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## Tuition, fees increase this year

By ELIZABETH BRUCE  
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In a recent decision by the Tennessee Board of Regents, tuition and fee costs for college students was increased by six percent.

This decision affects the University of Memphis, all five of TBR's regional universities, including Austin Peay State University, as well as the community colleges and technology centers.

This increased the annual in-state tuition for APSU students by \$230, bringing the cost to \$4,058 from \$3,828.

In addition to the increased tuition, TBR also approved a mandatory fee increase for APSU.

This change increased fees by \$171. APSU

had the second highest fee increase, trailing behind Middle Tennessee State University and the University of Memphis, both with fee increases of \$282.

Some see these increased costs of education as sudden and unexpected, others equate it with other national inflation rates, while some feel that if it goes toward their school and their education, the price is worth it.

"It's bound to happen; minimum wage, gas, everything is going up. As long as it goes back to schools, I have no problem with it," said sophomore Joanne Oliver.

Sophomore Kelley Law agreed, "It should go back to schools. As long as it's not paying TBR's salaries, I'm OK with it."

Students receiving financial aid may find

themselves paying for more of their college education if federal grants and scholarships don't increase to meet the state tuition increase set by TBR.

"We're still going to go to school here, but the V.A. won't recognize [the tuition increase] until it goes nationwide; so I'm going to end up paying more out of pocket," said Jason Scott, freshman.

APSU has a large non-traditional population, both on the main campus and at Fort Campbell.

Many of these students have obligations other than school — full-time jobs and families.

With the higher tuition, some may not be able to take all of the classes they need and

could easily end up putting college off altogether, thus deterring enrollment.

"I don't feel that it's right. A lot of people, if they can't cover it, won't come. Some can't afford it; it will make them drop out; not want to come," said Freshman Monica Haller.

The TBR's tuition and fee increase will be felt by all of the state's students next year.

Enrollment, financial aid, and course loads of Tennessee students will show its cost.

Examples of fees students pay for each year can be seen in a student's account summary on AP self serve.

These fees included in a account would be SGA, sustainable campus, MC technology access fee and the general access fee. For more information contact the business office. ♦

### TUITION



"That's bad because it is already expensive. The more we have to dish out, the more we have to give back." - Quiyana Thomas, political science, freshman.

"University and college should be non-profit organizations and should be tool to train students for life so they can give back to the economy." - Jonah Miller, marketing and advertisement.

"I don't like getting it increased. I saw the new signs; did my money go to that?"  
- Darius Bennett, english, freshman.

"Considering that I paid for it myself, it is a lot more. It sucks." - Lauren Duarte, corporate communications, sophomore.

"It sucks. Cheaper is better. Financial increases are unacceptable." - Lucas Ross, history, freshman.

## Banner knocks out APWeb, new "go-to" site

By MARC WALLS  
*Guest Writer*

This fall, Austin Peay State University was one of nine Tennessee Board of Regents (TBR) institutions to introduce the new Banner student system.

The system is designed to allow TBR to create a unified digital campus as part of its efforts to ease the exchange of information within schools.

"TBR is placing great emphasis on improving retention rates. By standardizing all the institutions on Banner, we will be able to more easily identify issues and help improve student success," said TBR Chancellor Charles Manning, through a press release on the SunGard Web site, that (<http://www.sungardhe.com>)

The Banner system is a product of SunGard

Higher Education, a division of SunGard; a company with an annual revenue of over \$4 billion dollars.

It is the world's most widely used collegiate administrative suite of student, financial aid, finance, human resources and advancement systems.

Banner — used by students as the Self Service program to register for classes, apply for admission and accept financial aid awards — replaced the APWeb program this fall.

Students and faculty had been using for many years.

The new system and its implementation has not been without its share of bugs.

"I personally don't care for the new system so far," said Ashley Jalinsky, history major. "I tried to

add a class and each time it dropped another one of my classes."

"Everyone was very nice and helpful, but it was a whole lot of running around campus and trying to catch professors when they were available," she said.

"Most problems we have encountered with Banner have been able to be fixed easily while few have taken some investigating," said Telaina Wrigley, registrar.

"I believe the biggest adjustment for students has been getting used to new terminology," said Wrigley.

The changes with Self Service have included replacing student's social security numbers with the new student ID designed as a method of identification, as well as getting used to the

alternate pin rather than the run number and having to enter it every time a student chooses to make changes to their schedule.

A popular feature of APWeb — the degree audit — is now named the degree evaluation.

"I liked APWeb and its simplicity, so I didn't like the switch at first," said Leslie Cline, freshman, education major.

"But I've gotten used to [Self Service], and I like how I can manage everything from one spot," Cline said.

"I do believe AP Self Service is much more user friendly and has a much better appearance than our APWeb for students had," Wrigley said.

"It is amazing how easily students adapt to change," she said. ♦

## New research gear for Physics

By TANYA LUDLOW  
*Assistant News Editor*

The Physics Department announced that it has been awarded a \$176,177 grant from the National Science Foundation. Alex King, professor of astronomy and physics, said that this grant will have a major impact on the research for both students and faculty at Austin Peay State University.

King said that the grant money will be used to fund high performance computer clusters.

"The basic idea with large computer clusters is that you can model very complicated structure systems on them, especially tensegrity structures," King said.

Tensegrity structures refer to the integrity of structures held together by tension and compression. Protein is an example of a tensegrity structure. Properly modeling complex systems on the average desk top would take "days or months," King said.

In contrast, a computer cluster is able to run individual parts of the system at the same time which "speeds up computation considerably," King said. King also says that the computer cluster will allow valuable research to be conducted in the field of additional variable star searches.

Computer clusters can be used to locate previously unrecorded variable stars, or stars that vary in brightness. This information can be added to the databases of these stars and lead to insights on the structure of the galaxy.

This grant complements a physics department which currently has the most undergraduate majors of any physics program in a Tennessee school.

Although King points out that there are bigger departments in other schools in terms of graduate students and faculty, APSU is unique in its emphasis on undergraduate involvement.

"We spend a lot of time with our undergraduates," King said. King also pointed out that the department has grown in the past two years and the addition of two new faculty members was a major factor in winning the NSF grant.

"At heart, this is a research equipment grant. Up until last year our department was not big enough to justify this type of grant," King said.

Additionally, the computer cluster will enable more research in the new Governor's School in Computational Physics at APSU. "Not a lot of physics departments have a push in computational physics like we do here," King said.

APSU students are also excited about the opportunity to use the computer cluster. Chase Cox, 21, a physics major said, "With Austin Peay hosting the governor's school in computational physics, it's a great step to have an up to date cluster. And it will help having a computational cluster on campus to help professors with research. It will provide more research possibilities for undergraduate students on campus."

Cox also said that previously, students had to go to different universities to do research, but with the computer cluster at APSU they won't have to leave campus.

Matthew Mitchell, a junior physics major said, "I think it's really important that we do research as undergraduates, and I think it will give more students opportunities." ♦

## Winkler vying for custody

HUNTINGDON, Tenn. (AP) — Mary Winkler is seeking the immediate return of her three daughters, or at least frequent visitation with them, according to an emergency motion filed on her behalf Sept. 10.

The motion in Carroll County Chancery Court in Huntingdon says Winkler's continued separation from the girls ages 2, 8 and 10 is "unconscionable and detrimental" to them. It says she has not had parenting time with the children in a year.

"Mother would show that she does not represent a threat of substantial harm to the children and therefore they should be returned to her immediately in order to serve their best interest," says the motion filed by Winkler's attorneys, Kay Farese Turner and Rachel Putnam of Memphis.

"In the alternative, mother respectfully requests that she be granted substantial visitation with the three minor children immediately with such visitation occurring on a regular and frequent basis," the document states.

Winkler's former in-laws are seeking to terminate her parental rights and adopt the girls.

Dan and Diane Winkler have also filed a motion in Carroll County Circuit Court trying to stop Mary Winkler from appearing on "The Oprah Winfrey Show" Wednesday. She is scheduled to talk on the show about fatally shooting her husband, Matthew Winkler, who was a Church of Christ preacher in the small town of Selmer.

She shot Matthew Winkler in the back with a shotgun in their home on March 22, 2006, after enduring what she described as an abusive marriage.

May Winkler, 33, was convicted of voluntary manslaughter, but served only five months in jail, followed by two months in a mental health treatment facility.

