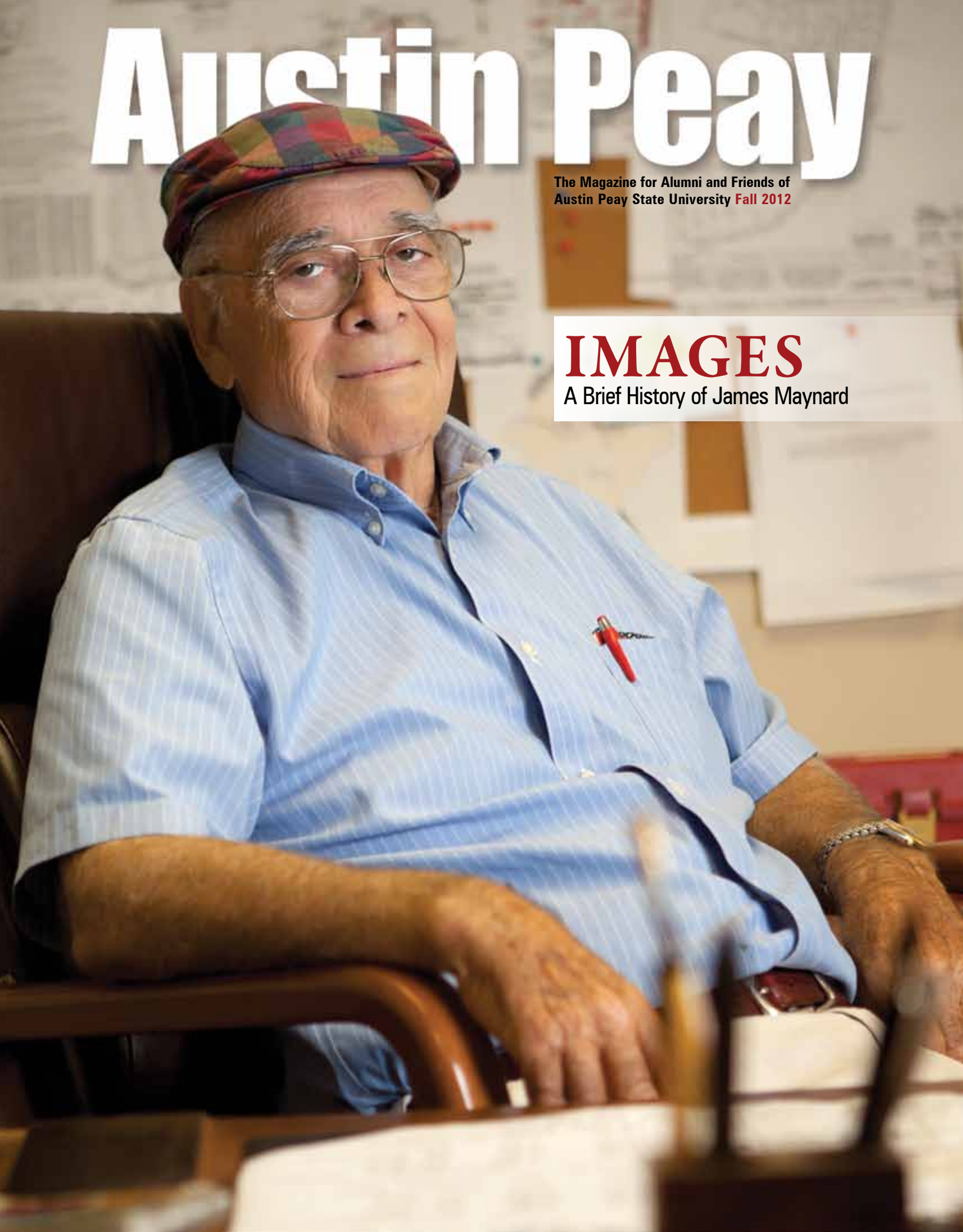


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James Maynard ('56) in his office at Maynard
Construction on College Street.





APSU President Tim Hall and local businessman James Maynard ('56) share a smile as Maynard's grandchildren take part in the groundbreaking ceremony for the new Maynard Mathematics and Computer Science Building.

"I am excited about the relationship I have had with APSU for many years," Maynard said at the Aug. 17 ceremony behind the Hemlock Semiconductor Building on Eighth Street. The building is being named in his honor as a recognition of his generosity to APSU through the years, including the recent establishment of the Maynard Family Endowment Scholarship, which provides financial assistance annually to a student from Montgomery County pursuing a business degree at APSU.

The two-story classroom building, designed by Rufus Johnson Associates, is projected to open in the spring of 2014.

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APSU graduates record 1,000-plus students in spring ceremony

APSU awarded degrees to 1,075 students – the largest class in APSU history – during its 83rd Spring Commencement on May 4 in the Dunn Center.

More students are graduating from APSU because of the University's increased efforts to offer students more opportunities to finish their degrees faster. One of those opportunities is APSU's new Winter Term, which launched in December 2011. Some of the students were able to graduate May 4 because they took a course during Winter Term.

Degree Compass internationally recognized

APSU is harnessing “the Netflix effect” product known as Degree Compass to new heights, reaching international acclaim.

In May, APSU received a Learning Impact 2012 bronze award from the IMS Global Learning Consortium in Toronto, Canada, during its worldwide annual competition for Degree Compass, a course recommendation system to help students stay on track toward graduation.

APSU was among 26 finalists invited from around the world to participate in the exhibit. Nominated by Sungard Higher Education, APSU was the only American university to receive an award designation at the conference.

The success and popularity of Degree Compass continue to grow. It

was implemented this summer at the University of Memphis, Nashville State Community College and Volunteer State Community College.

More than a year ago, APSU launched Degree Compass. It was dubbed “the Netflix effect” because it provides students with personalized recommendations based on their academic transcript, similar to the way Netflix makes movie suggestions to customers.

The effort quickly garnered statewide and national attention, becoming the centerpiece last summer for a \$1 million Complete College America grant awarded to Tennessee with support from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.



Beth Liggett

School of Nursing partners with local center in diabetes management

With the help of a national competitive grant, the APSU School of Nursing is partnering with the Matthew Walker Comprehensive Health Center to provide a diabetes management program for low-income adults.

APSU's nursing students, as part of requirements in the Community Health course, will work with patients at Matthew Walker's local health center on Dover Road. Specifically, they will be at the center twice a week, educating patients on disease management.

"This is a great example of APSU nursing providing care for the underserved population of Clarksville," said Dr. Patty Orr, director of the nursing program at APSU. "They focus on people at risk for diabetes, teaching patients how to prevent it and ways to control it for those diagnosed with diabetes."

The Matthew Walker Center recently was awarded a \$165,000 grant from the AstraZeneca Health Care Foundation to support the center's "Dial Down Diabetes" program targeted toward the African-American and Latino communities with a goal of developing a comprehensive community-based program for low-income adults with diagnosed diabetes, undiagnosed diabetes or prediabetes. The APSU School of Nursing received a small portion of the grant money from AstraZeneca to support the center's program of care interventions.



Beth Liggett

APSU School of Nursing's Dr. Doris Davenport and Chair Dr. Patty Orr pose with Matthew Walker Board Chair James Crumlin and CEO Jeff McKissack, who presented a donation check made by the AstraZeneca Healthcare Foundation for the Dial Down Diabetes program.

Join us...



Beth Liggett

Join us for the renaming of Austin Peay State University's centerpiece music venue

The George and Sharon Mabry Concert Hall

**Sunday, November 11, 2012
Music/Mass Communication Building**

Drs. George and Sharon Mabry have served APSU's esteemed music program since 1970. This event will serve as a special tribute for their many years of service and contributions to APSU and the Clarksville community.

We will celebrate the occasion during a special concert appearance at 4 p.m. by the award-

winning Nashville Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, under the direction of Kelly Corcoran, associate conductor.

For concert tickets please visit www.clarkvillemusic.org. For questions, call the Clarksville Community Concert Association at 877-811-0200.

A reception will take place after the concert in the lobby.

For more information or questions about the Mabry naming, call the APSU University Advancement Office, 931-221-7127.

Local Jaycees Foundation gives \$73,000 for Groves Memorial Athletic Scholarship



Kenny Hogan (from center), Allan Groves and Anita Groves Hill present a check to Steve Shaw (left) and Roy Gregory of Austin Peay State University Advancement during a ceremony on June 28 at F&M Bank.

A long-running project of the Clarksville Jaycees, the Clarksville Jaycees Gary Groves Memorial Athletic Scholarship at APSU received a significant financial boost in June.

After a 67-year history in the community, the local Jaycees organization has dissolved. As a result, the club's foundation presented \$73,000 to endow fully the athletic scholarship.

"The chapter had a huge growth period in the '80s and '90s," said Allan Groves, a longtime member of the Jaycees and a local businessman.

"But in recent years, the local, state and national Jaycees organizations have struggled to keep an identity

and grow membership."

The scholarship honors the late Gary Groves, a local businessman who died in 1983 while serving as vice president of the Clarksville Jaycees.

Not long after his death, the Jaycees began raising funds for a scholarship in his memory at APSU and organized several fundraising projects to support it. The scholarship is awarded to APSU athletes who meet specified academic criteria.

Beginning in Fall 2014, the scholarship fund will become fully endowed, awarding \$4,000 scholarships to APSU athletes.

APSU now an Apple Authorized Training Center for Education

APSU is an Apple Authorized Training Center for Education (AATCE), the only one in Tennessee.

"I think this is a great opportunity for our University and our department," said Kathy Heuston, associate professor of communication who has spearheaded the effort for APSU's program.

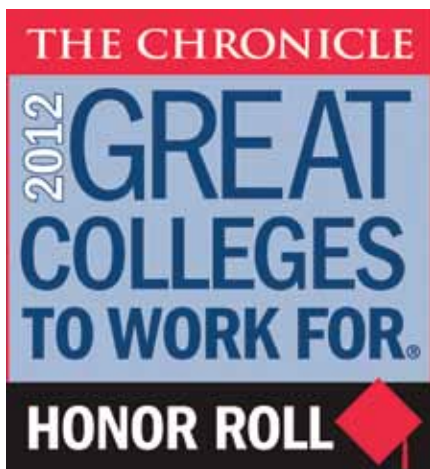
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APSU is working to become an Apple Authorized Training Center, allowing the University to offer certified classes and exams to the general public.



Beth Ligggett



APSU a 'Great College to Work For'

APSU is one of the best colleges in the nation to work for, according to a new survey by The Chronicle of Higher Education.

The results, released in August in The Chronicle's fifth annual report on The Academic Workplace, are based on a survey of more than 46,000 employees at 294 colleges and universities.

Only 103 of the 294 institutions achieved "Great College to Work For" recognition for specific best practices and policies. Results are reported for small, medium,

and large institutions, with APSU included among the large universities with 10,000 or more students.

APSU won honors in five categories this year: Collaborative Governance, Professional/Career Development Programs, Teaching Environment, Confidence in Senior Leadership, Tenure Clarity and Process.

To view all the results of the survey, visit The Chronicle's website at <http://chronicle.com/academicworkplace>.

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BECOME A LINK IN THE CHAIN OF PROGRESS



Many of us have heard the phrase, **“Pay it forward.”** Ken Landrum (’64) knows it in business as the **“chain of progress.”**

Landrum and his wife Amy (’65) have built a \$2.3 million scholarship endowment in their name so that they can help students attend Austin Peay State University. Happy to make such a significant gift, they do hope others can do the same when they are able later in life.

“We know that many young graduates have loans to pay and want to start a family,” Ken said. **“We want graduates to know this: That somebody took the time and invested in you. If you can and it’s your choice, pay it forward. In business, we call it the chain of progress.”**

You can create a named endowment like Ken and Amy Landrum did. An endowment honors and memorializes the person for whom it is named. Such planned gifts may be established for scholarships or any other educational purpose at APSU.

To begin, invest in APSU’s future and yours with an estate plan. Through an estate plan, you control your estate. If you do not have an estate plan, the government will control your estate.

Then, through the use of planned giving in your estate plan, you can provide more for you and your heirs as well as give a great gift to the APSU Foundation. We all have the opportunity to leave a legacy after we are gone – one that represents the life we led and the values we promoted.

We hope APSU has made an impact on your life and we hope you will consider including a percentage of your estate to the APSU Foundation. By including the APSU Foundation in your estate plan, you will make a difference in the lives of students, faculty and staff of APSU for generations to come.

THE AUSTIN PEAY LEGACY SOCIETY

The Austin Peay Legacy Society signifies a new era in the University’s effort to recognize, in a meaningful way, all those who share a commitment to the traditions and future of APSU.

You can make a commitment to APSU and join the Legacy Society by including the University in your will, trust and other estate plans.

If you have included APSU in your estate plan, please let us know. Our Advancement staff will be excited to visit you in person or speak with you by telephone if you have any questions. Of course, we strongly encourage you to visit a trusted financial adviser.

You may reach the Advancement team by telephone at 931-221-7127 or by email at advancement@apsu.edu.

Thank you for being the difference in the lives of so many!

Reagan Giving Circle awards \$8,500 in scholarships to 10 women



Recipients of the first Reagan Giving Circle scholarships pose with Dr. Carmen Reagan and members of the Circle.

On May 1, the Reagan Giving Circle awarded a total of \$8,500 in scholarships to 10 female students.

Launched last fall, the Reagan Giving Circle is named for Dr. Carmen Reagan, the first female dean of the APSU College of Business, community volunteer and philanthropist. The Circle is made up of alumnae and friends who recognize that women as donors have the capability of making a tremendous impact on APSU students. This impact grows exponentially when the contributions from women are united in support of the University through a collective voice.

The purpose of the group is to establish a women's giving program that provides scholarships to aspiring female students across the APSU campus based on her grade-point average, leadership, community service, financial need and recommendations.

The 10 women awarded scholarships were the following: Mackenzie Butts, Deanna Carter, Anna French, Jessie Gotcher, Mariana Hagler, Stephanie Jessie, Savannah Kester, Brandy Smith, Jane Stevens and Emily Towery.



Photos by Beth Liggitt

In addition to the announcement of the scholarship recipients, the first Women in Philanthropy Award was presented to Joan DeWald. DeWald was the donor of the largest gift the APSU Department of Agriculture has ever received. The gift would help to build the DeWald Livestock Arena.

Featured speaker at the luncheon was Janet Ayers, president of the Ayers Foundation and the 2007 Association of Fundraising Professionals Philanthropist of the Year, who in 2006 gave more than \$3.4 million to support community organizations in Tennessee and in the previous three years had personally given or pledged more than \$27 million.

For more information about the Reagan Giving Circle, call the APSU Office of University Advancement, 931-221-7127.

APSU named Military Friendly School by G.I. Jobs magazine for 2013



APSU has been named by G.I. Jobs magazine as Military Friendly School for 2013.

The honor ranks APSU in the top 15 percent of all colleges, universities and trade schools nationwide, according to a letter from the magazine's publisher, Rich McCormack. The magazine surveyed more than 12,000 schools, according to the announcement.

School of Nursing repeats success of 100 percent pass rate on NCLEX



Beth Liggert

Dee Butler, graduate of the December 2010 nursing class.

For the third time in the last three years, the APSU School of Nursing recorded a 100 percent pass rate on the most recent NCLEX licensure testing, surpassing the national average pass rate of 91 percent.

A total of 39 graduates from the Class of 2011 in December took the NCLEX for the first time and passed. The national average of 91 percent represents those who took the test January-March 2012.

The APSU nursing program accomplished the perfect pass rate for the first time in the program's history in 2009. Then in 2010, a total 41 students who graduated in December 2010 with the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree took the NCLEX for the first time and passed.

APSU offers an entry-level B.S.N. degree program, the RN to B.S.N. degree program and the Master of Science in Nursing degree.



Beth Liggert

Starbucks opens inside APSU library

Starbucks is now open inside Woodward Library to the campus and general public.

