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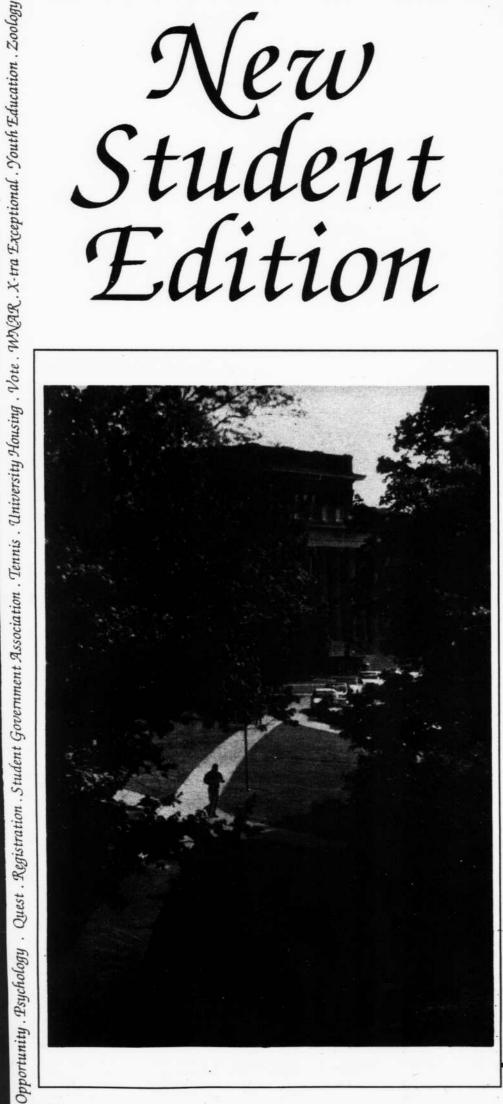
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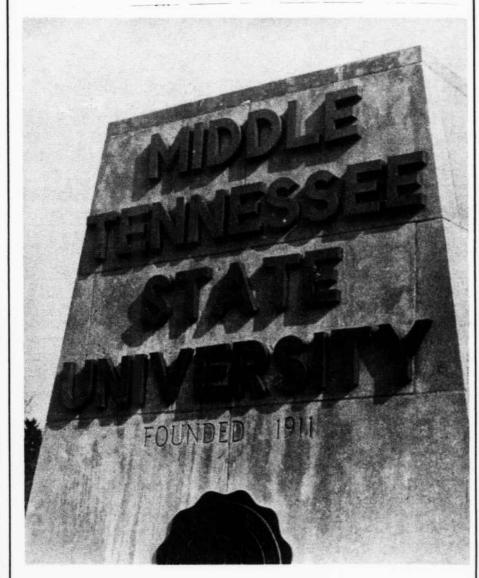
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From the first time I walked onto the Middle Tennessee State University campus, I was aware of the warm, caring, friendly atmosphere though they did not know who I was, everyone -- students, faculty, administration, support staff-- helped me see immediately what a special place MTSU is. I believe you will come to appreciate its beauty and its friendly caring people.

- Dr. James Walker, MTSU President

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Welcome from the student president and editor

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June 19, 1992

Dear New Freshman,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to MTSU on behalf of Student Government. You are beginning an era in your life which will form your entire future. I have been at MTSU for four years and can honestly say that it has been (and continues to be) a great experience!

Choose your major in an area that interests you because you are choosing a career when you choose a major. Don't become lax in your studies. But, remember that your social life is very important. MTSU gives you an opportunity to make lifetime friendships and experience a variety of activities. We also have fraternities, sororities and many other groups for you to get involved with

Make sure that you come by the Student Government Association (SGA) office every chance you get. Whether you need advice, have a problem or have an idea, we want to know. We can't find the solution to everything, but we are always willing to try. There are countless committees that we need you to serve on from food service to parking to grade appeals. Life on campus is only improved when we, the students, insist that change occurs.

I look forward to meeting and getting to know each and everyone of you.

Give me a call or stop by! KUC Room 304

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June 29, 1992

Dear New Student:

Welcome to Middle Tennessee State University. "Welcome" is the key word here. The MTSU student run-newspaper, Sidelines, has issued this special edition just for you. As you enter the university, you'll undoubtedly have a lot of questions and maybe a few fears. The purpose of this edition is to answer as many questions as it can and to alleviate

As your first few weeks here pass, you'll probably hear some negative things because it's just human nature for people to leave out the good news. You'll probably hear that we have a parking problem, that our administrators are not in touch with the students, that the Greek system is an elite system and even that the student newspaper can't spell. There are professors who should have retired years ago and there are buildings that should

But...what you probably won't hear at first is that many of the individual colleges on this campus rank among the finest in the nation. Some of the professors are extraordinarily talented. Inside some of the condemnable buildings there is state-of-the-art

The best thing about MTSU, however is the student body. We're a diverse bunch to say the least. Our population is increasingly made up of non-traditional students who have returned to school after a long absence or those who must work full time. A majority of students commute from outlying areas. There's also the traditional on-campus crowd that keeps this place alive.

Our best advice for freshmen is to get involved. Take advantage of your time here and make college a collection of experiences, not just four years of exams. Education can encompass more than just history and math--it can mean learning to care about all different kinds of people and it can mean learning to enjoy other disciplines, sports, music, authors and hobbies

The Sidelines welcomes you to MTSU and hopes you'll soon see the positive aspects of this growing university and that you'll contribute to its continuing success.

Sincerely,

Editor-in-Chief

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Put yourself in a position to maximize your academic performance.

The time you save by not commuting often allows you to spend additional time studying, doing homework, or researching. Repeated surveys around the nation have shown that on-campus residents maintain a higher grade point average than students who live off campus.

Find help when you need it from Resident Assistants.

These are experienced students who have become student-workers. They keep you posted on

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Take part in the active social life of residents.

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Take advantage of a wide range of activities organized solely for oncampus residents.

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· 24-hour desk services. Selected buildings will offer roundthe-clock desk services in the lobby. Desk attendants will be able to accept deliveries of packages and flowers, take maintenance requests, provide campus and building informa-tion, and lend sports equipment, games, and small household appliances.

Exterior corridor female building.

In response to popular demand, Deere Hall will house female residents. This building features an exterior corridor arrangement that offers a bathroom for every four rooms.

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FLOOR AT CUMMINGS HALL and the MEN'S STUDY FLOOR AT SIMS HALL are for students who intend to spend the majority of their time in the residence hall reading, studying, doing homework, and

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Student Publications: The Best Orientation

FERN GREENBANK Editor-in-Chief

There are almost 15,000 students on the MTSU campus now. Many students feel like they disappear into the woodwork. It's easy to feel like you're missing out if you're away from home and didn't arrive here complete with a handful of friends. Getting involved with Student Publications is just one way to make MTSU your home away from home.

There's something for everybody. Although there has been an overall decline in yearbook production across the country, we are fortunate to still have "The Midlander." Surveys have shown there is still a market for the yearbook and there's a staff of students working hard to make sure you have a book of memories to carry away with you when you leave here.

"The Collage" is an entirely different story. It is evolving into a full-fledged literary magazine complete with photo essays, poetry, fiction, non-fiction and works of art from many different mediums. It's a showcase for campus talent and perhaps some of the most talented students on campus are on the staff. Then, of course, there's the Sidelines, the campus newspaper.

Over the summer the paper underwent a massive overhaul and hopes to be taking on more and more staff to keep up a newfound level of quality.

Covering a "beat" as a newswriter is a fast way to become acquainted with professors and administrators and students. It puts you right in the thick of things and gives you a unique perspective on campus.

The paper needs writers for all sections including Sports, Opinions, Features, Entertainment and, most importantly, News.

Most of the paid positions are snapped up quickly, but don't let it deter you. Getting your foot in the door means you have access to editor positions later on. Involvement in Student Publications often leads to job tips and

helps to enhance chances at scholarships and awards. Even if you only have two or three hours a week to spare, and even if you aren't a mass communications major, the publications could use your help.

