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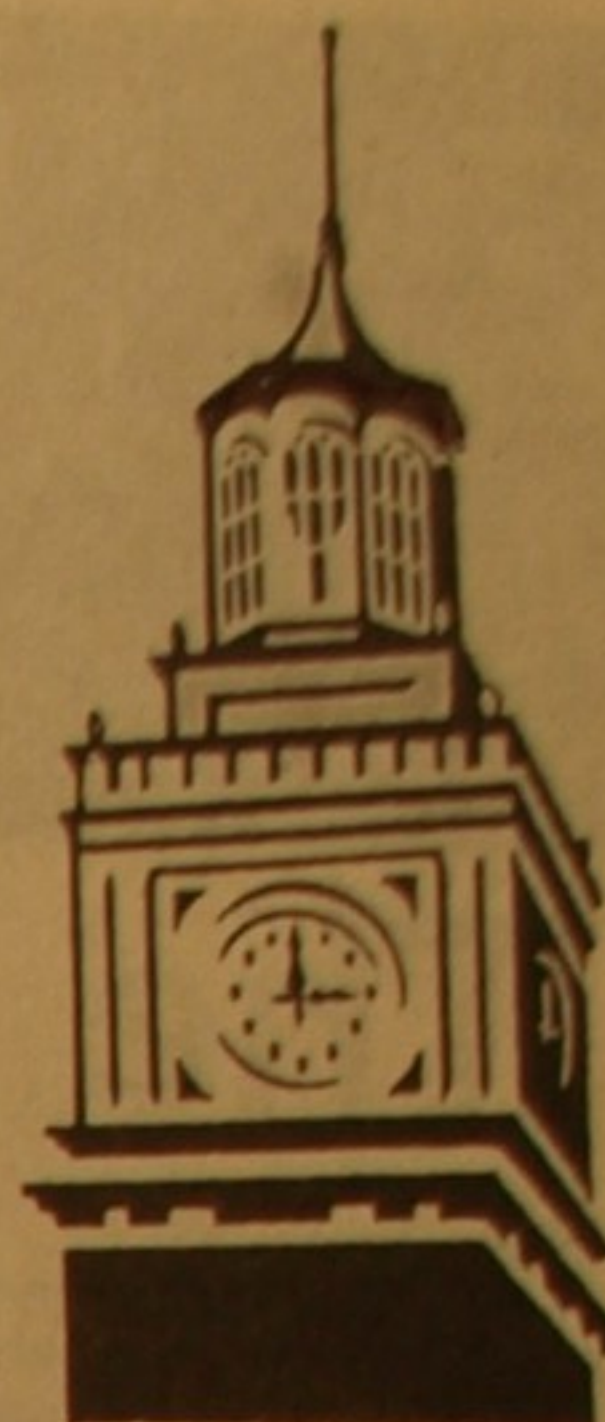
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Students gear up for Mardi Gras celebration

by Carrie Slaymaker
news editor

Homecoming 2000 is just one week away, but that might just mean the dreaded end of fall break and the beginning of midterm exams for some students.

So what is so special about homecoming this year?

"I think students can relate better to homecoming this year because the theme is Mardi Gras and it's all about celebrating," says Michael Higley, residence hall director at Cross Hall.

The festivities kick off Monday with the Apeay Down the Street parade, bonfire and pep rally begin-

ning at 7 p.m. The parade will begin at the Intramural field and travel down Marion street.

To help get students and faculty in the Mardi Gras

"...Students can relate better to Homecoming this year because the theme is Mardi Gras and it's all about celebrating"

spirit, the café will serve authentic Cajun quinine Monday night with the cutting of the king cake to follow

The festivities continue Tuesday with Color Wars.

This is a new event for the homecom-

ing palette.

Student organizations may decorate their windows in the mardi gras theme with purple, green and gold water-based paints.

Judging of windows will

take place Wednesday, but trophies will not be awarded until the masquerade ball on Thursday.

Tuesday night at 7 p.m. there will be a jazz concert featuring Loston Harris in Clement Auditorium.

Also Tuesday night from 10 p.m.-2 a.m. is Midnight CROSSING in the Clement building.

Midnight CROSSING is the

controversial drag-talent show sponsored by the Residence Hall Association and the elected representatives of Cross Hall.

Set for Wednesday is "Peay Palooza," a Cajun food cook-off.

Cook your favorite and taste many other dishes on the intramural field from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. All faculty, staff and students are invited to

participate.

From 5-6 p.m. the King and Queen's club will meet in Miller Hall. This meeting is for all those interested in running for homecoming king or queen. All those interested must attend the meeting in order to qualify.

Also on Wednesday from 6-8 p.m. in Miller Hall, there will be a mask-making party to prepare for the masquer-

ade ball.

Thursday at 8 p.m., the masquerade ball will be held in the Memorial Health ("Red Barn") Gymnasium.

The ball is co-sponsored by the Office of Student Life and the RHA. The homecoming court will be announced at this event.

At noon on Friday, the Strut Your Apeay (African-

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Fraternity says "no" to alcohol

by Holli K. Froemming
editor in chief

One of the fraternities on campus has adopted a no-alcohol amendment into their bylaws.

Sigma Phi Epsilon became "dry" Sept. 24 after two weeks of discussion.

The proposal was first brought to the entire fraternity Sept. 10 by Neil Revlett, president.

Revlett, a junior business major, says the members of the fraternity want to give people coming to campus a different choice.

"We wanted to give the opportunity, or alternative, to new students coming to Austin Peay to have fun without alcohol," he says.

"We want young men to feel they can join a fraternity without the pressure of alcohol being put on them."

This new bylaw applies only to the house, however. No alcohol will be allowed on the premises of the Sigma Phi Epsilon house, including in private rooms and cars in the driveway or parking lot.

This policy, however, does not apply to any outside functions.

If the members decided to throw a party at another venue, alcohol could be served; the party, however, would have to be voted on and approved by the chapter, which works on a two-thirds majority vote.

This is a major step in the right direction, says Revlett, but is only an addition to policies they already had on alcohol.

This particular chapter of Sig Ep (their accepted shortened form) has never provided alcohol at parties, he says, even when alcohol was part of the party. He also says they never provided alcohol for underaged people, he says.

Of the 30 Sig Ep members at Austin Peay State University, 20 attended the vote. Of those 20, 19 voted

for the passing of the amendment while only one voted against it.

Rumors have been floating around campus that the only reason this came to fruition is because of a lease agreement.

The Sig Ep brothers are trying to lease to purchase a new house and some people speculate that a no-alcohol agreement is in the lease.

This, says Revlett, is not true.

"This idea [of having no alcohol] has been floating around amongst the brothers since the beginning of summer," he says. "At that point we weren't even sure if we were going to move, nor where we would move to."

In addition, he says, the decision wasn't made for just this set of brothers; it was made for the brothers five, 10, 15 years down the road.

Ginger Fitting, a senior public management major and member of Alpha Delta Pi, says she heard about this proposal last year from friends in the fraternity.

She thinks, eventually, every house will have to go dry but for awhile it might lessen interest in Sig Ep.

"I think it's going to hurt their rush for a little while but eventually all the houses are going to go that way," she says. "It's going to decrease their liability a great deal."

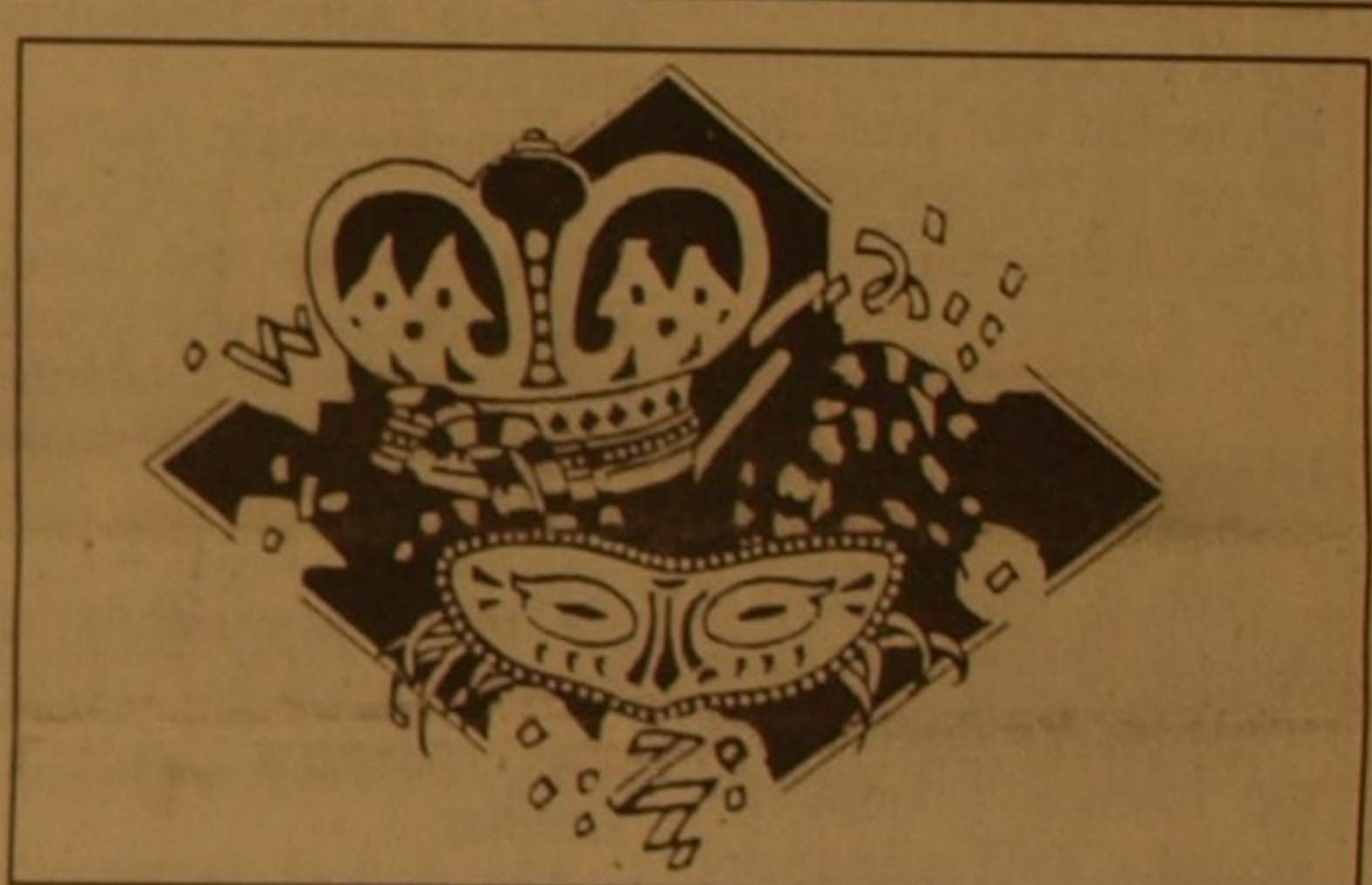
The APSU chapter of Sig Ep is one of about 30 of the approximately 260 nationwide chapters to go dry.