Joe Weber, library director, said they conducted a similar survey a few years ago on how to improve the library, with students overwhelmingly asking for a coffee shop as well. The new Starbucks, open weekdays from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., not only fulfills that need, but also helps with recent efforts to make the library a more dynamic, student-friendly place.

"You know we've made student success really the center of what this university is about," Dr. Tristan Denley, provost and vice president of academic affairs, said. "Part of that over the last couple of years is to transform this library space. The whole place has been redecorated and completely reoriented so students can come here and make this a real center of learning, a hub here on campus."

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A Brief History of James Maynard

By Charles Booth

The fact that you're reading this article – that it exists at all – is somewhat of an amazing feat. That's because this is a profile of Austin Peay State University alumnus James Maynard – a humble, plainspoken gentleman who doesn't particularly like talking about himself. When I spoke to him earlier this summer, he smiled pleasantly, told jokes and teased his wife Betty. But when I asked him about his generosity toward APSU over the years, he shrugged.

"We don't need to talk about that," he said.

Trying another tactic, I asked, "Mr. Maynard, how does it feel to have the University name its newest building after you?"

"It'll be nice," he said simply.

In mid-August of this year, APSU broke ground on the new \$6.7 million Maynard Mathematics and Computer Science Building. The two-story facility, which is set to open in the spring of 2014, is being named in his honor because of Maynard's unwavering support of APSU over the years.

"The Board of Regents approved in the spring the University's request to name our new academic facility the Maynard Mathematics and Computer Science Building," APSU President Tim Hall said. "We were excited to do so because Mr. Jimmy Maynard and his family have been such great supporters of Austin Peay in recent years. Students will benefit from their generosity in the form of scholarship support, and I expect many more students will earn Austin Peay degrees in the future through the generosity of the Maynards."

But who is this man whose name will soon become part of the campus vernacular – as commonly uttered as the names Harvill, Clement, McCord and Trahern? Listening on my headphones to the interview I recorded, I heard my own voice growing desperate as I tried to get Maynard to brag on himself just a little bit.

But that's not his way. So to understand who he is, it's best to piece together the few quotations I have from him with several of the images I came across during the interview process.

Image 1

The first image is that of an older gentleman, smiling, as he holds up a fish. The picture is framed and hanging on the wall of Maynard's office. It is a photo of his father.

"He hunted and fished all the time," Maynard said. "He was a true sportsman."

In the early half of the 20th century, his father operated a chain of grocery stores throughout Clarksville known as Maynard's. That's where James spent a good bit of time as a boy, sweeping the floors and learning how to operate a successful small business.

"With my daddy, I had always been in stores, in grocery stores. I knew what to do, how to make change out of the cash register," he said. "It must have rubbed off on me some way."

Image 2

In the late 1940s, Maynard attended Clarksville High School, where he played football. A picture of the team also hangs on his office wall. It was emailed to him recently, and the printed version is a little pixelated, making it difficult to see some of the faces. One of those blurry players looks intently at the camera. He's a muscular athlete. I leaned close to the photo and then stepped back from it. It was Maynard. No doubt about it.

By that time in his life, he was working at the new Kroger store in town, "sacking groceries," and building up his upper body strength for the football field. It's hard to tell what he's thinking in that picture. Perhaps his thoughts are turning toward what he should do after high school.



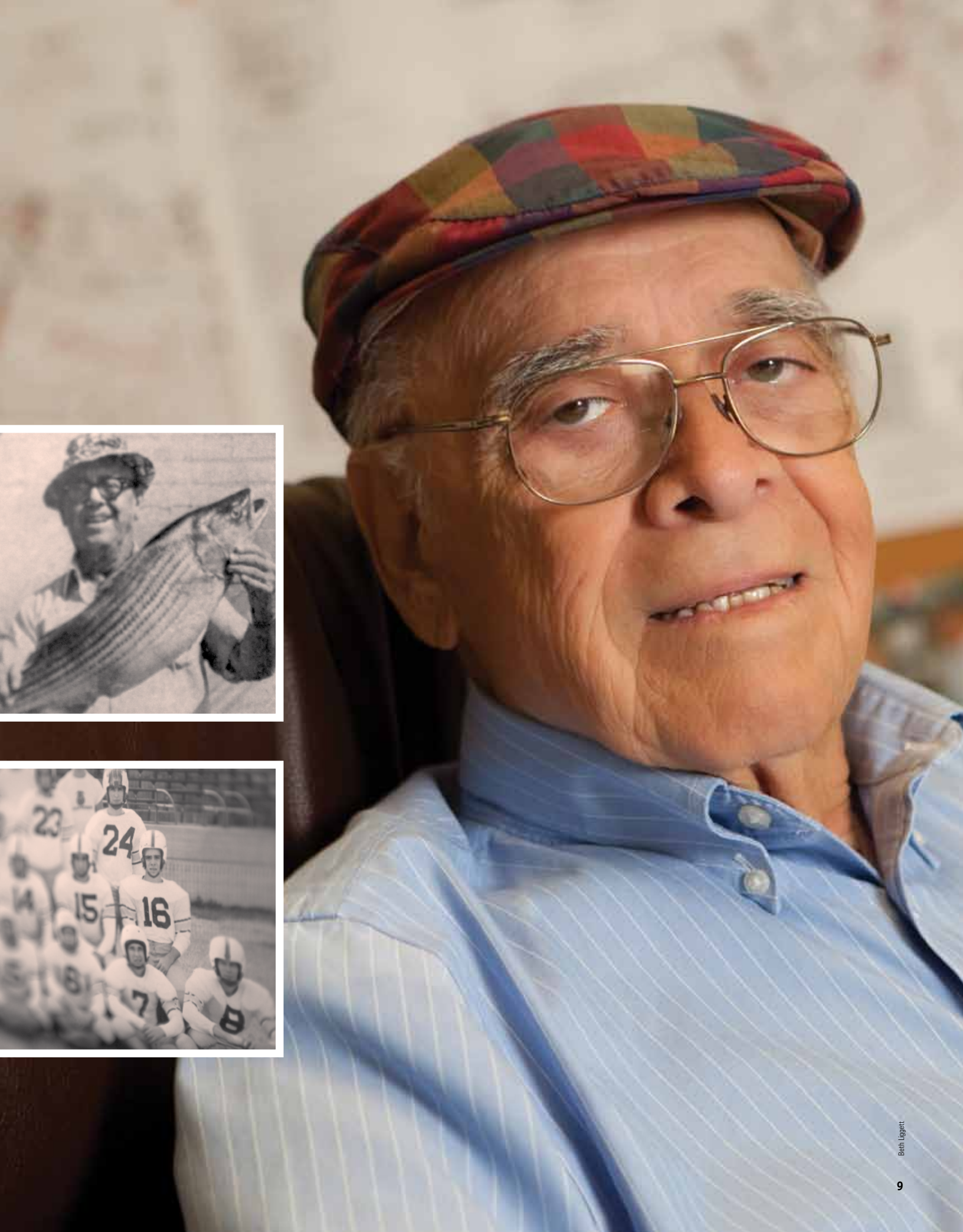




Image 3

August 1952. That's when Maynard first arrived at Austin Peay State College as a freshman, eager to study business. I found an old, black-and-white photograph of him in that year's yearbook, with the caption listing him as the freshman class president. The image is of a handsome young man, dressed in a coat and tie, with a strong jaw line and intense, narrow eyes.

From that picture, I assumed he could have gone to school anywhere he pleased, so I asked him why he decided to attend Austin Peay.

"Tell me why not Austin Peay?" he asked.

I didn't have an answer. After a brief, awkward pause, where I tried to think of something to say, he smiled and added, "This was a small town. Back then, it was just logical to go to Austin Peay."

Flipping through the pages of that yearbook, I noticed that the college was little more than a handful of Georgian-style buildings spread widely apart in those days. Students didn't need maps to find their way to class. Every building was visible, looming above the rolling lawns and mature oak trees. If you were unfortunate enough to get lost, all you had to do was ask someone passing by for directions. Odds were, with only about 1,100 students enrolled at APSC, that you knew the person pretty well.

"It (the campus) was a lot more open back then," Maynard said. "It didn't extend down the street like it does now. And you knew just about everyone."

Image 4

In 1956, a few months before Maynard graduated, he decided to follow in his father's footsteps and open a small business – Maynard's Sportsman's Store. He was 22 years old.

The store, according to the framed photo on his office wall, was a long, low building on Cumberland Drive where fishermen and hunters liked to gather.

"We sold everything from fish hooks to a cruiser," he said.

I asked him if he was as much of a sportsman as his father. Maynard looked up at the picture of the store and laughed.

"You can't run a store and hunt and fish all day," he said.

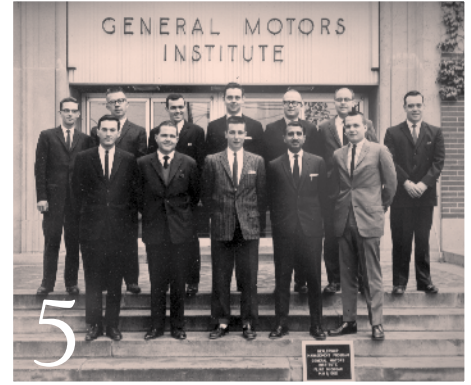


Image 5

Toward the end of the interview, Maynard took me to a back room within the Maynard Construction Offices. This was a sort of miniature museum, with glass cases showing artifacts from his previous businesses, such as fishing lures with the name of the Sportsman's Store printed across them.

It was in this room that I saw the fifth image that helped me piece together the story of Maynard's life. It was taken in Flint, Mich., in the early 1960s at the General Motors Institute. That's where Maynard spent two months shortly after selling the Sportsman's Store and purchasing a Buick, Pontiac, GMC, Opel dealership at the corner of College and Ninth streets.

He operated that dealership until the 1970s, when he sold his part in it and started building apartments and homes through Maynard Construction.

For about 50 years, Maynard has worked out of an office at that corner of College and Ninth streets, giving him an up close view of his alma mater's growth over the years. In fact, the University's development of a parking lot on College Street has now brought the campus directly across the street from Maynard.

"I never would have thought Clarksville would have grown this big, this fast," he said. "Used to be you go out to eat, you knew everyone in the restaurant."

In 1965, Maynard married Betty Doane, and all of their children – Jim Maynard, William Maynard, Dr. Samuel Maynard and Courtney Caudill – have utilized the local University in some capacity, from attending school to swim lessons to music lessons through the APSU Community School for the Arts.

"It's just a part of Clarksville-Montgomery County history to us," Maynard said. "Families in Clarksville, whether they graduated or not, they use it for something."

Image 6

It was in this backroom that I also came across a relatively new photograph, taken in the spring of 2011. Maynard nodded at it and smiled.

"Here I am with my warden and my parole officer," he joked.

It is actually a picture of Maynard standing between APSU President Tim Hall and Tennessee Board of Regents



Image 7

The architecture firm Rufus Johnson Associates provided the final image in this brief story of James Maynard's life. It is a rendering of the impressive glass and red brick Maynard Mathematics and Computer Science Building. The design mixes modern, technological elements – such as the inclusion of binary code on the façade – with the campus' Georgian architectural style. The new facility will join the Sundquist Science Complex and the Hemlock Semiconductor Building to create a science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) core to the eastern side of campus.

The top of this new building, once completed, may be visible just above the tree line to Maynard from his office down the street. It's another example of how much the campus has grown, thanks in part to him, in the 60 years since he first attended Austin Peay. When asked how he feels to have this legacy honoring his name for generations to come, he again grew uncomfortable. He simply does not like to talk about himself. "Good," he said, nodding politely. **AP**

Chancellor John Morgan. The two men are presenting him with the 2011 Regents Award for Excellence in Philanthropy.

Back in 2009, Maynard donated three separate parcels of land to the University. That land was sold, and the resulting money was used to create the Maynard Family Endowment Scholarship.

The scholarship will be awarded annually to a student pursuing a degree in business at APSU. The student must be a Montgomery County resident in need of financial assistance, and he or she may renew the scholarship every year if a 3.0 GPA is maintained.

"We are thankful that Mr. Jim Maynard and the Maynard family have chosen to make a difference in the lives of students at Austin Peay State University," Roy Gregory, director of the APSU Advancement Office, said. "Through their generosity, many students will be affected for generations to come. The University, and me personally, cherish the friendship of the Maynard family."



29th Annual Candlelight Ball set for March 16, 2013



Beth Liggett

2012 Candlelight Ball Committee (from left to right): President Tim Hall, Lee Hall, Co-Chair Amy Wedemeyer, Co-Chair Haven Bowles, Mary Luther, Cindy Greene, Nancy Ankoviak, Nicole Aquino Williamson, Andrea Goble, Britney Campbell, Fran Jenkins, Debbie Aquino, Amy Donnellan, and Pam Loos

APSU's Candlelight Ball has a 29-year history as one of APSU's premier social events. Hosted by President Tim Hall and his wife, Lee, the ball will be held at the Hilton Hotel in downtown Nashville on Saturday, March 16, 2013.

Along with the reception, dinner and dancing, the ball this year will feature our third annual "Wendell H. Gilbert Award" and "Spirit of Austin Peay Award" presentation to two individuals who have made memorable contributions to APSU.

The primary purpose of the Candlelight Ball is to provide scholarships to deserving students. The funds raised this year will be added to the scholarship endowment and will allow APSU to award even more scholarships in the years ahead.

Tickets for APSU's 29th Annual Candlelight Ball are \$150 per person. To make your reservation or for more information, call the Alumni Relations Office, 931-221-7979, or visit www.apsu.edu/alumni.

APSU Military Alumni Chapter

The National Alumni Association (NAA) has recently announced the newest addition to our Alumni Chapter family, Military Alumni Chapter! Because our military serve such an important role in the key success of APSU, we feel it is time to highlight them within our National Alumni Association. It is the goal of the NAA to encourage and foster lifelong alumni participation, involvement and commitment.

To make our Military Alumni Chapter official, a chartering reception and dinner will be held during homecoming weekend. All Military Alumni Chapter members are invited (free of charge) to attend a Wine & Cheese Chartering Reception, followed by the Preston Hubbard Scholarship Dinner, taking place on Friday, Oct. 26.

During the Preston Hubbard Scholarship Dinner, all Military Alumni Chapter members will be presented with the APSU military coin. By signing up to be a member of this chapter, you will receive notice of this event and coin presentation.

If you would like to join the APSU Military Alumni Chapter, please email Nikki Loos Peterson, APSU Alumni Relations director, at peteronn@apsu.edu or call the APSU Alumni Relations Office at 931-221-7979.

Preston Hubbard Scholarship Dinner

The dinner will be held at 7 p.m., Friday, Oct. 26 in the Morgan University Center Ballroom.

Join us as we celebrate WWII veteran and APSU faculty emeritus, Preston John Hubbard. Special guest speaker will be Congressman Phil Roe.

Cost is \$25 per person. It is free to APSU Military Alumni Chapter members.

To sign up to become an APSU Military Alumni Chapter member, email Nikki Loos Peterson at peteronn@apsu.edu or call 931-221-7979.

Proceeds will benefit the Preston Hubbard Scholarship. For more information or to RSVP, call 931-221-7127.

Fall Fling

Join President Tim Hall, alumni and friends for the fourth annual Fall Fling, taking place on Friday, Sept. 28 at the Clarksville Country Club. The festivities will begin with a 6 p.m. social hour followed by dinner at 7 p.m.

Dance the night away to the sounds of The Big Thrill (variety of music from the '30s/'40s-'80s). A cash bar will be available throughout the evening. Cost is \$75 per couple, \$40 per person with advance reservations and payment required.

Seating is limited. Call now to reserve your table for eight to 10 guests! For more information or to RSVP, call 931-221-7979 or 1-800-264-2586.

