the control system.

The entire package costs \$70,000, not including installation. The science complex contractor installed the dome.

The projector includes several features.

It houses a star ball that projects simulated stars in their proper positions onto the night sky provide by the dome.

It also projects the image of the Milky Way onto the curved ceiling and hosts individual planet lights that not only reproduce images of each planet but also reveal such intricate details as Jupiter's bands and Saturn's rings.

Inside the planetarium, students will find a semicircle of reclining chairs.

These specialized viewing chairs that can recline at a 45 degree angle cost \$11,000 collectively.

"Planetaria are not cheap," Buckner said.

The planetarium may not be cheap but is impressive.

"(The planetarium) displays the science of our universe in a classroom environment," sophomore Rick Diago said.

Freshman Lee Loggins said the planetarium opens "the vast sky farther than the eye can see."

It also hosts both astronomy labs and the Clarksville Astronomy Club. It's also open to the public, especially local elementary and high schools.

"It really is an aide to learning how things move in the sky," Buckner said.

Buckner said he hopes to train student workers to operate the system so he will be able to make the planetarium available outside of the classroom and public demonstrations.



Dr. Spencer Buckner turns on the sky.

SGA plays matador with new campaign

By KRISTIN HALL
Staff Writer

APSU's Student Government Association plays matador with its new campaign "This Ain't No Bull: The Real Facts on Tennessee Education."

SGA plans to organize a week of programs designed to educate students on Tennessee's higher education crisis and to inform them how they can help improve the situation.

"We cannot just bury our heads in the sand," said Houston Davis, assistant vice president of Academic

Affairs. "A solution has to be found."

SGA used the speech Davis gave at the meeting last Thursday to introduce its campaign, which is scheduled for the week of Feb. 25.

"This is not just 'a problem' now," Davis said.

Davis, equipped with graphs and tables, showed how Tennessee has repeatedly scored lower than most national and regional levels.

"If we're not making a commitment on the local, state and regional levels, it will take years to take care of (Tennessee's higher education problems)," Davis

said.

Only 17.7 percent of Tennessee students who are 25 and older hold a bachelor's degree, compared to the national average of 25.2 percent.

In 33 rural counties in the state, only 7 percent of students have a bachelor's degree.

For Tennessee to reach the levels of surrounding states, Tennessee schools would have to produce 204,000 graduates next semester.

SGA's campaign hopes to teach students about state and local funding for schools like APSU, and how funding impacts tuition and fees.

In the past eight years, tuition and fees for Tennessee students have increased 72 percent, while state funds have increased only 27 percent.

"How much longer can the students take on the increases (in fees)?" Davis said.

Students are not the only ones suffering financially in Tennessee.

From 1989-1999, the national average salary for full-time faculty at four-year colleges increased 3.9 percent, but Tennessee's salaries actually decreased 2.4 percent during that same time frame.

This 6 percent difference in professors' salaries in comparison with those salaries of neighboring states has caused many instructors to leave the state for better wages.

"There is a mass exodus of faculty all across the state," Davis said.

Davis, a former research assistant for the Tennessee Higher Education Commission, said he believes legislators don't think higher education is a priority in Tennessee.

He also said he thinks that priority in Tennessee when inadequate funding starts

"hitting pocketbooks" and forces colleges to turn students away.

However, SGA President Louise Morales said the campaign isn't designed to "make up (students') minds," but to equip "students with facts so they can make their own decisions about what steps should be taken to fix these problems."

The purpose of the program is to equip students with facts so they can make their own decisions about what steps should be taken to fix these problems.

"There should never be barriers to education," Davis said.

Editorial

Advice for the single student

By GARY SUTTON
Editorial Page Editor

The week of love has now arrived.

The one day marked for those special couples to show their love for their significant other is just one day away.

Today I do not write this column for those couples, for they do not need my words of advice or criticism of this corporate

holiday. I am going to direct my words toward the single people on campus, for who better to relate to them than a guy who has romantic ideas in my head but no hand to hold.

I am not an expert on romancing a member of the opposite sex, nor do I even know what the opposite sex wants in a partner.

So, what is the point of this column?

It is no more than a plea. A plea to the single population of the campus: do not worry, your time will come.

Every day, people fall in love and new friendships ignite into a flaming romance.

If Valentine's Day 2002 has no special meaning this year, do not give up that desire to be held or to hear romantic whisperings in your ear.

I have learned that it is possible to push too hard to win the hand of your true love.

Love is a delicate subject for those who yearn for it. There are numerous ways to reward yourself for a positive attitude, a clear mind, and most of all, a passion to be loved.

It can bring a tear to your eye when you realize how much you miss it or want it.