Rivlett says this is a step in the right direction and hopes others will agree.

"We challenge other fraternities on campus to do the same thing," says Revlett.

A member of Kappa Sigma, Andy Brininstool, says he supports Sig Ep's decision but does not want Kappa Sigma to follow that direction.

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Hoppe applies for presidency

Hoppe was appointed interim president Nov. 11, 1999, after the resignation of Dr. Sal Rinella.

Initially, she had planned to return to Roane State where she had been president since 1988.

In an e-mail, she indicated the easiest route would be to return to Roane State with-

out applying, however she says she has had such a warm experience here, she decided to apply.

"As a community college president, I have been very gratified by the warm and supportive acceptance I have received in a university community," she says. "In addition, I have been approached

by literally dozens of faculty, staff and community members encouraging me to apply for the permanent presidency at Austin Peay."

According to Hoppe, TBR Chancellor Charles Manning recently told her that numerous people, both on and off campus, had nominated her for the APSU presidency.

Since Hoppe's arrival in February, she has led the university over several unexpected hurdles, including an anemic budget. The budget challenge was magnified by the discovery that, for the past several years, APSU had reported inflated

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Homecoming events chosen to give students authentic Mardi Gras experience

by Carrie Slaymaker
news editor

Homecoming 2000 is well under way and many students are excited by this year's Mardi Gras theme.

The theme, however, created some controversy when Homecoming 2000 was

being planned in early January.

Many on the Student Activities committee did not want the negative stereotypes of Mardi Gras to reflect on APSU.

Despite these fears, the majority of the committee

saw the positive aspects of this year's theme.

"This is the time to ignite the spirit of the community as well as the student's spirit of being a Governor," says Jason Brewer, assistant director of student activities. "That is the whole reason for

choosing (the Mardi Gras) theme."

To insure the success of homecoming, The Office of Student Activities has combined with the Residence Hall Association.

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Piper builds up university community

by Holli K. Froemming
editor in chief

The area surrounding Austin Peay State University is gaining the attention of local government representatives.

Clarksville mayor Johnny Piper says he is in the first stages of creating a connection between Austin Peay, downtown Clarksville and the Riverwalk area.

The first project is building up University Avenue.

Currently it is four lanes (two lanes in each direction) for only a few blocks with a median dividing the lanes.

A project is in progress,

however, that will widen the entire stretch to four lanes all the way to Madison Street. It will then continue in three lanes to Crossland Avenue.

This project, undertaken by Smith Engineering, will hopefully draw traffic down University Avenue off Madison Street, causing drivers to look straight on to APSU for six or seven blocks, says Piper.

"It's an excellent opportunity to showcase Austin Peay in that area," he says.

In addition, once the road construction is complete, Piper foresees more commercial businesses being

drawn to the area.

Scheduled for completion at the beginning of November, the project also includes a beautification aspect.

The intersection of College Street and University will have the pavement replaced with brick to become more aesthetically pleasing, says Piper.

Sidewalks of brick are also being added down University Avenue and Franklin Street. The sidewalks will connect University Avenue with the entertainment and restaur-

ant scene downtown.

In addition, a theme of red and white will be used when planting trees, shrubs and flowers in this and other local areas.

Piper says the commitment his administration has made to the beautification and landscaping of areas around town, including the Austin Peay community, is already showing results.

"The impact has already been realized through the pride people are now taking in their community" he says.

"Not only are they offer-

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The APSU Scoop

Wednesday

•All students interested in going to Mexico over Christmas Break are invited to informational meetings at 2 p.m. in Harned 329. Different aspects of the trip will be discussed and films of the various locations the students will travel will be presented.

•The Spanish Club meets at 2 p.m. in Harned 329. Everyone interested in speaking spanish is invited.

•The History Club is hosting Enping Zhuang from Shanghai University in China. The meeting will be at 3 p.m. in Harned 344. All students are invited to attend. For more information contact Dr. Thomas Dixon at 221-7931 or Donna Bryant at (615) 740-1540.

•The Classics Club will hold its regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. at the Front Page Deli News Cafe on Franklin Street. For more information contact Toni Fox at foxes@prodigy.net or Dr. Timothy Winters at winters@apsu.edu or 221-7118.

Thursday

•The Lady Gobs volleyball team takes on the Belmont Bruins in Nashville at 7 p.m.

•Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship will meet from 6-8 p.m. in Claxton 103. For more information, call 552-7092.

Friday

•Fall Break, no classes.

•This is the last day to register to vote in Tennessee. To register, visit the Election Commission located at 350 Pageant Lane off of Madison Street.

Saturday

•The Senior Exit Exam

will be given from 9-10:30 a.m. in Claxton 103. The exam is required by the Tennessee Board of Regents for all students graduating with a bachelor's degree. Any senior who has not received information about the test, or to sign up for the test, call 221-6184 or stop by Browning 151 as soon as possible.

•The football team stays home this weekend to battle Dayton. The game time has been moved from 6:30 p.m. to 1 p.m. and will take place in Governor's Stadium.

Sunday

•Yom Kippur begins at sunset

Monday

•Homecoming activities begin with the Residence Hall Association's King Cake Cutting in the Cafe. Winners are determined by who gets the Hershey's kiss in their slice of cake. The prize is a feathered peacock mask. All students are welcome. For more details, call the Office of Housing and Residence Life at 221-7444.

•Homecoming festivities continue with APeay Down the Street, a parade/bonfire/pep rally. Festivities start at 7 p.m.

•Monday Night Football will be shown in the Cyberlounge in the Red Barn, Room 107. The event is free and open to all students, faculty and staff. The doors open at 7:30 p.m.

•Columbus Day

•Yom Kippur ends at sunset.

Tuesday

•As part of Homecoming's festivities, there will be a Jazz Concert featuring Loston Harris in Clement Auditorium. The concert

starts at 7 p.m. and is free and open to the public. The concert is sponsored by the Office of Student Life and the Center of Excellence for the Creative Arts. For more information call 221-7431.

•Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship will have a Co-Ed LIFE (Living in Faith Everyday) meeting to discuss Biblical topics. They will meet from 7-8:30 p.m. in Claxton 103.

•The Krew (Hall) Parade will take place from 7-8 p.m. For more information call 221-7444.

•The Lady Gobs volleyball team is away again. This time they're playing a 7 p.m. match at Murray State.

•Today is the last day to register for men's/women's intramurals soccer. For more information contact the Intramurals Office at 221-7564.

•Midnight CROSSing will take place from 10 p.m.-2 a.m. in Clement Auditorium. This is a time for a cross-dressing talent show put on by the RHA. Admission is 25 cents and all proceeds are donated to the United Way.

The APSU Scoop is a free service provided by *The All State* for all events taking place on campus.

Send your event information, along with a contact name and number, to

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Information for events taking place Oct. 11-17 must be received by Thursday as there is no school Friday.

Career Fair helps students

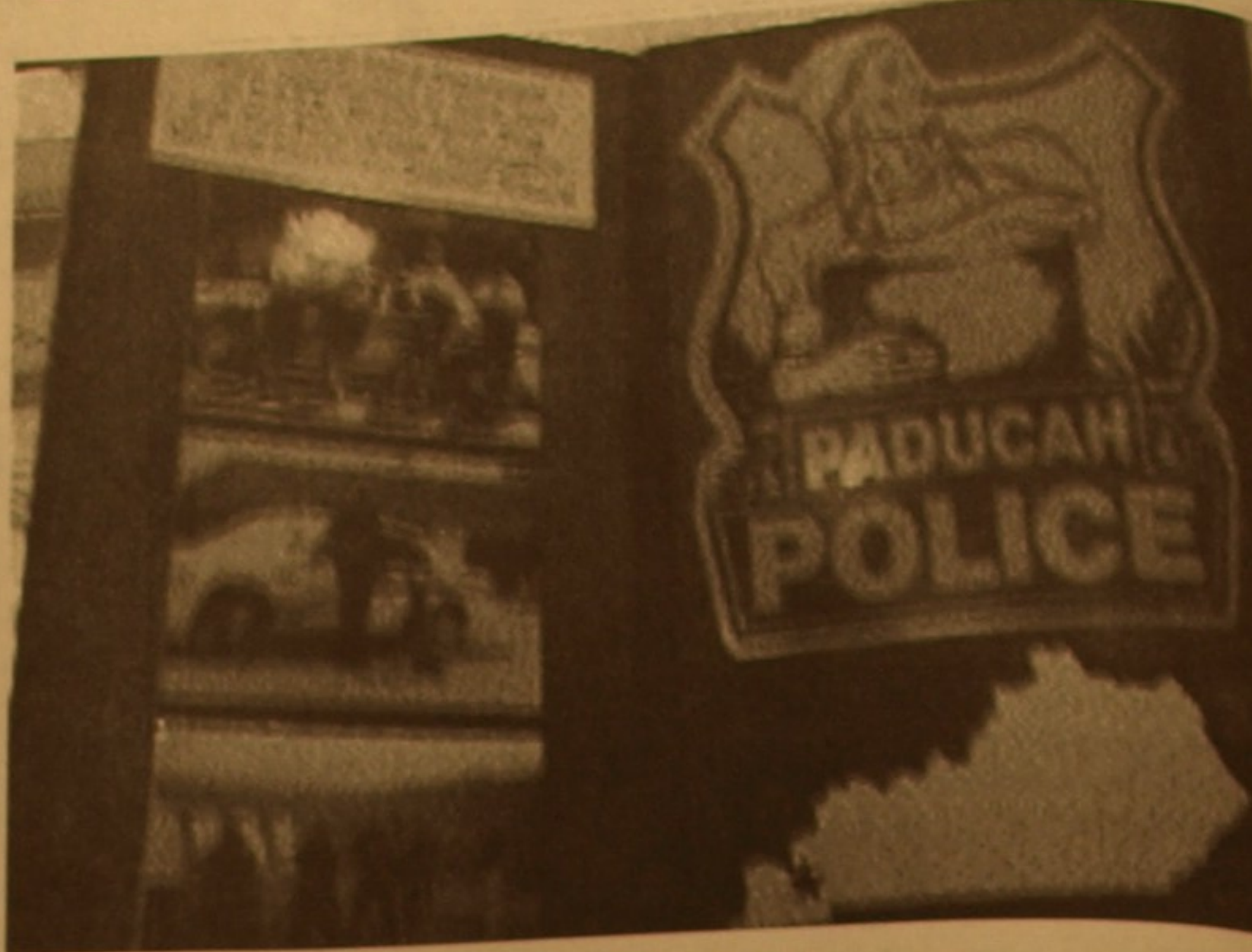


Photo by Dave Orgain

A career fair was held on campus to give students the chance to meet prospective employers and get their resumes in the market. Participating employers created displays and companies ranged from hospitals to law enforcement, insurance agencies to food service. It was sponsored by Career Services.

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American Greek Step-off) will take place.

The Peay comedy night, sponsored by the University Programs Council and the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, will begin at 8 p.m. in the Clement Auditorium.

