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## Methodist prepares to support Chilean earthquake relief

*Ashley Young  
News Editor*

Chile was filled with mass destruction after an earthquake with a magnitude of 8.8 struck at 3:34 a.m. on Sat Feb. 27. The devastation was felt throughout the country as vehicles rested on highways, turned on their sides like toy cars. Bridges connecting streets collapsed, while homes and businesses were reduced to rubble.

The earthquake was 35 kilometers or 21.7 miles deep, triggering tsunami warnings for countries throughout the Pacific. Research scientists predict that the earthquake shortened Earth's day by 1.26 microseconds, or 1.26 millionths of a second, due to a shift in the earth's axis. The initial tremor earthquake occurred off the shore of Maule, a city in Chile, and was followed by a 5.0 aftershock on

Sun Feb. 28. These calculation predictions were made by research scientist, Richard Gross.

Jose Saiquehue, a student at Methodist, is from Chile. He could not be contacted after repeated attempts.

"I know if he needed something he would have definitely come by here," said Kebrina Bolling, the Coordinator for International Programs.

Collections for Chile have not started yet because various groups throughout Methodist's campus are still collecting needed supplies for the earthquake in Haiti. Members and students of the International Department are making kits with tooth brushes, tooth paste, nail clippers, soap, wash cloths, and hand towels to send to Haiti.

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## February Campus Crime Brief

1, 4, 18, 20, 28  
Conduct Referral/Disturbance  
An argument in the Green and Gold Café turned into a food fight on Feb. 1. When the officers arrived, the students left the cafeteria. In the Nimocks Fitness Center, students got into arguments during intramural basketball games on Feb. 4 and 18. On Feb. 18, the students were asked to leave the gym for the evening. On Feb. 20 and 28, several students were cited for alcohol violations.

19, 22  
Emergency Services  
During a basketball game on Feb. 19, two students were transported to the hospital for unrelated medical issues. One was an athlete and the other was a spectator. On Feb. 22, a student was transported from her residence hall due to a sudden illness.

1, 17, 19, 22  
Larceny  
The number of thefts has decreased since last month. Chief of Campus Police James Phillips said that many of the thefts could have been prevented if the valuables were kept in a more secure location.

1, 5, 11, 23  
Vehicle Collisions  
All of the accidents were in parking lots. These collisions happened at low speeds, and there were no injuries involved.

3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 13, 17, 26, 28  
Motorist Assist  
Half of the incidents were due to dead batteries. In cold weather, car batteries tend to die more rapidly than in warm weather, thus raising the need for assistance.

## EARTHQUAKE: Chile torn by powerful tremor

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"It's horrible that people are suffering right now," said Marco Morin, a senior global studies major. "I do think that as South Americans, we are more used to the earthquakes, so we are more prepared to receive earthquakes. I know friends from Chile at other universities, and I have talked to their parents and they are okay, but of course, there is some destruction to their infrastructure."

According to Bolling, once members of the International Department find out what is needed in Chile, they will start making relief kits similar to those made for Haiti.

Other organizations at Methodist are also trying to raise funds to help earthquake victims. Campus Ministries is trying to establish an ongoing fundraising program that can distribute funds when an emergency happens. Campus Ministries is also working alongside the International Department, Economics Anonymous, the Red Cross, and the United Methodist Committee on Relief to send needed supplies to Haiti.

After the earthquake in Haiti, it took Campus Ministries about a week to start raising funds for Haiti. Pickle jars were put throughout campus for these funds. Mike Safley, Vice President for University and Campus Ministry, thinks that it will take about the same amount of time to get relief efforts started for Chile, once Spring Break is over.

"I think it's horrible," said Bolling. "Makes you appreciate what you have. One of my favorite sayings is, 'Just when you think you've got it bad it could be worse.'"

Article information courtesy of USGS. For more information go to: <http://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/recenteqsww/Quakes/us2010tfan.php>.



Cars were upended by the 8.8 magnitude earthquake. Photo courtesy of MCT.