For those single students on campus, I offer an alternate solution: make Valentine's Day a day to romance you.

Treat yourself to a delicious meal and a movie of your choosing. There are numerous ways to

reward yourself for a positive attitude, a clear mind, and most of all, a passion to be loved.

We may not all be as lucky as the couple who parades their love down the middle of campus, but we all deserve a right to be happy, even if that happiness comes in a McDonald's value meal or a Papa John's APSU special.

Being single comes with a lot of challenges, many different from those faced by couples.

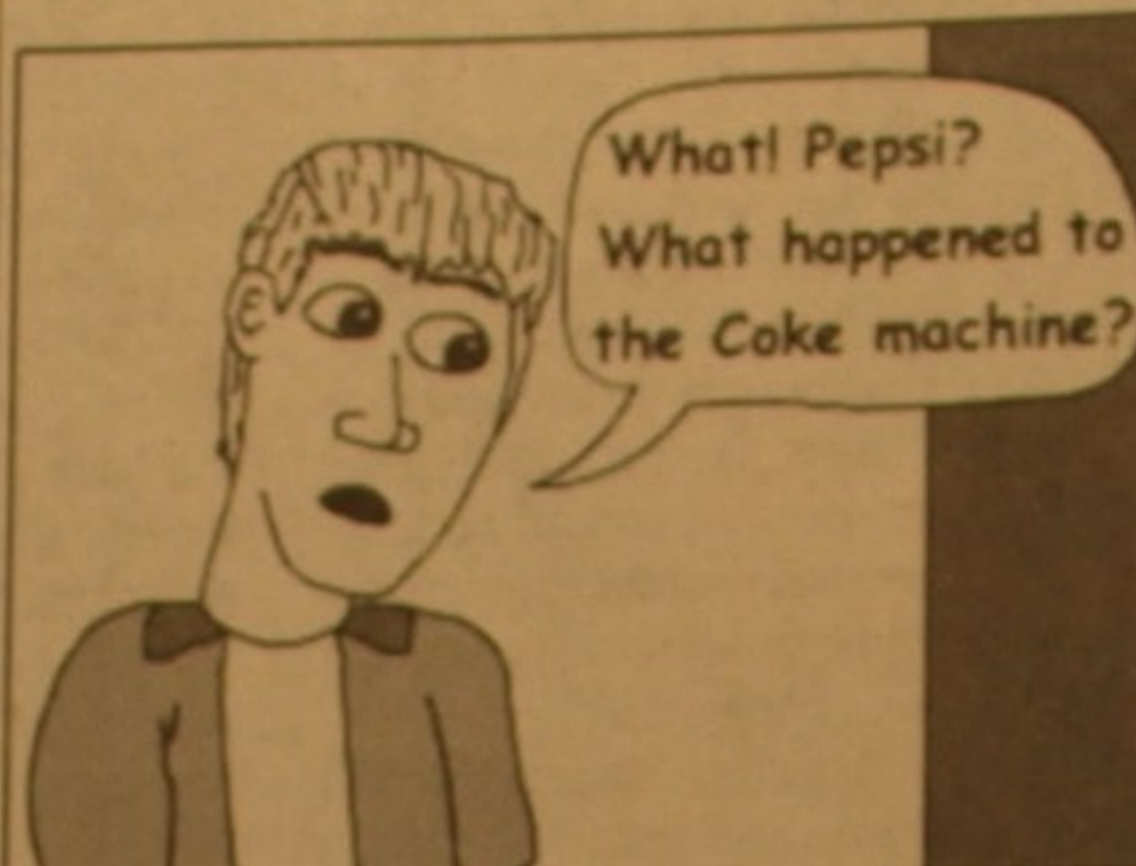
It is the challenge of being positive in a bad situation when you have no one to comfort you.

The lessons that we, as single students, learn now will teach us to be better people when the time comes for a meaningful relationship.

reward yourself for a job well done, when you might have expected your significant other to do that for you.

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Love, more than a card

By NAYDIA SPEARS
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When one thinks of love, some familiar images come to mind.

I imagine, like many females do, love notes left under my windshield wipers (if I had windshield wipers), my initials carved in the butter when I grab it for toast in the mornings, and of course, long walks down a seemingly empty ocean front.

Some would probably conclude that my thoughts are a bit unrealistic.

And they would probably be right. But I continue to believe in these dreams, even if my dreams are the only place I ever see them.

Valentine's Day is one of my favorite holidays.

Although I often jokingly complain about my non-existent relationship, I enjoy seeing people in love. Or at least, people who appear to be in love.

I work at a Hallmark store in my hometown. For a hopeless romantic, I could not have found a job more suited for my personality. If I have not read one card in the store, it probably just got shipped last week.