Europe history trip: 'The Holocaust'

Join APSU professor, Dr. Dewey Browder, as he takes us into the historical landscapes of Europe. We will venture on a 12-day trip to Paris, Strasbourg, Munich, Berchtesgaden, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Fussen, Nuremberg, Rothenburg, Heidelberg and Frankfurt and visit sites such as the Palace of Versailles, historic concentration camps, Notre Dame Cathedral, Arc de Triomphe, Neuschwanstein's Fairy Tale Castle and Imperial Fortress from the Holy Roman Empire.

This trip is scheduled for June 11-22, 2013. Reservations for this trip are now being accepted.

For more information on trip details and prices, call the Alumni Relations Office, 931-221-7979, or visit www.apsu.edu/alumni.

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Alumni Calendar of Events 2012-13

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2012

Sept. 28
Fall Fling
Clarksville Country Club
For more information or to RSVP,
call 931-221-7979.

Oct. 22-27
Homecoming 2012
For a complete listing of events,
visit www.apsu.edu/homecoming.

Oct. 30
APSU Halloween Percussion Concert
Music/Mass Communication
Building Concert Hall
For more information, call the
music department, 931-221-
7818.

Nov. 11
**Nashville Symphony and
Symphony Chorus**
*Clarksville Community Concert
Association Series*
4 p.m., Music/Mass

Communication Building
For ticket information, visit
www.clarkvillemusic.org.

Dec. 1
**APSU Christmas Choral
Concert & Dinner**
6:30 p.m., Morgan University
Center Ballroom
For more information, call
the music department,
931-221-7818.

2013

Feb. 16
**National Alumni Association
Board Meeting**

Feb. 20
**APSU Career Networking
Event**
To RSVP or for more informa-
tion, call 931-221-7979 or email
petersonn@apsu.edu.

Feb. 27-March 3
7th Annual Spring Dance Concert
featuring APSU students

For more information, call
theatre/dance, 931-221-6767.

March 16
29th Annual Candlelight Ball
Hilton Nashville Downtown
For more information, call 931-
221-7979.

April 6-7
**Women's Athletics
Celebration**
More information TBA



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 24

APSU Apollo (Student Talent Show)

7 p.m., Memorial Health Gym (Red Barn)
Free and open to public. Sponsored by Govs Programming Council. Students amaze the audience with their talent. Call Student Life and Engagement, 931-221-7431.

THURSDAY, OCT. 25

Homecoming Step-Off

5 p.m., Memorial Health Gym (Red Barn)
Enjoy the traditional Step-Off. Open to all student organizations. Court announcement to follow. Call Student Life and Engagement, 931-221-7431.

FRIDAY, OCT. 26

34th Annual Homecoming Golf Tournament

8 a.m., Swan Lake Golf Course
\$60 per person. Open to the public. Sponsored by Budweiser of Clarksville. Fee includes ditty bag, refreshments on the golf course and light lunch. Frazier Allen ('99), chair. Call Alumni Relations, 931-221-7979 or 1-800-264-2586.

46th Annual Alumni-Varsity Golf Match

12:30 p.m. shotgun start, site TBD.
Men's varsity golf alumni compete against the current men's golf team

in this annual event. Includes lunch from noon-1 p.m. Sherwin Clift ('60), Steve Miller ('65) and Jim Smith ('68), co-chairs. Call Jim Smith, 931-645-6586 or 931-648-0343.

AACC Alumni & Current Student Homecoming Mixer

2-4 p.m., Wilbur N. Daniel African American Cultural Center (Clement 120)
Free and open to all alumni and current students. Alumni are encouraged to bring business cards. Contact Tonya Nwaneri at nwanerit@apsu.edu or 931-221-7120 for more information.

School of Nursing Alumni & Friends Reception

4-6 p.m., McCord Building
Reception and tour of the School of Nursing and demonstration of simulation mannequins. Refreshments will be provided. Free event. Sponsored by the Nursing Alumni Chapter and School of Nursing. For more information, email Linda Darnell at darnelll@apsu.edu.

Governors' Own Alumni Band Rehearsal & Cookout

5:30-8 p.m., Governors Stadium
All former Governors' Own Band members are welcome! Rehearsals will take place at 5:30 p.m., followed by a cookout. The alumni band will be rehearsing the Fight Song along with other stands tunes. At 7 p.m., alumni will join current band members for a

mix and mingle cookout. This is a free event for band alumni. For more information, email Vanessa Cobb at vcobb1@my.apsu.edu.

Military Alumni Chapter Chartering Reception

5:30-6:30 p.m., Pace Alumni Center at Emerald Hill. Free to all APSU military alumni and spouses. Join the Military Alumni Chapter at no cost and be presented with the APSU military coin. To RSVP and for more information on becoming a member of the APSU Military Alumni Chapter, call Alumni Relations, 931-221-7979.

College of Business Alumni Reception

6-8 p.m., F&M Bank, 50 Franklin St.
Free event. Refreshments served. Reconnect with the College of Business faculty and fellow alumni. RSVP Sondra Peters, 931-221-7674, by Oct. 24.

Preston Hubbard Scholarship & Military Alumni Chapter Dinner

7 p.m., Morgan University Center Ballroom
Guest speaker Congressman Phil Roe. \$25 per person (APSU Military Alumni Chapter Members free). Proceeds will benefit Preston Hubbard Scholarship Endowment. To RSVP, call University Advancement, 931-221-7127.

Department of Political Science Alumni Mixer

6-10 p.m., Morgan University Center, Room 305. Free event. For more information, contact Takesha Anderson at 931-221-7515 or andersontn@apsu.edu.

African-American Alumni Mixer

8-10 p.m., Hilton Garden Inn, 290 Alfred Thun Road (off exit 4)
Free. Light refreshments, cash bar. Makeba Webb ('00), chair. Call Alumni Relations, 931-221-7979 or 1-800-264-2586.

City Lights: Homecoming Edition

Presented by APSU National Alumni Association, The Gilroy and Budweiser of Clarksville

8-11 p.m., doors open at 6 p.m., corner of University Avenue and Main Street. Join us for the final act of the "City Lights" Concert Series. You will not want to miss C+C Music Factory! Free admission and open to the public. Beverages for sale. Randy Huth ('01), Terry Griffin ('80) chairs. Contact Alumni Relations Office, 931-221-7979 or 1-800-264-2586.





SATURDAY, OCT. 27

Homecoming Scholarship 5K Run

8 a.m., Clement Building, front lawn, College Street. Registration \$25 in advance, \$30 day of race. Fun Run \$10 in advance, \$15 day of race. Open to the public, all ages. Fee includes T-shirt and refreshments; prizes and cash awards. Mike ('78) and Lisa ('81) Kelley, co-chairs. Call Alumni Relations, 931-221-7979 or 1-800-264-2586.

Football Letterman Chapter Breakfast

8-9:30 a.m., Dunn Center (third floor Governors Club). Free. All former football players are invited to reunite for this special event in support of APSU football. Advance reservations requested. Call Alumni Relations, 931-221-7979 or 1-800-264-2586.

Alumni Awards Brunch

10:30 a.m., Morgan University Center Ballroom. \$25 per person. Open to the public. Meet and mingle with other alumni and friends as we honor this year's selection of outstanding alumni award recipients. Advance reservations required by Wednesday, Oct. 24. Call Alumni Relations, 931-221-7979 or 800-264-2586.

Art Department Alumni & Friends Tailgate

Noon-4 p.m., Tailgate Alley (west side parking lot). Stop by to mingle with other art alumni, faculty and staff. This is a free event. For more information, contact Kell Black, 931-221-7358 or blackk@apsu.edu.

Greek Alumni Parade "Watch Party"

1 p.m., Clement Building lawn (off of College Street – Greek Tent). Join current APSU Greeks and reconnect with your fraternity brothers and sorority sisters during the Homecoming Parade. Free event. For more information, contact Victor Felts, Greek Alumni Chapter president, 931-221-7431 or feltsv@apsu.edu.

Homecoming Parade

1:30 p.m., (8th Street, down College Street and back to campus) Free and open to the public. APSU gathers together to celebrate Homecoming 2012. Tailgate Alley opens at 2 p.m. Call Athletics to reserve a spot, 931-221-7904. Call Student Life and Engagement, 931-221-7431, for parade details and information.

Alumni Hospitality Tent

(Alumni chapters that will be present at the Alumni Tent are listed below.) 2-4 p.m., Tailgate Alley (west side parking lot) Stop by to meet and mingle

with other alumni, check and/or update your alumni information, register for a door prize and pick up the latest alumni trinkets. To set up a table at the Alumni Tent, call Alumni Relations, 931-221-7979 or 1-800-264-2586.

- Governors' Own Alumni Band Chapter
Vanessa Cobb ('10), president
- Hispanic Alumni Chapter
Rosa Ponce ('03), president
- Nursing Alumni Chapter
Linda Darnell ('88), president
- African-American Alumni Chapter
Makeba Webb ('00), president
Tailgate located in the Grove area
- Montgomery County Alumni Chapter
Adrienne Beech ('04), president
- Lady Gobs Softball Alumni Chapter
Detra Farley ('10), president
- Lady Gobs Soccer Alumni Chapter
Sarah Broadbent ('06), president
- APSU Pom Squad Alumni Chapter
Nicole Aquino Williamson ('04), president

Homecoming Game – APSU vs. SEMO

4 p.m., Governors Stadium
Open to the public. Presentation of 2012 Homecoming King, Queen and court at halftime. For admission prices, call Athletics Ticket Office, 931-221-7761.

NPHC Homecoming Step Show

7:30 p.m., Memorial Health Gym (Red Barn)
\$10 APSU students with I.D., \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door.
Call Fraternity & Sorority Affairs, 931-221-6570 or www.apsugreeks.com for more information.

STAYING OVERNIGHT?

Please enjoy the Homecoming/Alumni discounted rate at these following choice hotels:

- **Riverview Inn**
(50 College St.)
\$84 (plus tax) per night
931-552-3331
- **Hilton Garden Inn**
(290 Alfred Thun Road)
\$109 (plus tax) per night
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GAME CHANGERS

APSU'S NEXT GENERATION OF HIGH ACHIEVING STUDENTS

By Charles Booth

“For these students who are here, those who are going to be sophomores and juniors, we have been systematically trying to find opportunities and encouraging them to find opportunities, such as the Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REUs) program and internships. It is also the case that we are committed to helping students who are contenders for national awards.”
-Dr. Tristan Denley,
APSU provost and vice president of academic affairs

Several years ago, Dr. Tristan Denley, APSU provost and vice president of academic affairs, met with the University's deans and faculty members and, in a sense, told them to start thinking like college football and basketball coaches. The idea was to transform the academic culture at APSU the same way one transforms a sport's team – by recruiting and then supporting some of the top talent in the state.

“This was a path we set forth,” Denley said. “We decided this is where we want to be. So how do we put ourselves in this position?”

To achieve this goal, professors and department chairs began making phone calls, sending out emails and extending invitations to exemplary Tennessee high school students to visit campus. University President Tim Hall even mailed a few letters, encouraging these individuals to attend APSU.

So how'd they do? Well, almost five years later, the University is reaping the benefits of these recruitment efforts. In the spring, two physics students received Goldwater Scholarships – a major, national award. Austin Peay was the only university in Tennessee to have two Goldwater recipients.

Add that to the number of APSU students conducting research in France, Greece and the Czech Republic, among other places, along with participating in high level internships and fellowships at major institutions, and it's easy to see signs of this new culture of academic excellence.

The key to maintaining this environment is

to give these top recruits the tools they need to succeed. APSU students are no longer expected to simply graduate. The entire University is working to make sure they excel during their time here.

“For these students who are here, those who are going to be sophomores and juniors, we have been systematically trying to find opportunities and encouraging them to find opportunities, such as the Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REUs) program and internships,” Denley said. “It is also the case that we are committed to helping students who are contenders for national awards.”

In 2010, the University opened its Honors Commons, housing both the University's Honors Program and the President's Emerging Leaders Program. It marked the first time in APSU history that high achieving students had a designated, physical space to gather and study.

That same year, APSU established the Office of Undergraduate Research, which works to connect students with research opportunities and funding for projects and travel.

“We've seen with these REUs, and also international experiences, it changes the whole way the classroom functions,” Denley said. “Now you're in a class with students who have had these kinds of experiences, and that is part of the conversation. They provide perspective.”

But what exactly are the students doing? What have they achieved? Here are a few examples of how APSU students are expanding the University's reputation.

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-Dr. Alex King, chair of the APSU physics department



Drew Kerr and Mason Yost

GOLDWATER SCHOLARS

On a warm afternoon in March, APSU physics student Drew Kerr received a phone call from his friend and classmate Mason Yost about the Goldwater Scholarship. Both had applied for the scholarship named for the late Arizona senator and 1964 presidential candidate. It is awarded each year to only 300 college students nationwide who are pursuing a degree in science or mathematics.

“I kept checking the website for our names,” Yost said. “I was hoping at least one of us would make it. When I saw our names, I called Drew.”

Kerr had a busy week, preparing a presentation for a conference he was going to attend, so he hadn't had a chance to check the Goldwater Scholarship website.

“I got a call from Mason,” he recalled. “I hadn't checked since Monday. I kept saying, ‘Mason, you're joking with me.’”

But he wasn't joking. Their names were on the list among the other recipients from institutions such as Yale and Duke University. Only five Goldwater Scholarships were awarded to students attending schools in Tennessee. The University of Tennessee at Knoxville, the University of Memphis and Middle Tennessee State University each had one student earn the scholarship.

“There aren't that many schools that get two scholarships,” Dr. Alex King, chair of the APSU physics department, said. “For us to have two students both get it, that's really cool. They both worked really hard to get it.

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When awarding the scholarships, a selection committee looks through thousands of applications and singles out those individuals who are working to make a significant contribution to his or her field of study.

It can be an arduous application process, which takes into account all the work and research students have done during their college careers. As APSU associate professor of physics Dr. Justin Oelgoetz said, students don't simply decide one day to apply for the Goldwater Scholarship. It is something they must prepare for throughout their time at the University in order to have a shot at the award.

Kerr's application included an analysis of particle decay research he conducted last summer and hopes to continue. Yost submitted a literature review he helped work on with APSU physics department faculty, analyzing quantum systems using acoustic networks.

“Students like Drew and Mason, they're literally working one-on-one with faculty, and that allowed them to really refine what it is they're doing,” Denley said. “It really is the case to be competitive on a national scale you can't do this alone. You need people to support you.”

Both students first came to APSU in the summer of 2008 as high school students attending the Governor's School in Computational Physics. Yost was later accepted into Carnegie Mellon University and

Kerr considered attending the University of Chicago. But King and Dr. Jaime Taylor, dean of the College of Science and Mathematics, persuaded the two students to enroll at APSU.

“I told them when they applied here they would have more opportunities at Austin Peay than they would at those other schools,” Taylor, former chair of physics, said. “And that has proven to be true. I think these two individuals are examples of the caliber of students that are choosing APSU. They make me miss being in the physics department, interacting with these kinds of students on a daily basis.”

EXCAVATING THE ANCIENT WORLD

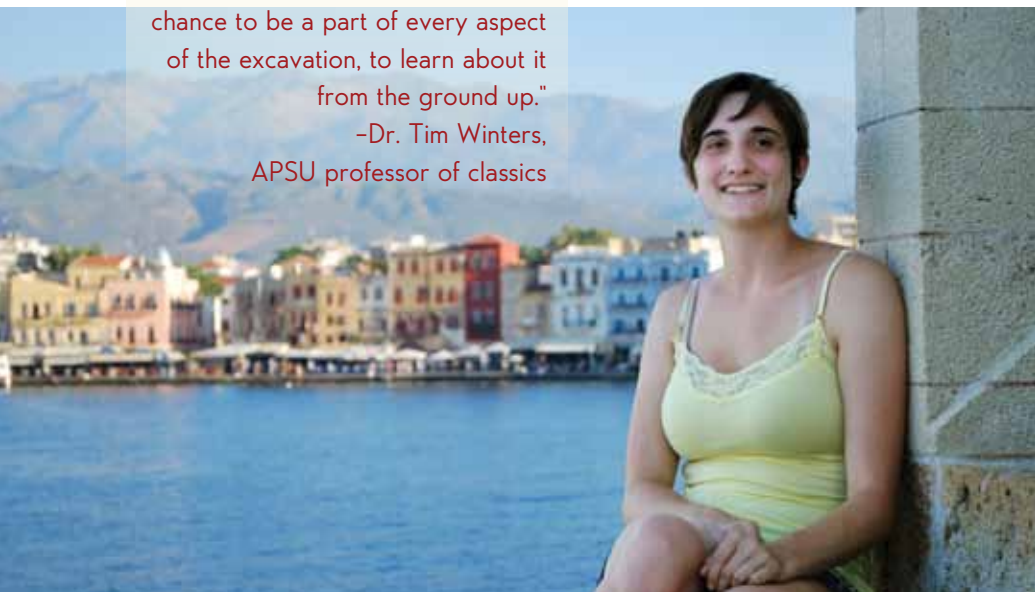
Jennifer Miraldi, a junior classics major at APSU, unfolded a large map and spread it over the desk of Dr. Tim Winters, APSU professor of classics, covering up his coffee mugs and a worn, paperback copy of Euripides' plays.

