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Women find ways to fight back

Sexual Assault Awareness Month
encourages stand against violence

By STEPHANIE COWARD
Managing Editor

In the 1970s, the streets of England were extremely unsafe for women after dark. Many women were victim to one violent crime or another. Tired of the violence, English women began protesting. “Take Back the Night” marches eventually grew into an organized movement that found its way to the United States in the late ’70s. The first “Take Back the Night” marches were held on U.S. soil in 1978 in San Francisco and New York City.

What began as a female-only event soon expanded to cover both the issue of men as sexual abuse victims and the male role to help end violence against women, according to the National Sexual Violence Resource Center, (<http://www.nsvrc.org>).

Fast forward a few decades to April 2001 — the first time National Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) was observed in the United States Throughout the month, local and national organizations raise awareness of the sexual violence both men and women suffer every day. One such SAAM event —the Clothesline Project — is held three times a year on the Austin Peay State University campus.

“You don’t have the luxury to be naïve as a woman,” said Jill Eichhorn, women’s studies professor and coordinator of The Clothesline Project.

The Clothesline Project

Since 1996, Eichhorn has hung the clothes out on the line throughout campus. The Clothesline Project is just what the name implies: Clotheslines are strung up near the University Center and then the shirts — the heart of the event — are hung up on the line. This semester, the shirts will be on display April 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Clothesline Project at APSU has been sponsored and organized by students since it began in 1996 and continues to be a student-run event.

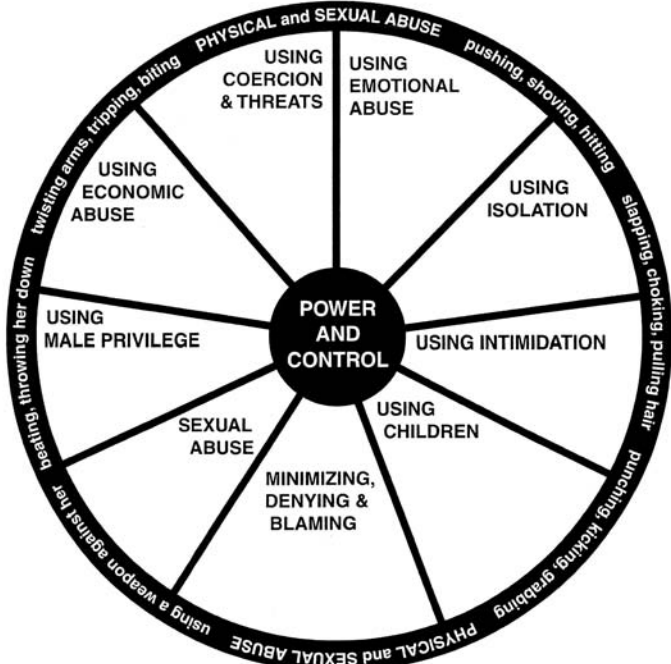
Each shirt that is hung has been made by a survivor or someone close to a survivor of sexual abuse or domestic violence. Every shirt is made by someone in the APSU community.

“It takes an army of people to get it up,” Eichhorn said. She currently has more than 400 shirts to hang with new shirts added every year.

Eichhorn believes that the making of the shirts is a step in the healing process for victims, allowing them to see that they are not alone. In turn, Eichhorn hopes that seeing the handcrafted shirts will raise awareness within the APSU community. This is the exact reason why SAAM was created. Raising awareness is what SAAM is all about, hence the slogan, “Prevent sexual violence . . . in our communities.”

“I want to empower women to face what has happened to them and to not be victimized by that experience anymore,” Eichhorn said.

Every shirt on the line is different. Many shirts include statements written by the survivor while some deliver a more physical statement with rips and tears, but all deliver a message. It is the message that is intended to affect the



The power and control wheel shows the various types of abuse many suffer everyday. Many abuse survivors have been subjected to more than one of the abuses on the wheel. “I wish every client had the opportunity to look at the power and control wheel, so they would have the chance to highlight every abuse that was applicable to them,” said Sgt. Charlie Struckel, APSU Crime prevention unit officer.

viewer, thus encouraging change in attitude and action.

The shirts represent the emotions of the survivors. While rage is prevalent, Eichhorn is amazed at the amount of love shown through the shirts as well as the betrayal.

The color of the shirt is the only aspect the survivor doesn’t have control over. Each color symbolizes the violence a survivor has undergone. The colors symbolize the following: white — murder; blue or green — childhood assault or incest; yellow or beige — assault or domestic violence; purple or lavender — rape or sexual assault; red, pink or orange — violence based on sexual orientation.

“Communication is important to heal,” Eichhorn said.

A spin-off of The Clothesline Project is The Handprint Project. The Handprint Project is for male survivors of abuse and for those men who pledge to help end the violence. By imprinting his hand on a shirt, a man is pledging “to neither tolerate sexual violence nor condone it with my silence,”

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PATRICK ARMSTRONG/SENIOR STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Kosak explains the problems facing Africa and how USAFRICOM plans to remedy those problems.

Washington official visits to talk about U.S. issues in Africa

By TANYA LUDLOW
Staff Writer

Charles P. Kosak, principal director in the Office of African Affairs, in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, presented a talk March 28 titled “Africa: U.S. Involvement and the Future” at the University Center.

The event was sponsored by the Global Security Studies Club, a new student organization at APSU and the Institute for Global Security Studies.

His presentation focused on the development of a new Department of Defense command that addresses the unique challenges and opportunities in Africa.

U.S. African Command (USAFRICOM) will consolidate the African responsibilities previously held by three commands — U.S. Europe Command, U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Central Command — into one command.

The USAFRICOM concept, Kosak says, is to “support U.S. government activities across Africa, integrate U.S. interagency efforts and assist diplomacy and developmental efforts.”

Kosak gave an overview of some of the major concerns in Africa, from the proxy war between Eritrea and Ethiopia conducted in Somalia, the AIDS pandemic of which two-thirds of the world’s cases are in Africa and the conflict in Darfur that has killed an estimated 200,000 to 400,000 people and displaced millions.

Kosak sees the escalating tensions in the Niger Delta as of particular concern to U.S. interests as it is the world’s sixth-largest oil producing nation.

The killings and kidnappings of foreign oil workers threaten to cripple production. In particular, Kosak sees the new command as crucial to managing and mitigating a problem

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Students circle up for marijuana debate

TAKE FIVE

Heads vs. Feds debate brought hundreds to UC Ballroom last week. *The All State* went further in depth to see what students thought. Where do you fall in the debate over whether to legalize marijuana?

Alison King, junior

Cala Young, junior

Frankie DeJesus, sophomore

David Yarbrow, junior

Robert Alexander, junior



“Neutral. Both sides had really good points. It’s hard to pick one side over the other. [Pro legalization’s] strongest argument was the possible medical benefits, against the legalization would be dependency and accidents.”

“Yes, well, I saw more into the medical aspect now so I’m for the betterment of people, not to get high. The strongest argument for [legalization] was the medical uses. The strongest argument against would be accidents.”

“I felt it should be illegal, but didn’t have a legitimate reason. Yes, now I think it should definitely be illegal. The pro would be tax benefits. The strongest point against is that it is already illegal. Argue the law, and [marijuana] would be made expensive due to taxes, a black market, then we would have the same problem we have now.”

“I was kind of against it, now I’m kind of for it. People should be responsible and those who aren’t, hurt the cause. The strongest argument against legalization is that people can take a pill instead of actual plant use.”

“It really opened my eyes up to the argument against and the standpoint. Laws on [marijuana] are incredibly stupid, they punish people and it’s not murder or rape. The strongest argument against is that smoking itself is dangerous.”

For full coverage on the Heads vs. Feds debate see page 2

Debate burns from end to end

“The day we get the majority of people to vote for it, I think you should [legalize it].”

— Robert Stutman, former director of the Drug Enforcement Agency in New York City on whether marijuana should be legalized



PATRICK ARMSTRONG/SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER
A few hundred students showed up at the debate. There was a question and answer session for students as well.

‘High Times’ battles DEA in friendly pro-con discussion

By KYLE NELSON
Staff Writer

On March 28, Austin Peay State University hosted the Heads vs. Feds debate. The subject of the debate was the legalization of marijuana.

The two speakers were Robert Stutman and Steve Hager. Stutman is the former director of the Drug Enforcement Agency office in New York City, and Hager is a former writer and editor of High Times magazine. Around 400 people attended the event.

The debate centered around three main topics: Medicinal uses, the benefits of using hemp and the punishments given out for this drug offense. Hager argued that marijuana has never killed anyone, is less dangerous than prescriptions and can be used to treat illnesses.

Stutman said that out of some 400 chemicals in marijuana, only two have shown any medicinal benefits and that a drug had been approved in Europe that actually extracted those two chemicals and put them in pill form without any of the

side effects of using marijuana, including, “getting high.” He also argued that marijuana had twice as many carcinogens as tobacco and produced four times as much tar when smoking it.

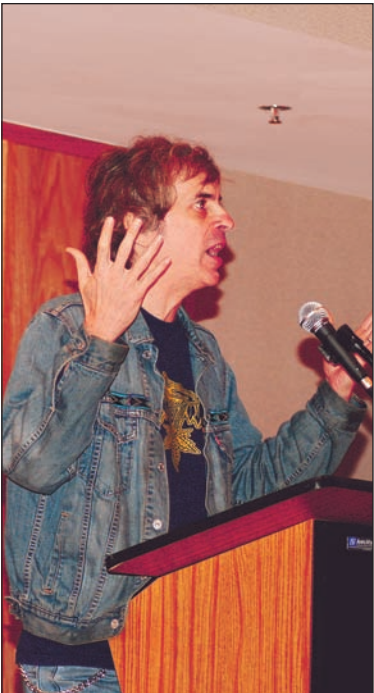
Hager, when arguing for the benefits of using hemp, said that George Washington and Thomas Jefferson grew marijuana and “paid taxes in raw hemp.” He said that hemp was used for the riggings on ships to make paper and the seeds were squeezed to produce oil for lamps.

Hager asserted that since hemp was the, “strongest natural fiber” it could replace petrochemical fibers which he attributed to hurting the environment. “Hemp has been 100 percent legal in Europe for 70 years. So if it’s such a wonderful item, why isn’t popular?” Stutman said.

According to the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, the possible punishment and fines for having anywhere from one to 10 plants is a felony and has a \$5,000 fine and one to six years in prison. Stutman said that it should be a “nonjailable offense.” ♦

“People who smoke breakfast bong hits are the biggest part of the problem.”

— Steve Hager, former editor of High Times magazine on the lack of responsible marijuana usage



PATRICK ARMSTRONG/SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER
Steve Hager also emphasized the propaganda campaign against marijuana during the age of yellow journalism.



PATRICK ARMSTRONG/SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER
Robert Stutman argued that marijuana should not be made legal because there would be far more users.



PATRICK ARMSTRONG/SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER
Stutman signs the poster advertising the debate. He said that he is for a drug called Satavex that should be made ready for the public in about a year. Stutman also argued that the facts were not on Hager’s side.



PATRICK ARMSTRONG/SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER
Hager signs the back of one of a student. Hager urged that the United States is overcrowding prisons with drug offenders and that people are in worse shape once they get out of prison than when they went in.