The Winklers state in their motion that they "do not believe it is proper to try this case in the press" and that the publicity would harm the children.

"It is in the best interest of the children to live normal lives," their motion states. ♦

### Perspectives

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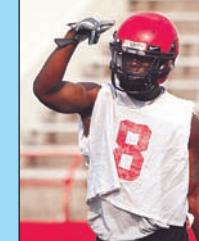
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### FYI

♦ Homecoming week festivities begin Sept. 17. Visit [www.apsu.edu/homecoming](http://www.apsu.edu/homecoming) to learn more.

# SGA Senate starts semester



Above: Chris Drew, SGA secretary, works at his desk in the SGA office in Morgan University Center Room 214.  
Left: Bryan Huffman, SGA president, speaks during the senate meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 5 in UC room 305. Both Huffman and Drew were elected last semester. Huffman previously served as SGA vice president and Drew served as a freshman senator.

Senate begins with outreach, reform, homecoming

By TINEA PAYNE  
News Writer

With the turn of a new semester, the Student Government Association discussed plans last Wednesday to make SGA more visible to the campus community.

## Forming the Senate and Tribunal

SGA will hold elections for senate and student tribunal committees.

The deadline for student tribunal applications was Sept. 11.

Senate applicants have until Sept. 14 to submit applications.

According to the SGA Web site, senate campaigns will begin Sept. 20, and online polls will be open from Sept. 24 to 26.

R.J. Gossett, vice president of SGA, said too few spots were filled in the senate last year and desired to see SGA encourage more students to apply.

## SGA to reach out to students

Plans were mentioned during last Wednesday's meeting to strengthen the connection between SGA and the student body.

Gossett, referring to SGA student feedback, said that students did not find SGA "visible enough".

A Tailgate Alley was mentioned in reference to student feedback, as an initiative to get more senators to spread the word about SGA.

Bryan Huffman, SGA president, said he wanted to look into hosting more tangible events such as guest speakers, and also wanted to make SGA more open to outside ideas.

## Homecoming Court in Voting

Applications for homecoming court have been submitted.

A formulating committee, comprised of alumni, staff and students, met Sept. 5 to discuss selection of homecoming votes for the nine homecoming delegates.

Voting began Sept. 10 and ends Sept. 12, according to the SGA Web site. The outcome of student votes will be announced at the Sept. 22 homecoming game.

## Campus transit proposal

SGA presented a new approach to reaching out to the campus. Huffman said he spoke with Clarksville Transit Service to set up a trolley system to ease campus transportation.

The proposal includes unlimited

transportation for Austin Peay State University students from campus to Fort Campbell, and an estimated \$5 to \$10 increase in student fees.

The trolley will run between the hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Huffman said he wants to work out a way for APSU students to swipe their student IDs to verify active enrollment at APSU.

The proposed transportation fee would be excluded from the existing SGA fee.

The proposal will go through a referendum for students to vote, then to the Tennessee Board of Regents by spring. ♦

## Good Morning APSU

### Your Community

#### Mark Jarman poetry reading

Mark Jarman, the award-winning poet will be at APSU Sept. 12. The reading will be held in the Kimbrough building's Gentry Auditorium at 8 p.m. A book signing will follow the reading.

#### ROTC Raider Challenge

APSU's ROTC will be hosting the annual Raider Challenge. The event will happen Sept. 29, and will last from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event will include JROTC programs from Montgomery County and across the southeast, including schools from Mississippi, Alabama, and Illinois. For more information contact Lt. Col. Ligo for more information at (931)221-6155.

#### Mat Kearney at homecoming

Musician Mat Kearney will be playing at the Memorial Health building Sept. 20 at 8 p.m. Tickets are free to students and are available with ID at the infodesk.

#### SOARE meeting

SOARE will have a meeting Sept. 13 at 4 p.m. in the UC Room 310. All students are welcome to attend.

#### Second Friday Football Frenzy

A football pep rally will take place Sept. 14, at noon in the UC plaza in anticipation of the TSU game. Come learn cheers from the pom and dance teams, and enjoy more free T-shirts and snacks. A DJ will provide music.

#### Lady Govs team manager

The LadyGovs basketball team is looking for a new team manager. For more information about the position, contact Coach Payne at 221-7988 or e-mail paynem@apsu.edu.

#### Constitution Day

Come celebrate the U.S. Constitution Sept. 17 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the UC lobby.

#### Homecoming Parade

The homecoming parade will come through campus Sept. 22 at 4:30 p.m. Come show your Peay pride.

#### Spirit contest

Show-off your Peay spirit from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 18 at the IM field/ Red Barn.

#### 80s dance party

Show off your 80s clothing at the 80s dance party Sept. 13 in the UC Ballrom. The event begins at 7 p.m. and will end at 11 p.m.



#### Monday, Sept. 17

##### Banner Contest

Students, organizations, faculty and staff decorate Homecoming-themed banners to be displayed in designated areas during the week. Prizes will be awarded, and banners will be displayed in the Morgan University Center. Contact Student Life and Leadership, (931) 221-7431.

##### Step-Off and Court Announcement

MUC Plaza, Noon  
Enjoy the traditional Greek step-off and stay for the 2007 Homecoming Court announcement. Contact Student Life and Leadership, (931) 221-7431.

#### Tuesday, Sept. 18

##### Spirit Contest

IM Field (rain location Memorial Health Gym)  
Sponsored by Interfraternity Council/Panhellenic Council

#### Wednesday, Sept. 19

##### Chili Cook-Off

MUC Plaza, sponsored by Staff Council  
11:30 a.m.

#### APSU Apollo (student talent show)

Clement Auditorium, 7 p.m.  
APSU students amaze the audience with their talent. Prizes will be awarded for first-, second- and third-place acts. Contact Student Life and Leadership, (931) 221-7431.

#### Thursday, Sept. 20

##### Concert featuring Mat Kearney

Memorial Health Gym (Red Barn), 8 p.m.  
Check out [www.apsu.edu/sll](http://www.apsu.edu/sll) for artist updates and ticket information.

#### Friday, Sept. 21

##### Legacies of Greatness Scholarship Banquet

MUC Ballroom, 6 p.m.  
Dinner to raise funds for the Dr. Jennifer Menigall Scholarship. Open to the public. Sponsored by National Pan-hellenic Council. See [www.apsu.edu/sll/NPHC.htm](http://www.apsu.edu/sll/NPHC.htm) for ticket information and updates.

#### Saturday, Sept. 22

##### Homecoming Parade

Through the center of campus (Browning Drive and Drane St.) 4 p.m., free. Open to the public. Floats will be on display in parking lot outside Governors Stadium after the parade and throughout the game.

#### Pep Rally

Foy Fitness and Recreation Center Parking Lot, 4:30 p.m.  
Join the APSU Band, cheerleaders and pom squad to cheer on the Governors football team! Activities include presentation of the eighth annual APSU National Alumni Association Wyatt Award to the student organization showing the most spirit throughout Homecoming. Contact Student Life and Leadership, (931) 221-7431.

#### Homecoming Tailgate Party

Governors Stadium West side parking lot, 4-6 p.m.  
Open to the public; \$6 per person, desserts \$1 per person; APSU students free. Sponsored by Governors Club. Contact Alumni and Annual Giving, (931) 221-7979.

#### Homecoming Game

Governors Stadium, 6 p.m.  
Open to the public. Homecoming Court, King and Queen announcement at halftime. For admission prices, contact the Athletics Ticket Office, (931) 221-7761.

#### Homecoming Step Show

Memorial Health Gym, 9 p.m.  
Tickets on sale at the Information Desk in the Morgan University Center, \$13 in advance, \$16 day of show. Sponsored by the National Pan-hellenic Council. For tickets and/or more information, go to [www.apsu.edu/sll/NPHC.htm](http://www.apsu.edu/sll/NPHC.htm).

For the full calendar of Homecoming activities, including student-oriented events, please go to [www.apsu.edu](http://www.apsu.edu).

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# Perspectives

## OUR TAKE

### We the people of The All State...

In Order to better understand our Union's foundational document, have Discussed what the Constitution means to Us. Sept. 17 marks the celebration of Constitution Day. Given the impact the living document plays (or doesn't play) in our daily lives, *The All State* has decided to come together and discuss its meaning.