At 10 a.m. on Saturday the PHAT football parade begins. Line up is at 9 a.m. in the Burt School parking lot.

All those interested in entering a car, float, etc. should submit an application to Student Life by Oct. 9.

The first place winner of the parade will receive \$250, the second place winner will

receive \$150 and third place will receive \$100.

Spirit points will be awarded for each homecoming activity and these points will go toward the APSU National Alumni Association's Wyatt Award.

The award is named in honor of Fessey Wyatt and the late John Wyatt and will be presented annually to the overall student organization winner of the Homecoming festivities.

The winning organization will receive \$300 in addition to the honored trophy.

The second place winner will receive \$200 and the third place winner will

receive \$200.

Points can be accumulated at every event up to the fourth quarter Saturday afternoon's football game, which begins at p.m.

The week culminates with the game in Governor's stadium against Charleston Southern, where the Homecoming Queen and King will be crowned.

For more information on any of the homecoming events, contact The Office of Student Life at 221-7431 or the Office of Residence Life/Housing at 221-7444.

Grass is laid, walls go up all over campus

by Holli K. Froemming
editor in chief

Construction workers laid grass in the middle of the new amphitheater as part of the final stages of its completion.

The amphitheater, located in the center of Austin Peay State University's campus, will be used by organizations and offices on campus, such as the Office of Student Life, to hold outdoor events like comedy shows, music performances and other talent

exhibitions.

The amphitheater is being paid for by the state of Tennessee, not the students at APSU, says Bobby Gann, site supervisor for the new University Center and amphitheater.

The University Center, being paid for by students, is on schedule for completion in the fall of 2001 and the good weather is helping the workers move along in a timely manner.

Weather, according to construc-

tion workers, is the biggest time-delayer.

The new UC will be a central meeting place for students.

The new science building looks, on the outside, to be nearing completion but a great deal more work needs to be done inside to furnish and make the building available as soon as possible for students.

It will include state of the art technology in classrooms.



Grass is laid in the new outdoor amphitheatre (above), building continues on the new University center (top right) and the science building is in its final stages of completion (bottom right).

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Dry

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"I don't think I would want my fraternity to go dry and loose that option, but I believe it's a positive step for the Sig Eps and I hope it works well for them," says Brininstool, a senior graphic design major.

Sig Ep says they are different from the fraternities anyway because of their high standards and academic achievements.

"First and foremost we are here for education; our primary goal is to get our degrees," says Revlett.

He says the difference is apparent in that Sig Ep, since chartered in 1996 at APSU, has had the highest GPA average of any fraternity on campus.

In addition, he says they are the only fraternity on campus to win the "Chapter of the Year" award three years in a row.

Part of the way they are succeeding as a chapter is their Balanced Man Project.

The men in their fraternities focus on excelling as: scholars, leaders, athletes and gentlemen.

"We want to develop young men into men who

can function on their own in their businesses, families and life," says Revlett.

In addition, Sig Ep does not have a "pledge" period. As soon as someone accepts a bid, they are considered a full-fledged brother.

"There's no need for a feeling of inferiority," says Revlett. "You shouldn't have to prove yourself to others to be accepted."

He says they accept young men as they are, help mold them and strengthen their weaknesses and says he hopes the new brothers can help strengthen the weaknesses of the men already in the fraternity.

Revlett says the fraternity hopes to become more involved with campus this year and they completely support any action Austin Peay takes concerning Greek Life.

One way they are involved with campus life is their involvement in the G.H.O.S.T. (Great Halloween Options for Safe Trick-or-Treating.)

In the past they have been in charge of the Haunted House associated with that

event and hope to be able to continue that participation this year, if G.H.O.S.T. takes place.

For their national philanthropy week, the Sig Ep members raise money for St. Jude Children's Hospital with a project called "Cinco de Seuss," as Dr. Seuss was a brother of Sig Ep.

In addition, they participated last year in a project called "Read Across America" where people go to their local public library and read stories to children.

"We're looking forward to doing that again this year when it comes to Clarksville," says Revlett.

Currently members of Sig Ep are a little unsure about the future of their house.

They decided to move houses over the summer and had a door open with another local house; however, that situation is not guaranteed and they do not know for sure where they will end up.

"We're hoping for some help from Austin Peay and the community in general," says Revlett.

Mardi Gras

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"Homecoming is something everybody should jump into with two feet and Mardi Gras definitely has something for everyone," says Craig Emerson, student advisor to the RHA. "This is the time for people to cut loose, show their pride, to what ever level they feel necessary."

Every homecoming event activity this year is derived from some New Orleans tradition.

"Both Craig (Emmerson) and I lived in New Orleans and we wanted to do something authentic," says Pete Bluetreik, assistant director of housing.

Authenticity is very important to both Bluetreik and Emmerson, who agree that this year's theme is as much about educating as it is entertaining.

The first Mardi Gras, which means Fat Tuesday in French, is usually held the last Tuesday before the liturgical season of Lent begins, which is billed as a time of

self-sacrifice.

For the season of lent, each individual is supposed to give up at least one "pleasurable" thing; generally the consumption of food, either totally or partially.

The traditional carnival parade began in 1857 when an elite social society, the Krewe of Comus, paraded through the streets of New Orleans on two mule-driven floats.

In addition to parades, Mardi Gras "krewes" also celebrate the season by attending many balls or dances and by eating lots of king cakes (see recipe on page 6.)

A king cake is an oval-shaped coffee cake decorated with colored sugar. Inside the cake is baked a coin, bean or plastic doll.

Traditionally, the bean was used to determine the masquerade ball queen, but today the king cake is just another excuse for Mardi Gras goes to throw a party.

Whoever finds the coin,

bean, or doll is required to bake the next cake so that essentially the partying never ends.

To simulate this tradition, the RHA will pass the king cake throughout the different residence halls.

The winner of the homecoming king cake cutting will win a feathered peacock mask. The king cake cutting will begin Monday in front of the cafeteria.

Many other events for homecoming are planned to be as authentic as possible.

As tradition demands, the homecoming queen and court will not be announced until the masquerade ball and only those individuals sponsored by an organization or "krewe" are eligible to run.

There will also be a mask-making party in Miller Hall to prepare for the masquerade ball Oct. 11 from 6-8 p.m.

So eat some king cake, make a mask and have fun supporting your Governors.

Piper

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ing their services, planting flowers and landscaping, but they're also investing in their own property."

Another project in this year's fiscal budget (July 1, 2000 - June 31, 2001) is the widening of College Street to four lanes from Second Street to Riverside Drive.

This will help connect APSU to the Riverwalk, the proposed, privately funded

conference center and the new pedestrian overpass.

Along the road will be decorative street lights, beautiful landscaping and sidewalks, says Piper. Bidding for this project will begin shortly.

"I'm committed to improving the local area around Austin Peay because not only the administration feels we need to upgrade

but also, in talking with students and faculty, they have been asking for it," Piper says.

In the Clarksville City budget, almost \$7.2 million has been allocated for streets and street lighting, which is more than a 6 percent increase over last year.

More than \$400 thousand was also budgeted for the River District, a 491 percent

increase over last year.

For more budget information, visit the City of Clarksville's Official Web Page at www.city-ofclarksville.com.

Piper says all these projects are all part of the new goal of "Changing the Face of Clarksville - Positively."

Hoppe

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enrollment figures to THEC, counting credits for a leadership course at the APSU Center at Fort Campbell that, in reality, was taught by U.S. Army instructors.

As a result, APSU was required to pay back the overage in funding.

Hoppe immediately began a review of all APSU policies to ensure compliance with TBR policies.

She also held a series of Focus on the Future Forums last spring, which enabled every constituency of the university, including the larger community, to express concerns and ask questions. In like manner, she has slated informal departmental information-exchange sessions throughout the fall.

During the eight months she's been at APSU, Hoppe has moved to reorganize departments for improved efficiency and effectiveness.

She has also encouraged faculty to try Web-based teaching to increase enrollment and to ensure APSU is positioned well in an increasingly competitive higher-education marketplace.

In her e-mail to Roane State and to APSU faculty and staff, she said, "The Austin Peay challenge is great - but so are the opportuni-

ties.

"I must admit I have been invigorated by the unexpected problems I have faced since arriving here. Seeing the university community respond to my efforts to deal with issues and plan for the future has had a positive impact on my decision to apply."

Over the past months, faculty members interviewed by "The Leaf-Chronicle" expressed high opinions of Hoppe's efforts at APSU. They have called her "fair, open, courageous, ethical and an advocate of shared governance."

The newspaper took an official stand in a recent editorial, applauding Hoppe's accomplishments at APSU and outlining why she should consider remaining.

In her e-mail to APSU faculty and staff, she said, "I must emphasize that the search process at Austin Peay will be competitive, and I may not be the candidate selected. In that event, I will return to Roane State and enjoy finishing some important initiatives."

"If I do not have the opportunity to stay at Austin Peay, I will look back on these months as a time of getting to know and appreciate this fine institution and the many dedicated individuals who serve here."

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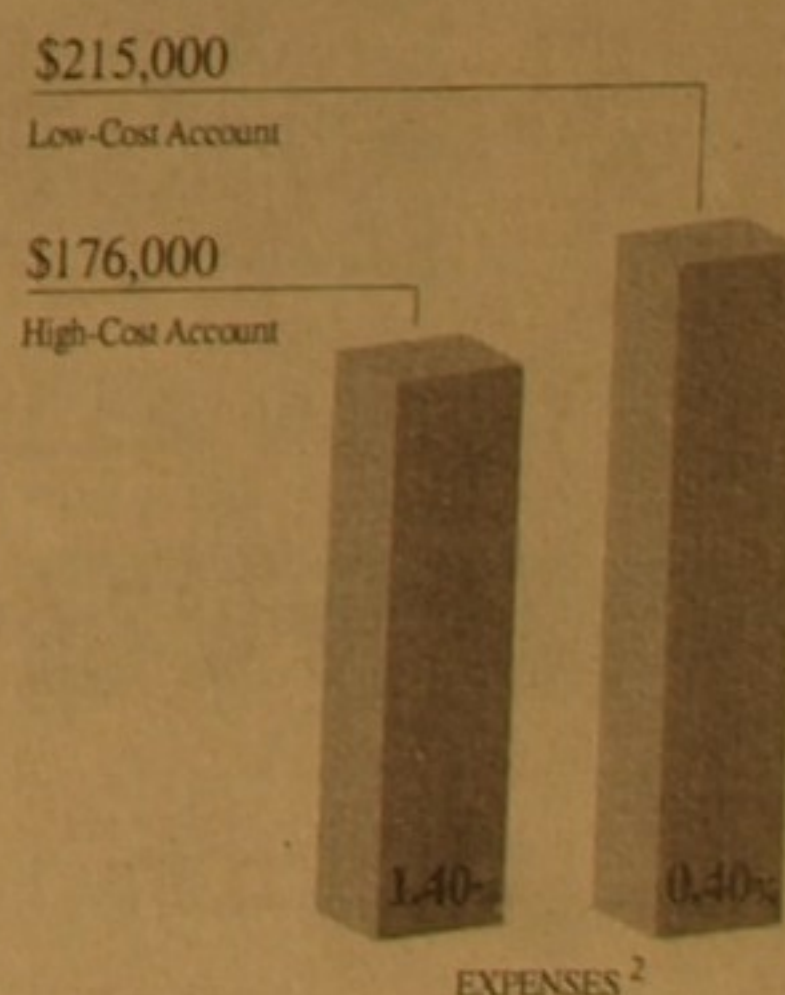
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SPORTS

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Lady Govs win one, loose one

Austin Peay State University's volleyball team came away victorious and defeated this weekend.