“The site is called Gournia,” Miraldi said, leaning over the map and pointing at a small dot on the Greek island of Crete. It didn't look like much on the crinkled paper, but in actuality Gournia is a stunningly beautiful archeological site, with ancient stone walls surrounded by lush green hills and the deep blue of the Cretan Sea.

Last summer, Miraldi spent about two months at this site, sifting through the remains of what was once a 3,000-year-old town, as one of only four students in the United States to participate in a coveted archeological

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APSU professor of classics



Jennifer Miraldi

Contributed

excavation of the city.

“In the mornings, we will be digging in the trenches,” she said before she left. “In the afternoons we’ll learn how to wash pottery, how to classify it.”

The site is the type of place that causes archeologists and classics professors to speak in loud and excited voices, their eyes widening, because it is the only town from the Minoan Period ever to be excavated. Miraldi picked through materials from about 2000 to 1500 B.C., during the Middle Minoan period, which Winters said is a critical time for understanding what happened not just in Crete but in the surrounding areas.

“It’s the period when writing first appears in the Aegean, when trade with Egypt and the Near East picks up,” he said. “I am so jealous of her being able to do this.”

It is also the period when the Thera volcano is believed to have erupted, causing enormous damage to the island and possibly darkening the sky all the way to Egypt.

“Graduate students tremble for an opportunity like this,” Winters added as Miraldi refolded her map that morning. “It’s very rare for an undergraduate to work at a dig like this at a major site. And she will be one of four, so she’ll get a chance to be a part of every aspect of the excavation, to learn about it from the ground up.”

Miraldi visited the area the previous summer

while on a study abroad trip to Greece with Winters. The area captivated her, and she wanted to return to do some actual hands-on work at an archeological site.

But those types of opportunities aren’t that easy to come by for undergraduates. Luckily for Miraldi, Winters is friends with Dr. John Younger of the University of Kansas, one of the participants in the excavation. One evening, the two men were talking on the telephone about their travels when the topic of Gournia came up.

“He mentioned to me that he was going to be excavating at Gournia, so I asked if they needed any students,” Winters said. “He said, ‘we do have one place open.’ I said, ‘I can fill that for you.’”

A few days later, after talking with Winters and then Younger, Miraldi altered her plans for the summer so she could spend six weeks in Crete.

“I was ecstatic when I found out I was going,” she said. “I didn’t think undergraduates got to do this type of thing. I wanted to do this for a long time. I couldn’t believe it.”

EXPLORING THE BRAIN

Last May, APSU psychology student Caitlin Nelms was in the library, checking her email, when she noticed a message sitting in her junk mail folder. It had been there a few days.

When she clicked on it, the message

informed her that she was the sole recipient of a prestigious summer internship offered through the Middle Tennessee Chapter of the Society of Neuroscience’s and Vanderbilt University’s Summer Science Academy.

“I was in the library, so I was trying not to be loud, but I was really excited,” Nelms said.

The internship, known as the Summer Enrichment Research Program in Education and Neuroscience Training (SERPENT), sent Nelms to Vanderbilt for two months where she worked under a faculty mentor conducting groundbreaking neuroscience research. It was a good fit for the APSU junior who, over the last year, has developed a fascination with that field.

“What really spiked my interest was learning about vision and auditory processing, that type thing, but I didn’t want to go into the medical side of it,” she said. “I wanted to do something different.”

Through neuroscience research, she was able to investigate how individuals are consciously aware of what they’re seeing and what they’re hearing, and how they perceive those sensory responses.

“The researchers (at Vanderbilt) use different brain imaging techniques, so they see all the different connections,” she said. “They’re researching with animals and humans, with all different types of technology that we don’t have at Austin Peay. It’s very exciting.”

Nelms already has a bit of experience as a researcher in this field. For the last year, she has worked with Dr. Larry Lowrance, APSU professor of education, and Dr. Jeannine Hirtle, APSU associate professor of education, looking at the relationship of social media use to TCAP writing scores, English grades, school attendance and discipline referrals among high school juniors and seniors. Her contributions to this study have more than impressed Lowrance.

“Ms. Nelms is more than brilliant,” he said. “She has a mind that grasps concepts intuitively, studies them intensely and is flexible enough to change as new facts and circumstances come her way. She is creative in thought and practice and insightful like few others.”

His statements might sound exaggerated until you take a look at Nelms’s resume.



Caitlin Nelms

She was the valedictorian of Bolivar Central High School in Bolivar, Tenn., is a member of the APSU President's Emerging Leaders Program and its honors program, serves as vice president of the Chi Omega women's fraternity and is a member of numerous honor societies, including Gamma Beta Phi community service honor society, the Psi Chi psychology honor society and Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and largest collegiate honor society.

BECOMING A LEADER

On a rainy afternoon in 2008, Kelvin Rutledge took a tour of the APSU campus. He was a senior in high school, debating where he should attend college. He'd narrowed his choices down to Austin Peay and the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

"Both campuses are really pretty," he said. "But when I had a campus tour here, even though it was raining, it had the best environment in terms of feeling like an individual person. It was a really good vibe for me."

That fall, Rutledge arrived as an APSU student with a Hope Scholarship, a President's Scholarship and a PELP scholarship. He spent that first semester in his room and the library, making sure his grades didn't suffer.

"I just wanted to get a good GPA and not flunk out," he said. "Got to keep your scholarship. After that first semester, I was like, let's find something to do."

Saying he found "something to do" is a bit of an understatement. Rutledge joined organizations, such as the Kappa Alpha fraternity, which in turn led him to other campus activities, such as serving on the Interfraternity Council. By the time he graduated last May, he had a resume full of extracurricular activities, leading him to receive the Meningall Governors Cup Senior

Award, which goes to graduating students who have been exceptional leaders and who have demonstrated positive and sustainable change on campus.

"I think I received it, mainly, because of the range of involvement I had on campus in terms of officer capacities," he said, somewhat non-chalantly. During his last year at APSU, Rutledge served as president of the Student Organization Council, circle president of the Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society, and an officer with the Future Alumni Member's organization, in addition to serving on several University standing committees and the Provost's Advisory Committee.

Rutledge, a political science and sociology double major, credits, or blames possibly, the faculty and staff at APSU for pushing him into

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all these activities.

"I didn't think I would be involved to this magnitude," he said. "More people were like, 'have you thought about doing this? You're really good. We're going to keep you here.' I was like, 'how in the world am I going to do this?' I had to quit my full-time job."

But he admits it was the right decision. Rutledge gained first-hand experience about how a University operates administratively, which plays into his ultimate goal of becoming an institution's director of student activities. And the wealth of experience helped him get into graduate school at Florida State University, where he is now pursuing a degree in higher education administration.

"I remember during the (graduate school) interview, they asked, 'How did you do all this?'" Rutledge said. "I said, 'very little sleep.'"

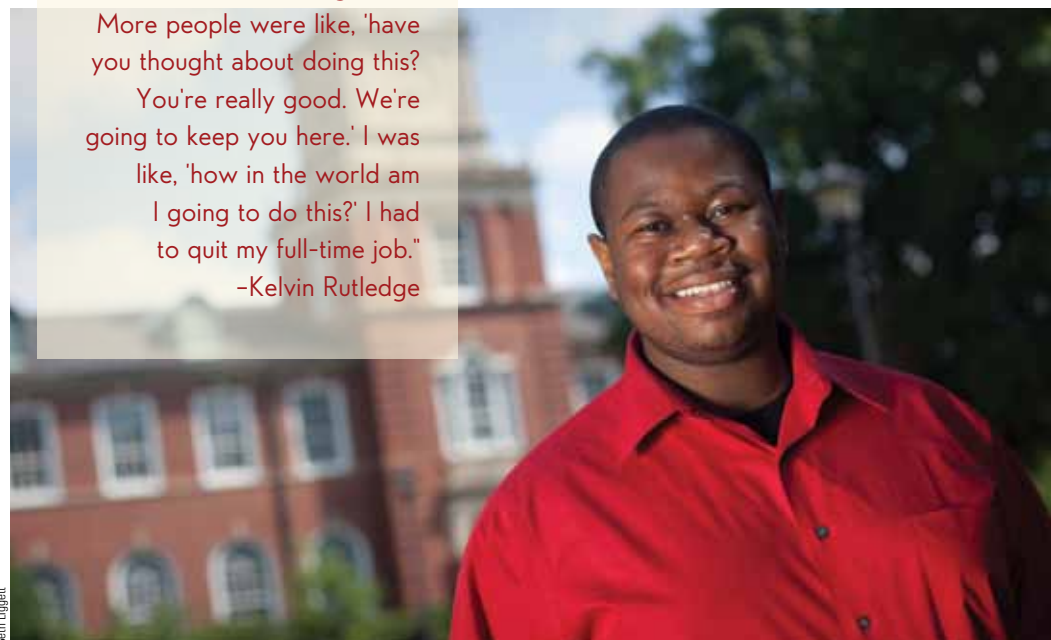
He paused a moment to think about his answer.

"That isn't true," he said. "I slept a lot." **AP**

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Faculty Accomplishments▶

Psychology prof named Hawkins Award recipient



Rebecca Welch

Dr. Kevin Harris, assistant professor of psychology, was presented with the Richard M. Hawkins Award in April. The award is presented in recognition of exceptional scholarly and creative work produced by a faculty member.

Harris earned his doctorate in cognitive psychology at Florida State University, under the direction of Dr. K. Anders Ericsson, the world's foremost "expert on experts." While at Florida State, Harris served as a founding member of that school's renowned Center for Expert Performance Research.

In 2008, Harris joined the psychology faculty at APSU, where he has garnered a national reputation for his research on issues of performance under stressful, dynamic and potentially life-threatening situations in areas such as health care, law enforcement and the military. Harris has collaborated with many faculty members at APSU and other institutions in major research projects. Those include working closely with APSU's School of Nursing, the Vanderbilt University School of Medicine's Center for Experiential Learning and Assessment, the Florida State University School of Nursing, the North Mississippi Medical Center and the department of social psychology at the University of Nijmegen in the Netherlands.

He has more than 40 academic publications and presentations to his credit, and he has presented his research at several distinguished conferences.

Math faculty member earns Distinguished Professor Award



Beth Loggett

Dr. Mary Lou Witherspoon, professor of mathematics, was named the recipient of the 2012 APSU Alumni Association Distinguished Professor Award. The award is presented annually to a faculty member or department chairperson who has completed a minimum of four years of full-time teaching at APSU. The faculty member who earns the Distinguished Professor Award in May serves as commencement speaker at APSU's winter graduation. Witherspoon earned her Bachelor of Science in elementary education from APSU, and then went on to receive both her Master of Education and Doctor of Education from Vanderbilt University's George Peabody College for Teachers. She returned to her alma mater, and throughout her academic career at APSU, Witherspoon has brought notoriety to the University with the publication of a book and numerous articles on the important subject of teaching children mathematics. She averages more than two presentations a year, at conferences such as the annual Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators and Tennessee Mathematics Teacher Educators. For the past 10 years she has served as the editor and principal writer for the Tennessee Middle School Mathematics Contest, which is hosted at various sites across the state.

Professors writing 2-volume military, diplomatic history textbook



Beth Loggett

Dr. Christos Frentzos



Beth Loggett

Dr. Antonio Thompson

Dr. Christos Frentzos, associate professor of history, and **Dr. Antonio Thompson**, assistant professor of history, are editing a new groundbreaking, two-volume work – "The Routledge Handbook of American Military and Diplomatic History." Once published, the textbook could be used to expand the study of history in college classrooms across the country.

Volume I of the work will feature about 40 essays from both renowned historians and up-and-coming academics, focusing on the colonial period in America up to reconstruction. Volume II will include another 40 essays dealing with American history from 1865 to the present War on Terror. The books will be divided into thematic sections, with a historiographical essay introducing the time period followed by three or four topic essays.

The book is set to go to the publisher next fall, with copies of the two volumes available sometime in 2013.

3 faculty honored with teaching awards



Dr. Lisa O'Dear Lewis



Dr. Jeannette Zyko



Dr. Christopher Gentry

Dr. Lisa O'Dear Lewis, assistant professor of health and human performance, **Dr. Jeannette Zyko**, assistant professor of music, and **Dr. Christopher Gentry**, associate professor of geosciences and director of the APSU Office of Undergraduate Research, each received APSU's Socrates Award.

That award is presented each year to tenure-track faculty members who are known around campus for their ability to inspire and motivate our students.

Lewis joined the faculty in 2007 with a B.S. in physical education and a Master of Science from Middle Tennessee State University. She earned her Doctor of Education in supervision and administration in higher education from Tennessee State University with the completion of her dissertation, "The Relationship of Physical Activity, Self-Esteem and Percentage Body Fat to Grade Point Average."

Zyko joined the University in 2008, and she has been nominated for the last three consecutive years for this distinction. An accomplished oboist, she earned her Bachelor of Music from the University of Hartford in Connecticut, her Master of Music from Butler University in Indiana and her Doctor of Musical Arts in oboe performance from the Manhattan School of Music in New York City.

Gentry joined the APSU faculty four years ago after earning his Bachelor of Arts from Indiana University Southeast and both his M.A. and his Ph.D. in physical geography from Indiana State University in Terre Haute. To date, Gentry has obtained more than \$300,000 in funding to conduct research and provide APSU students with one-of-a-kind opportunities. Last summer, using Student Academic Success Initiative money, he developed a new upper-division field study course that took students to Colorado for several weeks.

Winters receives Distinguished Community Service Award



Dr. Tim Winters, classics professor, received the 2012 Distinguished Community Service Award from the Clarksville Area Chamber of Commerce for his dedication to the community.

The award is presented every spring to an APSU faculty member who demonstrates exemplary service to his or her community. Dr. Minoa Uffelman, APSU associate professor of history, nominated Winters for the award.

"Dr. Winters is a selfless individual who always seeks to improve the lives of those around him, whether those individuals are students or members of the local community," Dr. Mickey Wadia, APSU professor of languages and literature, wrote in a memo supporting Uffelman's nomination.

Winters' service to the community spans numerous projects, such as going on four of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church's medical missions to Haiti, helping to organize a telethon for that country after it was devastated by an earthquake in 2010, playing drums in a band that volunteers at benefit concerts for organizations such as Special Olympics and the Humane Society, helping rebuild the home of a local police officer's widow for the ABC television show "Extreme Makeover" and working to preserve and restore the Nashville Parthenon at Centennial Park.

Professor receives Harold Love Award



John Moseley, associate professor of mass communication, received the coveted 2012 Harold Love Community Service Award from the Tennessee Higher Education Commission.

He is one of five faculty and staff recipients of the Love Award. Winners who receive this recognition represent the many dimensions of community service—volunteer work, public service, charitable service and leadership roles in community organizations. They serve as ambassadors for community service among the many diverse higher educational communities in Tennessee.