Please call 898-2337 for more information on how to become involved with Student Publications. Some of our best editors started out as freshmen who wanted to find a way to make MTSU more than just an educational experience.

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Condom Wars:

SGA vs. Dr. Robert LaLance

SAM GANNON News Editor

The debate over the installation of condom machines in the dormitories is a hot topic on campus and will probably remain in the forefront in the near future.

The Student Government Association has been pressing the administration to place the machines in residence hall bathrooms. The campaign, led by former SGA President Shawn Burgess and bill supporter, now Speaker of the House, Ray Lentz, has even received the nod of students.

In a referendum of students in the March SGA elections, 1,310 students voted in favor of placing the machines in residence halls while 291 voted against the measure.

Dr. Robert LaLance, vice president for Student Affairs, said that he will reconsider the plan when presented to him again with "an open mind."

LaLance originally turned down the SGA's legislation to place the machines in residence halls because, "there is already an appropriate place on campus providing the service."

Health Services, located in the MacFarland Health Services

building, does give condoms to students in a "safe-sex packet," but the SGA claimed that Health Services is not open when students need condoms most.

Barbara Martin, director of Health Services, said that she favored placing condoms in residence halls even though condoms are available in her department.

No action has yet been taken to put legislation in front of LaLance again but plans are being made, Toby Gilley, SGA president said.

"I think we're making headway in this area. We have formed a committee to look at the issues, we'll know in July," he said.

"I'll remain open-minded and not let my thought process get involved in this," LaLance said.

LaLance also said he had researched the issues and other schools' policies.

He said there are no condom machines at University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Chattanooga, and Martin, or at Tennessee Tech, Memphis State University, Tennessee State University, and Austin Peay State University.

"I can't see why MTSU want to do it if other school aren't doing it," he said, "but I'm not going to let that get in the way of my decision."

building, does give condoms to students in a "safe-sex packet," but Where to get your safer sex info?

LAURA HARDISON News Writer

Get out your notebooks. Here's your first lesson for the fall semester: there is no such thing as safe sex.

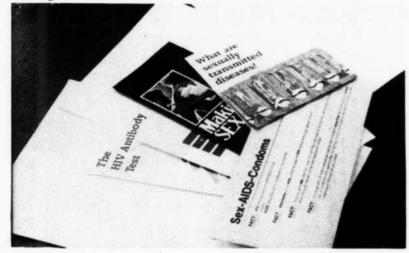
No type of sex is truly safe anymore. But there is such a thing as safer sex.

Safer sex is protected sex. Protection from syphilis, gonorrhea, herpes, AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases. Safer sex is the only way to be sexually active and not get infected. Safer sex is a topic we all need to be better educated on.

Education comes through talking with the experts, and the experts can be found at the Rutherford County Health Department and MTSU's own Health Services.

The health department's Family Planning Clinic can provide students with a complete physical exam from gonorrhea cultures to pap smears. While supplying condoms for safer sex practices, they also provide devices to prevent unwanted pregnancies such as birth control pills, diaphragms, foams, and jellies.

But according to Bob Moore, public information director for the health department, you better plan



Fern Greenbank/Photographer

CONDOM-TIME: Health Services has your safe-sex packet, go by and pick one up.

ahead and not wait until the heat of the moment.

"If you want family planning services, you need to call early and make an appointment and get things set up as soon as possible," Moore said.

A more convenient source for information for students can be found at Health Services. They furnish educational information, condoms and admin-ister tests for sexually transmitted diseases.

Yet the best information can

probably be gained after talking with the professionals at Health Services.

"Abstinence is the only guarantee," says Barbara Martin, director of Health Services. "But if you are sexually active, limit your partners, know your partner well, and use both foams and condoms.

For more information on safer sex, contact Health Services at 898-2988 or the Family Planning Clinic at the Rutherford County Health Department at 898-7785.



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Editor's Corner

Learning to think for yourself...

My father said that all ethnic groups were inferior. He didn't like the Catholics and he didn't like the Jews. He had no tolerance for the Democrats or the poor or the rich. He told me I was a Methodist and a Republican. He also said children were a burden.

Even if your parents don't try to instill bigotry, as my father did, there still comes a time when you start to wonder whether you truly believe you are who you say you are or whether you're simply repeating what you've been told. This doesn't mean your parents or other influences are wrong, it just means that you need to stop and think about what you're told instead of accepting it.

Attending college is a time when you start to think for yourself. Before long, you'll undoubtedly hear that the major goal in college courses is to teach you to be a critical thinker.

It doesn't matter whether you are young or old, college is still a place that encourages self-introspection—looking inside yourself and trying to figure out what you REALLY believe. It's difficult to feel passionate or committed about something you don't truly understand or believe in; and, without passion and commitment, life isn't very meaningful.

Parents can't help but pass on their ideas, but isn't freedom of choice the most important idea to impart? Dare we challenge our parents or the authorities that have influenced us? Can we, as adults, now step away from a lifetime of indoctrination and make our own decisions? We may decide we agree with others and we may become even more committed to our beliefs. We may also decide that we can no longer go along with something that goes against our better judgment.

I'm proof that sometimes self-thinking is better than following the given path. Had I continued to believe what I was told, I would be as bigoted as my father. I can say now that he was wrong about many things—and in all

fairness, he was right about a few things, too.

While I may have been a burden to my father as a child, this university has given me the time and space as an adult to think about how important each person is—even if their opinions are different from mine. Seize this opportunity to experiment with ideas. You may get off the beaten track for a while, but it's the road less traveled that sometimes leads you to the place you want to be.

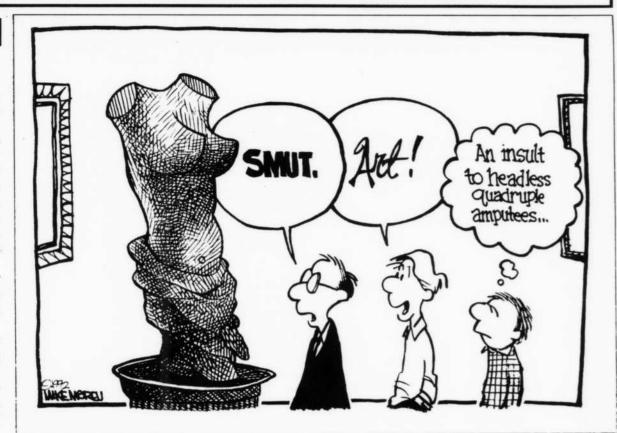
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Sidelines 101: How to get the most from your newspaper

FERN GREENBANK Editor-in-Chief

As editor of the Sidelines, it's my job to see that the newspaper does not reflect only the views of those on staff.

Letters to the Editor are the mainstay of the newspaper. They help students communicate with each other, which is becoming increasingly hard to do as the student body grows. Over the years, heated debates have taken place via the Opinions pages and diverse views have been exchanged. We welcome your

comments and ideas and hope you'll take the time to send a Letter to the Editor at Box 42.

We've also installed an answering machine that actually works and we urge you to call with your opinions and suggestions. The machine will be turned on between the hours of 3 p.m. and 8 a.m. Monday through Friday and 24 hours a day over the weekend.

Although the Hotline is a new service to readers, we've already had calls and some great suggestions. Just as the "Letters to the Editor" policy states that unsigned letters will not be printed, a message left on the machine without a name and box number/phone number will not be printed. If you prefer that your message not be printed, please be sure and state this preference.

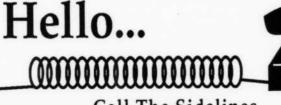
We've been warned that students are too apathetic to actually pick up the phone and call or write a letter to the editor, but we've chosen not to heed those warnings.

I also want to point out that the Sidelines has adopted something new, "The Second Front." It's our way of making things easier for you.

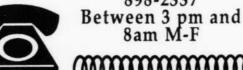
You simply flip the newspaper over when you finish reading the front page, and all news stories will finish on "The Second Front." You no longer have to dig through the paper to find continuations.

We are genuinely committed to improving your campus news source and we're asking for your help to do that.

Gotta run now and turn on that answering machine.