Violence: There are ways to fight sexual assault

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according to The Handprint Project’s 2005 brochure on the feminist campus Web site (<http://www.feministcampus.org>).

According to Eichhorn, the laws surrounding sexual violence have changed.

For instance, if a girl is drunk, the law considers her unable to consent to sexual relations, thus the man could later be charged with rape even if she says yes while drunk.

Those who have survived abuse or those who know individual survivors are encouraged to make a shirt for The Clothesline Project. There will be a table set up for making shirts at the April 12 event.

Violence against women

According to the TIBRS data collected by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, there were almost 7,000 sexually violent crimes allegedly committed against women by men in Tennessee during 2005.

Of that number, nearly 3,000 victims refused to cooperate, allowing the accused to go free.

Fondling was the most common crime reported in 2005, accounting for 37.8 percent, while rape was the second most reported crime, accounting for 37.2 percent of the almost 7,000 sexual crimes reported.

Sexually violent crimes on campus have increased in recent years and though APSU is one of the safer campuses, crimes still occur.

APSU has had two rapes reported this semester, and there was at least one forcible sex offense reported on campus every year between 2002 and 2004.

According to the American Association of University Women, 20 to 25 percent of women will be raped during their college career.

For those with the “they were in the wrong place at the wrong time” mentality, the AAUW also reports that 71 percent of rapes are planned in advance.

Law enforcement officials cannot be everywhere all the time and urge the campus community to take an active role in their safety.

“It is everyone’s responsibility to ensure safety on this campus,” said Crime Prevention Unit Officer, Sgt. Charlie Struckel.

“There are many more faculty, professors and students on campus than there are police,” Struckel said.

According to Struckel, anyone who sees anything out of the ordinary can contact campus police in person, anonymously on the Web or via one of the emergency red phones distributed throughout campus.

Ways to help

Verizon Wireless began the HopeLine Phone recycling program in 2001. The company accepts phones and accessories from all dealers.

Verizon refurbishes and then resells the merchandise, donating all proceeds from the sales to HopeLine.

If the phones are no longer usable, the company will safely recycle them.

The funds donated to HopeLine are used to buy phones with airtime minutes and other features to domestic violence victims.

Phones can be donated at any Verizon Wireless store. Visit <http://aboutus.vzw.com/communityservice/hopeLine.html>

Final candidates to be selected

By DAVE CAMPBELL
News Editor

The committee charged with finding a new president for Austin Peay State University met again to select the final three to five candidates for interviews in the Iris Room April 3 in the University Center.

The meeting was open to the public and press for observing only.

See the final list of three to five candidates that will be posted online today at <http://www.theallstate.com>. The following candidates were still being considered at press time.

• Robert H. Adams
Tennessee Board of Regents

• Linda L. M. Bennett
University of Southern Indiana

• James William Berry
Butler University

• Kendall A. Blanchard
Georgia Southwestern State University

• William Thomas Bogart
York College of Pennsylvania

• Kaylene A. Gebert
Middle Tennessee State University

• Timothy L. Hall
University of Mississippi

• Michelle R. Howard-Vital
Winston-Salem State University

• Thomas J. Hynes, Jr.
University of West Georgia

• Ann Candler Lotven
Texas A&M University - Texarkana

• Roosevelt Newson
University of North Alabama

• Chrisann Schiro-Geist
University of Memphis

• Bruce W. Speck
Austin Peay State University

• Michael Spitzer
St. Cloud State University

• Jackie Thomas
Middle Tennessee State University

Logo is victim of smear campaign



PATRICK ARMSTRONG/SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER
The front AP logo was recently repainted and it did not have enough time to dry. The repainted logo is now smeared and may need to be repainted again.

Good Morning APSU

Campus Community Calendar

Disability Awareness Month

Today
Protect your Investment - YOURSELF Workshop
1 to 2 p.m. UC 308

April 11
STAR Access - Mobile Unit
2 to 5 p.m. UC Plaza

April 13
Drive-in Conference
Tennessee Association on Higher Education and Disability
9 a.m. to 3 p.m. UC Ballroom

April 18
WBC Challenge
1-3 p.m. UC front sidewalk area

CPR training

The Center for Extended and Distance Education is sponsoring CPR and first aid training for health care professionals, approved for APSU nursing students. For details, call Mary Alice Burkhart at 221-7816.

Upward Bound teachers needed

Summer teachers in all subject areas are needed to teach from June 4 to July 13. Pick up an application at the High School Upward Bound office at 400 Ford Street.

Adult literacy program

Students are being sought who have an interest to help adults who want to learn to read. This organization is affiliated with The United Way. Minimum requirement would be one hour per week. Contact adviser Karen Sorenson for more information at 221-6246.

Executive board positions

The Govs Organization Council is looking for students to fill executive board positions for student organizations. Applications and job descriptions can be found at <http://www.apsu.edu/sll/GOC.htm>. Deadline for president applications is April 5, all other officer applications are due April 13.

Higher Education Summit

Student Government Association will sponsor a Higher Education Summit at 6 p.m., April 12 in the University Center Ballroom. Kim McMilan, senior adviser to Gov. Phil Bredesen will be the keynote speaker.

Peay Soup-Poetry Slam

The African American Cultural Center is hosting the first Peay Soup-Poetry Slam from 7 to 9 p.m., April 24 in the AACC. Prizes will be offered. Poets who wish to participate need to register by April 23.

Annual ROTC ball

ROTC is hosting its annual ball at 5:30 p.m., April 21 in the UC Ballroom. Contact Luke Basler for more information at lbasler14@apsu.edu, or call (314) 603-7702.

Student organization and leader awards

Awards are being given to outstanding student organizations 6 p.m., April 20 in the UC Ballroom. There will be a reception to following the ceremony.

Faculty Senate discuss online class schedules

Program would allow students to view classes sorted by department

By ELIZABETH BRUCE
Staff Writer

Among those topics discussed at the sixth faculty senate meeting of the year were class schedules, faculty handbook amendments and faculty professional development leave.

Class schedules

Rather than relying on hard-copy schedules of courses, an online program is being considered that would allow students to see classes sorted by department. It would also show the availability of certain sections and times.

Faculty handbook

Proposed amendments were discussed at the previous two meetings.

Among the amendments were: Qualifications for faculty leave of absence, amendments to clarify and submit e-dossiers and whether or not to include APSU 1000 and study abroad evaluations in them. These issues will be discussed in greater detail at the meeting April 12. The regularly scheduled meeting April 26 will still be held as well.

Faculty professional development leave

The qualifications, academic requirements and application requirements and processes were discussed. ♦

Student honored

By APRIL MCDONALD
Assistant News Editor

DeLacy LeBlanc, graduate student of biology, has been selected to represent Austin Peay State University as part of the Graduate Education Week ceremonies in Nashville, today.

During the ceremonies, her research on Lyme disease will be showcased with a poster presentation.

Gov. Phil Bredesen proclaimed the week of April 2 as Graduate Education week in Tennessee.

"I hope that the research which I preformed can aid in better appreciation of Lyme disease risk in our community," LeBlanc said.

"The true ecology and endemicity of the bacterium

that causes Lyme disease, *Borrelia burgdorferi*, is poorly understood in Middle Tennessee."

LeBlanc was nominated by her faculty mentor Chad Brooks, after being selected by Dr. Charles Pinder, College of Graduate Studies dean, who submitted LeBlanc's work to the committee in Nashville.

"It's an honor to be recognized by the APSU faculty," LeBlanc said.

"I'm excited and honored to have the opportunity to represent APSU in Nashville."

According to the published announcement, a calendar of activities is scheduled to be posted on the College of Graduate Studies Web site.

http://www.apsu.edu/cogs/. ♦

Kosak: Director speaks about US plans for Africa

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particularly at home in a region rife with political conflict, insecurity, and violence: Terrorism. "Many parts of Africa are ungoverned, or at least not governed well, thus you have terrorists moving and operating freely," Kosak said.

The lack of regional stability and prevalence of unguarded and porous borders provides avenues of trafficking in drugs, weapons and humans, the money from which is used to fund terrorist activities not only in Africa, but across the globe.

The Trans Sahara Counter Terrorism Initiative (TSCTI) would enhance regional security and promote an Africa that is self-sufficient and stable by not only providing military training by U.S. special operations forces, but also developmental assistance and public diplomacy in order to fight the underlying conditions that foster terrorism.

Kosak stressed this nuanced approach as guiding U.S. African Command initiatives and operations.

"It's not a hammer anymore. If you have a hammer in your hand everything looks like a nail," Kosak said.

His work with the U.S military in the Balkans revealed what he sees as the unique potential for the military to not only diffuse conflict with armed intervention, but to increasingly work with the State Department and non-governmental organizations to promote stability and developmental efforts.

Kosak is hopeful that USAFRICOM will provide stability to a region rich in resources, yet crippled by political insurrection, violence and disease. He is also aware of the complicated challenges USAFRICOM faces in providing that stability and attempting to allay the overwhelming human misery in Africa and threats to U.S. security interests.

As Kosak said, "The more I learn about Africa, the less I know about Africa." ♦

Campus Crime Log

Austin Peay State University crime log includes any arrests and dispatch call-ins. As mandated by Tennessee law, the crime log is updated within 48 hours of an incident and available for public inspection any time during normal business hours.

- March 12 1:36 p.m., Blount Hall, Theft of Property
- March 12 8:57 p.m., Killebrew Hall, Minor Possession of Alcohol, arrested: Tremayne R. Townsend of 3805 Park Royal Lane Antioch, TN
- March 13 2:59 a.m., College Street, DUI, arrested: Francisco S. Garcia of 833 Buckhorn Drive Clarksville, TN
- March 14 2:28 p.m., Meacham Parking Lot, burglary of Auto
- March 17 2:42 p.m., Cross Hall, Theft of Property
- March 21 5:46 p.m., Sunquist Building, Theft of Property
- March 21 7:40 p.m., Foy Recreation Center, Assault, arrested: Keshia Askew of 4477 Boone Manor Drive Memphis, TN
- March 26 10:13 a.m., Cross Hall, Theft of Property
- March 26 7:52 p.m., Cross Hall, Minor Possession of Alcohol, arrested: Austin J. Wanner of 4688 Chester Harris Road Woodlawn, TN

Affair, tangled relationship lead to teacher shot dead



ASSOCIATED PRESS

Eric McLean, right, listens to his attorney Bruce Posten during his bond hearing Tuesday, March 27 in Knoxville, Tenn. McLean, 31, of Knoxville is charged in the March 10 shooting death of Sean Powell, 18, the former student who was allegedly having an affair with McLean's wife, Erin McLean, a teacher intern.

Associated Press

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — The adoptive mother of an 18-year-old youth shot by the husband of a teacher with whom he allegedly had an affair doubts the relationship was about love.

"We listen to the news regarding a love triangle, but how can anyone put love into this situation?" Scarlett Powell wrote in a statement provided to The Knoxville News Sentinel. "Love does not put someone in harm's way."

Asking for the public's help in separating fact from fiction, she wrote, "We are asking people to step forward with any information regarding this relationship which to me has not been proven sexual but only manipulative."

John Gill, special assistant to District Attorney Randy Nichols, said Monday he could not comment on Powell's statement. "But you can say this," he told The Associated Press.

"We do feel it's important that the case be tried in court and not in the media."