The squad dropped a four-game, two hour and twenty-eight minute contest (13-15, 14-16, 15-9, 15-12) against conference foe Eastern Illinois, Friday night.

Austin Peay is now 8-8 overall in the Ohio Valley Conference.

As the scores indicate, the match was closely fought with neither team establishing a dominant offensive rhythm.

Eastern Illinois (8-4, 3-1 OVC) and Austin Peay were tied six times in the first game with neither team taking more than a three-point lead in the game.

However, the Panthers used five unanswered points to win the game at 15-13.

Eastern Illinois raced out to a 5-1 lead in the second game but APSU fought back to tie the game at 9-9. The two teams then tied the game three more times before the Panthers used two straight points to end the game, 16-14.

Austin Peay was late getting back for the third game and again fell behind 5-1. However, the Lady Govs used eight unanswered points to vault from a 7-2 deficit to a 10-7 lead. Austin Peay cruised, using five unanswered points, to win the third game, 15-9.

The fourth and decisive game again started with a 4-

1 Eastern Illinois lead. Austin Peay fought back to tie it at 5-5, 8-8, 9-9 and 11-11 before the Panthers used a 4-1 run to win the game, 15-12, and the match three games to one.

Offensively, the Lady Govs set new school records for team kills and assists. Austin Peay recorded 106 kills, breaking the previous mark of 96 that was set last year against Eastern Illinois at the OVC tournament.

The 95 assists broke a two-year old record; the previous mark was 86 set at Northern Illinois in Sept. 1998.

Seniors Becky Sowinski and Annie Gieber also recorded new school marks.

Sowinski recorded 29 kills surpassing the previous record of 27 by Kim Smith in 1998.

Gieber's 84 assists shattered her previous record of 68, set last year against Southeast Missouri.

Defensively, the Governors recorded 144 digs, second most in school history.

Sowinski again led the charge on defense recording 38 digs. Sowinski's double-double (29 kills and 38 digs) was matched by sophomore Casey Kelley (18 kills and 16 digs) and freshman Amy Walk (19 kills and 17 digs).

"We played good but came up short," says Lady Govs head coach, Cheryl Holt. "It was an awesome effort for our ladies, probably the best match of the year for us."

"We came out slow but a few people stepped up and played some terrific volleyball tonight. Each night it seems we go out and find out a little more about our capabilities."

"We've seen improvement so far this season and we'll keep chipping away, but I believe everything will come together, this team just won't quit."

The team came back Saturday for a win, however.

The team swept Jacksonville State, 3-0 (15-8, 15-1, 15-10) in the afternoon

placing Austin Peay's record at 9-8 overall.

Austin Peay controlled the match from the outset, sprinting to a 4-1 lead in the first game.

The Lady Govs used runs of 4-2 and 7-3 to build a 11-6 lead. Austin Peay closed out the first game with four unanswered points, including back-to-back kills by junior Amber Grundhoefer, winning 15-8.

The second game was an offensive showcase for Austin Peay as it committed one error in 23 attacks for a

.565 hitting percentage.

The Lady Govs marched to a 9-0 lead before Jacksonville State could respond with a single point. Austin Peay closed out the game with six unanswered points and won 15-1.

Jacksonville State fought back in the third game, leveling the game at 10-10 after Austin Peay started with a 8-1 lead.

However, the Lady Govs responded with five unanswered points after the tie to take the third game, 15-10, and win the match.

Offensively, the Lady Govs were led by junior Danielle Waldrep, who fell short of a school record with a .643 percentage (10 kills, 15 attempts) and an error on 14 attempts.

The record is .650 (14 kills, 21 attempts) set by Kim Smith in 1998.

Gieber also recorded a .625 hitting percentage (10 kills, no errors on 16 attempts) and Walk chipped in with a .538 hitting percentage (eight kills, one error on 13 attempts).

Next up, Austin Peay travels for a 7

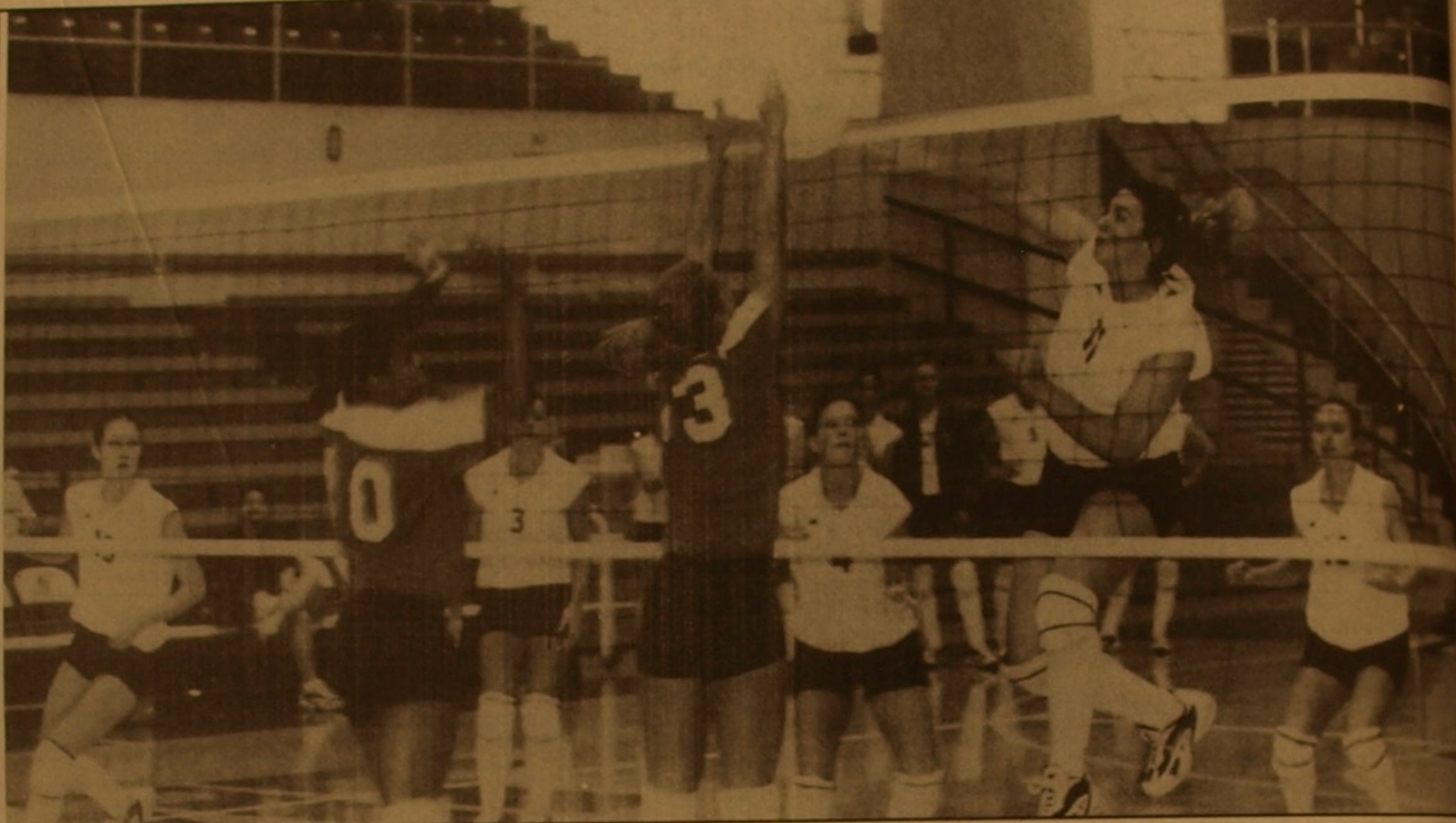


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A block shot by Jacksonville State's #3 sets up Amy Walk (APSU #13) for a score.

Tennis team brings home seven wins in two days

Austin Peay women's tennis squad recorded a trio of victories on the first day of the Aces Fall Classic, hosted by Evansville, Friday.

Junior transfer Judy Liwampo won her first match as a Lady Gov, defeating Leslie Marcum of Wright State in straight sets (6-3 and 6-0). She wasn't as lucky in doubles competition where she was paired up with Zarinah Brown. The duo fell to Susan Ferguson and April Dixon of Eastern Kentucky, 8-2.

"I was looking for Judy (Liwampo) to

have a strong weekend," said head coach Tim Pleasant. "She has experience playing the top position at Indiana State and we look for her to keep leading us this weekend."

Senior Jessica St. John also recorded a victory in singles play, winning her match against Southeast Missouri's Adrienne Bland, 6-1 and 6-0.

"Jessica (St. John) has returned with an improved game and is looking to move up in the line-up," said Pleasant.

The doubles pairing of Celeste Tomkins

and Jessica Mills recorded the Lady Govs only other victory of Day One, defeating Eastern Kentucky's Kelli Williams and Tara Williams, 8-6.

Austin Peay continues to play at the Aces Fall Classic through Sunday.

Building on their trio of victories on day one, the team recorded a quartet of victories, Saturday.

The doubles, again pairing Tomkins and Mills, reached their flight's finals after recording a pair of victories the first day.

In singles action, Liwampo reached the

semifinals of Flight A before dropping to Evansville's Bambi McCann in straight sets.

St. John, who also won her season's first match Friday, fell in the quarterfinals in a hard-fought, three-set match with Western Kentucky's Nino Kostava.

The Lady Govs Jessi Mills also was victorious on the second day of the tournament, recording a victory in the consolation draw of Flight D singles. Mills defeated Southeast Missouri's Katie Barry in straight sets, not allowing Barry to win a single game.



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Injuries plague cross country teams

Austin Peay State University's men and women's cross country teams were depleted by a pair of key injuries at the Commodore Cross Country Classic, hosted by Vanderbilt, Sunday morning.

"It was a rough day for us," said head coach Elvis Forde. "It was a little hotter than we expected and we

had a couple of key injuries that hurt our chances."

"Ayesha (Maycock) couldn't run for us and Jeremy (Downes) was severely limited today."

"Our top four ran well today but we don't have the supporting cast to back up their effort."

Sophomore Sheena Gooding continued to run well for the Lady Govs, finishing 23rd overall with a

time of 19:48.

Sophomore Elisa Thomas finished 44th, running a 20:18.

On the men's side, Daniel Watson put forth the best effort for the men, finishing 86th with a time of 28:32.

Austin Peay's next action is a 10 a.m., meet Saturday at Carbondale, Ill., in the Saluki Invitational.

