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Womack thinks back on campaign

By Amanda Thompson
Contributor

Former gubernatorial candidate Andy Womack doesn't know if he'll run for governor in the next election but says he does plan to stay active in politics.

The former state senator from Murfreesboro and long-time MTSU supporter dropped out of the race for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in February. Last week, he endorsed one of his ex-rivals, former Nashville mayor Phil Bredesen.



Womack

In a recent interview, Womack expanded on the reasons he gave for dropping out of the race at the time — because the news media had already chosen their front-runners, which made it hard for everyone else to discuss their issues and raise campaign contributions.

"When I made my decision to run, I set standards with friends," Womack said. "We couldn't meet the minimum, financially, at the end of February. We didn't have finances or time to raise money and campaign. We could have done one or the other, but not both."

"The money we had raised was not enough. (Our) inability to raise money came from lack of media attention in Middle Tennessee."

An MTSU graduate and former president of the MTSU Foundation, Womack said he had much more media coverage in other parts of Tennessee, especially in Shelby and Knox

counties, but not in the Nashville area.

"I needed Middle Tennessee media to give me recognition as a viable candidate," he said.

But name recognition for successful fund-raising wasn't the only problem with lack of media attention. He said it also affected the quality of the public's political conversation.

"The media never asked about issues such as TennCare, education or public safety," he observed. "They only asked about taxes."

Womack, who was the chair of the Senate Education Committee when he stepped down two years ago, feels that education is one the most important issues addressed in his campaign. And he feels that it was overlooked, drowned out by all the talk about whether to establish an income tax in Tennessee.

"Education is a very serious situation," Womack said. "The state budget has the ability to affect education more than anything else, and this is a time when quality education is important in order to have industry brought to Tennessee."

"I feel that one of the first things for higher education to be made possible is to create a task force of higher education people, state legislators and businesses to design a new formula because the old formula does not seem to work," Womack said. "We need a new formula we can have confidence in."

Womack said he believes that the top priorities are education, health care, public safety and infrastructure, and that they should be funded before anything else.

"If the state budget cannot

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KUC undergoes renovations



Photos by Steve Cross | Staff

The Keathley University Center makeover project is expected to be completed within the next two years.

By Jennifer Dotson
Staff Writer

The Keathley University Center makeover project, which began last month, is scheduled to be completed Sept. 21.

While the changes may seem sudden to students, Director of Student Programming Harold Smith said the renovations taking place in the center are part of an ongoing project.

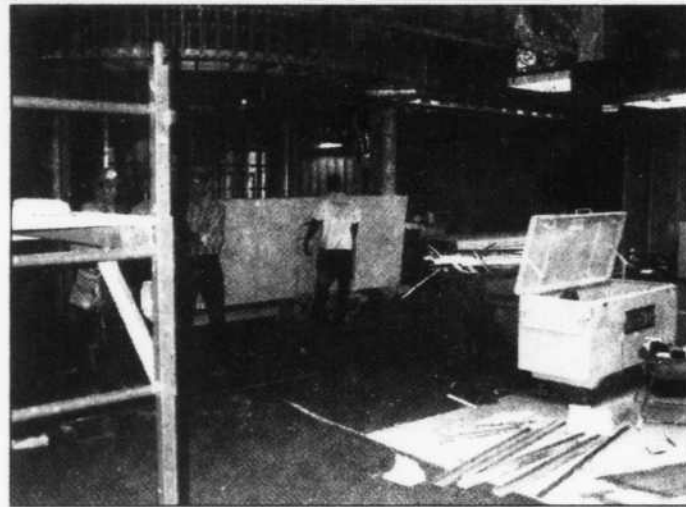
"It's a big project," he said, "and we didn't just wake up one day and say, 'This needs to be done.' This is something

that has been in the works for four or four and a half years, and we've had to try to save our pennies."

The renovations, which will cost around \$825,000, were prompted by a lack of space.

"There is not enough office space for existing personnel as part of the student affairs division, and there is not enough official student organization space that should exist in a university center," Smith said.

The project will be completed in two parts. First, the mini-mart currently located



on the third floor will be moved to the lounge area on the second floor. Students will be losing one-third of the lounge as well as the Art Cube Gallery.

"We went through this building with the art department chair looking for space to put an art display, and we

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Authors gather to celebrate Seigenthaler

Staff Reports

Four critically acclaimed authors will gather to help celebrate the career of one of the area's most renowned literature buffs — John Seigenthaler.



Seigenthaler

Seigenthaler's Nashville Public Television show, *A Word on Words*, celebrates its 30th anniversary this week. The show, over its three decades on NPR, has featured such prominent personalities as Betty Friedan, Elie Wiesel, Gay Talese, Kris Kristofferson, Studs

Terkel, Helen Thomas, Erma Bombeck and Al Gore Jr.

To mark the occasion, a panel including authors David Halberstam, Bill Kovach, Winston Groom and Alice Randall will tape an anniversary special in the State Farm Auditorium of the Business and Aerospace Building from noon to 2 p.m.

Halberstam, once a reporter for *The Tennessean*, is a veteran journalist and social commentator whose books frequently top the *New York Times* best-seller list. He has received a Pulitzer Prize as well as 16 honorary degrees. His latest book, *War in a Time of Peace*, was written prior to Sept. 11 and focuses on the effect of terrorism.

Kovach, also a former *Tennessean* reporter, spent two decades at the *New York Times* and served as the Washington Bureau chief. He also served as editor of the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* for two years before moving to Harvard University in 1989 as curator of the Nieman Foundation for Journalism. Today he is chair of the Committee of Concerned Journalists.

Groom, author of the critically acclaimed *Forrest Gump*, spent eight years as a reporter for *The Washington Star*. His experiences as an officer in Vietnam inspired his first novel, *Better Times Than These*, and the popularity of *Forrest Gump* has spawned several spin-offs.

The Wind Done Gone,

Randall's parody of Margaret Mitchell's *Gone With the Wind*, was written from the perspective of Scarlett O'Hara's mulatto half-sister and received immense international news coverage last year when Mitchell's estate sued to halt publication. Randall won her court appeal in May 2001, and the book hit store shelves and was promptly received by the literary community as clever and wry.

The panel will be moderated by Seigenthaler's son, John, who is a television news anchor in New York.

The event, sponsored by MTSU's John Seigenthaler Chair of Excellence in First Amendment Studies, is free and open to the public. ♦

Minority Development Conference this Saturday

By Angelica Journagin and
Charlene Callier
News Editor and Flash! Editor

MTSU's African American Organizations United is hosting the first Minority Development Conference Saturday, beginning at 8 a.m.

The conference theme is "Today's Leaders-Tomorrow's Future" and will feature a variety of workshops that can be taken through the day that feature topics ranging from time

management to fitness and nutrition.

"I came up with these topics because these are topics that interest me," said freshman Anthony Martin, organizer and president of AAOU, "and I felt these topics would interest others. These are also issues that need to be addressed in the black community."

The conference will start in the morning with check-in and breakfast in the Business and Aerospace Building's south

lobby. Afterward, there will be a welcome in the BAS courtyard followed by two sessions that feature various workshops that students can attend.

At 11:30 a.m. there will be discussion groups where members of the opposite sex will split up and discuss relationship problems with each other.

Keynote speaker James Amps III will give a speech called the "Challenges of Success" in the Keathley University Center Theater.

Amps is the designer of the "Personal Accountability and The Challenges of Life" program, which claims to help "individuals of all ages to make responsible choices and decisions, understand and appreciate the importance of true friends, encourage racial harmony as well as to help individuals find and pursue their passion in life."