## Upcoming Around Campus

**Mar. 17 - 8:00 p.m.**

St. Patrick's Dance  
SAC will sponsor a dance to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Either wear green or wear body armor.  
*Berns Center*

**Mar. 19 - 8:00 p.m.**

Movie and a Meal  
SAC will present Sherlock Holmes in the bi-weekly event. It's elementary, my fellow students, come and watch it.  
*Berns*

**Mar. 20 - All Day**

Methodist University Jazz Festival  
Jazz performances and workshops will be held all day. Admission is free.  
*Reeves Auditorium*

**Mar. 23 - 8:00 p.m.**

North Carolina Symphony Concert  
The show is titled "A Night in Old (and New) Vienna," and will feature music by Strauss, Schoenberg, and Schubert.  
*Reeves Auditorium*

**Mar. 30 - 7:30 p.m.**

Easter Jam  
This praise and worship outreach will be sponsored by Methodist University Campus Ministry and Chick-Fil-A. Students can expect musical performances by artist Charlie Hall. Come an hour early for free t-shirts. Pre-register to win Best Buy gifts. Admission is free.  
*Reeves Auditorium*

**April 7 - TBA**

Cash Easter Egg Hunt  
SAC will stuff money into eggs and hide them around campus. Keep your eyes open for a chance to score.  
*Campus Wide*

More events can be found in the SAC calendar or on the university website at [www.methodist.edu](http://www.methodist.edu).

# Events

## On the Town

### Mar. 19 - 8:00 p.m.

Jesus Christ Superstar  
See the rock opera written by Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice. It is based on the life of Jesus during his last week before Crucifixion.

*Crown Theater*

### Mar. 19 - 8:00 p.m.

TKO Boxing  
Watch the European Lightweight Champion, Anthony Mezaache, as he goes up against the Undefeated British Lightweight Champion, John Murray, in a European Lightweight Title Fight. This match is presented by Hennessy Sports and TKO Boxing.

*Crown Coliseum*

### Mar. 23 - 7:30 p.m

The Wizard of Oz  
Twelve Fayetteville children take the stage, playing the roles of "munchkins," as part of performance arts education.

*Crown Theater*

### Mar. 26 - 7:00 p.m.

The Art Council's Fourth Friday  
Enjoy four and a half blocks of artistic venues - from puppet shows to magicians - or just enjoy the exhibits with refreshments.

*Historic Downtown Fayetteville*

### Mar. 27 - 8:00 p.m.

Righteous Brothers Bill Medley  
Sit in on 'The Time of Your Life' and listen as this Rock & Roll Hall of Famer plays the Righteous Brothers' hit songs.

*Crown Theater*

*There are many more events happening around Fayetteville for all interests. The Fayetteville Visitors' Bureau lists a community calendar which can be found at [www.visitfayettevillenc.com](http://www.visitfayettevillenc.com).*



## Mama Lou wins admiration of MU men

### Staff Report

Mama Lou strong armed audience members into acts of worship during her performance at Methodist on Feb. 23.

During the performance, Mama Lou broke chopsticks with her butt, tore a phone book in half and bent a frying pan with her bare hands. She invited male students to participate in the act. They attempted to match her feats of strength, however, many failed.

Mama Lou gained strength from aerial art circus training. She says that she was very stubborn about becoming a strong woman. Today, she is 1 of only 3 "strong women" in the world and the only 1 in the northern hemisphere. Mama Lou says her show is a message of girl power. She believes that women need more strong role models in society.

Mama Lou teaches aerial acrobatics classes at the Climbing Place on Raeford Road, and would like to do more shows in the Fayetteville area. Mama Lou is Lindsey Lindberg's stage name for performances as a strong woman. Lindberg is a Fayetteville resident.