Hallmark stores seem to attract people in love, much like free food attracts college students; this is especially true at Valentine's Day.

Working at this type of store gives me the opportunity to observe a variety of shoppers in search of the perfect gift.

Many resort to teddy bears with giant chocolate hearts attached to their paws, while others immediately beeline to the awaiting shelves of kiss-kiss bears.

These shoppers, predominantly

men, always amaze me, particularly in the way they shop for cards.

Some shoppers walk through the door and quickly find the Valentine card section. Once they find it, the search begins for just the right one.

However, for some, the search lasts all of 30 seconds. Some people buy cards without even reading them. This disturbs me greatly.

But, there are those individuals who not only read the card before purchasing it; they read every card on the shelf.

I worked at the store this past weekend, and one customer remains vivid in my mind.

This young man, no older than 21, picked out a collectible item and had it gift-wrapped.

He then spent over a half-hour reading through love cards. My co-worker and I were deeply touched.

What some people seem to forget is that love is not about the price or size of a gift.

It is about the thought and emotion that are wrapped up with it that make all the difference.

Even though I am not "in love," I am very happy for all the people who can share this holiday with someone they care about.

So, I have decided, at the advice of my co-worker, to give some helpful hints to all the last-minute love birds that just now realized tomorrow is Valentine's Day.

Many people think this holiday is about women alone, but I disagree. I believe that men also need to be shown, not just told, that they are loved, appreciated and respected.

So ladies, here is just one suggestion.

Take the one you love on a midnight stroll across campus. Grab a blanket, if it's cold, and find a place where you can both lay down and watch the stars.

Take the time to talk about what

your relationship means to you. This is too serious for any couples, simply taking a stroll across campus and ending it with a goodnight kiss is a certain pleasure.

Love is all around us. But yes, many people often ask for special ideas for their significant other.

For all the guys out there, there seems to be a remarkable trend to buy flowers and candy.

However, I suggest a different approach. Instead of a dozen roses, buy one.

When you go to pick up your date, tell her to close her eyes. Then trace the rose across her face and over her lips. Then kiss her hand.

I promise you, women may say that what they see in the mirror they do not want, but most of them do.

I do not know if these ideas will be used by anyone.

But, at least you can say that you could not think

anything to do. Sometimes in life, we fall into a routine.

We become so bogged down with things like fear of commitment and stresses of jobs and school that we lose sight of how simple it is to make someone feel special or happy.

Love is a beautiful gift. Some of us are blessed enough to fall in love, others walk around it, over it, through it without ever seeing what was in front of their eyes.

But most of us just work too hard trying to hold on to it.

Just remember, love is a reflection of respect and friendship. It is born from the womb of trust. Love may not be able to erase one's heartache in a split second, but it can change the world, one heart at a time.

Hall demands late-night service

By KRISTIN HALL
Staff Writer

Why is it that our campus closes so early?

At 4:30 p.m. each day, the whole campus goes dead.

And forget trying to get any professor or administrator on the phone past 2 p.m.

Most professors only have a couple hours of office time when you can see them, and most of the time they are during prime class times.

If I want to mail a letter or go to the bookstore, I have to try to find time between classes and work, which isn't a lot.

Most students I know tend to run daily errands in the late afternoon after all their classes are done, but how are they supposed to do that when everything shuts down so early?

As a campus with a large adult

student population who work full-time jobs during the day, imagine how hard this situation is for them.

They would have to take off work just to get an ID card, go to the bookstore or the post office, talk to a teacher or administrator or pay their financial aid bills.

I don't think the administration of APSU is adequately serving the students here by closing so early.

I propose an idea that wouldn't be too hard or expensive to execute, and it would benefit a great number of students.

Each department would have a rotating schedule in which a staff member would stay late, maybe until 7 p.m., just one day a week to help students who can't get there during normal hours.

The additional hours would be

posted so students could plan to get there during a time that was more convenient to their schedule, instead of what is convenient to the department.

The late-hour day would differ from week-to-week to allow for more accessibility.

Teachers and advisers could do this too and it wouldn't be difficult at all.

This would be especially useful for important departments like financial aid, academic advisement and student affairs.

I think this is a perfectly viable option that would improve student-faculty relationships. This program would show that APSU is committed to its students, as it claims to be.

Food service merits complaint

By RACHEL CROW
Guest Writer

We know that right around lunchtime the Grille can be a little hairy.

You know the drill, all you want is a slice of pizza ... but so does everyone else.

Fighting the crowds for food is the norm within the walls of a college cafeteria, and the nasty looks that go along with it.

But getting snarls from the staff of the Grille? What's up with that?

I ordered a slice of pizza, and was actually given a hateful look by the employee.

