

Radio manager meets with designers in effort to re-establish WVCP station

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Progress is being made on the reconstruction of Volunteer State Community College's radio station WVCP. The radio station will be moving from Caudill Hall to the Ramer Administration Building.

Howard Espravnik, associate professor of communication and general manager of WVCP-FM 88.5 said, "We are in high gear on the reconstruction process."

He stated that meetings have been held with electrical engineers as well as with furniture companies concerning the new radio station.

Espravnik said that the reconstruction is a chance to improve the station.

He expressed that the move would enable them to improve the soundproofing of the room.

Espravnik said another improvement concerns the fact that some of the computer hard drives were noisy and were too close to live microphones.

He said that these hard drives are going to be stored in an equipment room away from the microphones.

There will also be benefits to students and faculty as well, as the TV and radio stations will be close to one another.

"We have some of the same students in TV and radio, and it helps to have them in a centralized location," Espravnik said. "The staff can also be

close together and share equipment and ideas."

Espravnik stated that four pieces of equipment will have to be replaced due to the damage. This equipment includes two amplifiers, which had gotten water on them, a CD player, and CD burner. "We came through it really well," he said.

Espravnik estimated the cost of replacement to be around \$1500. The station's furniture will be covered by insurance.

Much of the station's equipment is currently being stored in a climate-controlled warehouse in Gallatin by a company named Servpro.

Servpro assists in cleanup and restoration of buildings after major damage is done to them. Equipment is also being stored in the Ramer Building.

Currently the station is unable to have any live programming. Espravnik expects live programming to return shortly after Christmas break.

Holly Nimmo, WVCP operations supervisor, said, "We're currently limited on our music selection." She said the main formats of WVCP are currently limited to "adult contemporary, oldies, and light rock."

Nimmo also stated that the current playlist is being built with different software, which is difficult to change. Therefore, the station is not able to take requests.

The station returned to the air on April 13 and the station's streaming signal was restored on June 21.

Red Cross hoping to draw serious interest, serious amount of blood

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The American Red Cross and the Vol State Health Services will be hosting a blood drive Wednesday, Sept. 20.

The drive will be held 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Rochelle Center, located in the Thigpen Library.

Jana Baver, donor recruitment representative for the Red Cross said, "It is a crucial time for the Blood Bank because it is drastically low. The Red Cross would like to have a supply to last at least five days that consists of all blood types. However, it only has an overall supply of a day and a half."

Vicki Stratton, secretary of Health Services, is working with the Red Cross to put this drive together.

"The Red Cross hopes to have at least 77 donors," Stratton said. Each donor will give one pint of blood that will then be reproduced in his/her body in a matter of days. All blood will go to assist in various medical procedures.

"A premature baby will take up

to one to four pints of blood while in intensive care," notes Stratton.

Although all blood types are welcomed, types O negative and O positive are needed most because they can be used in all situations.

"Every 20 seconds someone else needs blood," said Baver.

Anyone interested in participating must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 lbs, have a Red Cross donor card or photo ID, and should be properly hydrated and nourished.

Blood is not the only resource that can be given on Wednesday. Donors can also register to be in the National Bone Marrow Program. To become a member of the program, a donor only grazes a q-tip across his/her gums. The registry can then use DNA to find a match for someone in need of a bone marrow transplant.

A donor will also receive a t-shirt featuring the Titans logo and schedule, Hometown Buffet Dinner coupons, and an American Red Cross donor card, which will come in the mail six to eight weeks later. One lucky donor will even receive two free Titans tickets.

UNIVERSITY REPS VISIT VOL STATE CAMPUS

The following universities will be on the Vol State campus to meet with students about transferring to their university after graduating from Vol State. The university reps will be located in the Advising Center, Suite 174, in the Ramer Administration Building, on the following dates:

Austin Peay State University

Tuesday, September 19	8:30 a.m. – 11:00 p.m.
Tuesday, October 24	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Tuesday, November 28	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Middle Tennessee State University

Thursday, September 28	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Thursday, October 12	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Thursday, October 26	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Thursday, November 9	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Thursday, November 30	9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon



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For consideration, come by and fill out an application. We are located in front of the Super Wal-Mart in Gallatin.

Chick-fil-A is closed on Sunday.