Sean Powell was fatally shot once in the head with a high-powered rifle as he sat in his car in

front of Erin and Eric McLean's house on March 10. Eric McLean has been charged with first-degree murder and was being held on \$150,000 bond.

McLean, 31, has admitted shooting Powell with a gun he acquired two weeks earlier. He called emergency dispatchers the night of the shooting to report an intruder who had been "stalking" his wife was at their home and refusing to leave.

He identified the intruder as Sean Powell.

Seven minutes after Eric McLean called off police, saying Powell was leaving, Erin McLean called dispatchers back to say her husband had just shot the boy.

Arrested the next day, Eric McLean told authorities his wife confirmed to him two months before the shooting that she was having a sexual relationship with Powell, whom she met while practice-teaching English last fall at his school.

Scarlett Powell writes in her first public comments on the shooting, dated Friday, that she didn't know what to make of the relationship between her adopted son and his

girlfriend Erin Myers (McLean's maiden name).

He had described her as a part-time community college student and about 20 years old "who worked so much that Sean had to hook up with her when he could," Scarlett Powell wrote.

In fact, Erin McLean is a 29-year-old woman with two young sons and a husband of 11 years who was working on her teaching credentials at the University of Tennessee.

"Now we know Erin Myers and Mrs. McLean, Sean's English intern teacher, is the same person," Scarlett Powell wrote.

Erin McLean has not been charged and is reportedly living in Nashville with her 11- and 7-year-old sons. Police reported that she tried to commit suicide with a drug overdose a few days after Powell was killed.

The case against her husband awaits grand jury action.

"Words are hard to speak regarding the loss we feel for our son, Sean," Scarlett Powell wrote of the boy that she and her husband, Jack Powell, took in at age 6 and adopted. ♦

World Briefs

381 dead in Somalia after insurgent attacks

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — Four days of fierce fighting between Somali forces and Islamic insurgents has killed 381 people in Mogadishu, a local human rights organization said Monday, as the government warned residents to abandon their homes ahead of a new military offensive.

During a lull in the violence, civilians were told to leave insurgent-held areas in Mogadishu as Somalia's transitional government said it planned new attacks with Ethiopian troops, tanks and helicopters to crush insurgents, backed by the remnants of an Islamic group driven from power in December.

On foot, using donkey carts, cars and trucks they poured out of the ruined coastal city, joining the exodus of 47,000 people mainly women and children who have sought safety in the last 10 days, according to the U.N.'s refugee agency. Since February almost 100,000 people have fled the growing violence.

Even by Somalia's bloody standards, the last four days of violence has been intense.

Rotting corpses still littered dusty alleyways and back streets in the south of the capital where much of the fighting took place.

Tsunami slams South Pacific islands

HONIARA, Solomon Islands (AP) — Tsunami waves churned by an undersea earthquake crashed ashore in the Solomon Islands on Monday, wiping away entire villages and triggering alerts from Australia to Hawaii, officials said. At least 13 people were killed, and the prime minister warned that the toll would likely grow.

In the South Pacific nation's west, where the devastation appeared centered, there were reports of people being swept away as waves plowed up to a half-mile inland.

The magnitude-8 quake the strongest to hit the archipelago in more than three decades was followed

by more than two dozen aftershocks, including at least four of magnitude-6 or stronger.

"It was just a noise like an underground explosion," said Dorothy Parkinson, a resident of Gizo, where a wall of water swept through the streets. "The wave came almost instantaneously. Everything that was standing is flattened."

Some residents described a wave up to 16 feet tall.

"We ran for our lives, away from the waves," Arnold Pidakere, a schoolteacher in Gizo, told the British Broadcasting Corp. "When we looked back, we saw our house being destroyed."

Pidakere was among thousands of residents of the town of 7,000 who fled to a nearby hill.

"There wasn't any warning the warning was the earth tremors," Alex Lokopio, premier of Western Province, told New Zealand's National Radio. "It shook us very, very strongly and we were frightened, and all of a sudden the sea was rising up."

US, South Korea strike trade deal

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — The United States and South Korea concluded a landmark free trade agreement Monday, officials said, culminating 10 months of negotiations in a final week of intense haggling that just beat a key U.S. legislative deadline.

The deal, which requires approval by lawmakers in both countries, is the biggest for the United States since the North American Free Trade Agreement, which took effect in 1994. It is the largest ever for South Korea.

South Korea and the U.S. agreed to eliminate and lower tariffs and other trade barriers in a wide range of industrial goods and services, including financial services. The agreement also covered sectors such as e-commerce.

"The free trade agreement we are announcing today is a historic accomplishment," Deputy U.S. Trade Representative Karan Bhatia told reporters. "It is an agreement for the 21st century." ♦

Tennessee liquor laws need change, lawmakers say

Associated Press

Tennessee's liquor laws are enough to drive one to drink, say some consumers and merchants who want to change the restrictions.

Liquor stores close on Sunday, grocery stores can't sell wine and liquor stores can't sell beer, and wine purchases over the Internet are banned.

"Our laws are so ancient and self-serving of the lobbyists," said Nashville resident and wine enthusiast Mary Dionne.

Last month, a pair of legislative bills that would have allowed both Sunday liquor sales and grocery wine sales died without ever coming to a vote.

The bills were opposed by the wholesale industry, which helped create Tennessee's liquor laws and like them just the way they are.

"This is the Bible Belt," said Tom Bernard, president of the Wine and Spirits Wholesalers of Tennessee.

"Sure, we have tried to influence policy, but we're also aware that historically the pendulum (of alcohol policy) has moved from prohibition to permissiveness. The more liberal the atmosphere gets, the more problems we start to have, and the pendulum moves back."

Under the state's three-tier beverage control system, every drop of alcohol is supposed to flow from the manufacturer to a wholesale distributor and finally to the retailers. The wholesalers enjoy a monopoly and oppose any attempt to change the system.

The state is holding firm at a time when other states — and some Tennessee cities themselves — are liberalizing their liquor laws. Many communities find that allowing liquor sales is the only way to attract big-name restaurants and other businesses.

In Tennessee, the liquor industry donated more than \$1 million to state politicians over the past decade, according to the National Institute on Money in State Politics. Its legendary lobbyist, Tom "The Golden Goose" Hensley, earned his nickname by lavishly wining and dining lawmakers for the past 40 years.

The state has always had a funny relationship with alcohol. It banned alcohol sales a decade before the rest of the country went dry under Prohibition and didn't lift the ban until 1939, six years after the passage of the 21st Amendment.

The first mixed drink after Prohibition wasn't served openly in Nashville until the 1950s.

Even in the 1980s, there were only 650 liquor licenses in the entire state; 25 cities allowed liquor by the drink and 33 allowed liquor stores. ♦



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OUR TAKE

Marijuana, ya’ dig?

Last week’s Heads vs. Feds Hot Topic debate has encouraged us at *The All State* to examine the matter of marijuana legalization. This is in part because 400 people attended the debate. Most of the past Hot Topic debates have had significantly smaller attendance. It really says something about where everyone’s priorities lie. The main reason we’re examining the issue, however, is that it can have profound effects on all of us.

We’ve weighed pros, and we’ve weighed the cons. The issue has been discussed by many for long periods beneath the glow of a black light while listening to Pink Floyd. As a result, we’ve come to some rudimentary conclusions.

First, legalizing marijuana would reduce the crime rate and consequently free up room in the prison system. Second, if marijuana has medical value, it is permissible for medical use but not necessarily recreational use. Third, the drug is less scrutinized than other drugs (e.g., heroine, cocaine, meth, etc.) and more widespread. From this, the argument springs forth that it is not financially efficient to prosecute against marijuana related crimes. With that stated, let’s examine these conclusions in more depth.

The first conclusion seems like a benefit of marijuana legalization, but is it? The answer has much to do with whether or not you prefer something that’s practical or logical. Legalization would essentially lessen the burden on law enforcement and prison administrators, and therefore, it would be very practical. The logic, however, is ill conceived. Reduced crime is accomplished when people stop breaking the law, not when people do away with the law. Legalizing marijuana to reduce crime is like legalizing statutory rape to reduce crime. Granted, the two aren’t exactly the same although the principle behind it is. Decriminalizing marijuana possession and/or usage does not remove the fact that it’s a societal problem. Bottom line, when using reduced crime as an argument, it really

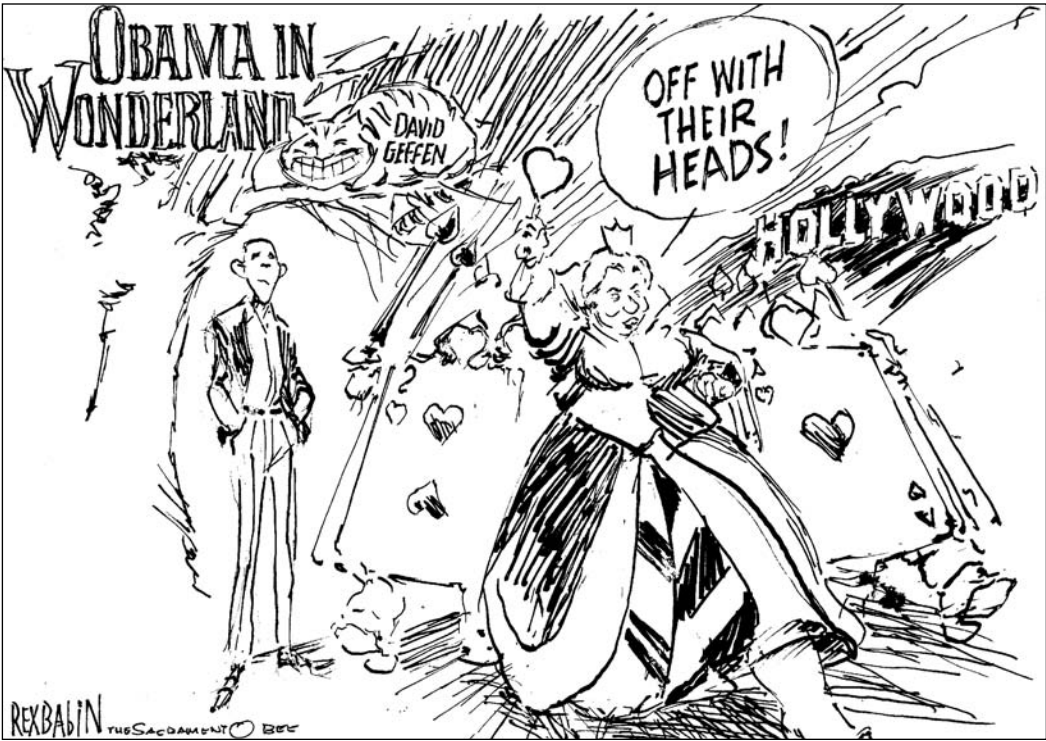
depends on which out-weighs the other — logic or practicality.

Moving on, lets look at marijuana in medical terms. Eleven states have already legalized medical marijuana use, and recently the New Mexico Legislature approved a bill that will make it the 12th state to do so, according to The Associated Press. So there seems to be some consensus among the people of these states about using marijuana for medicinal purposes. However, there are many people who aren’t a part of this consensus and argue that marijuana should not be used medically. Regardless of the conclusion to that argument, we think that either way, marijuana used recreationally would cause more health problems that it would prevent especially if it’s shipped out by the carton like Marlboros.