He also has written a book,

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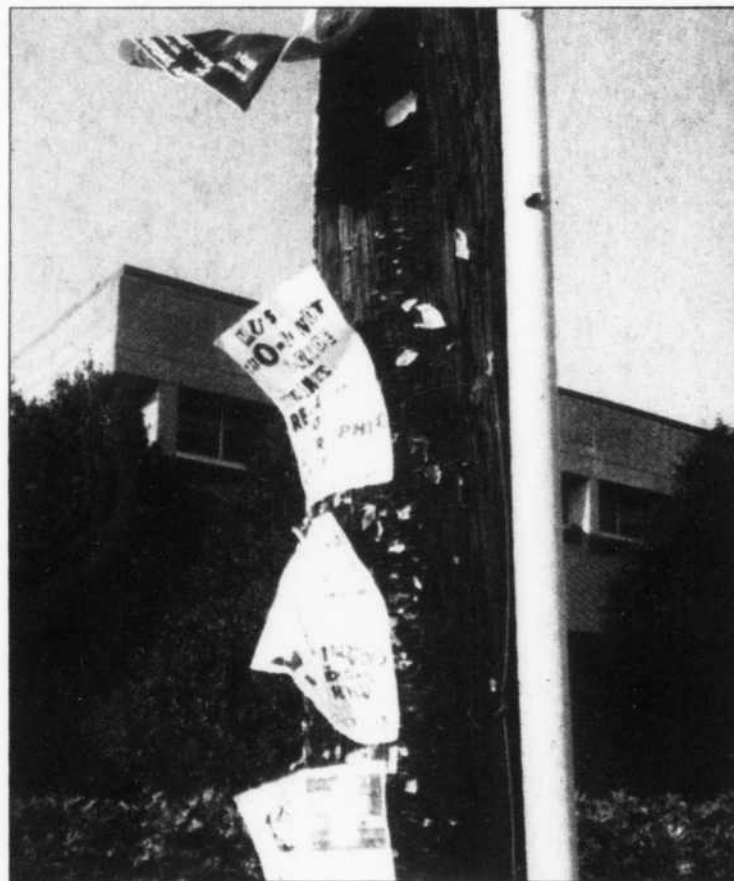


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The pole beside the Murphy Center is littered with staples and outdated flyers that have yet to be cleaned up

"Eyesore of the Week" examines the inadequacies of our campus in hopes of drawing attention to flaws that need to be addressed. If you have seen any "eyesores" around campus, please let us know by calling 904-8357 or e-mailing slmedit@mtsu.edu.

Summit educates young adults

Staff Report

MTSU's Health Services and the department of health, physical education, recreation and safety will host the second annual Tennessee Youth Tobacco Prevention Summit.

The summit, set to begin tomorrow, aims to empower young people from across Tennessee by arming them with facts, legislative issues and strategies to fight tobacco use and "Big Tobacco" advertising.

According to the American Cancer Society, 430,000 Americans will die from tobacco-related causes, 9,000 of whom will be from Tennessee.

Organizers hope to leave the 300-plus youths who are expected to attend the summit with the message that tobacco will ultimately cause death or a disabling disease. Organizers

also are hoping that participants will take this message home to their schools, churches, clubs, friends and family.

Opening registration will begin tomorrow at 10 a.m. in the Learning Resources Center lobby. Lunch will follow at 10:45 a.m. in Corlew Hall.

Opening ceremonies will commence at noon until 1:30 p.m. in the LRC, Room 221. Participants are set to gather for the "Tobacco 101" session at 1:45-2:15 p.m. with "addiction," "laws" and "media literacy" sessions following.

Summit organizers have added a new "adult track" this year that will address issues pertinent to adults in the community.

The program will include sessions tomorrow evening in the Keathley University Center, Rooms 305, 313 and 316.

A picnic for participants

will be held after the sessions in the KUC courtyard from 5-7 p.m.

Sessions will continue tomorrow evening in the KUC for youth and the Business and Aerospace Building for adults.

The summit will continue Saturday morning with breakfast in Corlew Hall at 7 a.m. Two sessions for youth participants will be held in the KUC, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Adults will meet in the Cason Kennedy Nursing Building for sessions at 8:30 a.m.

Closing ceremonies for youths and adults will be held in the Tennessee Room of the James Union Building at 11:30 a.m.

For more information on the summit, contact Jo Edwards at 898-2905 or Shannon Josy at 898-5545. ♦

Womack: Media pre-picked front-runners

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adequately provide for these things, then they should cut less significant programs to make more money for the most important priorities," he said.

Without a resolution to the state's fiscal problems, state programs will continue to have their own problems to be faced by politicians in the future — perhaps including Womack.

"I don't know if I will run for

governor again," he said. "We will cross that bridge when the time comes.

"I do plan to stay active in politics. You don't have to be in politics to influence politicians."

Conference: Food, music after workshops

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Speaking to Excel, and has had keynote speaking appearances at the U.S. State Department, McDonald's cooperation, National Aeronautic and Space Administration and Sony.

The day will end with a cookout on the KUC Knoll that will offer free food and music.

AAOU is composed of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, Kappa

Alpha Psi fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, Delta Sigma Theta sorority, African American Student Society, National Association of the Advancement of Colored People MTSU chapter and the Urban Music Society.

Members of the organizations helped Martin bring the conference together.

Martin hopes that students

will come for more than just the free food and music.

"This is an opportunity to bring minorities together on campus," Martin said. "I want people to walk away with knowledge and knowing somebody they didn't know before they came."

For more information on the Minority Development Conference, students can all Martin at 898-4134. ♦

KUC: New space for student organizations

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couldn't find the space," Smith said. "Eventually the old library will become what is now the art department, and the art cube will become part of that building."

Going in the Art Cube Gallery's place will be an information area that will provide students with information about the university center and any other activity that takes place on campus. It also will provide students with services that are not currently being offered anywhere on campus.

"If your car battery is dead, and you need some jumper cables, you would go to the information desk," Smith said. "Or if your bicycle tire goes flat, and you don't have a pump, you could go there and get a pump."

The second part of the project will involve moving offices that are currently located on the first floor to the third floor into the area from where the mini-mart is being moved. Offices which are not located close to each other now, but should be for convenience, will be moved

together.

"Now, if students need to reserve a facility, they have to pick up a facility form, and they've got to go to four different areas to get it approved," Smith said. "The changes will make it easier for students to use those services."

In addition to those office areas, a large space will be added for student organization use. The space will provide computers, fax machines and other media to student organizations, as opposed to individual students.

The space left unoccupied on the first floor will leave a substantial amount of room for existing organizations that are cramped into small areas, such as Disabled Student Services.

"The remainder of free office space left on the first floor could possibly be developed into an African-American culture center," Smith said. Currently, no such center exists on campus.

"There is an office, but there isn't enough room to turn around in there," Smith said. "There is a lot of traffic in and out of there, and we're talking

about expanding that."


With all the time, money and work being put into the university center renovations, one might wonder why a new university center isn't being built instead. According to Smith, one may be in the works.

"If Robert Glenn, vice president [for] Student Affairs, has anything to say about it at all," Smith said, "we will someday have a union on this campus that will be a fantastic facility where students can meet and greet and lay back and have a good time outside of class."

If a new university center were built, Smith believes it will probably be located near Scarlett Commons.


"We're not talking about starting this tomorrow, but by the time it does begin, the whole campus will have moved in that direction," Smith said. "The ideal situation would be for the union to always be a high-traffic area and very accessible."

