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Ten Things We're Talking About

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1. Zimmerman charged with Second degree murder

Forty-six days after Trayvon Martin was murdered in Sanford, Florida and dozens of "hooded" protests pleading for the killer's arrest, George Zimmerman is now charged with second-degree murder.

Zimmerman surrendered to authorities and will be arraigned May 29.

2. Mike Wallace dies at 93

CBS News legend Mike Wallace, the "60 Minutes" pit-bull reporter known for his probing, ego-breaking style died earlier this month at age 93.

He played a huge role in 60 Minutes' rise to the top of the ratings, as it became the number one program of all time. His last appearance on the show was Jan. 6, 2008.

3. Think like a Man hit theaters

"Think Like a Man," hits theaters this Friday with an all-star cast including Michael Ealy, Terrence J, Kevin Hart, Gabrielle Union, Taraji P. Henson and Meagan Good.

The movie is based on Steve Harvey's popular self-help relationship book "Act Like a Lady, Think Like a Man."

4. Fan trespasses Diddy's home

An overzealous fan was charged with trespassing and petit larceny last week for breaking into Diddy's Hamptons mansion.

The intruder made himself at home by wearing Diddy's clothes and eating his food for 24 hours before he was caught.

5. Michelle Obama visits Nashville

First Lady Michelle Obama visited Nashville this week to raise funds for the Barack Obama re-election campaign.

She attended a luncheon in downtown Nashville with tickets starting at \$500.

6. Kanye West and Kim Kardashian relationship rumors

Will Hollywood soon have a new power couple? Rumors are still swirling that Kim Kardashian and Kanye West are an item after he proclaimed his love on a new track called "Therapu."

7. Sheree Whitfield fired from Real Housewives of Atlanta

Reality star Sheree Whitfield has been reportedly fired from "Real Housewives of Atlanta."

She's been on the hit show since its inception. She is the third Georgia Peach to be ousted from the show. Others were Lisa Wu Hartwell and DeShawn Snow.

8. Facebook buys Instagram

Facebook recently snapped up the hugely popular photo-sharing app Instagram, for roughly \$1 billion in a combination of cash and stock.

Facebook plans on keeping features within the app that allow photos to be published on other social networks, and the ability to have followers and follow people who are not necessarily your Facebook friends.

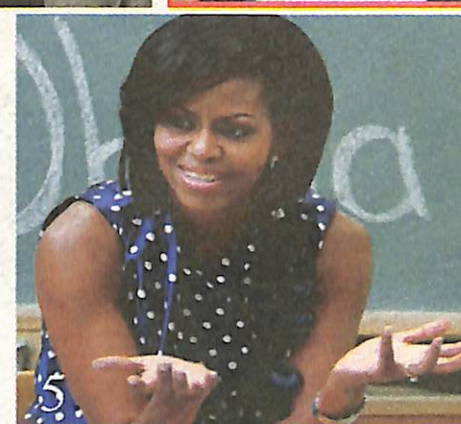
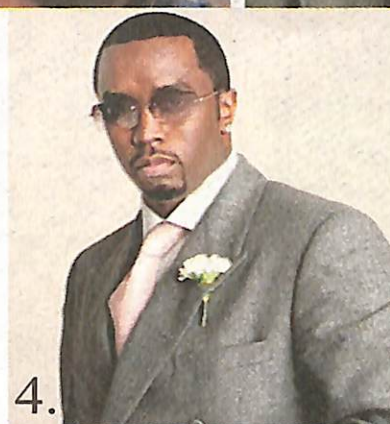
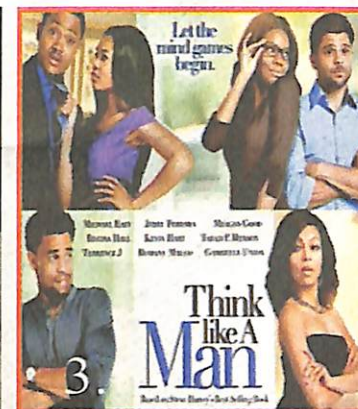
9. Tupac appears in Coachella

A hologram image of the late rapper, Tupac Shakur resurrected into the Coachella music festival stage on Sunday night during Snoop Dogg and Dr. Dre's set.

Tupac wasn't the only star that appeared for the performance. Snoop Dogg also paid tribute to the late Nate Dogg, who died in 2011, with his image while performing, *Ain't No Fun*.