Okay, I thought, so this person must be having a rotten day.

So I carried my yummy slice to the cashier and reached for my wallet.

It wasn't in the pocket of my jacket, which was where I usually kept it, so I decided to open my

backpack and begin a search.

Now, keep in mind that I was the only person in line, and there seemed to be no reason for me to rush through this search for money.

The woman on the other side of the register groaned loudly and rolled her eyes.

I realized that my taking up more than 15 seconds of her time must be an annoyance to her, so I promptly found my money and paid.

That was when I made the ultimate error.

I asked for a bag to carry my hot pizza and cold drink in. "We are out of bags," the disgruntled employee snarled. I then asked if there was any way if she could get me one. She said that I'd have to go ask another employee.

So, after being directed to the employee I was told to ask, it dawned on me that it was the exact employee who had previously given me the hateful look.

Honestly, this whole situation was beginning to frighten me, and the fact that part of my tuition goes to pay for food service really upsets me.

Not to mention the fact that these food service employees are getting paid to work.

I believe that the students should have some say in the way that they are treated when it comes to every aspect of the university, and that includes the Grille.

So, unless they are working for free, or giving out free food, I would appreciate the service that I would get at any other restaurant.

Letter to the Editor

"APSU soft drink switch inconsiderate to students"

The first night back at school, after a six-hour drive across the state, my boyfriend and I walked down to the lobby to get a Sprite and a Dasani. We were shocked to find only Pepsi products littering the Cross Hall lobby. At that moment I found myself distraught. Not only had APSU renewed Aramark's contract last spring (which I detest and have eaten Taco Bell more times than any normal person should), but now they have taken away my favorite name-brand drink.

And why? So they can make a few more dollars. Which is extremely reasonable and to a certain extent I can understand. But I am a student who happens to live on campus and must eat and

drink what the school provides. I should at least enjoy what I have to pay for. Myself and many others don't like Pepsi products. I've only been drinking water and orange juice since school has begun.

I made a joke to my boyfriend that next year we will find mats instead of beds, making it financially beneficial to the school by paying little money for mats then having to pay for beds and mattresses. And that is a little over-dramatic but in a way I'm very serious. APSU should be catering to the students' needs and wants because we keep them in business. We are paying them to give us an education and to provide us with comfort and good food and drink. And if that means that they have to take a small cut in the budget or get a smaller percentage off product sales, then so be it.

APSU should understand that human beings, especially poor college students, want nothing

more than good, edible, home-cooked meals. Yet they continue to subject us to the cafeteria food all in the name of money. APSU should understand that we are all individuals and have our own individual tastes and likes. Yet they minimize our selection of drinks because of money. If you live in the dorms you have to have at least a five-meal-plan and if you do not have a car, your trips to Wal-Mart are few and far between. We, as students, should not be forced to buy something that we don't like.

My mother put me in ballet at the age of 9, not because she thought it would benefit her financially with four other kids to care for but because she knew how much I loved to dance. APSU should be more like a mother to us students, a mother who is willing to make sacrifices to better the quality of her child's life.

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Sports

Soccer kicks off at APSU

By MATTHEW ROARK
Sports Editor

APSU has formally announced the arrival of women's soccer and its new coach into the sports lineup.

Kelly Poole, former assistant coach at Southeast Missouri, has been selected to head the first-ever Lady Gobs soccer team.

"I hope to first of all build a team from scratch here, and be contending for the championship in three years," Poole said.

"Right now (the hardest thing) is finding the players and getting them together with my timeline."

Poole needs to have 17 players on the field by fall. With official signing day

coming soon, she said she wants to make new students interested in APSU as a whole.

"We need to get athletes here and interested in our fields of study, and hopefully have a winning soccer team in the next three years," Poole said.

She said she will be working her dream job sooner than expected.

"I've always wanted to be a head coach, but you have to go through the steps. That happened pretty fast for me," she said.

Poole plans to recruit mainly in-state students living between the Nashville and Memphis areas.

However, the search will not exclude eligible out-of-state prospects.

"I'm a real high-energy type person, and I'm looking forward to finding the talent in this area," Poole said.

"I think that there is potential for great players to come to Austin Peay with all

of the academic aspects of (the school)."

The new soccer team will be competing in the Ohio Valley Conference and have a complete schedule—around 15 games the first year out.

"The OVC is very attractive, because I'm really familiar with it," Poole said.

She said her confidence comes from knowing the players, coaches and teams in the area.

Not only is she interested in producing good players, but well-rounded individuals as well.

"I'm going to do my best to make sure they come out as a better person and a better soccer player when they leave this college."

Practice will begin in August. Interested students must meet minimum eligibility requirements.