Other than being an organizational tool that delegates powers and responsibilities to three government branches, the document includes provisions written explicitly for individual rights. These provisions are included in what is known as the Bill of Rights. The first 10 amendments establish what rights and liberties are entitled to each individual and places boundaries on the government's role in citizens' affairs.

These written words mean different things to different people. And at times, certain provisions within the Constitution seem contradictory to

others. But nearly all individuals tend to emphasize certain rights that most apply to them. Given the influence of *The All State* being members of the press, we have given much focus to the First Amendment. It's within this provision that the phrases "freedom of speech" and "freedom of the press" can be found.

These phrases seem to have the most significance to us. We view these phrases as our contract of the media's role in a functioning democracy. Through these words we take on the responsibility to keep the public informed and hold government accountable.

Wherever the meaning of the Constitution takes you, the common thread binding us all together is that we're all people living in a land that calls this document the law. What does the Constitution mean to you? Below are some of the responses our editorial staff had to offer:

#### What does the Constitution mean to you?

"The Constitution is our contract with the government. It is the thing that has been set up to hold back the inherent autocracy of government. But it is a piece of paper, and can do nothing. It requires us, the people, to ensure that it is respected."

"Freedom of Speech. Those three words are really what the constitution means to me. Without those words I would not have a future job in journalism and the U.S. would be bland. While people can take free speech to its limits I believe you have to take the good with the bad. I would rather have a few ignorant people saying what they thought than not being able to express my opinion at all."

"The constitution is a security blanket that I wrap myself in. Without it, we — journalists — would be unable to keep the public informed."



Kyle Nelson



Stephanie Coward

### Beware of them Fred-heads

I like Fred Dalton Thompson. No, I really do. Despite my early Yankee (as in New England and not that overrated team from the Bronx) upbringing, part of me truly buys into the whole good ole' boy Fred image. While I may not get all tingly over photos of Fred campaigning across Tennessee in the mid-1990s in his red pick-up truck, something about that appeals to me. Probably, for the same reason that I like those "baseball, apple pie and Chevrolet television ads," geez, who can be against those very "American"

items? And who can be against a good ole' country boy who made it to the big time in Hollywood but who never forgot his modest, southern, Alabama and Tennessee upbringing? Well, a number of folks, but I'll get to that in a moment. I'm still savoring the warm and fuzzy (though, again, not tingly) feelings Fred and his truck give me. My grandfather, another self-made guy of imposing physical stature, also drove a red pick-up truck, though he had a collie dog named Dusty who tagged along in the front seat. And while I always suspected good ole' granddad saved the choicest cuts of meat for Dusty and not his grandkids at family picnics I never held it against him. At least, not too much.

Maybe I like Fred because he, like another more famous actor-turned politician, Ronald Reagan, consciously makes an effort to have us feel good about ourselves, our country and our collective future. Back in the early 1980s when Jimmy "Jiminy Cricket" Carter fretted about the future and, like any self-appointed conscious of a nation, made us feel kind of sad. Whereas Carter told us we suffered from a "malaise" Reagan spoke glowingly about a sunny "Morning in America" future. While Carter was and remains noble, a moral icon whom we look up to, Reagan cleared trees, joked about getting shot, wore pajamas until mid-day, rode horses and stood tall in the saddle, on screen and off. We knew Carter was probably right about us not being worthy but we liked having Reagan around more. Fred, better known to some as District Attorney Arthur Branch of television's "Law & Order" fame, of course, knows the Reagan appeal. In fact, in many of his speeches while he was testing the political waters for a possible presidential bid, he invoked Reagan's name and legacy so often you'd swear Fred was channeling Ronnie. It's understandable though, Republicans running for office conjure up Reagan, Democrats make sure they mention Jack Kennedy. Would you prefer the former praise Nixon, the latter gush about LBJ and Vietnam?

Charisma. To paraphrase the U.S. Supreme Court, in speaking about pornography, it's tough to define but we know it when we see it. Fred has charisma. Not convinced? Just ask any self-respecting "Fred head," they'll tell you. He certainly has a folksy charm about him and despite (in spite?) of his University of Memphis undergraduate training and his Vandy Law School polish, he sounds as one supporter confided to me, "just like you and me." Well, probably not so much me despite my rather enthusiastic but half-baked efforts at mimicking a southern Clinton-style (I did not have sex with that gal) drawl. But, I get the point. When I listen to Fred read lines not intended for D.A. Branch but for presidential hopeful Thompson, I still mostly hear yet another GOP contender talk a lot about military pride, family values, the good in all of us plain folk and

Reagan, of course, Reagan. It's a message that does resonate with many Americans, and not just those in red states that pine for the second coming of the "Gipper."

Is former U.S. Senator from Tennessee Thompson (1994-2003) then, just a 6'6" version of President Bush? Well, he seems likable, down-to-earth, sounds like you, is a so-called "conservative populist" (so was Teddy Roosevelt) who is bullish on U.S. military presence in Iraq, opposes Roe v. Wade, is for a ban on human cloning, supports school vouchers, supports the repeal of speed limits, appears skeptical of global warming, is pro drilling in Alaskan National Wildlife Refuge and backs legislation allowing concealed weapons. Not as overtly religious, Fred is a Protestant, and with few notable exceptions like Jimmy Carter and Billy Clinton (Baptists) the majority of our presidents have been Protestant.

Fred is divorced and re-married now to wife Jeri, who is some 30 years younger than he, and while he has five grandchildren, Fred and Jeri have a 4-year-old daughter together. Reagan, the well-known family man, certainly made presidential waters safe for divorced folks (Nancy was number two wife) and if Larry King can have a child with a wife 36 years younger (beats Fred by at least five years) why can't Fred? No, neither of these personal facts will probably bother Fred's campaign bid.

What about grandpa Fred's age? When he failed to show at a Republican presidential debate that went deep into the night, John McCain (another GOP presidential hopeful) quipped that maybe they were all up past Fred's bedtime. The reality? Fred is 65. John McCain is 71. Fred even showed his coolness factor by announcing his bid on "The Tonight Show" with Jay Leno. For the record, he did not play the sax, state his boxers or briefs preference nor did he show photos of himself in an LL Bean duck-hunting outfit (Kids, go ask your parents if you are currently confused).

What then, are Fred's most daunting obstacles to the White House? Timing, money, the war in Iraq and George W. Bush. Fred is a self-styled conservative populist who by coming relatively late into the race faces an uphill battle to convince party loyalists that he not Giuliani, Romney, Huckabee or McCain is most electable in November of 2008. He also is far behind in the chase for the almighty campaign dollar, though with his Hollywood appeal and wealthy backers he could close that gap in a hurry. Depending on how voters feel about the continuing war in Iraq and the success or failure of the recent "surge" strategy come 2008, Fred might just end up being the Republican apologist for a lot of messy items in the Bush cupboard which could cost him the Oval Office. Finally, if voters perceive him to be truly just another (taller and older) version of Dubya, he could also find himself in an electoral squeeze by a majority of voters looking for a new direction.

Fred hasn't exactly earned the nickname "Mr. Green" for his environmental activism over the years which could also turn off younger voters. The verdict? Fred Dalton Thompson has developed and honed a populist political schtick that will play very well, especially in the South, West (not crazy California) and the lower Midwest. He has already vaulted into second place on the GOP side behind Giuliani, who the "real republicans" still don't fully trust. Rudy, a former Manhattan D.A., has said that Fred is a "really good man," who plays Rudy really well on TV. President "Fred-Head"? Maybe. Stay tuned. Either way I'm digging the visual of Fred (6'6") Thompson debating Hillary (5'4"). Fred, watch your ankles, I hear Hillary can be a real pit-bull. ♦

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So what is it that you meant when you wrote "We the People" in the Constitution?



Oh, I was referring to a representative style government that's ruled by white privileged people who have penises.



And what about "all men are created equal?"



Yep, you better read that literally.



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Inconsistencies of protections have many factors, but one undeniable influence is human interpretation. Making meaning out of the Constitution depends on the person who is making that meaning. Differences should be expected because anytime human judgment is involved, unbiased opinion is not possible. Influences such as culture, interests and agenda affect interpretations of the Constitution.