Moseley is actively involved in Camp Rainbow, Special Olympics, Buddy Ball and Bikers Who Care. He also played a vital role in organizing the APSU Haiti Relief Effort telethon.

Alumni Awards▶

OUTSTANDING SERVICE



Beeth Ligggett

Lawrence E. Baggett ('63)

After a lengthy teaching career at APSU, Lawrence Baggett continues to be involved with his alma mater and former employer.

He has served on scholarship selection committees, at National Alumni Association activities and Governors Club events. He also is active in Clarksville-Montgomery County

on several boards and other efforts.

Baggett taught accounting in the APSU College of Business from 1965 until his retirement as associate professor in 2004. During this tenure, he twice was chair of the accounting department and advised a number of student organizations. He also received the APSU National Alumni Association Distinguished Professor Award in 1996.

While teaching at APSU, Baggett maintained an active license as a certified public accountant.

He holds memberships in many professional, honorary and social organizations: Alpha Kappa Psi professional business fraternity, Beta Alpha Psi accounting honor society, Omicron Delta Epsilon honorary finance and economics society, Omicron Delta Kappa leadership honor society, Phi Kappa Phi honor society, Sigma Beta Delta honor society for business and Alpha Tau Omega social fraternity.

After graduating from APSU in 1963, Baggett went to the University of Alabama, where he earned a Master of Arts in accounting. He also received additional graduate study at Alabama and the University of Arkansas.



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Linda Rudolph ('69, '70)

In 1970, Dr. Linda Rudolph began her career as a member of the psychology faculty at APSU, advancing the next 25 years from lecturer to full professor.

On top of her faculty service, beginning in 1980, Rudolph joined the University's administrative team. She was chair of the psychology department, acting dean of the former College of Graduate

and Professional Programs, assistant to the vice president of academic affairs, director of the President's Emerging Leaders Program and associate vice president of planning and institutional effectiveness.

Then in 1995, Rudolph was appointed commissioner of the Tennessee Department of Human Services, overseeing the management and operation of three program areas – family assistance, social services and rehabilitation services – and administering a \$1.3 billion budget that included \$49 million in food stamp benefits.

After four years as commissioner, she worked as senior officer for policy and planning at the Tennessee Higher Education Commission for a year before returning to her alma mater as interim vice president.

In 2001, Rudolph worked on contract as senior policy analyst for the Bureau of Business and Economic Research at the University of Memphis. She is now a retired licensed professional counselor who remains active in Clarksville-Montgomery County, especially with the Industrial Development Board and Economic Development Board.

After graduating from APSU with a bachelor's in psychology and business education in 1969 and a master's in psychology in 1970, she earned a doctorate in counseling from the University of Tennessee-Knoxville.

OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNUS



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Richard "Rex" Hogan ('95)

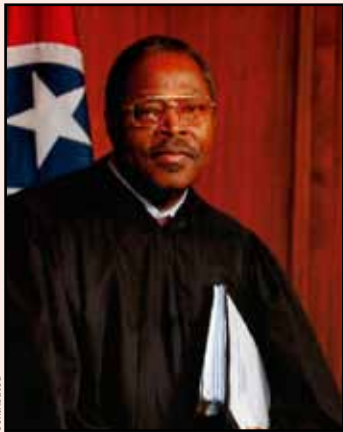
Richard "Rex" Hogan is a national scout for the Chicago Bears football team, a position he has held since May 2012.

Hogan first scouted for the Chicago Bears in July 2003, when he was a college scout for the Chicago Bears, primarily serving the northeast, mid-Atlantic and southeast areas of the country. He served in this capacity until becoming a national scout.

Prior to working for the Chicago Bears, Hogan was director of football operations and recruiting coordinator at the University of Utah. He also previously served as football recruiting and operations assistant, as well as pro personnel liaison, for the University of Notre Dame, where he also completed an internship in the athletic office. Hogan played for the Gobs football team from 1992-94.

He is married to Christy Yarnell Hogan, academic coordinator and tutor coordinator for the Vanderbilt University Athletic Department. They have three children: McKenna, 6, Ryan, 4, and Erin, 2.

OUTSTANDING ALUMNUS



John W. McClarty ('71)

John McClarty is judge of the Tennessee Court of Appeals Eastern Section, first appointed to the post in January 2009 by then Gov. Phil Bredesen. Upon assuming the duties of this position, McClarty became the first African-American state judge serving from east Tennessee.

In August 2010, he was elected to the Tennessee Court of Appeals on retention ballot, making him the first African-American from Tennessee to be elected to a statewide position.

Before becoming judge, McClarty began private law practice in 1976 and, for 32 years, tried to completion numerous civil and criminal cases in Hamilton County and the surrounding area.

Prior to his gubernatorial appointment to the appellate court bench, McClarty was appointed by Bredesen to serve as a board member of the Tennessee Registry of Election Finances in May 2005 and served as chair in 2007 until his term expired.

He also was appointed to the American Board of Trial Advocacy in 2008 and to the American College of Trial Lawyers in 2009.

McClarty holds several memberships in various legal organizations, including the Chattanooga Bar Association. He also is certified by both the National Board of Trial Advocacy and the Tennessee Commission on Continuing Legal Education and Specialization as a civil trial specialist.

After graduating from APSU with degrees in political science and history, McClarty received a juris doctor degree with honor in 1976 from Southern University School of Law.



Gary Scott ('72)

Gary Scott is currently a director of Pinnacle Financial Partners and its subsidiary, Pinnacle National Bank, located in Nashville. This is a publicly traded company on NASDAQ with approximately \$5 billion in total assets. He also serves as chair of the director's loan committee.

Scott began his banking career in 1972 at Third National Bank in Nashville. In 1973, he returned to his home in Cheatham County, eventually serving as chief executive officer and chairman of Cheatham State Bank and CSB Corp. until 1998 when the bank was acquired by First American National Bank.

In 2001, Scott became a founder, chief executive officer and chairman of PrimeTrust Bank in Nashville with offices in Davidson, Cheatham, Dickson and Williamson counties. PrimeTrust Bank eventually became one of two subsidiaries of Mid-America Bancshares, a billion-dollar holding company, where he also served as chief executive officer and chairman.

Scott has served on the board of numerous civic organizations. Currently, he serves on the board of Leadership Middle Tennessee as treasurer. He also serves as vice-chair of Cumberland Region Tomorrow, a leading regional planning organization. Recently, he was recognized with the Leader of Business Excellence Award by the Tennessee Bankers Association. His wife and business partner of 44 years, Becky Herod Scott, also attended APSU, and they reside in Cheatham County.

OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNUS



Corey Gipson ('04)

Corey Gipson transferred to APSU from Three Rivers Community, where he earned his associate degree and played for the men's basketball team. At APSU, he earned his bachelor's degree in health care management and master's degree in health and human performance with a focus in public and community health.

As a player on the Gobs Basketball team, Gipson was a two-year captain and starter at point guard, helping the Gobs become the top defensive team in the Ohio Valley Conference in 2002-03 and 2003-04. The Gobs went 45-18 in his two seasons, including a perfect 27-0 mark at home. In his first year, the team earned a spot in the NCAA tournament and in his senior year, the team went 16-0 in the OVC and appeared in the NIT.

Gipson joined Dave Loos' staff as a graduate assistant while pursuing his master's degree. Gipson then left APSU to work as an assistant coach at Virginia State University (VSU) in Petersburg, Va., under former APSU assistant coach Tony Collins. Gipson helped VSU record a 20-7 season in 2006-07.

Following his four years at VSU, Gipson joined the men's basketball staff at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. In his third season, UNCG won the Northern Division title. Gipson has most recently rejoined the APSU men's basketball staff as an assistant coach.



SOMETHING MORE

Dr. Marla Crow Troughton's efforts to ease suffering

By Charles Booth

On a September day in 1991, a baby boy named Isaac was born. He was very small, even by newborn standards.

"In fact, I was so small that I had to wear socks from my sister's doll. My head was as big as my mom's fist," he said in a testimonial for the pharmaceutical company Baxter International.

Isaac suffered from Common Variable Immune Deficiency. That meant his body was unable to fight off simple infections. He spent much of his childhood sick on the couch. He hardly ate. Typical activities like playing sports were off limits to him.

But then Isaac began receiving treatments of a Baxter product known commonly as Gammagard. He received infusions every 14 days and soon, a notable change took place.

"Without this drug, I would be sick all the time," he said in the testimonial. "My life is much better now that I receive infusions. I'm able to do whatever I want to do. I am able to eat all types of foods. I can be outside playing sports as much as I want."

For Baxter, and for patients such as Isaac, Gammagard is somewhat of a wonder drug. Derived from blood plasma, it is used to treat more than 80 primary immune deficiencies, which affect about half a million people nationwide. And, without being too optimistic, recent drug trials have shown that it might slow the progression of Alzheimer's disease.

To create this life-saving product for individuals like Isaac, millions of people visit some 60 BioLife Plasma Services centers across the country to donate plasma each year. From these centers, a sample is sent to an unassuming gray and blue building in a suburban neighborhood outside Birmingham, Ala. It is here where the important work takes place of making sure recipients

of these drugs are protected from infectious diseases.

Plasma donors come from all walks of life, with all sorts of potential health issues. Any benefit patients such as Isaac receive from these drugs would be overshadowed if an individual contracted HIV or hepatitis in the process. Making sure that doesn't happen, while contributing to the development of these important pharmaceutical products, is the chief concern of the site's medical director, Dr. Marla Crow Troughton ('93).

"Some of the products we make, especially the Gammagard, they're life changers for immunodeficient patients," she said earlier this summer. "It allows them to live a normal life."

Troughton is a slender, attractive woman in her early 40s with the posture and poise one usually sees in highly trained performers, such as professional actors and musicians. On a sunny May afternoon, she stood in a locker room that separates the facility's offices from its labs, and put on a white gown over her clothes and a pair of protective glasses.

"There's a history in the plasma and whole blood collection industries in the 1980s, with HIV and infectious diseases, of some unsavory practices in those days," she said. "Fortunately, those days are passed and the industry has undergone many changes. This company in particular has impressed me with not only their practices, but their commitment to quality, and improving the lives of the patients who rely on the therapeutics we provide.

"We operate in a heavily regulated environment," she continued. "We are, of course, governed by the FDA, as well as several other regulatory agencies,

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including the European equivalent to the FDA, but we try to maintain a focus on the donors and patients.”

Troughton stepped into a large room split into different labs where testing personnel worked, while state-of-the-art equipment hummed softly in the background. Occasionally, she stopped at a workstation to watch samples being tested. The expression on her face turned serious. Her main concern, she said, is the safety of the donors and the patients receiving plasma products. Putting an end to suffering, as much as one person can achieve such a goal, is the reason she became a doctor in the first place.

“Growing up, I was pretty convinced I wanted to be a singer,” she said. “My mother kept telling me to be a doctor because, as a singer, I wouldn’t make any money as a singer. I wouldn’t be able to support myself. And my dad concurred.”

Troughton’s father, Marlon Crow, is a talented singer who has worked over the years as a band director, choral director and associate director of the Austin Peay State University Center of Excellence for the Creative Arts. She inherited his gift and passion for singing, and at an early age, she began studying voice under Dr. Sharon Mabry, APSU professor of music.

“She was the kind of student that all teachers dream of – highly intelligent, kind, sweet personality, easy to work with, had a great sense of humor, possessed a very beautiful soprano voice and was a fabulous musician,” Mabry said. “I looked forward to every lesson I had with her and still remember her as being one of the finest students I have taught.”

But a sudden, traumatic jolt to her otherwise happy teenage years caused Troughton to think more seriously about becoming a doctor.

“I decided my junior year in high school to pursue medicine,” she said. “It sounds cliché, but I really decided when my grandmother was sick with cancer. I was very upset that she was suffering and decided that I had to do something about that. So I decided to pursue medicine.”

She attended APSU, double majoring in music and pre-med and being named homecoming queen in her sophomore year.

During the summer, she worked in the emergency room at



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Marla Crow Troughton is escorted by her father, Marlon Crow, as she is named APSU Homecoming Queen.

Clarksville Memorial Hospital, now Gateway Medical Center, hoping to learn everything she could about the medical field.

"I ended up loving it," she said. "My title was ER Hostess, which was a funny title, but I did whatever they needed me to do. I got to see everything. It provided a unique opportunity to witness a broad array of medical care and solidified my decision to pursue medicine."

Back in the BioLife laboratory, a young technician pushed a cart full of samples to a workstation. The little boxes represent a sampling of the millions of people who donate blood plasma each year. Troughton watched the cart go by. The donors, she said, are just as important as the patients who ultimately receive the product they make.

In the 1950s, researchers realized they could separate proteins from blood plasma and reinfuse them into patients with immunodeficiencies to reduce the occurrence of infection. The trouble is, over time the protein levels can drop to dangerously low levels in individuals who regularly donate plasma.

"So when they come into a donation center, their protein

she was named chief resident of the center's department of pathology.

She is now triple boarded in atomic pathology and clinical pathology, with a subspecialty in transfusion medicine. She spent a year on a Transfusion Medicine Fellowship at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, and later went on to serve as medical director of the American Red Cross's Carolinas Blood Services in Charlotte.

Moving into this field of transfusion medicine allowed Troughton to continue with her interest in patient care while fulfilling her need for intellectual stimulation. As a member of the transfusion medicine faculty at the University of Alabama at Birmingham prior to joining BioLife, she routinely consulted to treat a wide range of medical conditions from

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level is checked," Troughton said. "Also, every four months, (the donation centers) have to send a sample to us to check. We check to make sure the protein is OK. You want to make sure your donors are healthy."

But that isn't always the case. Troughton motioned to an area of the room that is the largest Abbot Prism lab in the world. The 12 large machines run through thousands of samples a day, doing an initial screening for infectious diseases. If a sample tests positive for a disease, it is automatically declined and no longer used. The results of these tests are also sent back to the donors.

"They are at times unnerved by these results," Troughton said. Donors sometimes discover that they are HIV positive or that they are inflicted with some other infectious disease. It can be a stark realization, which is why the BioLife centers provide initial notification and then refer the donors for further evaluation.

As Troughton watched the lab's Abbot Prism machines, one could see her fascination by the expression on her face. It was like trying to solve a complex puzzle, she said. The entire field of pathology, or the study of diseases, intrigues her. She discovered this while attending East Tennessee State University's James H. Quillen College of Medicine. She originally intended to pursue internal medicine, but during her first year, three months of hematology/oncology rounds quickly changed her mind.

"I had five patients die in one month," she said. "It was, at the least, very depressing. I was very attached to them."

Pathology was more to her liking. Troughton graduated from ETSU with her medical degree in 1997, and in July 1998, she began a Combined Anatomic and Clinical Pathology residency at the University of South Alabama Medical Center. In July 2001,

transplant rejection to neurologic conditions.

"With the treatment we provided, therapeutic plasma exchange, depending upon the diagnosis, you could remove plasma, red cells or other components of the blood. There were some patients that would get better right before your eyes," she said. "Their eyes would open up and they would immediately start feeling better. Those are the types of days you're reminded 'this is why I am here.'"

Troughton returned to the little locker room outside the lab, put up her gown and washed her hands. As she lathered her palms with soap, she talked with lab technicians, offering advice on continuing their education and listening to their concerns about buying houses. Her opinion, one quickly realizes, means a lot to them. They trust her because she knows how to get the best out

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Beth Liggitt



Marla Crow Troughton and then-APSU President Oscar Page.

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of them.

“I think it’s important to identify your talents,” Troughton said later. “More so than wasting time eliminating a weakness. I don’t think you can completely eliminate a weakness.

You can learn to manage it, but our talents and our weaknesses are hard-wired. You can’t create or eliminate either one.”

She was now in her office, the glasses gone, revealing dark, intelligent eyes. On the bookcase, next to medical journals and manuals, were copies of leadership books, such as “The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People,” that she read while at APSU. Troughton was an inaugural member of the University’s President’s Emerging Leaders Program (PELP), for high-achieving students, and that book was a required text.