For more information, visit the Student Programming office in the Keathley University Center, Room 308, or call 898-2551. ♦



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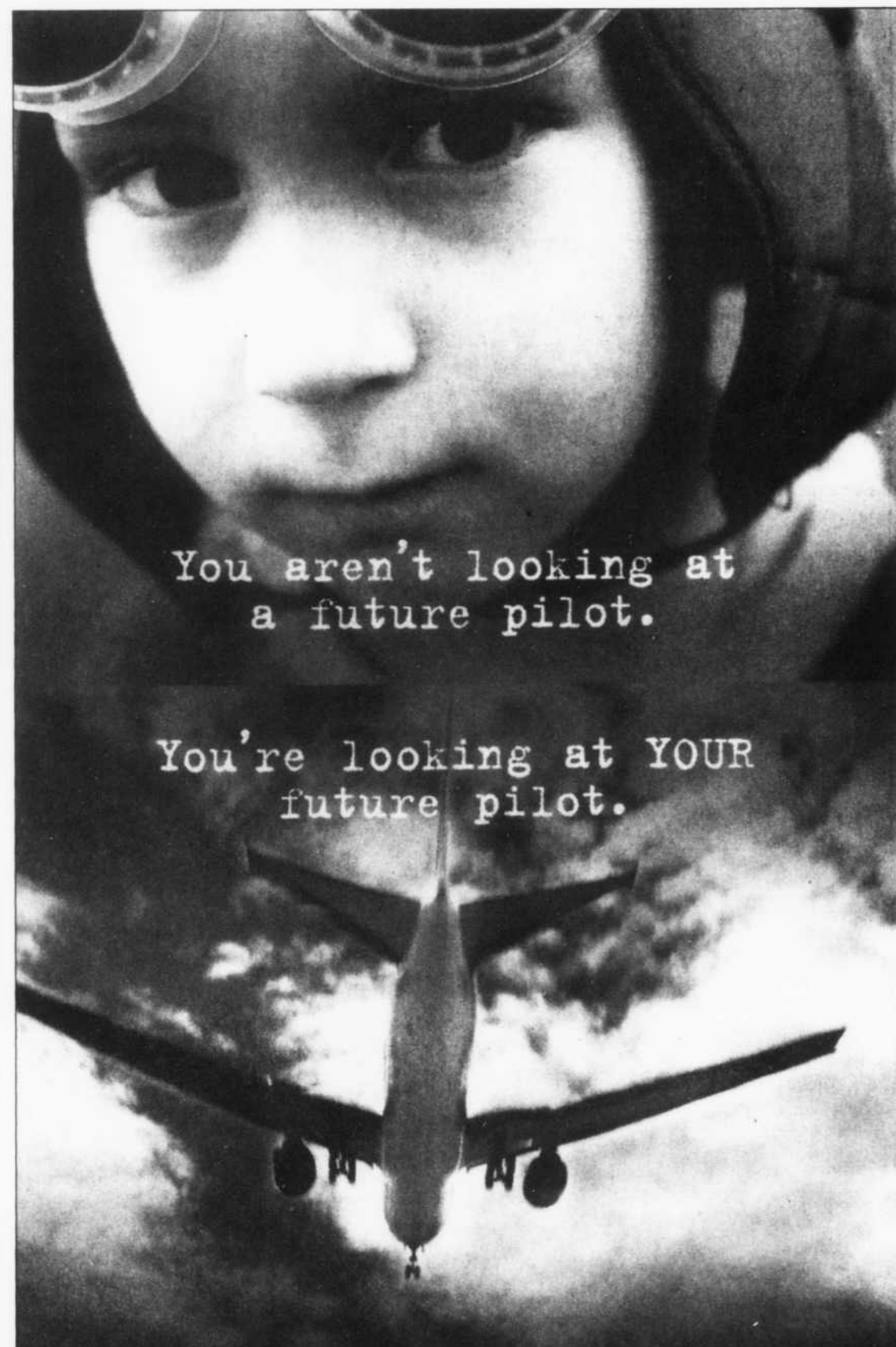


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Editorial Ten Commandments too costly to post

When the United States was attacked Sept. 11, for many Americans it was a wake up call. American citizens united to show their support and faith in the United States by buying endless flags, T-shirts and bumper stickers.

How did the Rutherford County Commission show their faith in the United States after the attacks? By violating the very document it was founded on.

When the commissioners voted 16-5 to violate the First Amendment by hanging the Ten Commandments in the county courthouse, they single-handedly created an unnecessary division in the community.

Several commissioners claimed that the posting of the Ten Commandments was legal because this document, found in the Bible, will simply be displayed as a historical document.

If this was true, then the commissioners would not have tagged on an amendment to the proposal that would include the hanging of established historical documents along with the Ten Commandments as grounds for their defense in the lawsuit that they knew was coming.

If that wasn't enough, Commissioner Lindell Vaughn told the *Daily News Journal*, "I don't see no way in the world it can hurt anybody being in the courthouse. Like I told one man, maybe he ought to come to church Sunday."

Because Islamic, Jewish and Buddhist services do not occur on Sunday, "church" must not be Vaughn's euphemism for mosque, synagogue or temple.

Other commissioners said that the Ten Commandments would provide a moral code for the community to follow.

So what code is the commission hoping to convey on the immoral masses? That in an election year it is OK to play on the religious convictions of their constituents to get a vote?

That it is right to disregard the rights of the minority in favor of the majority?

That it is moral to knowingly put the county in a state that will cost hundreds of thousands of dollars that could be used to fix roads, pay teachers and provide financial security in a time of state economic crisis?

Even Tennessee Attorney General Paul Summers said posting the commandments violated the establishment clause. His opinion will be distributed to all judges in the state, including the judge who will hear the lawsuit filed by the American Civil Liberties Union against the county.

After this is all over we hope the County Commission realize that the moral ideology behind their job is to uphold the law, not break them to get votes. ♦

College not for everyone, so get out



Panic Office

Alan Slone
Staff Columnist

Well, I've survived a year here at MTSU.

A little more than a year ago, I made my decision to transfer here from the largest university in Kentucky. Leaving behind my family, friends and everything I have ever known, I made the four-and-a-half-hour drive from Lexington to this little town of Murfreesboro. I really have had the time of my life. Outside of living in the dormitories, my experience with my first year of MTSU has been really good.

Which leads me to ask the question, "Why do so many people not want to be here?"

I'm sure we've all seen it: people who constantly complain about going to class, how hard it is to pass college, et cetera, et cetera. These are the people that never go to any classes, usually laze around and

often ask to cram using your notes.

To these people, I have two words for you: go home.

That's right, go home. That's probably not what you were wanting to hear, but think about it - it seems that MTSU is filled with people who really don't want to be at school at all. This isn't a problem that's insular to MTSU - trust me, plenty of colleges have a high number of people who don't want to be there.

The sad thing is, though, that most of the people that are here that don't want to be here just racking up debt and wasting time they could spend either mooching off their parents directly or working in the real world.

So, having said that, here are some common descriptions of people I've seen on campus that might want to pull their registration next year.

If you find you fit some of these things, you probably are just wasting your time here and taking up space in a class I (and everyone else who's trying to graduate) am trying to get into.

1) The perpetual stoner/drunk. These people are usually the hardest to spot during the normal hours. Being both nomadic and nocturnal, the perpetual drunk person often spends most of the day sleeping off whatever they ingested the night before instead of doing something constructive like going to class. They're often identified by numerous stamp marks on both wrists and numerous bite marks on their necks from the person's bed they stumbled into.