Lastly, dispositions towards marijuana usage are becoming more lax. The drug has become so widespread and rampant that marijuana-related crime is almost trivial and its prosecution isn’t very economical. Is the decriminalization of marijuana justified because it would improve financial efficiency and eliminate the burden of such a trivial issue?

Last year, CNN reported that Wal-Mart would stop prosecuting shoplifters who stole merchandise under \$25. A large factor in this decision was because it was financially wasteful to prosecute people who stole merchandise of such small value. It’s really a sad situation. Even though shoplifting is immoral and should be prohibited, maintaining that prohibition became too difficult and therefore was revoked. This situation parallels that of marijuana legalization. The push for it comes from the progressed difficulty to maintain its prohibition.

Ultimately, the deciding factor in this debate is the majority rule. Though the majority does not yet approve of marijuana legalization, advocacy for legalization has by no means diminished. And at the rate we’re going, not before long, the majority may be saying, “Let’s get baked.” ♦



No freedom in complacency

How many of you saw the CNN news clip of the Prime Minister of Iraq and a secretary of the United Nations during the mortar shelling? A couple of small explosions went off inside the green zone where a news conference was about to take place. The blasts were so powerful the backdrop curtains shook behind the pair of men. The U.N. secretary freaked out and came close to diving under the podium while the Prime Minister of Iraq barely flinched. You could hear the words in the Prime Minister’s mouth when he looked at the U.N. secretary, “That wasn’t even close.”

When I started my carpentry business in Nashville, Tenn., I worked for many slumlords in some not-so-great areas of the city. There was one period several years ago when it was common to hear the sound of gunfire in some of these less advantaged neighborhoods.



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Jack W. Butler

During an eight-hour day, I would hear somewhere between five and 25 separate instances of gunfire. Some of these were single shots, some were semi-automatic weapons and some were even fully automatic. What surprised me most about this was that rarely did the sound of police sirens follow these outbursts. I looked at it as just another part of starting a new business. That is, until the day, a bullet passed through the passenger window of my truck and out the driver’s side window. I don’t know how far away the shot was fired from or how close the bullet came to my son or to myself, but the stench of burnt gunpowder reeked in our nostrils.

I realized I had become anesthetized to the violence the gunfire signified and after that, I could no longer force myself to tear out carpets laden with used syringe needles. I could not stomach trying to paint over human feces on walls or sweep up liquor bottles and broken crack pipes anymore. The roads I drove down witnessed daily rapings and muggings. Crack-addicts descended upon every construction vehicle like a plague of locust. I looked on with horror one day, at an old couple trying to grow flowers in a yard. The lawn was neatly manicured with perfectly trimmed grass, the porch sported a new coat of paint and the fence row

clipped of stray grass. The old couple was protected by razor wire woven onto the top of a chain link fence. Black prison bars stood guard on all of the windows and doors of their home. I remember being afraid of becoming like those old people.

I now work in areas where the average income of one family surpasses the income of an entire neighborhood where I used to work. Most of the houses are solid brick. Some have three-car garages and some have driveways that are more expensive to build than my house was to buy. I learned that if I turned down the cheap work and only did quality construction, my clients grew wealthier and my jobs grew more profitable. It also astounds me that a simple change such as cutting my hair — okay, so it was down to my butt — increased my income by almost 80 percent.

Retirement for me is still a long way off, but at least I can afford to go to school now. The fees I once thought too high, I now understand are very inexpensive. So I play a lot less golf, see my children less and work every weekend. Since there is no way for me to calculate the payoff of my sacrifices for my education, I can only hope.

Yet I think each day, the journey through my education is what I have been waiting for. There are so many things I have to learn, and there are so many more questions I have, for there are answers now that were never there before. I liken it to a road I have passed by many times on my way home: It was always there and it was always calling to me, yet I never answered it. I hadn’t found the voice yet.

There are a few things we as Americans can learn from the Iraqi news clip. The green zone in Iraq doesn’t mean you will be safe from enemy fire. George Bush and the other members of his evil regime are still lying to us about the war and always will. And unless you plan to put a gun to the head of every living being in Iraq and keep it there forever, no amount of troop build-up will ever bring peace to Iraq.

I keep seeing the image of those two old people with their perfectly manicured lawn in the slums of Nashville. Maybe they couldn’t afford to move out. Maybe they didn’t want to. Or maybe there was just no place to go. I think, like the Prime Minister of Iraq, this old couple learned not to flinch at the sound of danger. But what both of them are calling “freedom” isn’t even close. ♦

‘Nanny laws’ nag citizenry

It’s been said that hard cases make for bad law. What about cases that supporters say call for a Nanny, or even better a “Nanny Law?” Arguably less charming and not nearly as entertaining as the “Nanny 911” reality television show, the following are just a sampling of laws on the real-life menu of “Nanny Laws” recently passed across our ever increasingly matriarchal society.

1) Michigan law bans french fries from restaurants and eateries if they’re deep-fried in trans fats or other potentially harmful oils.

2) Eighteen states have either imposed or are seriously deliberating whether to ban all foods prepared with partially hydrogenated vegetable oils and other oils deemed possibly addictive.

3) At least six states are deliberating whether to ban spanking at home (Does this apply to consenting adults ...?).

4) Sixteen states have either banned or are deliberating whether to ban hand-held cell phones and cosmetic use (Easy on the lip-stick and rouge, boys!) while driving.

5) Several states have passed laws banning smoking in cars or other vehicles if anyone under 18 is in the car, and if caught a \$100 fine is assessed.

6) Fort Lauderdale along with several other local Floridian cities have either banned or are moving towards banning thong bikinis and thong underwear in public.

7) Along with banning thongs, several cities are moving toward banning clothes that expose the top of one’s, um, shall we say, caboose, booty, the seat you sit on (I wonder if there is a plumber exception or waiver to this ban?).

8) Thirty-five states have passed some version of a “Distracted Driver” bill to reduce vehicular accidents caused by less than attentive drivers (Some of these bills specifically ban “playing musical instruments” while driving ... gee, what if you are late to band practice and haven’t mastered the cello, yet?).

9) Several states are deliberating whether to impose a fine if a legal guardian smokes in the presence of his or her child at home (yet another activity that parents and children can’t bond over!).



Politically Speaking
Dr. Greg Rabidoux

10) Several states, including New York (“New Yawk,” as in Brooklyn?!) are moving toward banning anyone under 18 from playing iPods, MP3 players and other stereo gadgets with earbuds while crossing streets or at traffic lights.

Now, being a Virgo and a lawyer, I understand and can appreciate law and order, as well as a nice, crisply-ironed shirt, moderately starched. However, at what point does it become dangerous folly as well as overbearing of our apparently kinder, gentler state officials and lawmakers to be butting in to the affairs of its citizens? Do our men and women in blue truly want to become “Cigarette Cops”? Okay, mister, put the butt down, back away from the vehicle, exhale slowly in the other direction, nobody gets second-hand smoke, nobody gets hurt. But don’t try anything funny like eating that donut deep-fried in trans-fat. Wait a minute, they did what to our doughnuts?

Look, I enjoy clean air, dislike second-hand smoke and take extra precautions whenever I see kids crossing the street, with or without their earbuds. A bit torn over the whole bikini thong issue though that may just be a throwback from a misspent youth. But please don’t mess with my Krispy Kremes. And what if I do like to play a few chords on my bass guitar while driving to and from work? Life is busy and who has enough downtime anymore to master a new skill? Can’t we all just be thankful I have no desire to learn the piano and drive and leave it at that?

By the way, I know that at the heart of many of these “Nanny Laws” are good intentions. But it wouldn’t be the first time that someone tried to kill me with kindness. So let’s say that I remain skeptical and somewhat resentful over laws that seem awfully intrusive, though I won’t refuse a retainer fee from a client if called upon to advocate their use. Speaking of that, maybe there should be a law about lawyers. Finally, I must say that my minimal standards of conduct that I demand from my fellow citizen, young or old, can be summed up mostly by insisting they don’t annoy me. At least not often or a lot.

As Theodore “Teddy” Roosevelt used to say to his staff upon leaving the Oval Office, “Try and be at least as useful as the furniture when I am gone.” Or in the case of modern “Nanny Laws,” if you feel compelled to eat greasy foods, washing them down with deep-fried doughnuts, all the while wearing a thong, listening to loud rap music in your MP3 and of course chain-smoking, just do so in the cozy confines of your own home. Just don’t let me catch you crossing the street all “budded up” or I might be compelled to violate the spanking ordinance. ♦

Parents take a time-out from discipline

Methods of raising children have greatly changed in recent years. However, is this change for the better? Or are we depriving our children of vital lessons that are learned early in life?

Discipline is an important part of a child’s development. Without it they will grow up expecting to be able to do whatever they want without consequences. Surely we can all see why this could hinder the child in adult life. Even now, millions of children are being raised with this idea in their minds.

A new method of discipline is becoming more and more common. Instead of direct discipline, the parent sits the child down and simply talks to him or her. While this may be an effective way to ensure that the child understands what he has done wrong, it does not teach an important lesson. When the child gets older, teachers and bosses are not going to just sit him or her down to talk, they are going to put him or her in detention or fire him or her.

It is important to find a form of discipline that is direct and will make the child remember the consequences of his or her actions. For each child this will be different. For some children a time-out is the



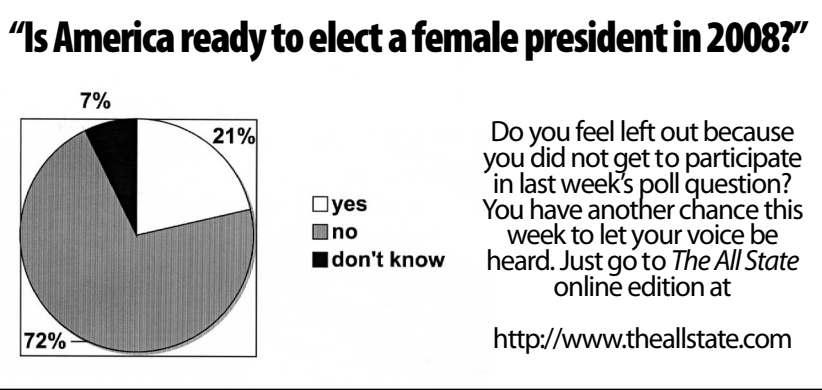
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worst thing in the world that you can do to them, while for others a time-out may be a relaxing period of resting up for the next bit of trouble-making.

“Without [discipline, children] will grow up expecting to be able to do whatever they want without consequences.”

For example, growing up, my siblings and I each had our preferences for punishments. For me, spanking was the worst, while for my brother a spanking was the easiest possible form of punishment — after all, it only hurt for a minute, right? My sister was difficult. The most effective form of punishment for her did not become easy until she was in school and could be reasonably grounded from visiting with friends. For any of us, sitting down and talking would be nothing near a punishment.

I am not trying to persuade anyone to go home and beat their children, but it is important to remember that strong discipline is necessary, and for some children a good spanking just works best. Every child is different, and it is important to find a disciplinary action that works best for your child. It may be hard. Be prepared to see the child cry, but it is a vital part of life that he or she will one day thank you for. ♦



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THE ISSUE

Education.

WHY IT MATTERS

Our children need the best possible education. We must stop lowering education and also make it accessible to everyone.