And just because the Supreme Court's interpretation happens to be the official one, it does not mean it is the right one. Mistakes happen. See: *Plessy v. Ferguson*. This decision ruled the infamous "separate, but equal" doctrine that was later corrected by *Brown v. Board of Education*. But the beauty of the Constitution lies in the people's ability to correct its mistakes. With time and reflection, people are able to recognize the living document's errors and work to reform it. *Plessy v. Ferguson* is now known as one of the biggest blunders of U.S. Supreme Court rulings. It's remembered more for its historical significance rather than its legal precedent.

The Constitution is in no way a perfect document. Mistakes have been made, but some have been corrected. And that is what makes the document ideal. The meanings defining the Constitution are able to adjust and adapt with time. People must accept its limitations and appreciate the room for changing it. ♦

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# 'Unofficial' official sources murder media

## Official sources create bias

Some of the more interesting speakers at the "Socialism 2007" conference were notable independent media leaders.

They were there to let people know that sometimes, dissent does happen and occasionally media tells government to sit down. As media researcher Edward S. Herman said, "the mass media are no monolith."

Amy Goodman, host of a news show called "Democracy Now!" was present at the conference.

Goodman gave a speech on the role of media and what that role should be in a healthy democracy.

In addition, more long-standing names were on the roster. Names like John Pilger, who's an accomplished, award-winning journalist and documentarian for almost 50 years.

Pilger spoke about the use of official sources by journalists. He had an

interesting take on official sources: "Never believe anything until it's officially denied." Pilger's stance on official sources seems so obvious, but why? Our media should practice skepticism and vigilance and be wary of those who hold power. The immediate question to follow would be, "What qualifies as an official source?"

Media researcher and avid mainstream media critic, Robert McChesney, explains about these official sources: "Reporters report what people in power say and what they debate. This tends to give the news an establishment bias. When a journalist

reports what official sources are saying, or debating, she is professional. When she steps outside this range of official debate to provide alternative perspectives or to raise issues those in power prefer not to discuss, she is no longer being professional."

Official sources, according to Pilger, have become "the only sources characteristic of professional journalism." Pilger mentioned that stories — which were favorable to the Iraqi occupation — have been planted by MI6 operatives during the Iraq War. Because such stories have been allowed to circulate, it has been much easier for propaganda artists to further the agenda of mainstream media outlets. Pilger even cited the BBC as being an active party to the ruin, calling the war in Iraq a "miscalculation" instead of communicating that it was a failure. We have indeed become a society stigmatized by our reliance upon official sources.

## Sources gain control of media

From Fox News to CNN, no report is complete without the final word from some high-ranking official or holder of some political office or someone like the president of a university, perhaps.

Goodman provides plentiful examples in her latest book, "Static: Government Liars, Media Cheerleaders and the People Who Fight Back."

Official sources have come from the government itself. As Goodman stated, \$1.6 billion was spent on fake news reports, public relations pieces, advertising campaigns and the like between 2003 and 2005 (this from an estimate by the Government Accountability Office). All of this empowers what Goodman calls a "systematic campaign of covert propaganda."

One group, contracted by the Pentagon to produce pro-American pieces in Iraq called The

Lincoln Group, began a media/PR blitzkrieg of false newspaper reports and general influence on the Iraqi people by persuading Sunnis to take part in elections and resist the insurgency.

There are legal ways for the Bush administration to spread its influence through propaganda. Voice of America is a great way for us to export "the truth" to foreign countries — 'Merica fried y'all.

But this administration is not concerned with what's legal. Of that much, the public should be aware. Even though stories are no longer being planted, the executive branch has maintained its own means of control. Take, for example, the fact that fake journalists are being allowed into the White House.

Jeff Gannon is one that we can call out. His real name is James Guckert, and his side projects include being a male escort and gay porn Web master, according to Goodman. His day job was posing as a journalist in the White House and pitching easy questions to Bush.

When *The New York Times* columnists such as Maureen Dowd and life-long journalism veterans like Helen Thomas can't receive access to their official sources like the president, what good are even these so-called official sources to the media? It's not tough to figure out why the White House favors GOP pundits like Gluckert. While America likes to pride itself on being a model citizen in a plethora of governments across the world, there is undoubtedly a possibility that we are losing our damn minds and the free press along with them.

## Reporting becomes routine

There is another aspect to the double-edged sword of official sourcing. Outlets of corporate media are trusting those in power as a routine of the job, and as well the public trusts these official

sources, heard through the latest TV or radio reports. Many people have a news source that is considered their official source, while those official sources we use (like Fox or CNN) go to their own official sources like Bush.

As Goodman suggests, mainstream media is an "echo chamber" for those who hold powerful positions. The effect is that in presenting a story, the public is duped into taking half the story, if we can even trust the half we're given.

Essentially, media sources are handing off the microphone to their official sources letting them control the news.

Hellish visions of Terry Gilliam's Orwellian Ministry of Information from the film "Brazil" inspire thoughts of a press that's merely an extension of government.

But it's a battle that the public can win. How? Because the public controls the media and it's time to remind democracy that the people have "got its back." It's still a possibility to have a media that doesn't cater to and eat from the hands of government and other power centers.

Something is demanded of us as citizens in this volatile information atmosphere. It's necessary we decry the official line of the day, read with a slanted eye and listen with a perked ear. It is imperative that we ask the critical questions and remain skeptical to the point that even the most unreasonable media consumer cannot argue with what they are being presented with.

"Nevermind what's been selling, it's what you're buying." These lyrics were sung by Ian MacKaye of the band Fugazi. It seems an adequate thought to ponder in an age where propaganda can still win. Let's change that now.

Or still, the news cycle will spin. ♦

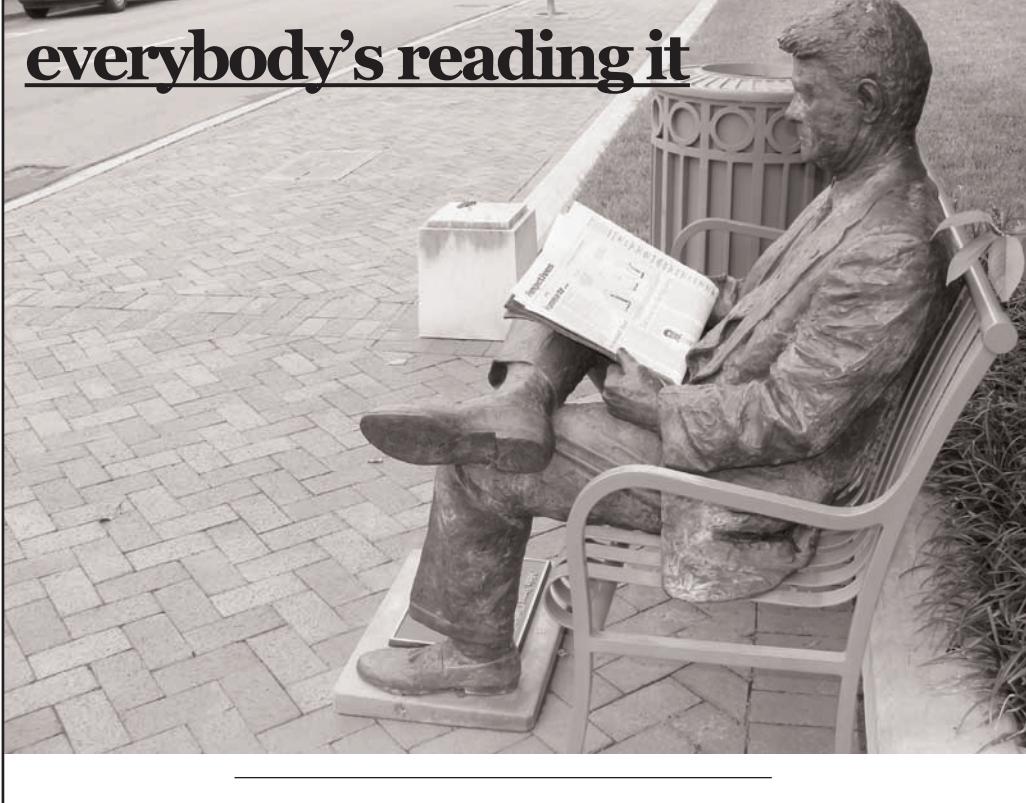
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## Stop dress codes, dress appropriately

Here's the scenario: You're walking down the street with your 4-year-old daughter when the worst happens. No, she's not kidnapped or hit by a car. Okay, so maybe it isn't the worst, but it certainly isn't good. She looks up at you and says, "Look, I can see that person's underpants." You

look, and sure enough there on the other side of the city street is a commuter with underwear showing. You quickly shield her eyes from the inappropriate and shuffle down the sidewalk to safety.