For more information, contact Glenda Manning at 221-6119, or coach Kelly Poole at 221-7972.

Governors fall to Murray state

By MATTHEW ROARK
Sports Editor

The APSU Governors dropped a 78-68 decision to the Murray State Racers (13-11, 7-5 OVC) on Saturday in Murray, Ky.

The game showed off from APSU's three-point loss to Morehead State one week ago.

Leading the offensive effort for the Gobs (12-14, 7-5 OVC) was Nick Stapleton and his 24 points, and Adrian Henning trailed with 15 points and five boards.

Four Racers were in double digits with points, led overall by Justin Burdine and his 24.

Murray's James Singleton posted 14, with Antione Whelchel and Cuthbert Victor grabbing 13 and 12 respectively.

The contest featured a hard-fought first half, with Murray State holding the lead nine minutes into the game.

With the halftime score left

at 38-32, the Racers would return in the second half to extend their lead to as much as 15 points.

Stapleton brought the Gobs within three at the 3:10 mark in the second, but four consecutive fouls and the ensuing Racer points would seal the loss for APSU.

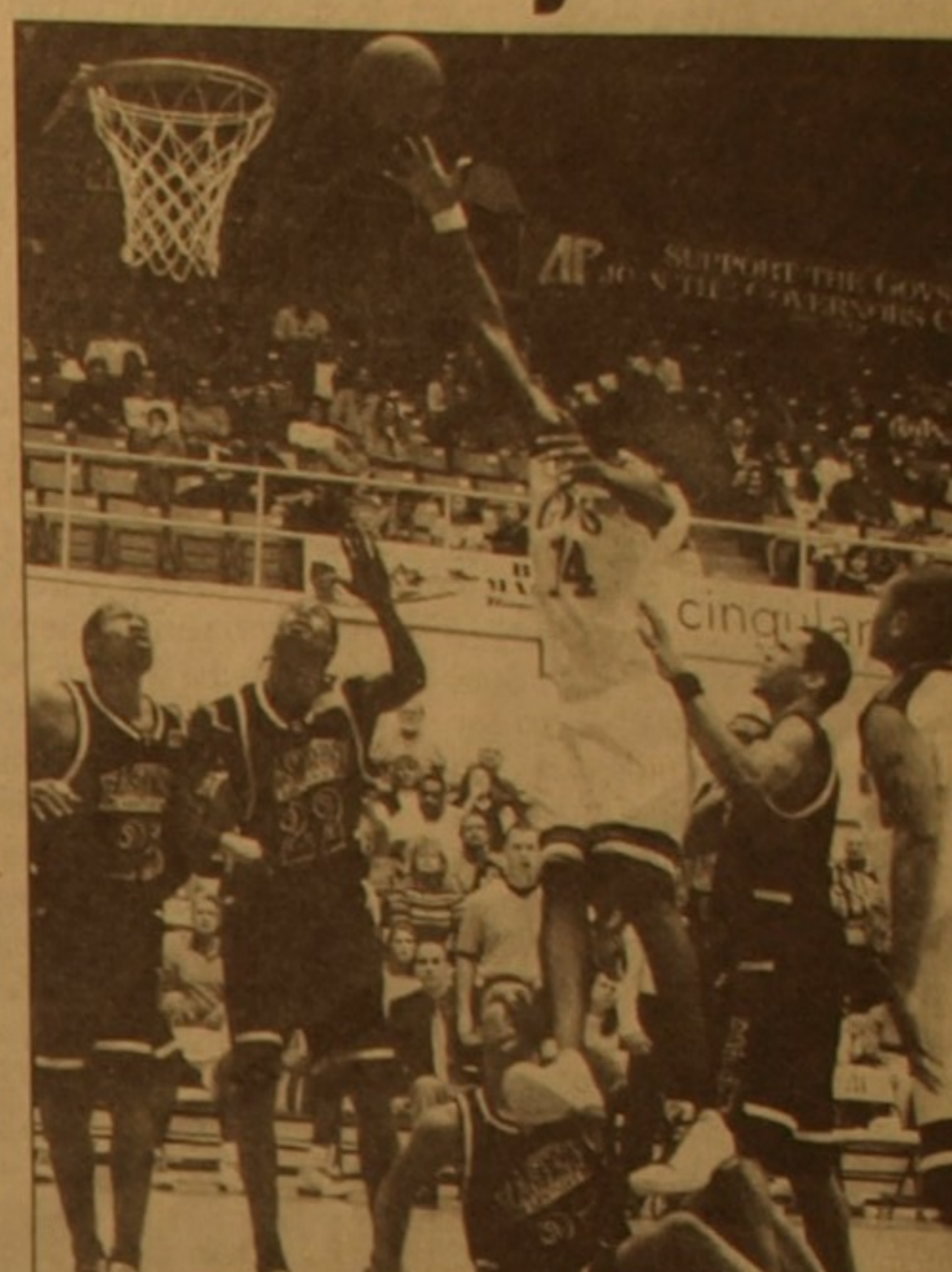
On the previous Saturday night, Morehead State's Eagles edged out a 68-65 win over the Gobs at Dave Aaron arena.