Golf teams compete again

Austin Peay State University men's golf team will play its season's second tournament when it travels to Memphis to play in the two-day, 54-hole Hillman-Robbins Memorial Tournament.

"We will be facing some pretty good schools from the Sun Belt, Conference USA and other mid-major programs," APSU coach Mark Leroux said, "but we are going there with a chance of winning this tournament. If our (number) four and five players can shoot 75s, we have a real shot at it."

This year, the trio of Adam Shanks, Ryan Strickland, and Joe Humson, ranked by GolfStat as having the third

most impact of any freshman class on a program, now are sophomores could boost the team to the top. In fact, Shanks, individually, is ranked No. 9 in the country in the latest edition of Golf Week newspaper.

"Adam is playing awfully well," Leroux said. "The way he is playing right now he had an opportunity (to be medalist) at any tournament."

In addition to the three sophomores, the fourth and fifth spots were still up for grabs with Chris Harder, Jamie Schacht, Justin Burney, Pete Testa and Joey Morefield all in close contention as the week ended.

Following this tourna-

ment, APSU will play host to the second Precept Invitational, Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 9-10, at the Clarksville Country Club.

The women's golf team will get to see almost the entire list of Ohio Valley Conference foes this week.

The two-day, 36-hole event will be played at the Miller Golf Course, with the Lady Govs facing Murray State, Eastern Illinois plus Eastern Kentucky in addition to regional power Arkansas State.

"Our goal is to beat Murray on their home course," APSU coach Mark Leroux said.

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October focuses on domestic abuse

by Tiffanie Cohoon
features editor

October is the month dedicated to abused women and children.

Many programs are available in the area to help the physically abused, including Clarksville's Safe House.

The Safe House was founded in 1989 by the Urban Ministries. In the beginning, the organization was simply helping the homeless until members began to realize many of the women being treated had been abused.

The Safe House is open 24 hours a day and has a 24-hour crisis line as well.

The Safe House serves four counties including Montgomery, Stewart, Houston and Cheatham.

The facility has many services available to help abused women recover successfully. They are offered shelter for 30 days or more.

Volunteers help the women find resources for other housing, legal services and employment. They also provide the visitors with food, clothes and deposit money for housing and bills, if the funds are available.

"These women are completely starting over," says Sandra Torres, program director of the Safe House.

The house also has follow up programs, which invite the women to come back and participate in the support sessions. Women and children are welcome back as many times as they need help.

The location of the shelter is confidential, and officials say they have been lucky enough to have never had a problem with unwanted visitors.

To keep the Safe House truly safe, the shelter asks visitors to sign a confidentiality form.

The extent of the physical abuse these women have endured is sometimes mind

boggling.

There have been occasions where bones were broken or fractured and

some women have had strangulation marks on their throats.

There was one incident where a woman's two fingers were chopped off by a hatchet.

Occasionally, the children of these women have been physically or sexually abused as well.

The Safe House has a spe-

cial child advocate, who has her own programs to help the kids.

"Seeing a woman gain her own empowerment, move on and do well - and many of them do - is very rewarding,"

Torres.

Torres says the organiza-

tion is able to help these abused women and children in part because of support from the Clarksville community.

The organization receives funding from the city of Clarksville, as well as from the United Way and private donations.

Fortunately enough we have kind and patient people who are willing to help whether it be giving a donation or working with the abused women.

"I think myself, and the staff as well, know we learn more from these women than they could ever learn from us," says Torres.

Music student earns scholarship

An Austin Peay State University student has received a \$3,000 award from the Presser Foundation and APSU's department of music.

Allison Celeste Bates is a senior music major at APSU. She is a 1997 graduate of Chattanooga School for the Arts and Sciences.

Bates is a member of the marching band symphonic band, flute choir, wind ensemble and orchestra at APSU.

"The Presser Scholarship places the

department of music at APSU among a group of recognized institutions for the quality of their programs," says Dr. Allen Henderson, chair of APSU's department of music.

The Presser Scholarship is a prestigious honor recognizing excellence in music.

The Presser Foundation chooses universities to award the grants, and the universities select worthy students.

The Presser Foundation was created

by music publisher Theodore Presser.

Its goals are to provide scholarships for promising students of music, to popularize the study and appreciation of music by aiding the promotion of formal music programs.

In addition, it hopes to increase the value of music education by assisting with the acquisition of musical equipment and instruments.

Junior Auxiliary awards APSU students

The Junior Auxiliary of Clarksville has awarded scholarships to two Austin Peay State University students and Clarksville residents.

Ashley Barger is majoring in interdisciplinary studies. She was awarded a \$3,000 scholarship.

Barger is a 2000 graduate of Clarksville High School where she was a member of the National Honor Society, Future teachers of America and the tennis team. She also participated in Girl Scouts for 10 years.

Adam Cross is majoring in computer

science. He was awarded a 1,500 scholarship.

Cross is a 2000 graduate of Montgomery-Central High School where he was a member of the Junior Civitan Club, Interact, Business Professionals of America, the Science Club and the Chess Club.

He also participated in the Salvation Army's Adopt-an-Angel program.

The Junior Auxiliary of Clarksville chapter began in 1994 and was chartered in 1995.

It is a volunteer organization of

women striving to make lasting and growing investments in the youth of Clarksville.

The national slogan "Care Today-Character Tomorrow" encouraged the chapter to initiate a scholarship at APSU.

The Junior Auxiliary of Clarksville Scholarship is awarded to students who have earned a GPA of a least 3.0, volunteered extensively in the community and demonstrated character and financial need.

Quote of the week

"Be excellent to each other and... party on dude" ~ Rufus

Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure

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Students spend holidays in Mexico

Jerome Parchman
guest writer

Austin Peay students have the chance to experience the pagentry of Mexico during the Christmas break.

Students in the past have been able to not only learn the language, but also to see the culture in a way they never could in a classroom in Middle Tennessee.

"I got to learn about a

great culture and see its beautiful country," says Maria Russell, senior foreign language major.

The Christmas break program in Mexico was started five years ago by Dr. Ramon Magrans, professor of languages and literature.

Magrans said he normally takes about 20 students, so he will have a close-knit and organized group.

The students live with a family and share their "adopted" families' experiences.

In addition, the students have the opportunity to travel, talk, laugh and eat meals with their host family.

"It was a life changing experience," says Alicia Archuleta, junior print journalism and Spanish major.

"It made me realize the

differences between cultures and the way people live everyday life."

Magrans says students will attend classes at the Bilingual Multicultural Center, which gained the reputation of being the most attractive Spanish learning center.

The center is designed to meet the student's interest, profession and Spanish pro-

ficiency level.

Students will be in class from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. every weekday.

On the weekends, students can explore the city of Cuernavaca, Mexico.

The students can view the abundance of fruits and Christmas decorations that adorn the streets and houses.

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"It made me realize the differences between cultures and the way people live everyday life."

APSU student presents socially historical art

A senior art exhibit of graphic design works by art student Andy Brininstool will be on display Oct. 2-6 in the Student Gallery, 108 Trahern Building, at Austin Peay State University.

Born in Chattanooga, Brininstool studies graphic design at Austin Peay.

Brininstool says "The Chickamauga Project" began "as a personal expression of the awe and respect I felt growing up next to the Chickamauga Dam."

The project, however, evolved into "a journey of understanding the years of influence the Chickamauga Dam has had on so many people."

"There's good and bad press on hydroelectric power and the damming of a river, but I'm hoping people will view this show with a neutral state of mind," says Brininstool.

The exhibit presents the personal and social effects that the Tennessee Valley Authority's

dams have had on the Tennessee Valley residents and the Chattanooga area in particular.

"I would like the viewers to think about the people the dam has affected and the changes that have occurred over the past 60 years," Brininstool says.

I really enjoyed putting the show together," he says. "It was great working on something I grew up with, incorporating my home with my work here at Austin Peay."

Presented by the APSU department of art and Center of Excellence for the Creative Arts, the exhibit is open and free to the public.

For more information, call 221-7333.

Viewing hours:

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Wednesday: 2-6 p.m.

Thursday: 6-9 p.m.

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Trips to Tenochtitlan and the Pyramids of the Sun and the Moon, the Museum of Anthropology, the Castle of Chapultepec and many other sites are options for students to take.

For fun, students spend three days in Alcapulco, where they can visit an old Spanish port.

The total cost for the program is approximately \$1,695 for four weeks, excluding airfare.

Students will receive six to eight credits toward satisfying the foreign language requirements for a bachelor of arts degree, substituting Spanish 2010 and 2020.

Magrans also said the International Studies Office can grant scholarships for those who participate in the program.

The deadline to turn in the scholarship application is Oct. 13.

If students want information about the trip, they can attend a meeting in Harned Hall, Room 108, the second Wednesday of each month.



WORD SEARCH

Countries With Short Names

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King Cake Recipe

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup warm water
- 2 pkgs. active dry yeast
- 1/2 cup + 1 tsp. sugar
- 4 cups flour, unsifted
- 1 tsp. nutmeg
- 2 tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. lemon zest
- 1/2 cup warm milk
- 5 egg yolks
- 1 stick butter cut into slices and softened + 2 Tbsp. softened butter
- 1 egg slightly beaten with 1 Tbsp. milk
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 1" plastic baby doll

Directions

Pour the warm water into a small bowl and sprinkle yeast and 2 tsp. sugar into it. Allow the yeast and sugar to rest for 3 minutes, then mix thoroughly.

Set bowl in warm place for 10 minutes or until yeast bubbles up and mixture almost doubles in volume.

Combine flour, remaining sugar, nutmeg and salt. Sift into large mixing bowl. Stir in lemon zest.

Separate center of mixture to form a hole and pour in yeast mixture and milk. Add eggs. Using a wooden spoon, slowly combine dry

ingredients into mixture. When smooth, beat in 8 Tbsp. butter, 1 Tbsp at a time, and continue to beat 2 minutes or until dough can be formed into a medium soft ball.

Place ball of dough on lightly floured surface and knead, adding up to 1 cup flour (1 Tbsp at a time) sprinkled over dough. When dough is no longer sticky, knead until shiny and elastic.

Using pastry brush, coat inside of large bowl with 1 Tbsp butter. Place dough ball in bowl and rotate until surface is buttered. Cover bowl with moderately thick kitchen towel and place in draft free spot for about 1.5 hr or until the dough doubles in volume.

Using pastry brush, coat lg. baking sheet with 1 Tbsp. butter and set aside.

Remove dough from bowl and place on lightly floured surface. Using fist, punch dough down with heavy blows. Sprinkle cinnamon over top, pat and shake dough into cylinder. Twist dough to form a curled cylinder and look onto but-

tered baking sheet. Pinch ends together to complete circle. Cover dough with towel and set in draft free spot for 45 minutes until circle of dough doubles in volume.

Preheat oven to 375 degrees.

Brush top and sides with egg wash and back on middle rack of oven for 25-35 minutes until golden brown. Place cake on wire rack to cool.

If desired, at this time, you can "hide" the plastic baby in the cake.