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Sidelines staff picks faculty favorites, not-so-favorites

Fractions are our friends

I don't cook because I can't figure out how to measure anything. I won't even buy Miracle Grow for my plants because you have to mix the solution with water in a certain amount. My checkbook has never been balanced. In other words, I hate numbers. Naturally, I hate math.

MTSU requires math and I thought I would never graduate because of that requirement. I knew I couldn't get through college algebra without three years of developmental studies. I hadn't had a math class in, well, a lot of years. So, I signed up to take Honors Math because I figured the class would at least be smaller and the professor would have more time to help me with my hyperventilation.

The first time I took Math 300 Honors there weren't enough people to make the class. So, I waited. The next time around, I struck gold.

Dr. Jeffrey Allbritten teaches Honors Math. I think he should be President of the United States and straighten out this deficit problem. If he can teach me how to finance a house with an algebraic formula, he should be President, or at least get a bigger office.

We spent the first week of class discussing why people are afraid of math. We talked about where our fears come from and how to get over them. Then we hit the formulas.

We even put on presentations. Each person chose an area of life that was affected by math and then shared their information. No suit and tie or points off for stuttering. I learned about jewelry making and writing music. I learned about the connection between philosophy and math. I now understand how taxes are collected and where the money goes. I even know how to win at the game of Connection based on an elaborate formula. And, I now know how to buy stock, finance a house and a car and balance my checkbook. My checkbook still isn't balanced but I could do it if I wanted to.

OK, now for the good part. I actually got an A in Honors Math 300. This is no less than a miracle. If there is any way possible, take the Honors course and if you can't take the Honors course, at least take Dr. Allbritten for something. He said, "Fractions are our Friends," and they are. Fractions aren't the only thing that became a friend to the student. Dr. Allbritten became a friend as well.

-Fern Greenbank Editor

If only I had known...

I'm a liberal arts major. That means I don't add or subtract anything correctly, I have a phobia about all numerical symbols except telephone numbers and dress sizes, and the only thing I know about business management is that there's a class about it, somewhere on campus.

I do know where Lexus/Nexxus is located. I can operate a television camera, I know what not to eat in the Grill, I know which diet soft drink has the most caffeine for late-night studying, and I happen to know, for a fact, that I write my best papers at 3 a.m. If only I would have known...

...that if you are a Mass Communications major and if you are serious about your education, arrange your schedule to take a class with Dr. Al Moffett. He knows everything and is glad to share it with his students. His class is interesting, he teaches pertinent information, and he respects his students.

Don't tease Dean Kimbrell about
The Trees In The New Building. He
isn't out of touch with the students (as it
is rumored that some of the MTSU
Administration and faculty are lost in
time, lost in space) and he gives good,
sound advice. He will listen, he will
answer questions if he can, and he is

genuinely friendly. So don't tease him about the trees, they aren't his fault.

I'd strongly advise a new student to AVOID any class instructed by Dr. Thomas Berg. A college is an institution of higher education; college students are adults, they pay for their education, and should be given the opportunity to learn, fairly and without limitations.

Dr. Dennis O'Neal has a style of teaching that makes his class—even the one in the huge multi-media room—personal and interesting. He is fair, and his tests aren't a mystery.

Other advice? The best place to study in the Mass Comm Building is upstairs. Join a campus activity or campus organization for at least one month. Walk or ride your bike to campus. Register for or audit water aerobics, it was fun and we learned to play water polo, too. Find an advisor that you like and trust.

Above all, remember that if you want to graduate, you'll be here for several years. Don't wish it away or while it away, it will be gone soon enough. Enjoy our beautiful campus, it is beautiful if you'll appreciate it, and make this worth your time. Make something of yourself—use this opportunity to expand your mind.

-Lauri Beasley Copy Editor

A lesson in caring

I knew I was failing Art Survey I with Dr. Janet Higgins after the first test. That was obvious. The tests were total mysteries to me even though a study sheet was provided.

After the second test, I was scared into a frenzy. I took a deep breath and, putting my shyness aside, went to Dr. Higgins after class for help.

I'm glad I did.

Instead of heaving a sigh and squeezing me into an already stuffed-to-capacity schedule, Dr. Higgins SMILED at me. Not a sneer or a smirk. A real, honest-to-goodness I'm-glad-you-came-to-me sort of smile. That smile was so comforting and reassuring that I stopped shaking and fidgeting long enough to compare my schedule with hers to arrange an individual study session.

A little bit of that fear and apprehension came back as I reported to her office later that week for the infamous study session. Once again, I was reassured. Instead of yelling at me for not paying attention in class, she looked up at me and chirped a cheerful "Hi, come on in" and moved a chair over next to her desk for me.

We started at the beginning of the study sheet and worked through the next few hours until we covered the material in it's entirety. I was amazed at how fast the time seemed to fly by as we went through everything from Ionic columns to the structural characteristics of the ancient Greek temples. She made these things interesting to someone who will probably never visit the pyramids and could have cared less about architecture until that moment.

By the time I left Dr. Higgins' office, I was positive I had that next test licked.

And sure enough, I did. I could have danced the Watusi on my desk when I saw a big, beautiful B on my test paper! The bright red "congratulations!" scribbled next to it was a nice touch, too.

I passed that class with a C (I probably could have done better had I gone to Dr. Higgins sooner), but I came out with more than I went in with. Those few study sessions with Dr. Higgins taught me how to study, something I had never really learned to do.

It's been a few years since I've had Dr. Higgins as a professor. Since then I've had professors ranging from good to bad. But as I go into my senior year, I still value the experience of being in Dr. Higgins' class and the lessons I learned as one of her students my freshman year.

-Bethlyn Anderson Features Editor

Hodge podge of advice

Somehow over the last three years I have been quite lucky. I've really never been "in the know" as to which teachers to take for what classes.

Whenever I do get an inside tip on who to take for say, Biology, there seems to be 500 graduating seniors in line ahead of me wanting that teacher, too.

So twice a year for the past three years I have tightened that blindfold around my eyes and run my finger down the schedule of classes allowing it to stop where it pleases. The magic eight-ball and Ouija board have played their parts in my scheduling decisions, also.

The choices I have made, though, have not been bad. The following are my recommendations to the new students arriving on campus here at MTSU.

The psychology department seems to have its fair share competent, knowledgeable teachers. Dr. Hodge will give you a good laugh along with the ABC's of psychology. Dr. Heritage will let you in on all of the sex education the local school board made you miss in high school, and my highest recommendation to Dr. Compton who does not teach many classes so grab him quick.

Transfers, beware of Dr. West and Psych. 142. No offense to West, he is a brilliant man and a super-nice guy, but this class is just not geared for anyone over 18 with any inkling of what to do with their life.

It's tough to recommend a history teacher to students when you know people are always looking for someone who is easy. This is where they weed out the men from the boys. If you are not scared of a little work take Dr. Shelton, Dr. Moore, or that perpetual 29-year-old, Dr. Colvin.

The department of Mass Communication has been my life since arriving on campus. Dr. Wyatt teaches a great intro class for those still testing the waters. Once you get into it, Dr. Nagy, Dr. Himebaugh, Jean Nagy and John Egly will teach you everything you need to know.

Finally, I step out of my minors and my major to recommend a business teacher. Unfortunately, I was forced to take one business class, but luckily I ended up with Dr. Fayissa who somehow made me comprehend and grasp the theories of macroeconomics in a way no one else could. Try him out.

So, there are the good, the bad and the ugly. These recommendations do not necessarily promise an easy ride, but at least you can reassure your parents that you are receiving a good education.

By the way, has anyone taken Staff for a class? He always seems to be teaching a little of everything.

- David Smith News Writer

More faculty advice from Sidelines staffers...

Big bucks blunder

Avoid Photography 305 (Black and White) like the plague. This class cost me more than \$250. I rented a camera from the bookstore for \$40 and bought a "starter kit" for \$70 at the beginning of the semester. Each week you have to shoot and develop a roll of film. So not only is it a financial strain buying film, chemicals and paper each week, but also it is very time consuming and

stressful spending countless hours in the photo lab.