Living only for the moment, the perpetual stoner/drunk usually starts out most stories with "Man, I was so blasted last night ..." or the "We [drank/smoked/insert drug ingestion here] so much one night ..." It's amazing that this type can't remember their class schedule but can recall the night they smoked the 20-inch doobie. Usually, however, the college career of the perpetual stoner/drunk is often prematurely ended early by failing out of the few classes they actually signed up for.

2) The "\$10,000 Dating Game" player. Limited

usually to women, who aren't exactly goal-oriented, these types see college as the ticket to finding the ultimate date. Often seen trying to be in long-term, commitment-happy relationships, these people don't usually have time to do their class work as they're usually sleeping over at their significant other's house, doing both of their laundry or simply writing their first name and the love of their life's last name a million times on the notebooks they were supposed to be taking to class. Usually, however, these types usually take care of themselves by creating offspring or getting married.

3) The people who are here because they're "supposed to be." I can't believe the disservice high school counselors have given graduating seniors by saying that everyone should be in college. While I think that college could be for anyone, it usually isn't for everyone. While not receiving an education of some sort is a universally bad thing, not going to college isn't the crime it's made out to be. Most people don't think that car

mechanics, bricklayers, construction workers, secretaries and other important positions are actual careers when you're on the verge of graduating high school. People who don't go to college are usually socially ostracized and feel like they've made a bad choice.

Technical schools exist for a reason, and no, it's not because it's for people who didn't "make the cut" for college. They're legit places to go to school, learn a trade and be a contributing member of society - unlike your neighbor with the pot smoke creeping out his door all hours of the day.

One of my professors wrote a very simple message on the bottom of his syllabus last semester. It simply read, "This class is hard. College is supposed to be hard." And for all of us who got this memo at the first of college weren't surprised.

If you are, try something else. ♦

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The abysmal state of Nashville radio



For Argument's Sake
Jason Cox
Staff Columnist

These lyrics, part of the song "Radio - Ga Ga," were written nearly 20 years ago by Roger Taylor of Queen, who was inspired when his young son said "radio pooh pooh."

Indeed. A quick trip down the FM radio dial certainly doesn't conjure up much promising music, particularly commercial stations. From WAY 88.7 FM (goodly music) all the way up to 107.5 The River, one can't help but feel almost insulted by some of the product currently being generated.

"The radio is in the hands of such a lot of fools tryin' to anaesthetize the way that you feel..."

Elvis Costello's "Radio Radio" fairly accurately describes the almost mathematical programming method used by commercial radio stations.

They, along with MTV, have discovered that much of their market will grow to accept whatever is given to them by mass media outlets if the outlet saturates the airwaves enough with whatever they're trying to make the next Big Thing.

Locally, Nashville is surprisingly bad given our proximity to "Music City U.S.A." Then again, Nashville also has managed to win its first Album of the Year Grammy (for the *O Brother, Where Art Thou?* soundtrack) with music the industry big wigs were so sure wouldn't sell that it still can't get radio airplay. But I digress.

Part of the problem lies in an oversaturation of certain markets, particularly that of country music and hip hop. Country music has a ridiculous number of stations in Nashville, almost all of which fairly exclusively play newer music, which is responsible for the steady decline in country album sales since Garth Brooks mercifully fell to the wayside.

Hip hop has seen a rise in Nashville radio as of late. It is the exclusive staple of three Nashville-area stations and is a primary staple on two others. My biggest problem with these is an amazing lack of variety. Even on most stations, you won't hear the same song more than once an hour, but spend three hours listening to 101.1 The Beat and, I assure you, you will never forget that Ashanti may not always be there when you call, but she's always on time.

Rock hop, on the other hand, has precious little space on the airwaves. With the demise of 106.7 The Rooster, there is now only 102.9 The Buzz offering us some form of different music. Lightning 100 is nice and offers some different stuff, but even they recycle their playlist as much as any other station.

There is, of course, college radio, but its relatively fresh sounds are outnumbered by the tripe currently being fed to us as radio today.

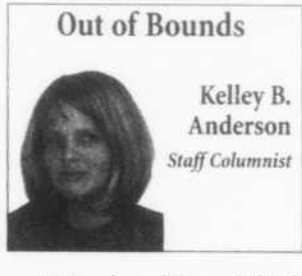
The sad truth is that the recording industry continues to prosper despite the utter crap that is most commercial music and, in turn, radio today. We, as consumers, must demand a better product before one will emerge, but, then again, consumers as a whole may not want a better product.

This feeds into why most people, especially when herded into large groups, cannot be trusted simply with their own reason.

"They say you better listen to the voice of reason, but they don't give you any choice 'cause they think that it's treason. So you had better do as you are told. You better listen to the radio."

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United States must accept responsibility for its foreign policy



Out of Bounds
Kelley B. Anderson
Staff Columnist

U.S. bombing killed four Canadian soldiers this past Thursday in Afghanistan, when a pilot mistook the Canadian troops for al-Qaida fighters.

You would think with our level of modern technology that this kind of thing wouldn't happen. In fact, it's not the first time it's happened. But can technology weed out human error?

Absolutely not - in fact, it increases exponentially the risk and possible repercussions.

After reading death tallies over and over, it becomes easy to see people as numbers and not humans, regardless of what country they're from. But it becomes easier still when the people killed are half a world away and are civilians from "the enemy's" country. The Israeli/Palestine conflict and the "war on terrorism" in Afghanistan are two completely different issues but can be viewed simultaneously when analyzing foreign policy.

If this conflict continues to escalate, the two separate issues may even be viewed in hindsight as two theaters of the same war, much in the way

America fought Japan and Germany in World War II simultaneously but for different reasons.

Let's hope this doesn't happen. I am actually very pleased with Bush's declaration that Israel should pull out of Palestine. But it is understandably difficult to be bombing one country for terrorist attacks against the United States and then reprimand a country for protecting its own interests.

But we have to come to a point where we realize that the people that are hurt most by aggression in any form are civilians.

So then, I ask, how do you empower a people so they can improve themselves and their own country? By continually bombing them, destroying their land, businesses and morale?

By keeping a country economically impaired, you leave the door wide open for any dictator who comes along promising food and prosperity, usually cloaked in nationalist fervor. Many Germans listened and followed Hitler out of spite for the war reparations they were required to pay from World War I.

Here we find ourselves in Afghanistan attempting to dismantle a government composed of many of the same people we propped up during the 80's in our effort to "fight communism" and the Soviet Union.

No matter what noble

war we believe we are fighting, the only thing we are doing is disempowering a people from any chance of self-improvement and possibly change. This change has to come from the people being governed and has to be rooted in solidarity of their voices to have any effect.

Who cares who's in power when you don't have anything to eat? Bombs are wasteful of economic resources that could be used elsewhere, and more importantly, a waste of human lives.

We would more likely have more Afghan popular support if we offered humanitarian aid, which would do much more to "end terrorism" than any bombing ever could, just as many Palestinian civilians would be less likely to support Yasser Arafat if they had other options.

We will not accomplish anything if we continue to support this type of destruction as a means of change. I think the four Canadian soldiers and countless others who have been "war casualties" are good examples of the fact that there is no such thing as a humane war. ♦

"And if you think peace is a common goal, well that goes to show how little you know." - Morrissey

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MTSU chooses book for summer reading program

By Stephanie Hughes
Contributor

On top of having ACT scores, scholarship applications and searching for places to live, incoming freshman for fall 2002 are being urged to read a book.