Top: Mama Lou basks in the admiration of Nathan Bright and Matt Zizas. Mama Lou prepares to crush an apple using only her biceps. Photo by Cecilia Bode



Mama Lou bends an iron frying pan with her bare hands. Photos by Cecilia Bode

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The housing reservation fee should be paid in the Business Office, located in the Horner Administration Building from 9am-4pm during the following weeks

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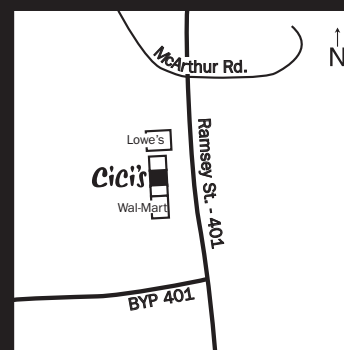
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# Campus Ministry Calendar

spring 2009

## Mission



The mission of Campus Ministry at Methodist University is to offer the love and acceptance of Jesus Christ to all persons by planting the seeds of faith and providing a nurturing spiritual environment for the seeds to grow and develop. Each person will be encouraged to reach his or her potential through participation in diverse styles of worship, Biblical study, music, community service, pursuit of justice and leadership. Every person is challenged to pursue faith freely with open hearts, open minds, and open doors.

## Weekly Events

Monday	6:00 p.m.	One Voice Practice
Monday	8:00 p.m.	In His Grip
Monday	9:00 p.m.	Praise and Worship Band Practice
Tuesday	8:00 p.m.	Fellowship of Christian Athletics
Wednesday	11:00 a.m.	Interdenominational Campus Worship Service
Wednesday	8:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (DOGS)
Thursday	8:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
Sunday	7:00 p.m.	Soup Talk
	9:00 p.m.	Catholic Mass

## Special Worship Opportunities

Sacrament of Holy Communion  
Offered 1st Wednesday following the conclusion of Chapel Service

- Mar. 7-13: International Work Team (Eleuthera, Bahamas)
- Mar. 30: Easter Jam
- Apr. 4, 7:00 a.m.: Community Easter Sunrise Service
- Apr. 14: Community Friends Association
- May 15, 10:30 a.m.: Baccalaureate Service

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## Spring Break activities of the Campus Ninja

Dear Ninja,

Spring break is sadly over and classes are back in session. At least I made the most of my spring break and spent it having fun down in Key West, Florida. There was a beach barbeque, snorkeling, and lots of promiscuous activities that I will leave to the imagination. While there, we all began talking about how our spring break was most likely better than the rest of the lowly peasants that take up space on our school campus and started to ponder what the glorious ninja does during his breaks. So tell me, oh zesty Ninja-san, how did you spend your spring break?

From,

Kickin' it in the Keys



Dear Kickin' it,

Spring break is a wonderful time that allows the average student to relax for a week, whether with family or friends or strangers. Due to the fact that I don't have to go to classes during this time, my schedule becomes packed full of missions all over the globe. In fact, during the Monday and Tuesday of the break I traveled across the majority of the Eastern Hemisphere killing, paying respect to elders, and painting landscape portraits. I took a little "Me Time" at the end of break and spent a few days in New York City, relaxing and working on my own personal mission to wipe out all the street vendors who want to sell you a Rolex.

Dear Ninja,

After my relaxing spring break, I got back to school and checked my midterm grades. My calm demeanor was instantly shattered. I found out that I am failing every single one of my classes. I am not entirely sure how I failed a few of them, considering the fact that I am taking Procrastinating 102 and Don't Come to Class 220. I don't know how I am going to tell my parents about this, especially when I passed Procrastinating 101 so easily last semester. I would like to know, how does a ninja tell his parents that he is failing classes?

From,

0.97 GPA

Dear GPA,

The first thing to know is that ninja do not have parents; rather, they have a clan master that they report to. All you need to do is watch the historical documentary, Ninja Assassin, to learn about our ways. My master is known as the Drunken Master, due to the fact that he drinks too much, and yells at kids that step into his yard. As for when we have failed classes, it depends on what time of the semester it is that determines our fate. If we are failing as of midterms, we are required to live in "The House of Flying Daggers" the rest of the semester to focus on our studies. Yes, it is as painful as it sounds. At the end of the semester, if we have truly failed classes it means that we have dishonored the clan, and must be Fearless in an act of seppuku to regain our honor in death. If I were you, I would just tell your parents out right, because you most likely will not be punished with death.