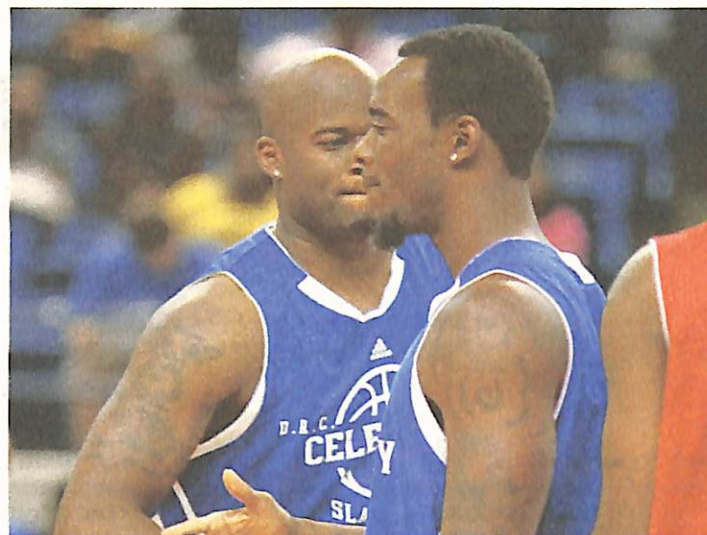
10. Nicki Minaj Temporarily Deletes Twitter Account

Rapper Nick Minaj sent the internet into a buzz, when she deactivated her Twitter account after a song was leaked.



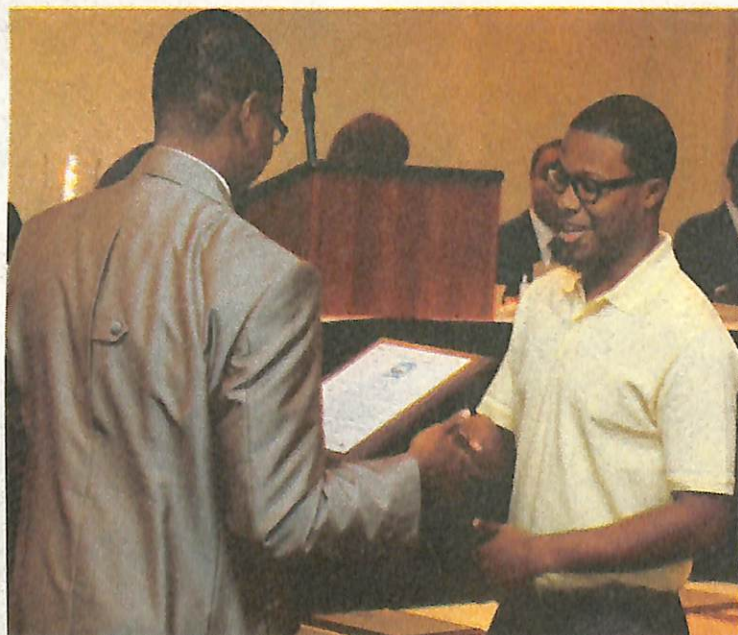
8. Instagram





TSU MEDIA RELATIONS, JOSEPH PATRICK

(From Left to Right) TSU family celebrates as Mrs. Ivanetta H. Davis (Dr. Walter S. Davis' wife) is honored during the Centennial Gospel Celebration. NFL quarterback Vince Young and cornerback Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie talk strategy before tip-off at the DRC celebrity basketball game. Freshman Ashontae Jackson finishes first in the 4x100 relay, one of many tigerbelle wins in the 10th annual Boston-Moon Classic. Senior Cortez Kirkwood accepts an award from President-Elect Shelby Rodgers on behalf of Alpha Kappa Psi Business fraternity at the Student Organization Awards Banquet. Student Kendrick Dartis singing with TSU's own New Direction Gospel Choir during Freshman Ashontae Jackson finishes first.



TSU Throughout

By: Joseph Patrick
Staff Reporter

1890

-Morill act of 1890 is passed allowing federal funds to be used in the development of Agricultural and industrial institutions in each state.

1908

-State Superintendent of Education R.L. Jones calls for the creation of three state normal schools, with one being for Negroes in Tennessee.

1911

-State Board of Education decides to locate Tennessee A & I State Normal School for Negroes in Davidson County.

-William J. Hale, Chattanooga school principal was selected as principal of the institution

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1912

- June 19th, Tennessee A&I State Normal School for Negroes opened its doors enrolling 245 students taught by thirteen teachers.

1913

- January 13th, Tennessee A & I State Normal School for Negroes is formally dedicated

- Students paid \$101 per year for books, room, board, and fees. Chapel attendance was required, and each student worked two hours per day.

1922

- First college courses included in the curriculum. Enrollment tops 400

1924

- First graduating class of eight young men.

1925

- "Normal" is dropped from the schools name and the motto "Enter to Learn; Go Forth to Serve" and "Think, Work, Serve" is added to the seal

1927

- over \$ 400,000 was appropriated to build three new buildings Hale Hall, Memorial Library, and Harned Science Hall)

1932

- Women's Building, the Administration and Health Building, and the Industrial Arts Building added.