“It started in PELP,” she said of her leadership skills. “It was such an opportunity to build a foundation for self-development and service.”

The program also gave her one of her first tastes of the managerial side of the medical profession.

“I did a six-month internship with the CEO of the hospital as part of the President’s Emerging Leaders Program,” she said. “You had to spend so many hours with him, go to so many meetings. I remember being astonished at the hours he worked.”

Down the hall in the site’s lab, the personnel she has hired and trained worked diligently testing plasma samples. From there, the approved plasma in the fractionation plants will be used to produce the products patients desperately need.

“It improves their quality of life,” Troughton said. “What we’re doing here at the lab, it’s all part of that process.”

The products help people such as a girl named Evin. A picture of her, published by BioLife, shows a beautiful, happy young woman in a swimming pool. From that picture alone, one would not realize

that she suffered for more than a decade, in and out of hospitals, because of a disorder called Immune Thrombocytopenic Purpura. The disorder caused her to miss most of her elementary school experience.

“My life was completely at the whim of my illness,” she said in a testimonial for Baxter.

She too received the Gammagard infusions. A new life soon began to take shape for Evin.

“My fevers abated, my infections became less frequent and most amazingly, I began to grow,” she said in her statement.



“There is not a simple way to express my gratitude,” Evin continued, “to the staff of BioLife Plasma Services and to all the caring donors who give of themselves to keep me alive.” **AP**



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GOVS BASEBALL follows up 2nd straight OVC championship with pair of NCAA tournament victories



The Leaf-Chronicle

The Governors baseball team concluded its 2012 campaign nearly 2,000 miles from home in the final game of the NCAA Championship's Eugene Regional, capping an incredible season that saw it clinch two Ohio Valley Conference titles and become one of three teams to record 40 wins in program history.

APSU became the first OVC team since 2000 to win two games in the NCAA Baseball Championship. The Govs recovered from a heart-breaking walk-off loss to host Oregon on the regional's opening day to shut out both Indiana State and perennial power Cal State Fullerton, a three-time national champion. However, APSU couldn't keep its season alive, falling to Oregon in the regional final.

In addition, the Govs became the first OVC team since 1996 to hold back-to-back titles in both the regular season and tournament. With the No. 1 seed in hand, the Govs lost their opening game of the OVC Championship only to become the first team in tournament history to rally back from that opening loss to win the tournament title.

Senior third baseman Greg Bachman was the Govs' offensive spark during their incredible postseason run. He batted .538 with 21 hits and seven RBI during the nine-game postseason run. He earned All-Region honors at the Eugene Region and was the OVC Championship's Most Valuable Player. The postseason run was the capstone to an incredible career for

the Memphis native who holds seven career records and finished with a record 276 career hits, breaking the mark held by current Los Angeles Dodgers catcher A.J. Ellis, who contacted Bachman the day his record was broken.

Sophomore Kacy Kemmer earned OVC all-tournament recognition. Junior Casey Delgado, second baseman Jordan Hankins and Bachman were named to the Eugene All-Region team. Six Govs were named to the OVC All-Tournament squad and five players were named to the All-OVC teams, including Hankins and senior pitcher Zach Toney who each earned first-team recognition.

GIPSON RETURNS TO HIS ALMA MATER AS ASSISTANT BASKETBALL COACH

Corey Gipson, who helped lead APSU to consecutive OVC championships in 2002-03 and 2003-04, returned to his alma mater as assistant basketball coach.

Gipson, associate head coach at North Carolina Greensboro the last two seasons, replaced fellow APSU alumnus Scott Combs, who left in the spring to become head coach at Martin Methodist.

"I am real excited about Corey coming back here," APSU coach Dave Loos said. "He really has done well in this business and really earned himself a very fine reputation as a recruiter.

"The people who knew Corey when he was here as a player know that he is just a solid human being. He is a great guy. Corey is very competitive, ambitious, just a hard worker."

Gipson was named to the UNCG staff as an assistant coach on June 20, 2009, and a year later was elevated to associate head coach, an impressive promotion for someone so relatively young in the profession. Gipson earned his promotion to associate head coach mainly due to his exceptional recruiting skills.

Gipson earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees from APSU, earning the first in 2004 and completing his graduate work in 2005. He also earned an associate degree from Three Rivers Community College in Poplar Bluff, Mo., before transferring to APSU.

HANKINS SELECTED TO USA BASEBALL COLLEGIATE NATIONAL TEAM

Govs second baseman Jordan Hankins was selected to the USA Baseball Collegiate National Team.

That announcement came days after Hankins helped lead the Governors to two victories in the NCAA Regional in Eugene, Ore. Hankins, a rising junior from Wentzville, Mo., became the first APSU player to be selected to the Collegiate National Team. He joined a select group of 30 collegiate players from across the country that gathered on June 24 in Cary, N.C.

HARPER NAMED ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA 3RD TEAM

Reed Harper, a junior shortstop for the Governors baseball team, was named to the 2012 Capital One Academic All-America Baseball Third Team, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Harper, a chemistry major from Clarksville High School, becomes the 26th APSU student-athlete to be recognized as an Academic All-American by CoSIDA and the first since 2010. In addition, he is the fifth Governors baseball team member to be recognized, joining Gene Baker (1981), John Greenway (1982), Ken Hatfield (1990), Brian Link (1993) and Kevin Smith (1993 and 1994).

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2012 Governors Football

Date/Opponent	Time
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September

1	Western Kentucky	6 p.m.
8	Virginia Tech	12:30 p.m.
15	Tennessee State*	1 p.m.
22	UT Martin*	6 p.m.
29	Eastern Illinois*	1:30 p.m.

October

6	Murray State*	6 p.m.
13	Eastern Kentucky*	2 p.m.
27	Southern Missouri (HC)•	1 p.m.

November

3	Central-Stockton	1 p.m.
10	Jacksonville State*	3 p.m.
17	Tennessee Tech*	1 p.m.

* OVC contest • Home games in red • Homecoming

ARIZA SISTERS compete for Columbia in London Olympics



Natalia (No. 11) and Tatiana (No. 15) Ariza.

APSU soccer standouts Natalia and Tatiana Ariza appeared on the world stage, representing Colombia in the London 2012 Olympics.

The Bogota, Colombia, natives, who have starred at APSU for the past two seasons, joined a select group of players in early May to train for the Olympic team.

"I'm so proud of the girls," Lady Govs head coach Kelley Guth said. "I've kept in touch with them throughout training

camp and they've both worked very hard to earn their roles on the team. To have two Austin Peay players representing their country on the Olympic stage amongst the best athletes in the world is tremendous."

The Arizas are the first APSU athletes to appear as Olympic team members.

Tatiana led the Ohio Valley Conference in scoring last season with 16 goals and seven assists. Natalia has played primarily as a midfielder, scoring five goals with four assists in 2011.

Men's Basketball

Date/Opponent	Time
November	
3 Central Missouri (EXH)	TBA
9 Samford	TBA
28 Berea	TBA
December	
1 Fairfield	TBA
5 Oakland City	TBA
18 Lipscomb	TBA
January	
9 Morehead State *	TBA
12 Murray State *	TBA
17 SIU Edwardsville *	TBA
19 Eastern Illinois *	TBA
February	
7 Tennessee State *	TBA
9 Belmont *	TBA
28 Southeast Missouri *	TBA
March	
2 UT Martin *	TBA

*Conference games

Due to space restrictions, this schedule shows home games only. In addition, game times have not been set as of press time. For a complete listing of away games and tournaments, visit letsapeay.com.

LADY GOVS GOLF EARNS OVC SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD FOR SPORT

The Lady Govs golf team received the 2011-12 OVC Team Sportsmanship Award in golf.

Voted on by the student-athletes and coaches of the respective sports, team awards are bestowed upon conference squads deemed to have best exhibited the standards of sportsmanship and ethical behavior as outlined by the OVC and NCAA. Included in the areas for evaluation are the conduct of student-athletes, coaches, staff and administrators and fans.

The 2011-12 school year marks the seventh year the team sportsmanship honors have been awarded. It marks the first award for the Lady Govs. APSU finished fifth at the OVC Women's Golf Championship this season.

NEW GOVERNORS FOOTBALL STADIUM NOW IN THE WORKS



This is an early design of the new Governors Stadium. Design work for the \$16 million project is now in progress.

APSU has received approval from the Tennessee Building Commission to build a new \$16 million football stadium that will replace the iconic Governors Stadium on the main campus.

The new stadium is scheduled to be ready for the football season in 2014, University officials said.

"The new football stadium is a great step forward both for our football program and for the University in general," APSU President Tim Hall said. "It will be a tremendous asset for recruiting new players. And it will also enhance the University's ability to attract students generally and to create the kind of collegiate environment which will help them succeed, both in the classroom and out of it."

For nearly seven decades, Governors Stadium has served as the home of the APSU football team. It also is home to the Lady Governors track and field program.

Governors athletics received a boost in 1946, when the city of Clarksville opened its new Municipal Stadium at the edge of the former Austin Peay State College. The stadium became the home field for local schools and APSC for football games and track events.

The Municipal Stadium – later renamed Governors Stadium after APSU took over the facility in 1993 – was part of a time when athletics was needed. Austin Peay, like other institutions, sought to define itself for the postwar era. Athletics helped to usher in a new era for the college and Clarksville, and the stadium was the element needed.

Funding for the new stadium will include \$8 million in institutional funds and existing debt service fees, \$5.5 million in debt financing through Tennessee school bonds that will be repaid through skybox rentals and \$2.5 million in private contributions.

The state Building Commission selected Rufus Johnson and Associates as the architect for the project. The Johnson firm will be assisted by Atlanta, Ga.-based Heery International Inc. as architectural consultants. Heery has designed numerous outdoor athletic facilities throughout the country.

Design work will begin soon. The new stadium will have more seating than the current structure.

Demolition of the west side of the stadium will begin after football season ends in 2013. That side will be rebuilt, with the addition of skyboxes to be the most notable feature. The east side, which is the visiting section, will have minimal renovations.

BRADLEY EARNS TRIP TO NCAA GOLF REGIONAL

Anthony Bradley became the third golfer in APSU history to participate in an NCAA Regional as an individual when the sophomore played at The Club of Olde Stone in Bowling Green, Ky., in May.

The Ivybridge, Devon, England, native gained the invitation after capturing medalist honors at the Ohio Valley Conference championship at Greystone in Dickson in late April.

Bradley got off to a slow start at the regional, shooting an opening-round 80 and followed that up with a 78. He finished with a 74, allowing him to finish 54th overall in the regional.

DUNN CENTER GETS NEW FLOOR

The Dunn Center floor got more than just a facelift over the summer.

After seeing part of the floor twice replaced in the past decade, a whole new surface will be in place for 2012-13—call it Extreme Makeover APSU style.

After 13 graduations, including 11 from the local high schools, were concluded in late May, the floor project began with the removal of the entire existing floor in Dave Aaron Arena, being replaced by a state-of-the-art PermaFlex flooring system.

The new maple floor, an anchored resilient wood system that has a rubberized base, helping protect athletes' ankles and knees, comes from Connor Sports Floor, who provided the surfaces at both NCAA Final Fours this season and whose corporate headquarters are located in Elk Grove, Ill. However, the actual flooring system and installation was done by Sports Floors Inc., of Memphis, the same company that installed the floor at the FedEx Forum.

The new floor became available for use in August.

The Dunn Center, opened in 1975, is considered one of the south's top mid-major facilities.

Women's Basketball

Date/Opponent	Time
November	
5 Martin Methodist (EXH)	7 p.m.
15 Louisville	7 p.m.
18 Binghamton	2 p.m.
December	
1 Ball State	5:15 p.m.
15 Christian Brothers	7 p.m.
21 Lipscomb	7 p.m.
January	
12 Murray State *	5:15 p.m.
14 Morehead State *	7 p.m.
19 Eastern Illinois *	5:15 p.m.
21 SIU Edwardsville *	7 p.m.
February	
4 Southeast Missouri *	7 p.m.
9 Tennessee State *	5:15 p.m.
27 Belmont *	7 p.m.
March	
2 UT Martin *	5:15 p.m.

*Conference games
Due to space restrictions, this schedule shows home games only. For a complete listing of away games and tournaments, visit letsgopeay.com.

DECASTRO LEADS TRIO OF APSU SOFTBALL PLAYERS HONORED BY OVC



Brittany Spear

Sophomore first baseman/pitcher Lauren deCastro saw her breakout season capped off by being named to the OVC softball first team, while junior Morgan Brewer and freshman Paige Neely earned second-team honors.

Neely also earned a spot on the All-OVC Newcomer team.

A native of Torrance, Calif., deCastro becomes the first Lady Gov to be named first-team All-OVC since catcher Daniella Hooper was named to the 2007 team and the 12th Lady Gov overall to make first team.

Brewer, of Collierville, and Neely, of Nashville, became the 17th and 18th Lady Govs respectively to earn All-OVC second.

CLINARD RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS STEVE HAMILTON AWARD

Jon Clinard, who not only was a leader for the Governors baseball team during his career but APSU athletics as well, was named the 2011-12 recipient of the Steve Hamilton Sportsmanship Award, presented by the Ohio Valley Conference in early June.

The Hamilton Sportsmanship Award is presented annually to an OVC male or female student-athlete of junior or senior standing who best exemplifies the characteristics of the late Morehead State student-athlete, coach and administrator Steve Hamilton. Criteria include significant athletics performance along with good sportsmanship and citizenship. The award is voted on by the OVC's athletics directors and sports information directors.

Clinard, of Cleveland, becomes the first baseball player to receive the award. He has been a four-year starter for the Governors baseball team at four different positions

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STUDENTS WIN TOP ATHLETIC AWARDS



Greg Bachman, Sean Bailey and Vanja Tomic

For the first time since APSU established the awards nearly two decades ago, the Most Outstanding Male and Female Athletes have come from the sport of tennis.

Junior Sean Bailey, the OVC Player of the Year in leading the Govs to the No. 2 seed in the OVC tournament, and Vanja Tomic, a three-time first-team All-OVC selection with a 19-6 record at No. 1 singles this year, were named the 2011-12 Most Outstanding APSU Athletes.

In addition, Tomic, who owns a 51-9 record in three seasons as the Lady Govs No. 1 singles player and who led the 2010 Lady Govs to their first NCAA tourney appearance, was chosen the Female Legends Award recipient as the most outstanding senior athlete.

Meanwhile, third baseman Greg Bachman, a four-year starter who helped lead the Governors baseball team to back-to-back OVC regular-season and tournament championships along with consecutive NCAA tourney appearances, was named the Male Legends Award recipient as the most valuable senior.

The presentation of APSU's most cherished athletic awards along with the individual team honors were made at the annual athletics banquet, April 23 in Dave Aaron Arena.

In addition, two Lady Govs golfers, Holly Batey and Tabitha Beard, shared the 2012-13 Perkins Freeman Governors Club Academic Achievement Scholarship for having the highest grade-point average for rising senior student-athletes. Batey, a business administration major, and Beard, an interdisciplinary studies (K-6) major with a professional education minor, also were co-recipients of the Female Scholar-Athlete award.

Senior soccer goalie Mackenzie Ladd, a communication major, was named the Perkins Freeman Governors Club Academic Achievement Award recipient for having the highest GPA of graduating senior athletes.

Bailey, a double major in French and communication arts, received the Male Scholar-Athlete Award.

- shortstop, second base, outfield and designated hitter, starting more than 175 contests. He was a career .300 hitter and ranks in the Top 20 all-time at APSU in several offensive categories, including stolen bases (third), hits, runs scored, triples and walks.

In addition to his athletic career, Clinard was a mathematics scholar, campus leader and community volunteer. He was a guest speaker at local elementary schools, talking about the importance of college education, doing the same at youth camps held on the APSU campus. He also read to Burt Elementary students, encouraging the need for a quality education.

FOOTBALL ADDS 2 NEW ASSISTANT COACHES

APSU has added familiar faces as assistant coaches.