Anthony Davis racked up 26 points to lead the Governors offensively; he was followed by Josh Lewis with 12.

Ricky Minard led the Eagles with 15.

APSU kept the game within five during the first half and fought back and forth in the second half for the lead.

Down by one with :49 seconds left, five consecutive fouls doomed the Gobs as Morehead hit four of six foul shots to gain the victory.



Staff photo by Tammy Sparks
Adrian Henning gets one up against Eastern Illinois in action last week.

Lady Gobs set two records in two games



Staff photo by Tammy Sparks
Kelly Chavez races past her EIU opponent in action last week.

By MATTHEW ROARK
Sports Editor

APSU's Lady Gobs fell to Murray State's Lady Racers at Murray, Ky., but featured Paige Smith's 1,001st career point—a mark that only seven other Lady Gobs have reached thus far.

But in a defense-dominated contest Saturday night, the 66-57 loss was APSU's lowest scoring game of the season.

Brooke Armistead led the Lady Gobs (15-8, 8-4 OVC) with 23 points, and was followed by Shatika Hutcherson with 13 and Smith with 12.

Rebecca Remington tallied 22 for the Lady Racers (10-12, 5-7 OVC) and Susan

Tackett scored 12. APSU's ladies shot 40 percent from the field as well as 88 percent from the foul line.

A 31-25 Murray State lead developed at halftime, but the Lady Gobs seemed to catch on a little more in the second half.

Armistead hit a foul shot with around 10:00 remaining in the game to cut the Murray State lead to four, but once again the Lady Racers pulled away.

Armistead cut the lead to four with around 1:30 left, but a 5-for-6 effort from the free-throw line late in the game would give the Lady Racers the win.

In a game last Saturday night, the Lady Gobs bucked

Morehead State's Lady Eagles 89-61 for an OVC win.

Kelly Chavez broke the APSU all-time assist record with her 509th, putting her ahead of Jeanne Hinchey (1978-82) in the record books.

Armistead once again dominated, racking up 31 points and seven 3-pointers.

Hutcherson owned the paint, cleaning off eight rebounds and grabbing 17 points.

Tasha Gales led Morehead with 21 points, followed by Kandi Brown and her 17.

The Lady Gobs basically owned the Lady Eagles the whole contest as the lead was extended to 30 late in the second half.

Intramural Action

Wednesday, Feb. 6

Women

BCM - 37, Alpha Sigma Alpha - 21
Phatties - 40, Alpha Delta Pi - 30
Charlie's Angels - 42, Chi Omega - 41

Men

Pikes - 61, Kappa Sigma - 29
Flights - 30, The Losers - 24
Dynasty - 72, Vets - 68

Thursday, Feb. 7

Women

Real Splitters - 44, BCM Ladies - 30

Men

Sigma Phi Epsilon - 46, Army of One - 34
Clarksville Playas - 41, Pressure - 39
S.K.H. - 51, Lockdown - 36
Hoyas - 48, Franchise - 46

Sports Calendar

Men's Golf

Feb. 11, 12 - All Day
APSU at Mississippi Gulf Coast Classic: Gulfport, Miss.

Women's Tennis

Feb. 12 - 1:00 p.m.
Lipscomb vs. Austin Peay: Clarksville, Tenn.

Men's Tennis

Feb. 12 - 3:30 p.m.
Lipscomb vs. Austin Peay: Clarksville, Tenn.

Softball

Feb. 13 - 2:00 p.m.
Tennessee vs. Austin Peay: Clarksville, Tenn.; Lady Gobs Field

Women's Basketball

Feb. 14 - 5:30 p.m.
Austin Peay at Tenn. State: Nashville, Tenn.; Howard C. Gentry Complex

Men's Basketball

Feb. 14 - 7:30 p.m.
Austin Peay at Tenn. State: Nashville, Tenn.; Gentry Center

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Features

Black History Month examines racism

African American students ask, "Is racism dead?"

The African American Cultural Center continues its celebration of Black History Month with a variety of events scheduled for the week of Feb. 13-19.

Feb. 13: "Practicing Harmonious and Balanced African American Marital Relationships" begins at 6 p.m. in the Harambee Room of the Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center. Motivational speaker and Clarksville community cultural worker Yusef Rahz discusses how the tradition of Ma'at can be applied to modern day African American marital relationships.