If you have to take this class do not take Jim Norton unless you enjoy being talked down to and treated like yo're in junior high. I did well on my weekly projects, some of my work even got published, yet I got a D in the class. His grading system is an expensive joke.

I do reccomend these professors: Dr. Ralph Hillman, Voice and Diction (SPEE 315) and Carol Dawson, Intermediate Algebra (DSM 085). If you are an undecided major or in need of a minor I strongly recommend the theatre department. It is a very professional department, and the skills you learn benefit every aspect of life.

Good luck and don't let registration stress you out too bad you're going to need what sanity you have left to deal with drop and add.

> -Rebecca Ruck Opinions Editor

Story with a moral

You can tell Dr. Jack Purcell is a philosophy professor for two reasons. First, he looks like a college type-tall, thin, bearded, never seen without a tweed jacket. Secondly, he's-ah-out of step with common knowledge in that endearing, whimsical way that made Einstein so lovable, but also makes certain people prime candidates for being run over by various forms of mass transit. I'll let the following dialogue demonstrate my point:

DR. PURCELL(mid-lecture):
...Nietzche was, of course,
good friends with Wagner,
who composed "Ride of the
Valkyries"...if you're familiar
with the film "Apocalypse
Now", you may remember the
scene during the attack.. they
play that song...

YOURS TRULY (thinking

this will be dadgum funny) Actually, y'know, most people our age know that song as "Kill the Wabbit".

PURCELL: (sincere curiosity): Hmmm?

YOURS TRULY: You know, "Kill the Wabbit". The Bugs Bunny cartoon.

PURCELL: I...um...I don't follow you...

YOURS TRULY: Wellthere's a Bugs Bunny cartoonand(I am in disbelief)-wellyou know! It's got Bugs and Elmer Fudd in it, and Elmer sings the phrase "Kill The Wabbit" in time to the music...(I trail off)

PURCELL: Yes...um, well, it sounds very interesting.

The moral of this story is, if you don't watch enough television, you might become an egghead. Enjoy college. Write when you get work.

-Jason Sparks Staff Writer

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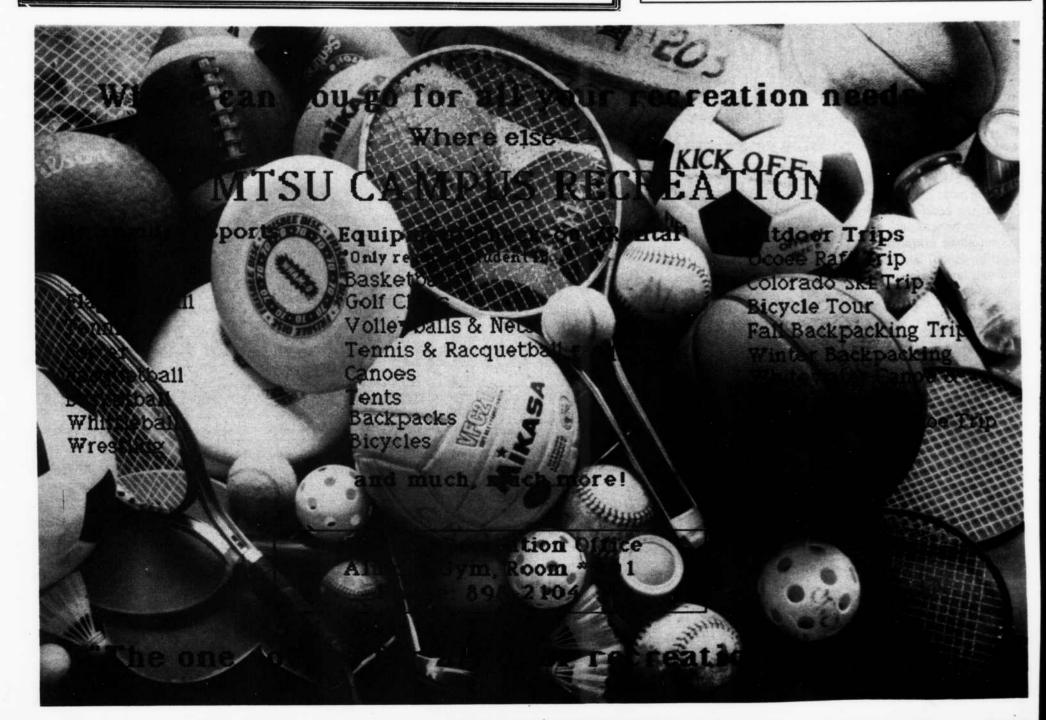
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Adult Service Center huge sucess

Non-traditional students becoming norm, not exception

JOHN COLEMAN Special to Sidelines

In January of 1990, a month berfore her 40th birthday, Patricia Hall returned to college after a 14-year absence.

With the support of her husband and 11-year-old daughter, she quit her dead-end administrative assistant job in a state government office and enrolled full time at MTSU.

It's been an uphill climb ever since.

Hall contracted pneumonia last summer and had to drop two classes when the illness returned this past spring. Meanwhile, like many adult students, she has struggled with math and science courses, a tight family budget, the demands of running a household and at least one class with an unsympathetic instructor.

"A lot of times, I just wanted to cry," recalled Hall, a RIM major who someday wants to teach, attend law school, and work in the music industry.

She found a shoulder to cry on at MTSU's Adult Services Center in room 203 of Peck Hall.

At the center, Hall found advice on how to deal with the unsympathetic instructor, tips on juggling school and household demands and made new friends who assured her she wasn't alone in her ordeal.

Hall is grateful to the center for helping her adjust. "When things are going bad, there's someone there who listens," she said. Hall makes it a point to visit the center several times a week, often just to talk to other adult students.

Dianne Bowden, a 45-yearold psychology major, helped start the center last fall and serves as its volunteer coordinator. She believes that adult students have a harder time adjusting to returning to school because they have so many other concerns in their lives.

"It's really tough out there for older students," Bowden remarks. "Many are trying to go back to school while holding down jobs, taking care of families and handling a multitude of problems."

The Adult Services Center helped more than 1,000 students in January. Most of these were classified by the State Board of Regents as adult learners. Formerly called non-traditional students, they are, by definition, 23 or older and either first-time students or returnees who have been out for at least two years.

The center averages about 25 requests for help a day from students ranging from a 19-year-old mother of three to middle-aged, out-of-work executives. Many take evening classes and



Shelley Mays/Photographer

ALL SMILES: Diane Bowden, far right, helps students figure out paperwork at the Adult Service Center located in Peck Hall.

work during the day and can't get to administrative offices, campus services, advisors and faculty during business hours to handle important matters.

These students find they can rely on the Adult Services staff to help solve class schedule problems, submit drop/add requests, pick up loan checks from the financial aid office and contact instuctors for information.

In addition, the staff arranges

tutoring and counseling services and organizes camping, skating and repelling trips. It has cosponsored seminars on computer literacy, study skills, stress management and the art of balancing multiple responsibilities. Bowden has even notified parents in their classes of family emergencies.

Adult students consider these services priceless. However, despite these benefits, it's the personal reassurance and Talbert McMullen, 42, is a frequent visitor to the center, which he considers his "homebase." He earned a journalism degree from the University of Tennessee in 1975, but after several broadcast news jobs, he ran out of opportunities in his field.

McMullen, who is married

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Alan Jasenovic/Photographer

CULTURAL ENLIGHTENMENT: Mark Miller recites poetry by candlelight at the Honors Program Poetry Slam in the Spring. The Slam was part of the Honors Program Lyceum campaign which included an International Poetry Reading and Celtic Music concert. Wait till you see what's planned for the Fall.

Editor hails Honors Program

FERN GREENBANK

Editor-in-Chief

As you will soon find out, this campus is big and it's easy to get lost in the crowd. There are many ways to avoid that, one of which is to join the Honors Program.

Forget the stereotype—at least long enough to try one honors course. You may find the type of environment that you imagined. It doesn't matter what your major is or how old you are. Students from all disciplines

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In your orientation packet, you will find information about the Honors Program, but that information cannot convey the enormity of the benefits.