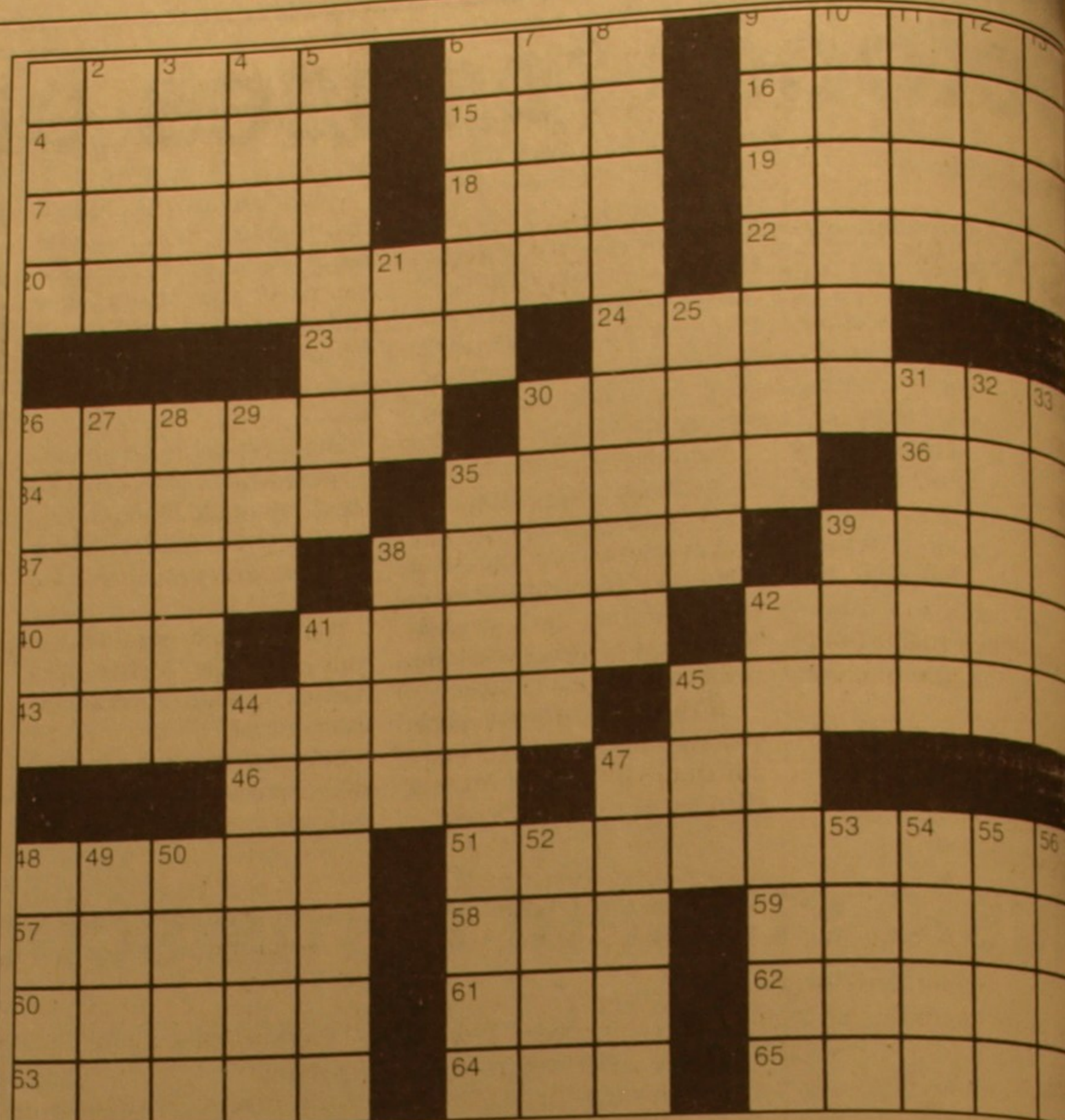
Icing

The cake can then be iced with typical icing made from combining 3 cups confectioners sugar, 1/4 cup lemon juice and 3-6 Tbsp. water (amount of water depends on thickness desired).

Colored sugar (made from combining 12 Tbsp sugar with green, purple and yellow paste) may be sprinkled over the top.

The easy way

Arrange glazed doughnut holes in a wreath on a plate. Sprinkle green, purple and yellow bands of colored sugar over the top.



ACROSS

1. Slain nurse
6. Angry
9. Frills on a shirt
14. Happen
15. Climber
16. Christian love
17. Related to a chimp
18. Prefix
19. Golden times
20. Cathedral
22. Sausage
23. One, two, three, etc.
24. Spruce
26. Type of cigar
30. Designers
34. Pertaining to the third degree
35. Turn the other one!
36. North Chinese dynasty
37. Augury
38. Husband
39. Biting comment
40. ___ Alamos, NM
41. What kind of bird gets the worm
42. Male name meaning spear carrier
43. Dire
45. Relating to the main trunk of the heart
46. Computer's ___ &

bytes

47. Question
48. Bundle of wheat
51. Noggins
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62. Rumors
63. Present is one
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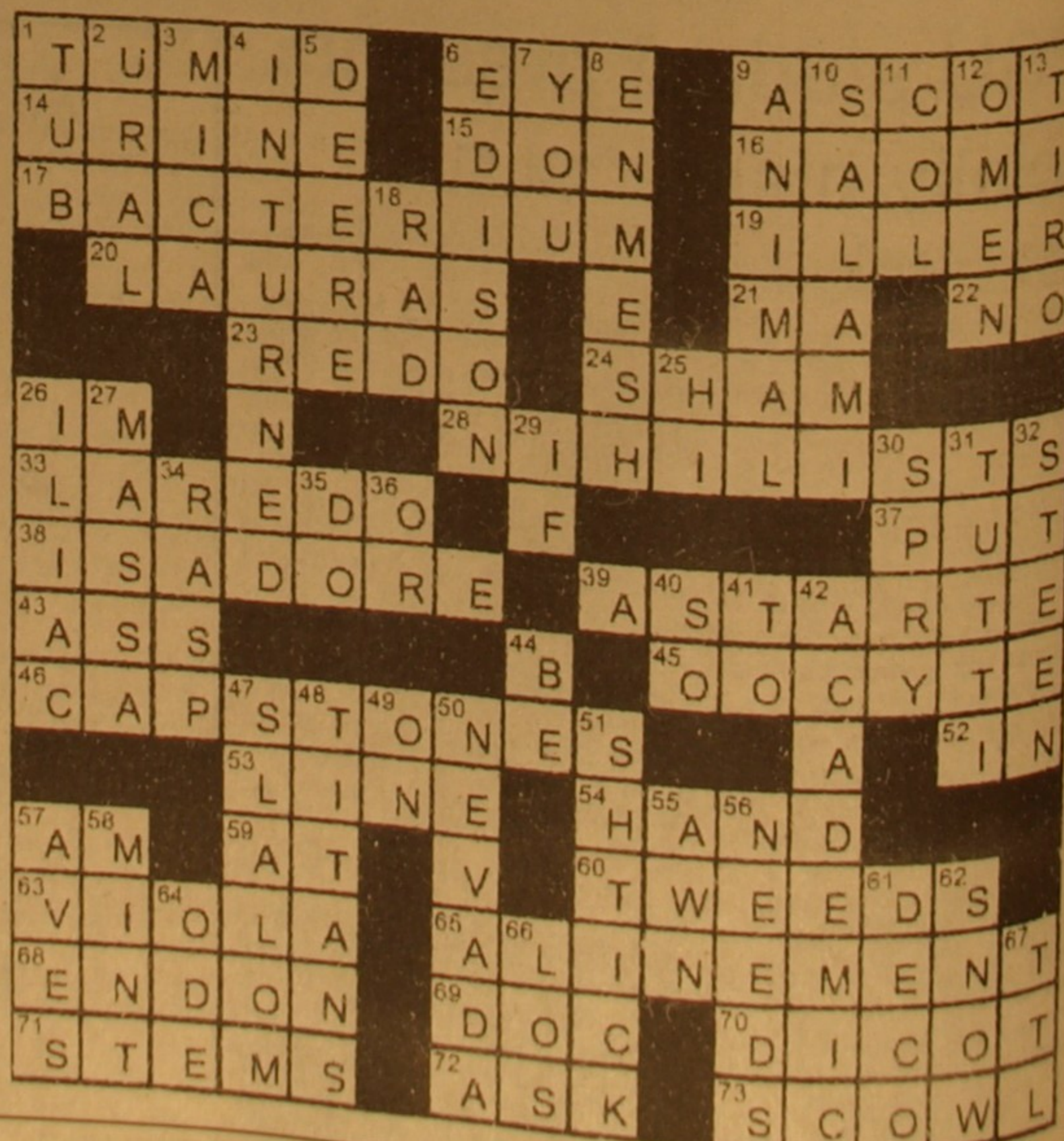
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2. Beige color
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4. Drying oil used in varnishes
5. Fundamental
6. Type of dress
7. Israel: ___ Aviv
8. Montezuma's revenge
9. Cross in the middle of the block
10. A rat
11. The original Roseanne
12. Op of closes
13. Frivolous mood

21. Digit
25. Leered
26. Reprimand
27. A swelling
28. More than hefty
29. Card game
30. Used to express futurity
31. Dark complected
32. ___ firma
33. A prophetess
35. Sparkle
38. A handle
39. Conceal
41. An imposing structure
42. Small gas-powered vehicles
44. Barbed wire barricade
45. Remains of fire
47. Bitter
48. Ella Fitzgerald specialty
49. What some frats do
50. Course in supply and demand
52. Middle Eastern
53. True
54. Stare at
55. No winner
56. Lip

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WEEK'S PUZZLE



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Letters to the Editor

Staff member saddened by drag show protests

I am saddened by the apparent knee-jerk reaction of some students to the proposed drag show component of Homecoming.

Do high schools in this area not have "Daisy and Weeds" football games?

"Daisy and Weeds" football is where interested senior girls divide up into two teams, the Daisies and the Weeds, and are coached by some of the members of the football team.

The teams are coached and trained in real plays and some of the boys dress up as cheerleaders. Yes, that means the boys are "in drag" and no, that does not mean the boys are "gay."

My senior year I was a Daisies cheerleader (meaning I cheered for the Daisies and dressed in a dress, much as the female APSU cheerleaders cheer for our teams.)

I am now married to a wonderful woman and we have two daughters. I can appreciate the male and female form in art and life. I live life to the fullest every day.

Some of my friends are members of the "Drag Queens of Harlem" in New York City; some of them are gay and some are not.

None of this makes me gay.

The clothes I wear do not mean I subscribe to a certain lifestyle.

People are people; some people try to deny this because they are made uncomfortable by people who can accept who they are.

If you cannot accept that other people are capable of making their own choices and living in harmony with themselves and others, YOU are the problem.

Boys dressing in what is traditionally girls' clothing (or men in womens' clothing for that matter) does not mean homosexuality, dreparity or perversity.