It isn't difficult to wear enough clothing to cover all undergarments, yet people seem to prefer

wearing clothes that show off their underclothing. This is an issue that many public places such as schools and businesses have been addressing for years. These institutions enforce dress codes that limit what students and employees are able to wear during school or work hours. What if these dress codes didn't just exist in a few limited places, but everywhere that isn't in our own homes? Well, we certainly wouldn't run into people on the sidewalk with thongs hanging out, but we also wouldn't be able to go running in a tank top that happens to show a bra strap.

The truth is several areas are beginning to institute strict clothing regulations. Recently in Delcombre, La., legislation was passed to make any showing of undergarments, including but not limited to wearing pants, illegal.

This law seeks to crack down on visible underpants and bra straps and will go into effect this month. Violators of the new law can receive fines or even jail time depending on the number and severity of offenses. Delcombre is not the only area facing new clothing regulations. Officials in Atlanta have been discussing the possibility of similar laws in the area.

Now, it may not seem like a problem to have a few rules about how to dress in public. Sometimes, it seems necessary. But a few rules could turn into a lot of rules. Instituting a few regulations is just the beginning. This is



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something that I certainly would not want to happen in Clarksville, but I can see the necessity of such an act.

Many don't seem to realize that some things are just inappropriate. We can walk down the street and see women running in nothing, but a bra and a pair of shorts. Similarly, we can see men sagging their pants so low that we can see their underwear. Things like these are the situations that make local governments see a need for rules and regulations, but many more than just the blatantly inappropriate would be punished.

A problem like public dress codes is easily avoided by simply eliminating the need. If people dress appropriately without a dress code, then there is no need for strict rules that limit what we can wear in any area. Keep the swimsuits on the beach or at the pool, not on the sidewalks. The only ones who want to see your underwear are the ones who want even more to see what is underneath them. It isn't hard to dress as if a child will be seeing you, because you never know, one just might. ♦

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The warmonger George W. Bush has been using "the surge" to lie to the entire world about the so-called success in Iraq. He has been telling the world that his strategy for securing a peaceful end to Iraq is working. He has told the public that there are fewer people being murdered in Iraq today than there were previously. The liar has said that insurgent attacks are down because they have been beat back. Apparently, the fighting is down with al-Qaida, foreign combatants and radical Islam. It should be comforting that we are on the verge of completing a peaceful transition over to a free and democratic government for the people of Iraq. The truth is that the surge is all bull.

Even before the surge started, Iraq no longer existed. According to Michael Ware of CNN, the country the world once knew as Iraq, has not existed since the fall of Baghdad in 2003. In a country where once six million people lived, the population is way down. Most estimates put the number of refugees that have left the country at three million. The people have left the country because of the fighting and what few people are still there, have been completely segregated through murder and civil war. Right now Iraq is divided into three separate regions where armed militias rule. Malaki, the puppet head prime minister of Iraq, has no militia and therefore no power. The oil-rich southern region of Basra is now under the rule of an Islamic religious cleric. The numbers of his militia rival that of the American military in the area now and are extremely well armed. And right now, they are too busy fighting with other members of nearby rival militias to be bothered by the American military. The Kurds of the North are so tribal that this lawless region of land is completely dominated by tribal leaders. They also have their disagreements with each other but Iran has a lot of influence in the entire eastern half of the country.

Bush's illegal and childish use of the American military to overthrow Saddam Hussein, has given Iran commanding control of a large portion of the oil-rich eastern half of old Iraq. The Sunnis have segregated to western Anbar province and southwestern Iraq. This has been forced upon them by the civil war that has been raging in this country for nearly five years. To protect the members of this displaced religious group, Saudi Arabia has stated it will intervene if necessary.

The entire region is gearing up for the next step in this conflict, the regional war. All of the battle lines are now clearly drawn with the Shiites, Kurds and Iranians (allies with the Russian government)

lining up on the Eastern section with the Sunnis and Saudi Arabia lining up on the southwestern section. The northern section is also being heavily influenced by Turkey and on the northeast.

Lebanon is already in a civil war with the Palestinian Islamic militants. Just to the right of Iran and the southeast of Afghanistan is Pakistan. Not only does Pakistan have a mostly poor and ignorant population that is being easily swayed toward radical Islam because of the anti-American hate in the region, it is also a nuclear power. This government is on the verge of total collapse into a three-way anarchy where members of the Parliament are screaming "Death to America" on the floor of the parliament chambers. Between Iran and Pakistan is India, which is also a nuclear power that's already in a fragile peace with Pakistan after their latest war in Kashmir. On the far western end is Israel and Palestine. Israel and Iran have been fighting a proxy war through Hezbollah for years and the bulk of the Palestinians are being subjugated and persecuted by a few ruling Israeli government officials. Many however, are still trying to broker a lasting peace agreement with the Palestinians.

In 1945, about 300,000 innocent Japanese citizens and a few thousand soldiers were killed by the American atomic attacks on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Today's nuclear weapons are approximately 50 times larger with the capacity to kill millions at a time. The stage has been set for World War III and the war criminal Bush is setting up the propaganda to support his pre-emptive strike against the nuclear facilities of Iran. Many reports by our own intelligence agencies have been publicly stating how futile this strike would be since Iran's nuclear network has been spread out all over the country. Plus the fact is that Russia is supplying people and material for Iran's nuclear industry. An attack on any facility in Iran would almost certainly kill Russian citizens and start a war with Russia.

Every adviser Bush ever had on the Middle East told him this was a no-win situation going into this illegal act of aggression. There was only chaos to achieve and that is the only mission he has accomplished. However, if we pull out now, only 10 to 20,000 more American troops will lose their lives. If we wait until the regional war is in full progress, we will lose everyone we send over there, including those that might be the next American draftees. There are somewhere between 15 and 20 thousand thermonuclear warheads already in the arsenals of the world. The U.S. reportedly has about 5,000 of them, all in the hands of the radical Evangelistic madman, Bush, who is itching to murder millions with them.

Remember, it only takes about 50 nuclear warheads to go off at ground level to exterminate all life on this planet. ♦

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# Birth out of Control

By AIMEE THOMPSON

Senior Features Writer

What is the one thing men fear most? The thing that makes them run and hide in terror? The answer, a woman with severe mood swings.

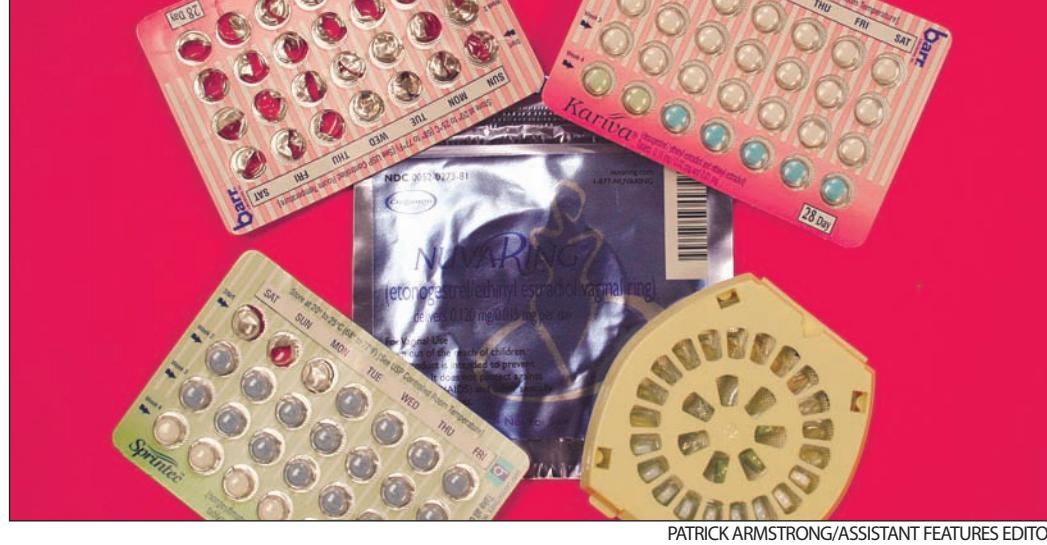
Often, the emotional turmoil some women experience is the result of hormone changes that occur a week before their menstrual cycle. This is infamously known as Pre-Menstrual Syndrome.