Jason Palermo, who was 8 years old when his dad, John, was APSU head coach, was hired as offensive line coach during the spring.

Meanwhile, Pat Donohoe, who coached with Rick Christophel for 12 seasons at Mississippi State and UAB, was hired as defensive line coach late during the spring.

Palermo replaced Tyler Trent, who left coaching to enter into private business, while Donohoe replaced Ryan Taylor, who left the college ranks for a high school position.

A former standout offensive lineman at the University of Wisconsin, Palermo was a three-year Badger letter winner as an offensive guard and center. Wisconsin perennially possesses one of the nation's top offensive lines. He played professionally for both the Minnesota Vikings and Atlanta Falcons.

He began his coaching career at Nebraska Omaha in 2010 as special teams coordinator and tight ends coach. He then moved to Southern University and spent the previous two seasons coaching tight ends and offensive tackles.

Donohoe has nearly 25 years of experience as a Division I football assistant. After a six-year absence, Donohoe elected to return to coaching after his longtime cohort called him about the opening.

He previously spent two seasons coaching with Christophel at Mississippi State and then more recently 10 seasons with Christophel at UAB.

Donohoe coached from 1995 to 2004 at UAB before becoming head coach of the Berlin Adler of the German Football League for one

SCHMIDT receives OVC Media Lifetime Achievement Award



Larry Schmidt (1977), an APSU alumnus who worked at the The All State, The Leaf-Chronicle and The Paducah Sun, has received the Ohio Valley Conference Media Lifetime Achievement Award, presented to a media member who formerly covered the OVC.

The award was established in 2010 as a way to recognize the media members who provide publicity for the Conference, its member institutions and intercollegiate athletics, perform their jobs in a fair, consistent and accurate manner, provide all-around coverage for a variety of sports and demonstrate the ability to go above and beyond their normal beat or job description.

Schmidt started covering the OVC in 1975 when he was the sports editor of The All State, APSU's student newspaper.

He was there for the first game in the

Dunn Center and covered what may have been the most talented APSU men's basketball team, which lost in the OVC title game to Middle Tennessee. Schmidt's work played a major role in APSU establishing an Athletics Hall of Fame. Having grown up in Clarksville (his dad, Dr. Aaron Schmidt, was director of Austin Peay bands), he challenged the University and its athletic department when he wrote a column stating it was time for APSU to have an Athletic Hall of Fame. That idea took off, the Hall of Fame was started in 1977 and he was asked to serve on the initial Hall of Fame selection committee.

Schmidt began his professional career at The Leaf-Chronicle in 1977 and by 1979 was named the APSU beat writer, a position he held until 1981. He then was hired as the assistant sports editor at the Paducah Sun and spent seven years there as the Murray State beat writer. During that stay, he along with several members of the media, started the OVC Media Association. He was named the first president and the task primarily was to name All-OVC teams in football and basketball. The votes were gathered from the membership, which included both print and electronic media, as well as the school's sports information directors. While at the Sun, he covered the Frank Beamer era as well as covering one of Murray State's biggest wins in the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament when it upset Jim Valvano's North Carolina State team and then lost to eventual national champion

Kansas on Danny Manning's last-second basket.

In 1988 Schmidt left Paducah to become the executive director of the Kentucky Section of the PGA and the Kentucky Golf Association. There he was involved in the negotiations with Valhalla Golf Club to lure the PGA Championship to Louisville. The PGA of America eventually purchased the golf course, which has now hosted both the PGA Championship and the Ryder Cup matches.

He returned to the newspaper business in 1995 as sports editor of The Leaf-Chronicle, covering Austin Peay teams in the NCAA basketball and baseball championships. Schmidt also served as color commentator on the Governors Sports Network while handling the APSU newspaper beat. Schmidt left the media profession in 1999, although he continued to handle color duties for home Governors basketball games, and currently works at Legends Bank in Clarksville.

"I am certainly humbled by this recognition," Schmidt said. "I want to thank the student-athletes, coaching staffs and support personnel who helped me tell the stories from Austin Peay and Murray State and, most of all, for all the friends I made along the way. I do appreciate the validation by the Ohio Valley Conference of a career that was a pleasure to come to work every day."

season. Under Donohoe's guidance, the UAB defensive line was considered one of the nation's best. During the 2001 season, the Blazers had the No. 1-ranked rush defense nationally and were No. 5 in total defense.

Donohoe has mentored three players who

were selected in the NFL Draft's first round.

During his playing days at Wayne State, Donohoe was a four-year starter at middle guard and earned NAIA All-America honors as Wayne State's athlete of the year in his senior season.

In three seasons, he was named both all-

conference and the team's Most Valuable Defensive Player. At ceremonies during the Blazers' season opener at the University of Nebraska in 1998, Donohoe was inducted into the Nebraska Football Hall of Fame.

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Sigma Kappa Chapter of Chi Omega celebrates 40th Anniversary



Bill Larson

Priscilla Garrett Story, APSU Chi Omega chartering member, speaks to more than 250 Chi Omega sisters at the 40th anniversary last April.

There were many joyous reunions on April 28 as the Sigma Kappa Chapter of Chi Omega gathered for the 40th anniversary.

More than 250 sisters from 1972-2012 were in attendance. Of the 18 original charter members, those who attended the reunion were Priscilla Garrett Story, Emma Gray Langford, Karen Smith Stine, Harriett Chester Blake, Wendy Dabbs Blake, Judy Anderson Donnelly, JoAnn Dick Davidson, Judith Hurst Sinks and Lynne Waters Griffey.

The original framed watercolor painting of an owl print given to each attendee was bid on during a silent auction. The proceeds were donated to begin a fund in memory of Sandra Stuard Hewitt, a charter member, who died tragically in 2003. Her daughter, Leslie Hewitt Davidson, Sigma Kappa '99, spoke of what Chi Omega meant to her mother.

The purpose of the fund is to help actives who are struggling financially with fraternity expenses. Donations for the fund can be made by contacting Lynne Waters Griffey by email at lwgriffey@bellsouth.net or call 931-648-3149.



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Alumna Cindy Ellis ('04) (right), wife of alumnus and Major League baseball player, AJ Ellis ('03), and their two children announce "It's Time for Dodger Baseball" at a recent LA Dodgers baseball game. AJ Ellis is starting catcher for the Dodgers.



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APSU Class of 1962 graduates enjoyed a day filled with reconnecting, story sharing, lunch and campus tours during their Class of 1962 50-year reunion. The event took place this past April.

Editor's note: Individuals who only attended APSU have the full year(s) noted in parentheses. Those who graduated from APSU will have their year of graduation abbreviated in parentheses.

1960s

BETTY PHILLIPS ('60, '76) recently received the Distinguished Educator of the Year Award from the Tennessee Science Teachers Association. She is the university supervisor for pre-service teachers at APSU.

BILL WILKINSON ('62) was recognized as an honoree during the Nashville School of Law's 19th annual recognition dinner held June 1, 2012. He has been a partner with the Stinnett and Wilkinson law firm in Ashland City, Tenn., since 1978.

CAROLYN BOWERS ('68, '79), mayor of Montgomery County, Tenn., was inducted April 10 into the Phi Kappa Phi Chapter 191 Academic Hall of Fame at APSU.

1970s

LARRY JOE INMAN ('70) is the new women's basketball team head coach at Tennessee State University.

JERRY WINSETT ('73), of Wilmington, N.C., recreated his first acting role from 1973 with a fifth production of "Man of La Mancha" this summer at Actors Point Theater in Hendersonville, Tenn.

DR. ROGER LUTHER ('75), minister to mature adults at First Baptist Church in Hendersonville, Tenn., graduated from Temple Baptist Seminary in June 2012 with a Doctor of Ministry in pastoral counseling. His doctoral project was titled "Utilizing A Small Group To Alleviate Symptoms Of Mild Depression In An Older Adult Population." Luther has served as a counselor and mature adult minister at First Baptist Church for 15 years.

VICKIE BLAIR FLEMING ('78) received the Lucille Evans Dean Award from the University of Tennessee for her contributions to the field of social work. She was recognized for years of service to the Nashville community, clients and students.

1980s

CURTIS HOLLAND ('81), of Springfield, Tenn., was honored in April by the city of Springfield when officials renamed the Garner Street tennis courts to the Curtis Holland Tennis Complex. Holland is the longtime tennis coach at Springfield High School, where the boys and girls tennis programs have scored 420 wins under his tenure.

PAUL KRIVACKA ('89) has been re-elected chairman of the Tennessee Dry Cleaners Environmental Response Board for the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conversation. He is a partner in the Nashville office of the Adams and Reese law firm.

1990s

KIMBERLY BUTTS ('90), of Clarksville, is principal of Wassom Middle School at Fort Campbell, Ky. She previously was assistant principal at Fort Campbell High School.

KELLY LUMPKIN ('92), assistant professor of athletic training, was awarded tenure at Lee University in the department of health, exercise and secondary education. She has been at Lee University since 2005.

LINDA ARZENTE ('94) is the author of a new book, titled "It's Because I Love You," that serves as an information guide on senior caregiving.

DR. JENNIFER JONES CORNELL ('94) is owner of Back 2 Basics Dentistry in Clarksville. She was inducted as president of the American Association of Women Dentists in October 2011 in Las Vegas during the American Dental Association meeting.

JEANETTE KRAMER ('94) recently was promoted to senior vice president of human resources at Legends Bank in Clarksville.

JEANNE FOSTER ('99) was honored in April 2012 as the Obion County (Tenn.) School System's Teacher of the Year. She also was tabbed as the systemwide Teacher of the Year for grades 5-8. She teaches prekindergarten-fifth grade music and grades 6-8 band at Lake Road Elementary School.

MIKE RIGBY ('99) recently was promoted to manager of the Fresh Market in Huntsville, Ala. His wife, **HEATHER FISHER RIGBY ('99)** has opened a photography business in Huntsville.

2000s

THOMAS MACEO LANGSTON ('02), of Yorktown, Va., is now deputy chief of program management with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Kabul, Afghanistan.

BRITNEY CAMPBELL ('03) recently was promoted to vice president of marketing and public relations at Legends Bank in Clarksville.

JOHN MARTIN BAUMGARTNER ('03) is director of sales at Thomas and Thorngren Inc. in Nashville.

STEPHANIE WOOTEN ('03) recently was promoted to financial accounting analyst at Legends Bank in Clarksville.

DR. BRYAN JOHNSON ('04) is the new principal at Northwest High School in Clarksville.

MARISSA ELENA WAGNER OEHLHOF ('04), of Bowling Green, Ohio, is a tenure-track psychology faculty member at the University of Cincinnati.

Military history alum earns prestigious fellowship with U.S. Customs and Border Protection



U.S. Army Maj. Paul Witkowski ('10) is now working with the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Agency as part of an interagency exchange program.

Last year, Maj. Paul Witkowski ('10) of the U.S. Army was stationed on the Afghanistan/Pakistan border, trying to keep enemy combatants and supplies from passing through the region. It was a tricky assignment, given the province's mountainous terrain and the absence of a fence or other obstruction between the two countries.

This past summer, he left for Washington, D.C., spending a year with the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Agency as part of an Interagency Exchange Program fellowship. But there's another item on Witkowski's resume, in addition to his experience in Afghanistan, which he believes helped him earn the distinguished assignment – the Master of Arts degree in military history he earned from APSU.

"I did the security studies concentration at Austin Peay, and I think that was definitely a feather in my cap for the application," he said.

The M.A. in military history offers an optional certificate in security studies, which requires students to take six graduate courses that have current military applications, Dr. Dewey Browder, chair of the APSU Department of History and Philosophy, said. Those classes

include The Cold War I: 1945-1960, The Cold War II: 1960-1991, The Battle for God: Jihad, Herem and Other Theologies of War and Peace, The Military in Nontraditional Roles, Special Operations Perspectives, and Unconventional Warfare in History.

"Dr. (Christos) Frentzos had great classes on the cold war," Witkowski said. "Also, the unconventional warfare class was geared toward terrorism and national security, with a historical perspective."

Witkowski will draw on the knowledge he gained from these classes during his fellowship at the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Agency.

"I'm very excited about it," he said. "I'll look at synchronizing their assets a little better. I'll be headquartered out of Washington, D.C., but by trade I'm an infantry officer, so hopefully I'll get out in the field."

The Interagency Fellowship Program is open to exceptional Army captains and majors, with the intent of increasing collaboration and interoperability between the military and government agencies.

Old APSU college friends reunite after 70 years



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Until recently, Chic Rye ('50) and Woodson Oliver ('47) hadn't seen each other in 70 years. Last winter, the two old college friends sat near the fire going in Oliver's living room, cutting up and telling stories as if they were still students at Austin Peay State College in the years leading up to World War II.

"Hell, everybody knew him," Rye said.

"He was on the football team. But I didn't go to the games."

"They weren't hardly worth going to," Oliver said.

Together, the two men possess a reservoir of memories about a lost time and a lost place – a small teaching school in Clarksville that had just turned into a full-fledged college. Buildings have come and gone in the years since they attended, but Oliver and Rye both have sharp, long-term memories, allowing them to easily recall sepia-toned images of the college in the 1940s.

"You can't image what Austin Peay was back then," Rye said. "I think 325 people was the whole caboodle at the school. We knew everybody on campus."

Oliver leaned back in his chair and let his mind drift back to 1940, when he was finishing up high school and trying to figure out what to do with his life.

"My lifelong ambition at that point was to be a mail carrier," he said. "Get one of them new Fords every year. But anyway, I said I'll go to Austin Peay, and my dad said, 'I'll give you \$25. If you can stay on that, stay.'"

Oliver enrolled at the school and earned a little extra money tending to the turnip green patch that was situated between two buildings known as Robb Hall and Calvin Hall.

In 1941, Rye began attending classes at APSC. He commuted from Houston County, which meant he spent hours on narrow dirt roads, trying to get to school.

"Coming from Houston County back then was like going from here to Mexico," he said.

The two men became teachers, studied to become teachers and probably caused a little too much grief for the college's faculty members at the time. Then came Dec. 7, 1941. Japanese forces bombed Pearl Harbor. War was soon declared in the South Pacific and in Europe.

"Everybody started getting drafted and going up in the service," Oliver said. "There were no men there on campus. They started calling us up."

Rye and Oliver saw their friends leave. Four of their buddies never returned from the fighting. Eventually, in 1942, the two men separated. Oliver flew Corsair fighter planes for the Navy and Rye went to Pacific Theater with the U.S. Army's Signal Corps.

When the war ended, they both returned to Austin Peay to finish their degrees, though at different times. Life kept them from getting back in touch. Both men married, had families, and pursued successful careers.

Then one day in the winter of 2011, Cass Rye ('70), Chic's son, was out on a job site in northern Montgomery County. Cass is a consultant with Rye Engineering. He introduced himself to one of the neighboring homeowners, who happened to be Oliver. When Cass said his last name was Rye, Oliver asked him about Chic.

"He said they went to Austin Peay together," Cass said. "I pulled my phone out and called my father and said, 'there's a man named Oliver out here.' And he said immediately, 'his name's Woodson.' Seventy years later, and he called it all back."

Cass brought his father to Oliver's house on that cold, gray morning in February. The two men resumed joking and cutting up, ignoring the large seven-decade gap between their last meeting.

JAKE PETERSON ('05) is the new athletic director at Clarksville Academy.

KRISTIN BREWER ('08) is the extended campus coordinator of the Highland Crest-APSU campus in Springfield, Tenn.

ERICA COLEMAN ('08, '09) recently was promoted to head of the upper school at Clarksville Academy. She most recently served as the school's director of curriculum.

SHARI THARPE ('08) is assistant principal at Clarksville High School. She previously was a science teacher and science department chair at Kenwood High School.

TONYA WACKER ('09, '10), of Clarksville, was appointed to the Advisory Council for USO Fort Campbell. She is director of the Kleeman Community Center in Clarksville.