WHAT'S NEXT

"If you think education is expensive, try ignorance."

— Derek Curtis Bok

student goes full-time, the program's Web page (<http://www.apsu.edu/gofaster>) says it can be completed in only 41 weeks — that's less than a year.

And I'm just curious. What do you get from these 41 weeks? A quality education? I'm not so sure. A diploma, at least? Heck yes, you do.

I'm not trying to shoot down this program. I honestly know nothing more about it than what I read on the marquee and the Web site. But I do want to make a statement about online education. It seems as if APSU has become the equivalent of a diploma mill. Roll 'em out, boys, we gotta get those graduation rates up.

Even if it means education quality decreases. APSU's Web site claims the university is the leading developer of online and distance learning programs in Tennessee. APSU offers 12 completely online degrees, as well as an additional two distance-based degrees, the only difference being students are mailed DVDs to complement their online learning.

I've only pursued the college experience at one university — this one — but I'm sure APSU is offering all these online classes because that's what schools of higher education have to do to stay afloat in today's world. They need funding; they need higher enrollment; they need better retention; they need higher graduation rates. But at what cost to the students?

I'm aware that it's not entirely the university's fault. When classes are offered on campus, many times they don't make it — only five students will sign up. But when an online section is offered, 20 students will sign up.

Sure, online classes offer more freedom for students. They're convenient. You can work on your own timetable. You don't actually have to sit through a lecture. All good excuses, but are you really learning the material as well as you would in a classroom setting?

There are several examples of when online learning is a valuable tool, such as when a degree you want is not offered anywhere close to where you live. Or for

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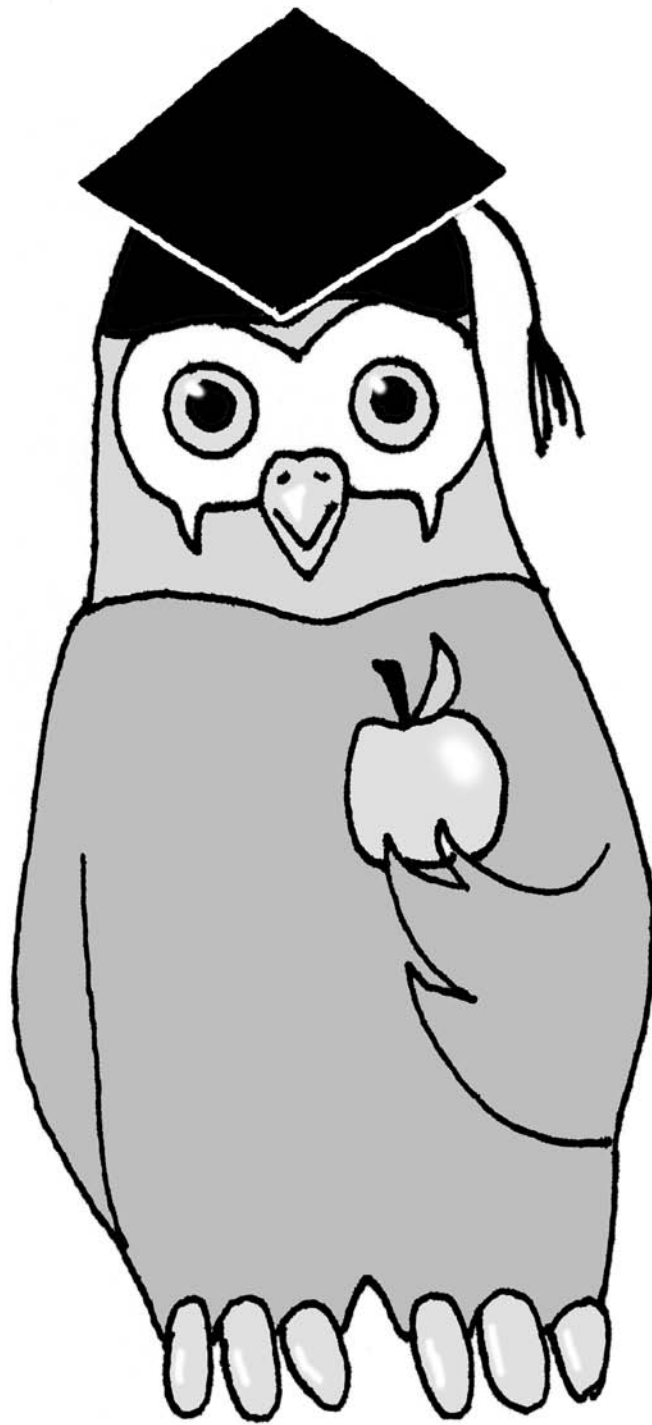
But for the most part, students are just as guilty as the university. They're lazy. It's just easier to sleep in. They don't think that what the university teaches them is really going to matter in the so-called "real world."

Students are guilty of wanting the diploma without any of the actual learning that goes along with it. For many, classes are just a means to an end. They don't matter. They merely have to be endured.

But then what happens? Students graduate, but they can't get a job. They don't have any real skills. Sure, they can fake their way through discussion board questions. But is that what employers really want? Someone who does the work just to get the paycheck?

APSU, as well as all the other universities caught in this trap, simply gives students what they want: An easy way out. It may not be right, but it says a lot about the quality of education in America.

What's your education worth? As much as you want it to be. ♦



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No teacher left benign

By Chris Whitson
Guest Writer

The education system of America is an itch I have been meaning to scratch for quite some time now. I would like to think that I am one of the fortunate ones — I have been blessed with teachers who have actually cared. For the past few years, the public education system in America has been the laughing stock of foreign nations, such as South Korea, Japan and the UK.

The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 was like pouring salt on an open wound. An act that was meant to provide the parents of children the choice of sending their child to a school that had not "fallen short" is like kicking someone while they are down. If a school loses so many students, it must be shut down.

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This confusing educational system, which was meant to educate our society, has seemed to focus more on quantity rather than quality. Since schools are evaluated on standardized testing, a thing that many either fall short or excel on, the teachers have begun a new curriculum of teaching test material. The students are taught how to take the standardized test and ways to improve their test scores. Not only does this destroy the whole purpose of standardized testing, it doesn't teach the children anything but to regurgitate what the instructor wants to hear. This method lacks furthering the knowledge of concepts or understanding. Schools seem more interested in pumping out product (high school diplomas and good-looking test scores) rather than the quality.

I would like to propose a different educational approach — an approach that would make high school not mandatory. Instead, the tools for educational advancement would be readily available for all those willing to commit. Most people know that employers see college degrees as the individual showing some type of commitment to a program, the ability to learn, self-motivation, etc., knowing that he or she still must be trained for the certain job. The optional high school route would show this type of commitment but would lower the amount of school one must attend. I believe that this would, in turn, raise the value of all diplomas and degrees. Also, the school districts could hire more qualified professionals due to the lower classroom sizes. Because there are less students attending, fewer teachers will be needed. The extra money can be used to pay for up-to-date resources, well-trained professionals and a wider variety of extracurricular activities.

The focus needs to be on learning and education, not numbers and the amount of graduates. The law of supply and demand states that if you overflow the market with a product, the price drops, especially if the product continues to get worse over time. I did survive the horrors of public education and feel that I milked it for what it was worth (not much at that). Remember, it is about quality, not quantity. ♦

Costly books victimize students

I started out my first semester at Austin Peay State University with a heavy course load. And with that heavy course load came books — lots and lots of unnecessary, pointless books. Since beginning college, I haven't had a reason to be excited about refund checks because every dime of my money goes to feed the mouths at publishing houses. But this semester, I've decided to break the cycle; there's going to be no more buying unnecessary college textbooks.



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Tinea Payne

My college career has consistently left me with an empty purse, leaving me scraping pennies for food and other necessities. Because of the "necessity" of books, \$600 of my money this year has gone to book publishers who get rich from the theory that books are invaluable educational tools.

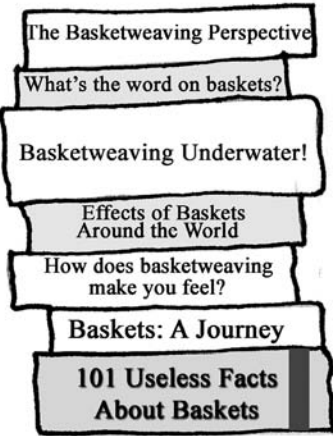
Since when have these "educational tools" been invaluable to me? This past semester, I purchased five books, averaging \$90 each. All of my professors had stressed the need to purchase all of the "required texts" for their courses. My intro to mass communication course required a book that cost about \$97, but sadly, I could count on one hand how many times I opened that book. That's not even mentioning the other five books I purchased — of which I can only recall thoroughly using one.

I believe freshmen are easily victimized by bookstores. I was a gullible freshman and actually bought all the books on the course syllabus. I felt stupid two months into the semester, finding that none of the books were of any help in class.

I've even had professors that would wait until the last few weeks to start giving assignments. Now at the beginning of each semester I ask myself, "Is it worth it?" Paying \$100 to purchase a book for one assignment is anything but smart. But if anything is flat-out dumb, the process of selling textbooks back meets this criteria.

At the end of the year students are usually in the mindset of: "We need money." And because we need money, we want to sell our books in a hurry. Signs are posted everywhere reading, "Sell your textbooks here." Yes, students get instant cash, but are we really getting our money's worth? Last semester, three textbooks cost me nearly \$195, and the buyback rate should have been considered theft. At StudyMasters, I only received \$25 for all three texts. The excuse that was given was that the books I returned had little to no value. What does that mean to me? I was told that

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textbooks were "invaluable educational tools," but some cashier thinks otherwise and tells me that my book is worth only a few dollars. It doesn't matter to me how many textbooks are in stock. If my textbook has high educational and monetary value, then my refund should be somewhere near that equivalent. I shouldn't have to buy a new \$120 book and only get \$40 back. If that's the case at hand, bookstores can keep their textbooks.

My plan for next year is to wait at least until midterm exams to purchase my textbooks. Although the professor may require the text, I feel that a student should be his or her own judge to whether or not the textbook is necessary. Students shouldn't have the mindset that textbooks are needed to pass. Instead, students should note that textbooks are great if they are used with the course. But if they're not, save some money. ♦

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This week in history:

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The origins of April Fools Day date back to April 1, when English pranksters began the annual tradition by playing practical jokes on each other.

1968

April 4 – The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. is shot and killed on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, Tenn., by James Earl Ray. Just 10 hours earlier, King had delivered a powerful oratory remembered as his "I've Been to the Mountaintop" speech.

Word of the Day:

whammy • \WAM-ee\ • noun 1 : a supernatural power bringing bad luck 1 b : a magic curse or spell : jinx, hex 2 : a potent force or attack; specifically : a paralyzing or lethal blow

Example Phrase: "The nation's working poor have been hit by another whammy," said the senator, referring to a recent tax hike.

Quotes of the Week

"If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant; if we did not sometimes taste of adversity, prosperity would not be so welcome."

— Anne Bradstreet

"Life is uncertain. Eat dessert first."

— Ernestine Ulmer

Did you know?

~ Selenologists study the Moon, as geologists study Earth.

~ There are 119 grooves on the edge of a quarter.

~ In Tokyo, a bicycle is faster than a car for most trips of less than 50 minutes.

~ The average adult eyeball weighs about one ounce.