## Letter to the Editor

After reading a "Small Talk" article titled, "Thoughts from the Editor: Segregation Persists at Methodist", Greeks from all four organizations were both angered and hurt. For someone to write such an emotionally charged article concerning Greek Life's supposed segregation is both unfair and juvenile.

Last week, the Greek council, which is comprised of members from each Greek organization, hosted a Greek Week where members from all four organizations joined together to raise money for Haiti and compete in friendly rivalries. Each organization also bands together to partake in community service events, which either beautify this town or provide surrounding families the items they need.

We find it disheartening to suggest that Greek Life is any more divided than other organizations on campus. Are there not cliques inside every organization? Are there not rivalries to be the best linebacker, or the lead in the play? Greek Life has members who are on sports teams, majoring in theatre and have acted in numerous plays and involved in almost every other organization at Methodist University. Greek life attracts ladies and gentlemen from organizations on campus where they might not otherwise get to enjoy the society of a friend and brother/sister.

None of the four Greek organizations choose who rushes their fraternity or sorority. The misleading stereotype associated with Greek Life at Methodist

University is that its members all fit the mold that is portrayed on television or in the movie theater. Each organization has individuals that do not fit the mold of a typical Greek member whatsoever; some members are married with children while others are much older than the average college student. It is unfair to target certain organizations for being affluent when, if you look at the demographic of many other organizations, Greek Life has just as many members who have to balance their obligations to the organization with working forty-hours a week.