BIRTHS

JOHN SAMMONS ('97) and wife Samantha announce the birth of their son, Sebastian Chadwick Sammons, on Feb. 6, 2012. Samantha teaches second grade at Ringgold Elementary School. John serves as transfer coordinator in the admissions office at APSU.

IN MEMORY

MARY MARTHA CRIBBS UNDERWOOD

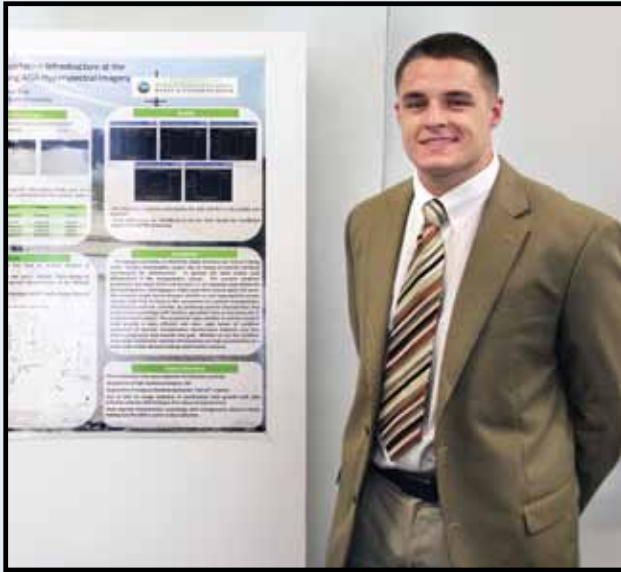
('41), 92, died Friday, April 20, 2012, at her residence in Dyersburg, Tenn. She is buried in Fairview Cemetery in Dyersburg.

JERRY ARTHUR POOLE ('61), 73, died Tuesday, June 12, 2012, at home. After teaching at Greenbrier High School, he entered the U.S. Air Force and retired after a 28-year career as a command pilot with 10,000 hours of flying time. He was president of the Springfield Kiwanis Club, 12th District lieutenant governor of Tennessee/Kentucky for Kiwanis and chair of the Robertson County Airport Industrial Board.

PAULINE F. CARR ('64), 97, of Cadiz, Ky., died Wednesday, May 9, 2012, at her home of natural causes. She began teaching at the age of 19 in one-room schools: Saline Creek, Highland Chapel and Joiners Chapel. She later taught at Sinking Fork and then became one of the first teachers and the last surviving original teacher at Millbrooke Elementary School in Hopkinsville, Ky. She was a member of various teaching and education associations.

COL. (RETIRED) MICHAEL BROWN ('77), died May 13, 2012, at his home in Connecticut. He served eight years on active duty in the U.S. Army, then served in the Army Reserve, retiring as colonel in 2008.

Geosciences student visits Iowa over summer for coveted NSF program



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Josh Day, an APSU geosciences student, was determined to get an internship this summer. Throughout 2011-12, he sent off dozens of applications, hoping to find something that would strengthen his knowledge and skills in the area of geographic information systems.

Day finally received a bit of good news before the summer break. He was one of only a handful of college students nationwide chosen to participate in a National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates program in hyperspectral imaging. He spent the summer working with satellites to develop three-dimensional images of different terrains on earth.

"I filled out so many applications, I didn't realize when I got it which one it was," Day said. "It's awesome because it puts me in the forefront. I don't like to be on the bench, so to speak. It gets me in the game and let's me play with current, updated technology that a lot of people have no idea about."

Day spent eight weeks at the University of Northern Iowa, working under top researchers in this field. He received a stipend, as well as a room and a meal contract for his stay on campus.

"Josh is yet another example of the high caliber students we have here at APSU," Dr. Christopher Gentry, APSU associate professor of geosciences and director of the Office of Undergraduate Research, said. "He has worked very hard for this opportunity."

PAT FELGER SCHMIDT ('77), 84, of Clarksville, Tenn., died Monday, May 21, 2012, at Gateway Medical Center. She was a music educator with the Clarksville-Montgomery County School System. She also was a member of the local Retired Teachers Association, the Nashville Symphony and First Presbyterian Church.

MARY CATHERINE WORD ('88), 55, died April 6, 2012, at Gateway Medical Center in Clarksville. She was an adjunct faculty member for the English department at APSU. She also taught at Emory-Riddle University at Fort Campbell, Ky.

JEFFREY READ ELLIS ('92), 44, died Saturday, June 16, 2012, at his home in Robertson County. He was the owner and operator of Ellis Insurance Agency. He was a member of Grace Baptist Church in Springfield and was a member of the Robertson County Senior Center board of directors. He is buried in Robertson County Memorial Gardens.

ALBERT BALEVRE, 88, of Jacksonville, Fla., died Wednesday, April 18, 2012. He previously served as professor of psychology at APSU. He also had served as a forensic psychologist for the state of Tennessee and as a clinical practitioner. He served as an officer in the Merchant Marine during World War II. After the war, he graduated from Lincoln Memorial University and completed doctoral studies at Vanderbilt University.

DR. ROY LEE BAKER, 65, died Monday, April 23, 2012. Baker was a retired faculty member from the APSU Department of Finance Management and

Marketing in the College of Business. He was hired in August 2000 and granted tenure in 2006. He retired as an assistant professor in October 2011.

DR. BILLY "JOE" BROWN, 78, of Clarksville, Tenn., died Saturday, March 24, 2012, at his home. He formerly served as chair of the APSU Department of Health and Human Performance until his retirement. He was the first basketball trainer hired by Adolph Rupp at the University of Kentucky and also trained at the East-West All Star Games and the 1964 Olympic Basketball Trials. He taught at the University of Kentucky, the University of Cincinnati, Virginia Tech (where he was also assistant division director in the College of Education) and finally at APSU. He authored "A Complete Guide to the Prevention and Treatment of Athletic Injuries" and numerous professional articles. He also edited the TAHPERD Journal. He is buried in Resthaven Memorial Gardens.

DR. ERLE WENDELL COPPEDGE, 86, died Tuesday, March 13, 2012. Coppedge served as the vice president of business affairs from 1972-80 and began teaching in 1980 in the College of Business as an assistant professor of accounting. He retired in 1988. He is buried in Greenwood Cemetery.

DR. CHARLES C. HOLT, 79, died Tuesday, April 24, 2012. Holt served as a faculty member in the APSU Department of Languages and Literature for 25 years, having taught from 1968 until his retirement in 1993.



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Hispanic Alumni Chapter members (from left to right) Daisy Torres, Andy Jurik and President Rosa Ponce gather at the Latin American Wine Tasting, held this past May. Proceeds from the event benefitted the Hispanic Alumni Chapter Scholarship Endowment.

Headlines continued ▶



Kathryn L. Mattingly



Kaci Robertson

APSU awards 2 top student honors

Kathryn L. Mattingly and Kaci Robertson received the two top student awards during APSU's annual Academic Honors and Awards Day ceremony held in April.

Mattingly was named the recipient of the William McClure Drane Award, and Robertson received the Harvill-Civitan Citizenship Award. Both are chosen by faculty vote.

Mattingly was a mathematics major with a minor in professional education. During her undergraduate years at APSU, she was active with the Galois Mathematics Club, having served as the organization's president for two

years. She also worked as math tutor and participated in several organizations related to her academic discipline, including the National Council for Teachers of Mathematics, the Student Tennessee Education Association, Mathematics Teachers of Middle Tennessee and the National Education Association.

Like her colleague, Robertson also was active in a number of mathematics-related activities during her undergraduate years at APSU. She was a member of the Galois Mathematics Club and held memberships in Alpha Lambda Delta, Pi Mu Epsilon and Phi Kappa Phi honor societies.

Sports continued ▶

BAILEY NAMED OVC PLAYER OF THE YEAR; 4 GOVS EARN OVC TENNIS HONORS

An undefeated season in OVC play at No. 1 singles led to tennis junior Sean Bailey being named first-team All-OVC and earning the OVC Men's Player of the Year honor.

Sophomore Jasmin Ademovic also picked up his second-straight first-team All-OVC selection. Freshmen Dimitar Ristovski and Aleksas Tverijonas were second-team All-OVC picks as voted by the league's coaches.

Bailey, a junior from Canada, moved to No. 1 singles after opening the season with four straight wins at No. 2. It is the third All-OVC honor for Bailey, being named second-team All-OVC as a freshman and first-team All-OVC as a sophomore.

TOMIC, CARRE NAMED ALL-OVC

Senior Vanja Tomic and freshman Alison Carre of the Lady Govs tennis team were named first-team All-Ohio Valley Conference as voted on by the league's coaches.

Tomic, who set the standard high in earning OVC Player of the Year honors as sophomore, finished the season with an 8-1 OVC record,

her only loss coming during the final weekend of league play. A three-time first-team All-OVC pick, Tomic lost only two OVC matches during her career.

Carre joined the Lady Govs in January and opened the season at No. 2 singles. She finished the season with a 10-4 record at No. 3 singles and 7-1 OVC mark.

FOCAL POINT OF DOCUMENTARY NOW MEMBER OF APSU FOOTBALL TEAM

O.C. Brown, a 2009 four-star offensive line prep recruit who was the focal point of the 2012 Academy Award-winning documentary "Undeclared," transferred to APSU from Southern Miss after the spring semester.

The redshirt sophomore from Memphis will have three seasons of eligibility remaining and will join his former prep teammate from Manassas, Terrence Oliver, as a Gov. A second former Manassas teammate, incoming freshman running back Omar Williams, played his senior season at St. George Independent School in Memphis this past season.

Brown was a two-time Class 3A All-State selection by the Tennessee Football Coach Association and chosen by the Memphis Commercial Appeal in 2009 as one of the "Most

Wanted" football players in the area. He played for the Blue team in the 2009 AutoZone Liberty Bowl.

Brown was listed as a four-star player by Rivals.com and was voted by the website as the No. 6 rated player in the state and No. 11 offensive guard in the country. Meanwhile, Scout.com listed him as a three-star performer and No. 34 nationally among offensive guards.

Originally Brown was to be featured in a documentary during 2009 by filmmakers Daniel Lindsay and T.J. Martin, a story reminiscent of the award-winning movie "The Blind Side." The filmmakers realized, however, they needed to expand the Manassas story to include more than Brown.

In February, "Undeclared" was presented the Academy Award for Best Documentary Feature.

MOTT TAKES OVER LADY GOVS VOLLEYBALL PROGRAM

Taylor Mott, who coached Division II power Flagler College to 11 consecutive 20-win seasons and a Final Four berth, has taken over the APSU volleyball program.

Mott came to APSU after spending 13 seasons as head coach at Flagler in St. Augustine, Fla., where she also served as associate athletics director and senior woman administrator.

GHOSTS,



if you believe in that sort of thing, have a tendency to be somewhat passive-aggressive – opening creaky, closet doors, stomping down a hallway or sighing in some distant, upstairs bedroom. Why not do away with

the subtly and simply say, “I am here, and I do not like you”?

But if you happen to hear some clapping or slow footsteps in the APSU Memorial Gym, also known as the Red Barn, don't get too upset by this poor behavior. That's just the old campus mule, who was buried more than half a century ago where the gymnasium now stands.

How he got there is a bit of a strange story, told by Dr. Edward Chester, emeritus professor of biology at APSU. And like all good legends, he heard it from someone else – the late Dr. Haskell Phillips, who oversaw what was then the biology and agriculture department.

The story of the mule begins in the late 1940s, when soldiers back from World War II enrolled in large numbers at Austin Peay State College.

“A lot of them were married and had small children,” Chester said. “They brought in some old barracks and they made apartments out of some of them. Anyway, they had a vegetable garden and in the garden they had a

tractor, but they also had a mule.

“Phillips said the mule was old and very gentle. They actually used him to cultivate the garden. He said on weekends, a lot of these married students who had small children – there were no recreation facilities for them, and they had no money anyway – they'd get that old mule out and put kids on it and lead him. You'd see that mule with three or four kids on his back and someone leading him across campus.”

Eventually, the old mule died. Chester guessed it was around the late 1940s. The animal was buried in a field on campus, but only two or three years later, the growing college developed plans to put a new gymnasium on that site.

“A lot of those people who had grown up around that old mule, they said, ‘we prefer that this mule's grave not be disturbed,’” Chester said. “They were now lawyers and doctors. They were donors to the University, people of influence. They said, ‘can we build this building without disturbing the mule's grave?’”

The contractor said that shouldn't be a problem since the building didn't have a basement.

“So they built the Red Barn on top of the mule's grave,” Chester said. “And the old mule is about center court. That was once the basketball arena. I have gone to basketball games galore there. That was in the Fly Williams era. They packed that thing to the rafters. And I said, ‘My Lord, if they just knew there's an old mule buried under that gym floor.’”

If you know of any APSU legends, either true or unconfirmed, please contact Charles Booth at boothcw@apsu.edu.



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Dear friends,

As passé as it sounds, I find it hard to believe five years has past since I began my presidency at Austin Peay. As I write this, we are turning the page to a new chapter at Austin Peay. Today, we welcomed one of the largest freshmen class in the history of our University, as our new students get their first taste of college. In August, we broke ground on our newest facility, the Maynard Mathematics and Computer Science Building, named in honor of Jim Maynard ('56) who, through his love for Austin Peay and generous support, has helped changed the face of our campus.

Reflecting on this past year, I think about the many reasons we have to celebrate. To name a few, among this year's returning class are two Olympians of our own soccer stars, Natalia and Tatiana Ariza, from Bogata, Columbia, who made the 2012 Columbian Women's Olympic Soccer Team. This news came shortly after our Governors baseball team won the OVC Tournament and went on to the NCAA regional competition.

This past spring, Austin Peay also garnered two national academic achievements, with physics majors Drew Kerr and Mason Yost receiving prestigious Barry M. Goldwater Scholarships. Approximately 282 of these scholarships were awarded this year, and Austin Peay was the only school in Tennessee to receive two of these.

On the University front, Austin Peay was selected again by G.I. Jobs Magazine as a Military Friendly School, as a result of our continued efforts to find every way possible to better serve our military connected students and their families, which are an integral part of the Austin Peay family and our community. Recently, we were selected by the Chronicle of Higher Education as a Great College to Work For — the only public institution in Tennessee to be selected and only one of two universities in Tennessee to be placed on the honor roll.

Every day, I step out of the doors of Archwood and walk through the heart of campus, and I feel truly blessed to see the bright faces of our students. I look forward to every day here as I work with such talented faculty and staff. I'm constantly amazed at their drive to help students succeed.

Our success simply would not be possible without your support. Whether it is by attending a concert or play or including Austin Peay in your estate plan, it is through your generous support that we can have the tools to excel. I cannot thank you enough for your support of this great University.

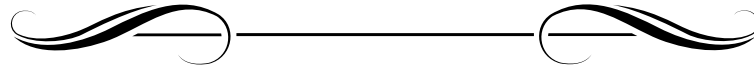
I leave you with this quotation: "It is... a small college. And yet, there are those who love it." (Daniel Webster, arguing before the U.S. Supreme Court on behalf of Dartmouth College.)

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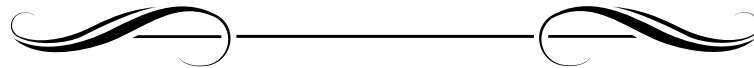
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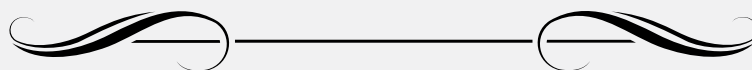
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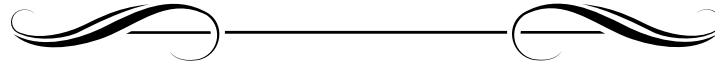
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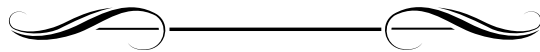
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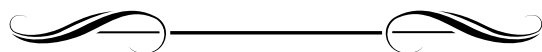
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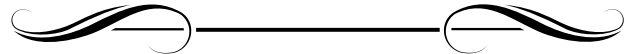
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