However, there are other factors that should be taken into consideration before husbands and boyfriends write women off as being crazy. Mood swings, depression and the loss of sex drive could just be nasty side effects brought about when a woman's hormonal system is thrown off by her birth control pill.

For over 40 years, the pill has served its purpose in regulating population growth and providing women with the choice of when to have children. The pill has also been used to treat many health conditions, such as acne, osteoporosis and heavy menstrual cycles.

Women who take the pill are also at a lower risk for ovarian and endometrial cancer and pelvic inflammatory disease. While these benefits are definitely desirable, the pill can also come with some rather unsettling side effects that both women and men need to be aware of.

According to a seven-year study conducted by endocrinologist Dr. Claudia Panzer, women who take the pill may experience sexual side effects due to diminished amounts of testosterone in their system.



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Birth control pills are designed to suppress ovulation which can also effect the amounts of testosterone secreted by the ovaries, thereby leading to less sex drive. Some side effects experienced by women in the study were decreased desire, arousal and increased sexual pain.

Other common symptoms associated with the pill include nausea, headaches, sore breasts, weight gain, irregular bleeding and depression.

Jill Degraauw, a nurse practitioner at Austin Peay State University's Boyd Health Center, said that these symptoms are common to women in the first three months of taking oral

contraceptives.

"Everyone's body has to go through a transition period of getting used to the hormones," Degraauw said. "Don't change right away, but if problems continue, it's not hard to change."

While most side effects go away after taking the pill for a few months, some may persist. Many women start to think these side effects are normal, and while some are easier to live with than others, if it is adversely affecting a woman's relationship, then it might be better to try out different options.

Sometimes, all that is required is a change of pill. Oral contraceptives are all made with varying amounts of the hormones estrogen and

progesterone, and a woman's health care provider should be able to determine, based on a woman's side effects, what type of pill she should take.

If a non-hormonal contraceptive is preferred, there are many options available. Condoms, diaphragms and spermicides are the most common forms of non-hormonal birth control. The Copper T IUD (intrauterine device) is another form of birth control that doesn't require hormones.

Basically, it is a small device shaped like a T that the woman's health care provider places inside the uterus. The arms of the device contain copper which prevents sperm from traveling through the uterus.

It's always best for a woman to discuss all the options with both her partner and a health care professional in order to find the option that works the best.

So what's a man to do when his woman is on birth control pills and isn't acting the way she used to? It requires open communication between both people, and the willingness to listen.

If a woman says she doesn't feel right, that something's wrong, then listen.

Be patient with her mood swings, chances are she's just as miserable as everyone else around her. If she expresses concern about the changes she's feeling, listen and try to be sensitive to what she is feeling.

Most women know when there's an issue with their bodies, so be willing to take them to the doctor without complaint. ♦

# Cheeseburger Charley's

Local restaurant dishes up more than just meat on a bun



By TANGELIA CANNON

Senior Staff Writer

Bored of the same fast food hamburger? Want something a little healthier? Then check out Cheeseburger Charley's and you are sure to find a great bite to eat.

Chris Bender, Bret and Angie Kincaid and Ray Omar opened their hearts and business to the Clarksville public last spring. The grand opening of Cheeseburger Charley's went off without a hitch, with lines stretching out the door.

The thought of opening a Cheeseburger Charley's suddenly struck while dining at a Cheeseburger Charley's in Nashville when one of the partners realized the cheeseburgers were so good that he couldn't even make it at home. It was then that they contacted the owner about starting a franchise.

"Unlike McDonald's, or other fast food restaurants, we offer a variety of different burgers," Angie said.

These burgers range anywhere from a regular cheeseburger to a one-third turkey burger, spicy black bean burger, veggie burger and many others.

Amazingly, the majority of these burgers are healthy, "good for you," burgers which have detailed nutritional facts on every menu. Another top selling item on Cheeseburger Charley's menu is the milkshakes.

Despite the majority of health foods that are offered, the milkshakes are made with a pint of Purity ice cream, and natural add-in ingredients, making the recipe for one of Clarksville's top rated milkshakes.

Working closely with the independent franchiser outside of Nashville, the partners were able to arrange it to where they make their restaurant Christian based. "We look at this as a ministry opportunity to minister to both employees and customers," Angie said.



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Top, Cheeseburger Charley's is only minutes away from campus, located in the Two Rivers Plaza, near Hooters and Kickers.

Left, Cheeseburger Charley's features a diverse menu for a "burger joint" featuring a variety of meats and an array of delicious milkshakes.

This is done through the many different Bible verses displayed along the walls, the prayer request box, Christian music playing in the background, and the fact that they are closed on Sundays, so that their employees can go and worship with their families.

"We all believe in what the Bible says," Angie said, "we want people to have a relationship with Jesus Christ. But we want to reach people in a different way."

The Bible verses are one way they do this. "We hope that people will come in and sit down, read a Bible verse and be uplifted," Angie said.

With clean cut lines present in all décor, inspirational Bible verses and soft music, most customers agree that the atmosphere that exists inside of the closed doors is very calming.

However, the atmosphere on Tuesday nights is slightly different. Working closely with the Clarksville School Systems, Tuesday night at Cheeseburger Charley's is kids' night.

During these hours, the television is turned on the Disney Channel, balloons are placed throughout the restaurant and are given to kids and a percentage of profits go to help local schools.

On top of supporting the Clarksville School System, it is a corporate sponsor of Austin Peay State University and offers college students a discount with a valid student ID.

Plans are in the works for a second Cheeseburger Charley's to open off of Exit 1, right in front of Great Escape Movie Theater, later this fall. ♦

# Opening act speared by Britney

Associated Press

As in most train wrecks, it was hard to focus on just one thing as the Britney Spears disaster unfolded. There was just so much that went wrong.

Out-of-synch lip-synching, lethargic movements that seemed choreographed by a dance instructor for a nursing home. The paunch in place of Spears' once-taut belly. At times she just stopped singing altogether, as if even she knew nothing could save her performance.

Designed to drum up excitement for her upcoming album, Spears' kickoff to the MTV Video Music Awards on Sunday night became another example of how far she has fallen. It would have been understandable if MTV's show had been crushed under the weight of the opening fiasco yet somehow it rebounded, and even flourished.

The show banked heavily on its own reinvention. After poor reviews and a decline in ratings over the last few years, MTV moved the show to Vegas, shortened it from three hours to two, went to a hostless format and

focused more on performances than awards.

Justin Timberlake and Timbaland, Kanye West, Fall Out Boy and the Foo Fighters hosted separate suite parties where most of the performances took place.

But the performance most people will be talking about was Spears'. And unlike her last VMAs appearance, when she locked lips with Madonna in 2003, this time it will be for all the wrong reasons.

"It definitely could have been a lot better" the hitmaking singer and producer Akon commented afterward. "She seemed nervous ... you could tell by the expression on her face. Instead of just blocking everybody out and doing her thing, you could tell she was thinking about it."

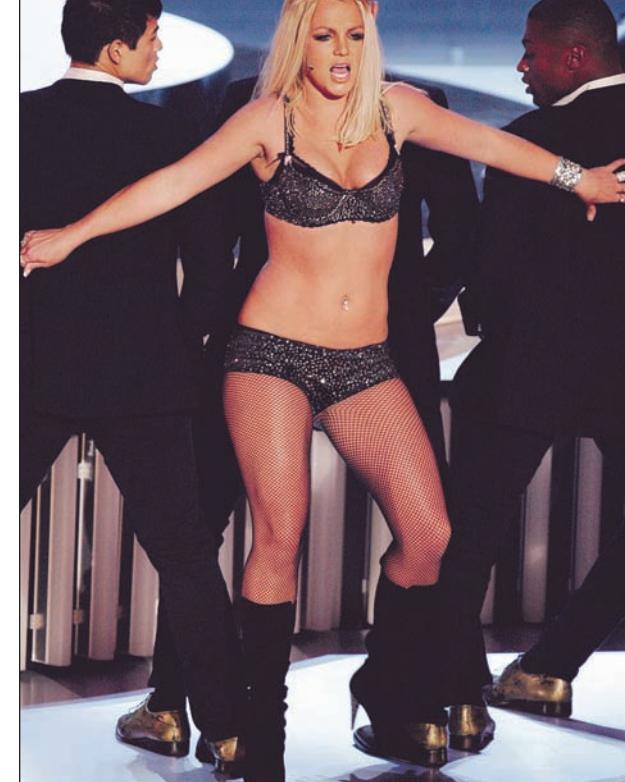
After that, though, the changes to the show worked, leading to several exciting performances and some watercooler drama. An off-camera fight between Pamela Anderson exes Kid Rock and Tommy Lee led Jamie Foxx to quip: "Stop all this white-on-white violence."