Dan Eldredge

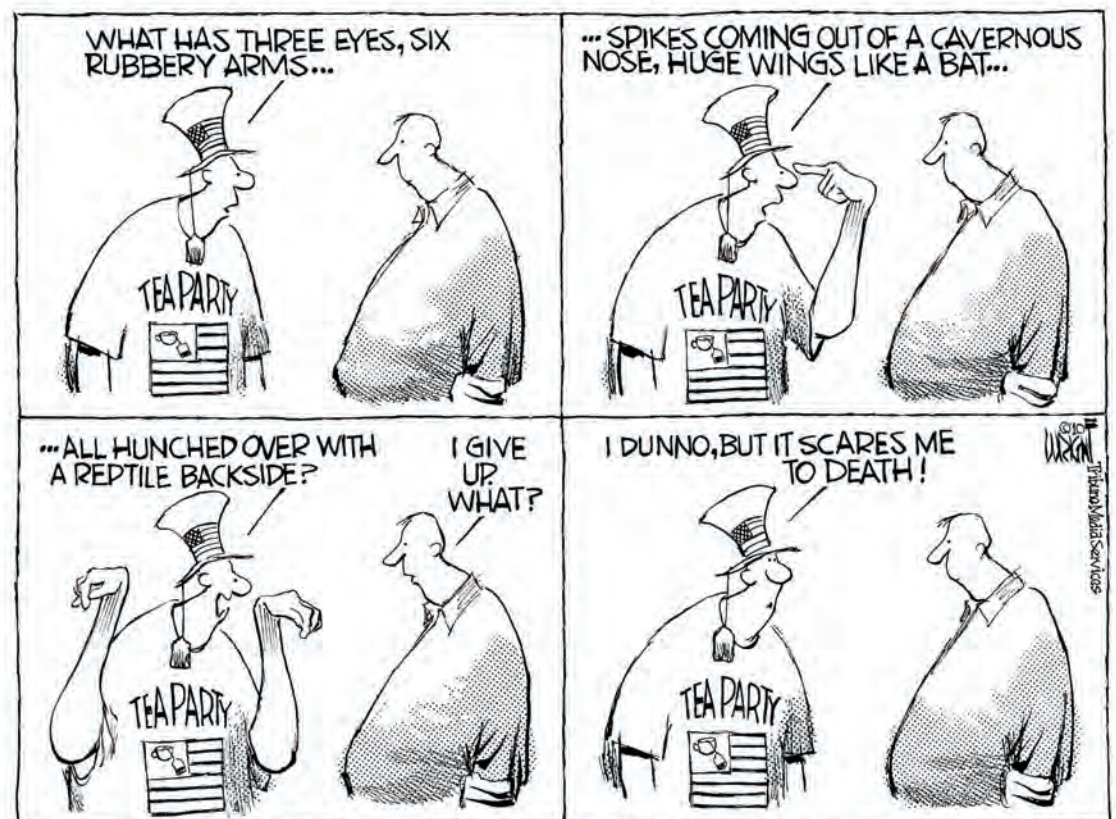
Kappa Sigma Fraternity

Thank you for your response. I appreciate all feedback on the articles we print.

It is important for any group, whether they are a student group or professional organization, to be conscious of the impression they are giving to the community. As an unaffiliated student, I wrote the editorial from the position of someone looking at Greek Life from the outside.

Alicia Secord

*smallTALK welcomes all letters to the editor, and will print any that come in by 5 p.m. the Friday after printing. The letters are not edited by the small-TALK staff.*



# crossTALK with Jessie and Aryn

*Should students be involved in picking the next President of Methodist University?*

**Jessie Heath**



Board of Trustees. Administrative Staff. Maybe Professors. All of these people should be involved in picking the next president of Methodist University. But students? No. Not students.

What qualifies students to pick the next President of Methodist University? Nothing. Sure, we are affected by the president's decisions, but we have to have faith that the President will consider how the students on and off campus will be affected by every decision he makes for our school. We also have to trust the Board of Trustees to choose someone who can further our school and our education. That is part of their job, just as part of our job is to learn what we can while at college. After all, we're only here 4, maybe 5 years. The president will be here longer than that.

Students are not qualified enough to choose the next President of MU. We are qualified to learn. We are qualified to make minimum wage. Some of us might even be qualified to operate heavy machinery. But how many of us know what to look for in a president of a university? Are we going to look for someone who will give us what we want, or are we going to look for someone who can lead our school?

Deny it if you want, but most of us would be unable to keep our own personal desires out of the selection process. If it were up to students, who says the next President wouldn't be some ex-hippie, under qualified, deadbeat with a name like Bob Lama? What if Bob Lama seemed great at first glance, but then tore down all the buildings on campus and decided that it was best to learn from the wind and the sounds of nature, rather than out of textbooks? Sure, the wind and nature can be useful if you're studying science. However, if you're studying law, I doubt the wind has much to say.

If students were involved in picking the next president of Methodist University, personal preference and personal agendas would be a big problem. That being said, it would be impossible for a president to be picked unanimously, without any discord between students. There is no way to please the entire population of Methodist University in choosing the next president; somebody is always going to be angry. We need to trust those who are qualified to pick the next president to do their job to the best of their abilities, taking into account the desires and needs of students while balancing them with the needs of the university.

Every organization has to have a governing body, made of people who are on a far more level playing field than students are on with Board members. They are the momma ducks and we are the ducklings; its time to follow and let them lead.

**Aryn Hicks**



The Board of Trustees has a say. The administrative staff has a say. Some of the professors have a say. All of these groups have a say in who becomes the new Methodist University president. So, why can't students have some involvement? Now, I understand that it is improbable and very irrational to get all of the Methodist students together to pick out the new president. No, it would not be practical. Yes, personal agendas might get in the way.

When President Hendricks was hired as the president of Methodist, students did not have a say; needless to say, President Hendricks has done an excellent job through his 27 years of service here. President Hendricks has looked out for the university's best interests, and has always shown his support for students by attending as many events as possible. In a way, he has spoiled us with his kindness and professionalism, and we want another president who will show us the same care as President Hendricks has.

The Board of Trustees is also in place to select a competent president who can meet the needs of the university and the students, but when was the last time the board asked students what they would like to see at Methodist? The Board of Trustees is out of touch with the needs and wants of students. For something that can affect us this seriously, student would put in positive, rational input on what they would like to see in a university president. We aren't going to hire some Bob Lama buffoon who we found on the side of Ramsey Street who knows nothing about education or business, and wants students to be at one with nature by tearing down all the classroom buildings.