1943 - 1949

- heating plant and Engineering building added, as well as expansions to the women's building and Memorial library. During this time enrollment tops 1,500. William Jasper Hale steps down as principal (1943) Walter S. Davis becomes the second president.

1951

The school is recognized as Tennessee A & I State University, Air Force R.O.T.C. is added.



the Years

1958

- Tennessee A & I State University gains full Land-Grant status. Walter S. Davis grows enrollment to over 6,000.

1968

-Tennessee A & I State University is renamed to Tennessee State University. the same a federal court suit was filed to dismantle the recent creation of UT Nashville. Lawyer Avon Williams argued that downtown UTN furthered segregation in higher education and competed with TSU. Walter S. Davis steps down as president and Andrew P. Torrence becomes the third president.

1974

-Torrence leaves and Fredrick Humphries becomes the fourth president.

1979

-UTN merges with TSU becoming the Downtown campus.

1975 - 1985

-A limited building phase adds the Gentry Complex, School of Business Building, Brown-Daniels library, Torrance Engineering Building, CARP Research Building, Harned and McCord Halls. Roy Peterson becomes interim president from 1985 to 1986.

1986

- Otis L. Floyd becomes sixth president

1989

-Student body demands change for the shameful condition of the main

campus. 122 million is appropriated to the school for rebuilding campus infrastructure under Floyd.

1991

-James Hefner takes over as president. During his tenure, Jefferson Street is closed off from the main campus.

2000

- Enrollment reaches 8,600

2001

-Tennessee State University research are the first to discover planets outside of our solar system

2005

-Hefner steps down, and Melvin N. Johnson takes over, making him the 7th president in T.S.U. history.

2008

-The expelled Freedom Riders are given honorary degrees after 47 years.

2011

-Johnson steps down as president, prompting the search by the T.B.R. to find an interim president. Dr. Portia Holmes Shields becomes the first female president in T.S.U. history.

2012

-Tennessee State University turns 100 years old.



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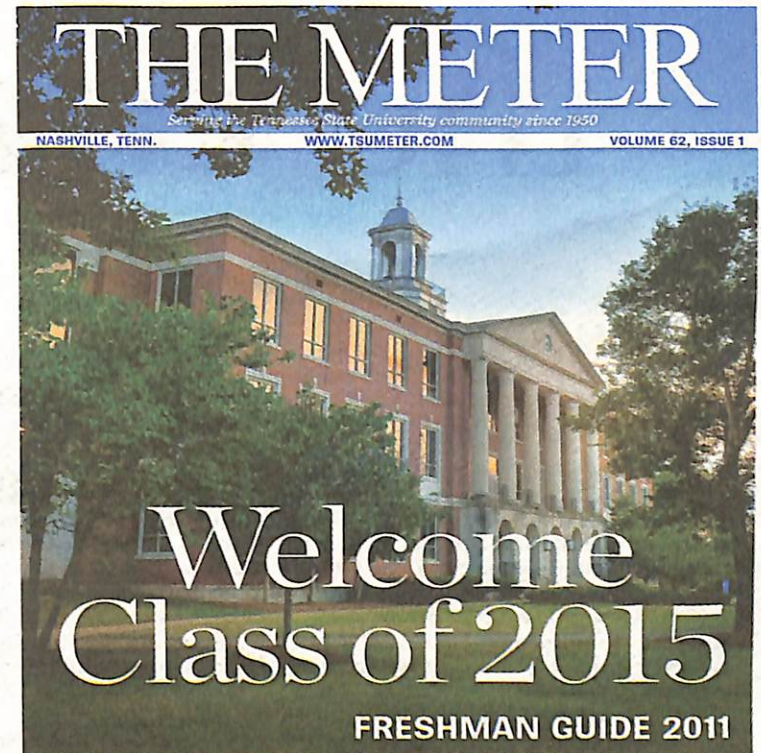
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Travis Williams becomes new coach

By: Allen McReynolds
Staff Reporter

Travis Williams' dream to head a Division I basketball team came true last week, as he was tapped as the 16th head coach for the Tigers men's basketball program.

Williams, 39, served as an assistant for previous TSU head coach John Cooper during the last three seasons. Cooper left on April 6 after accepting the head coaching position at Miami (Ohio).

During a press conference last week, Williams emphasized the discipline he hopes to pursue in the basketball program and how the team will be more visible in the community.

"I'm going to be a hands on coach and it's going to be an open door policy," he said. "These guys know they can talk to me about anything," a policy he started while an assistant coach.

As the first assistant,

Williams was involved with every aspect of the program. His major priority was the recruitment and development of student-athletes, both academically and athletically. He helped with practice, game day strategies, assignments and scouting reports and also maintained day-to-day operations.