This is MTSU's first year to start a summer reading program, and their first choice is *The Color of Water* by James McBride.

Associate Dean for Residential Education Laurie Witherow was on the committee with other faculty members and students that decided to begin a summer reading program.

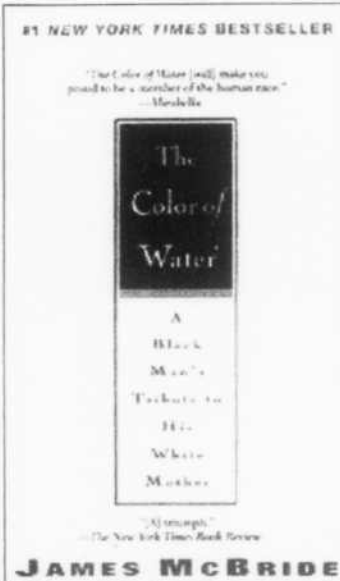


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"The program is focused on freshmen but not limited to freshmen. The book will be taught primarily in freshman-level classes but will be taught in a few upper-division classes as well," Witherow said.

This is not a mandatory reading for incoming freshman; however, they are going to be strongly urged to read it during the CUSTOMS orientation in the summer where they will be able to purchase the book.

"There will be students who aren't going to read the book, but it will be rewarding for those who do," Witherow said.

English, sociology, social work and University 1010 professors will be using McBride's book in their curricula.

The summer reading program is part of the Community Reading Program that local libraries, churches and other organizations are a part of. A few local libraries are sponsoring book clubs to help promote *The Color of Water*.

"We want this to be a unifying experience, not only across the university, but across the community as well," Witherow said.

The Color of Water was chosen out of a number of other books because of the many different themes it encompasses. Race, religion, social class and family are themes that are obvi-

ously close to McBride's heart.

This biographical book is about James McBride's mother, Ruth McBride Jordan. It tells of her struggle to raise 12 children as a white, Jewish woman in New York.

Jordan was born in the 1920s in Poland at the rise of Nazism. She left home at an early age to marry a black man. They had eight children together before he died.

She was left alone with her children in Harlem in the 1950s, until she married another black man. She had four more children with him before he died also.

In spite of her many obstacles, Jordan eventually overcame them. All 12 of her children attended college and are now successful. She also went to college and received her degree. She is still living today.

The Color of Water is filled with racial boundaries, extreme poverty, the loss of family and learning how to overcome struggles in spite of the odds.

The Color of Water won the 1997 Anisfield-Wolf Book Award for Literary Excellence and was on the *New York Times* bestseller list for two years.

This book has received positive book reviews as well.

Publishers Weekly states that "this moving and unforgettable memoir needs to be read by

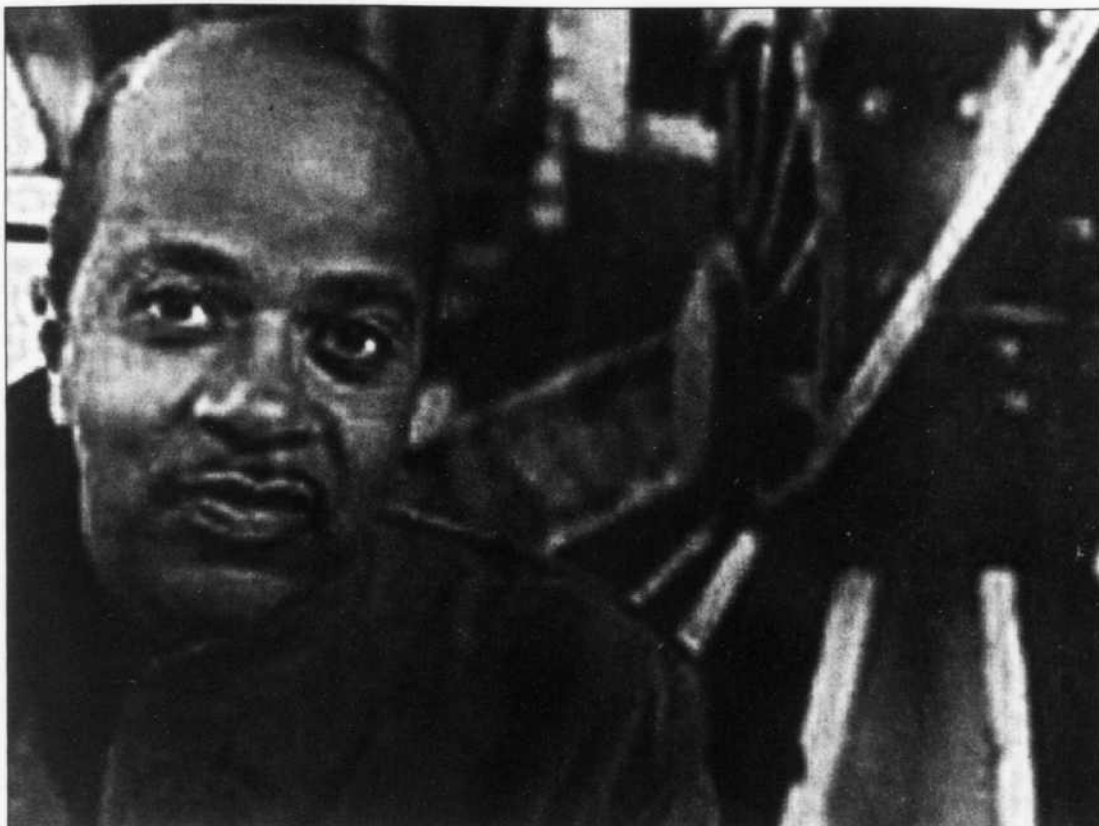


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James McBride's moving memoir *The Color of Water* is a *New York Times* Bestseller.

people of all colors and faiths."

The *New York Times* Book Review says that "the triumph of the book — and of their lives — is that race and religion are transcended by family love."

Someone a little bit closer to home tells why she loves the book so much.

"The reason I like this book so much," Witherow said, "is

because James McBride does not make his mother out to be a perfect person. She has flaws, just like all of us do, but is an overcomer."

Witherow hopes students will read this book and that it will help them push forward when life becomes hard.

McBride will be speaking about his book and life at the

University Convocation Aug. 18 in the Murphy Center.

The book will also be a part of the Diversity Conference on campus in October.

For more information on *The Color of Water*, visit James McBride's Web site at www.jamesmcbride.com.

Professor shares teaching experience

By Christine Dybata
Contributor

Though he came to the classroom straight from the corporate world, public relations practitioner David Jarrard says teaching is a big part of him.

"Teaching is in my blood," he said.

Jarrard's father was a professor at the University of Tennessee, while his mother taught special education. Although Jarrard is teaching public relations campaigns for the first time, he is in no way inexperienced.

He started working for the Ingram Group, a firm that deals with public relations and government relations, in 1987 but left in 1990.

He returned five years ago and has been president of the company for the past two-and-a-half years.

Jarrard has worked on many successful national campaigns.

He worked on implementing Cable Channel 1 in school systems throughout the country.

He is working on a campaign for a company trying to purchase a small hospital in Connecticut. This campaign has received national coverage including stories in the *New York Times* and celebrity endorsements from Kevin Bacon and Meryl Streep.

Also, through the Ingram Group, Jarrard devotes time to nonprofit organizations. This includes First Day, in which they work with the mayor of Nashville to raise funds for area schools. Jarrard believes very strongly in adult literacy.

"Reading is essential and it is important to give every one the opportunity," he explained, adding that it is important to give back to the community.