Student leaders, such as presidents of campus organizations, residential assistants, and some members involved with the Student Government Committee, would look out for the best interests of both the school and their respective organization. If all of the student leaders on campus were allowed to sit in on the hiring interviews, they give their input to the Trustees about the potential president. In this case, the responsible individuals would represent portions of the student body. In this way, students have a say, but are not acting in their interests. This prevents any Bob Lamas out there from destroying the integrity of the University.

As students, it is clear that we want a president who will help us progress into the new decade. We want to be assured that our next president will be competent enough to propel us into a new age, but will not neglect students in the process. Student voices should be heard, considering we do pay more than \$30,000 per year to attend and live at Methodist.

## *Ashley Asks* What attributes and experience would you like to see in the new president of Methodist University?

**Ashley Young**  
News Editor

"I would like our new president of Methodist to be someone who is well experienced in dealing with the challenges that come with being president of a university and I want it to be someone who is kind with a good sense of humor."

"A president who's experienced and knows what to do."

Robert Parks, freshman physical education major



"A president who's open to new ideas and brings things the campus hasn't experienced yet."

Greg Kashe, sophomore PGM major



"Somebody that is experienced, but not too old. That could be here and know some of the problems of the school. It would be good if he would have been involved in some government position."

-Margina Coccozza, senior biology major

"I would like to see a person who would understand today's time and be more open-minded to the new generation of students."

-Jose Pablo Salas, junior global studies major



## What can be recycled on campus?

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## Ace Attorney Investigations: Miles Edgeworth

*Austin Bordeaux*  
Staff Writer

Before you read any further, just know that *Ace Attorney Investigations: Miles Edgeworth* is a puzzle game. When I heard that Capcom was making a new *Ace Attorney* game, I was extremely excited due to the fact that I am a huge fan of the series.

In past installments of the series you always played as a defense attorney, but in this game, you get to play as Miles Edgeworth, the main antagonist and prosecuting attorney from the first two games. I enjoyed this game, even though it did not live up to my initial excitement.

### Gameplay: 7/10

The game is incredibly similar to the previous games. It is divided primarily into 2 modes: Investigation and Confrontation.

The Investigation Mode places Edgeworth in certain areas or rooms and you control him around looking for clues. When you approach something that may be investigated, an examine button pops up on screen. You now get to “deduce” certain information by finding contradictions between the scene and the evidence. The only new addition to the Investigation Mode is the Logic system. The Logic system is the “gimmick” of the game. Essentially, as you investigate, you will generate certain ideas or unanswered questions and they will be stored in the Logic option. While in Logic Mode, you then have the option of piecing together your thoughts to try and come to a coherent line of logic.

In between investigations, you will enter Confrontation Mode. You get to listen to the opponent’s side of the story and you pick at each of the statements, countering them with evidence or prodding them for more information until you are able to prove that they’re lying. With the amount of work Miles has to do just to get them arrested, I’m surprised they even need to try the suspects in a formal court of law.

All in all, there really isn’t anything extremely innovative about the gameplay. This game is exclusively for Nintendo DS. The controls are smooth, but the game barely takes advantage of the touch screen. You could probably play the game without ever using the touch screen.

### Story: 9/10

I’ve always liked the storylines in the *Ace Attorney* series, and I enjoyed the story in this latest game. It’s fairly linear, as to be expected. Some of the characters have very little background information, but that’s the same in every game of the series. The only thing that kept this game from getting a per-

fect story score is the fact that the story gets tedious towards the end. It gets to the point where you feel as if the writer was trying to force an extra 15 minutes into the game just for the fun of it.

The character personalities were eccentric though sometimes obnoxious. The female sidekick in this game, Kay Faraday makes a great opposite to Edgeworth’s serious character. It’s also cool to be able to play as Edgeworth because he provides a different perspective from that of the previous games’ defense attorneys.