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OK, I'm biased, but this is a Special Edition of the newspaper and I'm allowed just this once. I regret that I didn't get involved sooner. No one told me about the program. I just stumbled upon it. You, on the other hand, are getting the chance to start now and graduate with Honors.

Seize the day, as they say.

The place where students do it all

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MTSU is the only venue to use complete students staffing for the preparation of a major concert, according to Georgia Dennis, Promotions Coordinator or Student Programming.

"We are the only major venue, in the country, who uses all students for all the work on the day of a concert," Dennis said. "We have worked with every national and regional promoter, some who no longer exist, and they are not spooked by the student workers," she continued.

MTSU offers a unique system of entertainment organization through Student Programming. The Special Events committee, consisting of all student workers, is responsible for all concert acts. Their obligations include selecting the acts, planning publicity, posing as ushers, working the stage crew, selling/taking tickets, and helping with hospitality, as stated in the Student Programming pamphlet.

Dennis also stated the requirements of the student workers, "They work the stage crew, hospitality, ticket sales and ticket receiving, they work security, usher, and work in the background."

"This is not a social organization," Dennis said, "we don't tolerate autograph seekers, " she continued.

Students on the committee are expected to do a job and are hired to work, according to Dennis. "We must keep a respectable organization in order for this system to work," Dennis said, "there is a lot of pressure from the public, from peers, and for upholding the name of Middle Tennessee State University that keeps the students working," she continued.

An incentive for using an all student staffing is that it saves time and money for the promoters, according to Dennis. "We pay the students a set fee for the jobs they do, whereas Union workers are paid hourly," said Dennis.

"The Union tends to drag their work out because of their hourly wages," Dennis continues, "our student workers

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EXTREME HAMMER:

(Right) Nuno Bettencourt of Extreme strums out a power balad as Hammer (top) pounds Murphy Center.

LOAD'EM UP, MOVE'EM OUT:

Members of Student Programming's Special Events Stage Crew unland equipment for a



top and left photos by Shelley Mays, right by Dane Herndon

Adults:

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and has a 10-year-old son, enrolled part time at MTSU this semester to pursue a master's degree Business Administration. However, he was about to back out during new student orientation when Bowden got up to address the adult learners in the audience.

"I felt so old and out of place around the young kids and I wondered what I was doing there," McMullen recalled. "But Dianne's presentation calmed me down and made me realize that it takes real commitment to do this. You have to be serious about looking to the future."

Concern about the future is bringing adults like Hall and McMullen back to college in droves across the United States.

Corporate, government and military downsizing, factory closings and layoffs and the disappearance of many unskilled jobs have created a more competitive labor market.

Companies are demanding advanced skills to operate new technologies and offer more sophisticated services. Many workers, hard-hit by the seemingly endless recession, are

desperately trying to keep their jobs or train for better ones.

According to the U.S. Department of Education, one result of these trends in 1991 was the addition of 200,000 more college students than in the previous year, pushing enrollment to more than 8.5 million. Adult learners com-prised about half of that number, including many in community, technical and junior colleges.

Almost 7,000 adult learners were enrolled in MTSU last semester, representing almost 44 percent of the almost 16,000 students on this campus. Less than 34 percent of the student body in the fall of 1980 were 23 or older. By 1989, that number increased to 39 percent.

Dr. Jeannette Heritage, a psychology professor who supervises the Adult Services Center, predicts the competitive job will continue to increase MTSU's adult student population. Responses to a survey and subsequent lobbying by the center have led to some groundbreaking changes to meet that challenge.

Among the changes:

- additional evening courses
- · extended business hours for some administrative offices, such as Student Affairs, and longer bookstore hours twice a
- segment directed toward adult 206 of the James Union Building,
- ments to match adult roommates students, both men and women. with one another
- Counseling offices.

something we've needed for issues that provide a better awhile," explains Heritage, "but understanding of the women in we've never had enough money their lives. of staff to implement them."

"If we can find the resources education. and maintain the will to move program for our adult students."

For women only

MTSU's Women's Center caters to campus women

CLAUDETTE METZ Special to Sidelines

The June S. Anderson a new student orientation Women's Center, located in room is an information, referral, and changes in housing assign- counseling center for MTSU

Men, who comprise about 10 more attention to adult percent of the center's clientele, learner's particular needs in the generally visit to use the lending Career Counseling and Guidance library (a collection of books covering a wide variety of "These improvements are women's issues) and to discuss

In addition to access to the Heritage and Bowden lending library, women can commend President James receive information and Walker's support for making counseling about issues that adult student services a reality. affect them, such as date rape, That support, Heritage suggests, sexual harassment, and problems is a result of his experience with dealing with trying to balance successful adult learner programs family and school-all of which in the Colorado higher education prevent women from receiving the full benefits of a college

Rebecca Rice, former forward," said Heritage,"I think director of the women's center, we'll soon have an exemplary believes that the center is important in helping those who may

feel as if they can't cope with the demands of college life. "The June Anderson Women's Center is one office, among others, where you can go to get the kind of help you need if you hit a barrier that makes it difficult to proceed," she explained.

"Primarily, a women's center is designed to make women aware of oportunities that are available to them in higher education and also in their careers. The basic concept is that we're here to help all students, particularly women in nontraditional (male dominated) fields, to be successful in their higher education goals."

June Anderson, the center's nesake, was the only female chemistry teacher at MTSU during the 1970's and 80's.

In 1975, Anderson helped organize a group called the Concerned Faculty and Administrative Women (CFAW) to address the problems facing women in higher education. Four years later, she founded a women's center, Women in

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Women:

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Services for Education (WISE), to give women opportunities they otherwise wouldn't receive. Until her death in 1983, June Anderson fought to give women the same chance for advancement that men were given automatically.

Her legacy lives on today in the women's center that bears her

Each year, the June S. Anderson Foundation awards tuition scholarships to women 23 years of age or older who plan to enter non-traditional fields. The money to fund these scholarships was left by Anderson in her will for this purpose.

"Our goal is to go out of business," declared Bonita Ross, former secretary of the women's center. "[We want to] solve all the problems of the world and treat every body equally."

"We'd have no sexual harassment or childhood issue problems and nobody in need of counseling. Then we could go out of business!"

If that day ever comes, it will be in the distant future. Until then, the June S. Anderson Women's Center will continue to serve the university and its students so that they may have an understanding of the past and a hope for equality in the future.



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DANCE: Blue Moves, MTSU's senior dance company won rave reviews in the Spring. If you're interested in dance of any kind, contact Ann Holland, ext. 2918.

THEATRE: The Buchanan Players presented "It's Only a Play" to a packed house. For information on the theatre department, call David Anderson, ext. 2640.

College Life:

Station Style King Style



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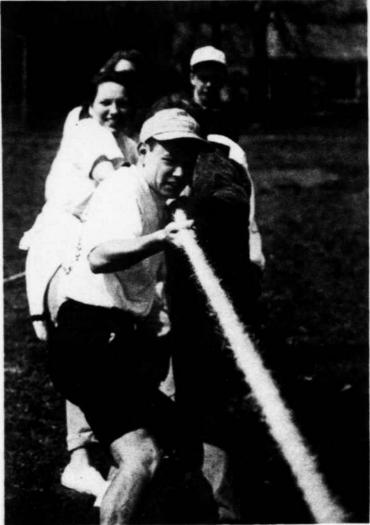
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STUDY: Oh yeah, hitting the books is a bit part of college life on intramural teams or campus sponsored events at ext. 2104.

RECREATION: There's something for everybody, from volleyball to canoeing. Call campus recreation for information



CAMPUS CONCERTS: Bands like local favorite Mud Brothers perform at Spring Fling and other campus events. Call Student Programming or the Issues and Ideas Committee to participate in event planning.



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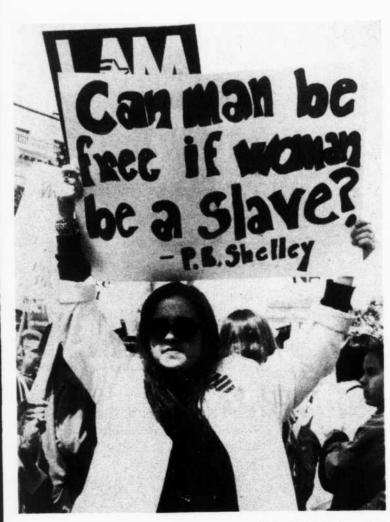
CHURCH RELATED ACTIVITIES: Several church denominations sponser fellowship organizations for students which include events and charity work. Contact the group of your choice for more information.