~ According to the folks at Disney there were 6,469,952 spots painted on the dogs in the original "101 Dalmatians."

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Tarantino, Rodriguez 'grind' out new thriller

By JESSICA BAIRD Staff Writer

Two of Hollywood's most explosive and exciting directors have teamed up for "Grindhouse," an over-the-top thrill ride that opens this weekend. Longtime friends and collaborative filmmakers Robert Rodriguez and Quentin Tarantino, who have previously worked together on films "From Dusk Till Dawn" and "Sin City," pay homage to the exploitation films of the 1960s and 1970s with this double feature event. The name of this double dose adventure is actually taken from the movie theatres in urban areas that once played such films as "Vanishing Point" and "Dirty Mary Crazy Larry." Rodriguez and Tarantino fell in love with these often absurd, but always entertaining films and set out to create a double feature that no average moviegoer would soon forget. The first film in this double feature is Rodriguez's "Planet Terror," which provides a new take on the zombie films of the past. Tarantino's "Death Proof" fuses speedy car chases with gory and horrific elements and is second on the bill. Considering their adoration for these types of films and the movie houses that played them, the directors' enthusiasm trickled down to the cast and crew as well, according to several cast members in a recent phone interview. While discussing Tarantino, "Death Proof" cast member Traci Thoms said, "His energy inspires everyone. Most people would sweep floors in the background of a Tarantino movie." Echoing this statement was actress Vanessa Ferlito, who plays Arlene in "Death Proof." "They take chances and they do what they want to do," she said. "They're so unique. It's preposterous to think anyone can do what [they are] doing." Marley Shelton is the only actress to appear in both "Planet Terror" and "Death Proof," and she also appeared in "Sin City." Working with these directors, Shelton said, is always a hugely gratifying experience. "It allows me to do things I've never been able to do onscreen," she said. "Whatever they're going to do is going to be so cool."

Some of these 'so cool' elements include Rodriguez's heroin in "Planet Terror" having a most unusual limb. Actress Rose McGowan plays Cherry, a go-go dancer whose leg was ripped off and is now replaced by a machine gun. These sorts of quirks are essential to the spirit of Grindhouse films as well as past Tarantino and Rodriguez productions. Other salutes to the low-budget exploitation genre are evident in the lack of continuity and choppy nature of these films. Typically, a film crew would consist of a script supervisor to make sure each frame matches the one before it, but in this double feature, lines are often repeated or the quality of the film looks lackluster. "Stuff doesn't match on purpose," Thoms said. "Continuity went out the window." These characteristics of the Grindhouse inspired films may be unconventional to the average moviegoer, but the actors and directors of this double feature wouldn't have it any other way. ♦



Quentin Tarantino directs Vanessa Verlito on the set of his film "Death Proof."



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'300' delivers sensory experience in IMAX



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A marble frieze, located about 120 miles north of Athens, depicts the subject of the movie "300," based on the battle of 300 Spartans who held off thousands of invading Persians in 480 B.C.

Movie recounts ancient Greek battles using 'Maximum Image' technologies

By HEATHER CLARK Staff Writer

Many who weren't familiar with Frank Miller's graphic novels became acquainted with his work in 2005 with the cinematic adaptation of "Sin City." It was a twisted tale of good versus evil, made all the more memorable with its amazing cinematography. Fans of the film were excited to see what would be next. On March 9, 2007, Miller failed to disappoint. Teaming up with director Zack Snyder, he created an adaptation of his graphic novel "300," based on the Battle of Thermopylae — the epic struggle between 300 of the elite Spartan army and the massive Persian army in 480 B.C. Again, Miller is able to provide unique and exciting cinematography. The rich colors and dramatic skies give the

impression of viewing a painting from the Romantic Era, only in motion. The story easily captivates audiences with a fearless leader, King Leonidas (Gerard Butler), who defies the gods themselves in order to fight for his family, his love Queen Gorgo (Lena Headey) and his people. Obviously, the battles are a bit on the graphic side; however, the magic of computer generated image in this movie tends to make the blood less ... bloody. While history is always fun, the creators of "300" have brilliantly mixed in healthy amounts of fantasy to keep the film interesting. Mystical oracles, titan warriors and beasts are weaved throughout the reality of the film in a way that almost makes them seem possible. Take away the plot and storyline (which were fantastic) and audiences would still be left with one heck of a sensory experience, especially if they happen to catch "300" at an IMAX theater. Short for Maximum Image, IMAX theaters are designed to give movie lovers more bang for a few extra bucks.

Imagine if you will, thundering horses and fierce battles played out over a six-channel digital surround sound system. Picture the oppressive mobile throne of King Xerxes (Rodrigo Santoro) towering over you on a three-story screen that extends beyond peripheral vision in order to provide a full view of images. IMAX creators boast the largest film frame of the entire motion picture industry, made specifically for the sake of maximum clarity in pictures. Pair that with around 44 speakers sending 12,000 watts of sound throughout the room and you have a system that would make even a humdrum film seem pretty exciting. Not to worry though, "300" is anything but humdrum. It is a piece of ancient history spiced up in a manner that is truly characteristic of Miller. If you haven't seen it yet, there's still time to catch "300" in the IMAX Experience at Opry Mills. Yes, it does cost a little more (about \$3 more), but it will not take long to see where the extra money went. ♦

Mind, Body, Home for Spring: Allow your mind to bloom

By AIMEE THOMPSON Staff Writer

As the spring semester draws to a close, students often find themselves drained of all thought and emotion. They've often put so much into their studies that they have forgotten it is springtime and they should be celebrating their newfound liberation from winter. Not only is spring a wonderful time to clean the home, but also an opportune time to do a little spring cleaning in the mind. Here are a few ways to relax and enjoy the rejuvenation of nature during spring. Soak in some sunshine Invest in some lawn chairs or even a blanket, and don't worry about getting dirty. Take the books and homework outside for a change. Study in or out of the shade and take advantage of the warmer temperatures and sunshine. It has been shown that sunlight causes a person's skin to produce more Vitamin D, which then produces more serotonin. An increase in Vitamin D helps to create a positive boost in a person's mood, thus making them feel happier. Let it out Keep a journal to write about your thoughts. They can be angry, sad, joyful, scared, anything you want. Just write them down and get them out. If you are upset with someone, consider writing them a letter expressing how you feel, and you don't ever have to give it to them; just release your pent-up emotions. Holding in emotion can lead to increased stress levels, so feel free to write as long or as short as you need. Try to do it about every day and re-read what you wrote at the end of each week. You'll be surprised at how much you change over a short period of time.

"Cease, warring thoughts, and let his brain No more discord entertain But be smooth and calm again. — From "The Triumph of Beauty," by James Shirley, Renaissance dramatist

Turn off the tube

Try to stay away from the television as much as possible. Instead do something that requires interaction with other people. Go to a play at the Roxy or on campus with a group of friends. Take a day trip with your significant other or best friend and drive out in the country to enjoy the fresh new growth.

Take some solo time

Without trying to sound contradictory, get some alone time as well. Sometimes constant interaction with people can be draining. A good way to recharge is to spend a few minutes by yourself. Use this time to write in your journal, to pray, to meditate or to simply take a few deep breaths and think for awhile. Let your mind loose, and try to think about stuff unrelated to school work.

Smell the roses

Slow down and take your time. Don't rush from one thing to the next. As you walk from one class to the next, take the effort to look at the blossoming trees and flowers. Smile and say "Hi" to people who were in a class with you last semester, even if you don't remember their name. Sit down outside and eat lunch with someone you haven't been

able to spend very much time with, and catch up on what has been happening in their life.

Give thanks

Write a list of all the things you are thankful for. Go crazy with it and list anything and everything that pops in your head. It can be as basic as listing family or friends or as specific as finding out that short answer cumulative final exam has been changed to a fill in the blank test over the last two chapters in the book. ♦



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J Grammer takes time to enjoy the spring weather. Consider taking a nap or studying outside to reap the benefits of sunshine.

Friendship has its benefits

By LORI PERIKINS
Staff Writer

Children are always eager to meet others when they are younger, searching for new playmates and confidants. After meeting someone new, if the children get along, (or sometimes even if they don't) they become friends. The friendship grows and possibly endures through adulthood.

Children need a friend who will share and care and even as adults, people still need someone in their lives who is willing to build a relationship based on trust and other positive characteristics.

Many philosophers have argued the point that humans were not put in this world to be alone: They all need at least one friend, contrary to what some may believe.

Aristotle had several beliefs about friendship. One of them was, "no one would choose to live though he had all other goods if he did not have a friend." A friend who shows love and respect is one of the greatest assets a person can have, often proving more valuable than any purchased merchandise and at times may be even more loyal than a family member.

As adults, people encounter new individuals on a daily basis and often refer to them as a "friend," not realizing that their standards of the people considered to be a "friend" should line up with the actual definition.

Webster's Dictionary defines the word "friend" as a supporter. It is so important that people have at least one friend they know will always be there when needed the most. It is reassuring to know that there is someone who will have your back when you need them most, no matter what life might bring along.

Throughout people's lives, they are confronted with difficult situations and sometimes cannot determine the right path to take. At such times it is comforting to know that there is a friend who will serve as a guide in your life when you feel lost.

A friend is that person who will reach out when you need a helping hand. Sometimes a true friend is the one who's brutally honest about an issue, telling the truth of something that you may not want to hear.

Another belief of Aristotle's is, "Friendship is a virtue and the most necessary thing," just like our bodies need food to be strong, having good friends can be considered to serve as nourishment for the soul.

People should always be attentive to the person or people they call their "friends" and determine if these so-called friends have been supportive throughout the relationship.

A true friend will not be jealous or envious nor will he or she talk about the other person behind his or her back when there is a change in the relationship such as marriage, starting a family or receiving a college degree.

Misery loves company. When a person is trying to make progress in life they often make the mistake of hanging around people who are not serving as positive influences in their life.

These "friend impersonators" constantly try to bring others down because they are down. Such a relationship is detrimental and unhealthy, as the energy is sapped from you. A friend should always be happy to see you being elevated in life.

Remember the friend you had that your parents didn't want you hanging around because they didn't like their



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Sometimes simply knowing there is someone to hold your hand when encountering a tough time in life, can make the issues seem more bearable.

character? That's because they knew the decision of choosing a friend should be taken seriously.

Many parents might have even remembered something they heard while they were younger and used it to offer the advice that if you "show me your friends and I will show you yourself."

Aristotle believed that a friend is "a single soul in two bodies," which is why it is important to choose carefully the people who you spend time with. They serve as a strong influence in your life.

Scientific studies show that when a person spends a significant amount of time with another person they will begin to pick up the other person's behavior such as the way they talk or act.

A person should never be willing to accept just anyone as a friend no matter how long you've known them. Just because you have known that person for a long time doesn't mean they necessarily meet your standards as "friend" material.

A true friend is not a person who allows only their selfish desires to control the friendship by always wanting to go only where they want to go and do only what they want to do.

If that person is exhibiting selfish behaviors, if they truly value the friendship, they should be willing to rectify their behaviors when confronted.

Keep in mind that a friendship is a relationship where two people support each other. Every person deserves to have good friends in their life who are willing to support them when they need encouragement, cheer them up when their spirit is low or know when you need a laugh.

Unfortunately, many people forget that to have good friends, they must be willing to be a good friend. All relationships encounter differences, but people must be willing to agree to disagree at times.