### Graphics: 8/10

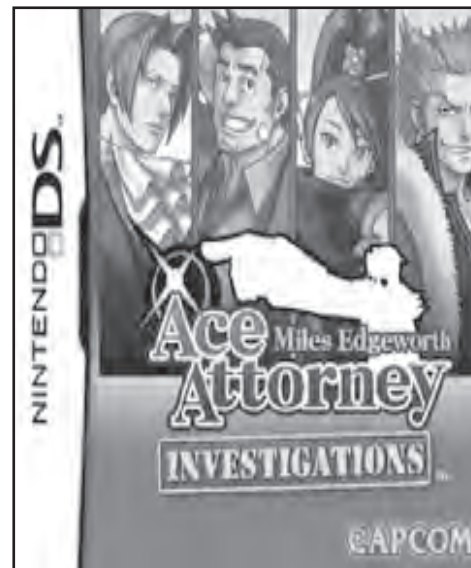
I enjoyed the character designs, with more than a handful of them being exceptionally memorable. The sprites in Investigation Mode were quite well animated and they did a great job of including all the necessary detail on the small DS screen. The only slightly annoying thing is the fact that the screen flashes and shakes to dramatize the characters freaking out, which happens a bit too often.

### Sound: 5/10

Most of the sound effects and music are repeats or remixes from past *Ace Attorney* games. They range from character to character, from upbeat to creepy. I like the un-remixed version of the music from past games more than what is included in this installment.

### Overall: 8/10

This is a fun puzzle game installment to an already good series. If you are a fan of this gaming genre, I recommend getting it. Not too much has changed from the previous games. A fresh perspective and a new gimmick force this game to differ from the others, but they really add to the gaming experience.



Lenny (Taylor Cotton) chases Meg (Tara Doyle) with a broom, while Babe (Alexis Howard) sits by. Photo by Sung Kim

## ‘Crimes of the Heart’ performed by MU theater students

*Sung Kim*  
Staff Writer

*Crimes of the Heart* had everyone engaged, even though the whole story took place in a kitchen from an afternoon to the next morning without any scenery change. The characters coming in and out of the door, telling a part of grand story and filling in the empty spaces had the audience using their imagination as to what had happened outside of the kitchen.

The Methodist actors did a great job performing “*Crimes of the Heart*.” From Feb. 25 to 28, the Methodist Theater Department presented their presentation of the 1981 Pulitzer-winning play. The stage crew set the stage up so that the audience would be on the stage only a few feet away from the performers. The setting was very intimate, no microphones were needed and everyone could see the smallest details of the show.

Lenny Magrath was supposed to be played by Rachel Whitmire, but Taylor Cotton, understudy stepped in for the duration of the play. Tara Doyle was Meg Magrath, the second oldest daughter. The youngest sister, Babe, was played by Alexis Howard. Lauren Kijewsky played Chick Boyles and Doc Porter was played by Will Coleman. Taurean “T.J.” Johnson played Barnette Lloyd. Maegan Owens directed the play.

*Crimes of the Heart* revolves around three sisters who are brought together on Lenny the oldest sisters’ birthday. The youngest sister, Babe, had shot her husband in the stomach because, “she didn’t like the way he looked,” and was awaiting trial. Meg, the middle sister, had to fly back from California after pursuing a singing career, which she failed to achieve. As the play moves forward, much of the family’s past is revealed. Lenny is 30 years old and still unmarried because she’s afraid of being rejected by men once they find out she can’t have children because of a “shrunk ovary.” Lenny also has to take care of her ill grandfather. Their mother had committed suicide by hanging herself, along with her cat. The sisters are looking for less of these “bad days.” The three sisters, although very different from one another, were lovable. Clashing personalities brought color and excitement to the drama, which the audience appreciated.

Seeing fellow student acting opened my eyes not only to their talent, but also to their maturity. Some aspects of the subject matter within the play were morbid, yet made light of; the actors were able to remain in character throughout the play. The acting met my prior expectations. The actors’ hard work and dedication definitely paid off, which gave students a satisfying activity to look forward to for the weekend.