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ACADEMIC ORGANIZATIONS: The Honors Program Lyceum events in the Spring included Celtic Music by "The Rogues" as well as a Poetry Slam and International Poetry Reading. Call the Honors Department for information on the Honors Student Assoc-iation at ext. 2152 or check with the Dean of Students office for infor-mation on other academic oppor-

R collection of experiences



Rebecca Ruck/Photographer

ACTIVISM: Students are encouraged to strive toward making a difference like members of the Womyn's Political Action Committee who traveled all the way to the Capital to participate in one of the largest pro-choice rallies in



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JOB EXPERIENCE:
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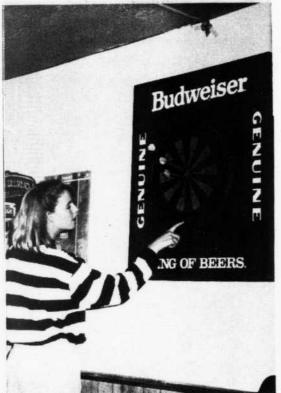
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THERE'S LOTS TO DO IN MURFREESBORO: Throwing darts (left) at the Campus Pub might fill an evening for some, but for others, live music might be just the trick with acts like Celebrity Toast and Jam (center), or if your tastes are more on the athletic side, try outdoor sand volleyball at The 'Boro Too (right).

Eat, drink, and be merry A guide to dining out, where to take a date, etc.

Eatery:	Location:	What do they serve?	I like alcohol	Delivery is cool	What else?
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Mediterranean	109 N. Maple St.	European and American Cuisine	Lounge	No delivery	Live entertainment
Trapper's	127 SE Broad St.	Steak, Ribs, Pasta and Seafood	Lounge	No delivery	
The Parthenon	1935 S. Church	Continental Cuisine, Seafood and Steaks	Lounge	No delivery	Thur-Sat live entertainment
Sir Pizza	1902 E. Main St.	Pizza, subs, spaghetti, lasagne	No alcohol	Free delivery to limited area	
O'Charley's	1006 Memorial Blvd.	Ribs, steaks, burgers, seafood, salads	Yes, there is a bar	No delivery	Weekend Brunch
Bobo's	1312 NW Broad	Chinese	Serves alcohol.	No delivery	
Demo's	1115 NW Broad	Italian cuisine, steaks and seaffod	Yes, there is a bar	No delivery	
Far East Cafe	1529 E Main St.	Thai and Chinese	No alcohol	Free delivery to limited area	
Toot's	860 NW Broad	Wings, Burgers, Oysters and shrimp	Yes, there is a bar	No delivery	
Camino Real	301 NW Broad St.	Mexican	Serves alcohol	No delivery	
Chesney's	1695 Memorial Blvd.	Ribs, Steak, Seafood	Yes, there is a bar	No delivery	Weeekend bunch
Prontos	East Main Street	Gyros, Salads and sandwiches	Sells beer	Free delivery to limited area	



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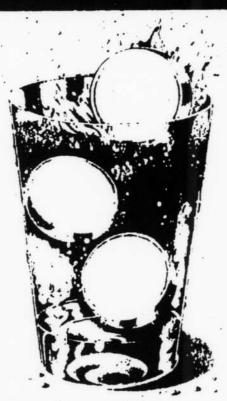
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The Greek system: Something for EVERYONE

BETHLYN ANDERSON Features Editor

Does the thought of starting life at a big college make you shiver? Does belonging to a group of people with similar interests ring your chimes? If so, then the Greek system may be for you.

Fraternities and sororities provide fun and friendships as well as a sense of responsibility and social awareness for their members.

Sure, the parties are fun, but these groups do a lot to contribute to various charities known as philanthropies involve activities that range from blood drives for the American Red Cross to providing a Christmas for underprivileged children.

The social activities these organizations participate in are numerous. Every fall, the Greeks participate in intramural sports such as football (yes, the women play too!) and volleyball.

Intramural games and activities like the float competition, chili cook-off, fight song competition and other events are part of the Homecoming festivities that are a time-honored tradition here at MTSU. During the spring semester, there's Greek Week and All-Sing to look forward to.

Though all of these events tend to get highly competitive, usually no one forgets that they are participating in these activities for fun.

Academics are highly stressed in fraternities and sororities. A student must have at least a 2.0 grade point average to go through rush. Each sorority and fraternity sets their own minimal grade point average for their members to maintain.

There are expenses, and each group has their own separate list of costs. Dues and initiation fees help maintain chapter houses and rooms and pays for many of the activities in which these groups participate.

By now, some may be saying "That's great, but where do I sign up?"

Information on how to sign up for fraternity and sorority rush can be found in Dean of Students Paul Cantrell's office and Associate Dean of Students-Women's Affairs Judy Smith's office, respectively. Both offices are located in the Keathley University Center. There will be booths in the basement of the KUC prior to rush with information there as well.

MTSU has thirteen fraternities and eleven sororities to choose from. These fraternities have rush in the beginning of the fall and spring semesters: Alpha Gamma Rho, Alpha Phi Alpha, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Alpha Order, Kappa Alpha Psi, Kappa Sigma, Phi Beta Sigma, Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Chi, Sigma Phi Epsilon, and Tau Kappa Epsilon.

Seven of the of the eleven sororities are governed by the



Alan Jasenovic/Photographer

GOOD CLEAN FUN: Those Tau Kappa Epsilon guys will do just about anything to raise money, for the MTSU Scholarship fund, that is. Most fraternities and sororities raise funds throughout the year for worthy causes.

Panhellenic Council and hold their rush in the fall. Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Omicron Pi, Chi Omega, Delta Zeta, Kappa Delta and Zeta Tau Alpha all have their rush at the beginning of the fall semester. Delta Phi Sigma, MTSU's only local sorority, holds its rush a week later.

Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Sigma Gamma Rho and Zeta Phi Beta follow guidelines set by the Panhellenic Council and sponsor "interest teas" during the spring and fall semesters.

Each fraternity and sorority is different. The group that may be right for your best friend may not be the one for you, so it is important to keep an open mind.

Think carefully before you choose. The organization you join will be with you for life.



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HAMMERHEADS: Tim Slater demonstrates proper technique at the Sigma Chi sponsored car bashing during Spring Fling.

CROWD PLEASER: The Alpha Gamma Rho yearly barbecue attracted almost 3,000 people this year.

The high cost of living

University Housing vs. Apartment life

Staff Writer

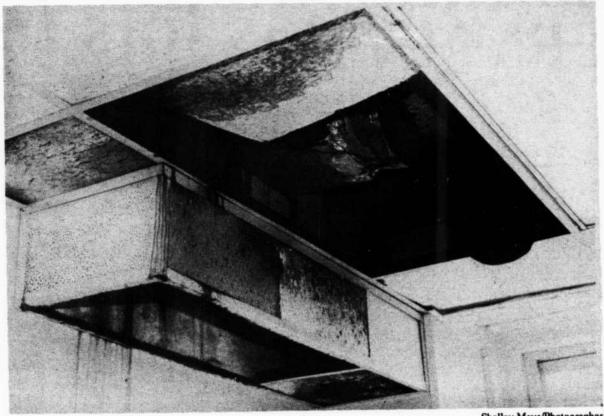
Living on or off campus is a tough decision for most students, particularly if you're new to college life. Each presents a different variation of the blues and a different set of lyrics.

The freedom of living off campus can put a tight squeeze on your wallet. While nesting at the dorms may save you money in the long run, it can be restrictive in how you would really like to live while in college.

For most college students, money plays the biggest roll in deciding where to stay. For overall cost, nothing beats living in the dorms. At the cost of \$619 for five months (fall semester), with the water and electricity covered, no apartment even comes close. All utilities, except longdistance phone charges, are taken care of with only one payment. There's no worrying about scraping up enough money for rent each month.