Jarrard said he feels like he is giving something back to MTSU, from which he graduated in 1985.

His major was English and his minors were mass communication and history.

MTSU offered him the chance to teach public relations campaigns this semester with Kim Harris.

"I hope that, by the end

"I've been honored to teach this class."

— David Jarrard,
Public relations professor

of the class, that students feel more confident of themselves and the market they are going into," Jarrard said.

He said he would like the students to feel the pressure and desire to be creative in every attempt as a public relations professional.

This course also allows him to re-focus on the fundamentals of public relations, which can be forgotten in the daily grind.

He also said he enjoys working with Harris and learning her views on politics, which is her specialty area of public relations.

"I enjoy working with David," Harris said.

"He has a great personality and a lot of experience, and we work well together as a team."

Harris and Jarrard agree that having two teachers with different experiences benefits students.

"It's been a good experience having a teacher that deals with current issues on an every day basis," senior Tara Tocco said.

Jarrard loves teaching and enjoys the ideas the students provide in a classroom atmosphere.

Though teaching students for the first time, he's a teacher every day to his children.

"MTSU is a great school, and it's given me an opportunity to talk about something I love," Jarrard said.

Although he is teaching for the first time, he said he believes that, by the time the class is finished, he will be confident in his teaching skills.

"I've been honored to teach this class, and I hope for the opportunity to be able to teach another class," he said. ♦

By Sean Mccarthy
Daily Nebraskan (U. Nebraska)

(U-WIRE) LINCOLN, Neb. — For Blackalicious' major-label debut, members Gift of Gab and Chief Xcel recruited some of the most prolific and promising artists in hip hop as well as rock.

The amazing thing is Blackalicious' lyrical and studio skills are so solid that even with high-profile guests such as Ben Harper, Zach De La Rocha and members of The Roots, a listener's attention seldom wavers from the Gift of Gab and Chief Xcel.

Blazing Arrow may be considered a debut album, but Blackalicious members are anything but rookies; the group has released three underground albums and spent more than 10 years playing clubs.

"Who says underground is just one mode?" the band asks in the head-bobbing "4000 Miles." Blackalicious bucks this perception by adding elements of rock, R&B and soul throughout all of *Blazing Arrow*.

Some artists pass themselves off as prolific by trying to incorporate as many different musical elements as they can into their work. However, this doesn't mean anything if an artist can't pull off the genre switch.

Blackalicious need not worry with *Blazing Arrow*. "Aural



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Blazing Arrow, the major label debut by Blackalicious, features several notable guests.

Pleasure" has the soulful groove that has evaded Prince for the dozen or so releases. "First in Flight" has funk of vintage Isaac Hayes, and most of the lyrics on the album come close to rivaling the political bombast of old-school Public Enemy.

The most ambitious track on *Blazing Arrow* is the nine-minute epic "Release." The song features Zach De La Rocha on the chorus, but the song is divided into three parts. The most stunning part of "Release"

comes midway through when acclaimed poet Saul Williams contributes a stinging poem under a restrained beat.

In 1992, Xcel befriended DJ Shadow at the University of California. Shadow eventually would go on to record *Endtroducing*, one of the landmark albums of the 1990s.

Although Blackalicious has not achieved the critical recognition of DJ Shadow or the commercial success of The Roots as of yet, *Blazing Arrow*

should change this.

At 17 tracks, *Blazing Arrow* contains little filler. The clever, rapid-fire lyrics of Gift of Gab and the infectiousness of most of the tracks should find a home in many a car stereo this summer.

This was supposed to be a year when Outkast, The Roots and Jurassic Five would duke it out for album of the year honors. With the release of *Blazing Arrow*, that race just got a lot more interesting. ♦



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Internet provides new bands with more resources, opportunities



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Cavern uses the Internet to promote their music.

By Rebecca McLaughlin
Daily Orange (Syracuse U.)

(U-WIRE) SYRACUSE, N.Y. — The Internet may be an enemy to musical giants like Metallica and Dr. Dre, but it may be a savior for smaller, struggling bands.

The music industry has been greatly affected by the Internet revolution of the late 1990s. Downloading, live stream, Web sites and e-mail — all of these things have caused a stir, leaving big record companies squirming.

Some artists on major labels look down on file sharing and fight to get their music out of the hands of pirating Web users. However, independent artists heartily praise the "peer-to-peer" programs such as Morpheus, Audiogalaxy and the late Napster.

An artist's take on file-sharing may depend on where he/she is in their career, said David Rezak, a Syracuse booking agent and music professor at Syracuse University.

"The promotional advantages for the up-and-coming artist far outweigh the potential licensing and copyright disadvantages," he said.

And while some bands spend thousands fighting licensing lawsuits, some local bands are taking full advantage of the breadth of sharing on the Web. Cavern, a Syracuse band, has decided to use the Internet to promote their first album, "This is Reality."

"We made a CD and it came out really well ... and everybody who was involved wanted to stay on," said Cavern's guitarist Sean Taylor. "So this past year, we've been trying to get that out. Get the name out, get the CD out. The Internet is definitely one of the main ways we're going to do that."

The band's Web site, thisiscavern.com, lets surfers read a bio or updates, look at pictures and listen to the first 30 seconds of every song from the new album.

"Cavern is in a position to benefit from exposure via the Internet," Rezak said. "Some kid from Oregon might bump into the site and buy the CD. Closer to home, someone might like the music they hear and find out where the band's playing next."

Tom Roli, publisher of Webnoize magazine told The Boston Globe, "That's the big advantage — it's a massive opportunity in terms of geographic space."

Cavern drummer Spencer Reynolds agreed. "Word of mouth only travels so far," he said. "The Internet is definitely something I can use. If I have friends in Virginia ... like I'm really going to mail them a box of CDs. No. I'll say, 'We have this CD, why don't you go get it off of Amazon.com?' It reaches

out to a lot of people like family and friends from back home."

The band said the Internet has helped them communicate with not only friends and family, but with each other, noting that e-mail and AOL Instant Messenger have been lifesavers for maintaining contact.

"Plus, it helps us get the word out. If we see people online, we can drop an Instant Message, saying 'Hey. Listen. We've got this show this week. Come check us out,'" Taylor said.

Rezak said that smart bands will also use e-mail notification. In the past, fan notification was pricey because of stamps and postcards. But now, because of e-mail, it's free. He also said that as a booking agent, he reads all of his e-mail.

"Clive Davis probably does the same darn thing," Rezak said. "It gets to the eyes of the decision makers. The Internet is not only marketing CDs and performances to fans. It's marketing to industry people."

Taylor said the band is using the Web site to market to both potential listeners and the industry.

"The point of the Web site was to use it as a sales tool," he said. "When we call clubs, we can say, 'Hey, we'd like to play at your place. Why don't you check out our Web site?' It's less about selling the CD. It's more about getting the music out there."

The band said they hope to get the music out in order to revolutionize mainstream music. Tom Esposito, a friend of the band and an independent filmmaker, said, "Mainstream music that is played on MTV and VH1 are just cramming this crap down people's throats. All this pop crap. It's the norm, and it's the big norm because it's in your face everyday at 3 p.m. on Total Request Live."

Reiterating Esposito's point, Taylor said, "Pop music is awful. There's nothing — no thought or sensitivity in pop music."

Typically, big labels who provide the public with the sort of pop music Cavern dislikes are slow to catch up with changes in musical taste and new trends in music, according to Bill DiCosimo, a professor in the Setnor School of Music.