# MONARCH SCOREBOARD

## GAME RESULTS

Men's Tennis		
Date	Opponent	Result
2/23	Barton College	0-9 L
2/26	Pfeiffer University	0-9 L
2/27	Hampden-Sydeny College	2-7 L

Women's Tennis		
Date	Opponent	Result
2/21	Huntingdon College	4-5 L
2/21	Oglethorpe College	9-0 W
2/27	Fayetteville State University	9-0 W
2/27	University of Mary Washington	0-9 L

Baseball		
Date	Opponent	Results
2/19	Farmingdale State College	14-2 W
2/20	Huntingdon College	3-8 L
2/21	Frostburg State	4-9 L
2/21	Roanoke College	9-0 W
2/27	Christopher Newport College	5-2 W
2/28	Christopher Newport College	1-7 L
3/02	Immaculata College	22-3 W
3/04	Randolph Macon College	5-3 W

Softball		
Date	Opponent	Result
2/20	Guilford College	4-5 L (8)
2/20	Guilford College	4-10 L
2/28	Cabrini College	4-5 L
2/28	Cabrini College	2-3 L (9)

Lacrosse		
Date	Opponent	Result
2/21	Savannah College of Art and Design	6-23 L
3/02	Neumann College	9-10 L

Women's Basketball		
Date	Opponent	Results
2/23	Shenandoah University	65-53 W
2/26	Christopher Newport University	56-78 L

Men's Basketball		
Date	Opponent	Results
2/23	Shenandoah University	56-60 L

## HOME GAMES

Baseball		
Date	Opponent	Time
3/17	Rhodes College	4:00pm
3/20	Ferrum College	1:00pm
3/21	Ferrum College	2:00pm
3/24	Tufts University	4:00pm

Lacrosse		
Date	Opponent	Time
3/17	Lancaster Bible College	4:00pm
3/20	Greensboro College	noon
3/27	Christopher Newport University	1:00pm

Men's Tennis		
Date	Opponent	Time
3/16	Greensboro College	2:00pm
3/21	Guilford College	1:00pm
3/27	Ferrum College	12:30pm

Women's Tennis		
Date	Opponent	Time
3/16	Greensboro College	2:00pm
3/24	Meredith College	3:30pm
3/27	Ferrum College	12:30pm

Softball		
Date	Opponent	Time
3/17	North Carolina Wesleyan College	2:00pm
3/21	Rutgers-Camden	1:00pm
3/27	Averett University	1:00pm

Due to spring break, scores from games played on or after Mar. 5 will be reported in the Mar. 29 issue of smallTALK.

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## Lacrosse falls short of win

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Although the temperature was enough to deter most people, hard core fans and friends braved the icy weather to cheer on the women's lacrosse team. The women's lacrosse team played the Neumann University Knights on Tuesday Mar 2. Despite a close match, the Lady Monarchs eventually fell to the Knights at the end of the game.

The ladies played a fierce game with the score 4-3 at halftime. During half time, rain added to the frigid temperatures, which brought a new level of difficulty as the ladies slid around the field. The ladies fought hard against the Neumann Knights. There was a constant struggle between the two teams to create a significant lead, which neither team was able to achieve.

The score was tied at 9-9 with 22 seconds left on the clock. With only 9 seconds on the clock, the Knights won the draw after a foul by Methodist. The Knights scored to win the game. The final score was 10-9 Neumann.

Freshman Alexa Veeder was the lead scorer for Methodist this game with a total of 4 goals scored, followed closely by sophomore Jasmine Stephens with 3 goals.



Above: Sophomore midfielder Brittany St. Jaques defends against a Neumann player.  
Right: Senior goal keeper Lindsey Cosgray prepares to block a goal attempt.  
Photos by Cecilia Bode.

## Freeze Frame: Tennis



Top: Anthony Santonastaso, member of the mens tennis team, returns a hit.

Bottom: Matthew Taylor, member of Men's tennis team, focuses on the game.

Mens tennis lost 2-7 against Hampden-Sydeny College on February 27.  
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