To restate what I'm saying in a different way: Listening to Santana does not make you Hispanic, listening to Puff Daddy does not make you black, listening to the Beastie Boys does not make you white and listening to Mozart or going to an opera does not make you rich; I wish listening to Mozart would make me rich.

We go to college to broaden our horizons.

Cross breeding ideas makes us stronger; trying to keep an idea free of outside influences only weakens that idea and ourselves.

Aaron Dobbs
Librarian

Logical argument impresses editor

by Holli K. Froemming
editor in chief

This is one of the best arguments I've heard come from this campus and I thank you for writing.

You take your point and use valid logic and reasoning to prove your point.

I am not going to comment particularly on this issue as to whether I agree with you or not, but I wanted to point out to other students, faculty and staff that when making an argument, this is how it is done.

Aaron Dobbs, in his letter, did not make a single refer-

ence to any religious text.

In a logical argument, you simply can not use the Bible or other holy book because whether you or I believe it's true doesn't mean it is true nor that other people will see it the way you or I do.

In order to attempt to prove that something is true or false, one must use commonly accepted forms of proof.

Most people on this campus know who Santana, Puff Daddy, the Beastie Boys and Mozart are. If they don't, a quick search on the internet will answer those questions.

They are musicians (or claim to be, anyway, depending on your personal taste and judgement of what is/is not music). There is no speculation, that I know of, as to their existence and therefore they are valid examples.

On the other hand, using Mohammed, Jesus, Buddha or any other religious figure that requires faith to believe, are not valid, logically, even if you believe with your whole heart that they are real and true.

I do not mean to drag this on, I was just really excited to see this argument being used.

This is not to demean or discourage the individuals who sent in the following "drag show" responses.

For the most part, their arguments are valid as well; this one above, however, was a prime example of what it takes to win an argument, or at least not sound ridiculous while making it.

I appreciate anyone and everyone who wants to write and have their opinions heard.

Thank you once again to everyone who wrote in this week.

Alumnus encourages students to lighten up about Midnight CROSSing

I find it very interesting that what appears to be a large group of students would attempt to cancel a Homecoming event by way of petition.

In light of the fact that our colleges and universities have traditionally been a hotbed of liberalist thought, I think the "nay-sayers" need to be reminded of the necessity of accommodation.

They (supposedly) have come to a place of higher education to learn.

This learning will take place in many places, not just a lecture hall. In short, they need to lighten up and live a little.

Having travelled extensively, I enjoy the unique perspective of tolerance for all things culturally unique.

The theme of Homecoming is Mardi Gras, not Bible school.

There is no commandment that states "thou shalt not have a female of male impersonation contest, festival or event."

The Bible does say "thou shalt not kill."

Many of these same protesters would no doubt be in favor of abortion, a.k.a. "the pro-choice movement."

The babies do not choose to die. The parent(s) choose to kill them. Now there's a real problem with society.

Loosen up and have some fun. You can spread your slanted perception of what is right somewhere else.

Leave my Alma Mater and

those willing to work (for nothing) to plan Homecoming alone, thank you.

By the way, I am a Christian, love the Lord and Mardi Gras.

The three are not mutually exclusive.

Chuck Rozelle
Alumnus '93, '99.

If you don't like the show, don't go

In response to the article "Drag show draws student protest" in the Sept. 27, 2000 issue of the *All State*, I would like to make the following comments.

I definitely believe the show must be allowed to proceed as planned.

In the spirit of Mardi Gras, it is perfectly acceptable and a tradition, for that matter.

The protesters defend their position by saying that their disagreement has nothing to do with a bias against those of homosexual orientation. But, is that not what the fuss is really all about?

When the term "drag show" is voiced, people immediately associate the phrase with gay men.

This show is not a statement of sexuality, but a contest between both men and women, designed only to be humorous and raise money for the United Way.

I think the idea is an original and rather funny way to promote school spirit and collect funds for charity.

Even if this show was a statement about sexual orientations, it is not our place to judge other people. Even the Bible states that it is not man's job to judge, but God's.

No one is any better or worse than anyone else, but rather, all are equal in the eyes of the law and in the eyes of God.

If you are against the show you should defend your belief to the letter.

Homecoming is not exactly a hallowed event. Why would it be okay to perform a drag-talent show "any other time," but not during Homecoming week?

In addition, protesters would argue that Homecoming should be for everyone and not individual groups.

Consider this: the whole week is based around a single group - the football team.

As long as the show does not violate an individual's constitutional rights, the university rules or a criminal law, there is no reason to stop this peaceful assembly of fun and games.

There really is no controversy about this "drag show." It is merely a form of entertainment.

Will we protest theatre shows and Halloween too?

For those still in disagreement of the performance, there is one obvious solution to the problem: **Don't Go.**

Melissa Tyndall
Freshman
Mass Communication

Student tells paper to give them what they want

The recent controversy sparked by my request for a "Christian's Corner" in this publication has been overwhelming.

The Lord gave me the idea after reading a plea by the

editor in chief in which she requested suggestions from the student body to make the *All State* a more "well rounded" paper.

Well rounded, to me, meant that the paper wanted to include in it information that was beneficial and that pertained to every aspect of our diverse student body. Whether that may be sports, theatre, music or religion.

I was told that the "Christian's Corner" would be a great idea. I was given the go-ahead to interview students and the freedom to include testimonies, inspirational stories and a Scripture of the week.

One week later I received a call letting me know that things had changed, "we just don't think this is news." I knew the Lord's will would be done regardless.

Then I started getting a lot of feedback from students/Christians on campus that would like to join in the effort to be represented in the *All State*.

This was very motivating and, along with the letter from Mike Warren in the Sept. 20 issue, is why I have decided to write again.

The one thing that really bothers me about this whole situation is that we have a school newspaper that says they truly want to represent the student body as a whole and include "well rounded" and informative articles.

And we also have students who would like to assist the paper in their plight by adding to it a column that expresses the thoughts of a significant part of the student body.

Why is the *All State* so set against this? Mat LaVigne, opinion editor, has said that it is because the *All State* is a "news" paper and that religion is not "news." I, for one, strongly disagree with this and believe that it is news. Not only is it news, it's the "good news!"

Sam Donaldson, of ABC news, says (in to my news reporting textbook) there are two types of news: information the public wants to know and information the public ought to know and that it should be blended and delivered in balance to produce good journalism.

I think Sam knows what he's talking about.

Even the Leaf Chronicle devotes a whole section to religion, and all we are asking for is a column. Even if this is not what the *All State* would consider as traditional news, would it hurt the paper to break from tradition and normalcy and include what your readers want to read?

I know this is a student-run paper and everyone is learning. I also know that the first lesson any business, or in this case publication, must learn is keep your customers (readers) happy. Give them what they want, especially if it doesn't cost you anything!

So for you to state that the *All State* will not "waiver" no matter what the students say and that you will "humor" us by asking the students what they think, I think you've lost the point of this publication and are on a power trip.

Christina Wilson

Final response in religious column debate

by Holli K. Froemming
editor in chief

This will be the last response anyone from the *All State* gives on this issue.

I will make this brief as most everything that needs to be said has been said numerous times. The following lists were made by members of the staff to show exactly what is and what is not acceptable for the *All State* regarding religious articles.

Acceptable:

- Articles that feature a religious group on campus, who they are, what they're doing, events they're holding etc.

- Articles that express personal opinion as it relates to a news or political event.

Not acceptable:

- Sermons and/or random salvation/redemption messages.

- Anything where the major support for the argument comes from any religious text.

In addition, for the future, make sure in your quoting that you express the word and the intent in which the words were spoken.

Misusing another persons' words for your personal gain or argument is the same as misquoting, a big "no no" in printing as we saw in last week's issue.

I would like to also point out that the *All State* is not an anti-Christian organization. Many of the students working here are Christians but we also understand there is a certain amount of professionalism that must occur in order to have a valid place on this campus.

Another aspect of professionalism is being willing to not give the readers exactly what they want at all times.

To do so would, at times, be unethical, unrealistic and I would loose all trust in the words of a journalist if they only printed things that the people wanted to hear.

I thank you for writing and close this topic with the following address to all students:

Believe what you will, act on it, be strong in it but also be accommodating, respectful and kind.

Question of the Week

For this week, respond to the following question, "What do you think would make Homecoming more effective? What would it take to encourage more student involvement?"

Send responses by Thursday (no classes Friday) to:

The *All State*
Question of the Week
Box 8334

Be sure to include your full name, signature, classification and major.

Remember, all letters sent (including Letters to the Editor) may be edited for content and space. In addition, we reserve the right not to print any particular letter.

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Have your voice heard

Submit letters to the editor

Please submit letters to
The All State
Letters to the editor
P.O. Box 8334

or drop them by the
State/Capsule Magazine
offices located behind
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Make sure to have your
name, major, signature,
classification and phone
number on all letters sub-
mitted for publication.

If possible, submit let-
ters on disk saved as a
file, rtf or in Micro-
Word.

Letters must be received
the Friday before publi-
cation in order to get printed.

Letters may be edited
for content and space
availability.

Staff says "thank you"

by Holli K. Froemming
editor in chief

We as a staff would like to
thank everyone who con-
tributed to this week's
paper.

Not only did we receive
more cartoons than we
could fit on a page, we also
received some great letters
to the editor.

Please continue to be
part of this production and
submit your work.

If you have a cartoon you
would like to have in the
paper, please submit it to:

The All State
Cartoons
APSU Box 8334

or drop them by the
State/Capsule Magazine
offices located behind
Dunn Center.

We need to receive every-
thing by Thursday, Friday
the very latest in order to
have them printed. Please
draw darkly if you submit
something so it will print
easily and in good quality.

Again, if anyone has any-
thing they would like to see
in the paper, feel free to let
us know and we will do our
best, within reason, to get
that done for you.

Without readers, we have
no publication and we
appreciate the overwhelm-
ing support and response
we have received this past
week.

I would like to take this
opportunity to remind
everyone that this Friday
(Oct. 6) is the last day to re-
gister to vote in Tennessee.