Perhaps the greatest way to be the best possible friend to someone is to be supportive and understanding of their needs, as well as appreciating them for the individual they are. ♦

Senior art exhibition in Einstein Bros.



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Takuya Kanemitsu poses Monday with his painting "Clarksville 1," at his art exposition.

'Lookout' for new movie hit

By JESSICA BAIRD
Staff Writer

A former boy wonder struggling with the repercussions of a car crash, his no nonsense blind roommate and a bank heist make "The Lookout" an original and truly satisfying thriller.

Joseph Gordon-Levitt, former child star turned Indie-film darling, stars as Chris Pratt, a once adored high school hockey player whose reckless actions behind the wheel leave him with brain damage and shattered relationships.

Four years after this fatal car crash, which killed two of the other three passengers, the audience finds Chris mopping floors at a bank and jotting down menial tasks in a notebook in order to make it through everyday. For example, Chris' notebook reads, "I wake up. I take a shower." These notes make "The Lookout" similar to the thriller "Memento," which starred Guy Pearce.

Without giving away too many surprises or taking away from any of the wonderfully-executed suspense, the character of Chris becomes a pawn in the game of a former high school acquaintance. Chris sees Gary, superbly played by British actor Matthew Goode, at a bar and the plot thickens and the questions begin to outweigh the answers. Suffice to say, Gary is more interested in Chris' employment at a bank than he is anything else.

Other stars of the film include Jeff Daniels, who most recently starred in the critically acclaimed "The Squid and the Whale." Daniels plays Lewis, Chris' blind and brazen roommate.

The dynamic between these two characters and the actors themselves gives the film's central relationship immense believability.

Isla Fisher, the Australian bombshell famous for both a hilarious role in "Wedding Crashers" and for



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Jeff Daniels and Isla Fisher arrive at the Miramax premier party for their upcoming movie "The Lookout."

her real-life engagement to comedian Sacha Baron Cohen, also plays a pivotal role in weaving the film's inescapable web. Fisher plays former stripper Luvlee Lemons, who romances Chris while simultaneously leading him deeper into the bank heist plot.

"The Lookout" marks the directorial debut of Scott Frank, an acclaimed screenwriter behind such big screen adaptations "Out of Sight" and "Get Shorty." His achievements behind the camera and on paper make "The Lookout" one heck of a debut. ♦

Best of...

By JENNY WALLACE
Features Editor

Have you ever wondered where to find the best "insert-food-here?" Well here are some ideas of the best local good eats.

It's springtime; order up a tasty pizza and find a picnic bench where you can enjoy tasty food and lush scenery.

• Most interesting pizza(s):

- ~Try Silke's Bakery's Greek Pizza for an interesting taste combination.
- ~Indulge in the Blackhorse's ironically named White Horse with garlic crust, of course.
- ~Visit the Papa Murphy's store on Madison to get a delicious pizza to take home and bake in your own oven.

Distinguished composer gives Austin Peay State University taste of his musical style

Composer Lee Hoiby refuses to let his music go unnoticed

By SARAH BULLOCK
Staff Writer

Composer Lee Hoiby has been at Austin Peay State University for two weeks and has shared his love of music with many students.

While studying music, many students are never presented with the challenge of singing in front of an actual composer. This opportunity is a rare and appreciated gift.

Not only did Hoiby host graduate classes and practice with singers for his two concerts, he was also able to get to know some students and faculty. Hoiby's most important mission was to bring the text of a song back to the forefront.

While singing, one could imagine that the most important thing for the singer to do is sound beautiful.

The singer would focus on the tone quality and the musical expression.

If the words happened to come out after all of the modification a singer would do to it, so be it. If it didn't, it was overlooked or not important.

This is true in popular music as well. If you listen to the radio at any given time and try to understand every word, you might have a fighting chance because of the repetition involved, but for the most part, lyrics are a mystery.

Each singer has his or her own style and diction, so one might hear several different dialects in only 15 minutes of listening to the radio.

Hoiby was most emphatic in the care and attention singers should take with words. "I chose those words specifically because I thought they could bear an extra load," Hoiby said.

Hoiby has set works by poets such as Emily Dickinson, Ezra Pound, Wilfred Owen, Emma Lazarus and even a transcription of a Julia Child show on the baking of chocolate cake.

The faculty held a concert composed completely of his works.

During one piece, in which a widow is describing the death of her husband, the singer could not finish the piece through her tears.

"If I can make a young lady emotional like that, it is one of the highest compliments," Hoiby said.

Many students experienced similar reactions to his pieces and his personality.

"He's a great person and really nice. I think he has a lot of good advice and wisdom to give," said Patsy Wade, accompanist to many singers of Hoiby's work.

Hoiby's legacy is a story of overcoming great ridicule and opposition.

Born in 1926, Hoiby was composing during a



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Lisa Conklin-Bishop brandishes a whisk as she sings Hoiby's piece based on cook Julia Child.

period that did not warmly welcome his style. During the '40s and '50s, composers were not taken seriously unless they used atonality by the use of anything from serialism to set theory.

Each of these styles is very mathematical and brilliant on paper, but the sound is not organized to please the ear.

Hoiby's music is very carefully set to express the text truthfully. "I don't think it was right what they did in the '40s and '50s. I use atonality when it is appropriate, but mostly I don't enjoy it and have little use for it," Hoiby said.

Hoiby's most influential composers include Richard Strauss, Gustav Mahler and Samuel Barber. Hoiby also had the honor of studying with Gian Carlo Menotti, another composer ridiculed for his lyricism and tonality.

Music students seem to agree that if there is a composer to emulate, it is Hoiby; from his professionalism to his humility, to his perseverance in a career that is sometimes fatal for the personal exposure, Hoiby conquered it all and has only beauty to show for it. ♦



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2 – 5 p.m., Wednesday, April 11, 2007

University Center Plaza



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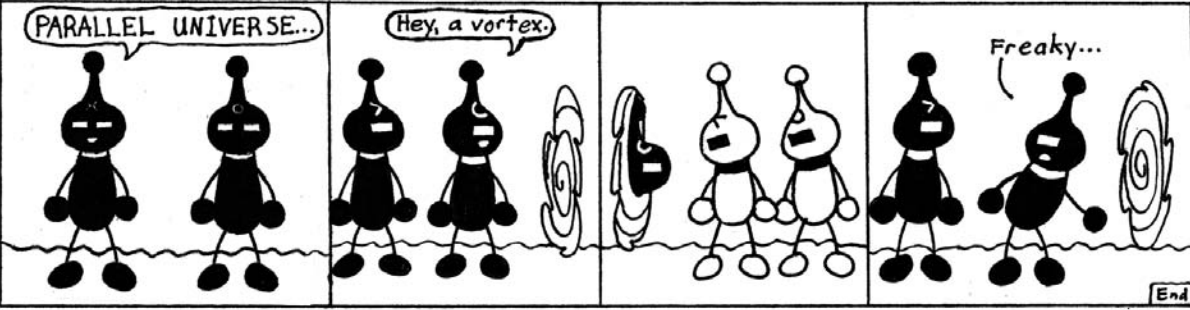
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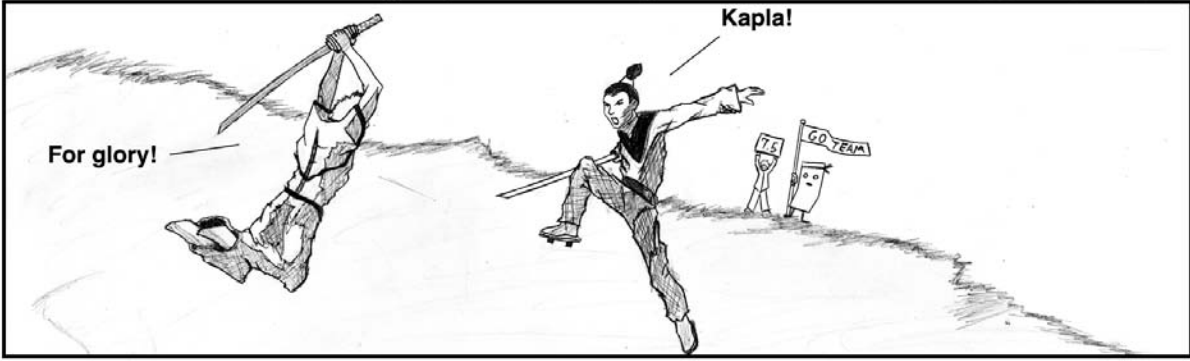


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by Linda Thistle

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Two Govs to transfer after spring semester



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Role players Shipley, Felder to leave Austin Peay

By **MICHAEL KELLUM**
Sports Editor

Two of Austin Peay State University Men's basketball players have announced their plans to leave the Govs at the end of the semester. Guard Landon Shipley and forward/center J. P. Felder, both sophomores and role players for this years Govs' team who lost in the first round of the NIT to Air Force, are transferring. According to Sports Information Felder told head coach Dave Loos that he intended to leave to be closer to his family. "APSU certainly encouraged J.P. to stay but understand his decision," said Loos. "I consider him to be a very fine young man, and I am sorry it didn't work out for him at Austin Peay and wish him the best."

Felder averaged two points and 1.9 rebounds in 9.9 minutes a game. Felder appeared in 52 career games and will end his APSU career with 100 points and 82 rebounds. Felder was able to start nine games this season while the Govs were still searching for their starting lineup. Shipley announced his intent to leave on Monday. "He indicated it to me that it was mostly non-basketball related," said Loos. "I am sorry he wasn't happy here, and we wish him the best in the future." Shipley averaged 8.8 points, 1.7 assists and 1.5 rebounds in 21.5 minutes a game. He played in all 31 games this year shooting 34.9 percent from the floor, including 34.8 from the three-point line and 82 percent from the free throw line. Shipley averaged 5.5 points a game last year as a freshman and played in all 31 games. ♦