The presentation focuses on several of the 42 principles of the Harmony and Balance philosophy, created and practiced by the ancient African of Kemet in Egypt.

Feb. 14: "Reading Across the African American Heritage, Part I" is designed to promote literacy on

local, regional and national levels.

Led by Dr. Mary Warner, assistant professor of developmental studies, a "reading chain" of African American literary works will be conducted by faculty and students as part of the 13th annual, nationwide African American Read-In.

The read-in will be held from 9-11 a.m. in the Harambee Room of the Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center.

Feb. 14: "Roots, Part IV" will be shown at 6 p.m. in the Harambee Room of the Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center, followed by an informal discussion.

Feb. 15: "Hair: The Great Racial Divide" is a discussion of the complexities and interrelatedness of racism and sexism and the impact of these social phenomena on African American aesthetics and concepts of beauty.

Led by Dr. Carolivia Herron, internationally acclaimed author of the controversial book "Nappy Hair" and former professor of literature at Harvard, the discussion begins at 7 p.m. in the Gentry

Auditorium.

Feb. 17: "The Woman Behind the Gold: Wilma Glodean Rudolph," a video documenting the life and accomplishments of Olympic gold medalist Wilma G. Rudolph, will be shown at 4:30 p.m. in the Harambee Room of the Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center.

Dr. Yvonne Prather, assistant professor and director of television studies, will discuss her video documentary.

Rudolph's friends, family members and professional colleagues will share personal anecdotes of this great American sports champion's life and legacy.

Feb. 19: "Roots, Part V" will be shown at noon in the Harambee Room of the Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center, followed by an informal discussion.

Admission to all events is free to the public unless otherwise noted.

For more information, call the African American Cultural Center at (931) 221-7120.

"The Vagina Monologues" celebrates sexuality

By SARAH REED
Features Editor

Eve's Ensler's celebrated but controversial play "The Vagina Monologues" opens at APSU Feb. 14.

The performance is the culmination of an independent study designed by Dr. Sara Gotcher, associate professor of theatre; Dr. Jill Eichhorn, coordinator of women's studies; and Dr. Glenn Carter, chair of the social work department.

Two performances of "The Vagina Monologues" are scheduled. The first performance begins at 12:30 p.m., Feb. 14, in the Clement Auditorium. The second performance begins at 7:30 p.m., Feb. 19.

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Students experience theatre in London

From torture to high art, students see it all first-hand

By SHERRY COLLINS
Staff Writer

Stonehenge, the Tower of London and Westminster Abbey were just a few of the highlights on a December trip to London for some APSU study abroad students.

Dr. Joe Filippo, assistant vice president for academic affairs, and Dr. Mickey Wadia, associate professor of languages and literature, took 96 students to London, Dec. 26, 2001. About 15-20 of those students on the two-week trip were from APSU.

This particular trip was based on a theatre course. The students visited a variety of sites that would help them learn about the subject hands-on.

Students attended workshops in order to get an idea of what was

involved in theatre. In one of the workshops they got to see how to create realistic scars.

The students took day trips that lasted three-four hours. These trips had tour guides who gave them a brief history of each place.

"The highlight of the trip was Dover Castle. From the tower on a clear day you can see the coast of France," Wadia said.

The students attended six plays while in London.

"I think the students enjoyed Disney's 'The Lion King' the most," Wadia said.

However, it was not all play and no work.

While in London the students got to enjoy the sights and sounds, but upon their return home, their homework began. The students got to learn by experiencing the place, people and the culture.

If you are interested in being involved in the Study Abroad program, contact Filippo, CCS coordinator, on campus at 221-6236.



(Clockwise from above left):

Joelyn Gray and Christy Klahn act as little puppets during a costume and makeup workshop at Covent Garden British Theatre Museum.

Dr. Joe Filippo and Dr. Mickey Wadia visit Stonehenge.

Dr. Mickey Wadia and Megan Marlowe are confined in stocks at Warwick Castle in Stratford-on-Avon.

Distinguished lecturer discusses Web technology

By SARAH REED
Features Editor

Help is on the way for the technologically impaired of APSU.

APSU's student chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery and the Student Government Association welcome a national ACM distinguished lecturer to campus to discuss rising technology.

Dr. Ronald Vetter, professor and

chair of the department of computer science at the University of North Carolina-Wilmington, presents "Emerging Web Technologies" at 3 p.m. Feb. 13, in the Sundquist Science Complex, Room E106A.