"It is common knowledge that the majors look to the indies to keep in step with the latest trends," DiCosimo said. "The Internet helps level the playing field regarding mass media inroads at a reduced cost for the independents. That makes them much more competitive."

Cavern is ready to compete in order to change the sound of radio, and hopes to start things off by way of the Internet.

"You've got to get up there with the big boys to revolutionize them, you know?" Esposito said. ♦

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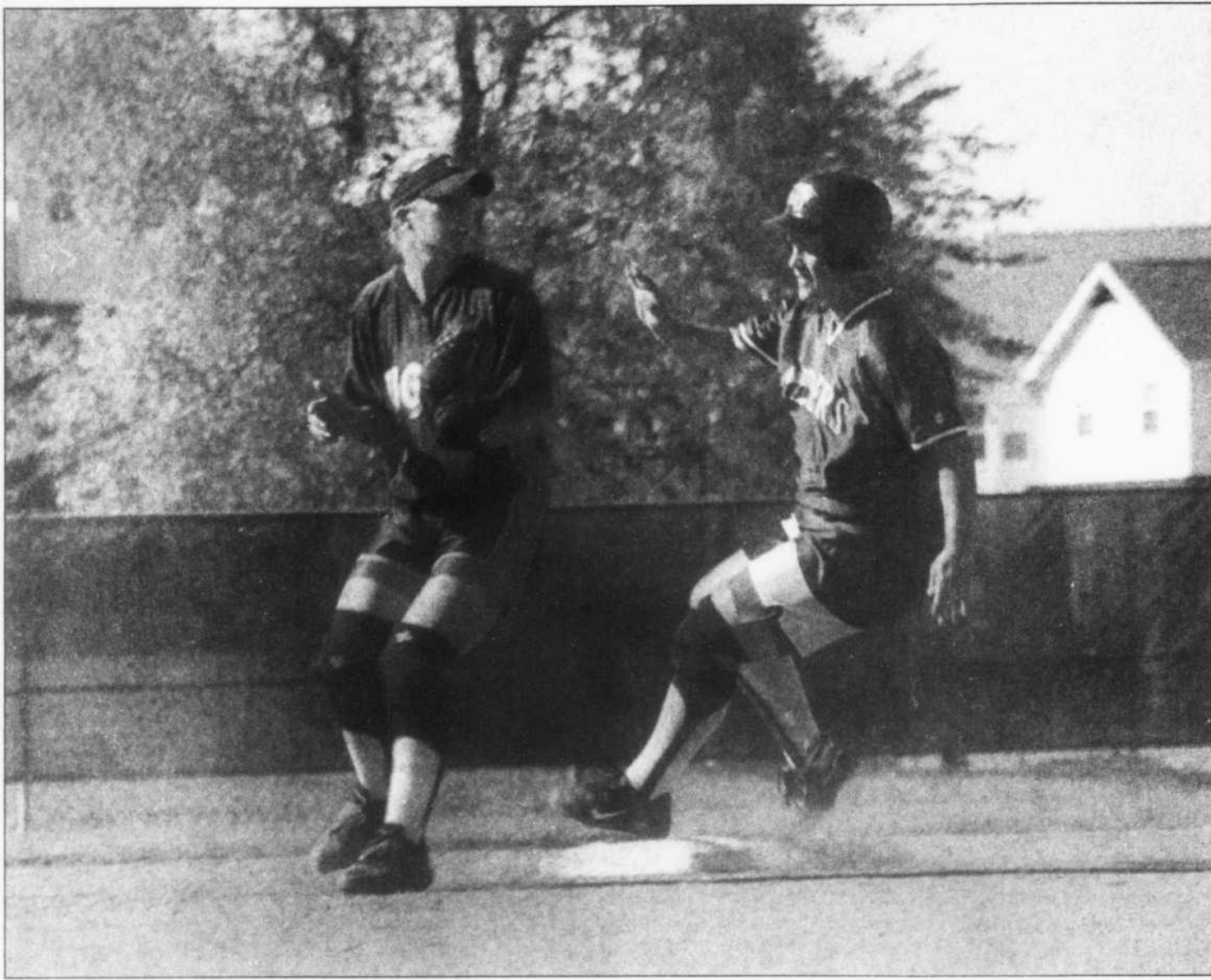
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Kristina Heib pops up from her slide after trying to break up the double play. The shortstop avoided Heib's slide.

Softballers host Lady Mocs today

By Colleen Cox
Sports Editor

The Middle Tennessee softball team (20-26) hosts the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga (33-13) at Lady Raider Field today.

The two teams are meeting for the seventh and eighth times in history. The Lady Raiders have dropped all six previous games to the Lady Mocs. The last time the two teams met, in 1998, UTC swept a doubleheader 3-1, 3-4.

The Lady Raiders lost their last two games against Auburn and Western Kentucky University. MT had a chance to win the game against Auburn after being tied after seven innings. The Tigers scored 6 runs in the eighth to take the victory.

Ashlie Way hit an RBI single to tie that game at 4. The hit was her first since March 22 when she doubled against Coastal Carolina.

The Lady Mocs come into the game having won their last two games against the University of North Carolina-

Greensboro 7-4, 10-4.

UTC features a power offense with a .428 slugging percentage, 27 homers and 59 doubles. Three batters are hitting more than .400 for the Lady Mocs. Melissa Ramirez leads the way with a .410 batting average, 5 home runs and a .611 slugging percentage. Jill Crawford posts a .354 batting average and 37 RBIs. Jada Pescatore bats .325 with a team-high 7 home runs and 38 RBIs.

The Lady Raiders lack the power of the Lady Mocs and therefore tend to score fewer runs in a game. Only two MT batters are hitting above .280. Kristina Heib leads the team with a .283 average. Jennifer Martinez hits .281 with a team-high 24 RBIs. Laura Brockman provides the power for MT with 4 home runs this season. As a team, the Lady Raiders are batting just .238 and scoring almost 3 runs a game.

The Lady Mocs pitching staff posts a 1.73 ERA in 307 1/3 innings of work. Beth Alexander anchors the staff

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Raiders lose to Vanderbilt

By Kevin Rose
Staff Writer

When a team gets 14 hits and holds its opponent to 4 hits they are expected to win the baseball game, but the Blue Raider baseball team dropped their fifth in a row by losing 5-2 to Vanderbilt Tuesday night at Hawkins Field.

While pounding out 14 hits off four Vandy pitchers is impressive, leaving 13 men on base is not. The inability for MT to get key hits with men on base was the story on this night.

Vandy evens their record at 18-18, while MT falls to 21-20.

Freshman Chris Mobley was making his second career start and pitched well enough to win.

He worked 6 1/3 innings, his longest outing as a Blue Raider, gave up 5 runs, 3 earned on 4 hits. However, Mobley (3-4) was haunted by walks and hit batsmen with 6 and 2, respectively.

The Blue Raiders also got quality innings out of the bullpen from Danny Borne and Kyle Sparkman. Borne came on in the seventh and retired a left-handed hitter, and Sparkman finished the

final 1 1/3 innings without allowing a hit or run.

Vandy took an early 1-0 lead in the fourth when Mobley hit Caesar Nicolas to force in a run. A bases loaded walk by Mobley and a fielder's choice in the same inning extended the Commodore lead to 3-0.

The Blue Raiders pulled within one at 3-2 in the fifth on an RBI groundout by Nate Jagers and an RBI single by Justin Sims. That was all the Blue Raiders could muster off of Vandy hurlers.

Jeff Sues got the win to improve to 4-1 on the season. The Blue Raiders touched him for 2 runs on 8 hits in 5 innings of work.