"I know their strengths, their weakness, and what they need to work on," he said. "The bottom-line is we're trying to win, we're trying to produce conference championships and get to the NCAA tournament."

TSU Athletics Director Teresa Phillips said Friday that there is already a good chemistry between Williams and the team.

"He has coached on a variety of levels, so he brings a plethora of experience to this job," she said. "He understands the importance of relationship building and will continue to make TSU basketball a significant entity in the Nashville area."



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Williams was the first assist coach for the men basketball team before being hired as the head coach.

When Williams joined the Tigers in the summer of 2009, Williams brought 10 years of coaching experience as an

assistant and head coach. He served as head coach of the Dongguan Parklane Snow Wolf Professional Basketball Club

in China's National Basketball League (NBL). In 2004, Williams received his first head coach appointment at Fort Valley State University in Georgia, leading the Wildcats to a pair of winning seasons during his tenure.

After a three-season stint at FVSU, Williams served as an assistant for one season at Mercer University (2007-08). That season, Mercer defeated No.17 ranked University of Southern California. From 1999-2003 he served as assistant at his alma mater Georgia State.

His coaching resume also includes stops as an associate head coach with the Southern Crescent Lightning of the World Basketball Association (2004) and an assistant position at Chicago State (2003-2004).

"I will strive to represent TSU in a first class manner at all times by working hard and expecting my student-athletes to do the same," Williams said.

TSU hires new women's basketball coach

By: Allen McReynolds
Staff Reporter

Coach Larry Joe Inman is making history before he even coaches a play for the Lady Tigers as he is the first white coach for any major sport at TSU.

With 30 years of coaching experience, Inman was inducted in the Ohio Valley Conference Hall of Fame in 2009. He served as head coach of Eastern Kentucky's women's basketball team from 1988-2008. He compiled a 319-244 record and led the Lady Colonels to two OVC Tournament championships and two NCAA Tournament appearances.

In being named OVC Coach of the Year eight times, Inman, 64, also directed EKV to five OVC

regular season championships. He is the all-time winningest coach in OVC women's basketball history with his record of 480-317.

"I'm extremely excited about this opportunity at TSU," Inman said in a news release.

"I'm looking forward to building a program that the university, community, fans and TSU family will be proud of."

He's also coached at Middle Tennessee State University. He was coach at Lebanon High School for the past two seasons.

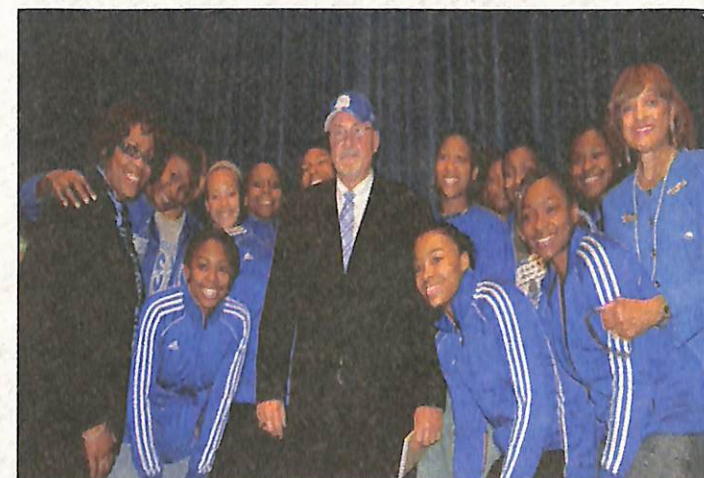
Inman has a "100% graduation rate" for the teams he coaches giving him the title as the only coach in Kentucky to graduate all his players.

"Coach Inman brings a wealth of knowledge and suc-

cess in women's basketball," said Teresa Phillips, TSU's Director of Athletics.

"We know what he can do and expect to see positive changes immediately. Also, he knows the area, he knows the conference and he knows TSU. He will hit the ground running."

Inman is a graduate of Austin Peay State University, where he received his bachelor's degree in 1970. He received his master's degree from Tennessee State University in 1978..



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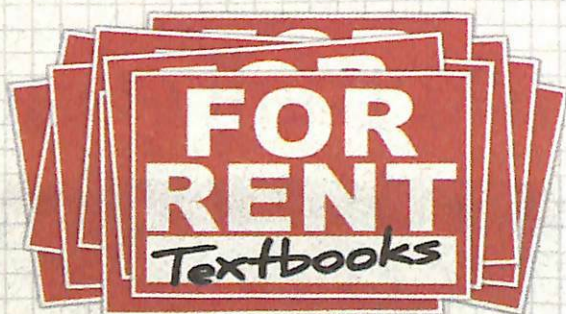
New woman basketball coach, Larry Joe Inman, poses with the team along with President Portia H. Sheilds.

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