Vetter's lecture addresses emerging technologies on the Internet including:

- *document object model (DOM) and dynamic hyper text markup language (HTML)

- *extensible markup language (XML)

- *extensible stylesheet language (XSL)

- *modeling with document type definitions (DTD)

- *java server pages (JSP)

- *active server pages (ASP)

- *emerging object Web

"It's important for students interested in the Internet, especially new technologies, to hear Vetter's lecture," said Nancy Smithfield,

assistant professor of mathematics and computer science.

"He's an excellent speaker and an expert in this area."

Founded in 1947, ACM is the world's first educational and scientific computing society. With more than 80,000 members, ACM is dedicated to advancing the arts, sciences and applications of information technology.

For more information, call Smithfield at (931) 221-7846.

Renowned children's author visits APSU

Within its celebration of African American History Month, APSU will host renowned children's author, Carolivia Herron, Feb. 15-16.

As part of the seminar, "African American Women in Pursuit of Beauty," Herron will give a public lecture on her controversial book, "Nappy Hair," at 7 p.m., Friday, Feb. 15 in Gentry Auditorium, Kimbrough Building, followed immediately by a book-signing.

The event is co-sponsored by the Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center and the

African American Studies Program.

According to Dr. Nancy J. Dawson, director of APSU's African American Studies Program, "Nappy Hair" is intended to teach African American children to accept their African features, including their natural hair.

Herron's book received public attention in 1998 when Ruth Sherman, a white teacher in Brooklyn, N.Y., used "Nappy Hair" to teach a lesson in racial tolerance to her predominately African American and Hispanic third-grade class. When parents and local

residents learned about the lesson, racial tensions flared. The school board convened a meeting but, ultimately, Sherman voluntarily transferred to another school.

Herron's Feb. 15 lecture complements a special course taught by Dawson.

"More than 50 students at Austin Peay will study the complexities of color prejudice and self-esteem among African American women," Dawson said.

"Historically, divisions have occurred within the African American community resulting

from forced racial-mixing during slavery."

Herron will make a cameo appearance at an African American History Month program sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. at 10 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 16 at the Clarksville/Montgomery County Library.

For more information, telephone Dawson at (931) 221-7106 or Dr. Jacqui Wade, director of the Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center, at (931) 221-7120.

International Sociology Honor Society established



Six charter members were inducted into the Mu Chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta, the International Sociology Honor Society.

By SARAH REED
Features Editor

The department of sociology at APSU has established the Mu Chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta, the International Sociology Honor Society.

Six charter members—John Howard, Melisa Lintt, Karla Marmann, Sheila McKnight, Gabrielle Napoleon and Amy Schmittou—were inducted during a ceremony celebrating the establishment of the Mu Chapter at APSU.

All Senior sociology majors, each student has a 3.0 grade point average or higher as required by the chapter.

Marmann, McKnight and Schmittou received the Alpha Kappa Delta Honor Cord during the ceremony and graduated with honors from APSU during Winter 2001 Commencement.

Dr. E. Kelly Sanford, associate professor and chair of the department of sociology, served as the faculty adviser.

The purpose of Alpha Kappa Delta is to promote, facilitate and recognize scholarship in the

sociology.

The national organization Alpha Kappa Delta was founded in 1920 and has more than 100 chapters in the United States, Canada, China, Finland, Philippines, Taiwan and Singapore.

Felix G. Woodward Library adds new services

By BRETT STORY
Staff Writer

This year's shrinking budget has not stopped Woodward Library from providing extra services to help APSU students.

New services have been added to help offset the rising costs of new books.

"We're trying to expand our services beyond the walls of the building," said Debra Fetch, director of library and media services. "We are always trying to improve our service to the University."

Students now have access to an additional 17,000 electronic books via the Internet. This book purchase adds to the library's current collection. Students can access these titles for two hours per visit.

"It's a very economic way to have access to this information," Fetch said. "You can't get printed books for this price."

Another new service added is called "Ask a Librarian."

"We have a chat reference session where you can communicate with a librarian," Fetch said.

"If you need direction on finding information on a topic, we'll do the most we can to help."

Information and hours for the "Ask a Librarian" program are available on the library's Web page at www.library.apsu.edu.

The site also offers alternate Web sites on topics, lists of books and databases available in the library and instruction on how to access them.

Inter-library loan services have also been improved.

In the past, requests for articles and periodicals from other libraries could be sent electronically but

received back only by mail. Today, the library can both send and receive this information electronically.

"It speeds the delivery time because you don't have to wait those three to four days it takes by mail," Fetch said.

Despite rising cost and budget hassles, Fetch is proud of her staff and the new initiatives to improve the library.

"It's wonderful," Fetch said. "We have a wonderful group of librarians with a lot of energy and creative ideas. They really want to make this a better place."

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