Two relievers held the Blue Raiders in check for three innings, while Jeremy Sowers got the save, pitching a scoreless ninth.

The other 2 runs from Vandy came on a 2-out error, the second of the game for MT.

Jason Howarth led the Blue Raiders with a 3-hit game. Brett Carroll, Jagers and Sims each had a 2-hit game.

The Blue Raiders return home over the weekend to face Louisiana-Lafayette in Sun Belt Conference play. ♦



Photo by Amy Jones
Chief Photographer

Chuck Akers rounds the base and watches for the ball as head coach Steve Peterson watches along and gives instructions. The Blue Raiders lost to Vanderbilt 5-2 Tuesday. Their scheduled game with Belmont was rained out.

Baseball team plays Cajuns

By Kevin Rose
Staff Writer

The good news for the Middle Tennessee baseball team is they return home this weekend for an opportunity to win their first Sun Belt Conference series. The bad news is the Blue Raiders will be playing host to the Ragin Cajuns of Louisiana-Lafayette.

The Ragin Cajuns will bring a much-improved team to Reese Smith Field. Last season they went from first to worst. The Blue Raiders are in danger of doing the same thing the Ragin Cajuns did last season. In 2000, the Ragin Cajuns finished

third in the College World Series, but in 2001 they failed to make the conference tournament.

After losing two out of three from the Blue Raiders last season, ULL will have revenge on their mind.

The Ragin Cajuns bring a 27-14, 9-3 mark into the game, while the Blue Raiders are 21-19, 3-9. ULL is currently in second place in the Sun Belt standings, and MT is in eighth.

The Ragin Cajuns are coming off a sweep of New Mexico State.

Pitching is the strong point for the Ragin Cajuns. Their pitchers were able to tame the mighty bats of NMSU.

Andy Gros was named the Sun Belt Pitcher of the Week for his efforts against the Aggies. Gros is 6-3 on the year with a 2.14 ERA. But the ace of the staff is Justin Gabriel. He is 7-1 on the season with a 3.25 ERA after sitting out last season for a violation of team rules. Both will start against the Blue Raiders this weekend.

As a staff, the Ragin Cajuns have a 3.49 ERA. Opponents are only hitting .246 against the Ragin Cajun pitching staff.

The Ragin Cajun offense is hitting .265 as a team, led by Corey Coles' .355 average. Bryan Sneed leads the team in home runs

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Golf team finishes 9th in Sun Belt Conference

Staff Reports

The Blue Raider golf team shot a final round 305 to finish ninth in the Sun Belt Championships yesterday.

J.R. Wade shot a final-round 72 with birdies at the seventh and 10th holes and an eagle on the par-5 ninth hole. Wade, playing his final collegiate round yesterday, finished tied for 18th with a 224 for the tournament, the best finish for a Blue Raider. Wade also received All-Conference honors.

"J.R. did well," said head coach Johnny Moore. "He was three-over on the back and got it back to even, and Willie Daniel did a good job after the first hole."

Charlie Gibson finished with the second-best round for the squad yesterday, turning in a round of 76 that included a birdie on the third hole. Gibson finished with a 229.

John Beddies had four birdies in the final round,

shooting a 78. Beddies birdied 2, 6, 9 and 10 on the day to finish at 228 for the tourney.

Patrick Williams had a one-under 35 on the front nine with birdies at 4 and 9, then another birdie at 13 before a quadruple bogey led to a 44 on the back nine and a round of 79. Williams finished the three-day tournament with a 235.

Willie Daniel hit his first two drives out of bounds on the opening hole. Daniel finally found the fairway and made 9 on the par-4. He then shot four-over for the remaining 17 holes to shoot 81.

"We played reasonably well on the front nine and then didn't finish again today," Moore said. "We weren't tough enough mentally to grind it out."

"The course was strange to us, but it was strange to everyone. We made some bad judgments in club selection the three days and then compounded those mistakes by trying to make it up." ♦



Patrick Williams begins his swing to drive the golf ball.

Women's golf team finishes 7th in conference tourney

Staff Reports

The Middle Tennessee Lady Raiders shot a 311, their lowest team score of the spring season, yesterday to finish seventh in the Sun Belt Championships.

Kristin Lynch had birdies on 1 and 13 and made 12 pars, including on the par-5 16th when she hit her tee shot in the fairway bunker and then found the sand again on her approach. The freshman got up-and-down to save par and preserve the best round of her collegiate career.

"Kristin has been so close this season. I am proud and excited for her," said head coach Rachael Moore. "She stayed focused on each shot and didn't get ahead of herself. She was mentally tough all day and it was her day."

Kandace Burnett shot 76 to finish with a 231 for the tournament, tying her for seventh.

Tamara Munsch, the Lady Raiders top finisher all year, fired a round of 78 to finish with a 231 also. Munsch had birdies at 5 and 11. She earned All-Conference honors.

Kemmerlee Pennington came back from a 91 Tuesday to shoot 82 yesterday, giving her a final score of 257.

Freshman Amanda Harter made her only birdie of the day at the 12th hole for a third-round total of 89. Harter finished at 265 for the tourney.

"I am very pleased with the way we played today," Moore said. "We regrouped and paid more attention to club selection and course management and the details like wind."

"We can really take the experiences from this tournament and build on it for next year," Moore said. "This was a tough competition and we can learn from it and build on it." ♦

Softball: Martinez leads MT pitching staff

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with a 1.13 ERA and 21-6 record. Batters are hitting just .173 against her. Awbrey Winckler (11-7) has a 2.05 ERA with a .196 average against.

The MT staff is led by Sun Belt Pitcher of the Week Jennifer Martinez. Martinez has

168 strikeouts this season and needs just 32 more to reach 200. Should she reach 200 strikeouts, she will have had 200 in three of her four seasons at MT. Martinez (13-11) post a 1.95 ERA with a .200 opponent batting average. Stacy Preator (6-10) sits slightly behind Martinez in ERA with a 1.99. Opponents

are batting .266 against her.

The Lady Raiders are 15-7 when scoring first. The first game starts at 4 p.m. The student appreciation games will feature several give-aways and a chance to win a \$200 book scholarship during the second game. Students must have a valid student ID to win. ♦

Baseball: Raiders keeping same rotation

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The Blue Raiders should keep the same pitching rotations with Adam Larson, Steven Kines and Travis Horschel getting starts. Kines is the only one

of the three to win a Sun Belt game. He is a perfect 4-0 on the season in 9 starts but has 5 no decisions.

On offense, the Blue Raiders continue to get solid play from freshmen Josh Archer. He had a big weekend against South

Alabama and is hitting .348 with 8 home runs.

Friday's game starts at 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday's games begin at 2 and 1 p.m., respectively.

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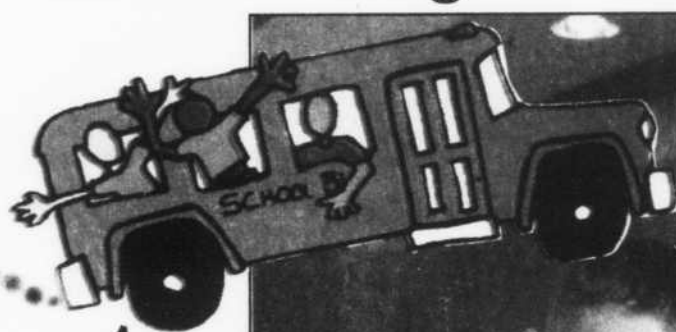
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