Another benefit of staying in a dorm is that all your classes are in walking distance, saving you even more money by cutting down on how much you put in your gas tank a week. MTSU dorms will also have basic cable in each room this fall provided that you bring a television.

Now let's turn to the dark and often unbearable side of living in the dorms. Probably the biggest complaint is that you have to



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NOTHING'S PERFECT: Some things about dorm life just aren't right. For example, the roof in Smith Hall leaked down through the ceiling into the men's bathroom. Fortunately, this problem has been fixed, but remember, both apartment and dorm life have dark sides.

share your room with someone else. Sometimes this can be advantageous when you both enjoy the same types of music, shows and sleeping habits. But some people don't mix for one reason or another, and nobody wants to spend almost half a year with someone he or she doesn't get along with.

situation, the dorm rooms are cramped, leaving you little room to move around or have new furniture or even have adequate space for your wardrobe. You must also abide by the dorm's coed visiting times. With all that in mind, you should remember you never actually leave school. Yes, you may not be attending any In addition to the roommate classes but you never leave

How do you break the dorm room blues? Easy! You move off campus and rent an apartment. This way you will not have to deal with a roommate leaving his/her dirty underwear on your bed. No more late-night lamp light glaring in your eyes while that other person pulls a 12-hour cram session for psychology.

In an apartment, the worries of running late to class because a roommate wouldn't get out of the bathroom are long gone. You won't have to plan a time to have your date or friends come over. You can bring them over when you want and for as long as you want.

Most apartments are more spacious than the dorms, allowing you total indulgence in decorating. Bring in your banana plant and break out your bear skin rug and go to town.

As for saving the world's atmosphere by keeping your toxic emissions level down, quite a few apartments are in walking distance from campus. This will also give you a few more minutes to sleep in instead of rushing out to find a parking place.

Even though renting an apartment may cure the dorm room blues, be prepared for the inevitable renter's blues. These blues can range anywhere from \$295 to more than \$400 a month. Not to mention that these blues come with whole new set of lyrics like non-refundable down payment, unfurnished, utility and phone bills to help you dig a little deeper into your pocket.

So either way you turn, you're going to have to make some sacrifices. Whether it be scrounging for every penny for bills or always having to wipe the toilet seat before you sit, the decision is yours. Good luck!

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Sports

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Campus Rec has lots to offer

Something going on year round for interested students

MTSU

Campus Recreation

TRENT MILLER Sports Writer

The old saying goes, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." This may be true, but MTSU students don't have to worry about becoming bored.

Campus Recreation offers a wide variety of activities designed to keep all students active and involved. From intramural sports to informal recreation to outdoor trips, Campus Recreation strives to offer something to suit the interests of everyone.

Glenn Hanley, Campus Recreation director, especially encourages

incoming freshman to get involved with the program. This is an easy and fun way for new students to meet fellow students. While most of the participation comes in the form of team sports, if

you do not have a team, you can call Campus Recreation and they will get you on a team. They also offer many individual/dual type activities such as racquetball, billiards, and tennis.

Several new activities are planned for the 1992-93 year. "We're trying to offer an aerobics class on Wednesday nights at Alumni Gym. It's going to be a low-cost or no-cost item where people can come and go," Hanley said. "Team tennis is new this year. We're going to have an indoor soccer tournament with schools in the area. And in April, we're trying something new, we're going to have a parent-child canoe trip," Hanley said. This last event is designed to meet the needs of non-traditional students who often find it difficult to be involved with many activities because of the demands of their family and jobs.

Hanley is also excited about the new student recreation center. "Supposedly, this summer we'll have an architect named to consult with students to see what they want in the center. With this input, we have hopes of construction beginning in the spring/summer of '93," Hanley said.

In addition to the many activities, Campus Recreation also offers athletic equipment available for check-out to any MTSU student. They also offer jobs for many students. The jobs range from

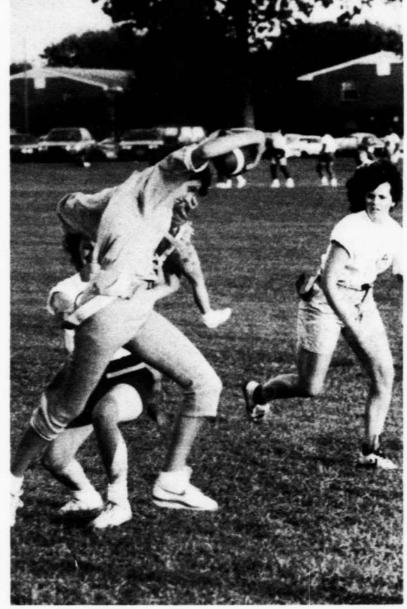
lifeguards to equipment check-out personnel to sports officials.

The price of the activities is also very affordable. "The majority of individual/dual activities cost \$2 or \$3 a person. Team sports cost \$10.

Outdoor programs generally run \$10-\$30. The costs are used to verify that people are interested and show up," Hanley said.

The majority of the activities take place in the afternoon and evening. However, according to Hanley, "We try to do one or two weekend things a month to try to get away from the 'suitcase college' mentality."

The Campus Recreation office is located in room 201 of the Alumni Gym. The phone number is 898-2104. Hanley and the rest of the staff are glad to hear from students, and they welcome your suggestions and participation.



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THE LAST YARD: A participant fights for yardage during a flag football contest sponsored by Campus Recreation. Campus Rec sponsors numerous events during the course of the school year.

1992 MTSU Football

Sept. 5 Tenn. State Sept. 12 Nebraska Sept. 26 Murray St. N. Illinois Oct. 3 Oct. 10 Austin Peay Oct. 17 Eastern Ky. Oct. 24 Southeast Mo. Oct. 31 Ga. Southern Nov. 7 **UT-Martin** Nov. 14 Morehead

Bold type denotes home games, Italic type denotes OVC contest. Homecoming is Oct 10.

Tenn. Tech

Nov. 21

Raider fans can get excited

TONY J. ARNOLD Sports Editor

If you enjoy sports, you've come to the right place.

MTSU is gaining national recognition for its athletic realm and the reputation seems to grow greater as each season passes by.

Currently, no team is in action—if you don't count working out. However, as the fall quickly approaches, the tension of excitement builds because the Blue and Lady Raiders of 1992-93 could possibly provide the most exciting of all seasons in history.

In September, the Blue Raider football squad under the leadership of head coach Boots Donnelly will take the field. Trying to improve on a solid 9-3 season will be tough but certainly possible.

Middle graduated two seniors to the pros last year: All-American tailback Joe Campbell and All-OVC performer Chris Burns who placed fear into opposing quarterbacks from his defensive tackle slot. Campbell, who is MTSU's all-time leading rusher, was drafted by the Los Angeles Rams while Burns was grabbed by the Cincinnati Bengals.

The Raiders will be returning quarterback Kelly Holcomb after a sterling freshman season. They also have perhaps the most well-balanced, talented group of athletes MTSU has fielded and promising things are expected to happen.

The home slate includes Eastern Kentucky this season and that will almost certainly be a sellout. Morehead State, Austin Peay and Tennessee Tech will also venture into the Raider den.

The road will be tough as Middle makes a run to Nebraska on Sept.12 to face the nationally-ranked Cornhuskers. They'll also have perennial Division I-AA championship contender Georgia Southern on the slate.

Just about the time football is wrapping up, basketball will be starting. Both Raider squads are coming off of impressive seasons.

The Lady Raiders will be trying to eclipse the 20 win mark and gain an OVC title after falling short with a 19-9 record last year.

That's not too bad though, considering coach Lewis Bivens started a senior, three sophomores and a

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Raider: -

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freshman. Bivens also had his one of his best recruiting years yet.

Coach David Farrar is currently battling the NCAA but that hasn't kept him from working diligently on his team. Farrar returns Warren Kidd in the middle and several consider him to be the most talented player in MTSU history. Surrounding Kidd is a group of talented athletes, some old and some new, that just might shock a few folks this year.