Timberlake's suite was flooded with revelers,

alcohol and eight lingerie-clad stripper types on raised platforms. Before Timberlake accepted the Quadruple Threat of the Year award at his suite, the DJ summoned the partygoers to watch the monitor and go crazy if Timberlake won. He did, they did, and Timberlake said: "I want to challenge MTV to play more videos" Then he was whisked away by bodyguards and disappeared.

Timberlake was the night's big winner, with four trophies. After accepting the award for Male Artist of the Year, he jabbed at the video issue again: "We don't want to see the Simpsons on reality television." Apparently he's not a fan of either Jessica or Ashlee's MTV shows.

Rihanna won the coveted Video of the Year award, plus Monster Single of the Year for "Umbrella." The Best Group was Fall Out Boy, and Gym Class Heroes won Best New Artist. Beyoncé and Shakira won Most Earthshattering Collaboration for "Beautiful Liar." TV viewers never got full views of those shows, though MTV promised more via its Web site. ♦



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Britney Spears' performance did not please disgruntled fans and disappointed the audience.

# Redbox

## Burger-joint McDonald's now asks its diners 'You wanna movie with that?'

By PATRICK ARMSTRONG  
Assistant Features Editor

McDonald's has become a staple in fast food history ever since its beginnings in Des Plaines, Ill. in 1955. Its many catchy slogans and french fries have attracted people from all ages and cultures.

McDonald's is the leading global food service retailer with more than 30,000 restaurants in more than 100 countries.

The Golden Arches feature items like the Big Mac, Egg McMuffin, Happy Meals, a gas station in Beijing, China and a new addition to the fast food giant, DVD rentals?

On Nov. 17, 2005, McDonald's sent out a press release saying that they were investing with Coinstar to have DVD rental kiosks at McDonald's restaurants in the U.S.

Redbox is the name of the kiosks

that are in over 800 locations in the U.S. and is the leading self-service DVD rental kiosk.

The first Redbox came to the Clarksville area in July and it has been a success since its inception. It lets customers rent DVDs for \$1 a day with no late fees. With Tennessee's sales tax at 9.25 percent it comes out to \$1.09.

"It is the best deal in town. Next to my two bags of ice for a dollar," said Eric Larson, McDonald's owner. A big plus is that there is no waiting for movies in the mail.

One might think "there is some kind of trick to this." No tricks at all, there are even some coupons in the mail to try it for free.

"Customers tell us they like having movies on our menu," said Chris Catalano, chief investment officer of McDonald's Venture, LLC.



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McDonald's customers can pick up some \$1 entertainment to take home with their McNuggets.

If one does not feel like going up to the kiosk and pressing a touch screen, many kiosks feature online renting. To use this handy feature go to [www.redbox.com/Locations/KioskSearch.aspx](http://www.redbox.com/Locations/KioskSearch.aspx) and type in the area code to display the Redbox locations near you. Then simply pick which location you want to pick up your movie at, and go retrieve your take-home treasure.

"You can get movies at Blockbuster the same day for \$4 dollars, but here you can get them at midnight," Larson said.

The closest McDonald's locations that has a Redbox on campus are 792 N. Second St., 1921 Madison St., 1644 Fort Campbell Blvd., 3078 Wilma Rudolph Blvd. and 724 Sango Road.

The DVDs that are offered are new releases, not just bad movies, and they

get updated every Tuesday.

Some hot ones right now are "Blades of Glory," "Disturbia," "300" and "Ghost Rider."

Redbox is utilizing the growth of the home video market which expects to achieve \$42 billion by 2014. The DVD self-service kiosk marketplace's growth potential could exceed three billion dollars by 2009. ♦

## MOVIE REVIEWS

## Movie makes viewers ponder 'Love'

By TANYA LUDLOW  
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It is hard to describe a stylistic masterpiece like Wong Kar-Wai's "In the Mood for Love" without invoking tired terms such as, well, stylistic and masterpiece for one.

Every frame evokes an incredible lushness from the rain-slicked narrow streets to the vibrant and moody colors of the interior scenes.

The soundtrack is unbelievable — The blend of Nat King Cole and moody string instrumentals that combine with the dreamy visuals to completely transport the viewer to 1960's Hong Kong, and at the same time to an emotional plane that is everywhere and nowhere.

Su Li-zhen (played by the underrated Maggie Cheung) and Chow Mo-wan are neighbors in a crowded apartment who discover their respective spouses are having an affair.

They begin to secretly meet and imagine confronting their spouses, play-acting that both heightens the sexual tension between them, and at the same time exposes their emotional torment.

Although they both vow to never be like their spouses, there is a clear line of emotional intimacy being crossed even though neither character works up the nerve to take the leap.

Although not a lot "happens" plot-wise, the languid yearning of unrequited love will be enough to keep all but the most incorrigible dullards riveted.

There are no scenes of lovers leaping into each other's arms in rain drenched fields a la "The Notebook," but how much more wrenching is a moment where Li-zhen and Mo-wan pause under a shared umbrella, unable or unwilling to give voice to their desires?

There is a line of poetry in the film that captures the quiet ache of unrequited love: "That era has passed. Nothing that belonged to it exists anymore." ♦

## South Korean flick provokes thought

By DUSTIN KRAMER  
Art Director

"Oldboy," a South Korean film directed by Chan-wook Park, premiered in 2004 at the Cannes Film Festival, and almost single-handedly opened the world's eyes to the revolution that the Korean film industry is going through.

Based on a Japanese graphic novel, the film is a far cry from the standard fare of philosophical Eastern or grotesque Western films that have come from the country in the past. The film is a political outcry, but not an overt one. The country is portrayed as sad, socially oppressed, synthetic and lifeless.

All this being said, "Oldboy" is a story of revenge. To be more accurate, it's a look at the nature of revenge as a contagious and deadly disease.

Dae-su Oh, our "hero," has been imprisoned by an unknown captor for an unknown reason. After 15 years of confinement, he is released with a new suit, money and a cell phone. He is told that he has five days to discover his mysterious captor and exact revenge on him.

The events in "Oldboy" allow the audience to relate to the romanticized ideals of revenge all the way to the unbelievable finale, where those notions of revenge as a "good thing" are torn asunder.

Your average moviegoer will most likely walk away from "Oldboy" saying something along the lines of "wow, that twist was great" or "I never saw it coming." However, a more perceptive and analytical viewer will ponder the themes presented in the film and enjoy exploring them for days after seeing this intriguing film.

If allowed, "Oldboy" is much more than the psychological-action-revenge-thriller that it is on the surface and becomes an exploration of what drives us, as humans, to do terrible things to each other in the name of personal justice, or more accurately, revenge. ♦

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## OPINION

### 2007 Fantasy Football Journal

By MARLON SCOTT  
*Assistant Sports Editor*

I was counting down the days until week one of the NFL season like a 10-year-old kid impatient for Christmas. I made a minor adjustment to my team and I was ready to compete.

After the draft, before the NFL season begins, players have their most trade value. Like the professional teams who have to make their last cuts for their final roster, fantasy managers' drop, add and place players on the trading block trying to improve any weak spots on their team.

When I noticed that Team three was offering New Orleans wide receiver

Marques Colston on the trading block, I decided that I needed to upgrade my receiving squad.

Players were offered, negotiations took place, the rest of the league approved and I traded Bears running back Cedric Benson and Packers wide receiver Greg Jennings to Team three for Colston and Dallas running back Julius Jones.

Between the draft and the trade, the GridironGovs are ready for week one. I just have to decide who is playing.

Steven Jackson, Marc Bulger and Tony Gonzalez are no-brainers. I don't have any confidence in the ability of the Saint's defense to stop the Colts offense, which makes San Diego's defense an easy choice as well.

My hardest choice was the number two running back position. Should I choose Ronnie Brown, Julius Jones or Marion Barber III?