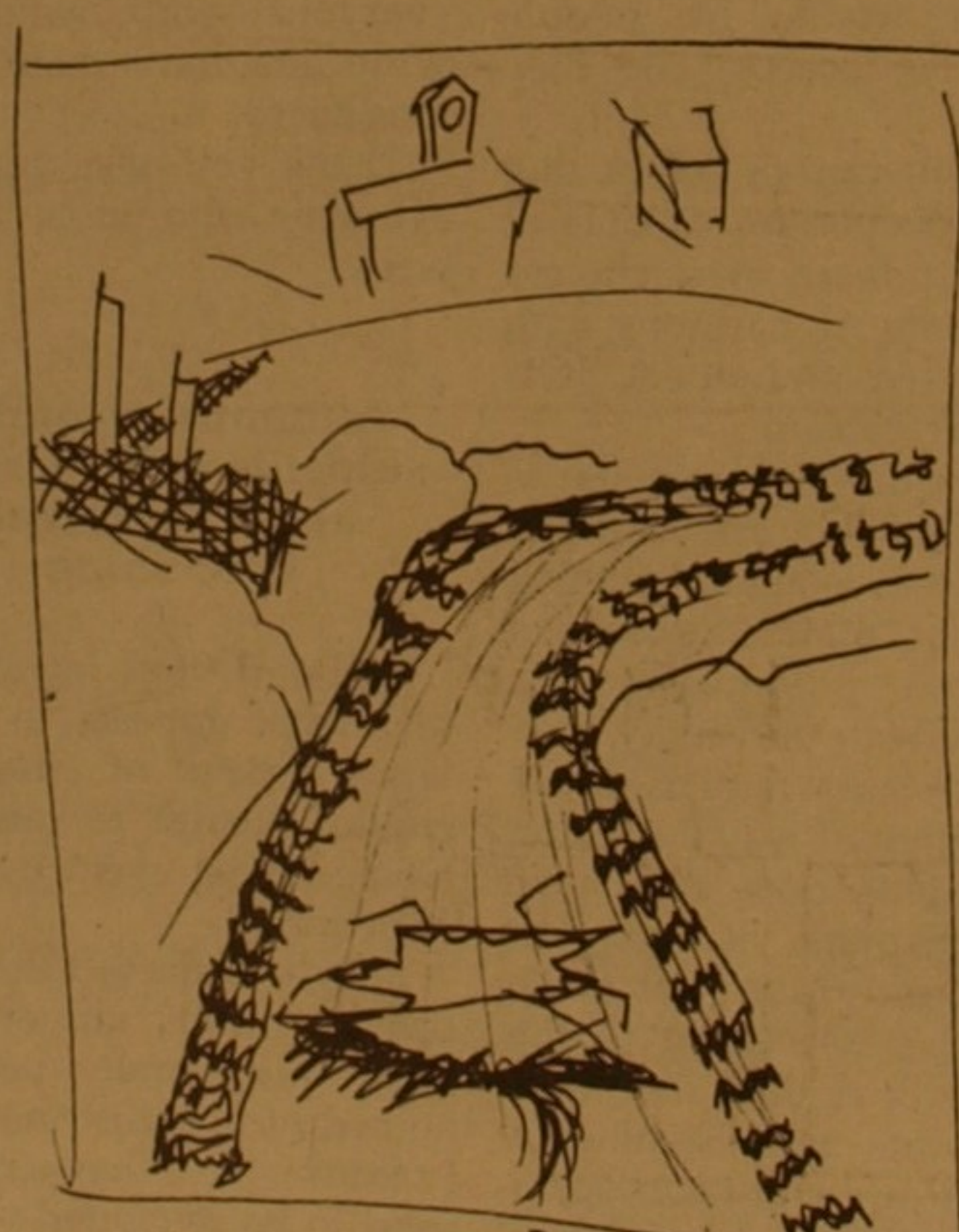
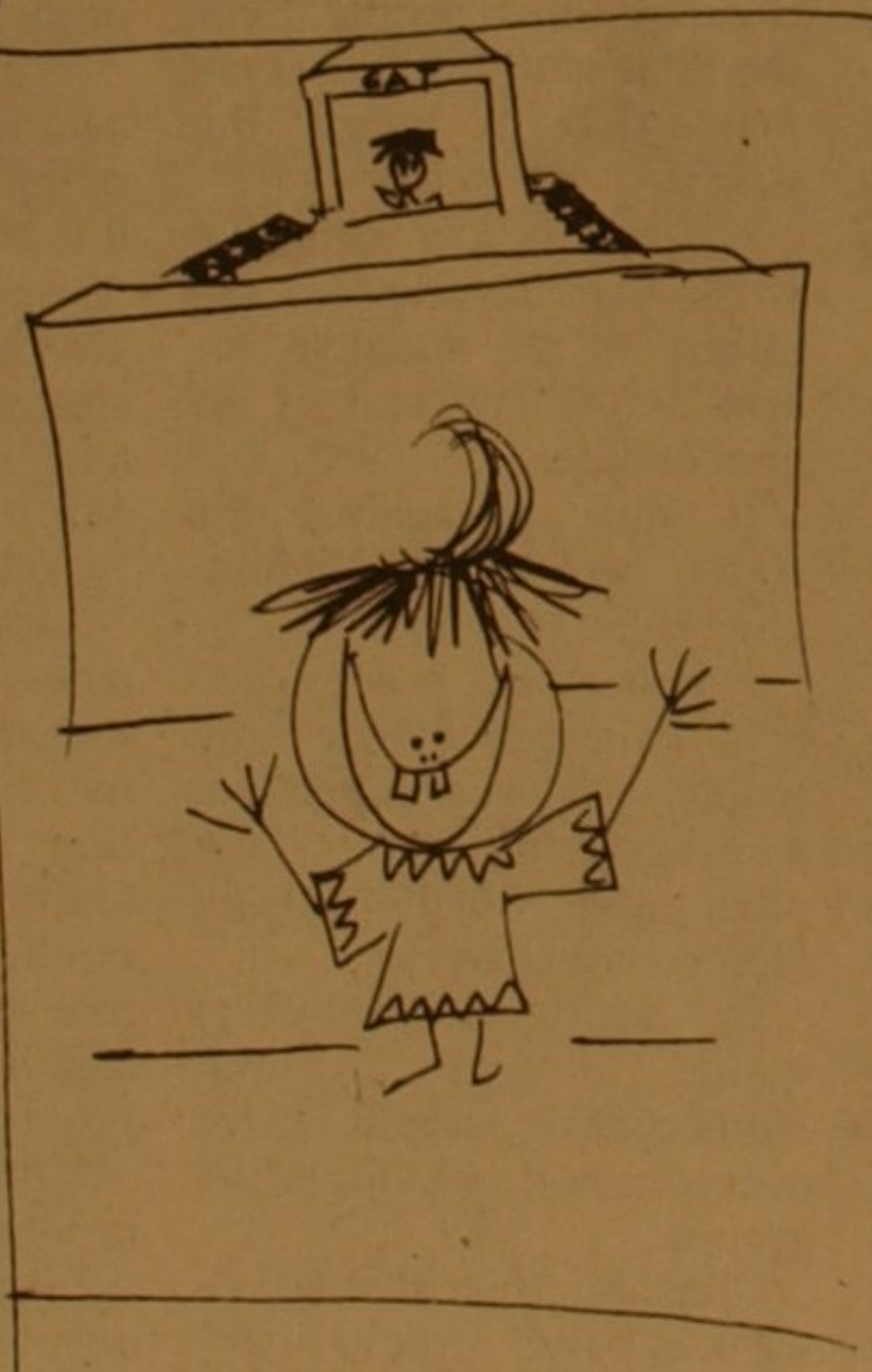
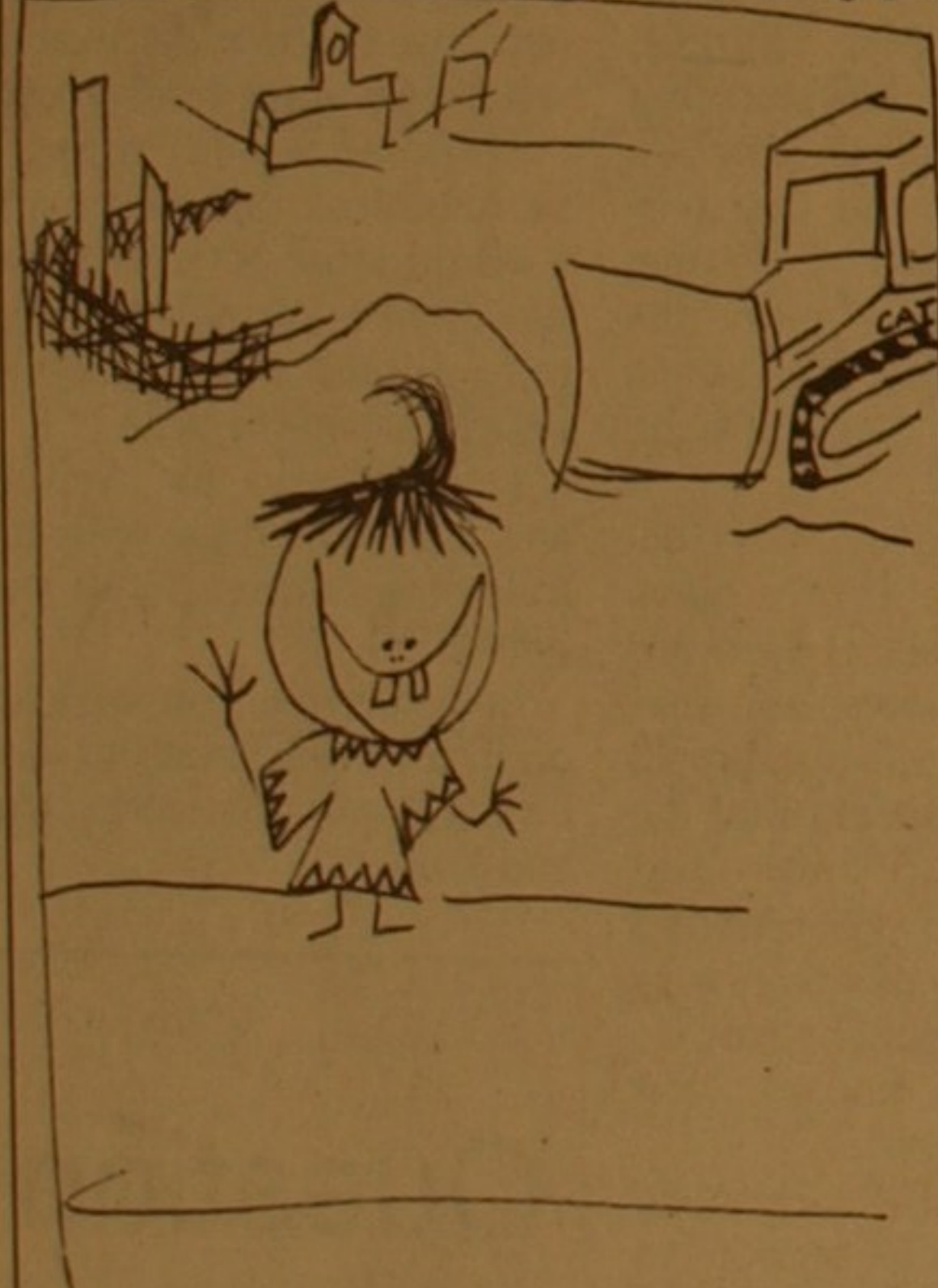
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Election Commission at
your home county.

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paper and that you find it
informative and profession-
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If you would like to work
for the paper, contact us at
221-7376. We still have po-
sitions available and can
always use more help.

Thanks again.

MASSIVE COWLICK CONSUELO!



The hardest thing about being a NINJA are Little things that NOONE EVER TALKS about - FOR EXAMPLE - Last Night I had to be completely still for 2 hours - Easy enough Right? WELL, I had Tacos for LUNCH, and Had to Fart the whole time - Had I farted (EVEN a silent one) MY ENEMY could have detected my presence ~ But I didn't. AND I KILLED THEM!

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