Next comes baseball and you couldn't ask for a better team. The Raiders are experienced and have as good of talent as anyone they face. They've won three consecutive conference tournament titles and, with the team coach Steve Peterson has coming in, you can count on a push for the fourth.

Tennis will share center stage with basketball as coach Dale Short prepares his men and women to do battle.

The women, who'll be led by Yael Soresaman, will be going for a fourth consecutive OVC crown. The men, whose strength is Paul Goebel, will be vying for their third straight.

Women's softball will make

its debut at MTSU next year as the Lady Raiders take the field for the first time under head coach Janet Ross.

We must not forget track either, as world renowned coach Dean Hayes sets the pace for his men and women throughout the fall and spring.

Both the men and women have athletes capable of winning the OVC and if track is your thing, you'll certainly be interested in following the Raiders.

These sports often take the forefront, but there is other action, too. How does soccer, rugby or lacrosse sound?

You can even participate in numerous campus recreation events. Just go by the Campus Recreation office and join up.

As you can see, we weren't lying when we said MTSU has several solid and talented teams.

Each one needs your support and if you'll give it a try, you'll find out how fun it can be.

The upcoming seasons have as much expectation as any and it's almost time to buckle up.

Sidelines is coming along for the ride, how about you?

Student Programming: Continued From Page Ten

have broken every tour record of breaking down a concert in order to get the show back on the road, so the promoter saves money," she said.

This Student Programming system was first developed in 1973 or 1974, according to Dennis, and has been improving ever since. "Through the years we have learned what works and what doesn't work to keep this system going," Dennis said.

"We now hold a higher number of supervisors over a fewer number of students, and this seems to be the most efficient method of work dispersion," Dennis said.

In order to become a part of Student Programming you must first fill out an application, then wait for an invitation from the committee, you want to work for. Upon



Sidelines

Shelley Mays/Photographer

JUDD-TO-JUDD: The Judds held their "Farewell Concert" at Murphy Center last fall. Who's knows what will take place this semester.

being chosen you must go through one general training session to learn information about the program's history, it's structure, and the general and specific information about job positions and how students are paid, according to Dennis. "Those seeking to work in the area of hospitality must go through an interview process in order to be hired," Dennis said.

"Our high expectations and training allow for success in Student Programming," Dennis concluded.

The Sidelines staff would like to welcome all freshmen and transfering students to the MTSU campus.

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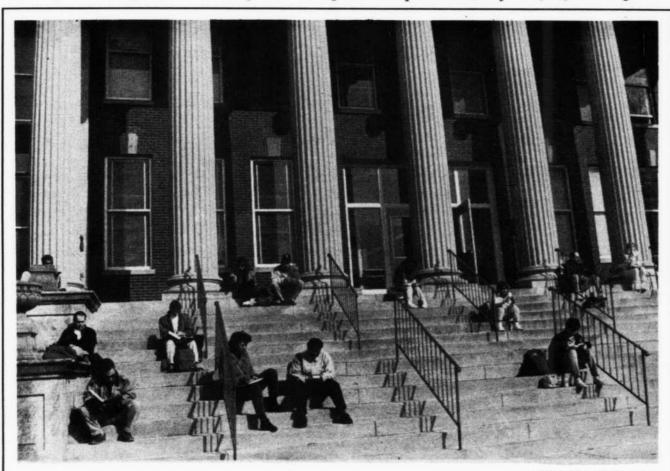
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JUST ANOTHER DAY AT MTSU: Students relax and rest while on break from class or while cramming for a test

Price Wars:

Geography . French . Equestrian . Developmental Studies . Criminal Justice Administration . Basketball . Academics

Blue Raider vs. MTSU's Bookstore

CATHY CLISSOLD News Writer

New students will probably be surprised at the expense of textbooks this fall. They will be even more surprised at the small portion of the original cost they will receive when they try to sell their books back at the end of the semester.

Blue Raider Bookstore and Phillips Bookstore both claim that they are not in competition with each other, but there are often price discrepencies.

According to Darrell Isabell, Blue Raider Bookstore manager, Blue Raider Bookstore and Phillips Bookstore do not engage in "price wars." The publishers, not the bookstores set the retail prices for textbooks, he says. Price increases are published monthly and the price differences occur when one store receives an increase before the other.

Buy-back prices are determined by 50 percent of the new book retail price. Then the book is resold for 75 percent of the new book price, said Earl Harris, manager of Phillips Bookstore. If a book is sold used, the buy-back price remains at 50 percent of the new book

price.

In other words, if a book costs \$10 new, it will be bought back at \$5. The book is then resold at \$7.50, but the same book is still bought back at \$5, expalined Harris.

Both managers said that they try to buy back as many used books from the students as possible. They then try to purchase books from a used book distributor before buying new textbooks. requires notification to the bookstores within thirty days of the last semester of use. If a bookstore has a surplus of a discontinued text, they are unable to buy back a book from the students.

Isabell said that Blue Raider Bookstore is set up as an off-campus bookstore to offer the students more used books. Blue Raider tries to compete with Phillips by offering the students a more service-oriented bookstore run by other students.

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MTSU policy on textbook change

Price Wars:

A comparison between Blue Raider and MTSU

Freshman course books:	Blue R.	MTSU	Blue R.	MTSU
Biology	\$36.05	\$35.05	\$48.05	\$46.75
Psychology	\$36.05	\$36.05	\$48.05	\$48.05
Geology	\$39.45	\$35.05	\$52.60	\$50.65
Physical Science	\$35.05	\$33.60	\$46.75	\$46.75
Sociology	\$33.60	\$25.25	\$44.80	\$44.80
Mass Comm	\$25.25	\$25.25	\$33.65	\$33.65
Effective Living	\$20.20	\$20.20	\$26.45	\$26.95
Harbrace Handbook	\$16.10	\$15.10	\$21.45	\$20.15
College Algebra	\$34.60	\$34.10	\$46.10	\$45.45
Math (Math 300)	\$33.10	\$32.15	\$44.15	\$42.85
Accounting	\$39.70	\$38.95	\$52.95	\$51.95
History (History 201)	\$24.35	\$23.85	\$32.45	\$31.80

Honors offers Freshmen scholarships

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Four incoming freshmen will be awarded one-year scholarships by the Honors Program at Middle Tennessee State University for the 1992-93 academic year.

The scholarships, which were recently approved by MTSU president James Walker, cover books, tuition, fees and on-campus board for one year, according to Honors Program Director John Paul Montgomery.

Applicants must be graduates of an accredited high school in the state of Tennessee, have a composite score of 26 on the enhanced ACT or 1060 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test. Also required are transcripts, a letter from an academic teacher who worked with the student at least a year, a 300-500 word essay on how the student would restructure their high school education and the changes they would make, and the completed application.

The scholarships, which amount to \$3,750 per student per year, will be issued in two installments.

A committee representing the undergraduate colleges — Geoffrey Hull (Recording Industry Management), Harold Whiteside (Education), M. Jill Austin (Management and Marketing), Tom Strawman and Angela Hague (English) — will evaluate applications and select scholarship winners. The deadline for applying is August 3 and winners will be announced before the beginning of the fall semester.

Montgomery was excited about the scholarship. "We can give a good student a chance to get a year's education. It's one of the best things we can do. We're so appreciative of the support we've gotten from the administration. We owe a debt of gratitude and our thanks to Dr. Walker and Dr. James Hindman, VP for Academic Affairs," he added.

Freshman and sophomore honor classes are usually made up of 20 students, with junior and senior level classes at 15. Scholarship winners will be required to enroll at full-time students taking 12 or more credit hours a semester, five of which must be honors

"Our high ability students are with people who want to teach them and are not intimidated by their intellect. There's no big miracle about it. It works and it's the best mix you can get."

by their intellect. There's no big miracle about it. It works, and it's the best mix you can get."

The honors program is an integral part of a comprehensive university like MTSU, helping prepare students for challenging graduate school programs, as well as for their careers, Montgomery said.

For more information or applications, contact the Honors Office at P.O. Box 267. Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, Tenn. 37132, or call (615) 898-2152.

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