Lady Govs tennis gets first Ohio Valley Conference win

By **PATRICK AREMSTRONG**
Staff Writer

The Austin Peay State University tennis teams had two matches last week that resulted with the first conference win for the Lady Govs and two losses for the Govs. On March 29 they faced Morehead State with the Lady Govs winning 6-1 and the Govs losing 4-3. The No. 2 doubles team of Virginia Penner/Laura Gonzalez defeated Adriana Espinosa/Meredith Lortie 8-3, along with the No. 3 team of Isabel Rzezniczek/Beth Kistler defeating Alix Lakow/Alli Nickell 8-3. The No. 1 team of Michelle Liew/Mariana Pagan lost in a close match to Heather Butt/Megan Sammons 8-7 (10-7). "Our doubles are continuing to improve" said head coach Ed Dickson. Single's improved in this match resulting in five wins for the Lady Govs. Pagan defeated Heather Butts 1-6, 6-3, 6-1 in a three set match. Rzezniczek defeated Lakow 6-1, 6-2; Liew prevailed against Espinosa 6-2, 6-1; Gonzalez pulled out a win against Nickell 6-4, 7-5; Kistler won a close one against Lortie 7-6 (10-7), 6-4 and Penner was defeated by Sammons 7-6 (10-8), 6-2. "Kistler had her best matches of the season, and played tough all weekend" said Dickson. The Govs' doubles teams came out on top. Leonardo Locatelli/Leandro Zenklusen dominated Tyler Worley/Dusan Milovanovich 8-1 and Patrick Puertolas/Andrew Solarski inched out a win against Doug Song/Greg Anderson 9-7. Lucas DeBrito/Nick Gallauer lost to Adam Storti/Jacon McLeod 8-2. The only two wins in singles were three sets long of grueling matches. "Our inconsistent singles play snatched defeat from the jaws of victory" Dickson said. Zenklusen defeated Milovanovich 3-6, 6-3, 10-5 and Gallauer beat Song 3-6, 7-5, 10-8. Debritto fell to Anderson 6-4, 6-0; Puertolas was almost shut out by McLeod 6-1, 6-0; Locatelli was defeated by Storti 6-2, 6-4 and Solarski lost to Worley 6-2, 6-2. On April 1 they went up against Eastern Kentucky with the Govs and Lady Govs only winning two matches. The only doubles win for the Lady Govs were the team of Kistler/Rzezniczek toppling Page Ashby/Casie Phillips 8-3. Liew/Pagan were defeated by Svetlana Pimenova/Alexandra Sitnikova 8-3 and Gonzalez/Penner fell to Jemmua Euers/Lucia Vojtkova 8-1. Singles only had one win as well. Kistler played Ashby well and defeated her 6-4, 6-3. Pagan lost Pimenova 6-2, 6-4; Rzezniczek fell to Vojtkova 6-2, 6-0; Liew was defeated by Sitnikova 6-3, 6-2; Penner lost to Euers 6-4, 6-3 and Gonzalez was defeated by Phillips 6-0, 6-2. The Govs got only one win for doubles. Locatelli/Zenklusen defeated Frederico Goncalves/Mario Simic 8-7. DeBrito/Gallauer were defeated easily by Lars Gratzki/Florian Kiefer 8-1 and Puertolas/Solarski lost to Zach Itzstein/Max Schindler

8-4. The only singles winner was Zenklusen who defeated Goncalves 6-4, 6-4, making it his forth win that weekend. "Tolosa had a great weekend" said Dickson. DeBrito lost to Kiefer 6-2, 4-6 (10-4); Puertolas fell to Gratzki 6-3, 6-1; Locatelli was defeated by Mel Segota 6-2, 6-4; Gallauer went down against Schindler 6-4, 6-2 and Solarski fought the best he could and lost to Itzstein 6-1, 6-0. ♦



PATRICK ARMSTRONG/SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER
Virginia Penner (pictured) and teammate Laura Gonzalez won their doubles match against Morehead State. Penner came up short against Megan Sammons.



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Lucas DeBrito (pictured) and his teammate Nick Gallauer lost their doubles match against Morehead State, and DeBrito also fell short in his singles match.



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OPINION

Baseball's opening day should be celebrated

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Baseball has been my favorite sport for as long as I can remember. As a Red Sox fan, I consider myself one of the tougher sports fans there is, but now's not the time for me to be feeling for another World Series title.

Baseball season is here once again. Translation: it's time to add a few hours to the work schedule to pay for the 30 extra channels it takes to carry every Major League Baseball game. But to me, baseball has always been more than just a game —it's a way of life. It takes more than a few weeks of practice to get back into the groove as a baseball player.



Major leaguers go through months of practice and dozens of preseason games before they step onto the field

April 1 to slug it out for the first of the season's 162 games.

I'm not even talking about October, that's a whole different subject for another day.

Therefore, I'm voting for Opening Day of the MLB season to be a national holiday. Even though it fell on a Sunday this year and wouldn't even serve for people to skip work and enjoy themselves watching America's favorite pasttime.

This year's just an exception. Every other year, however, baseball fans can wear their favorite player's jersey throughout the day with their face painted, loading up on beer and grilling accessories for the night's game.

There's nothing better. It always helps when the first game is a rematch of the National League Championship Series from last season with the St. Louis Cardinals defending their World Series Championship against the New York Mets. The only thing better than that would be seeing the Sox take on the Yanks at Fenway, but who am I to judge.

The opening game is fitting to me, as well, because both teams are two of my predictions to make it back to the postseason. The Cardinals will again win their division with force as they join the Mets, Dodgers and Phillies — the last being the Wild Card — in October for the postseason.

The American League is a little more predictable.

The Yankees, despite pitching problems, will again reach the playoffs by winning the A.L. East while the Detroit Tigers and Oakland A's also bring home the divisional gold.

The Wild Card in the A.L. is the hard part. The White Sox will again be strong but I believe the Minnesota Twins, led by south paw Johan Santana's pitching, will edge out Chicago for the final spot. The rest is history.

Although I like giving my predictions for any sport, the point to my incessant rambling is the magic that comes with the upcoming baseball season.

Nothing ever goes as planned after the season is underway and baseball fans are always on the edge of their seats when the postseason is knocking on the door.

Nothing says it better than the major commercial: baseball, I live for this!♦

Govs set school record with 33 hits

APSU defeat Morehead State in three game series sweep

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The Austin Peay State University Govs baseball team swept a three-game series against Morehead State last weekend. The Govs won the first game of Saturday's doubleheader, 17-6, and the second game 3-1. They completed the sweep with a 28-10 victory on Sunday afternoon.

In the first game, APSU struck early in what was to become a slugfest between the two teams. Will Hogue, recently named Ohio Valley Conference athlete of the week, blasted a two-run homer in the first as the Govs knocked in three runs in that inning. Govs pitcher Shawn Kelley (4-2) kept MSU quiet in the first inning, but couldn't keep them down for long as they scored one run in each of the next two innings.

APSU responded in the fourth by batting around and putting six runs on the board. Hogue hit his second two-run homer of the day, and third baseman Tyler Ferrar knocked in two with a double. The Govs batted around again in the sixth adding two more runs to their already commanding lead.

The Eagles responded by adding two runs in the bottom of the seventh and eighth innings. The Govs were not done, however, and with two outs and the bases loaded in the top of the ninth, Tyler Bullock knocked the ball out of the park for a grand slam. Morehead could not respond to that final blow, as the Govs took the first game of the three game-series.

In the second game of Saturday's doubleheader, it appeared there was going to be another slugfest between the two OVC rivals as Morehead pitcher Henry Mabee allowed a hard-hit single. The tide quickly turned as he retired the next 12 of 14 batters he faced, including nine straight from the second to fourth inning.

APSU starting pitcher Matt Reynolds didn't start out as hot, allowing a home run to the second batter he faced. Like Mabee, though, he quickly turned it around. Reynolds pitched his second complete game of the season, allowing one run on five hits while fanning seven. Reynolds improved his record to 5-2. The Govs' bats finally came alive in the fifth inning as Matt Smith and Jacob Crass hit back-to-back singles.

J. B. Gilbert knocked in one run and Levi Chesire hit a sacrifice to second to score the second run of the inning and give the Govs the lead. APSU added another run in the sixth as Rafeal Hill hit a two-out RBI single. Reynolds continued to mow down batters in the sixth and seventh innings for his fifth victory.

APSU broke out the bats again for the third and final game of their series with Morehead. The Govs set a school record with 33 hits. Of those 33 hits, there were six home runs and two Govs who had five hit games.

APSU batted around in the first inning and put six runs on the board. They added two runs in the third before scoring



LOIS JONES/SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER
Junior Andrew Bradley pitches against Evansville last week. The Govs are 16-10 (3-3) in OVC play so far this season. The 33 hits against Morehead State in game three of the series was a school record that included six home runs in the 28-10 victory. The Govs won the first two games 17-6 and 3-1.

nine runs in the fourth. Jake Lane was responsible for three of those nine as he launched a three-run homer. Lane knocked another one out in the sixth and this time Trey Lucas got in on the fun and hit one out of the ballpark.

The Govs added five in the sixthinning, to take a commanding 23-0 lead. APSU starting pitcher Ryne Mantooth held Morehead scoreless through the first five innings. Fatigue set in for Mantooth as he walked three and then served up a homer in the bottom of the sixth. That would end Mantooth's day as he finished with four earned runs six hits and two strikeouts.

Matt Smith knocked a home run in the seventh. Then the Govs added two more in the eighth, and finally Jacob Crass smashed a two-run homer in the ninth. Morehead fought back in the seventh and eighth innings by scoring three runs in each.

The APSU bullpen put together a scoreless ninth, though, as the Govs closed out the game. Mantooth earned his third victory as the Govs won the final game of the series, 28-10.♦



LOIS JONES/SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER
Senior Jacob Crass runs to get on base. Currently the Govs are fifth in the OVC .

Lady Govs drop two of three against Samford



LOIS JONES/SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER
Senior Natasha Anderson against Samford last weekend, pitched in two of the three games winning the first game and dropping the third, brining her record to 11-6.

By MARLON SCOTT
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The Austin Peay State University Lady Govs had to add disappointment to their grief after losing the three-game conference series to the Samford University Lady Bulldogs 2-1 last weekend.

In addition to practicing last week, The Lady Govs were also dealing with the loss of sophomore Krista Henke's father.

Before the games, head coach Jim Perrin explained some of his worries.

"It's kind of hard to tell what kind of tone, what kind of attitude it's going to be like when they come out here (Friday)," said Perrin. "I hope they come up here ready to go. (Samford) has been playing better as of late, so I think it will be our biggest challenge in the conference so far in the games we've played."

Two hours and 45 minutes of rain delays tested the patience of both teams on Friday. They were able to complete only one game and reschedule for a doubleheader on Saturday.

In Friday's volatile weather good pitching and strong defense kept both teams scoreless until the bottom of the fifth inning when Lady Gov junior Sarah Longmire's hit allowed senior Ami Bush to score.

Longmire went 1-for-2 in the game and ended up with the game-winning RBI as senior pitcher Natasha Anderson closed out the game allowing only one more hit.

Anderson pitched the whole game with only four hits and six strike outs.

"I was ready to play, personally," explained senior Fallon Felts. "I think that



LOIS JONES/SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER
Senior Nikki Garrett runs for first base after getting a hit against Samford. Garrett had one hit against Samford in the first game where the Lady Govs won 1-0.

the team was relaxed"

Freshman Brittany Williams agreed.

"We came out there ready to play, 100 percent," said Williams.

On Saturday, it was Samford who came out ready to play in the first game. By the sixth inning APSU had managed only four hits with no runs. With excellent defensive support from her teammates, Lady Bulldog pitcher Susanna Meyer held APSU to just six hits with two strikeouts in the game.

Offensively, Samford already led the

game, 6-0, when APSU senior Shelley Stanley hit a ground ball toward Brittany Williams with two runners on base. Base-runner Emily Deaux collided with Williams as she fielded the ball.

Deaux was called out and after a delay to make sure she was okay; Williams dusted herself off and stayed in the game. Williams watched the next batter, Amanda Barrs, smack a 200-foot homerun over the left field fence to make the score 9-0.

Samford won the game, 9-1.

Baseball season at a glance

- The Govs have faced two top-25 teams this year: No. 1 Vanderbilt and No. 16 Mississippi, losing to both.
- Against Morehead State, Tyler Farrar and Josh Meeker each went 5-for-7, becoming the first Govs to accomplish the feat since 1998.
- Junior Will Hougue was recently named OVC player of the week on March 20.
- Head coach Gary McClure has already signed one player for 2008. Brian Bernatowicz of Wabash Valley Community College in Aurora, Ill., signed a letter of intent.