I believe the Dolphins will run the ball a lot. However, I do not think the Washington Redskins defense is worried about Miami's passing game.

Their defense will play Miami's receivers one-on-one and let their great safeties come inside to smack around Brown all day.

Jones or Barber against the Giants? Last year Jones ran for more yards, but Barber scored the touchdowns. This year they have a new coach who let both of them run in the preseas.

The answer is a coin flip on Sunday morning. On Thursday night, I resumed my role as a football fan. Santa came down the chimney and delivered a great game: the Indianapolis Colts versus the New Orleans Saints.

On the edge of my seat, I threw my hands in the air every time Peyton Manning threw a touchdown pass. Marvin Harrison, Reggie Wayne and Joseph Addai looked unstoppable. It was surprising how the Colts defense dominated the Saints.

Afterwards, the fantasy football player inside of me was sick. Colston had only 47 yards receiving. In addition, the Raiders announced that Josh McCown is going to be their starting quarterback, which does not bode well for Jerry Porter.

My last receiver, Jerricho Cotchery, is playing against the New England Patriots. The Patriots best defensive back just returned from his holdout.

If my receivers continue to under achieve this week, the rest of my team is going to have to perform well, especially my running backs.

To see my week one GridironGov results log on to [www.theallstate.com](http://www.theallstate.com) ♦

Marlon  
Scott

# Govs remain undefeated



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With the Govs win against Indiana State they are now 2-0 for the first time since 2002, and have already matched last years win total. They will open up OVC play this coming week against Tennessee State at home. TSU (1-1) is coming off a victory over Jackson State at the Heritage Classic in Memphis, Tenn.

By MARLON SCOTT  
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Saturday evening in Terre Haute, Ind., the Austin Peay State University Governors football team was ahead 25-17 with less than four minutes left in the game. The Govs had the ball on the Indiana State University Sycamores' 29 yard line, facing fourth down with four yards to go for the first down.

Last year, the Govs would have punted hoping that they would not lose another lead in the second half of the game. This year, APSU head coach Christophe, put the ball in senior running back Chris Fletcher's hands.

Fletcher accepted the hand off and ran up the middle into a wet, determined pack of Sycamore defenders. He broke a tackle, bounced outside and accelerated down the sideline. Fletcher ran 29 yards toward the end zone where one last Sycamore defender had a chance to stop him.

Without any hesitation, Fletcher extended the ball in front of him, stretched out and dove for the fluorescent orange pylon.

For the first time in five years, the Govs have opened the football season 2-0 by beating the ISU Sycamores (0-2) 32-17.

"The two sides of the ball helped each other again tonight. They buy into this team thing," coach Christophe explained. "They made smart decisions. We stayed disciplined and made a couple of nice plays. I told the guys to enjoy this game on the way back because we have another goal, the Ohio Valley Conference next week. We have got to take them one game at a time. If we can do that and get better each week, I think we will be ok."

Behind an experienced offensive line that dominated the Sycamores all game, Fletcher turned 23 carries into 160 yards and three touchdowns. He became the APSU all time touchdown leader with 35 career touchdowns.

While Fletcher ran for two touchdowns giving the Govs a 14-3 lead, the Govs defense held ISU to 110 total yards in the first half. In seven first half drives they could only produce one field goal.

Senior quarterback Mark Cunningham completed 13 of 21 passes for 140 yards. He threw his only touchdown, a seven yard slant to junior wide receiver Lanis Frederick, at the end of the Govs first drive in the



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Senior running back, Chris Fletcher ran, for 160 yards on 23 carries and three touchdowns making him the Govs all time leader in touchdowns with 35.

second half.

The Sycamores put together a nine play, 64-yard scoring drive with 4:30 left in the third quarter to make the score 20-10.

After pinning ISU on the one yard line, the Govs defense was awarded a safety when Sycamore quarterback Reilly Murphy slipped and fell in the end zone.

Senior linebacker Josh Hackett led the Govs defense with six tackles and two key interceptions. Hackett's first interception led to an APSU 22 yard field goal making the score 25-10 with 7:26 left in the game.

His last interception came on ISU's last possession after Fletcher made his diving touchdown with 3:15 left in the game.

The Govs play their first OVC game at home against Tennessee State Saturday Sept. 15 at 6 p.m. ♦

# Lady Govs have tough weekend at Memphis



By PATRICK HORTON  
*Guest Writer*

The Austin Peay State University's volleyball team traveled to Memphis for the two-day Memphis Invitational last weekend with high hopes. The Lady Govs were 4-4, coming off an impressive win against Georgetown at the Kentucky Classic, and have been playing well together. However, they would be pitted against stiff competition into the likes of Memphis, Mississippi State and Arkansas-Little Rock.

Coming into the tournament, coach Jenny Hazelwood, was optimistic at their chance to play against teams of this caliber.

"When we play with confidence, no matter who we're playing against, we are a tough team to beat." Unfortunately for the Lady Govs they were swept by both Arkansas-Little Rock and Memphis the first day of the tournament.

It seems that errors were the downfall of the Lady Govs as they committed 26 in their first game against Arkansas which led to a meager .093 attack percentage, and defensively a record low 37 digs. They fared even worse against the hosting Memphis Tigers as the Lady Govs had 27 errors, a .052 attack percentage, and only 33 kills.

The Lady Govs did not have a break in the schedule as the next opponent was Mississippi State. They dropped the match 3-0 resulting from 19 errors and a .103 attack percentage. Dodi Szysmska led the Lady Govs with 12 kills, while Kristen Kirch had her tournament best 18 digs.

Coach Hazelwood preached playing with confidence before the last game, and it certainly showed as the Lady Govs swept Nicholls State 3-0. Szysmska again had 12 kills bringing her tournament total to 51, which landed her a spot on the all tournament team.

Although the Lady Govs dropped three out of their four games, coach Hazelwood felt like playing teams of this caliber would help boost their play right before the first conference games. She also liked some of the play from her freshmen Taylor Skinner and Maegan Quibb, who both posted 10 kills against Nicholls State.

Quibb has just recently returned to the court from an injury and started her first collegiate game against Nicholls.

"[Quibb] just brought unbelievable fire to the court. Every time she got a kill she would get so excited and it would help get everyone else excited." ♦

# Razorbacks, Bisons keep Lady Govs winless on the road

By ANDREW SOLARSKI  
*Staff Writer*

The Austin Peay State University Lady Govs (0-4) soccer team began the weekend with a tough match up against Southeastern Conference opponent, the University of Arkansas. Senior Stephanie Hosse was very happy with the way the Lady Govs played.

"We played really good and hung in there the whole time" Hosse said.

The Lady Govs fought through a tough, physical battle against the Lady Razorbacks of Arkansas.

Even though they were out shot 20-4 and 6-1 on goal shots, the Lady Govs were never out of it.

The Lady Razorbacks also held an 8-1 corner kick advantage, but the Lady Govs defense led by sophomore Michelle Smith kept the Lady Govs in until the end. Smith finished with four saves on the day.

The Lady Govs offense struggled for the third straight game as only two players were able to

get shots off. Junior Elyse Lovelace had two shots while freshman Kellie Cannon was also able to get off two shots, one of those on goal. Although the Lady Govs put up a tough fight, they eventually fell 2-0 to the Lady Razorbacks.

On Sunday, the Lady Govs traveled to Searcy, Arkansas to play Harding University. The Harding Lady Bisons scored first as the ball bounced off an APSU player and out of Smith's reach.

The Lady Govs answered back as Hosse scored her first goal of the season. Hosse was assisted on the play by freshman Monique Wong. APSU had two more shots on goal before the half, but one was blocked and the other sailed over the top of the goal post.

The Lady Bisons opened up the second half with their second goal of the game.

The goal was set up by a foul on one of the Lady Govs.

APSU kept fighting and had two corner kicks in the last 10 minutes, but could not get either of them into the goal. The Lady Bisons, a Division

II school, celebrated their second ever victory over a Division I opponent with their 2-1 victory over the Lady Govs.

The Lady Govs fell to 0-4 for the season. APSU will play its first home match Friday at 7 p.m. against Arkansas Pine-Bluff. ♦



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Head coach Kelley Guth talks to her team during a Lady Govs practice last week. The Lady Govs have yet to win a game and will be looking for their first win against Arkansas Pine-Bluff at home Friday at 7 p.m.